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Illinois beekeepers battle losses, costs to keep hives buzzing

By TOM O’CONNOR
Capitol News Illinois

SPRINGFIELD — Luke Harvey established the Riverview Road Apiary in 2014, perched along the Illinois River in Chillicothe, just across from the home where he grew up north of Peoria. Surrounded by bird-song on the back porch of the house, Harvey recently reflected on his history with bees.

“The love of beekeeping is also about the love of being outside, being closer to nature and being close to the world that we just aren’t really involved in,” he said.

It’s an idyllic scene, one that can make it easy to overlook how challenging beekeeping can be for Harvey and the more than 5,400

other registered beekeepers across Illinois. Nearly 89% of them are hobbyists managing 10 colonies or fewer, according to the fiscal year 2025 Apiary Inspection Annual Report from the Illinois Department of Agriculture released in July.

Bee loss is a persistent issue throughout the state. It’s not uncommon for beekeepers to lose over half of their colonies each year — primarily during winter — due to disease, competition, poor nutrition or limited resources.

One long-standing threat is the varroa mite, which feeds on a bee’s hemolymph — a fluid similar to blood — and fat body, a key part of the bee’s immune system. These mites can weaken bees and

Luke Harvey, owner of the Riverview Road Apiary near Peoria, gives a tour of his hives. Medill Illinois News Bureau photo by Tom O’Connor.

act as vectors of viruses that can spread rapidly through a hive and beyond.

Many beekeepers indicated that it is difficult to keep colonies healthy. The IDOA’s FY25 report suggests a rise in varroa mite

levels in the state, though it cautions that this may partly be because of environmental variables or when and where inspections occurred.

Pollinator expert Brittany Buckles said many biolog-

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Princeville TIFs raise concerns

School board makes its case

By NICK VLAHOS

For The Weekly Post

PRINCEVILLE — The Princeville School District wants more of a say in how the village handles tax-increment financing. The school district also appears to want more of that property-tax revenue, too.

School Superintendent Tony Shinall and two district board members stated their case during a Village Board TIF Committee meeting Aug. 19. They suggested a TIF-induced limit on the school’s share of property-tax increases in most of the village impacts operations adversely.

“We feel like there’s a lack of collaboration and urgency,” said School Board member Erin Murphy. “That’s why we’re here, to get that communication and collaboration started. We’re not opposing development. We’re just advocating a little more balance.”

Committee members and Village President Jeff Troutman appeared open to school-district overtures. But during the committee meeting and the subsequent full village board meeting, some officials disputed school-district claims.

“I’m more than willing to sit with you guys and work something out that’s doable for everybody,” Troutman told Shinall, Murphy and School Board President Amy Davis.

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Bus drivers,budget an issue for Elmwood

By JEFF LAMPE

For The Weekly Post

ELMWOOD — Among the job duties of a school superintendent is handling budget matters for a school district. That list may also soon include driving a bus, at least for Elmwood CUSD 322.

A shortage of bus drivers has led Elmwood Superintendent Joel Schmieg to pursue the steps to become a driver. Schmieg outlined the driver shortage and discussed the proposed Fiscal Year 2026 budget at Monday’s school board meeting.

“We need two full-time bus drivers to sustain our current routes and that’s even after we reduced our routes,” Schmieg said.

He noted parents would like to see additional routes to shorten travel time for students. But Schmieg said that would require a third full-time driver.

To attract more applicants, Elmwood is offering two hybrid full-time positions: bus driver and cafeteria aide and second-shift custodian and bus driver. Both jobs offer benefits. Schmieg said adding benefits has attracted interest.

“Nobody wants to work just four hours a day,” he said.

With an eye toward the next three years of budgets, Schmieg said the future is “more cloudy than sunny when it comes to revenues keeping up with costs of inflation.”

The Fiscal Year 2026 budget Schmieg presented shows a projected deficit of \$398,867. That is after board-approved transfers of \$300,000 from the Education Fund to Operations and Maintenance and \$335,000 from Working Cash

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to Transportation.

As a result, projected reserves would be \$4.1 million, or 5.59 months of operations – under the district goal of six months.

Cost increases are largely to blame for the deficit, Schmieg said. He said the district’s electric bill is projected to be \$211,000, up \$52,000 from last year. Insurance for employees is up \$105,000 and the district bus lease increased by \$65,000. Staff salaries are also increasing by 4%, or about \$431,290 per year.

Schmieg said the anticipated end to Elmwood’s residential TIF district will provide additional funds starting with Fiscal Year 2028. He said the district would have received about \$302,000 in real-estate taxes from the residential TIF for FY 2026.

Schmieg said enrollment declined to 610 this year from 617 last year. He said the district could handle 100 more students, given current staffing levels.

The board also approved a two-year wrestling co-op with Peoria Heights. Schmieg said 14 Elmwood students indicated interest and will provide their own transportation to and from Peoria Heights, which has varsity and junior-varsity wrestling programs.

After closed session, the board approved hiring Tony McCoy as a mentor for Junior/Senior High School Principal Tom Bell for \$50 per hour and up to 10 hours per semester.

Also hired were Allie Ramsay and Michael Totosz as substitute aides and Jenny Collins as a substitute teacher. Katherine Janovetz was approved as sophomore class sponsor.

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- **Farmers Market** – The final farmers markets of this summer in Elmwood will be held Friday, Aug. 29, from 4-6:30 p.m. at Elmwood’s Central Park.
- **Blood Drive** – St. Mary’s Catholic Church in Kickapoo has a blood drive Saturday, Aug. 30, from 7-11 a.m. For an appointment, call or text Tom McCauley at (309) 253-1465.

This Week’s Events

- **Play Group** – Morrison & Mary Wiley Library in Elmwood has restarted play group for children not yet in schools on Wednesday mornings at 9 a.m.
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 - **Bingo** – Williamsfield American Legion Post 371 has bingo on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m.
 - **Food Pantry** – Farmington has a drive-through food pantry the third Wednesday each month, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at New Hope Fellowship Church. Call (309) 231-8076.
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Russia-Ukraine endgame is what matters

There are few politicians who have befuddled, bewildered and amazed me as much as Donald Trump. His ego simply infuriates me. He can be so petty that he rails against fellow Republicans and threatens them with primary challenges. He can then manage an international crisis that others before him have only kicked the can down the road.

Richard KORITZ

Trump’s ability to read the playing field and then make world-changing movements simply amazes me. Common economic theory preaches that tariffs are bad for trade and add to inflation. Trump played the tariff card and our economy is still strong, with the stock market at historical highs. Go figure.

The liberal press firmly voiced the opinion that Trump was a war-monger. To date, he has resolved at least six international conflicts and has not lost one American soldier to his efforts. Go figure.

I have come to view Trump in the economic terms of macro and micro. If you are into psychology, the terms of manic-depressive may give some insight into Trump.

On the little issues, Trump may not seem to be engaged in the con-

versation or simply ignoring those in front of him (micro).

Then we see Trump on the national-international playing field. Trump could care less about the everyday nuances of life. He foregoes the tactical for the strategic goal (macro). It is the endgame that matters to Trump. Forget the details, get the job done.

The Ukraine-Russia conflict is at the forefront of international concern. Russia is viewed by most of the world as the aggressor in the conflict, and I have no objection to that viewpoint.

However, the aspect of a civil war is also present. Eastern Ukraine has many ethnic Russian communities and Russian is the predominant language. The Russian Orthodox Church also has a strong presence in Ukraine. There are decided political conflicts in Ukraine as well as military conflicts. Nothing is easy.

Trump has made a personal decision that he will strive to resolve conflicts, especially those where the innocent are being killed.

Witness those six conflict resolutions. Trump was criticized by his detractors for giving Putin the red-carpet treatment in Alaska, voicing that a despot should never receive

such preferential treatment.

Trump’s supporters would note that the war has been going on for three years with the sides at a military stalemate and no negotiated settlement on the horizon. Trump took the political risk to himself and facilitated a personal dialogue with Putin. There was no deal in Alaska, but a channel of communication was established.

Trump then invited Zelenskyy and the European NATO leaders to the Oval Office for a high-level conference just three days later. Diplomats do not move at that speed, but Trump simply thrives in that setting.

As I write this column, there has not been a deal struck between Ukraine and Russia, but it appears that Zelenskyy and Putin will personally meet in the very near future. Will there be an agreement? Only time will tell.

What is obvious is that without Trump initiating the dialogue, there was no chance of a peaceful resolution. Trump is unconventional and nonconforming, but somehow he gets the endgame accomplished.

Let us hope the killing stops.
Richard Koritz is an Illinois native and former DeWitt County state’s attorney.

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BEES: Associations offer sense of community

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ical challenges in Illinois are recurring and somewhat predictable but not always completely avoidable or easy to manage.

Buckles has a master's degree in entomology, specializing in pollinators.

She reports an annual colony loss rate of around 40% in the hives she's involved with – lower than many in the state – and partly attributes that to precise, timely treatment and close hive monitoring.

Buckles emphasized the importance of reliable information, recommending the University of Minnesota's Beekeeping in Northern Climates guide.

Cost

Beyond biology, there are financial hurdles. Newcomers often face startup costs between \$600 and over \$1,000 for a hive and the required equipment.

"Life is already expensive enough," Harvey said, adding that beekeeping is complex and many first-timers face difficulties managing hives. "People get frustrated."

Harvey is what the beekeeping community calls a "sideliner," someone between a hobbyist and a full-time professional. A former engineer and project manager, he has been able to devote more time to the apiary since taking early retirement from Caterpillar Inc. last year.

Even for seasoned beekeepers, scaling up can be a challenge. Harvey has considered expanding beyond 100 hives but said doing so alone would be difficult. Hiring would be costly, especially given how hive numbers can fluctuate.

"I know it's possible," he said. "I just haven't been able to do it yet."

About 10 miles away, the Urban Acres Gardens project in Peoria incorporates beekeeping into its broader mission. Founded in 2018, the initiative focuses on providing fresh and affordable produce sourced from local gardens in Peoria's North Valley.

Andres Diaz, owner of Urban Acres Gardens, has kept bees for six years and acknowledged the steep startup cost. However, he said he has recouped the initial investment through honey sales at the North Valley Farmers Market.

"(Beekeeping) has been both beneficial for our plants and our production," Diaz said. "It pays for itself after a couple of years if you're selling the honey."

He reinvests most of the proceeds into better beekeeping equipment and said the practice also supports a deeper purpose.

Community

Diaz and others emphasized the value of mentorship in beekeeping. Buckles suggested aspiring beekeepers shadow an ex-

perienced local mentor for a season before starting.

Many beekeepers credited the longevity of their apiaries to local clubs. Twenty-five local groups are affiliated with the Illinois State Beekeepers Association.

Harvey is communications officer with the Heart of Illinois Beekeepers Association, which he said was key to sustaining his experience with bees.

Other pollinators

While honeybees usually get the spotlight in discussions around pollination, promoting non-honeybee pollinators is crucial for biodiversity and for preserving endangered species like the rusty-patched bumblebee – one of 400 to 500 native bee species in Illinois.

Those species are often overshadowed by the honeybee, known as *apis mellifera*, which was originally imported from Europe in the 17th century.

Since 2021, the Illinois Farm Bureau's pollinator conservation grant program has committed \$145,000 to 55 projects across 28 counties. Most has gone toward pollinator plots – planted areas with species like milkweed, which monarch butterflies rely on for their reproductive cycles.

Buckles suggested there is currently a lack of substantial data on competition between honeybees and native pollinators in the Midwest. Still, she encouraged maintaining native plants to help support vulnerable pollinators.

"There is a lot of beauty to beekeeping," she said. "However, just putting a beehive in your yard isn't going to help conservation necessarily."

Looking out at the Illinois River from the back porch of his family home late one afternoon, Harvey reflected on the personal significance of beekeeping.

"It's a calming experience," he said. "You get to go through the hives and get away from the screen or being indoors."

Harvey also values the community around it. In February 2024, he and his mentor Steve Schmidt launched the Beekeeping Buddies podcast, which surpassed 2,600 listens in its first year.

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U.S. BANK TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, AS SUCCESSOR-IN-INTEREST TO U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE, FOR THE HOLDERS OF THE CIM TRUST 2020-R6, MORTGAGE-BACKED NOTES, SERIES 2020-R6
Plaintiff
vs.
UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF BERTHA L. CARLOCK; ANGELA KRIGNER; WILLIAM P. BUTCHER, SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR BERTHA L. CARLOCK (DECEASED); UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS
Defendant
23 FC 183
CALENDAR

NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on September 17, 2025, at the hour 9:00 a.m., Miller, Hall & Triggs, LLC, 416 Main Street, Suite 1125, Peoria, IL 61602, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:
P.I.N. 17-13-229-017.
Commonly known as 924 S. TONTI CIRCLE, PEORIA, IL 61605.
The real estate is: single family residence. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of Section 18.5 of the Condominium Property Act. Sale terms: At sale, the bidder must have 10% down by certified funds, balance within 24 hours, by certified funds. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information.
For information call Sales Department at Plaintiff's Attorney, Robertson, Anschutz, Schneid, Crane & Partners, PLLC, 13010 Morris Road, Suite 450, Alpharetta, Georgia 30004. (708) 668-4410 ext. 52109. 24-201613 IJSC
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS
STORMFIELD CAPITAL FUNDING I, LLC
Plaintiff,
-v.-
SUPERIOR HOME CAPITAL LLC, A COLORADO LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, LANCE TRUELSON, AN INDIVIDUAL, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS
Defendant
2025 CH 0000017

NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on July 24, 2025, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on September 10, 2025, at the Peoria County Courthouse, 324 Main Street, NE Jefferson St., Main Entrance, PEORIA, IL, 61602, sell at public in-person sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:
Commonly known as 2417 N. UNIVERSITY ST., PEORIA, IL 61604
Property Index No. 14-32-328-007
The real estate is improved with a commercial investment property. The judgment amount was \$406,433.89.
Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.
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The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information.
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purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).
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For information, contact ADAM C. RAYFORD, POLSINELLI PC Plaintiff's Attorneys, 150 N. RIVERSIDE PLAZA, STE. 3000, CHICAGO, IL, 60606 (312) 819-1900. Please refer to file number 118160-785416.
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Case Number: 2025 CH 0000017
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NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
Case # 2025 CH 0000017
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS
WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR PARK PLACE SECURITIES, INC. ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES SERIES 2004-MHQ1
Plaintiff,
-v.-
ROBIN L. RUDE, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS
Defendant
2023 FC 0000264
NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on June 11, 2025, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on September 10, 2025, at the Peoria County Courthouse, 324 Main Street, NE Jefferson St., Main Entrance, PEORIA, IL, 61602, sell at public in-person sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:
Commonly known as 14019 N EDgewater DR, CHILLICOTHE, IL 61523
Property Index No. 09-12-476-007
The real estate is improved with a single family residence.
The judgment amount was \$65,004.14.
Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS
PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC
Plaintiff,
-v.-
BLAKE ROEDELL et al
Defendant
2025-FC-0000027
NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on May 19, 2025, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on September 24, 2025, at the Peoria County Courthouse, 324 Main Street, NE Jefferson St., Main Entrance, PEORIA, IL, 61602, sell at public in-person sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following

described real estate:
Commonly known as 4015 S CHALMERS AVE, BARTONVILLE, IL 61607
Property Index No. 17-26-378-024
The real estate is improved with a single family residence.
Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.
Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.
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For information, examine the court file, CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Plaintiff's Attorneys, 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL, 60527 (630) 794-9876
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PRINCEVILLE: Seeking agreement

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“Hopefully, we can come to an agreement and get something done. We’re not trying to be bad neighbors, that’s for sure.”

