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# Galva will make repairs on veteran cemetery markers

**By CAROL TOWNSEND**  
For The Prairie News

GALVA – The City of Galva plans to make needed repairs to some markers near the graves of veterans buried in Galva Cemetery.

Some markers were put in cement near the headstones for easier mowing, but the caulk on some needs to be replaced as they are not sturdy. To remedy that, silicone will be placed around the markers to secure

them.

Third Ward Alderman Dougie Anderson reported that there are more than 1,000 veterans buried in Galva Cemetery, eight of whom served in the War of 1812. Anderson and First Ward Alderman Jeff Olson both reported that the cemetery looked excellent for Memorial Day.

In other business, the council announced that it will open bids at its July 7 meeting for a small lot located at 301 Market St.,

commonly known as the old Windish Mill property.

City Administrator David Dyer said the water department will need to replace two leaking fire hydrants after they were flushed.

Police Chief Kraig Townsend reported that burn days are only Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from dawn to dusk. He said that the only things that can be burned are sticks and leaves, “Anything that comes off a tree.” Townsend said residents are

burning furniture rather than putting a \$10 sticker on them to get picked up. Galva’s waste hauler, Eagle Enterprises, picks up large items once a month but you must purchase a sticker and call them so they are aware of the large item on your terrace.

Supervisor Richard Plummer reported that clean-up days will be June 16-21. Anyone who is not able to get their items to the roll-off at the City Maintenance building must have them on the

curb by 6 a.m. Monday morning and call City Hall to tell them they are there. Only one trip will be made per house. And city workers will not pick up items on private property, as it must be on the curb.

Second Ward Alderman John Wirth reported that there will be a Cruise-In event and dinner on June 13 at Aaron Kewish’s building uptown and on Aug. 8, when the Backroads Music Festival will sponsor the event.

100TH ANNIVERSARY

## Toulon P.E.O. honored

BY chapter recognized at annual state convention

For The Prairie News

TOULON – Members of Toulon Chapter BY were recognized at the recent Illinois P.E.O. Convention at The Westin Chicago Lombard hotel.

Organized in 1925, Chapter BY is part of the P.E.O. sisterhood, which includes 308 chapters and nearly 12,000 members in Illinois. Chapter BY celebrated its 100th anniversary earlier this year with an open house at the Toulon Bistro.

“We have a great group of members,” said Alice Webster, corresponding secretary. “And we are so proud that our BY member Karen Steward served a year in each of the state offices, culminating in her role as Illinois State Chapter President from 2011 to 2012.”

According to Webster, P.E.O. is a philanthropic educational organiza-



*P.E.O. Chapter BY members from Toulon were honored for being a 100-year chapter at the recent state convention in Lombard. Those attending the honors luncheon held on May 31 are (from left to right) Jan Curry, Karen Steward (past state president), Linda Henderson, Mary Hawk, Alice Webster and Barb Loane. Photo by Meg W. Cline.*

tion with a mission to help women around the world advance through education.

“A variety of grants, scholarships, and low-interest loans have helped thousands of women complete technical, college and university degrees,” she said. She also noted that P.E.O. owns Cottey College, a four-year liberal arts college for women in Nevada, Mo.

P.E.O. was founded in 1869 by seven female students at Iowa Wes-

leyan University in Mount Pleasant, Iowa. P.E.O. now includes more than 200,000 members throughout the U.S. and Canada.

The first statewide convention was held in Monmouth in 1903. Attendance at this year’s convention was 500. In addition to the Toulon chapter, members from local chapters CS, Kewanee; BR, Galva; OL, Oneida; NL, Wyoming; E, and LE, Monmouth; and W, MG, NH and AN, Galesburg were represented.

# Deck on the lam

## No-show for jail processing Monday

**By JOHN A. BALLENTINE**  
For The Prairie News

TOULON – Caleb A. Deck, 48, was supposed to be in Bureau County Jail on Monday.

Instead, as of press time, authorities were still on the lookout for Deck, who on May 30 was sentenced to 120 days in jail for various traffic charges.

