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HERITAGE MUSEUM



The one-room schoolhouse maintained by the Princeville Heritage Museum is available for area schools to visit on field trips. Below is a display of the type of memorabilia at the museum. Photos by Molly Richeson.

More porn charges filed against Nowlan

By **JOHN A. BALLENTINE**
 For The Prairie News
 TOULON – Alex Nowlan, 32, of Toulon, appeared in Stark County’s Circuit Court last Friday morning to hear that two additional Class 3 felony child porn/possession of computer photos were filed against him.

That makes a total of eight child pornography charges lodged against Nowlan by Marshall County State’s Attorney Patrick Murphy.

Murphy was assigned Nowlan’s four felony cases when Austin King, Stark County’s state’s attorney recused himself due to a conflict of representing the Stark County Board of Supervisors, of which Nowlan’s father is a board member.

Nowlan’s legal counsel, Kevin Sullivan, of Peoria, agreed with Murphy when

Nowlan was requested to remain incarcerated in the Bureau County Jail. Circuit Court Judge James A. Mack supported the request and ordered Nowlan not to be released from custody.

Besides the child pornography felony, Nowlan faces felony unlawful restraint, felony possession of cocaine, no valid FOID card while possessing a firearm, DUI (drug) and felony harassment/threaten/kill, intimidation with physical harm and violation of an order of protection.

Nowlan’s next court date is scheduled for Oct. 24 at 9 a.m. to hear the charges.



Nowlan

Galva reviews plans

By **CAROL TOWNSEND**
 For The Prairie News
 GALVA – The City of Galva has a new tool to use when it applies for grants.

Cole McDaniel of Hometown Consultants passed out a comprehensive plan to each council member at the board’s Monday meeting.

Galva’s last plan was done in 1961 and was updated in 2005-06. McDaniel said that once the council reviews and adopts the plan, it will be a good tool and will pay for itself via grants.

McDaniel also said the city’s new website is completed and is very professional.

“It is the best small-town website,” agreed Council Member Jackie Clucas.

In other business, the

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Hidden gem shines in Princeville

By **MOLLY RICHESON**
 For The Prairie Post

PRINCEVILLE – The Princeville Heritage Museum is a fascinating hidden gem.

The museum is tucked away in an otherwise residential neighborhood along with two buildings full of agricultural equipment, a rentable community area, a one-room schoolhouse and – coming soon – a field full of freshly planted peonies, all courtesy of the Historical Association of Princeville.

The museum provides an example of what original homes built in Princeville looked like, from the time of Daniel Prince, the first settler and from whom Princeville gets its name. A carriage stands in the corner, perhaps from the same



period as William Stevens, the town’s official founder.

Elsewhere in the museum are military displays dating to the Civil War and moving through history to the modern era. There are weapons, uniforms, decorations, ribbons and a display honoring Earl Edward Oertley, a World War II veteran posthumously awarded the Silver Star and the Purple Heart

for his heroic actions. Oertley is considered Princeville’s most decorated soldier, as the display explains.

A Princeville school section displays classes from the time of the one-room schoolhouse to the present. There’s information on the Princeville Band, a section with merchandise from long-gone businesses and other artifacts from everyday Princeville life from the village’s beginnings in 1822. And that’s just the museum proper.

Buildings 2 and 3 are filled with antique farm equipment, some rare. Then, there is the Akron schoolhouse, a one-room school built in 1900 and in use until 1958. The school was restored in 2003 and

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GALVA: Cemetery clean-up is Oct. 20 - 24

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council set Halloween hours on Oct. 31 from 5-7 p.m. Residents offering treats should turn on their porch lights.

The council also heard that no leaves are to be raked in the streets this year. Residents must burn leaves on their own property or bag them for yard waste pick-up.

Resident Vicki Conner expressed her gratitude to Jake McClintic, a city employee who she said likely saved her father’s life.

McClintic was sitting on his front porch when he heard a car horn honking. He investigated the noise and found Conner’s 86-year-old father, Tom Bednarek, on the ground, where he was honking his horn with his key fob to summon help. Bednarek had apparently been on the ground in the sun for nearly two hours before setting off his panic



The Freedom Fest Committee presented a check for \$21,000 to the City of Galva at Tuesday’s council meeting to help pay for the annual fireworks show. Pictured above (left to right) are Annette Smith, Rosemary Howell, Melissa Halsall and Mayor Rich Volkert. Committee members also included Lauren Heck, Pat Raley, Dustin Williams, Christina Smith and Kandy Engels.

alarm. McClintic called an ambulance. Conner said Bednarek is still recovering. McClintic was rewarded with a round of applause.

Resident Dean Thompson told the council that not all vacant lots in Galva can have a building on them.

He said there is a tin structure on a lot near him. Mayor Rich Volkert said he would send someone to look at the building.

Cemetery clean-up will be held Oct 20-24. Grave decorations must be removed or they will be discarded.

MUSEUM: Fall project is planting peonies

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moved to the museum location in 2004. Now it’s used for field trips by local schools, and, in a way, still helps educate youngsters.

The Akron schoolhouse is Princeville Heritage Museum Director Grace Fritz’s favorite piece of history at the museum. Fritz started as director in August. She grew up in Princeville and attended Eureka College, focusing on marketing.

“With my business hat on, this is an incredible asset to have,” Fritz said of the schoolhouse. “Something that is period-correct and has all the furniture.

There are no words other than incredible. That’s just my favorite part.”

However, the side of Fritz that found her interest in marketing has its own favorite section.

“We have several old advertisements that the band did or of events at The Hub, and I just love looking at those, too,” she said. “They make some bold claims sometimes.”

The Hub Ballroom was a popular event space in Edelstein that burned in 2009.

“It’s very important to keep the history of a place like this alive, to tell the stories of our town’s past,” Fritz said. “To remain connected with the people that came before us and to look

toward the future.”

Part of Princeville’s past that may be surprising to some involves peonies. In fact, Princeville was once known as the “Peony Capital of the World.”

In 1925, Princeville resident Edward Auten Jr. began propagating peonies and, over time, was responsible for creating around 300 different species in Princeville.

Fritz and the Princeville Heritage Museum are spending this fall replanting Auten peonies just outside the museum.

Other museum projects include stacks and stacks of newspaper archives that need to be digitized, prairie restoration by the schoolhouse, keeping up


with obituary records and helping people with genealogical research. There’s also all that vintage ag equipment and the schoolhouse that also need TLC on a regular basis. Volunteers are welcome to help with any of these projects.

“I am most excited about getting the word out around town that we have a museum, and we’ve had one for quite a while,” Fritz said. “We have so many amazing things here, and I can’t wait until I hear fewer, ‘Oh, we have a museum?’ and more, ‘Come check out the museum in my town.’

“We’re working to keep things here in good condition and on display because it shows where we can go. I think it’s hard to imagine in a world like this that we can get more technologically advanced. I think it’s important to remember that we can always be more and that the people are what matter most.”

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Incidents & Accidents
Stark County

9-29 - A harassment/threat complaint was received from a resident in the 800 block of West Main St. in Toulon.

9-30 - Carma J. Dial, 70, Sterling, was cited for speeding 81 mph in a 55 zone.

10-1 - A theft complaint was received from a Wyoming business in the 100 block of S. Seventh St. The incident remains under investigation.

10-2 - Garrett B. Pendleton, 40, Arnold, Mo. was cited for speeding 79 mph in a 55 zone.

10-2 - Joshua M. Belville, 34, Wyoming, was cited for speeding 72 mph in a 55 zone and for driving without vehicle insurance.

10-5 - Maricela Herrera - Driving 21-25 mph above limit.