In TIF districts, property taxes that are to go to various bodies are frozen. Subsequent tax increases are diverted into a fund used for infrastructure improvements. Almost all of Princeville is in one of four TIF districts.

“When it comes to school districts in our county, that is super unique,” Shinall said. “Just the percentage of the village that’s in a TIF.”

TIF-related restrictions can lead to the school district needing to raise its tax rates, according to Davis and Murphy. The school district includes Edelstein, Laura and Monica, as well as adjacent rural areas. Neither Davis nor Murphy reside in Princeville.

“What happens here affects me,” Davis said. “I may not know exactly what goes on here in the village. All I see is my taxes being raised.”

Murphy suggested it’s unrealistic for the school district to survive on tax revenue from the oldest Princeville TIF district, which dates to 1993, given inflation. She said the

school district has missed out on \$5 million in overall tax money since then.

But Troutman said property values in the 1993 TIF district were reset to levels current when it was renewed after its initial 23-year term. Murphy asked the board for metrics and more accountability regarding TIF money, but Trustee Spencer Wilson said that’s available on village and state websites.

“Every time there’s some sort of program approval, it’s all in black and white there,” Wilson said during the regular board meeting. “They were trying to say there is a lack of collaboration and urgency and program tracking. I respectfully disagree. I found years of it. I found it in two hours.”

The school-district contingent did not attend the regular meeting. The village has been negotiating with the school and other area taxing bodies regarding increasing their share of TIF money. Troutman indicated a meeting this winter with school officials would be optimal.

Following the meetings, Troutman said the village is seeking a new code-enforcement officer. The previous one, Dan Sullivan, resigned effective Aug 2.

Troutman and trustees are to handle code-enforcement issues for now. Sullivan did not indicate a reason, according to the village president.

Earlier this year, the board voted to change the position from a 12-month term to an April-through-October one, with an officer available as needed in the other months. Troutman cited a dearth of code violations during winter.

During the regular meeting, trustees approved \$2,500 TIF Residential Rehabilitation Program reimbursements for a new garage roof at 235 N. Walnut Ave. and for house paint at 103 N. Cottage Grove Ave.

Following closed session, the board voted to settle an issue regarding a delayed response to an Illinois Freedom of Information Act request from the Peoria Standard, a public-data-focused news service.

The village did not receive the publication’s emailed FOIA request, which apparently was sent in January, according to Troutman. Usually, public bodies have five business days to respond. Attorneys advised the village to pay the filing costs – probably a couple of hundred dollars, Troutman said.



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Police reports

• **KICKAPOO** – Someone impersonating a Peoria County Sheriff’s Office employee apparently tried to steal currency from a Kickapoo business, authorities stated.

The incident at Kickabrew Coffee Co., 9927 U.S. Route 150, was reported shortly after noon July 24, according to a sheriff’s-office report.

A caller identified himself as a sheriff’s-office employee who was investigating counterfeit bills. He asked the proprietor to empty his safe and place that money outside. The caller then would retrieve the cash. The sheriff’s office was investigating. According to Sheriff Chris Watkins, his office would not contact a business for that purpose. He described the criminal tactic as new.

• **KICKAPOO** – No injuries were reported after a semi-trailer truck overturned on Interstate 74 south of Kickapoo shortly before 3:30 p.m. Aug. 9, according to the Illinois State Police. The Freightliner tractor-trailer was eastbound in the right lane near Kickapoo-Edwards Road when the driver lost control. The truck entered the median, overturned and landed on its side in the westbound lanes.

Both westbound lanes were blocked until about 8 p.m.

• **VICTORIA** – A Victoria-area man was accused of drunken driving after he was banned from an Oak Run business, according to authorities.

Frederick J. Meyer, 73, was driving a 2019 Ford pickup truck when a Knox County Sheriff’s Office deputy stopped it about 8 p.m. Aug. 6 in the 1300 block of Illinois Route 167. He was weaving and driving well below the speed limit, according to a sheriff’s-office report.

Not long before, Meyer left Oak Run General Store, where two female employees complained to the deputy about the suspect’s behavior. Meyer’s blood-alcohol level after he was stopped was .260. The legal limit is .08.

The deputy first transported Meyer to OSF Saint Mary Medical Center in Galesburg, then to the Knox County Jail. He was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol, improper lane use, illegal transportation of alcohol and having an expired vehicle-registration sticker.

Meyer was accused of DUI and illegal transportation of alcohol regarding an incident July 30 in the 1900 block of U.S. Route 34 near Galesburg, according to another sheriff’s-office report.

• **TRIVOLI** – A Trivoli-area convicted sex offender did not register his address with law-enforcement officials, they stated. Jacob A. Duhs, 38, was arrested about 10 a.m. Aug. 3 in the 100 block of High Oak Rd. in East Peoria, according to a redacted Peoria County Sheriff’s Office report. The sheriff’s office was alerted about three hours earlier from a residence near Trivoli.

Duhs was transported to the Peoria County Jail. He first registered as a sex offender in 2012 following a conviction in Florida, according to the Illinois State Police.

• **ELMWOOD** – Nobody seems to know how a vehicle came to block a road west of Elmwood, according to authorities.

The hazard was reported about 11:30 a.m. Aug. 1 in the 2300 block of Illinois Route 8, a Knox County Sheriff’s Office report stated. The driver’s side of the 1980s-era Chevrolet Caprice blocked the eastbound lane. A sign on the vehicle stated it was out of gasoline and fuel was being sought in Yates City.

A check revealed the license plates belonged to a 2004 Chevrolet pickup truck registered to an area man. The vehicle-identification number on the Caprice was traced to an owner in Berwyn, near Chicago. He could not be reached. The area man said he had junked the vehicle to which the plates belonged.

Later, a Yates City man notified the sheriff’s office that the Caprice was missing from his property. He didn’t say where the license plates came from, where the vehicle came from or who might have taken it. He was advised to contact a Galesburg towing company to retrieve it.

• **ELMWOOD** – No injuries were reported following a two-vehicle crash in Elmwood.

Brayden M. Amerman of Elmwood was driving an eastbound 2011 Chevrolet Traverse sport-utility vehicle at 8:45 p.m. July 31 on Mound Street when at Morgan Street it collided with a southbound 2017 GMC Acadia SUV that had the right of way, according to a Peoria County Sheriff’s Office report.

Abigail M. Kaczmarek of Elmwood was the other driver. Amerman said he slowed for the stop sign on Mound Street but couldn’t stop in time. Each vehicle contained two passengers and sustained front-end damage but was drivable. Amerman was cited for failure to stop at an intersection.

• **HANNA CITY** – The vehicle of a Canton man was damaged but drivable after he attempted to illegally pass a semi-truck convoy in Hanna

City, according to authorities.

Charles W. Little was driving an eastbound 2009 Dodge truck shortly after 5:15 p.m. July 29 in the 12100 block of Illinois Route 116 when it struck one of the four vehicles in the convoy, a Peoria County Sheriff’s Office report stated. Those vehicles were marked with oversized-load signs and warning lights.

The other driver was David G. McLeod of Victor, Mont. He said the Dodge swerved back into his lane and the bumpers of both vehicles collided. Little acknowledged he attempted to pass the caravan in a no-passing zone. The report did not state if he was cited.

• **DAHINDA** – A Warren County man faced illegal-drugs and firearm accusations following a traffic stop.

Jeffrey D. Damewood, 66, of Cameron was driving a swerving, westbound 2000 Dodge Durango sport-utility vehicle a Knox County Sheriff’s Office deputy pulled over shortly after 9 p.m. July 25 in the 1400 block of Lincoln St.

A search of the vehicle revealed a white substance believed to be crack cocaine, at least two glass smoking pipes and a box that contained 34 rounds of .22-caliber ammunition. Damewood’s Illinois Firearm Owner’s Identification Card was expired, according to a sheriff’s-office report.


Damewood was transported to the Knox County Jail in Galesburg. He was charged with possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, illegal possession of ammo and improper lane use. The vehicle was towed.

• **DAHINDA** – Gregory A. Aulgur, 33, of Douglasville, Ga., was accused of multiple traffic offenses on July 23 after a Knox County Sheriff’s Office deputy stopped him south of Dahinda. Aulgur was behind the wheel of an eastbound Chevrolet sedan that had Indiana license plates and was traveling 80 mph in a 55-mph zone on U.S. Route 150 near Knox Highway 12, according to a sheriff’s-office report.

Aulgur, who had a passenger, said he was in the area for work and did not have his driver’s license. A check revealed his Georgia-issued license was revoked. Aulgur was cited for speeding and driving with an invalid license. He received a notice to appear in Knox County Circuit Court.

• **OAK RUN** – Trina R. Hanssen, 45, of Oak Run was cited for trespassing after she refused to leave a local man’s residence in the 400 block of Knollridge Circle, according to a Knox County Sheriff’s Office report.

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Favorites the same, gap closing

Farmington and A-W favored, but not as heavily as last season

The LincolnLand Conference football favorites remain unchanged from one season ago, but the competition is creeping closer based on preseason votes cast by coaches (who were not able to vote for their own teams).

Farmington is the overwhelming favorite in the LincolnLand large division, earning first-place votes from every coach. That's no surprise, as last year's league champs and Class 2A semifinalists have 23 seniors and a league-best 85 players out this fall.



Jeff LAMPE

Farmington's strength is at wide-out, where 6-foot-3 North Dakota recruit Jack Gronewold, 6-4 Landon Crawford and speedy Boston Smith will give opposing DBs problems. But the Farmers' biggest question is who will throw the ball to those gifted receivers? So far, there are at least three candidates.

There are also three fairly evenly rated contenders behind the Farmers: Elmwood-Brimfield, Macomb and Illini West.

E-B has the fewest returnees of those contenders but has good numbers, promising sophomores and an offensive style that gives some opponents fits – particularly Macomb.

On paper, the Bombers could contend for a title with four starters back on offense and five on defense. Wideout Drew Watson is a three-year starter who had 56 catches last year. There's work to be done in the trenches, though, as the offensive line has just one returnee. And the Bombers still need to prove they are more than just skill players.

Illini West has six starters back on offense and a strong line in front of returning QB Ethan Carlisle, who passed for 532 yards and ran for 492 as a junior. Defense is a question mark for the Chargers, who started 0-3 last year and hope to build on their

COACHES' POLL	
LincolnLand Large	
Farmington	49
Elmwood-Brimfield	38
Macomb	38
Illini West	34
Bureau Valley	21
Knoxville	19
West Hancock	18
LVC	7
LincolnLand Small	
Annawan-Wethersfield	58
Princeville	57
Rushville-Industry	56
Abingdon-Avon	34
ROWVA-Williamsfield	34
Stark County	34
Havana	28
South Fulton	14
Monmouth United	9
NOTE: Coaches voted for all teams except their own.	

end-of-season momentum. Elsewhere, Knoxville welcomes new coach Marty Turner, a longtime assistant for the Blue Bullets. Knoxville has five starters back on offense and four on defense.

West Hancock has a stud receiver in Hunter Froman and Brayden Carter back at QB after he and three other returning linemen returned after sitting out last season. The question for West Hancock is not scoring, but stopping other teams. The Titans allowed more than 50 points per game last year.

Things are even tighter in the LincolnLand small division, where Annawan-Wethersfield holds a slim margin over Princeville and Rushville-Industry.

The Titans were hard-hit by injuries last year at running back, quarterback and elsewhere but still earned a 17th-straight playoff berth. And an upside to last year's injuries was that several players are back who saw time as a result, including two running backs and QB Maddux Heitzler.

R-I returns eight starters on offense and seven on defense from an 8-2 finisher. Those veterans include running back Rylan Reimolds (1,219 rushing yards, 16 TDs) and three of-

fensive linemen in the run-heavy wing-T attack. Still to be seen is how well QB Jagger Bartlett has recovered from a broken hand suffered this spring and how well R-I holds up, since depth is an issue.

Elder wand – With the hiring of Pat Elder as coach, Bureau Valley immediately stamped itself as a team to watch in the large division. But probably not immediately.

In 23 years as a head coach elsewhere, Elder has compiled a record of 161-85 and made the playoffs 19 times. Twice he has coached a state runner-up, including 2023 when his Ridgewood team was second in 8-man football and 2012 with Class 4A Richmond-Burton.

Numbers are down at BV, however, with just 34 players out. As Elder said, "We're going to need to generate some interest."

Looking back – Incidentally, coaches did a pretty good job predicting the LincolnLand last year. The only team they misfigured in the large division was Knoxville, which was predicted to place third and wound up sixth.

The betting line was not quite as accurate in the small division, as coaches underrated champion Stark County (tabbed for third in the pre-season) and third-place Princeville (picked for fifth) while giving too much credit to ROWVA-Williamsfield (picked for second, finished fifth). Injuries played a huge part in Annawan-Wethersfield not living up to its predicted first-place finish.

Et cetera – Statewide, more schools are scheduling preseason scrimmages in place of glorified practices. Not so much in the immediate area, except for Farmington. The Farmers were home against Limestone last Saturday morning and Coach Toby Vallas said it's a valuable experience. "I think it's a huge advantage to go against someone else," he said. ... E-B racked up \$7,145 during its players auction held last Friday. Players are paired up and sold to the high bidder for four hours of work the next day.