On Tuesday, Circuit Court Judge James A. Mack signed an arrest warrant for Deck, who was supposed to have shown up at the Stark County Jail on Monday at 9 a.m. for processing and transport to Bureau County. He faces a criminal misdemeanor charge for the no-show.

Deck also faces a June 20 motion hearing for pending felony charges. He has been charged with aggravated assault of a police officer, two counts of a felon in possession of ammu-

nition, burglary, theft of government property and criminal trespass to state land. Deck’s jury trial is set for Aug. 4 at 9 a.m.

Deck formerly lived in an apartment above the Wyoming Drivers and Motor Vehicles facility at 107 E. Williams St. That office was closed on March 27 due to what State Rep. Travis Weaver called Deck’s “ongoing criminal activity.”

Deck had his traffic charges heard during a May 30 bench trial in front of Mack, at which Public Defender Robert M. McBride and Stark County State’s Attorney Austin King presented arguments.

Deck was found guilty on two of six traffic violations and Mack sentenced him to 120 days in jail, with day-for-day credit. That means Deck was to serve 60 days

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# DECK: Threat of K9 ends search in sale barn

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total in the Bureau County Jail.

Mack found Deck guilty of driving on a revoked driver's license (a charge he has faced more than four times previously) and improper turn signal. Mack told Deck that he ignores the law and keeps driving.

Not-guilty counts were for fleeing/eluding police, defective windshield, disregarding a stop sign and seat-belt violation.

Stark County Deputy Sheriff William Dorn testified about an Oct. 21, 2023, incident in Wyoming that led to the traffic charges.

Dorn said he observed a white SUV on 3rd Street turning westbound toward what was then the Horse

Sale Barn. Dorn attempted to make a traffic stop, but the SUV continued into the sale barn parking lot.

Body-camera footage from Dorn was played in court for 30 minutes, detailing a search that started when Deck exited the vehicle and ran into the sale barn.

Dorn and Wyoming Police Chief Jim Tiller conducted the search for Deck after first being approached by Amanda Powell, who claimed she had been driving the SUV while returning from Dollar General. When finally arrested, Deck stated he was returning from Hunt Brother's Pizza.

Dorn disputed Powell's claim, saying he witnessed a balding man exit the SUV and run into the sale barn. Shortly thereafter, Powell was handcuffed and placed in Dorn's squad car while the search resumed.

Dorn and Tiller looked inside the barn for Deck, who finally turned himself in after being told a K9 unit was coming to assist.

Deck also said Powell was driving, a claim Dorn refuted.

Deck's possessions were placed on the police car and he was handcuffed. When Powell was freed from handcuffs, Dorn said she attempted to take Deck's possessions but was stopped.

Keys to the SUV were not located and it was towed to the Stark County Sheriff's impound lot.

After viewing body-camera footage, McBride sought to file a motion against the police activity on record. Mack denied the request and called for closing arguments.

McBride argued police went into the sale barn without a search warrant and failed to Mirandize

Deck and Powell. Mack ruled Mirandizing wasn't germane.


Mack also did not heed McBride's request for a sentence of community service.

Deck asked Mack if he could have one to two weeks to get his affairs in order but Mack told Deck to report June 2 to the Stark County Jail – a request Deck did not heed.

## Correction


The Bradford Village Board did not pass a \$1,400 payment to Bart Shatto for a Labor Day show, but rather tabled that matter at its May 21 meeting. A May 30 article about the meeting also incorrectly reported some pool information. Pool rental rate is \$275 for three hours and new lifeguards under 18 receive \$14, not \$14.50. The newspaper erred.

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PUBLIC RECORD

Traffic citations & Ordinance violations

**5-25** - Teresa R. Wilkins - Suspended registration and uninsured vehicle.

**5-25** - Scot J. Mincey - Unlawful possession of cannabis.

**5-31** - Antonio Parangueo - Driving 21-25 mph above limit.

**6-2** - Jarred M. Stevens - Expired registration and disregard stop sign.

Misdemeanors & Felonies

**5-28** - Katelynn A. Perrine, driving under the influence with a blood alcohol content over .08 and improper lane usage.

Incidents & Accidents Stark County

**5-25** - Chet D. Gillespie of rural Toulon reported hitting a deer on Route 17 north of 900E. No injuries were reported.

