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65th ANNIVERSARY APPROACHES

Third generation at EB

Business born in a barn has grown steadily

By MOLLY RICHESON

For The Prairie News

PRINCEVILLE – Almost 65 years ago, three brothers got together in Princeville and decided to start building machine sheds.

There was no thought at the time that the business, which began out of a barn, would someday involve at least a third generation and become a household name for post-frame buildings.

But that's what EB Buildings & Lumber Co. has become since its humble start.

Paul Streitmatter and his brothers grew up in Princeville. Paul initially worked for Stahl Lumber Company in Wyoming and later sold Tazewell Buildings. Brothers Jeff

and Don farmed.

In 1960, they decided to work together in a construction venture they called Economy Builders and Supply Company Inc. Their building company soon evolved into a lumber company as well.

In 2011, the brothers opened a hardware store, entering a co-op with Do It Best as a supplier.

Alfred, another Streitmatter brother and also a farmer, came to Economy Builders as a salesman. Eventually he bought out Jeff and Don.

Alfred's son Doug Streitmatter graduated high school in 1980 and came to work with the building crews. Doug later married his wife, Cindy, earned a bachelor's degree in



Founded in 1960 as Economy Builders and Supply Company with a focus on building machine sheds, the Princeville business has evolved into a full-scale hardware store while maintaining its roots in building construction.

construction technology from Bradley University and bought out his father and his father's business partner, Dick Stubbs.

Flash forward a few decades to today and the process is repeating. Doug's son Blake is in the process of buying out his father – ensuring a third generation of Streitmatters will be involved in EB.

Blake, who has been with

the family business for about five years, hadn't initially planned on taking over but said he always knew it was an option. Doug counseled his son about the decision, not wanting him to feel pressured.

"You have got to love what you're doing. If you want to make something successful, you have got to love what

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Galva city tax rate will drop

City buying new fire truck

By CAROL TOWNSEND

For The Prairie News

GALVA – The Galva City Council voted unanimously on Monday to pass an annual tax levy ordinance that has a lower rate than last year.

The rate of 2.6715 per \$100 of assessed valuation is down from last year's rate of 2.7803 according to City Administrator David Dyer.

Taxpayers will not see much savings, though, since Henry County estimates that the the equalized assessed value of properties in Galva will increase 3.5%.

The council also approved spending \$525,000 to purchase a 2024 fire truck for the Galva Fire Department from Toyne Inc. of Breda, Iowa. The truck will replace a 23-year-old model than cannot be traded in due to its age. Plans are to sell the older vehicle after the new fire truck arrives.

The council has been investing the gaming tax revenue it receives monthly into a fund for the new fire truck. Tax receipts are typically over \$2,000 per

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Is church restoration next at Bishop Hill?

By JAMES D. NOWLAN

For The Prairie News

BISHOP HILL – Monday marked a celebration in Bishop Hill of the recent completion of a white picket fence that frames the large, popular village park, a sparkling necklace around the heart of the community.

Next on the wish list of community leaders: Restoration of the dilapidated yet historically significant 1848 Bishop Hill Colony Church, which is owned by the Illinois Department of Natu-

ral Resources.

Volunteers, descendants of original settlers, state officials, Rotarians, residents and well-wishers filled the old Bishop Hill School following a ribbon cutting at the park. Praise was heaped on many, including:

- Mike Massie, Rachel Tucker and the Galva Rotary. Massie spearheaded the project and his Rotary Club raised the \$41,000 to fund the fence.
- The Rotary Community Corps and its 60 inmate

members at the Kewanee Life Skills Re-Entry Center, an Illinois Department of Corrections facility. In mates cut and shaped the 4,000 wood pickets, constructed and installed the fence sections.

- Retired KLSRC chief engineer Jeff Olson of Galva, who led and coordinated the building of the fence, with the help of IDOC employees Tom Moraski, Tom Ryan and many others.
- The collaboration of IDNR and IDOC in making the fence



Galva Mayor Rich Volkert, left, points out a historic building at Bishop Hill to State Rep. Travis Weaver (R-Brimfield), center, during a celebration Monday of the new wood picket fence that frames the Bishop Hill Village Park. Jeff Olson of Galva, who led the construction of the fence project, is at right. Photo by James D. Nowlan.

happen. • The champions of Bishop Hill, including the Bishop Hill

Heritage Association, headed by Lou Lourdeau and his wife, Ja-

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BISHOP HILL: Inmates built picket fence

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nene Blodgett, and the BH Old Settlers' Association, which hosted Monday's celebration at their school building, presided over effectively by OSA president Joella Krause.