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ELMWOOD-BRIMFIELD TROJANS 2025

Front Row (all rows left to right): Noah Newman, Caleb Shane, Liam Crotts, JJ Staes, Noah Toum, Zaiden Taylor, Ray Morefield, Dylan Shane, Colton Snider, Parker Cornelison and Levi Gilles.
Row 2: Latham Lundell, Baron Case, Jay Webb, Adam Rust, Brashen Butler, Myles Alger, Will Reno, Garrett Bruner, Gus Ulrich, Cade Winkelmann, Cadence Metz and Alina Hollis.
Row 3: Hayden Brugger, Kouper Martin, Liam Newman, Elliott Turner, Emery Baumann, Cody Burge, Neiko Kellenberger, Keagan Forney, Dylan German, Nathan DeSplinter and Kaitlyn Sharp.
Row 4: Katie May, Beau Grunow, Logan Estes, Oliver Hoerr, Caleb Stevens, Wyatt Trainer, Jake Jackson, Parker Melhus, Grant Jackson, Silas Gilles, Paxton Coleman and Mackenzie Caulkins.
Row 5: Kourtney Head, Tommy Burkitt, Paxton Colemnan, Gavin Strom, Owen Thornton, Cole Cox, Kevin Johnson, Gavin Stalnaker, Layne Johnson and Riggs Lambert.
Not pictured: Jakoby Johnson and Mason Winter.

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ELMWOOD-BRIMFIELD TROJANS

Big back happy to be running for Trojans

By JEFF LAMPE
For The Weekly Post

ELMWOOD – In many prep football programs, Layne Johnson would have pushed harder to be quarterback. Not so much at Elmwood-Brimfield, where the offense goes entire games without throwing a pass.

And so Johnson, one of two full-time starters and two part-time starters back on offense for the Trojans, is happy to be playing wingback.

“Definitely, I like playing running back a little bit more than quarterback in our offense. Just watch the film,” Johnson said. “But I’m willing to play any position coach puts me in.”

Expectations are that the 6-foot-1, 210-pound senior back will be in a position to run the ball plenty for E-B, which must replace last year’s dynamic running attack of Bo Windish (1,822 rushing yards) and Matthew Glenn (1,727 yards). Both backs graduated, as did four starting linemen.

But E-B is not without experience up front, which helps explain why Coach Todd Hollis thinks that side of the ball is better prepared for the season ahead.

“On offense we’re pretty solid, even guys that weren’t playing last year,” he said. “They understand how the offense feels when it feels right. We run so many reps of it.”

As is generally the case for E-B, the Trojans go as the offensive line goes. The lone returnee is senior guard Walter Lampe (5-foot-11, 245 pounds), though returning senior tight end Tommy Burkitt (6-2, 190) is also called on to block most plays.

Stepping up into the trenches will be senior center Hayden Brugger (5-10, 180), senior tackle Baron Case (5-8, 265), junior tackle Owen Thornton (6-4, 250), sophomore guard Adam Rust (5-9, 210) and senior tight end Beau Grunow (5-11, 185).

Brugger started in the playoffs last year and has come on strong for a line that Hollis praises for its brains as much as for its brawn. He notes that Lampe is tied for No. 1 in his class (along with quarterback Evan Patterson), while Case, Brugger, Thornton and Grunow are all near the top of their classes for grade-point average.

Hollis says all those smarts help linemen make adjustments and communicate well. “And they’re all really good friends so they communicate well already,” Hollis said.

Even so, it also helps to have some



Coaching will continue all season for Elmwood-Brimfield, which has limited returnees and plans to start four sophomores. Photo by Jeff Lampe.



Burkitt



Johnson



Lampe



Shane

talented running backs.

“Layne reminds me a little of Jackson Harkness or Paul Bennett, the guy that ran for our first conference championship team,” Hollis said. “He’s going to move piles. When you have a guy that teams are really going to have to load up some dudes to stop, that opens up some other things.”

That means there should be holes for wingbacks Dylan Shane and Logan Estes and fullback Myles Alger. And don’t be surprised to see QB Patterson run some, as he is one of the team’s strongest players. Might he even pass the ball a few times?

“He might be the wild card,” Hollis said. “If he hits a couple guys deep or carries the ball himself, that might be the difference.”

The bigger question for E-B is on defense, where Burkitt and Shane return in the defensive backfield and Johnson is back at middle linebacker.

The rest of the linebacking corps will be young, featuring juniors Estes and Emery Baumann and sophomore Liam Newman – one of three second-years expected to start on defense.

“It’s a very talented (sophomore) class,” Hollis said. “There’s potential at some point we could have six sophomores playing on the offensive or

defensive side.”

Two of those youngsters are tall, athletic defensive ends Gavin Strom (6-5, 195) and Cole Cox (6-5, 200). In the middle figure to be nose guard Lampe and 6-4 tackle Thornton.

Grunow will be the other starter in the defensive backfield.

All those newcomers and a new scheme make the defense a work in progress, according to coaches and players.

“We’re putting in a new defensive look this year and trying something new to see if it works for this year’s team compared to last year,” Johnson said. “We’ll pick it up. It’s just a matter of time.”

Hollis agrees the Trojans may look much different later in the season than the teams that opens at home against Knoxville on Friday, Aug. 29.

“Unlike last year, where I thought we were at a pretty high level from the start, this year because of the lack of experience, this group has the ability to continue to grow,” Hollis said. “All the mistakes early are really fixable and the sophomores, a lot of them are going to get play on the other side of the ball Monday nights and they will get in a little extra football.”

ELMWOOD-BRIMFIELD TROJANS



Coach: Todd Hollis
Enrollment: 380.5 (Class 2A)
Last year: 9-2

SCHEDULE

Aug. 29	vs. Knoxville	7:00
Sept. 5	at Farmington	7:00
Sept. 12	at Lewistown	7:00
Sept. 19	vs. Princeville	7:00
Sept. 26	vs. Bureau Valley	7:00
Oct. 3	at West Hancock	7:00
Oct. 10	vs. Ottawa Marquette	7:00
Oct. 17	at Macomb	7:00
Oct. 24	vs. Illini West	7:00

NOTE: Home Games in Bold

VARSITY ROSTER

No.	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Pos.
1	Ray Morefield	5-8	130	So.	TE/DB
2	Parker Cornelison	5-8	160	So.	RB/DB
3	Evan Patterson	6-0	185	Sr.	QB/LB
4	Logan Estes	6-0	180	Jr.	RB/LB
5	Layne Johnson	6-1	210	Sr.	RB/LB
10	Noah Newman	5-1	105	Jr.	RB/DB
11	Cadence Metz	5-4	150	So.	RB/LB
13	Liam Newman	6-0	165	So.	QB/LB
15	Dylan Shane	5-8	140	Sr.	RB/DB
18	Kouper Martin	5-9	160	Jr.	QB/DB
20	Parker Melhus	6-0	195	So.	RB/LB
21	Cody Burge	5-11	155	So.	QB/DB
22	Caleb Shane	5-4	140	Fr.	RB/DB
23	Myles Alger	5-8	180	Jr.	RB/LB
25	Noah Toun	5-8	180	So.	RB/LB
31	Zaiden Taylor	5-8	125	Fr.	RB/DB
32	Emery Baumann	5-11	180	Jr.	RB/LB
34	Keagan Forney	5-10	155	Fr.	QB/DB
35	Beau Grunow	5-11	185	Sr.	TE/DB
36	Mason Winter	5-4	110	Fr.	RB/DB
38	Gus Ulrich	5-9	165	Sr.	RB/LB
40	Garrett Bruner	5-8	155	Fr.	RB/LB
42	Levi Gilles	5-5	140	Fr.	QB/DB
43	Oliver Hoerr	5-9	165	Fr.	TE/LB
44	Will Reno	5-7	160	Fr.	RB/LB
54	JJ Staes	5-5	160	Jr.	OL/LB
55	Nathan DeSplinter	5-11	240	So.	OL/DL
56	Silas Gilles	6-4	240	So.	OL/DL
58	Latham Lundell	5-7	190	Fr.	OL/DL
60	Wyatt Trainer	6-0	210	Fr.	OL/DL
61	Dylan German	5-10	185	Fr.	OL/DL
63	Kevin Johnson	6-3	185	So.	OL/DL
64	Caleb Stevens	6-2	220	Sr.	OL/DL
65	Cole Cox	6-5	200	So.	OL/DL
66	Hayden Brugger	5-10	180	Sr.	OL/DL
67	Baron Case	5-8	265	Sr.	OL/DL
68	Owen Thornton	6-4	250	Jr.	OL/DL
70	Gavin Stalnaker	6-1	210	Fr.	OL/DL
71	Adam Rust	5-9	210	So.	OL/LB
72	Paxton Coleman	6-3	310	Fr.	OL/DL
74	Brashen Butler	5-10	310	Jr.	OL/DL
75	Jakoby Johnson	6-1	215	So.	OL/DL
76	Elliot Turner	5-9	235	So.	OL/DL
77	Liam Crotts	5-7	185	So.	OL/DL
78	Walter Lampe	5-11	245	Sr.	OL/DL
79	Riggs Lambert	5-10	255	So.	OL/DL
80	Jake Jackson	6-1	150	Fr.	TE/DL
81	Tommy Burkitt	6-2	190	Sr.	TE/DB
82	Colton Snider	5-7	125	So.	TE/DB
83	Jay Webb	5-9	155	So.	TE/DB
85	Grant Jackson	5-9	135	Fr.	TE/DB
88	Cade Winkelmann	5-8	150	Fr.	TE/LB
89	Gavin Strom	6-5	195	So.	TE/DL

Assistant Coaches: Brad Crisco, Mike Dutton, Mike Walker, Brandon Butler, Tommy Bowers, Kevin Faulkner, Brady Westart, Landon Kline, Dash Anderson, Noah Hollis and Caleb Hollis.

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Row 2: Gage Smith, Leo Fauser, Gage Williamson, Noah Fleming, Tristan Hendy, Logan McCoy, Gage Galyean, Carter Gavelys, Braelan Krusa, Brody Wilcoxon, Kyle Miller, Haven McMaster and Jordan Jones.

Row 3: Mason Green, Thomas Nordwahl, Colton Clark, Andersen Neal, Lucas Shelby, Trevor Frye, Carson Martin, Jayla Lekies, Chase Frye, Barrett Demmin, Garrett Perkins, Jackson Ray, Austin Brewer, Hunter Cady.

Row 4: Coach Tyler Kolzow, Carson Noy, Jack Gronewold, Thomas Seaborn, Boston Smith, Gavin Smith, Brian Cieloha, Lucas Gutierrez, Ethan Martin, Ethan Lynn, Mason Shelby, Bryse Hunter, Coach Ryan Sunderland.

Row 5: Coach Aaron Kennelly, Coach Thomas DuBre-Schloz, Coach Brad Whitcomb, Coach Robby Reeder, Coach Dylan Hayden, Carson Horn, Treyven Haroldson, Landon Crawford, Noah Passmore, Kaydon Bollinger, Coach Brandon Chavez-Jimenez, Coach Tyler Hornung, Coach Kaleb Plattenberger and Head Coach Toby Vallas.

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FARMINGTON FARMERS

23 seniors aim to prove Farmers still potent

By JEFF LAMPE
For The Weekly Post

FARMINGTON – One year ago, Farmington football was loaded with 21 seniors and 19 returning starters – a talented core that put together the finest season in school history.

This year, the Farmers return just two starters to a defense that was the heart of their success in last year’s run to the Class 2A semifinals. Five returnees are back on offense but the quarterback position is still uncertain.

Down year?

Hold on a second, says Coach Toby Vallas, pointing 23 seniors on the 2025 roster – many of whom are finally getting their chance to shine.

“I think it’s deceptive because we have a lot of guys who were good players as juniors who just got put behind a special class,” Vallas said. “I think this can be a special class, too. We’ve got some talented guys who got to practice for 13 weeks last year against a great group.”

As examples, Vallas points to seniors 6-foot-4, 245-pound Noah Passmore and 6-3, 195-pound Thomas Seaborn. “Any other year, those guys are playing everywhere, every down,” Vallas said.

This year, they will be, at least on defense, where Passmore is a starting defensive end and Seaborn is part of a strong linebacking crew. Passmore will also start on offense at left tackle. There are similar stories throughout the lineup, Vallas said.

There’s a cost to all those promotions. Juniors who last year provided great depth have been replaced by a less robust 12-member junior class.

“In all honesty, is the ceiling as high as last year? Maybe not, because of the depth we had,” Vallas said. “But I would not undersell this group of seniors, either.”

The offense will be led by a strong receiving corps featuring senior Jack Gronewold (6-3, 210), who led Farmington with 1,050 receiving yards and 13 touchdown receptions. Gronewold has committed to play linebacker at the University of North Dakota and says the decision is a big relief.

“It’s a monster weight lifted off my shoulders,” he said. “I don’t have to worry about any more recruiting and can just focus on football and winning games.”

Two other prime pass-catching threats are senior Boston Smith, a speedy two-year starter who will sit out the season opener, and 6-4, 190-pound senior Landon Crawford – who



Senior wide receiver Jack Gronewold turns the corner to head upfield during a playoff win last year over Deer Creek-Mackinaw. Photo by Dave Giagnoni.



Crawford



Gronewold



Haroldson



Smith

Vallas said is poised for a breakout season after catching 18 balls for 240 yards and five TDs last year.

Add senior backup Kyle Miller and there’s plenty of threats outside.

“Right now with the receiver corps we have, I think our bread and butter is going to be our offense,” Crawford said. “Our offense is super, super easy to learn, but it’s super beneficial.”

The question to be determined is who will throw the ball? The early nod will likely go to 6-1 senior Treyven Haroldson, who is more of a running threat but has “come a long way and been a really great decision-maker this year,” according to Vallas.

One complication is that Haroldson is also a key cog on defense as a defensive back.

“I don’t think we can be without Treyven on defense. He’s been that good all summer,” Vallas said. “But we haven’t played a quarterback on defense for awhile.”

If not Haroldson, 6-4 freshman Carson Noy has shown poise beyond his years. Gronewold could also play QB in a pinch, especially if a nagging ankle injury slows him at wideout.

“Whoever it is, we’ve got to get the ball into (the wide receiver’s) hands,” Vallas said. “If we can get it in their

hands, those guys will be dangerous.”

Speedy junior Noah Fleming will be the featured running back, though senior Gage Smith and Bradyn Brewer will also get carries.