10-5 - Kyle J. Thruman - Speeding 26-34 mph over limit.

Peoria County Report

9-17 - A Toulon-area man was arrested in Bartonville for multiple crimes, including retail theft and illegal-drugs possession.

Brant R. Knowles Jr., 23, initially was suspected of stealing at least two bottles of deodorant and a tote bag about 9 p.m. Sept. 15 from Dollar General, 1512 W. Garfield Ave. Two days later, Woodford County Sheriff's Office deputies took Knowles into custody at a residence in the 3900 block of S. Lauder Ave.

According to Bartonville police reports, a search revealed Knowles had in his possession a pipe, a plastic straw and a substance that tested positive for methamphetamine. In addition to theft, he was charged with unlawful possession of meth and of unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia.

Knowles also was wanted in Stark County for burglary and larceny. The reports did not state why Woodford County authorities wanted him.

Galva Report

Officer dispatched:

9-29 - to the 400 block of SW 4th Ave. for a verbal domestic distur-



bance/civil property dispute.

9-29 - to the 400 block of NW 5th St. for a utilities complaint. The Galva Water Department was contacted for a water leak in the yard.

9-29 - While patrolling, an officer located a deceased cat in the roadway near a residence in the 800 block of SE 2nd St. Officer spoke to the resident, who took possession of the cat for burial.

9-30 - to the 400 block of NW 4th St. for a complaint involving damage to a parked vehicle.

9-30 - to the 400 block of Swank St. for a complaint involving a lost or stolen front license plate.

10-1 - to the 00 block of SW 4th St. for a disabled vehicle. Officer directed traffic while the vehicle was towed.

10-1 - to the 400 block of SE 3rd St. for a runaway juvenile complaint. Officer located the juvenile walking in the northeast area of town. The juvenile was returned home.

10-1 - to the 1000 block of N. Center Ave. for a loose-dog complaint. The dog was impounded.

10-1 - to the 00 block of SW 4th St. for a loud-music complaint.

10-2 - to the 00 block of NE 2nd St. for a loose-dog complaint. An officer located the dog but it took awhile to capture it. The dog was impounded. As a result, Debra Kurzeja, 66, Galva, was issued an administrative warning ticket for allowing a dog to run at large.

10-2 - to meet with a subject at the Galva Police Department to register them as a sex offender.

10-2 - to the 200 block of SW 3rd St. for a loose-dog complaint. The dog was impounded.

10-2 - to the SW 6th Ave. railroad tracks for a crossing arm malfunction. BNSF was contacted for repairs.

10-2 - to the 300 block of NE 1st St. for a juvenile-mischief complaint.

10-3 - to the 100 block of SE 6th Ave. for a utilities complaint after a large truck tore down utility wires across the roadway.

10-3 - to the 300 block of SE 8th Ave. for a low-speed vehicle inspection.

10-3 - to assist the Annawan Police Department locate a driver involved in a fender-bender in their city. The subject was provided contact information to contact officers in Annawan.

10-3 - to the 300 block of Front St. for a telephone-harassment complaint.

10-4 - to assist the Galva Fire Department with a small fire in a combine northwest of town.

10-4 - to the area of NE 5th St. and NE 2nd Ave. for a broken street sign laying in the roadway.

10-4 - to the 100 block of NE 6th Ave to assist a citizen.

10-4 - to the 00 block of NE 4th St. to remove an unwanted subject. The Henry County Sheriff's Department also responded and ultimately arrested John Kurzeja for charges of unlawful use of 911.

10-4 - to the 500 block of SE 2nd St. for a complaint involving a group of juveniles loitering. An officer drove through the area, but no crimes were being committed.

10-5 - to the 400 block of SW 4th Ave. to remove an unwanted subject.

10-5 - to the 300 block of Main St. to recover parts of a firearm that had been disposed of.

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GUEST VOICES



Just pointing fingers and not talking

Once again, the federal government is under a partial shutdown. Leading up to the shutdown, I was watching the debacle unfold on the evening news. My wife walked in and rolled her eyes. She pointedly stated, “All they are doing is pointing fingers and not talking.”

Richard KORITZ

After 55 years of marriage, I hate to agree with my wife, but she is so right. The Democrats want this. The Republicans want that. The American public simply wants government to work for them. The Republicans are screaming that the Democrats are obstructionists and should go along with the majority Republicans.

Dare I remind my Republican brethren that it wasn’t that long ago that the roles were reversed with the Democrats calling Republican obstructionists for the same reasons.

We have a constitutional democracy that was designed to force all parties to debate and compromise. Yes, the current Senate rules give some serious leverage to the minority party with the 60-vote threshold, but is that all bad?

We could have the European models of parliamentary democracy, where simple majority rules. Europe changes governments all the time and bills tend to be rushed through the chambers. Our system works quite well as long as there are adults in the elected offices.

Unfortunately, we have too many egos in Congress. We live in rural America. The one budget bill that truly affects this area is the farm bill.

Now the farm bill has other aspects that reflect more urban areas, but it essentially addresses the agricultural concerns of the farming community.

That bill has languished for months and it appears to have its legs glued to the floor. It is the classic example of Congress not working for the greater good.

I personally am not a big fan of term limits and am inclined to let the people vote for whoever they want. The problem is that most congressmen and women today seem to believe they are entitled to their seats in Congress and forget who elected them.

Our early congressional representatives and senators were all farmers or businessmen who made an extra effort to go to Washington and conduct the people’s business.

Today, congressmen tend to be professional politicians who reside in Washington and its suburbs who attend to the people’s business when it suits them. You will note that these comments are totally bipartisan. The public needs to be far greater served than what is occurring.

Too fast/too quick

One of my major concerns of the Trump administration is how fast the administration acts. I also readily acknowledge that if you must have a mission accomplished, give it to a busy person as the job will get done.

To date, Trump has gotten done what he said he would do and for that he is to be commended. However, the concern is still there.

The current status of the Hamas and Israel war is the most recent ex-

ample. I applaud Trump for seeking peace when others have only sought accommodations. There have been negotiations going on for months between the principals in Qatar and those negotiations stalemated.

Trump steps in and works out a plan, which appears to be a workable outline for resolution. The downside is the speed of settlement. In negotiations, speed can be an ally. It can also be an albatross if unchecked.

Trump gave Hamas 72 hours to agree to the deal with Israel once Israel accepts the deal. Israel accepted the deal and the clock will expire before this column is printed.

The best part of the deal is that the captives held by Hamas will be returned to Israel within the 72 hours. Well and good.

The downside is that if the deal is not accepted, the U.S. has essentially provided Israel with carte blanche approval to eradicate Hamas. That would mean a scorched-earth destruction of Gaza beyond what has already been leveled. Additionally, the peace agreement calls for a peacekeeping force to be inserted into Gaza to assure compliance with the peace terms.

Nobody seems to know who will be in that peacekeeping body and who will be footing the bill. I sincerely hope Trump can achieve peace in Gaza, but the details are simply unknown and that is a major concern for longevity. Trump seems to have a lot rabbits in his hat. Maybe he can pull another one out.

Richard Koritz is an Illinois native and a former DeWitt County state’s attorney.



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Bishop Hill pottery festival is Saturday

BISHOP HILL – The 2025 Bishop Hill Pottery and Art Festival returns on Saturday, Oct. 11.

J Goard Pottery, 204 Johnson St., will conduct live pottery, textile and fiber demonstrations and sales. Live music will be provided by the Light Girls. The event also includes a soup dinner hosted by the Galva Kiwanis Club and an ice cream social held by the Bishop Hill Old Settler Association. To learn more, call Jeff Goard at (309) 883-1035.