KLSRC focuses intensively on providing inmates with the skills and values to succeed as taxpaying citizens upon release. Galva attorney Mike Massie, who has devoted much of his life to workforce development, saw that the values of Rotary – Service Over Self – could be instilled in the facility's residents. Mike convinced Rotary and IDOC that a real Rotary-like club inside the correctional facility could be a strong positive influence on inmates who were soon to be released.

Every week inside KLSRC, the Rotary Community Corps members recite the Four-Way Test, as do Rotarians worldwide. The fence project is but one of a number of community and even fundraising activities the Kewanee inmates have participated in for area communities.

During the two months of fence installation, Bishop Hill community volunteers provided homemade lunches daily to the KLSRC inmates working at the park. Over the weeks, they all became like community, asking about one another's families and complaining about the weather.

As State Rep. Travis Weaver (R-Brimfield) said at the celebration:



The Bishop Hill Colony Church was built in 1848 and was the first permanent building in the colony. It is owned by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources.



Joella Krause and Mike Massie are pictured at Monday's celebration of the completion of the new 1,600-foot, wood picket fence that frames the Bishop Hill village park.

"This is about more than a fence!"
Much work yet to do

The historic community's structure is complicated. There is a village government for the 120 or so residents, and then the heritage and old settlers' groups and IDNR.

The Heritage Association owns nine of the historic buildings and IDNR owns five. The Heritage-owned buildings are well kept and in good shape, says Heritage president Loudreau. The IDNR buildings are not, he laments. To be fair, IDNR manages 57 historic sites statewide, and the state's budget faces a \$3 billion deficit this year – money has always been tight.

The history of Bishop Hill dates back to 1846, when Eric Janson convinced about 1,000 fellow Swedes to leave religious oppression in their home country and find freedom of religion and a communal life style in America, at Bishop Hill, several

miles west of Galva. The first winter they lived in dugout caves along a ravine in what is now the picket fence park. Many died, yet the colony persevered, and they built imposing brick buildings that remain today.

Two years later, the Jansonites built the Colony Church, the community's first permanent building. Inside, the two-story church is a jewel-box that still serves – or can serve – for community socials, weddings and worship. Yet, it is in bad shape.

Scores of thousands of visitors come to BH annually, to shop, dine, imbibe history, enjoy musical and other programs.

Weaver has been working with IDNR to encourage the agency to pay some attention to the buildings they own in Bishop Hill. The state agency recently agreed to fund a consultant to prepare a restoration design for the church that is historically ap-

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GALVA: Water-bill penalties changing

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month. That money has been invested in a certificate of deposit and earns about \$8,500 per year.

The city plans to make payments using the tax funds and interest from the CDs.

The council also voted to change water bill penalties. Bills are sent out on the first of the month. If not paid by the due date of the 15th, a 4% penalty is incurred. If a bill is not paid, there will be no more tags placed on doors. Instead, water customers will be sent a second notice on yellow paper giving the resident an additional 15 days to pay.

If a resident does not pay or make arrangements

at City Hall, water will be shut off and a \$100 penalty will be charged to have water restored. This change goes into effect May 1.

Resident Dustin Williams asked if Flock cameras were being used in Galva, as there are several insurance and license suspensions each week on the police report.

Police Chief Kraig Townsend said the City of Galva does not have any Flock cameras at this time, but Galva is using cameras that have been placed around Henry County.

Williams said he did not think the cameras should be used for this, but instead should help find missing people and aid in

other police efforts.

Several aldermen said they felt that it is very important to get drivers off the road who do not have insurance or are driving a car with no drivers license.

The cameras take a picture of a car and email the authorized person in the closest town a picture of the vehicle if it is linked to a violation of some sort.

Williams was also thanked for painting the cannons located in the parks and cemetery.

Chief Townsend reported that three part-time officers are in police training and will be finished soon. He hopes that this will help with filling Galva's on-duty schedule.