Up front, Vallas said a revamped line looks “really good,” though depth is an issue. Returning senior starters are center Bryse Hunter and guard Carter Gavelys. Junior Garrett Perkins is a guard and 6-5, 245-pound Kaydon Bollinger is the other tackle.

Defensively, things are more in flux. Vallas says the linebackers look the sharpest, the line is solid and the defensive backs will be a strength if they get past nagging injuries.

Passmore and Bollinger will be defensive ends, with Carson Horn (6-foot, 275) and Jaxon Darsham (5-11, 210) splitting time at nose guard.

Perkins is a returning starter at line-back and will be joined by Seaborn, Ethan Martin and Gage Smith.

Gronewold and Haroldson are safeties and Barrett Demmin and Crawford will play cornerback.

“We have a lot of people to prove wrong. A lot of people are doubting us because we had a monster senior class last year that graduated,” Gronewold said. “We have a lot to prove every day and it drives us to be better.”



FARMINGTON FARMERS

Coach: Toby Vallas

Enrollment: 351 (Class 2A/3A) Last year: 12-1

SCHEDULE

Aug. 29	vs. West Hancock	7:00
Sept. 5	vs. Elmwood-Brimfield	7:00
Sept. 12	vs. Eureka	7:00
Sept. 19	at Illini West	7:00
Sept. 26	vs. Knoxville	7:00
Oct. 3	at Macomb	7:00
Oct. 10	vs. ROWVA-Williamsfield	7:00
Oct. 17	vs. Lewistown	7:00
Oct. 24	at Bureau Valley	7:00

NOTE: Home Games in Bold

VARSITY ROSTER

No.	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Pos.
0	Boston Smith	6-1	180	Sr.	WR/DB
1	Brody Wilcoxon	5-11	160	So.	WR/DB
2	Kamdyn Decker	5-10	155	Sr.	WR/DB
3	Kyle Miller	5-11	165	Sr.	WR/DB
4	Mason Green	6-1	185	Jr.	WR/DB
5	Carson Noy	6-4	180	Fr.	QB/DB
7	Leo Fauser	5-8	155	So.	QB/DB
8	Landon Crawford	6-4	190	Sr.	WR/DB
9	Gage Smith	5-9	195	Sr.	RB/LB
11	Trevor Frye	6-0	185	So.	TE/LB
12	Treyven Haroldson	6-1	185	Sr.	QB/DB
13	Jack Gronewold	6-3	210	Sr.	WR/DB
14	Jackson Ray	5-10	170	Jr.	TE/LB
16	Thomas Seaborn	6-3	195	Sr.	TE/LB
18	Barrett Demmin	6-0	175	Jr.	WR/DB
19	Chase Frye	5-10	155	So.	RB/LB
20	Gage Galyean	5-10	155	So.	WR/LB
21	Koby Rook	6-0	175	Sr.	RB/LB
23	Jonny Gibbs	5-10	180	Sr.	WR/DB
24	Noah Fleming	5-10	185	Jr.	RB/DB
25	Thomas Nordwahl	6-1	150	So.	WR/DB
26	Tristan Hendy	5-9	160	Jr.	WR/DB
27	Carson Martin	6-0	150	So.	WR/DB
28	Mason Watters	5-9	150	So.	QB/LB
30	Bradyn Brewer	5-10	165	So.	RB/LB
31	Kolben Haroldson	5-9	155	So.	WR/DB
32	Austin Brewer	5-9	150	Jr.	WR/DB
33	Ethan Lynn	6-0	150	So.	WR/DB
36	Lucas Shelby	6-0	165	Jr.	WR/DB
37	Ethan Martin	6-0	205	Sr.	WR/LB
38	Logan McCoy	5-9	150	So.	WR/DB
45	Colton Clark	6-2	185	Jr.	TE/LB
50	Carter Gavelys	5-10	205	Sr.	OL/DL
51	Braelan Krusa	6-0	195	So.	OL/DL
52	Braxton Krusa	6-0	210	So.	OL/DL
54	Lucas Gutierrez	6-0	225	Sr.	OL/DL
55	Mason Shelby	6-1	195	So.	OL/DL
56	Carson Horn	6-0	275	Sr.	OL/DL
57	Eddie O'Brian	5-11	165	Jr.	OL/LB
58	Hunter Cady	5-9	170	So.	OL/DL
59	Garrett Perkins	6-0	200	Jr.	OL/LB
60	Gage Williamson	5-8	175	So.	OL/DL
61	Andersen Neal	6-0	205	Jr.	OL/DL
62	Patrick O'Brian	5-10	175	Sr.	OL/DL
64	Haven McMaster	5-8	200	So.	OL/DL
65	Kaydon Bollinger	6-5	225	Sr.	OL/DL
66	Jordan Jones	5-10	160	So.	OL/DL
67	Bryse Hunter	6-0	235	Sr.	OL/DL
68	Noah Passmore	6-4	245	Sr.	OL/DL
69	Brian Cieloha	6-0	180	So.	OL/DL
70	Gavin Smith	6-1	200	So.	OL/DL
72	Samuel Hammond	6-0	225	Jr.	OL/DL
73	Elliott Martin	5-11	185	So.	OL/DL
75	Jaxon Darsham	5-11	210	Sr.	OL/DL
77	Jayla Lekies	–	–	Sr.	OL/DL
81	Korbin Shake	5-8	150	So.	K/K
82	Jackson Gilmore	6-0	185	Sr.	TE/LB
85	Max Sharum	5-10	170	Sr.	WR/DB

Assistant Coaches: Kaleb Plattenberger, Tyler Hornung, Dylan Hayden Ryan Sunderland, Brad Whitcomb, Robby Reeder, Brandon Chavez-Jimenez, Nick Hoffmann and Thomas DuBre-Schloz and Tyler Kolzow.

PLAYOFF HISTORY

The 2024 season marked Farmington's 23rd playoff appearance and ninth in 10 full seasons under Toby Vallas, who is 92-22 overall at Farmington.

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Front Row (all rows are left to right): Hunter Johnson, Brady Day, Jett Benningfield, Collin Lowery, Eli Christianson, Noah Geiger, Kaden Blunier, Travon Richeson and Izaiah Cole.

Row 2: Jackson Kraft, Ryan Butterfield, Wyatt Giffin, Kaiden Sarnes, Owen Harmon, Coley Palmer and Collin Carruthers.

Row 3: Bradin Senn, Anthony Venegas, Bradlee Curtis, Cayden Allen, Nick Wilson, Oliver Melick, Dawson Freres, Garrett McGrath and Jesse Taylor.




Row 4: Aaron Harmon, Ashton Gilbert, Braeden Brodie, Cam Lauber, Fletcher Onion, Chase Eberle, Brennan Friedman, Luke Bishop, Silas Streitmatter and Tyler Musselman.

Row 5: Matthew Benson, Ethaniel Menold, Cooper Cox, Nate Lowery, Edo Arnett, Jace Graham, Brendan Chain, Carson Reuber and Colson Cowser.

Row 6: Jasper Zoss, Ty McFarland, Camdin Wilson, Camden Kraft, Kellen Duckworth, Ben Blank, Liam Bohannon, Darrell Dunbar, Owen Daily, Noah Potter and Michael Noonon.

Row 7: Manager Shaelyn McGrath, Manager Bronwen Hill, Coach Matthew Butterfield, Coach Eli Wieland, Coach Brian Wonders, Head Coach Jon Carruthers, Coach Jacob Dye, Coach Jack Arnett, Manager Bri Ehle and Manager Abigail Christianson.

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PRINCEVILLE PRINCES

Princeville loaded and highly motivated

By NICK VLAHOS
For The Weekly Post

PRINCEVILLE – Noah Geiger has been reporting about Princeville sports for a while. This football season, he and his Princes teammates hope to provide plenty of headlines.

A running back and linebacker, Geiger is one of about a dozen Princeville seniors returning from a 7-3 team that advanced to the first round of the Class 1A state playoffs. That 60-30 home loss to Stockton was a sour ending to a sweet 7-3 season.

“If you hear me get mad today, you might hear me yell about Stockton,” Princeville Coach Jon Carruthers said before a recent practice. “It definitely wasn’t a great showing by us. It really left our seniors with a bad taste in their mouth. Our seniors now, I think it made them hungry.”

Said Geiger: “That’s the big motivation this year. We all know how it ended last year. We just don’t want that to happen again.”

With seven returning starters on each side of the football and with other experienced players on the roster, Princeville figures to be in prime position to avoid that problem. Geiger figures to be a key player and chronicler.

Geiger is the sports reporter for 326 News, a Princeville School District internet-based weekly news program. Students work in front of and behind the camera.

Other football players who work on 326 News are senior receiver-defensive back Kaden Blunier, junior lineman Ryan Butterfield and senior lineman Owen Harmon. Geiger’s segment is called “Royal Rap-Up.” Geiger spent last year and this past summer as a mass-communications intern at school.

“I didn’t know I’d like that kind of stuff until I actually did it,” said Geiger, who isn’t sure if he’ll pursue a media career after high school. “Maybe somewhere, something I’ve learned in there, I can use that for my future.”

The immediate future for Princeville football is promising. The Princes join Annawan-Wethersfield and Rushville-Industry among the LincolnLand Conference small-division 2025 favorites. Carruthers appears to relish the expectations, although he understands things won’t be easy.

“It’s not like we’re going to come in with a lot of inexperience on that first night,” said Carruthers, whose team



Princeville seniors Collin Lowery (left) and Wyatt Giffin will be anchors for the Princes on both the offensive and defensive lines. Lowery was a unanimous all-LincolnLand Conference choice on both sides of the ball last season. Photo by Jeff Lampe



Christianson



Geiger



Giffin



Lowery

opens the season Friday night at Tom Bruna Field against Havana. “We’ll have inexperience at quarterback, but definitely with everyone else around, that should make that easier.”

The new starting quarterback is to be senior Kaiden Sarnes, who is atop a three-player competition for the position, according to Carruthers. Sarnes is to succeed Jake Williams, who was selected as the league’s offensive player of the year in 2024.

Sarnes also is to remain on defense at linebacker, where he was a first-team all-conference pick last year. So were fellow returnees Brady Day, a senior defensive back; Hunter Johnson, a senior wide receiver; and Collin Lowery, a senior unanimous pick on defensive and offensive lines.

Lowery teamed this summer with Johnson, one of his best friends, to form an informal window-washing business in Princeville. Lowery seems to have other sorts of cleaning in mind this fall.

“I think I can do more,” he said. “This year, I feel we have more skilled players, players who know the game of football. We just have all the pieces

together to make a good football team this year.”

Certainly, some of the Princeville players have what it takes to form an all-nickname team.

According to Carruthers, senior running back-linebacker Eli Christianson is known as “the Terminator” and is poised for a breakout season. At 300 pounds, senior Wyatt “Big Giff” Giffin is expected to join Lowery and Harmon, among others, as part of a stout defensive line.

The Princes’ 2024 defensive backfield and receiving corps – Day, Johnson and classmate Jett Benningfield – also returns. All of it might be almost an embarrassment of riches for the coach of a team that represents a school of fewer than 200 students.

“It’s a good feeling to have,” Carruthers said. “A lot of times, you get people who graduate so many seniors they’re the only ones that played. We’re not in that boat this year.”

Geiger would like to put that in writing – or on video, at least.

“We want people to remember us; not just another class that was supposed to be good,” he said.



PRINCEVILLE PRINCES

Coach: Jon Carruthers
Enrollment: 210.5 (Class 1A) Last year: 7-3

SCHEDULE

Aug. 29	vs. Havana	7:00
Sept. 5	at South Fulton	7:00
Sept. 12	vs. Rushville-Industry	7:00
Sept. 19	at Elmwood-Brimfield	7:00
Sept. 26	vs. Abingdon-Avon	7:00
Oct. 3	vs. ROWVA-Williamsfield	7:00
Oct. 10	at Annawan-Wethersfield	7:00
Oct. 17	at Stark County	7:00
Oct. 24	vs. Monmouth United	7:00

NOTE: Home Games in Bold

VARSITY ROSTER

No.	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Pos.
1	Garett McGrath	5-5	125	So.	RB/DB
3	Jace Graham	5-10	130	So.	WR/DB
4	Jett Benningfield	6-0	155	Sr.	WR/DB
7	Cooper Cox	5-10	150	So.	QB/DB
8	Kaiden Sarnes	6-1	185	Sr.	QB/LB
9	Colson Cowser	5-5	110	Fr.	WR/DB
10	Kaden Blunier	6-0	160	Sr.	WR/DB
11	Brady Day	6-1	160	Sr.	WR/DB
12	Cam Lauber	5-10	125	So.	WR/DB
13	Hunter Johnson	6-3	190	Sr.	WR/DB
14	Michael Noonon	5-4	105	Fr.	QB/DB
15	Dawson Freres	5-9	145	Fr.	RB/LB
17	Nick Wilson	6-0	145	Jr.	WR/DB
19	Carson Reuber	5-7	120	Fr.	RB/LB
20	Silas Streitmatter	5-3	105	Fr.	WR/DB
21	Braeden Brodie	5-8	135	So.	WR/DB
22	Edoardo Arnett	6-1	190	So.	RB/DB
23	Coley Palmer	6-0	175	Jr.	QB/LB
24	Collin Carruthers	6-0	180	Jr.	RB/LB
25	Oliver Melick	5-8	135	Jr.	RB/LB
30	Nate Lowery	6-3	165	So.	WR/LB
32	Brennan Friedman	5-10	150	So.	RB/LB
33	Tyler Musselman	5-5	105	Fr.	RB/LB
34	Ty McFarland	6-0	155	Fr.	WR/DB
35	Eli Christianson	5-11	195	Sr.	RB/LB
36	Noah Potter	5-8	130	Fr.	RB/LB
44	Noah Geiger	5-11	170	Sr.	RB/LB
45	Anthony Venegas	5-7	170	Jr.	RB/LB
51	Bradin Senn	5-7	175	Jr.	OL/DL
52	Brenden Chain			So.	OL/DL
53	Jesse Taylor	5-10	155	Fr.	OL/DL
54	Fletcher Onion	5-9	150	So.	OL/LB
55	Cayden Allen	6-0	195	Jr.	OL/DL
56	Owen Harmon	6-0	175	Sr.	OL/DL
57	Owen Dailey	5-9	160	Fr.	OL/DL
58	Camdin Wilson	5-11	190	Fr.	OL/DL
58	Jasper Zoss	5-10	145	Fr.	OL/LB
60	Wyatt Giffin	6-0	300	Sr.	OL/DL
62	Izaiah Cole	5-6	225	Sr.	OL/DL
64	Ethaniel Menold	5-11	260	So.	OL/DL
65	Liam Bohannon	6-3	190	Fr.	OL/DL
67	Chase Eberle	6-0	205	So.	OL/DL
70	Luke Bishop	5-7	210	So.	OL/DL
71	Ashton Gilbert	5-6	200	So.	OL/DL
72	Ryan Butterfield	6-1	250	Jr.	OL/DL
74	Aaron Harmon	6-1	250	So.	OL/DL
75	Bradlee Curtis	6-0	200	Jr.	OL/DL
77	Collin Lowery	6-3	240	Sr.	OL/DL
79	Matthew Benson	6-0	250	Fr.	OL/DL
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82	Kellen Duckworth	5-10	130	Fr.	WR/DB
84	Travon Richeson	5-9	170	Sr.	OL/DL
85	Benjamin Blank	6-4	155	Fr.	WR/DB
86	Daryl Dunbar	5-10	140	Fr.	WR/DB
88	Jackson Kraft	6-3	170	Jr.	WR/LB

Assistant Coaches: Brian Wonders, Jacob Dye, Jack Arnett, Matthew Butterfield, Michael Sheets, Eli Wieland, Nate Rice and Nathan Wineinger.