Bradford Fall Festival draws a crowd

BRADFORD – Community members came together to celebrate fall on Oct. 4 at Elsie Hodges Park in Bradford. The park was filled with various vendors, craft projects, photo opportunities, games, contests, free food and drinks and music.

Some events took participants to various places throughout the village including a cemetery walk. Local businesses also participated.

Highlights included a scavenger hunt with teams competing to com-

plete photo or video challenges. The winning team was Easton’s Nuggets consisting of Easton Blake, Silas Smith, Derrick Alexander and Grayson Mummert with a score of 370.

Participants played air guitar in front of one of the local bars gaining extra points for getting someone random to join, waddled like ducks across the library driveway, walked like fashion models down the sidewalk, located town historical sites and located a person on the town board.

– Angie Stange

Galva Beta Sigma Phi craft show is Oct. 18

GALVA – The 45th Beta Sigma Phi Craft Show will be held Oct. 18 at Galva High School from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. A total of nearly 90 vendors will be outside the entrance of the school and in the hallway and gymnasium. Admission is \$2 and no strollers or pets are allowed inside.

BBQ and ham sandwiches and homemade desserts will be served.



Pictured above are Mike and Robyn Terwilliger, Galva’s Ready to Grow property pride winners for October. The Terwilliger’s home at 304 NE 6th St. has many perennials. The Terwilligers are retired and have two children, four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Photo by Carol Townsend.

This show is the largest one-day craft show in Henry County. Crafters will display handcrafted seasonal and holiday decorations, candles, wooden items, jewelry, toys, doll clothes, garden art, ceramics, handwoven dish towels, scarves, homemade breads and pies and more.

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Saint John's celebrates 150 years

By ANGIE STANGE
For The Prairie News
BRADFORD – Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church will host a free organ concert on Oct. 17, beginning at 6 p.m. Guests are invited to enjoy beautiful music, singing and to learn about the history of the church, its organ and its beautiful stained glass windows.

The windows will be highlighted as the evening sun shines in at the beginning of the concert and, after dark, the windows are magnificent from the outside too.

Mary McKean will be the organist for the event and Mary and Danielle McKean will perform as vocalists. Gary Black was scheduled to perform various selections, but due to recent surgery, he will not be able to participate.

Ornaments will be available to those who pre-ordered at the Fall Festival.

There will also be stained glass and wooden ornaments for sale prior to and following the program.

In addition, Saint John's 150th Anniversary shirts will be available for order. Pre-ordered shirts should be available for pick-up.

The east side door will be available for easier entrance to the building.



Bradford's Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church, located at 218 First St., will celebrate its 150th anniversary by offering a free organ concert on Oct. 17 at 6 p.m.

Guests are asked to avoid blocking the entrance and exit to the circular drive on the east side of the building to allow for easier access into the building. Refreshments will be served at Carmody Centre following the musical program.

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OBITUARIES

Annette K. Townsend
LaFAYETTE – Annette K. Townsend, 82, of LaFayette, died at 3:15 p.m., Monday, Oct. 6, at her home, surrounded by family.
She was born on April 30, 1943, in Mineral, the daughter of Ferdinand Alexander and Frieda Mae (Bickers) Bennett. She married Mark Copeland on Dec. 11, 1965, and he preceded her in death on July 14, 1986. She later married Larry Townsend and they spent 35 years together until his passing on April 21, 2022.
Survivors include her children, Henry Copeland of Brimfield, Connie (John) Stiles and Julie (Tony) Roper, both of Galva, Kerry (Sue) Copeland of Kewanee and Terry (Sheila) Copeland of LaFayette; 12 grandchildren; and 22 great-grandchildren.
She was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, Donald and Ronald Bennett.
Annette was employed by the Star Courier in Kewanee for over 30 years, serving the Galva and LaFayette areas. She enjoyed knitting, camping, going for rides in her convertible and playing cards with her family. She especially loved her family and cherished time spent with them.
A public visitation was to be held from 5-7 p.m. on Oct. 9 at Rux Funeral Home in Galva. Cremation was to follow the visitation and private inurnment was to be held in LaFayette Cemetery.
Memorials may be directed to the family for a memorial to be established.



Townsend

Jane A. Morrissey
PEORIA – Jane A. Morrissey, 84, of Peoria, formerly of Wyoming, passed away at 7:53 p.m. on Oct. 1, 2025, at OSF Richard L. Owen’s Hospice Home in Peoria. Jane was born on Nov. 9, 1940, in Kewanee to Doyle and Margaret (Hannon) Johnston. She married Michael Joseph Morrissey on Nov. 26, 1960, in Chillicothe. He preceded her in death on Dec. 19, 1997.
Surviving are two daughters, Meg Nielsen-Ritchie of Peoria and Lee Anne (Brian) Coble of Wyoming; one son, Mike (Deb) Morrissey of Camp Grove; seven grandchildren, Kelly Nielsen, Maire Kate Ritchie, Kylie (Ben) Beutler, Kinsey (Alex) Feistel, Bree Williams, Ricky Williams and Abbi Williams; two great-grandchildren, Avery and Riley; two sisters-in-law, Kay Eulichaski and Margaret Morrissey; and many nieces and nephews.
She was preceded in death by her parent; and five sisters, Betty Phelps, Rose Mary Szidon, Joyce Shane, Jean Panczak and Helen Crooks.
Jane grew up in Bradford and attended St. John’s Catholic Church and parish school. She graduated from Princeville High School in 1958 and went on to further her education at Western Illinois University and Bradley University. She began working as a 3rd grade teacher at St. Philomena’s in Peoria in 1960-61 before taking time to raise her family.
In 1974, Jane began working as a clerk at the U.S. Postal Service in Camp Grove, where she continued to grow her career and became postmaster in 1991, working until her retirement in 2012. She also worked in the OSF Saint Francis Hospital mail room from 1991-92 as needed.
Jane was a member of the former St. Patrick Catholic Church in Camp Grove and St. Dominic Catholic Church in Wyoming. Within these parishes she taught CCD classes and was a past president and secretary for the altar and rosary society.
Jane had a quick wit, great sense of humor, deep love for her family, and a devote faithfulness. She also loved reading, movies, doing crossword puzzles and was an avid fan of Notre Dame, Saint Mary’s College and the Chicago Cubs.
Her funeral mass was Oct. 7, 2025, at St. Dominic Catholic Church in Wyoming. The Rev. Patrick Henehan officiated. Visitation



Morrissey

was Oct. 6, 2025, at Haskell Funeral and Cremation Services in Wyoming. A rosary service was also held on Monday at the funeral home. Burial will be in in St. Patrick Cemetery in Camp Grove.
Memorial contributions may be made to the St. Patrick Cemetery Fund, St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, or OSF Richard L. Owen’s Hospice Home.
Online condolences may be left for Jane’s family on her tribute wall at www.haskellfuneral.com.

Robert L. Nordstrom
BISHOP HILL – Robert L. Nordstrom, 85, of Bishop Hill, died Tuesday, Sept. 30, 2025, in rural Altona.
A visitation was to be held Oct. 6, 2025, at Rux Funeral Home in Galva. Military rites were accorded by the Galva Fusiliers at 4:30 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorials may be directed to the Bishop Hill Old Settlers Association or to the American Cancer Society.
Robert was born on Feb. 11, 1940, in Kewanee, the son of Vernon and Gladys (Sholeen) Nordstrom. He married Lauretta L. Leff on April 21, 1963, in Bishop Hill. She preceded him in death on Jan. 29, 2020.
He was also preceded in death by his parents.
He is survived by a son, Larry (Terri) Nordstrom of Galva; a daughter, Susan (Shane) Williams of Atkinson; five grandchildren, Lauren, Matthew and Allison Nordstrom and Savana and Emma Weimer; and a sister, Shirley (Bob) Callis of Colorado.
Robert graduated from Galva High School in 1958. He then served in the Illinois National Guard. He was a mechanic for Illinois Power and in earlier years, he worked at Lord Chevrolet in Galva and as an independent mechanic. He also farmed in the Bishop Hill area.
He enjoyed working on the farm, guns and John Deere tractors. He was always the first to help anyone and the last to ask for help.