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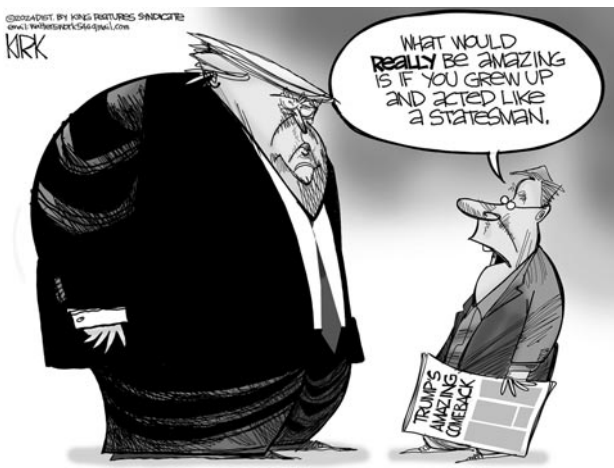
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Teeth in? Or teeth out?

Once upon a time, I was a naive new business owner who thought everybody paid their bills. That was back when we started printing the magazine Heartland Outdoors. As part of the purchase, we inherited a stack of past-due invoices.

I figured a few weeks of tracking down non-payers would end that problem. But non-payers have never disappeared, even as we moved on from the magazine to our current weekly newspapers. Lately, unpaid debt has reached a level that has raised my ire and rekindled memories of past collection forays.

One such expedition ranged far and wide across Illinois and included an associate who would ask at each stop, "Teeth in or teeth out?" His reasoning was that he looked tougher with his false teeth out, which would help if we needed intimidation to loosen purse strings.

That proved unnecessary. When you show up at somebody's door with a bill, most people pay – even if barter is required. That's why some customers paid with a new 15-hp boat motor, fishing rods and reels, lures, hats, hunting clothes and more. Unfortunately, that created more head-

aches, since we had to resell the stuff to get money.

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But when people promise to pay and never follow through, that's maddening. That's also why smarter business owners get paid up front. So our policy in 2025 is to require payment in advance for obituaries, birthday

ads, lost dogs, classifieds, political ads, single-run ads and from new customers. We will also charge interest on past-due accounts, since it costs us in manpower, postage and brain power to keep sending statements and making calls.

That's also why between now and the end of January, I'll spend time each week visiting the handful of folks whose bills are long past due.

I promise to keep my teeth in as you write out a check.

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Parting shot: A proposal to change the way non-boundaried schools are classified by enrollment for sporting events did not receive enough votes to make the all-school ballot the Illinois High School Association sent to

schools this week. That's a shame, because the IHSA's current classification system for private and non-boundaried schools is not working. Look no further than this year's football title games for proof.

Lena-Winslow, Maroa-Forsyth, Monticello and Mount Zion field top-tier public-schools programs, but all were routed in title games by non-boundaried schools that next year will likely be pushed up two classes. That change comes too late. Belleville Althoff should never be in Class 1A, nor should Lombard Montini compete in 3A. But they did this season because the IHSA's "success factor" is flawed.

The only public winner in eight title games was East St. Louis in 6A. Cumulative score in the other games was 283-76 in favor of non-boundaried schools – whose membership accounts for just 10% of football schools that are playoff eligible.

But this is not limited to football. This fall, 17 of 30 state champions in 10 sports came from private or non-boundaried schools, even though those schools make up just 25% of the IHSA membership.

A disproportionate number of titles for non-boundaried schools is not a new development. Nor is the IHSA's lack of a good answer.

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EB BUILDINGS: Customer base is now widespread

Continued from Page 1 you're doing," Doug told his son.

Blake graduated with a bachelor's degree in construction management from Illinois State University, with a minor in business.

"That was pretty much geared toward here," says Blake, who currently owns about 20% of the business.

EB has four main income streams: post-frame buildings, equipment rental, the hardware store and the lumber yard.

"The revenue streams all complement each other,"

Doug explains. "When one's down, one might be up. It's good to be diversified, especially in this day and age.

"We've been pretty blessed here with good employees and a good customer base. You can only offer so many things: good customer service, price and knowledge. I think we offer all three."

One of those employees is General Manager Mark Heinz, who contacted Doug about a job while the hardware store was still being built.

Heinz had been building houses with his brother locally for about 10 years but knew he couldn't do that forever. Heinz had switched to construction because it was better for his situation as a single father raising two young children.

But Heinz's background was in direct marketing, working for companies like Foster & Gallagher and others. When Doug realized Heinz had a background in marketing and construction, he brought him aboard.

"Next thing you know, I'm running the store,"

Heinz recalls.

EB's customer base is drawn from a wide area that stretches across Stark County to Williamsfield and south through Peoria County. That helps the business thrive in a village with a population of just 1,600 residents.