PLAYOFF HISTORY

Princeville has 25 playoff berths and placed second in Class 1A in 1975. The Princes have nine playoff berths in 13 full seasons under Jon Carruthers

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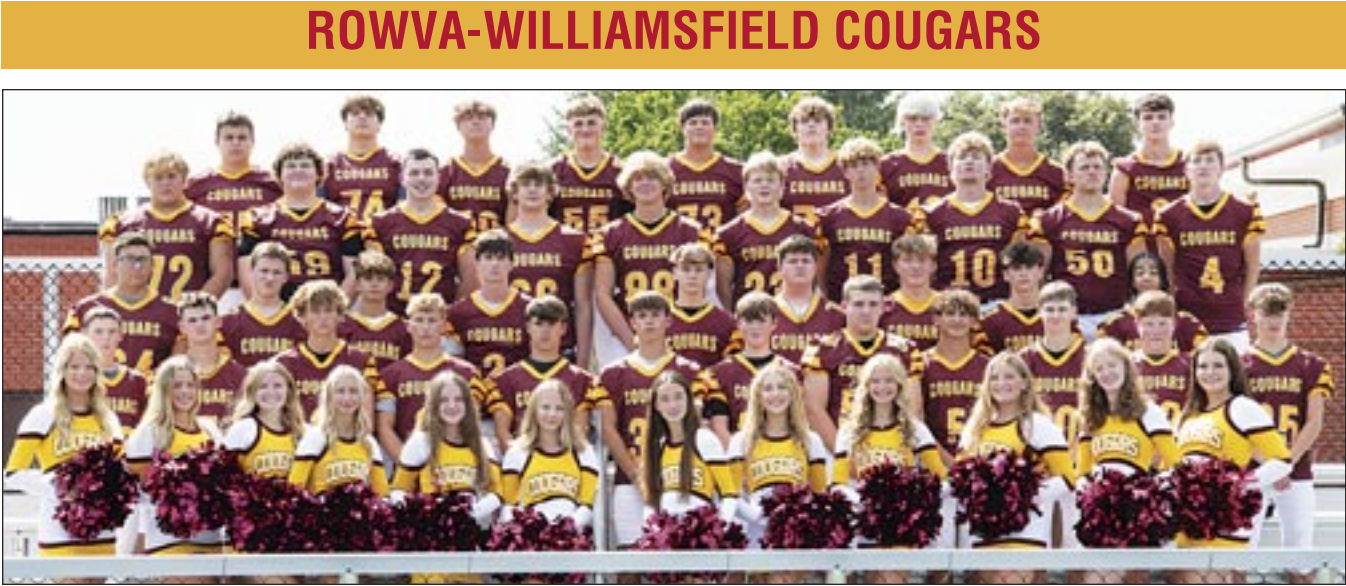
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ROWVA-Williamsfield football players, managers and cheerleaders pose for a team picture.

Restocked Cougars expected to produce

By NICK VLAHOS
For The Weekly Post

ONEIDA – By spending a summer slinging melons, Drake DeJaynes might have learned a few things about throwing a football. Or at least about how to assemble a successful football team.

In that regard, time will tell how well DeJaynes and his ROWVA-Williamsfield teammates produce.

For the second consecutive season, DeJaynes is to start at quarterback for the Cougars. A mid-season five-game losing streak resulted in a 4-5 record in 2024 and no state-playoffs berth. That came after R-W won at least once in each of two successive Class 1A post-season appearances.

DeJaynes and teammate Carter Smith – two of only seven seniors on the 40-plus-player R-W roster – would prefer to start a new streak.

“We have a good chance to make people remember why we are a good football team,” said Smith, a linebacker and offensive lineman. “We might have had a down year last year, but at the end of the day, we know our stuff. We know we are a good football team, and we know how to do what we do best.”

Much of that R-W belief was honed during off-season football activities, like weightlifting. Some of it was honed in the produce department of the Hy-Vee supermarket on Main Street in Galesburg. That’s where DeJaynes worked this summer, about 35 hours a week.

DeJaynes restocked shelves, cut fruit, cleaned displays – whatever needed to be done, he said. He learned a few things he can apply to his current primary avocation.

“I think knowing that it’s so much bigger than your one little job,” said DeJaynes, who also is an R-W linebacker. “Doing something right on a



DeJaynes



Foster



Gerlach



Smith

defense thing, that one little thing makes everything fall into place. Same thing at Hy-Vee.”

It appears less annoying, perhaps, than what Smith dealt with at his summer job. He said he enjoyed working at Menards in Galesburg, but he could do without the home-improvement firm’s earworm jingle blaring over the store loudspeakers every few minutes.

“I have nightmares about it, I’m not going to lie. But I like my job,” a smiling Smith said.

R-W Coach Grant Gullstrand appears to like the job his youth-oriented team is doing ahead of its season opener Friday night at Monmouth United. He said he was a little nervous when preseason practice began, based on lack of summer-activity attendance.

But the 29 freshmen and sophomores in practice have a chance to excel, according to Gullstrand. That might be particularly true about the sophomore group. Wide receiver-defensive back Parker Tamburro and running backs-linebackers Jose Estrada, Garrett Goff and Jaden Koepp are among those to watch.

“They’re strong and they’re fast and they like to hit people,” Gullstrand said.

That doesn’t mean the older guard should be overlooked. Lineman Taylor Foster and running back-defensive back Keagan Gerlach, both seniors, are likely to join DeJaynes and Smith in the

leadership group.

An even-older veteran who is a new addition on the sidelines also is expected to help. Andy Gibbons, the former head coach at Knox College in Galesburg, is to assist the Cougars this season.

The 34-year Knox fixture, who now is a Prairie Fire administrator and head strength and conditioning coach, is to retire from there next year. His wife, Carla, is a ROWVA English teacher who had Gullstrand in one of her classes back in the day.

“He’s been a part of the community forever,” Gullstrand said about his new assistant. “If you can add someone with that type of background to your staff, the kids automatically kind of pay attention and listen a little bit.”

If Gibbons can help R-W achieve at least five victories and a postseason berth in an ultra-competitive Lincoln-Land Conference small division, it certainly will catch Smith’s ear. More than that Menards jingle, to be certain.

“I think we can at least do five wins ... (but) push for greatness instead of just settling,” Smith said. “Yeah, we might get five wins, but we don’t want to settle. We want another one and another one.”

“I don’t want to see the program drop off right after I leave. I want to see continued success after I leave, so I can come back and smile and be like, ‘We started something great.’”

ROWVA-WILLIAMSFIELD COUGARS

Coach: Grant Gullstrand
Enrollment: 275.5 (Class 2A) **Last year:** 4-5

SCHEDULE

Aug. 29	at Monmouth United	7:00
Sept. 5	at Rushville-Industry	7:00
Sept. 12	vs. South Fulton	7:00
Sept. 19	vs. Stark County	7:00
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Oct. 3	at Princeville	7:00
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Oct. 17	vs. Annawan-Wethersfield	7:00
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6	Keagan Gerlach	5-6	140	Sr.	RB/DB
7	Jaden Koepp	5-7	150	Sr.	RB/LB
8	Hayden Tucker	5-10	140	Jr.	WR/DB
9	Garrett Goff	5-10	170	So.	RB/LB
10	Drake DeJaynes	6-1	185	Sr.	QB/LB
11	Daniel Skala	6-0	160	Jr.	WR/DB
12	Cooper Smith	5-10	170	Sr.	WR/DB
20	Levi Tamburro			Fr.	WR/DB
23	Noah Soper	5-8	160	Jr.	RB/LB
24	Mason Kaufman	5-7	135	Fr.	RB/CB
25	Kegan Miller			Fr.	WR/DB
27	Caleb Turner			Fr.	TE/LB
28	Mac Milan	5-8	130	So.	RB/LB
30	Zack Rowe	5-7	115	Jr.	WR/DB
32	Kayden Kaufman	5-8	140	Fr.	RB/LB
35	Ethan Wensel			Fr.	TE/LB
40	Waylon Soper			Fr.	RB/LB
43	Tristan Loomis	6-0	170	Sr.	TE/LB
46	Jayden Carreon			Fr.	RB/LB
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55	Deikon Van Unnik	6-2	200	So.	OL/DL
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56	Carter Smith	6-0	200	Sr.	OL/DL
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59	Maxtyn Miller	6-0	250	Jr.	OL/DL
60	Remington Salinas	5-9	195	Jr.	OL/DL
61	Cooper Johnston			Fr.	OL/DL
64	Rylan Holman	5-11	225	So.	OL/DL
66	Henry Powers	6-6	250	Sr.	OL/DL
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75	Gannon Williams	5-10	240	So.	OL/DL
76	Ethan Packingham	6-1	280	So.	OL/DL
80	Sean Waymoth	6-1	170	So.	TE/DL
88	Max Nichols	6-6	225	Jr.	TE/DL

Assistant Coaches: Jason Lydic, Andy Gibbons, Gabe Secrist, Chase Adamson, Jordan Danner, Chad Goff and Tony Triplett.

PLAYOFF HISTORY

ROWVA-Williamsfield is a fourth-year co-op formed after Mid-County disbanded. R-W has earned two playoff berths. Mid-County had two playoff berths.

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ELMWOOD – Shirley Ludolph of Kickapoo has grabbed the lead in the annual big tomato contest held by The Weekly Post.

Ludolph’s entry of 1 pound, 4 ounces is well below most of her previous entries.

“I almost didn’t want to bring it in, but we had to get things started,” Ludolph said. “This has been a tough year for tomatoes.”

The contest, which offers a \$50 first prize, runs through Sept. 9.

ICC sees enrollment rise for sixth semester in row

EAST PEORIA – Illinois Central College has seen enrollment rise for the sixth semester in a row.

As of Aug. 20, students have registered for 2,013 more credit hours than a year ago, a 3% increase. The college enrolled 8,232 students for fall 2025, a 2.5% increase over last fall.

Rail safety improvements coming to Peoria County

SPRINGFIELD – On Thursday, the Illinois Commerce Commission approved state funds to install automatic warning devices and highway approach grade improvements at the Kramm Road crossing near Edwards.

“The ICC is proud to work with communities and railroads across Illinois to make our highway-rail crossings safer,” said ICC Commissioner Michael T. Carrigan. “The Grade Crossing Protection Fund

helps important projects like the one near Edwards come to fruition.”

The total estimated cost of the signal design and construction is \$374,187 – 95% of which will be covered by the GCPF. The total estimated cost of the crossing surface renewal is \$102,733 – 90% of which will be covered by the GCPF.

BNSF will pay the remaining signal and crossing-surface replacement costs, along with any future maintenance expenses.

All required signal work is to be completed within 18 months of the ICC’s order.

College graduate

• Emily Stratton of Elmwood graduated from Milwaukee School of Engineering.

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Pritzker tells Trump: ‘Do not come to Chi-

By BEN SZALINSKI

Capitol News Illinois

CHICAGO – In front of gleaming skyscrapers along the Chicago River, Illinois’ Democratic leaders showed a united front Monday against President Donald Trump’s threats to deploy the military into Chicago’s streets to fight crime with one message: “Mr. President, do not come to Chicago.”

“You are neither wanted here nor needed here,” Gov. JB Pritzker said at a news conference. “Your remarks about this effort over the last several weeks have betrayed a continuing slip in your mental faculties and are not fit for the auspicious office that you occupy.”

The Washington Post reported Saturday that the Pentagon has been considering for weeks deploying the military to Chicago. The report came a day after Trump suggested Chicago will be the next city he sends the military to after he activated the National Guard and other federal law enforcement personnel in Washington, D.C., earlier this month.

Thousands of troops

could be deployed in Chicago as soon as September, though two officials who spoke to the Post anonymously said the deployment is considered less likely for now.

“When I have some slob like Pritzker criticizing us

before we even go there – I made the statement that next should be Chicago because Chicago is a killing field right now and they don’t acknowledge it and they say ‘We don’t need them, freedom, freedom, freedom, he’s a dictator.

He’s a dictator.’ A lot of people are saying maybe we’d like a dictator,” Trump said Monday. “I don’t like a dictator. I’m not a dictator. I’m a man with great common sense and a smart person.”

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GARAGE SALES

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Little girl's clothes (6mo. to 10 size) new to barely used, new shoe racks, girl's wardrobe, toys, shoes, kid books, blankets, curling irons, dolls, Do-terra scent oils & holder, 2 – booster seats, stuffed animals, 2 – girls swim vests size 3, misc. All items priced to sell.
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5007 N. Heinz Lane, Edwards Fri., Sept. 29 & Sat. Sept. 30
8am-4pm both days

Women (S-L) and Men's name brand clothing, coats and shoes, 39 pairs of jeans (many new with tags), men's hats, Vera Bradley bags, 3 Michael Kors purses, India Hicks clutch, 4 piece luggage set, Pure humidifier, Sanus TV wall mount, Young Living diffuser, CD collection, ceramic pots, 2 outdoor furniture chairs (with cushions) and small table, vintage bongo drum, home and holiday decor, Beachbody and P90X3 workout videos, GHD flat iron, T3 flat iron and curling iron, board games, velvet tree skirt, Fisher Price infant seat and Brica infant bath, snow goggles, Gardman 24" blacksmith wall through from Hoerr's, wall decor and picture frames. You don't want to miss this sale! Rain or shine.