**5-25** - Renee B. Zakas, 48, Toulon, was cited for driving on a suspended license and issued a court date.

**5-25** - Brandy L. Chase, 45, Wyoming, was ticketed for speeding 72 mph in a 55 zone.

**5-25** - Heather L. Delahaba, 35, Chillicothe, was cited for speeding 79 mph in a 55 zone.

**5-25** - James A. Breese, 59, Wyoming, was ticketed for driving without vehicle insurance and for driving on a suspended registration. His vehicle was impounded and he was issued a court date.

**5-26** - Dylan B. Tucker, 21, Williamsfield, was cited for illegal transportation of alcohol.

**5-26** - Amia T. Lay, 22, Peoria, was ticketed for speeding 72 mph in a 55 zone, no front vehicle registration and for driving while her license was suspended. Her vehicle was towed to the Stark County Sheriff's impound lot and she was issued a court date.

**5-27** - Steven C. Ellis, 51, Andover, was cited for driving on a suspended driver's license and issued a court date.

**5-27** - Grayden L. Porter, 20, Kewanee hit a cow at 3:19 a.m. on the Modena Blacktop. The cow was owned by Cardinal Cattle Company of rural Wyoming. No injuries were reported to the driver or four additional passengers. The 2001 Chevrolet Silverado truck was estimated at a total loss by investigating Stark County Deputy William Dorn. No tickets were issued.

**5-28** - Julie C. Johnson, 52, Galesburg, was cited for driving on expired vehicle registration, driving on a suspended registration and driving without vehicle insurance. Her vehicle was towed and she was issued a court date.

**5-28** - Jesse Z. Waller, 30, Peoria, was cited for operating an uninsured vehicle and for driving on a suspended vehicle registration. His vehicle was towed and he was issued a court date.

**5-29** - William E. Jones, 41, Battlement Mesa, Colo., was cited for driving without vehicle insurance and issued a court date.

**5-29** - Jacob D. Johnson, 37, Altona, was cited for illegal possession of adult-use cannabis by a driver and issued a court date.

**5-29** - Gavin J. Dietz, 18, Harmon, was cited for speeding 85 mph in a 55 zone and issued a court date.

**5-29** - David M. Harris, 43, Galesburg, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance and ticketed for speeding 69 mph in a 55 zone. His vehicle was towed and he was issued a court date.

**5-29** - Peter J. Staranko, 43, Sterling, was ticketed for improper use of an electronic communication device.

**5-30** - A traffic stop netted charges on two individuals. Eric M. Stabler, 46, Altona, was arrested for possession of methamphetamine and for resisting or obstructing a peace officer. He was also cited for illegal possession of cannabis by a vehicle driver, littering on a public roadway and failure to signal.

Also arrested was Lacey D. Hall, 36, Altona, charged with illegal possession of cannabis by a passenger and possession of methamphetamine. Both Stabler and Hall were released with notices to appear. The vehicle was impounded.

**5-30** - Andrew L. Martinez, 38, LaSalle, was arrested on an outstanding Bureau County warrant for failure to appear involving an order of protection. He was extradited to the Bureau County Jail.

**5-31** - Michael C. Howard, 39, Anaheim, Calif., was cited for speeding 97 mph in a 55 zone and issued a court date.

**5-31** - A Bradford resident in the 300 block of S. Peoria St. reported possible criminal damage to property at her residence.

**5-31** - A 17-year-old Kewanee teen was ticketed for speeding 78 mph in a 55 zone.

**5-31** - Braden D. Wagner, 28, Brimfield, was issued multiple citations for driving without vehicle insurance, driving on an expired registration and improper lighting.

**5-31** - Damian J. Carroll, 35, Princeville, was cited for disobeying a stop sign.

Peoria County report

**5-13** - As the result of an alleged battery in Lawn Ridge, a Peoria man was discovered to be a non-compliant sex offender. Tracy D. Williams, 30, was arrested following the incident, which happened near 8 p.m. at a residence in the 23400 block of Illinois Route 40, according to a redacted Peoria County Sheriff's Office report.