Doug is also confident about the customer experience for those coming to his Princeville store – even customers from the Peoria area.

"If we can get people to come to our store from over that way, they'll come back because they get a better experience," he says.

Asked if he would consider changing EB's location to attract more business, Doug responded with a hard "no."

"That would not be an option. We are in a great community," he says. "Everybody knows we're here. I would never want to move it."

A good example of the customer support he's talking about was evident during the COVID years.

Contrary to what a lot of businesses experienced, EB's sales actually increased during the pandemic.



The management crew at EB Buildings & Lumber Co. includes (left to right) Blake Streitmatter, his father Doug Streitmatter and Mark Heinz, store general manager.

demic.

"We didn't know what to think, but it was almost like a switch got turned on," Heinz says. "We had some of our best years for sales during COVID."

He said the impact on sales was because of local people supporting local businesses.

"A lot of people didn't want to go into Peoria because it was such a populated area, so the local people would come here," Blake said.

Added Doug, "People were home, they were bored, so they started doing more home projects and cooking at home more often. We had our best grill

sales by a lot.

"And our toilet paper sales went up probably 50,000%, too."

One casualty of COVID was a 60th anniversary celebration for the business. But 2025 will mark EB's 65th anniversary.

What's next for EB? Another hardware store and lumberyard could be on the horizon, but that won't happen for awhile. Blake plans to continue slowly buying the business from his father.

In the meantime, EB will aim to continue a family tradition of excellent customer service, well-built buildings and an inventory of quality products.



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TAKE NOTICE THAT THE ABOVE SAID PARCELS WERE SOLD ON OCTOBER 25, 2022, FOR GENERAL TAXES FOR THE YEAR 2021 AND PRIOR YEARS, AND THAT THE PERIOD OF REDEMPTION FROM SUCH SALE EXPIRES MAY 19, 2025. TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT A PETITION FOR ORDER DIRECTING ISSUANCE OF TAX DEEDS HAS BEEN FILED IN THE ABOVE SAID CAUSE AS TO THE ABOVE-NAMED PARCELS BY STARK COUNTY, AS TRUSTEE, AND THAT ON JUNE 20, 2025 AT 11:00 AM [COURTROOM 1], SAID PETITIONER WILL APPLY FOR AN ORDER THAT A TAX DEED ISSUE AS TO EACH ABOVE SAID PARCEL NOT REDEEMED ON OR BEFORE MAY 19, 2025. /S/ STARK COUNTY AS TRUSTEE, PETITIONER.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK
ADDRESS: 130 WEST MAIN, TOULON, IL 61483
TELEPHONE: (309) 286-5911
Published 12/6, 12/13, 12/20/24

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.illinois.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 mortgagee, 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

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OBITUARIES

Marilyn Y. Bogner

SPEER – Marilyn Yvonne Bogner, 89, of Speer, passed away at 9:57 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 27, 2024, at OSF Richard L. Owens Hospice Home in Peoria.

She was born in Peoria, on Jan. 19, 1935, the daughter of the late Clement and Dorothy (Turner) Gill. On April 27, 1957, she was united in marriage in Camp Grove 67 years ago, with Richard Bogner, of Speer. He survives.



Bogner

Also surviving Yvonne are five children, Gregory A. (Sue) Bogner and Daniel R. (Nancy) Bogner, both of Chillicothe, Michael D. Bogner of Wyoming, Cynthia (Mark) Rayburn of Dewey and Susan (Miles) McHugh of Naples, Fla.; seven grandchildren, Anna Bogner, Elizabeth Boyer, Caitlyn Sharp, Conner Bogner, Molly Loree and Ryan and Thomas McHugh; a great-granddaughter, Roswell Francis Sharp; three brothers, James (Mary) Gill, Gene (Joanne) Gill and David (Virginia) Gill; and a sister-in-law, Sheree Gill. She is further survived by many cherished nieces and nephews.

Aside from her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, Dr. William Gill; nephew, Dan Gill; and grandson, Nicholas Bogner.

Yvonne graduated from St. Mary's Academy in Nauvoo, and St. Francis School of Nursing in Peoria.

She was a 4-H leader alongside her husband for many years and a member of the St. Patrick's Church altar and rosary society in Camp Grove. Her life of service and love of nursing continued into her 80s as a parish nurse, serving the rural community in which she lived. Yvonne was an avid reader, bridge player, a skilled seamstress and a creative and active mother and grandmother.