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AUCTIONS & REAL ESTATE SALES

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF Stark Toulon, ILLINOIS
CARRINGTON MORTGAGE SERVICES, LLC
Plaintiff
vs.
AMY SIGHTS; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND/OR LEGATEES OF TIMOTHY L. SIGHTS, DECEASED; JAYCE SIGHTS; SARAH BETH MILLER; CYNTHIA SUTHERIN, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR TIMOTHY L. SIGHTS, DECEASED; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS
Defendant
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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 November 5, 2025, at the hour 12:00 p.m., Stark County Courthouse, in the lobby, 130 W. Main Street, Toulon, IL 61483, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:
P.I.N. 02-26-206-023.
Commonly known as 124 South St., Bradford, IL 61421.
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, Lender Legal PLLC, 1800 Pembrook Drive, Suite 250, Orlando, Florida 32810. 407-730-4644. LLS13631-IL
INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION
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Available for return to owners: Over \$5 Billion

Reports: 15,420

Properties: 1,266,881

Cash: \$246,562,623.81

Shares: 4,339,580

Returned to Owners 3/1/2025 - 8/31/2025

Paid Claims: 185,134

Cash & Share Value Returned: \$159,512,825.43

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<div><div><div><div>PUBLIC NOTICE</div><div>DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE FOR TAX YEAR 2024</div><div>PAYABLE IN 2025</div><div>Paula K Leezer</div><div>Stark County Treasurer and Collector</div><div>TOULON, IL 61483</div><div>Public notice is hereby given that I, Paula K. Leezer, County Treasurer and Collector of Stark County, in the State of Illinois, shall apply to the Circuit Court on the 24th day of October, 2025 for judgement against and order of sale on delinquent land and lots and real property in said county on which I have been unable to collect taxes, special assessments, interest and cost thereon as required by law.</div><div>Tax sale will be on the 29th day of October 2025, in the Stark County Courthouse at 1:00 pm pursuant to Chapter 120, Section 245, of the Illinois Revised Statutes.</div><div>Each tax buyer shall register with the County Collector at least ten (10) business days in advance of the tax sale.</div></div><div><table><tr><th>PARCEL NUMBER</th><th>OWNER NAME</th><th>TOTAL ASSESSED</th></tr><tr><td>01-07-400-007</td><td>SCHWERBROCK, KAREN B</td><td>1,723.77</td></tr><tr><td>01-10-100-004</td><td>GUTHRIE, E B</td><td>1,108.79</td></tr><tr><td>01-10-200-003</td><td>GUTHRIE, E B</td><td>334.15</td></tr><tr><td>01-11-200-006</td><td>BRITTON, SANDRA K</td><td>1,858.21</td></tr><tr><td>01-20-100-003</td><td>HORNER & MARLENE PEED, CHARLENE</td><td>663.54</td></tr><tr><td>01-26-400-002</td><td>HARMON, CODY</td><td>1,206.44</td></tr><tr><td>01-34-300-008</td><td>JACKSON, ANDREW P</td><td>7,722.23</td></tr><tr><td>02-10-400-007</td><td>MIMI FARMS LLC</td><td>438.85</td></tr><tr><td>02-15-200-004</td><td>MIMI FARMS LLC</td><td>1,390.50</td></tr><tr><td>02-23-401-013</td><td>PEREZ, MISAEAL C</td><td>330.72</td></tr><tr><td>02-23-402-025</td><td>PURTSCHER OIL COMPANY</td><td>7,492.96</td></tr><tr><td>02-23-403-004</td><td>WILSON, ADAM C</td><td>816.98</td></tr></table></div></div></div>												PARCEL NUMBER	OWNER NAME	TOTAL ASSESSED	01-07-400-007	SCHWERBROCK, KAREN B	1,723.77	01-10-100-004	GUTHRIE, E B	1,108.79	01-10-200-003	GUTHRIE, E B	334.15	01-11-200-006	BRITTON, SANDRA K	1,858.21	01-20-100-003	HORNER & MARLENE PEED, CHARLENE	663.54	01-26-400-002	HARMON, CODY	1,206.44	01-34-300-008	JACKSON, ANDREW P	7,722.23	02-10-400-007	MIMI FARMS LLC	438.85	02-15-200-004	MIMI FARMS LLC	1,390.50	02-23-401-013	PEREZ, MISAEAL C	330.72	02-23-402-025	PURTSCHER OIL COMPANY	7,492.96	02-23-403-004	WILSON, ADAM C	816.98
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02-23-403-022	MCCURDY, GEORGE D & PATRICIA A	2,263.49	03-24-402-008	HOOD TRUST, MERLYN W & MARILYN KEAR, COLIN	2,998.41	04-36-315-004	HARLAN, KYLE & LEA	3,325.92																																										
02-23-403-023	MCCURDY, GEORGE D & PATRICIA A	1,089.53	03-24-403-002	ADAMS, PHILLIP DANIEL	2,465.72	04-36-319-006	NOTHNAGLE, LINDSAY	2,894.28																																										
02-23-403-035	MCCURDY, GEORGE D & PATRICIA A	461.74	03-24-404-005	TEMPLE TRUST, VERA F	503.90	04-36-322-001	MEEKER, JOAN ANNETTE	1,375.64																																										
02-23-403-036	MCCURDY, GEORGE D & PATRICIA A	1,374.19	03-28-200-003	TEMPLE TRUST, VERA F	5,255.66	05-01-200-002	DEYO, PHILIP D	2,491.60																																										
02-24-100-006	PEREZ, MISAEAL C	450.98	03-32-200-004	TEMPLE FAMILY TRUST	1,652.13	05-06-300-011	MCCURDY, GEORGE D & PATRICIA A	3,404.53																																										
02-24-300-011	PEREZ, MISAEAL C	135.77	03-32-400-002	JACKSON, ANDREW P	4,664.73	05-06-400-006	MCCURDY, GEORGE D	6,078.14																																										
02-24-301-006	BARTO, BROOKE A	671.64	04-02-100-002	JACKSON, ANDREW P	6,080.72	05-06-400-007	MCCURDY, GEORGE D	4,732.25																																										
02-24-301-018	PEREZ, MISAEAL C	564.99	04-02-300-004	JACKSON, ANDREW P	191.99	05-07-200-015	MCCURDY, GEORGE D	4,267.51																																										
02-24-302-001	MARTINEZ, MARIA J	299.04	04-19-302-005	HARLAN, DANIEL	299.04	05-09-400-018	PEREDA, ZEFERINO LARA	509.37																																										
02-25-101-023	HOWELL, LUKE	2,304.16	04-19-306-004	LINDSEY, JOSHUA M	4,988.94	05-16-200-001	PEREDA, ZEFERINO LARA	52.17																																										
02-25-103-008	PLILER, SCOTT L	45.66	04-19-308-001	AUSBORN, CAITLIN R	470.82	05-25-400-008	PER DIEM PROPERTIES LLC	1,169.12																																										
02-25-103-026	WALKER, WILLIAM D	457.60	04-19-318-012	WAGHER, DANNY L	1,326.76	07-01-107-007	SNIDER, RYAN C & BRANDI M	782.39																																										
02-25-103-027	WALKER, WILLIAM D	984.15	04-19-324-007	WAGHER, DANNY L	1,154.15	07-01-108-004	STURM SR, ROBERT D	2,139.77																																										
02-25-300-010	MCCURDY, GEORGE D	291.07	04-19-329-005	SELLERS, JAMES R	196.77	07-02-205-002	BREESE, JAMES A	1,446.37																																										
02-26-202-002	PEREZ, MISAEAL C	757.52	04-19-329-013	SELLERS, JAMES R	211.91	07-02-206-006	JACKSON, ANDREW & JESSICA	422.09																																										
02-26-202-009	CATALANO-HALL	613.30	04-19-331-006	TABER, BENJAMIN E	820.72	07-02-206-008	GIBSON, BOBBY D	1,458.39																																										
02-26-202-012	PEREZ, MISAEAL C	1,020.97	04-19-336-007	TABER, BENJAMIN E	129.46	07-02-218-004	MCGARVEY, DAVID L	955.84																																										
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02-26-202-021	PEREZ, MISAEAL C	179.20	04-19-402-007	LUCAS, EMILY	979.52	08-15-300-006	SGS NORTH AMERICA INC	52.53																																										
02-26-202-023	PEREZ, MISAEAL C	967.47	04-19-402-009	YOUNG, JUSTIN	896.65	08-30-100-005	BERG, ROBIN L	1,039.81																																										
02-26-206-015	PEREZ, MISAEAL C	689.50	04-19-403-032	COASTER, MELISSA	689.50	08-30-100-015	TRIGG, ROBERT E	5,028.75																																										
02-26-206-027	GILL, CANDICE N	374.39	04-35-403-015	DAUM, MARK R	826.82	08-34-100-001	SPRAGUE, LORRE A																																											
02-26-209-009	WEDEKIND, LINDA L		04-35-407-007	GLEN, MARK G & ALISA A			& CARL GRIGSBY	10,175.95																																										
02-26-209-011	BIRKETT, JAMIE A		04-35-409-007	MEJIA, JOSE ANTONIO		08-35-200-001	STREITMATTER FAMILY LLC	4,682.68																																										
02-26-210-016	PEREZ, MISAEAL C		04-36-101-004	TRACY, PAUL & JUDITH A		08-36-100-012	SPARKS, MICHAEL W	219.72																																										
02-26-212-006	WALTERS, BOBBIE J		04-36-104-006	WINDOWZALESS INC		08-36-100-044	MCMAHAN, RICHARD	151.28																																										
02-26-212-010	PEREZ, MISAEAL C		04-36-104-010	MCCARTNEY, KATHY		08-36-100-045	PELAEZ, JACQUELINE	682.29																																										
02-26-212-012	MELAGA, CHRISTOPHER		04-36-108-004	ROSENBLAD, CHUNCEY		08-36-100-048	SPARKS, MICHAEL W	913.02																																										
03-02-100-006	HORSLEY, JAMES T		04-36-302-005	GIBSON, TIMMY & ELIZABETH		08-36-100-049	SPARKS, MICHAEL & AMANDA	129.23																																										
03-18-303-004	KRANTZ, CANDY JEANNE		04-36-302-020	PEACOCK, JULIE L																																														
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03-18-306-006	ALVIS, JAKE M		04-36-309-003	WATSON, JODI M																																														
03-18-308-001	WORSFOLD, BRIAN PAUL		04-36-312-002	MORRIS II & AMBER CALI, RANDAL L																																														
03-18-420-010	O'BRYANT, JEFFREY L		04-36-312-003	PEIFFER, BARRY W																																														