Williams admitted to pushing a 42-year-old Speer man to the ground. There was at least one witness, a 76-year-old Edelstein woman. Williams first was reported to be holding someone at gunpoint, but that was determined to be inaccurate.

A check revealed Williams failed to

register his address with authorities, as convicted sex offenders are required. Williams also was accused of battery and aggravated domestic battery and was transported to the Peoria County Jail.

Galva Report

**Officer dispatched:**

**5-26** - to the 700 block of NW 4th St. to assist a citizen apparently suffering from a mental-health crisis.

**5-26** - Sullivan Wiles, 18, Henderson, cited for speeding in the 900 block of SE 2nd St.

**5-27** - several times to the 700 block of NW 4th St. for a citizen apparently having a mental-health crisis.

**5-28** - NW of Galva to assist Henry County with livestock running loose in the road.

**5-29** - to the 1000 block of SW 2nd St. for an animal-neglect complaint.

**5-29** - several times to the 700 block of NW 4th St. for a citizen apparently suffering from a mental-health crisis.

**5-29** - to the 100 block of NE 9th St. for a verbal domestic disturbance. Heather St Clair, 29, Kewanee, was arrested for theft under \$500 and released with a court date.

**5-29** - to the 300 block of NW 4th Ave. for a juvenile complaint involving revving engines and reckless driving.

**5-30** - As the result of a traffic stop in the 400 block of S. Center Ave., Joel Garcia, 23, Monmouth, was cited for operating a vehicle when registration was suspended and operating an uninsured vehicle. He was released with a court date.

**5-30** - twice to the 00 block of NE 4th St. for a subject apparently suffering from a mental-health crisis.

**5-30** - to the 500 block of SW 1st Ave. for a barking-dog complaint.

**5-31** - to the 700 block of NW 4th St. for a citizen apparently suffering from a mental-health crisis.

**5-31** - to the Galva Park District late at night for an unattended fire. It was extinguished.

**6-1** - to the 700 block of NW 4th St. for a citizen apparently suffering from a mental-health crisis.

**6-1** - to the 600 block of N. Center Ave. for a domestic disturbance.

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**5-20** - Tyler David Hulslander and Katelyn Marie Howard, both of Kewanee.



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We will also be sending out other nuisance violation letters, and you will have the same seven days to correct them or be fined 50 dollars a week until they are corrected. If you receive a letter and have questions, please call City Hall, and we will explain the violation and how you need to fix it.

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Dorothy L. Schmidt

TOULON – Dorothy Louise (Appenheimer) Schmidt, 104, of Kewanee, passed away on May 27, 2025, at her home in Courtyard Estates. She was born on June 5, 1920, the oldest daughter of Alpheus and America (Swango) Appenheimer.

On June 28, 1939, she married the love of her life, Roy R. Schmidt, with whom she remained married 49 years until his sudden passing in 1989.

Dorothy is survived by her two sons, Ronald R. (Margaret) Schmidt of McKinney, Texas, and Donald D. (Bonnie) Schmidt of Toulon, Ill. Her daughter, Alexis Joy Schmidt, passed away Dec. 29, 2018. She is also survived by one grandson and four granddaughters, Eric Schmidt, Susan (Michael) Gordon, Rebecca Adair, Shannon (Tom Altman) Costello and Erin (Tom) Rybarczyk; seven great-grandchildren, Katie and Alex Gordon, Lauren (Daniel) Sullivan, and Rachael Adair, Arden Altman and Theodore and Marlowe Rybarczyk; three great-great-grandchildren, Naomi, Caroline and Liam Sullivan; three sisters and one sister-in-law, Juanita Murray, Kate Kerr, Glenna Omanson and Rose Appenheimer; three cousins, Kate Larson, Gloria Hornung and Diane Hobart; and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband Roy and daughter Alexis, she was preceded in death by siblings Betty McDonald Dustin, Clay Appenheimer and Yvonne Pugh Gaston; and nephews Brett and John Appenheimer, Steven Murray and Mit-

chell Young

She loved her family, was an avid reader and liked to entertain and travel. She loved her friends dearly and appreciated all the time she spent with them at Connie’s Country Kitchen in Toulon.