Funeral Mass will take place on Saturday, Dec. 21, 2024, at St. Dominic Catholic Church in Wyoming, at 10 a.m. The Rev. John the Baptist Uwigaba will officiate. Burial will follow in St. Patrick Cemetery in Camp Grove.

Memorial donations can be made to the Stark County Food Pantry, the Saint Francis School of Nursing, Sisters of the Third Order of East Peoria, or to Illinois Cancer-Care PC of Peoria.

Haskell Funeral and Cremation Services in Wyoming is assisting with arrangements.

To leave condolences for Yvonne's family, please visit www.haskellfuneral.com.

Douglas J. Lindahl

WYOMING – In loving memory of Douglas J. Lindahl, 49, who passed peacefully in his sleep on Nov. 19, 2024, the son of Irving and Joyce Lindahl.

He graduated from Wyoming High School with the class of 1983.

Douglas is survived by his mother Joyce, a brother Dave and his sister Jeanie.

William H. Wilkinson

WYOMING - William H. "Bill" Wilkinson, 82, of Wyoming, passed away Nov. 29, 2024, at his home after fighting pancreatic cancer for 11 months.

He was born Sept. 16, 1942, in Kewanee to Harold and Betty (Graves) Wilkinson. He grew up in rural Wyoming and was in the Wyoming Community High School Class of 1961.

He served in the U.S. Army and was stationed in Iran during the Vietnam War. During that time he was awarded a National Defense Service Sharpshooter (rifle) medal.

He married Susan C. Hill on June 26, 1971, and celebrated 50 years of marriage before her death in 2021. He was also preceded in death by his parents; sister, Becky (Steve) Bogner of Sparland; niece, Jennifer Wilkinson of Pekin; nephew, Michael Kenyon of Sparland; brothers-in-law, Ed (Pat) Borop of Peoria (formerly Chillicothe) and Melvin "Lyle" (Chris) Hill II of Surprise, Ariz.

Surviving are three children, Christina (Jim) Lauwerens of Rochester, Anita Wilkinson of Pekin (formerly Henry) and Raymond (financé Robin) Wilkinson of El Paso; and five grandchildren Jordan, Caitlin and Jared Lauwerens, and Haden and Hunter Wilkinson.

He is also survived by siblings, Jim (Barb) Wilkinson of Huntsville, Ala., Jeanette Wilkinson of Macomb, Pat Borop of Peoria (formerly Chillicothe), Rhonda Wilkinson of Canton and David Wilkinson of Sparland; and by many nieces, nephews and great-nieces and nephews who live throughout Illinois, Texas and Alabama.

Bill worked as a diesel mechanic for Caterpillar Inc. for 35 years. He belonged to Chillicothe Sportsmen's Club and enjoyed his weekly target practice and volunteer time there. Fishing was another lifelong

hobby he enjoyed in his free time. His free time was rare because his skills in trades such as carpentry, plumbing, welding, farming, gardening, electrical and mechanics kept him busy with projects on his farm and helping his friends and family.

Visitation will be from 5-7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6, 2024, at Haskell Funeral & Cremation Services in Wyoming. His funeral service will be at Wyoming United Methodist Church at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 7, 2024. Following a meal at the church there will be a short graveside service at the chapel in Swan Lake Memory Gardens in Peoria at 2:30 p.m. Rev. Rebecca Klemm will officiate.

Memorial contributions can be made to First Baptist Church Food Pantry, serving Wyoming.

To leave condolences for Bill's family, please visit www.haskellfuneral.com.

Lynn M. Yelm

GALVA – Lynn M. Yelm, 60, of Galva, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, Nov. 26, 2024, at OSF Saint Joseph

Medical Center in Bloomington with her family at her side.

She was born Aug. 10, 1964, in Kewanee, the daughter of Keith and Linda (Hepner) Martin. She is survived by her children, Alan (Samantha) Yelm and their children, Madison Kirk, Ryker, Barrett and Landon Yelm of Galva; Bailey Yelm and her children, Brice Briggs and Harper Wheelhouse of Galva; and Casey (Anthony) Pozzi of Ringold, Ga. and her son, Levi Pozzi; her mother, Linda Martin of Galva; a brother, Kem (Andrea) Martin of Galva; a sister, Kathy McCoy of Galva; and several nieces and nephews and great-nieces and great-nephews. She was preceded in death by her father.

Lynn worked as a manager at Walmart in Kewanee as a team leader in the clothing department for the past 29 years.