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

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FOR ANSWERS
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One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each week the code letters are different.

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Trivia test by H&R Rodriguez

- MOVIES: In the United States, what is the title of the first Harry Potter movie?
- GEOGRAPHY: The Prime Meridian Line runs through which major city?
- HISTORY: When did federal child labor law start in the United States?
- ACRONYMS: What does the acronym VPN stand for?
- U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which president appeared on the 1960s comedy show "Laugh-In"?
- TELEVISION: Which teen show starred Mayim Bialik before she got the role as Amy Fowler on "The Big Bang Theory"?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Where did the Minoan civilization flourish?
- SCIENCE: What pH balance is considered neutral?
- LITERATURE: In which of Shakespeare's plays does the character Polonius appear?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM: In which African country can the Bonobos species of ape be found in the wild?

Answers

- "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone."
- Greenwich, London, England.
- 1938.
- Virtual Private Network.
- Richard Nixon.
- "Blossom."
- The Island of Crete.
- 7.
- "Hamlet."
- Democratic Republic of the Congo.

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TOP 10 MOVIES

- One Battle After Another (R)
- Gabby's Dollhouse: The Movie (G)
- Demon Slayer: Kimetsu no Yaiba - The Movie - Infinity Castle (R)
- The Conjuring: Last Rites (R)
- The Strangers: Chapter 2 (R)
- Him
- The Long Walk (R)
- Downton Abbey: The Grand Finale (PG)
- Spider-Man (PG-13)
- A Big Bold Beautiful Journey (R)

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LEGAL ADS

CLAIM NOTICE

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

In Re ESTATE OF
DONALD W. DOWN, Deceased.
CC 2025PR16

NOTICE is given to creditors of the death of DONALD W. DOWN on September 6, 2025. Letters of Office were issued by the above entitled Court to DORITA M. DOWN, of 2839 Township Road 1400E, Wyoming, Illinois 61491, as Executor, whose attorneys of record are WHITNEY & POTTS, LTD., 118 West Main Street, P. O. Box 368, Elmwood, Illinois, 61529-0368. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Circuit Clerk's Office, Stark County Courthouse, Toulon, Illinois, or with the representative or both on or before the 17th day of April, 2026, or if mailing or delivery of a Notice from the representative is required by Sec. 18-3 of the Probate Act of 1975, the date stated in that Notice. Every claim filed must be in writing and state sufficient information to notify the representative of the nature of the claim or other relief sought. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed and the claimant shall file with the Court, proof of any required mailing or delivery of copies.
E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinois-courts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp>.
DATED this 3rd day of October, 2025.
DORITA M. DOWN, Executor of the Estate of
DONALD W. DOWN, Deceased.

ASHLEE E. STABLER, Esq.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS STARK COUNTY

ESTATE OF
PATTI J. STREITMATTER, DECEASED
Case No. 2025PR

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of PATTI J. STREITMATTER, deceased, 204 East Agard Street, Wyoming, Stark County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on September 12, 2025, to Ross A. Streitmatter, 204 East Agard Street, Wyoming, Illinois, 61491, whose attorney is Ryan J. Anderson, 611 Second Street, P.O. Box 174, Henry, IL 61537.
Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of said Court at the Stark County Courthouse, 130 West Main St., Toulon, IL 61483, on or before March 25, 2026, or, if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by 755 ILCS 5/18-3, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before said date is barred.
Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the representative within 10 days after it has been filed and proof of such mailing must be filed with the Court.
Ross A. Streitmatter
Independent Executor of the Estate of
Patti J. Streitmatter, deceased
Ryan J. Anderson
Attorney for the Executor
611 Second Street, PO Box 174
Henry, IL 61537
(309)364-2354
Published 9/26,10/3, 10/10/25

STATE OF ILLINOIS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STARK COUNTY

IN PROBATE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARILYN K. SECKMAN, Deceased.
Case No.: 2025PR15

NOTICE OF CLAIM DATE

NOTICE is given of the death of MARILYN K. SECKMAN, on July 24, 2025. Letters of Office were issued to DEBRA L. SHANE, 9282 Township Road 550N, Wyoming, IL 61491, whose Attorneys of Record are Westervelt, Johnson, Nicoll & Keller, LLC ("Attorneys"), 416 Main Street, Suite 200, Peoria, Illinois 61602.
Claims against the estate may be filed with the Clerk of Court of Stark County, or with the representative, or both, on or before April 6, 2026, or if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by Section 18-3 of the Probate Act of 1975 (755 ILCS 5/18-3), the date stated in that notice. Filing with the Clerk is to be in accordance with Illinois Supreme Court Rule 9 respecting electronic filing which was effective January 1, 2018, for proceedings in the Circuit Court.
Any claim not filed on or before the above-referenced date is barred. Within 10 days after filing a claim with the Clerk, the Claimant must mail or deliver a copy of the claim to the Representative and to the Representative's Attorney of Record and file with the Clerk a proof of mailing or delivery of said copy.