Dorothy was in the Stark County Circuit Clerk’s office for 30 years. The last 16 years she served as Circuit Clerk. She was a lifelong member of the First Baptist Church of Toulon, from age 12.

A funeral service was to take place on Saturday, May 31, 2025, at 10 a.m. at Haskell Funeral and Cremation Services in Wyoming. Pastor Al Harmon, officiated. Burial was to follow in Evergreen Memory Gardens in Kewanee. Visitation was Friday, May 30, 2025, at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions can be made to the First Baptist Church, 110 W. Jefferson Street, Toulon, IL 61483.

Condolences may be left for Dorothy’s family on her tribute wall at [www.haskellfuneral.com](http://www.haskellfuneral.com).

Joyce A. Streitmatter

ELMWOOD – Joyce Ann Streitmatter, 86, of Elmwood, passed away at her home on Friday, May 30, 2025, trusting in and at peace with her Lord Jesus. Joyce was born on March 17, 1939, in Dunlap, to the late Herman and Hilda (Endress) Dietz. On June 7, 1959, she married Norman W. Streitmatter. He preceded her in death on Aug. 8, 2018.

Surviving are three children, Marlise Streitmatter of Alexandria, Va., David (Crystal) Streitmatter of Elmwood and Keith (Elizete) Streitmatter of Elmwood; five grandchildren, Brittany (Adam) Endress, Brooke (Kory) Wagenbach, Braden (Lydia) Streitmatter, Brianna (Joel) Stahl and Adrienne Streitmatter; 16

great-grandchildren; and six siblings, Betty (Walter) Herrmann, Kenneth (Mardell, deceased) Dietz, Charlene Dietz, Chub Dietz, Dick (Rene Schlesier, deceased) Dietz and Mike (Kim, deceased) Dietz.

Aside from her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her daughter Regina Streitmatter, on May 18, 2025.

Joyce was a lifelong homemaker and worked alongside her husband on the farm. She had a servant’s heart for her family, extended family and friends, and joyfully served as a volunteer at Apostolic Christian Skylines and the Midwest Food Bank. She was a member of Princeville Apostolic Christian Church for 69 years.

Joyce’s family would like to thank everyone, including neighbors and friends both near and far, for the many cards, calls, meals, prayers and visits that gave her courage and strength during her illness.

A funeral service was Wednesday, June 4, 2025, at Princeville Apostolic Christian Church at 10 a.m., with a visitation from 9-9:45 a.m. Ministers of the church were to officiate. Burial was to follow in Princeville Apostolic Christian Church Cemetery. The service was to be livestreamed at [www.princevilleacchurch.org/watch-live](http://www.princevilleacchurch.org/watch-live) beginning at 9:40 a.m. CDT.

Memorial contributions can be made to Apostolic Christian Skylines or to the Midwest Food Bank.

Condolences may be left for Joyce’s family on her tribute wall at [www.haskellfuneral.com](http://www.haskellfuneral.com).



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Illinois Highway 17, P.O. Box 147, LaFayette, IL. 61449  
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Rev. Art Blegen  
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email: [info@thegathering.life](mailto:info@thegathering.life)  
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## 1st Congregational Church of Toulon

Reverend David Graham  
(309) 286-4901  
218 N. Henderson St., Toulon  
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Email [fcctoulon@gmail.com](mailto:fcctoulon@gmail.com)  
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Rev. Shawna Marsh  
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Contact: [messiahlutherangalva@gmail.com](mailto:messiahlutherangalva@gmail.com)  
1-309-932-3346  
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## Galva First United Methodist Church

Rev. Rebecca Gearhart  
214 NW 2nd Ave., Galva, IL 61434  
(309) 932-2460  
[preachinghope@gmail.com](mailto:preachinghope@gmail.com)  
[galvafirst@gmail.com](mailto:galvafirst@gmail.com)  
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Fr. Cramer Phone: 574-329-9292

## Wyoming United Methodist Church

Pastor Rebecca Klemm  
302 North Main Street PO Box 287 Wyoming, IL, 61491-0287.  
309-606-9027  
Email: [WyomingUMCPastor@gmail.com](mailto:WyomingUMCPastor@gmail.com)  
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ESTATE OF Milroy, Timothy D.,  
No. 2025PR7  
Deceased