She was of the Methodist faith and she enjoyed reading, going on walks, playing games, watching movies, spending time by the pool, planting flowers, gardening and especially spending time with her family.

A celebration-of-life service was Dec. 3 at Rux Funeral Home in Galva. Cremation was to be accorded following the services with private inurnment in Galva Cemetery at a later date.

Memorials may be directed to the family for a memorial to be established.



Lindahl



Wilkinson



Yelm

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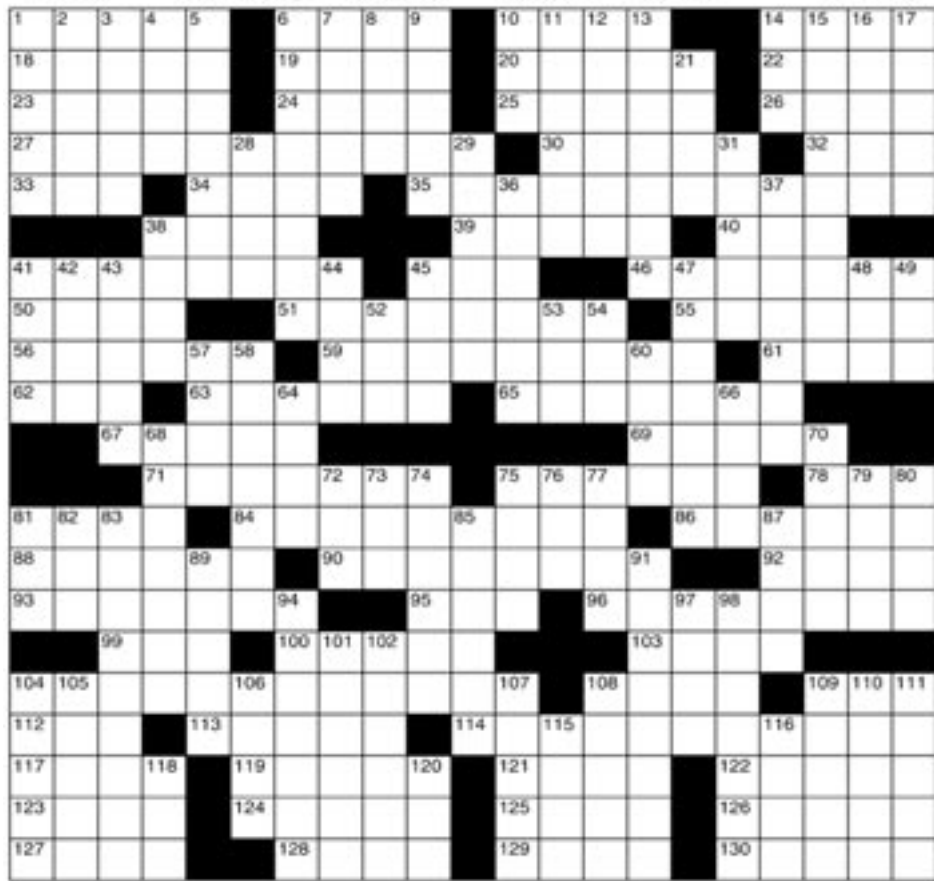
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Lagoons
 - 6 Jaunty greeting under canvas
 - 10 Basics
 - 14 Aid in crime
 - 18 Full of vitality
 - 19 Purim's month
 - 20 Patio cooker
 - 22 Sage guide
 - 23 Pope after Sergius II
 - 24 Acting Ward
 - 25 "Same here"
 - 26 Arab country
 - 27 Player hitting to prepare for a spike
 - 30 Energetic journalist
 - 32 Chicago-to-Tampa dir.
 - 33 Suffix with leopard
 - 34 Caroling song
 - 35 Journalist covering a particular sector
 - 38 To be, to Bardot
 - 39 Lock of hair
 - 40 Dubai's country, for short
 - 41 "Kung Fu Hustle" director and star
 - 45 Canonized Mle.
 - 46 Campers
 - 50 Field unit
 - 51 Jarred
 - 55 Having no commercials
 - 56 High-scoring hoops shot
 - 59 Met or La Scala frequenter
 - 61 "That didn't escape my notice"
 - 62 Prior to, to bards
 - 63 Pooch's cry
 - 65 Country singer Blake
 - 67 Andrea — (ill-fated ship)
 - 69 Swimming sensation at the 1972 Olympics
 - 71 Nine-sided shape
 - 75 Comic buffoon
 - 78 Entertainer Zadora
 - 81 Deli salad
 - 84 Injury rehab professional
 - 86 Scattering in the field
 - 88 Baja blanket
 - 90 Vandals, e.g.
 - 92 Gillette brand
 - 93 Genghis Khan followers
 - 95 Silvery gray
 - 96 Deliverer of a fine spray
 - 99 Text-scanning device, briefly
 - 100 Revises text
 - 103 First letter of the Arabic alphabet
 - 104 130-to-135-pound bout competitor
 - 108 "— Well That Ends Well"
 - 109 Cavity fillers' org.
 - 112 According to