DATED: September 26, 2025
DEBRA L. SHANE, Independent Executor of MARILYN K. SECKMAN, deceased
Roger E. Holzgrafe, Esq.
ARDC No. 1253808
Westervelt, Johnson, Nicoll &; Keller, LLC
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF Stark Toulon, ILLINOIS

CARRINGTON MORTGAGE SERVICES, LLC
Plaintiff
vs.
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Defendant
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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 November 5, 2025, at the hour 12:00 p.m., Stark County Courthouse, in the lobby, 130 W. Main Street, Toulon, IL 61483, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real

CLAIM NOTICE

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

ESTATE OF
EDNA F. HARRIS, DECEASED
NO. 2025PR71

CLAIM NOTICE

AND NOTICE OF INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION

Notice is given of the death of Edna F. Harris. Letters of office were issued to Patricia A. Harper of 405 N. Cottage St., Kewanee, IL 61443 and Pamela Harris of 120 Park St., Bradford, IL 61421 as Independent Executors whose attorneys are Angel, Isaacson & Tracy, 111 Park Avenue East, Princeton, Illinois 61356.
Notice is given to Denver Singleton and the descendants per stirpes of Denver Singleton, the descendants per stirpes of Sheila Singleton, and all unknown heirs of Edna F. Harris and whose names or addresses are not stated in the amended petition admitting the Will to probate that an order was entered by the court on September 12, 2025, admitting the Will to probate. Within 42 days after the effective date of the original order admitting, you may file a petition with the court to require proof of the Will by testimony of the witnesses to the Will in open court or other evidence, as provided in Section 6-21 of the Probate Act of 1975 (755 ILCS 5/6-21). E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <https://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp>. You also have the right under Section 8-1 of the Probate Act of 1975 (755 ILCS 5/8-1) to contest the validity of the Will by filing a petition with the court within 6 months after admission of the Will to probate.
Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Court, Stark County Courthouse, 130 W. Main St., P.O. Box 426, Toulon, IL 61483, or with the Independent Executors, or both, on or before March 26, 2026, or, if mailing or delivery of a notice from the Independent Executors is required by Section 18-3 of the Probate Act of 1975, 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 to the Independent Executor and to the attorneys within 10 days after it has been filed.
E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <https://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp>.
Dated this 18th day of September, 2025.
Angel, Isaacson & Tracy
Attorneys for Estate
111 Park Avenue East
Princeton, IL 61356

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INVITATION TO BID

CITY OF GALVA

The City of Galva will receive bid quotations for a Model Year 2011 Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptor with approximately 108,000 plus miles (odometer is not working). **AS-IS NO WARRANTY IMPLIED OR EXPRESS.** Sealed bids will be received in the office of the City Clerk until 4:00 PM, prevailing time, **31 October 2025.** They will be opened in the Board Room at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Galva City Council, to be held on **November 3, 2011, at 6:00 PM at 311 NW 4th Street, Galva, IL 61434.** Prospective buyers may inspect the vehicle by setting up an appointment with the City Clerk of the City of Galva at the aforementioned address or by calling **309-932-2555** during normal working hours. All inspections must be completed by **30 October 2025.** Bidding for the vehicle will start at five hundred dollars (\$500.00). Vehicle has several issues, including, but not limited to, a coolant leak, random multiple cylinder misfires, rust, and wear. The vehicle currently runs and transmission shifts through all gears. As of the date of this notice, the brakes appear to be in good working condition. The A/C and heat appear to function correctly, and the turn signals and headlights are operational.
Published 10/10/25

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT- HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Estate of
ROSELLA ANN SAULNIER, deceased
No. 2025-PR-98

DEATH NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of ROSELLA ANN SAULNIER. Letters of Office were issued on September 24, 2025, to Patick M. Moody, 101 Drake Landing Dr., Rincon, GA 31326, as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Michael Massie, Massie & Quick, LLC, P.O. Box 205, Galva, IL 61434.
Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Henry County Circuit Clerk, Henry County Courthouse, 307 W. Center St., Cambridge, IL 61238, or with the representative, or both, within six months from the date of first publication, the BAR DATE, and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within ten days after it has been filed.

Massie & Quick, LLC
Attorneys for Estate
P.O. Box 205
Galva, IL 61434
Telephone: (309) 932-2168
Published 10/10, 10/17, 10/24/25

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FISCAL YEAR ENDING March 31, 2025

TOWNSHIP -- REVENUE SUMMARY:

Property Taxes - 56,025; Replacement Tax - 1,838; Interest -919.
TOTAL REVENUES - \$58,782.

TOWNSHIP -- EXPENDITURE SUMMARY:

Milo Mound Cemetery Association. - 6,000; Ag-View FS -4,962; TOIRMA. — 4,769; G&M Lawn Care 2,800; All Other disbursements less than (2,500) -7,575.
TOTAL VENDORS: \$26,106.

TOWNSHIP – COMPENSATIONN SUMMARY:

Range: Under \$25,000.00: Thomas Ashby, Rod Grunloh, Dennis Holland, Mary Robins, Janet Rouse, Jeff Sears, Dan Wright, Glen Wright.
TOTAL COMPENSATION: \$23,901.

ROAD DISTRICT -- REVENUE SUMMARY:

Property Taxes - 111,823; Wind tower payments - 24,497; MFT Rental - 11,000; Replacement Tax – 3,087; Interest - 5,191.
TOTAL REVENUE \$155,598.

ROAD DISTRICT – COMPENSATION SUMMARY:

Range: Under \$25,000.00. Jim Hewitt, Dan Longman, Roger Miller, James Schupp; Dan Wright, Jacob Wright.
TOTAL COMPENSATION: \$975.

ROAD DISTRICT - EXPENDITURE SUMMARY:

Carley Carriers - 31,408; Skippy's Shop - 5,338; Dan Wright - 3,499; Ed Hartwig- ;3,089; All Other disbursements less than (2,500) 7,625.
TOTAL VENDORS: \$50,959.