**CLAIM NOTICE (Publication)**  
Notice is given of the death of Timothy D. Milroy. Letters of Office were issued on May 16, 2025 to Michael Milroy as Administer whose attorneys are Barash & Everett, LLC. Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the clerk of the court, Stark County, Toulon, Illinois or with the representative, or both on or before November 16, 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.  
Barash & Everett, LLC  
Attorney for Administrator  
P.O. Box 165  
Galva, IL 61434  
(309) 932-2001  
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The period of redemption will expire on 9/24/2025. On 10/17/2025 at 9:00 AM the Petitioner will make application to such Court in said County for an Order for Issuance of a Tax Deed. 1095 Investments, LLC, Petitioner  
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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STARK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**  
ESTATE OF MAXINE P. BOMLENY, No. 2025 PR 6  
Deceased  
**CLAIM NOTICE (Publication)**  
Notice is given of the death of Maxine P. Bomleny. Letters of Office were issued on May 16, 2025, to Leah Sue Taylor as Independent Executor whose attorneys are Barash & Everett, LLC. Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the clerk of court, Stark County Courthouse, Toulon, Illinois, or with the representative, or both, on or before December 4, 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 service provider.  
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Barash & Everett, LLC  
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**LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING On Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance of Toulon Public Library District**  
Notice is hereby given to the Public that on July 14, 2025, at the hour of 7:00 p.m. at the Toulon Public Library, Toulon, Illinois, a public hearing will be held on the annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Toulon Public Library District for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026. Any person interested in said budget and ordinance may be present at said time and place and may be heard in regard to the budget and ordinance. The tentative budget is now on file with the Secretary of the Board of Trustees, Toulon Public Library District, at the Library office and may be reviewed upon request prior to said hearing by the Public.  
Date: 6/6/25  
Roberta Cinnamon  
Secretary  
Board of Trustees  
Toulon Public Library District  
Published 6/6/25

**LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING On Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance of Wyoming Public Library District**  
Notice is hereby given to the Public that on August 5, 2025, at the hour of 6:30 P.M. at the Wyoming Public Library, 119 North Seventh Street, Wyoming, Illinois, a public hearing will be held on the annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Wyoming Public Library

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**CLAIM NOTICE**  
**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS – STARK COUNTY**  
In Re **ESTATE OF ROBERT D. KIESER,**  
Deceased. CC 2025PR5

NOTICE is given to creditors of the death of **ROBERT D. KIESER** on April 19, 2025. Letters of Office were issued by the above entitled Court to **KELLY L. KIESER**, of 205 West Grove Street, Wyoming, Illinois 61491, as Executor, whose attorneys of record are **WHITNEY & POTTS, LTD., 118 West Main Street, P. O. Box 368, Elmwood, Illinois, 61529-0368**. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Circuit Clerk's Office, Stark County Courthouse, Toulon, Illinois, or with the representative or both on or before the 5th day of December, 2025, or if mailing or delivery of a Notice from the representative is required by Sec. 18-3 of the Probate Act of 1975, the date stated in that Notice. Every claim filed must be in writing and state sufficient information to notify the representative of the nature of the claim or other relief sought. **Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred.** Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed and the claimant shall file with the Court, proof of any required mailing or delivery of copies. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp>.  
DATED this 16th day of May, 2025.  
**KELLY L. KIESER, Executor** of the Estate of ROBERT D. KIESER, Deceased.

ASHLEE E. STABLER, Esq.  
WHITNEY & POTTS, LTD.  
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District for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026. Any person interested in said budget and ordinance may be present at said time and place and may be heard in regard to the budget and ordinance. The tentative budget is now on file with the Secretary of the Board of Trustees, Wyoming Public Library District, at the Library office and may be reviewed upon request prior to said hearing by the Public.  
Secretary, Board of Trustees  
Date: June 6, 2025  
Wyoming Public Library District  
119 North Seventh Street  
Wyoming, IL 61491  
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Published 6/6/25



# Hamstring slows Stark Co. freshman at state track

**By NICK VLAHOS**  
For The Prairie News

CHARLESTON – Stark County freshman Evan Knobloch finished 26th overall in the 3,200-meter run at the Class 1A boys track and field state meet May 31 in Charleston.