Answers on Page 18 — **Super Crossword** — **MAKING M ENDS**

ACROSS	DOWN
1 "Venerable" Eng. monk	1 Lively
7 Place to grow cultures, for short	2 Worked hard
13 Furious with	3 Soft caps
20 "You can't get out this way"	4 Person living abroad, for short
21 Catwoman portrayer Kitt	5 Youngest of the Rugrats
22 Panamanian dictator Manuel	6 GPS guess
23 Net access provider available on passenger flights?	7 "Atlanta" actress Zazie
25 "Jerry Maguire" studio	8 "Same here!"
26 Petition	9 Spanish gold
27 Hairy TV cousin	10 British "Inc."
28 Women's garment with an adage printed on it?	11 "Past" relative
30 Video chat between people stroking their dogs and cats?	12 The Crimson Tide, to fans
35 Sail supports	13 Dadaism, to its critics
36 Gridiron divs.	14 Typical situations
37 Maiden name precursor	15 Grain to be crushed
38 52 weeks	16 Hazards
41 Brewpub drink, in brief	17 Abominable Snowman
44 Burning	18 Gel in a petri dish
	19 See
	20 Across
	21 Mail neighbor
	22 Dec. 24
	23 Enlightens
	24 No, in Berlin
	25 Wise about
	26 Come upon
	27 Retired
	28 NBAer Ming
	29 Actress Watson
	30 Language akin to Aleut
	31 Argentina's Eva
	32 "— you clever!"
	33 High-speed train name
	34 Gas option in Canada
	35 Alter, as a computer program
	36 Actress de Armas
	37 Suffix with Marx
	38 In favor of
	39 Bit of untruth
	40 In the way of
	41 "Son of —"
	42 Roald Dahl's "fantastic" title animal
	43 Sorority "O"
	44 Kansas' capital
	45 Duffer's goal
	46 Academy URL ending
	47 Glass edge
	48 "You said it!"
	49 Most win
	50 Yucatec speakers
	51 In the know
	52 ESPN events
	53 In base eight
	54 Handheld computer
	55 Jason's ship
	56 Luau garland
	57 Jr. officer
	58 West of "I'm No Angel"
	59 Bruins' Bobby
	60 Piper's cap
	61 Garden dirt
	62 Refinery input
	63 Lady's title
	64 Rick's love in "Casablanca"
	65 Part of S&L
	66 Yellow-disked blooms
	67 Siren noise
	68 37-season "Jeopardy!" host
	69 Purpose
	70 Writer — de Bergerac
	71 1965
	72 Yardsbirds hit
	73 Herbivore's meal
	74 Heart parts
	75 Object
	76 Coleridge's "— Khan"
	77 Wet spots in deserts
	78 Frozen dew
	79 "To be," to Horace
	80 Vinegar, e.g.
	81 — part (role-play)
	82 Heavy hitter
	83 Viral gene material
	84 — and outs
	85 "Hall," to Horace
	86 Vardalos of "Connie and Carla"

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OBITUARIES

Walter E. Avery Jr.

ELMWOOD – Walter Eugene “Walt” Avery Jr., 71, of Elmwood, passed away on Aug. 16, 2025, at his residence.

He was born on June 8, 1954, in Urbana to Walter Sr. and Vera (Fortune) Avery. They preceded him in death.

Later in life, he married Ann (Johnson) Avery in August 1993. She preceded him in death.


Surviving him are his children, Walter Avery III of St. Louis, David Avery of Winters, Texas, and Amanda (Greg) Avery-Klein of Denver; three siblings, Craig (Kelly) Avery of Urbana, Roseanne Nicholson of St. Louis and Rhonda Avery of Clyde, Ohio; three grandchildren, Auburn Avery, Hailey Avery and Isabella Avery; and 12 nieces and nephews.

Walt worked for Caterpillar Inc., retiring in August 2020. He was also an active member of the Elmwood City Council for more than 20 years, until May 2025.

A true social butterfly, Walt could always be counted on to tell a great story. He enjoyed capturing local moments through photography, staying busy in his garden and flying RC planes out at the park. Walt was also a devoted husband to his wife, Ann, with whom he spent many wonderful years. In her final years, Walt’s love and care for Ann were unwavering, providing her with comfort and companionship.

A celebration of life will be held on Saturday, Sept. 6, 2025, from 1-3 p.m. at Elmwood Place, 119 W. Main St., Elmwood.

Oaks-Hines Funeral Home and Crematory in Elmwood is in charge of arrangements. To leave online condolences, please visit www.oakshinesfuneralhome.com



Avery

Lela L. Snider


PEORIA – Lela L. Snider, 100, of Peoria, formerly of Princeville, passed away at 5:34 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 20, 2025, at OSF Richard L. Owens Hospice Home in Peoria. Lela was born on April 29, 1925, in Hanna City to the late Benjamin Bradley and Rose Bell (Widger) Simpson. She married Dale Rikken in 1941; he preceded her in death on June 13, 1966. She later married Howard Snider, who also preceded her in death, in 2005.

Surviving are three sons, Roger (Chona) Rikken of Peoria, Lee (Sheree) Rikken of Syracuse, Ind., and Mark (Tracey) Rikken of Peoria; 22 grandchildren; 42 great-grandchildren; and 65 great-great-grandchildren. She was also preceded in death by three daughters, Rose Ginger, Rita Austin and Tena Larner; two sons, Ronald and Earl Rikken; seven brothers; six sisters; one grandson; and two great-grandsons.

Lela was a member of the former Monica United Methodist Church. She loved fishing, quilting and crafting. She was thrilled to live to be 100 years old and was excited to tell everyone.

Her funeral was held on Tuesday, Aug. 26, 2025, at Haskell Funeral & Cremation Services in Princeville. The Rev. Les Funderburg officiated. Burial in Princeville Township Cemetery followed the service.

Condolences may be left for Lela’s family on her tribute wall at www.haskellfuneral.com.



Snider

Jan. 7, 2021.

Surviving are her children Terry Lufkin Jr. of San Angelo, Tracy (Jeff) Harms of Yates City and Lori (Richard) Osborn of Peoria; five grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and one brother, Jerry Sims of Burlington, Iowa.

Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 28, 2025, at the Knoxville (Illinois) Cemetery, with Rev. David Pyell officiating.

Condolences can be left online at hurd-hendricksfuneralhome.com.

Joyce Lufkin

SAN ANGELO, Texas – Joyce Lufkin, 78, of San Angelo, Texas, died Aug. 7, 2025, at her home.

She was born on March 8, 1947, in Galesburg. She married Terry L. Lufkin on Aug. 7, 1981, in Burlington, Iowa. He preceded her in death on

Kenneth L. Saupe

BRIMFIELD – Kenneth L. Saupe, 89, of Brimfield, passed away at 3:27 a.m., on Aug. 20, 2025, at OSF Richard L. Owens Hospice Home in Peoria.

Kenneth was born June 12, 1936, in Peoria to William and Margaret (Stewart) Saupe. Kenneth married Rose Ash on July 27, 1964, in Pekin. She survives.

Kenneth is also survived by four children, Debby Moore of Pekin, Tammy Hatten of Pekin, Tina Hasty of Brimfield and Kim Schrader of Walnut; six grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren;

Kenneth was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Norman Saupe; one granddaughter, Jessica; and one great-granddaughter, Adrianna.

Kenneth served in the U.S. Air Force from 1955-63. He then worked as a machinist at Caterpillar Inc. for 31 years and retired in 1996.

Kenneth enjoyed spending time outside mowing and doing yardwork or relaxing in his chair watching softball or Westerns (unless his grandkids were visiting; he would enjoy watching cartoons and laughing with them). He loved riding his Honda motorcycle and dancing.

Ken fought cancer for three years and was surrounded with love from his family during his last few days.

Cremation rites have been accorded. Per Kenneth’s request, there will be no visitation services. His family will plan a celebration of life at a later date.

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Pages From The Past

Compiled by Andy Latora

5 Years Ago

• Along with the start of meets, the Illinois High School Association announced that this year’s state series for cross country will consist of “a single round of regional geographic competition to be conducted the week of Oct. 19-25, with the majority of the events to be held on Saturday, Oct. 24.”

10 Years Ago

• Saturday’s parade was a highlight of this year’s Harvest Home Festival in Yates City, with floats based on the theme “Good Ole Country Living.” The first Harvest Home Celebration was held in August 1886 and the Prettiest Baby Contest has been around since 1936.

• Camp Big Sky, a local camp for children and adults with disabilities, is adding a new Camp Big Sky Learning Center. The Learning Center will be a 4,200-square-foot “home away from home” and anchor Camp Big Sky’s Life Skills Education program that teaches youth from local school districts important life

skills to live more independently in the community by using the outdoors as a real-world classroom.

25 Years Ago

• Cliff McMullen of Yates City won first place as Oldest Person in Tractor Pull at the Yates City Harvest Home Festival.

35 Years Ago

• A crowd of 109 attended the ice-cream social at the Trivoli United Methodist Church. Entertainment was provided by Mike Boyer and the church quartet of Dick Krummpe, Bob Organisak and Ted and Brad Harding.

55 Years Ago

• Charles Huber, Knox County highway supervisor, was presented with a plaque from the Illinois Department of Transportation at a dinner in Monmouth for 708 days without injuries to the work force.

75 Years Ago

• A reward was offered for any information on the vandalism at Oak Ridge Cemetery.

80 Years Ago

• The Annual Farm Day, sponsored by the Peoria Kiwanis Club

with the Elmwood club as host, was to be held at Shissler’s Seed Co., with the ladies of the Elmwood Methodist Church serving.

85 Years Ago

• The Princeville Telephone newspaper was leased by E.N. Crigler of Bowen.

95 Years Ago

• Extensive preparations were underway for a celebration of Labor Day in Farmington, Sept. 1. There were to be sports and contests of all sorts, two baseball games and band concerts to fill any vacant spaces during the day.

105 Years Ago

• A heavy hail and windstorm destroyed crops and buildings on the Riley Kellar and Clyde McMillian farms near Chillicothe and Princeville.

115 Years Ago

• The Farmington Opera House has been in the hands of interior decorators preparing for opening night.

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BIBLE TRIVIA
By Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Nahum (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. In Acts 7, who recounts the story of Abraham along with the captivity and freedom of the children of Israel? Paul, Peter, Stephen, Andrew
3. Who went to sleep and fell out of a window while Paul preached? Esua, Enid, Eutychus, Eucyrus

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4. From Matthew 8, whose mother-in-law did Jesus heal? Elijah, Solomon, Daniel, Peter

5. In what Macedonian city were Paul and Silas imprisoned? Philippi, Neapolis, Jericho, Jerusalem

6. Who was Priscilla married to? Atilla, Aquila, Andrew, Alpheus

ANSWERS: 1) Old, 2) Stephen, 3) Eutychus, 4) Peter, 5) Philippi, 6) Aquila
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(309) 245-9870
Sunday School: 9:30
Worship Service: 10:30

Farmington Methodist Church
Pastor Rick Atchley
187 W. Fulton St.
Farmington
(309) 245-4310
farmingtonmethodist61531@gmail.com

Sunday School 10:15 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.

First Presbyterian Church of Farmington
Pastor Cindy Bean
83 N. Cone Street Farmington
(309) 245-2914
firstpresfarmington.com
Sunday School: 9:15 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Live on Facebook also
Fellowship: 11:30 a.m.

New Hope Fellowship Assembly of God
Pastor Tom Wright
1102 N. Illinois Route 78
Farmington
(309) 231-8076
Sun. Worship: 10 a.m.
Wed. Worship: 7 p.m.

PRINCEVILLE
Princeville United. Methodist Church
Pastor David Pyell
420 E. Woertz Princeville
(309) 385-4487
princevilleumc@mediacommbb.net
Sun. Worship: 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

St. Mary of the Woods Catholic Church
Father Corey Krengiel
119 Saint Mary St. Princeville
(309) 385-2578
Sat. Confession: 3-3:45 p.m.
Sat. Mass: 4 p.m.
Sun. Confession: 8-8:45 a.m.
Sun. Mass: 9 a.m.
Tues. Thurs. Sat. daily Mass: 8 a.m.

TRIVOLI
Brunswick Community Church
4027 S. Stone School Rd, Trivoli
Pastor Terry England
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.
(309) 403-4626

Zion-Penn Ridge Lutheran Church (LCMC)
18015 W. Smithville Rd., Trivoli
Pastor Mark Schoenhals
Pastor Jay Johnson
(309) 696-1300
zionpennridgelutheranchurch@gmail.com
Sunday Worship: 9:00 a.m.
4th Sunday of month Worship: 8 a.m. with communion

WILLIAMSFIELD
St. James Catholic Church
Father Deogratias Mpewo
Legion Road Knox Road 1450 N Williamsfield
(309) 446-3275
stjameswilliamsfield.org
Sun. Confession: 7:30-8 a.m.
Sun. Mass: 8 am (8:30 a.m. in the summer)

Williamsfield United Methodist Church
Pastor Zoila Marty
430 N. Chicago Ave.
Williamsfield
(309) 639-2389
Sun. School: during worship
Hospitality (coffee & finger foods): 10:30 a.m.
Sun. Worship: 11 a.m.

YATES CITY
Faith United Presbyterian Church
Reverend Marla B. Bauler
107 W. Bishop St. Yates City
(309) 358-1170
Worship: 9 a.m.
Sun. School: 10:15 a.m.
Thurs. Choir: 7 p.m.

LEGAL ADS - Call (309) 741-9790

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS

U.S. BANK TRUST COMPANY, NA-
TIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS
TRUSTEE, AS SUCCESSOR-IN-IN-
TEREST TO U.S. BANK NATIONAL
ASSOCIATION, AS INDENTURE
TRUSTEE, FOR THE HOLDERS OF
THE CIM TRUST 2020-R6, MORT-
GAGE-BACKED NOTES, SERIES
2020-R6
Plaintiff
vs.
UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES
OF BERTHA L. CARLOCK; ANGELA
KRIGNER; WILLIAM P. BUTCHER,
SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR
BERTHA L. CARLOCK (DECEASED);
UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-
RECORD CLAIMANTS
Defendant
23 FC 183
CALENDAR

NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that
pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclo-
sure entered in the above entitled
cause Intercounty Judicial Sales
Corporation will on September 17,
2025, at the hour 9:00 a.m., Miller,
Hall & Triggs, LLC, 416 Main Street,
Suite 1125, Peoria, IL 61602, sell to
the highest bidder for cash, the fol-
lowing described mortgaged real
estate:

THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED
REAL ESTATE, TO-WIT: ALL OF LOT
NUMBER NINETY-FOUR (94) IN
THE ILLINOIS VALLEY HOMES RE-
SUBDIVISION IN THE NORTHEAST
QUARTER OF SECTION THIRTEEN
(13), TOWNSHIP EIGHT (8)
NORTH, RANGE SEVEN (7) EAST
OF THE FOURTH PRINCIPAL ME-
RIDIAN; SITUATE, LYING AND
BEING IN PEORIA COUNTY, ILLI-
NOIS.