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF CONDITION

	General Funds	Road Funds
Revenues	58,782	155,598
Expenditures	51,869	58,883
Excess of revenues over expenses	6,913	96,715
Previous year fund balance	200,860	357,544
Previous year adjustment		7
Current year ending balance	207,773	454,266

Subscribed and sworn to this, sworn to this 26th day of September 2025
/s/Thomas D. Ashby - Township Supervisor
I, Janet Rouse, Clerk of Milo Township, Bureau County, Illinois, do herby certify that the above is a true copy of the Annual Treasurer's Report for the year ending March 31, 2025
/s/Janet Rouse

Published 10/10/25

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Public notice is hereby given that the Kewanee Airport Authority will receive sealed bids to Construct a Snow Removal Equipment Building and Access Pavement at the Kewanee Municipal Airport, until **2:00 PM** on November 10, 2025. The scope includes but is not limited to site preparation and grading, building erection, concrete slab construction, concrete perimeter pavement, utility work, landscaping and erosion control measures at the Kewanee Municipal Airport in Kewanee, Illinois.
Requests for bidding documents will be filled by contacting Springfield Reprographics, 1620 S. 5th Street, Springfield, Illinois 62703, 217-523-4632, www.springfieldrepro.com. The documents will be purchased by the Contractor, the cost of which will be nonrefundable.
The successful bidder shall be bonded, insured, and required to pay the prevailing rate for each trade or craft per the Davis-Bacon Wage Determinations (U.S. Department of Labor) for Henry County, Illinois and comply with the Federal Provisions included within the bidding documents.
The successful bidder shall have been in business for a period of not less than five (5) years, undertaking work similar in scale, scope, and cost to that included within the proposed project.
Prequalification (required) shall be requested by the proposed bidder (to the Engineer identified in the bidding documents) no later than 5:00 PM on October 31, 2025.
Bids will be opened and publicly read at the Kewanee Municipal Airport Terminal Building, Kewanee, Illinois shortly after 2:00 PM on November 10, 2025.
Published 10/10/25

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT- HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Estate of
GALE A. LEASMAN, deceased
No. 2025-PR-93

DEATH NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of GALE A. LEASMAN. Letters of Office were issued on September 16, 2025, to Curtis A. Peed, 810 NE 3rd St., Galva, IL 61434, as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Michael Massie, Massie & Quick, LLC, P.O. Box 205, Galva, IL 61434.
Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Henry County Circuit Clerk, Henry County Courthouse, 307 W. Center St., Cambridge, IL 61238, or with the representative, or both, within six months from the date of first publication, the BAR DATE, and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within ten days after it has been filed.

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SPORTS: Stark County VB visits Galva Monday

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Elgin recorded four kills and Sage Kaiser scored on four kills and two ace serves.

Kaylyn Gale was busy with one block, five digs and two aces. Kailynn Townsend recorded three kills and five assists. Reese Sumner led in assists and had four ace serves. Isabelle Wigant led in digs with 10 and recorded three aces.

Galva came up short at Lincoln Trail-rival Knoxville 25-20, 25-17 on Oct. 1. Kaiser recorded four kills and two aces. Sumner had four assists

and six digs. Gale topped the team in digs with eight. Wigant recorded seven digs and four aces.

Townsend had three assists and two kills. Anderson scored on two kills to go with two digs.

Next up for Galva is a Monday, Oct. 13, home matchup against Stark County.

• **Stark County VB** – Stark County (5-9) hosted Lincoln Trail opponent Bureau Valley on Monday and came away with a 25-17, 25-22 sweep.

Coley Johnston scored on 11 kills and defended with two blocks. Hallie

Newton recorded five kills, 12 assists and nine digs. Sophie Finnegan added four kills. Cambri Holmstrom paced the Lady Rebels in digs with 15. Kenna Sparks was the blocks leader with five.

SCHS picked up a Lincoln Trail sweep 25-23, 25-16, at Abingdon-Avon on Oct. 1. Finnegan recorded five kills. Johnston had three kills. Newton served two aces and had eight assists. Kimmie Salisbury scored on two ace serves and two kills.

Stark County is at Galva Monday.

FOOTBALL: Galva rally falls short vs. W. Central

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caught us by surprise. They're big and they're strong and they're fast. That's what you want to be in football."

Stark County faces Princeville, another league contender, on Oct. 17 before a league crossover game Oct. 24 at Knoxville (4-2) to end the regular season. By winning its first five games, Stark County almost certainly has secured a state-playoffs berth.

– Nick Vlahos

West Central 26, Galva 18

BIGGSVILLE – A late rally fell just short for Galva in this 8-Person West Conference matchup.

Down 20-6 at halftime, Galva (2-4, 2-3) outscored West Central (5-1, 4-0) in the final quarter, 12-6.

The Wildcats' last score came with just over two minutes left as MJ Louck passed to JP Sloan for 28 yards before Sloan pitched to Blake Stahl for the final 35 yards.

Galva Coach Zach Anderson lamented his team's 10 penalties and four turnovers.

"We have to take care of the ball and stop hurting ourselves and we will be alright," Anderson said.

Louck also had a 78-yard touchdown pass to Sloan in the fourth quarter. In the first half, Louck ran 9 yards for Galva's first score.

Cooper Gibb ran for 44- and 12-yard scores for West Central, which also got two rushing TDs from Colton Spence, one of 29 yards and the other a 57-yarder.

Galva returns to action at Peoria Heights (1-4, 1-3) on Friday, Oct. 10, at 7 p.m. Galva won an earlier meeting with Peoria Heights, 62-12.

– Jeff Lampe

Princeville 42

ROWVA-Williamsfield 8

PRINCEVILLE – In cleaning up many of its mistakes, Princeville – its defense in particular – dirtied up ROWVA-Williamsfield.

The Princes held R-W to 40 total yards and one touchdown. That Cougars score came with 33 seconds left in the game and against Princeville freshmen and sophomores.

The effort all but secured Princeville a state-playoffs berth. Princeville is 5-1, including 4-1 in the LincolnLand small division. That record, and that defense, probably will be tested Friday when Princeville visits Annawan-Wethersfield.

"Our defense is the strength of our team right now, and we're going to have to play a really good game," Princeville Coach Jon Carruthers said.

Princeville stacked up extremely well against R-W, which has lost five

in a row.

According to Carruthers, Princeville cut the penalties it committed compared to previous games. That was especially true on defense. Wyatt Giffin, Owen Harmon and Collin Lowery led the effort on the line. Collin Carruthers, Eli Christianson and Kaiden Sarnes contributed at linebacker.

"They don't get any glory unless they make a big sack or block, but every play they have to do their job and be disciplined and make their defense run," Coach Carruthers said.

Princeville also handled potential distractions. Not only was it homecoming, but at halftime the school received a \$25,000 check for a national contest T-Mobile is sponsoring. Princeville is among 25 places vying for a \$1 million prize.

"One of my coaches said, 'It looks like a carnival out there,'" Jon Carruthers said.

Kaiden Sarnes ran for two TDs and 150 yards, on only six carries. He also passed for another TD, to Brady Day 46 seconds before halftime

Garrett Goff had the only R-W touchdown. Things don't get easier for R-W, which is at Oneida Friday vs. unbeaten Farmington, ranked No. 3 in Class 2A.

– Nick Vlahos

SCOREBOARD

Annawan-Wethersfield 48 Stark County 7

Stark County 0 7 0 0 – 7
Annawan-W. 13 21 14 0 – 48

Scoring Summary First Quarter

A-W – Heitzler 29 run (kick failed)

A-W – Thurston 5 run (Torres kick)

Second Quarter

A-W – Horrie 25 run (Torres kick)

A-W – Heitzler 55 run (Torres kick)

SC – Daum 18 pass from Gentle (Turnbull kick)

A-W – Horrie 25 run (Torres kick)

Third Quarter

A-W – Heitzler 4 run (Torres kick)

A-W – Heston 70 punt return (Torres kick)

Team Statistics

	SC	A-W
Rushes-yds	21-38	35-400
Yds per carry	1.8	11.4
Comp-Att-Int	14-31-2	3-5-0
Passing yds	141	45

Individual Statistics

Rushing – SC: Masters 8-25, Knoblauch 3-6, Browning 5-4, Daum 1-3, Gentle 4-0. A-W: Horrie 8-143, Heitzler 9-128, Thurston 7-70, Verstraete 6-41, A.Garcia 2-9, Taylor 1-9, G.Garcia 2-0.