 - 113 Sheriff's star
 - 114 Popular yoga pose ... or something found seven times in this puzzle
 - 117 Color shade
 - 119 Research facility
 - 121 TV "Warrior Princess"
 - 122 Duck with soft feathers
 - 123 Tortilla treat
 - 124 One of the singing Braxton sisters
 - 125 Eternally
 - 126 Love, to Lucia
 - 127 Place of bliss
 - 128 Stuck-up type
 - 129 Relaxation
 - 130 Crowded
 - DOWN**
 - 1 Give birth, as a whale
 - 2 Margarines
 - 3 Forerunners of cellos
 - 4 Pernicious
 - 5 Like July, order-wise
 - 6 Dinosaurs, so to speak
 - 7 Exemplar
 - 8 Passageway
 - 9 Brand of toothbrushes
 - 10 DCJ heads
 - 11 She wrote "Jane Eyre"
 - 12 Apple quaffs
 - 13 Most sluggish
 - 14 Past time
 - 15 Lousy pieces of advice
 - 16 Rub out
 - 17 Plano fixer
 - 21 Talk like Daffy Duck
 - 28 Past time
 - 29 See
 - 27-Across
 - 31 See
 - 30-Across
 - 36 Sports sites
 - 37 Snitching sort
 - 38 Sort of sword
 - 41 Fill totally
 - 42 Sch. worker
 - 43 Went wrong
 - 44 See
 - 41-Across
 - 45 Give a bias to
 - 47 Wildlife-tracking aids
 - 48 Lulu Hogg player Peggy
 - 49 Stitch up
 - 52 GI address
 - 53 "Bleech!"
 - 54 "The Raven" poet
 - 57 Spanish river
 - 58 See
 - 56-Across
 - 60 Red Muppet
 - 64 Infant's cry
 - 66 Nabisco treat
 - 68 Doing sentry duty
 - 70 See
 - 69-Across
 - 72 H.S.-level exam
 - 73 "... bug — feature?"
 - 74 Quarterback great Joe
 - 75 Relief sound
 - 76 Mao — tung
 - 77 Other, to Gabriela
 - 79 About
 - 80 Petri dish gel
 - 81 Old JFK jet
 - 82 Meadow
 - 83 Haughtiness
 - 85 Gridiron score after a throw, in brief
 - 87 Street urchin
 - 89 Alternative to "Section 2"
 - 91 Steadfast
 - 94 Spring farm machines
 - 97 Earthen pot
 - 98 Interpret wrongly
 - 101 Starts eating, informally
 - 102 "— kick from champagne" (Cole Porter lyric)
 - 104 Milk, in Italy
 - 105 Homer epic
 - 106 Bulb unit
 - 107 See
 - 104-Across
 - 108 Two of Henry VIII's wives
 - 109 Append
 - 110 Active sorts
 - 111 Match up
 - 115 "— Only Just Begun"
 - 116 Very thin coin
 - 118 2,000 pounds
 - 120 See
 - 119-Across