P.I.N. 17-13-229-017.
Commonly known as 924 S.
TONTI CIRCLE, PEORIA, IL 61605.
The real estate is: single family
residence. If the subject mortgaged
real estate is a unit of a common in-
terest community, the purchaser of
the unit other than a mortgagee
shall pay the assessments required
by subsection (g-1) of Section 18.5
of the Condominium Property Act.
Sale terms: At sale, the bidder must
have 10% down by certified funds,
balance within 24 hours, by certified
funds. No refunds. The property will
NOT be open for inspection. Pro-
spective bidders are admonished to
check the court file to verify all in-
formation.

For information call Sales Depart-
ment at Plaintiff's Attorney, Robert-
son, Anschutz, Schneid, Crane &
Partners, PLLC, 13010 Morris
Road, Suite 450, Alpharetta, Georgia
30004. (708) 668-4410 ext. 52109.
24-201613 IJSC
INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES
CORPORATION
intercountyjudicialsales.com
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS
324 MAIN STREET, #G22,
PEORIA, ILLINOIS

ESTATE OF Dominique D. Stringer,
DECEASED.
25 PR 226

Notice is given to creditors of the
death of the above named decedent.
Letters of office were issued to Don-
sha Stringer, 814 West Meadows
Place, Peoria, Illinois 61604, as In-
dependent Administrator, whose at-
torney of record is Mitchell S.
Feinberg, Chuhak & Tecson, PC,
120 South Riverside Plaza, Suite
1700, Chicago, Illinois 60606.

The estate will be administered
without court supervision, unless
under section 5/28-4 of the Probate
Act Ill. Compiled Stat. 1992, Ch.
755, par. 5/28-4) any interested per-
son terminates independent admin-
istration at any time by mailing or
delivering a petition to terminate to
the clerk.

Claims against the estate may be
filed with the clerk or with the repre-
sentative, or both, on or before Feb-
ruary 14, 2026, or, if mailing or
delivery of a notice from the repre-
sentative is required by section
5/18-3 of the Probate Act, the date
stated in that notice. 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 10 days after it
has been filed.

E-filing is now mandatory for doc-
uments in civil cases with limited
exemptions. To e-file, you must first
create an account with an e-filing
service provider. Visit <http://efile.illi->

noiscourts.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.illinois->
[courts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp](http://www.illinois-courts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp).
Mitchell S. Feinberg
Chuhak & Tecson, PC (6242868)
120 South Riverside Plaza, Suite
1700
Chicago, Illinois 60606
(312) 444-9300
I3271270
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Freedom Mortgage Corporation
PLAINTIFF
Vs.
Jennifer Mellen; City of Chillicothe;
Unknown Heirs and Legatees of
Elaine L. Stoner; Andrew Stoner;
Angela Marie Luck; Unknown
Owners and Nonrecord Claimants;
Linn Perkins, as Special Represen-
tative for Elaine L. Stoner (de-
ceased)
DEFENDANTS
No. 2025-FC-0000118

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU:
Unknown Heirs and Legatees of
Elaine L. Stoner
Andrew Stoner
Unknown Owners and Nonrecord
Claimants
That this case has been commenced
in this Court against you and other
defendants, praying for the foreclo-
sure of a certain Mortgage convey-
ing the premises described as
follows, to-wit:

COMMONLY KNOWN AS:
1425 N 5th St
Chillicothe, IL 61523
and which said Mortgage was made
by:

Jack L. Stoner
Elaine L. Stoner
the Mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Elec-
tronic Registration Systems, Inc., as
mortgagee, as nominee for Freedom
Mortgage Corporation, as Mort-
gagee, and recorded in the Office of
the Recorder of Deeds of Peoria
County, Illinois, as Document No.
2021007790; and for other relief;
that summons was duly issued out
of said Court against you as pro-
vided 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,
Robert M. Spears
Peoria County Courthouse
324 Main Street, Room G-22
Peoria, IL 61602 on or before Sep-
tember 15, 2025, 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. 14-25-04021

NOTE: This law firm is a debt col-
lector.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., AS
TRUSTEE FOR PARK PLACE SECU-
RITIES, INC. ASSET-BACKED
PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES
SERIES 2004-MHQ1
Plaintiff,
-v.-
ROBIN L. RUDE, UNKNOWN
OWNERS AND NON-RECORD
CLAIMANTS
Defendant
2023 FC 0000264

NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment
of Foreclosure and Sale entered in
the above cause on June 11, 2025,
an agent for The Judicial Sales Cor-
poration, will at 1:00 PM on Sep-
tember 10, 2025, at the Peoria
County Courthouse, 324 Main
Street, NE Jefferson St., Main En-
trance, PEORIA, IL, 61602, sell at
public in-person sale to the highest
bidder, as set forth below, the fol-
lowing described real estate:

LOT 10 IN MURRAY'S SUBDIVI-
SION NO. TWO, A SUBDIVISION OF
PART OF THE SOUTHEAST
QUARTER (SE 1/4) OF SECTION 12,
TOWNSHIP 10 NORTH, RANGE 8
EAST OF THE FOURTH PRINCIPAL
MERIDIAN, AS SHOWN ON THE

NOTICE OF ASSUMED NAME BUSINESS

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to “An Act in relation to the
use of an Assumed Business Name in the conduct or transac-
tion of Business in the State,” as amended, that a certification
was filed by the undersigned with the County Clerk of Peoria
County on August 7, 2025, under the Assumed Name of Chris
Carlile Coaching Company, with the business located at 1600
W. Columbia Terrace, Peoria, IL 61606. The true name and
residence address of the owners is: Lonnie Chris Carlile, 1600
W. Columbia Terrace, Peoria, IL 61606.

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NOTICE OF ASSUMED NAME BUSINESS

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to “An Act in relation to the
use of an Assumed Business Name in the conduct or transac-
tion of Business in the State,” as amended, that a certification
was filed by the undersigned with the County Clerk of Peoria
County on August 22, 2025, under the Assumed Name of
Eden and West, with the business located at 303 N.Ellen Ave.,
Princeville, IL 61559. The true name and residence address of
the owners is: Kami Stahl, 303 N.Ellen Ave., Princeville, IL
61559.

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PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN
PLAT BOOK "Q", PAGE 43, SITU-
ATED IN PEORIA COUNTY, ILLI-
NOIS.

AND
A PART OF THE SOUTHEAST
QUARTER OF SECTION TWELVE
(12), TOWNSHIP TEN (10) NORTH,
RANGE EIGHT (8) EAST OF THE
FOURTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN,
PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS, MORE
PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS
FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE
MOST WESTERLY CORNER OF LOT
TEN (10) OF MURRAY'S SUBDIVI-
SION NUMBER TWO (2), A SUBDI-
VISION OF PART OF THE
SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID
SECTION TWELVE (12), THENCE
NORTH 47°-34'-42" WEST, (BEAR-
ING ASSUMED FOR PURPOSE OF
DESCRIPTION ONLY), 3.20 FEET
TO THE SOUTHEASTERLY LINE OF
RIVER RIDGE SUBDIVISION, SEC-
TION ONE (1), A SUBDIVISION OF
PART OF THE SOUTHEAST
QUARTER OF SAID SECTION
TWELVE (12), AS RECORDED IN
PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE 53 IN THE
PEORIA COUNTY RECORDER'S OF-
FICE; THENCE NORTH 42°-25'-18"
EAST, ALONG SAID SOUTH-
EASTERLY LINE, 100.00 FEET;
THENCE SOUTH 47°-34'-42" EAST,
3.20 FEET TO THE MOST
NORTHERLY CORNER OF SAID
LOT TEN (10) OF MURRAY'S SUB-
DIVISION NUMBER TWO (2);
THENCE SOUTH 42°-25'-18"
WEST, ALONG THE NORTH-
WESTERLY LINE OF SAID LOT TEN
(10), 100.00 FEET TO THE POINT
OF BEGINNING, SAID TRACT CON-
TAINING 0.007 ACRE OR 320
SQUARE FEET, MORE OR LESS.
Commonly known as 14019 N
EDGEWATER DR, CHILLICOTHE, IL
61523

Property Index No. 09-12-476-
007
The real estate is improved with a
single family residence.

The judgment amount was
\$65,004.14.

Sale terms: 25% down of the
highest bid by certified funds at the
close of the sale payable to The Ju-
dicial Sales Corporation. No third
party checks will be accepted. The
balance, in certified funds/or wire
transfer, is due within twenty-four
(24) hours. The subject property is
subject to general real estate taxes,
special assessments, or special
taxes levied against said real estate
and is offered for sale without any
representation as to quality or quan-
tity of title and without recourse to
Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition.
The sale is further subject to confir-
mation by the court.

Upon payment in full of the
amount bid, the purchaser will re-
ceive a Certificate of Sale that will
entitle the purchaser to a deed to
the real estate after confirmation of
the sale.

The property will NOT be open for
inspection and plaintiff makes no
representation as to the condition of
the property. Prospective bidders
are admonished to check the court
file to verify all information.

If this property is a condominium
unit, the purchaser of the unit at the
foreclosure sale, other than a mort-
gagee, shall pay the assessments
and the legal fees required by The
Condominium Property Act, 765
ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this
property is a condominium unit
which is part of a common interest
community, the purchaser of the

unit at the foreclosure sale other
than a mortgagee shall pay the as-
sessments required by The Condo-
minium Property Act, 765 ILCS
605/18.5(g-1).

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR
(HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE
RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSES-
SION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY
OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN
ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-
1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORT-
GAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

You will need a photo identifica-
tion issued by a government agency
(driver's license, passport, etc.) in
order to gain entry into our building
and the foreclosure sale room in
Cook County and the same identifi-
cation for sales held at other county
venues where The Judicial Sales
Corporation conducts foreclosure
sales.

For information, contact Alexander
Potestivo, POTEISTIVO & ASSOCI-
ATES, P.C. Plaintiff's Attorneys, 223
WEST JACKSON BLVD, STE 610,
Chicago, IL, 60606 (312) 263-0003.
Please refer to file number 316300.
THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORA-
TION

One South Wacker Drive, 24th
Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650
(312) 236-SALE

You can also visit The Judicial
Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com
for a 7 day status report of pending
sales.

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223 WEST JACKSON BLVD, STE
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Chicago IL, 60606
312-263-0003
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ilpleadings@potestivolaw.com
Attorney File No. 316300
Case Number: 2023 FC 0000264
TJSC#: 45-1588

NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt
Collection Practices Act, you are ad-
vised that Plaintiff's attorney is
deemed to be a debt collector at-
tempting to collect a debt and any
information obtained will be used
for that purpose.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS
STORMFIELD CAPITAL FUNDING I,
LLC
Plaintiff,
-v.-
SUPERIOR HOME CAPITAL LLC, A
COLORADO LIMITED LIABILITY
COMPANY, LANCE TRUELSON, AN
INDIVIDUAL, UNKNOWN OWNERS
AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS
Defendant
2025 CH 0000017

NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment
of Foreclosure and Sale entered in
the above cause on July 24, 2025,
an agent for The Judicial Sales Cor-
poration, will at 1:00 PM on Sep-
tember 10, 2025, at the Peoria
County Courthouse, 324 Main
Street, NE Jefferson St., Main En-
trance, PEORIA, IL, 61602, sell at
public in-person sale to the highest
bidder, as set forth below, the fol-
lowing described real estate:

LOTS 11 AND 12, BLOCK 3 IN
MORTIMER M. MILLER'S AD-
DITION TO THE CITY OF PEORIA;

INTENT TO DISPOSE OF
PERSONAL PROPERTY

The City of Farmington intends to dispose of any and all per-
sonal property located at **165 Watt St., Farmington, IL** on or
after September 1, 2025

Kenn Stufflebeam
Mayor
City of Farmington

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON
CITY OF ELMWOOD
APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE
2025-2026

The Residents of the CITY OF ELMWOOD, Illinois, are hereby
NOTIFIED of the Public Hearing on the CITY OF ELMWOOD Ap-
propriation Ordinance for the 2025-2026 fiscal year. Such Hear-
ing will be held at 6:45 O'clock P.M. onTuesday, the 9th day of
September, 2025, at the Elmwood City Hall, located at 201 West
Main Street, Elmwood, Illinois. The citizens of the CITY OF ELM-
WOOD have the legal right and are encouraged to attend the
hearing and to provide oral and written comments on possible
use of the various Corporate Funds.

A copy of the proposed Appropriation Ordinance for the fiscal
year commencing on July 1,2025 and concluding onJune 30,
2026, is on file and conveniently available for public inspection
at the City Clerk's office between the hours of 9:00 O'clock A.M.
and 5:00 O'clock P.M. on Monday through Friday, through the
day of the Hearing.