Passing – SC: Browning 12-28-2

121, Gentle 2-3-0 20. A-W: Heitzler

2-4-0 44, Verstraete 1-1-0 1. Receiving – SC: Daum 8-101, Holmstrom 3-34, Turnbull 2-9, Knoblauch 1-(-3). A-W: Thurston 1-25, Goodley 1-19, Frankenreider 1-1. dale 2-20, Scott 1-10. SC: Daum 6-157, Down 1-17, Warner 1-15, Knoblauch 1-14, Snider 1-13, Holmstrom 1-10.

Princeville 42 ROWVA-Williamsfield 8

ROWVA-W 0 0 0 8 – 8

Princeville 7 15 21 0 – 42

Scoring Summary First Quarter

P – Christianson 13 run (Richeson kick)

Second Quarter

P – Sarnes 61 run (Richeson kick)

P – Day 26 pass from Sarnes (Richeson kick)

Third Quarter

P – Christianson 1 run (Richeson kick)

P – Sarnes 21 run (Richeson kick)

P – Blunier 48 pass from Palmer (Richeson kick)

Fourth Quarter

R-W – Goff 5 run (DeJaynes run)

Team Statistics

	R-W	P
Rushes-yds	26-10	23-253
Yds per carry	0.4	11.0
Comp-Att-Int	9-23-0	6-11-1

LincolnLand - Large					LincolnLand - Small				
	Conf.		Overall			Conf.		Overall	
	W	L	W	L		W	L	W	L
Farmington	5	0	6	0	Annawan-Weth.	5	0	6	0
Macomb	3	1	5	1	Stark County	5	1	5	1
Knoxville	4	2	4	2	Princeville	4	1	5	1
Elmwood-Brim.	3	2	3	3	Rushville-Industry	4	1	4	2
West Hancock	2	3	3	3	Havana	2	3	3	3
Bureau Valley	1	3	1	5	Abingdon-Avon	2	3	2	4
Illini West	1	4	2	4	South Fulton	1	4	2	4
LVC	0	4	0	6	ROWVA-Willmsfld	1	5	1	5
Last Week					Last Week				
West Hancock 42, Elmwood-Brim. 34					Annawan-Weth. 48, Stark County 7				
Farmington 30, Macomb 16					Princeville 42, ROWVA-Williamsfield 8				
Bureau Valley 44, LVC 6					Rushville-Industry 54, United 18				
Knoxville 32, Illini West 22					Abingdon-Avon 34, South Fulton 27				
Friday, Oct. 10					Havana 1, Westmont 0				
Ottawa Marquette at Elmwood-Brim.					Friday, Oct. 10				
Farmington at ROWVA-Williamsfield					Princeville at Annawan-Wethersfield				
Macomb at Knoxville					Farmington at ROWVA-Williamsfield				
Illini West at Bureau Valley					Rushville-Industry at Stark County				
West Hancock at LVC					South Fulton at United				

Passing yds 30 122
Individual Statistics
Rushing – R-W: Soper 8-15, DeJaynes 5-15, Goff 4-4, Koepf 3-(-2), Gerlach 6-(-22). P: Sarnes 6-150, Melick 6-49, Christianson 7-41, Geiger 4-13.
Passing – R-W: DeJaynes 9-23-0

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Stark County's Dusti Smith breaks own school record at Elmwood Invite

For The Prairie News

ELMWOOD – Unseasonably warm weather didn't bother Dusti Smith a bit last Saturday. To the contrary, actually.

Despite the heat, Smith broke her own Stark County school record by winning the Elmwood Invite at Maple Lane Country Club in a time of 17:42.

"She ran a great race. She dropped a really solid first mile in 5:34 and won it wire to wire, really running away with it in the last mile especially," Coach Bob Rennick Jr. said. "She has been working so hard it was terrific to see run such a terrific race."

Rennick said Smith had been battling some medical issues, but showed no signs of that Saturday.

Medical issues did hamper the Lady Rebels' team finish, though, as top-five runner Paytin Terwilliger dropped out of the race after one mile. With-

out her, Stark County placed seventh with 201 points in the strong 19-team field. El Paso-Gridley won with 102 points.

Cheyen Smith was the other medalist for Stark County, finishing 8th at 18:47. Rennick said she ran a strong mile and closed well.

Other scoring runners were Norah Rorem (39th, 20:28), Darilis Knobloch (71st, 22:14) and Lyla Rosado (137th, 25:21).

"Overall we ran very well on a hot day," Rennick said. "Dusti, Cheyenne, Darilis and Lyla all cut significantly from last year, which is great news."

In the boys race, Evan Knobloch placed fourth in 15:40 and Stark County was 16th in the 21-team field. Coriell Green of Delavan won the race in 15:20 and Eureka was first in the team competition.

"He also ran an aggressive first mile (4:53) and came out very well on the



Dusti Smith was all by herself for much of the 3-mile girls race at last Saturday's Elmwood Invite at Maple Lane Country Club. The Stark County junior won the race in a school record time of 17:32. Photo by Dave Giagnoni.

other side of it," Rennick said.

Other scoring runners for Stark County were Jackson Smith (75th, personal record 17:56), Will Denton (102nd, 18:43), Ethan Grinnell (159th, 20:21) and Erik Knobloch (174th, 20:51).

• Galva VB – Galva (6-8)

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Rebels lose battle of unbeatens, 48-7

By The Prairie News

ANNAWAN – Last week, Stark County football received a taste of what to expect for the rest of its season. The Rebels could use a little more seasoning.

In a matchup of undefeated teams, Annawan-Wethersfield gained almost 450 yards of offense Oct. 3 in a 48-7 LincolnLand small-division victory. A-W (6-0, 5-0) replaced Stark County (5-1, 5-1) atop the conference standings.

"I would say we're not quite ready to play in a game of that magnitude yet," Stark County Coach Jade Noard said. "They seemed very comfortable playing in a big-time game."

Another tough league opponent, Rushville-Industry (4-2, 4-1), looms Friday night in Wyoming. Noard appears eager to find out how well his players remembered what happened against the Titans.

"The goal remains the same, to keep improving from week to week," Noard said. "I hope that this showed us how you have to play to be really good, to be at the top of the conference. They definitely gave us an example of what you have to be. Now we have to see if we learned from it."

Maddux Heitzler ran for three touchdowns and 128 yards for A-W, which led 27-0 before Stark County's only score.

Stark County fumbled the opening kickoff and had a touchdown called back in the first quarter because of an illegal formation, according to Noard.

"I think there were some nerves. I also think they're really good," he said about A-W. "They're experienced, and they played like it."

"Mentally, how you go into a big game like that, we have to be prepared for how fast and how physical it's going to be. I think that

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Price \$20,500 Mileage 64,782



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4x4 Tradesman 4dr Crew Cab 8 ft. LB Pickup
Price \$33,500 Mileage 39,153



2023 RAM 2500 Big Horn
4x4 Big Horn 4dr Crew Cab 6.3 ft. SB Pickup
Price \$48,500 Mileage 34,771



2025 RAM 1500 Big Horn
4x4 Big Horn 4dr Crew Cab 5.6 ft. SB Pickup
Price \$42,500 Mileage 32,577



2023 Toyota RAV4 XLE
XLE 4dr SUV
Price \$28,500 Mileage 53,977



2023 Ford F-150 XLT
4x4 XLT 4dr SuperCrew 5.5 ft. SB
Price \$35,700 Mileage 46,566