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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

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Trivia test by JES Holtsinger

- ANATOMY: Where is the glabella located in the human body?
- LITERATURE: In children's books, what is the name of the Big Red Dog?
- GEOGRAPHY: In which country would you find the 98-foot-tall Christ the Redeemer figure?
- GAMES: What number is represented by the phrase "two little ducks" in bingo?
- SCIENCE: What percentage of air is nitrogen gas?
- MUSIC: When did Rock the Vote, an organization that encourages young people to vote, come into being?
- TELEVISION: Which 1970s comedy show features the theme song "Come On Get Happy"?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Which month of the year has the least number of letters?
- U.S. STATES: Which state is first alphabetically?
- MOVIES: Which 1983 movie features a character named Tony Montana?

Answers

- Between the eyebrows
- Clifford
- Brazil
- 22
- 78 percent
- 1990
- "The Partridge Family"
- May
- Alabama
- "Scarface"

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TOP 10 MOVIES

- Wicked (PG)
- Gladiator II (R)
- Red One (PG-13)
- Bonhoeffer: Pastor. Spy. Assassin (PG-13)
- Venom: The Last Dance (PG-13)
- The Best Christmas Pageant Ever (PG)
- Heretic (R)
- The Wild Robot (PG)
- Smile 2 (R)
- A Real Pain (R)

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SPORTS: Rebels win first

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 as the Rebels (1-4) beat Putnam County 70-48 in the six-team round robin.
 Daum scored 11 in the fourth quarter. Half of Ross Saner's 18 points came in the third quarter, when Stark County turned an 11-point deficit into a nine-point lead. Justin Warner had 11 points.
 In a 63-48 loss Nov. 29 to Elmwood, Saner had 19 points and Daum scored 12. Tournament champion Annawan beat Stark County 85-47 on Nov. 27 despite 14 points from Ben


Browning and 13 from Saner. Daum was an all-tournament selection.
 Stark County plays host tonight to Brimfield.
 • **SC girls** – The Lady Rebels (2-2) are home vs. Kewanee on Saturday at 1 p.m.
 • **Galva girls** – The Lady Wildcats (1-5) dropped three games in the past week, falling to Orion on Nov. 23 (71-45), Monmouth United on Nov. 27 (47-30) and Varna Midland on Dec. 3 (58-20).
 Galva plays next on Dec. 10 at Henry-Senachwine.

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Any person desiring to appear at the public hearing and present testimony to the taxing district may contact Mr. Chad Gripp, Superintendent, 345 Silver Street, Bradford, IL 61421, telephone number 309-897-4441.

II. The corporate and special purpose property taxes extended or abated for 2023 were \$3,922,787.33.

The proposed corporate and special purpose property taxes to be levied for 2024 are \$4,500,000. This represents a 14.714% increase over the previous year.

III. The property taxes extended for debt service and public building commission leases for 2023 were \$0.

The estimated property taxes to be levied for debt service and public building commission leases for 2024 are \$0. This represents a 0.0% increase over the previous year.

IV. The total property taxes extended or abated for 2023 were \$3,922,787.33.

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Young Galva boys team starts fast

NICK VLAHOS

For The Prairie News

The boys basketball season still is young, but a young Galva team appears to be one worth watching.

In five season-opening games last week at the ROWVA-Williamsfield Invitational, Galva finished 4-1. That is the Wildcats' best finish in that event in decades, according to Coach Jake McClintic, a former Galva player.

"As far back as I can remember, we won maybe three games at that tournament, if that," he said.

The only Galva loss came Nov. 29 to tourney champion Port Byron Riverdale, 55-47. Junior Blake Stahl had 21 points, 12 rebounds and two steals for Galva. Junior Cyrus Hurd scored 10 and sophomore MJ Louck had nine points, six assists and three steals.

Galva won twice on Nov. 30, the six-team round robin's final day.

In a 57-39 victory over Monmouth United, Stahl and Louck each scored 14, the latter on 71% shooting from the field. Junior Jay Smith had 10 points and junior JP Sloan had 10 points and as many rebounds. Sloan had 27 points and six rebounds in a 73-39 beating of Henry. Stahl had 15 points and seven boards.

But Galva's tournament success was based on defense, according to McClintic. The Wildcats held opponents to about 44 points a game, on average.

"I told the boys at the beginning of the year that if we kept teams under 45 and we score above 55, we'll win 90% of our games this year," McClintic said. "We kept a pretty good Riverdale team to 55 points. Keeping a team like

that to 55 after what they scored in the other games is pretty successful, in my eyes."

Riverdale scored between 69 and 82 in its other four tournament victories.

Galva already has 40% of its entire victory total from last season, when it finished 10-21. The Wildcats play tonight (Dec. 6) at North Fulton.

"I think we'll have a pretty successful year as long as everyone keeps working as a team," McClintic said. "We're unselfish, almost too unselfish at times. People are passing up shots on fourth or fifth passes they should have taken. We got a better shot out of it, but the teamwork is very nice."

• **SC boys** – Kane Mastin's first victory as Stark County coach came in its final game of the Wally Keller Invitational at Kewanee Wethersfield. Connor Daum had 23 points Nov. 30

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