The following is a summary of the proposed Appropriation Or-
dinance for the 2025-2026 fiscal year:

	2025-2026 APPROPRIATED AMOUNT
<u>USE/FUND</u>	
GENERAL CORPORATE PURPOSES,	
Salaries, Street and Building Repairs, Insurance	
Social Security, Street Lights, Legal,	
Transfers, etc.	\$1,343,750
AUDITING	\$17,500
RECREATION AND PLAYGROUND (PARKS)	\$105,100
MUNICIPAL BAND	\$8,000
POLICE PROTECTION	\$357,165
EMERGENCY SERVICES (CIVIL DEFENSE)	\$2,000
SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS	\$8,000
PUBLIC BENEFITS	\$13,100
STREET AND BRIDGE	\$512,425
IMRF, SOCIAL SECURITY AND MEDICARE TAXES	\$100,000
LIABILITY, UNEMPLOYMENT AND WORKERS	
COMPENSATION INSURANCE	\$100,000
STREETS AND WATER EQUIPMENT RESERVE	\$44,000
SEWER SYSTEM OPERATION AND	
MAINTENANCE REVENUE	\$2,332,134
WATER SYSTEM OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE	
REVENUE	\$1,085,134
WATER & SEWER SYSTEMS RESERVE	\$500,000
TAX ALLOCATION (TIF NO. 1)	\$529,213
TAX ALLOCATION (ELMWOOD CENTRAL	
BUSINESS TIF NO. 2)	\$368,500
USDA REVOLVING LOAN	\$115,000
POLICE EQUIPMENT RESERVE	\$56,000
RECREATION AND PLAYGROUND (PARKS)	
EQUIPMENT RESERVE	\$35,000
K-9	\$20,000
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN GRANT	\$100,012
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS:	\$7,752,033
Dated this 27th day of August, 2025	
BETHANY LOVINGOOD, City of Elmwood Clerk	
Published 8/28/25	

EXCEPT A PART OF LOT 12 IN
BLOCK 3 MORE PARTICULARLY
DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: FROM
THE POINT OF BEGINNING AT THE
INTERSECTION OF THE WEST LINE
OF NORTH UNIVERSITY STREET
WITH THE SOUTH LINE OF WEST
MCCLURE AVENUE RUNNING
THENCE SOUTH, 12.0 FEET, ALONG
THE WEST LINE OF NORTH UNI-
VERSITY STREET TO THE PRO-
POSED WESTERLY RIGHT OF WAY
LINE OF F.A. ROUTE 31; THENCE
NORTHWESTERLY 17.0 FEET,
MORE OF LESS, ALONG THE PRO-
POSED RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF
SAID ROUTE 31 TO A POINT ON
THE SOUTH LINE OF WEST
MCCLURE AVENUE, SAID POINT
BEING 120 FEET WEST OF THE
WEST LINE OF NORTH UNIVER-
SITY STEET, THENCE EAST 120
FEET ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF
WEST MCCLURE AVENUE TO THE
POINT OF BEGINNING; SITUATED,
LYING AND BEING IN THE COUNTY
OF PEORIA AND STATE OF ILLI-
NOIS EXCEPTING THEREFROM:
PART OF LOTS 11 AND 12 IN
BLOCK 3 IN MORTIMER M.
MILLER'S ADDITION TO THE CITY
OF PEORIA AS LAID OUT ON THE
NORTHEASTERLY HALF OF THE
NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE
SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SEC-

TION 32, TOWNSHIP 9 NORTH,
RANGE 8 EAST OF FOURTH PRIN-
CIPAL MERIDIAN, PEORIA COUTY,
ILLINOIS, MORE PARTICULARLY
BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS
FOLLOWS:

FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING
AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF
SAID LOT 11, THENCE NORTH 89
DEGREES 31 MINUTES 41 SEC-
ONDS WEST 4.00 FEET ALONG THE
SOUTH PROPERTY LINE OF LOT
11, THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREE 37
MINUTES 21 SECONDS EAST 92.42
FEET TO A POINT ON THE WEST
EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF
UNIVERSITY STREET, THENCE
SOUTH 44 DEGREES 27 MINUTES
10 SECONDS EAST 5.65 FEET
ALONG SAID EXISTING RIGHT OF
WAY LINE, THENCE SOUTH 00 DE-
GREE 37 MINUTES 21 SECONDS
WEST 88.42 FEET ALONG SAID EX-
ISTING RIGHT OF WAY LINE, TO
THE POINT OF BEGINNINGGC, SITU-
ATED IN THE COUNTY OF PEORIA,
STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as 2417 N.
UNIVERSITY ST., PEORIA, IL 61604
Property Index No. 14-32-328-
007

The real estate is improved with a
commercial investment property.

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Lafary off to hot start for R-W in boys golf

For The Weekly Post
The ROWVA-Williamsfield boys golf team was aced out of two meets last week.

On Wednesday at Baker Park, Midland edged the Cougars 176-181, although Preston Lafary was medalist after posting a 2-over-par 38 on the front side at the Kewanee course.

Brody Lytle shot 45 and Trent Stiers was another shot back for R-W.

Host Kewanee had a 191 team score, and Stark County finished at 235.

The next day, at Kellogg Golf Course in Peoria, host Peoria Christian won the three-team match with a 163 team score to R-W's 177. Lewistown-Valley-Cuba had a 179.

Peoria Christian's Drew Gama was medalist, carding a 1-over 37 on the front nine at Kellogg.



ROWVA-Williamsfield's Preston Lafary tees off on Monday at Twin Oaks golf course in Blandinsville. Photo by Andy Fritz.

Lafary led R-W with a 4-over 40, while Kaden Dewitt shot 45 and Brody Lytle and Cash Courson both shot 46.

R-W kicked off this week's play with Lafary leading the way again, this time in a triangular meet against Illini West and host West Central at Twin Oaks in Blandinsville.

Lafary carded a birdie

and won medalist honors with a 4-over 39.

R-W posted a team score of 179 to cruise past Illini West (193, JV) and West Central (201).

Dewitt contributed a 45, Stiers had a 47 and Courson included a birdie in his round of 48.

On the girls side, Lewistown-Valley-Cuba defeated R-W 217-238 on Monday at Oak Run Golf Course.

Macy Eeten of LVC was medalist with a 50 on the par-36 front side.

Ella Erlacher was low for R-W with a 53, Bella Dennis shot 58 and Emerson Hannam had a 59. Colbie Lewis shot 68.

• **Elmwood** – On Monday, the girls team finished seventh in the United Invite. Addi Thrasher was the leading scorer with 104 in the 18-hole event at Gibson Woods in Monmouth. Addi Powers (109), Emily Anderson (115) and Corinne Colgan (119) were Elmwood's other scorers.

Last week on Wednesday, Elmwood hosted Brimfield and Canton in both boys and girls play at Maple Lane Country Club.

Powers posted a 48 to lead Elmwood to a 208-234 victory over Canton. Thrasher and Anderson both shot 52 and Colgan had a 58.

Canton's Elizabeth Knowles shot 46 for low honors. Brimfield's Nic-

ole Detmers matched Powers at 48.

In the boys match, Brimfield prevailed with a 153 team total, led by medalist Dane Fagerburg's 1-over 36 that he capped off with a birdie on the par-4 final hole.

Westin Smith had seven pars and two bogeys for a 37, Will Snyder and Jackson Kappes each shot 40 and Kaeden Schastiek had a 41.

Elmwood posted a 166, while Canton shot 181. Sophomore Rory Conklin led the Trojans with a 4-over 39.

Kuper Bolton carded a 40, Quinton Johns had a 41 and Karsyn Bolton rounded out the team total with a 46.

Cam Wilcoxon had the low score for the Little Giants with a 41.

• **Farmington** – The Farmers boys team defeated host Peoria High 209-234 at Newman Golf Course in Peoria last Thursday.

Cole Blackhurst led Farmington with a 44 and Brady Nickel shot 48.

On the girls side, Farmington claimed a triangular that included Elmwood and host Limestone at Madison Golf Course in Peoria.

Farmington edged Elmwood 210-211, while the host team finished at 215.

Kate Andersen of Farmington was medalist with a score of 44, while Emily Anderson topped Elmwood with a 49.



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CROSS COUNTRY: 6 of top 7 girls back for E-B

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having already ranked as high as sixth in preseason polls thanks to returning six of its top seven runners from last year’s 10th-place finisher. Sophomores Bristol Schmidgall (18:35) and Mya Hill (18:47) ran strong at state as freshmen and are counting on support from fellow sophomores Riley Kelly, Taylor Forney and Ashlyn Bertsch and senior Addy Turner.

“I believe that this team can be very competitive in the state if we do the work together,” E-B Coach Kyle Anderson said. “We have a handful of girls that have run more miles over the summer than anyone we have had in recent years. The freshmen have come in and look to be contributors right away.”

Beyond those six state veterans, E-B has senior Natalie Babcock back and several promising freshmen, including Madalyn Ori, 20th at the Class 2A IESA state meet last year.

- **Princeville** – Four of the top seven runners return for Princeville, which sent a boys team to state for the first time last fall.

Back from that group are senior Taylor Hess, junior Jacob Bosch, sophomore Hunter Keyster and junior Collin Bowers. Other returnees include junior Elliott Walles and sophomore Michael Winters.

Hess was 82nd at state and ran a personal record of 15:58.98. Bosch (16:46.29) and Bowers (17:32.35) also had PRs at state.

“I think our first four boys should be pretty solid,” Coach Jeremy Me-

lick said. “While their summers were a little mixed in terms of the quantity and quality of work they put in, they all put in some work, so I think they have something to build on.”

Melick said a return to state depends partly on where the Princes are assigned in the postseason, partly on how the top four improve and partly on how the supporting cast steps up to fill the fifth spot.

Keyster led the Princes in Monday’s season-opener at Farmington, placing fifth in 16:18.3 on the revamped 2.9-mile course. Hess was 12th in 17:07.29, Bosch was 17th in 18:09.05, Bowers was 20th in 18:24.63 and Walles was 27th in 19:26.43, as Princeville placed second behind Illini Bluffs.

The girls team will again feature junior Bethany Sennett, a solo act last season who was 32nd at state in 18:13. She gains three freshman teammates this fall, including Ella Buckley, who led Princeville on Monday by placing ninth in 20:06.6 at Farmington. Sennett was competing in a volleyball match and did not run.

- **Farmington** – Senior Dax Ulm will lead the Farmers after a successful track season. He and fellow senior Ryan Helle, who missed last year with an injury, lead a six-runner roster. There are five girls runners out, meaning Farmington will have two scoring teams, the first time that has happened in a few years, according to Coach Isaac Asplund.

Sophomore Camryn Emmons will be the top girls runner, Asplund said.

Senior Braylee Hammond returns after missing last year with an injury.

“We’re really just hoping to make it through the season injury free,” Asplund said. “But both Dax and Camry are shooting for state qualification.”

Ulm led Farmington in its home meet on Monday, placing sixth in a time of 16:34.34 on the new 2.9-mile course. Emmons placed 32nd in 24:20.97 to pace the girls.

- **ROWVA-Williamsfield** – Numbers are good for a boys team that features three seniors (Wyatt Hall, Carson Moore and Logan Washburn), five other returning letterwinners (Andrew Broadfield, Jonas Carlson, West Manning, Emmerson Ponce and Alex Prather) and three newcomers.

Hall was 17th for R-W’s sixth-place team at regional and had a PR of 17:24.2 last year. Manning was 22nd at regional and ran his best of 17:43 earlier in the season. Faster still for the fall was junior Carlson, who posted a best of 17:12.3.

Hall was 10th at Farmington on Monday in 16:54.71 for the sixth-place R-W boys.

Senior Emily Hilman leads the girls team after placing 21st at regionals last year. The girls roster also features returning letterwinners Marissa Brown, Jayden Gerard and Adrienne Rogers and three promising underclass newcomers, including freshman Avery Manning (11th at Farmington in 20:38.02) and freshman Harper Campbell (13th, 21:10.16). R-W placed third at Farmington behind only Knoxville and winner Stark County.



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served three aces.

Aliyah Dominguez was Princeville’s digs leader, with eight in the opening victory.

Princeville plays host to nonconference rival Illini Bluffs today.

- **ROWVA-Williamsfield** – In the three-set setback in the ICAC showdown against Brimfield, Sawyer Secrist and Riley Smith led the Lady Cougars in kills.

Tory Trotter assisted on 10 scores for R-W and Ella Rigg contributed nine digs.

ROWVA-Williamsfield next goes against Monmouth United on the road today in nonconference action.

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By JEFF LAMPE
For The Weekly Post

And while the Trojans still could end up battling for hardware in November at Peoria's Detweiller Park in Peoria, that path is not as clear as it was a few months ago.



Faulkner



Faulkner

Darwin Herman, one of two seniors expected to lead E-B after posting a time of 15:36 at state last fall, opted not to run. Coach Gregg Meyers said part of the decision hinged on Herman wanting to focus on playing basketball, a sport he has not played since junior high. "Like I told our boys, I'd love to have him if he

wants to be here, but you don't want to have someone who doesn't want to be here," Meyers said.

That news apparently did not reach preseason pollsters, who rated the Trojans anywhere from second to third in preseason polls.

For that to happen, E-B will need several runners to step up.

One they are already counting on is senior Aiden Faulkner, who placed 25th last year in 15:19.06 to earn all-state honors and to help E-B place second in Class 1A.

"Aiden had a very good last year and a very good track season also," Meyers said. "We set goals to run in the 9:40s in the 2-mile and the 4:30s (in the mile) and he did all that."

Also coming off strong track seasons are senior Kam Stevenson (16:22.18 at state last year) and sophomore Danny Sharp (16:46.54), who were the No. 6 and 7 runners at Detweiller last fall.

Also back is Kai Nelson.



Hunter Keyster (left) of Princeville was fifth Monday at a season-opening cross country meet at Farmington with a time of 16:18.30. Farmington's Dax Ulm (right) placed sixth in 16:34.34. Photo by Jeff Lampe.

who was fifth man as a
freshman after running
16:05.51 at Detweiller

Others who could step up on an 18-runner roster include juniors Silas Schmieg and Hason Hubbard, sophomores Oliver Funk and Cooper Brown and promising freshmen Cole Cahill and Danny Ellen.

“There’s plenty of op-

tions of kids who can step up and fill roles,” Meyers said. “It’s going to be a longer process with younger kids stepping into roles. But when it’s all said and done, I would still expect us to be in the conversation at the end of the year.”

That's also where the E-B girls team looks to be.

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OPENING WEEKEND
Friday, August 29th

Knoxville at Elmwood-Brimfield 7pm
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Havana at Princeville 7pm
ROWVA-Williamsfield
at Monmouth United 7pm

Brimfield volleyball wins in 3 vs. R-W

By PHIL JOHNSON
For The Weekly Post

WILLIAMSFIELD – The Brimfield volleyball team defeated ICAC rival ROWVA-Williamsfield 22-25, 25-16, 25-19 on Monday in a matchup of two of the area's top teams.

Kennedy Teubel notched 14 kills for Brimfield, Anja Nelson recorded 11 digs and Jovi Chastain registered five aces and led the team in assists with 17.

Next up for the Lady Indians is an ICAC-Prairie-land meeting today (Aug.

28) at home against Peoria Heights.

• **Princeville** – Princeville opened its new campaign with a 28-26, 25-16 sweep over nonconference opponent Roanoke-Benson on Monday.

Bethany Sennett paced Princeville in assists with 20, but seven was the lucky number for the Lady Princes in this match. Carly Cox, Bella Duckworth and Jameson McGinn combined for 21 kills – notching seven apiece.

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