Running in the fastest of three heats at Eastern Illinois University, Knobloch led early but fell behind

on the second lap. He was last among 12 runners who finished the heat, in 10:30.24, and collapsed to the O’Brien Field blue-track surface after it was over. Knobloch had been dealing with hamstring injuries.

“Around the mile mark, it just fell apart,” he said. “At least I got down here. Looking at it this year, I think that I can really take the things from

this year, fix them and get better next year.”

Winnebago senior Nicolai Martino ran 9:33.86 to win.

The other Stark County state qualifier was senior Nolan Snider, who finished 35th in shot put with a throw of 43 feet, 1.5 inches. Snider reached state with a personal-record throw of 47-4.5 in the sectional.

# Bradford hires teacher

**By The Prairie News**

BRADFORD – The Bradford School Board on May 27 approved hiring a new teacher and passed several other measures.

Mackenzie Price was hired to teach 4th grade for the 2025-26 school year and 5th grade teacher Pat Nelson had her retirement deferred.

The board also approved a \$28,560 bid from C&G Concrete Construction of East Peoria for various concrete projects.

Other items approved:

- A bread bid from Kohl Wholesale, milk bid from Prairie Farms and fuel bid from FS Ag View.
- A preliminary amended budget.
- Transferring funds from Operations and Maintenance or Education to Capital Projects at the June meeting.
- A health-insurance plan, 2025-26 school calendar, changes to PRESS policies and an athletic handbook change.

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**2-4 p.m.**  
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**Celebration of life to be held for**  
**Harold Chamberlain**  
**(5/19/29 - 12/11/24)**  
**Saturday June 7, 2025**  
**at 10:30 a.m.**  
**at West Jersey Methodist Church,**  
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**Saturday, June 14**  
**9:00 a.m. in front of the**  
**Toulon American Legion**

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**113 West Court St, Toulon, IL**



**GALVA'S CLEAN UP 2025**

**NOTE: Proof of residency will be required.**

The City of Galva will be having a clean-up week beginning June 16 and ending June 21 for Galva residents only. All residents are asked to bring items to Galva's Maintenance Yard (use the driveway located between Preferred Home Health Care and Mary's Family Dining and Lounge) to be placed in a roll off dumpster.

Anyone who is handicapped, elderly, or not able to take their items to the maintenance yard must have items out to the curb by Monday June 16. You will need to call City Hall beforehand and let them know so that they can arrange for the items to be picked up. Please make sure you only call for pickups if it is needed, staff is limited. We will only come to your residence one time for pick up and items must be on the curb, no backyard or structure pickups at all. \*Please do not have items on the curb for more than 48 hours before the 16th \*

Items not accepted are shingles, anti-freeze, LP tanks, yard waste, paint, or any hazardous material. Tires will be accepted for a fee depending on their size.

Televisions and electronic components will be accepted for a fee at Eagle Enterprises during their normal business hours. Their number is 932-2936 if you have any questions.

The maintenance yard will be open extended hours June 16-19 from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. to allow better response to clean up. June 20 the yard will be open until 3:00 p.m. June 21 the yard will be open from 7:00 a.m. to noon. If you have any questions, you can call **City Hall 932-2555 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**



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• **Garage Sale** - Friday, June 6 – 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, June 7 – Bag Sale (\$5 per bag) from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Northminster Presbyterian Church, 10720 N. Knoxville Ave., Peoria, IL 61615.

• **Garage Sale** - 1003 Tonti Rd., Toulon IL. Friday, June 6 and Saturday, June 7. 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. Galvanized and rubber trash cans and wash tubs, live animal traps, lawn mower, light-weight garden tiller, 3-ton floor jack, car ramps, power tools, hand tools, equalizer weight distribution hitch, aluminum ladder, wood step ladder, jigsaw puzzles, leather coats, Carhart winter coat, lots of glassware, bedroom dresser with mirror and lots more.

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