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Elmwood telepharmacy has closed

By JEFF LAMPE
For The Weekly Post

ELMWOOD – The Elmwood Telepharmacy closed abruptly on Tuesday.

The pharmacy is operated by Local Health, Inc., a subsidiary of OneroRx, Inc. that runs seven pharmacies in Illinois, Wisconsin and Michigan and four telepharmacies. The company is scheduled to open another telepharmacy later this month in Toulon.

Lauri Cochran, a pharmacy technician at the Elmwood location, said she was informed of the decision to close Monday at 5 p.m. She said the company is offering to fill prescriptions at its Abingdon telepharmacy and mail them for free.

Other customers are encouraged to contact their physician to have prescriptions transferred to a different pharmacy.

HOMECOMING ROYALTY

Thomas Seaborn and Joelle McClaskey-Herbst were king and queen for Farmington's Homecoming last weekend. Photo by Dave Giagnoni. Alina Hollis was queen in Elmwood and Hayden Brugger was the king. Photo courtesy of The Ulmus yearbook. Below right, painted pants inspired by TikTok were all the rage.

Farquer arrested, placed on leave

Ex-Billtown superintendent faces felony charge of official misconduct

By NICK VLAHOS
For The Weekly Post

ALEDO – A former Williamsfield School District superintendent could face two to five years in state prison, based on charges filed against him last week.

Tim Farquer

Farquer ordered a school nurse to disclose to him students' vaccination information, then compiled it and shared it with someone not authorized to have it, according to Mercer County Circuit Court documents. That resulted in the arrest of Farquer, the Mercer County School District superintendent.

Farquer, 53, was released Sept. 25 from the Mercer County Jail. That was one day after his arrest and the same day he first appeared in court, by video conference from jail. In the courtroom, in front of Judge Matthew Durbin, Altona-based attorney Karl Johnson represented Farquer, who resides in Williamsfield.

Farquer was accused of official misconduct, unau-

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Princeville in the running for \$1 million

By NICK VLAHOS
For The Weekly Post

PRINCEVILLE – The Princeville School District could use an extra \$1 million. First, however, the high school could use some internet-based votes.

Princeville is among 25 finalists in a national contest a cellphone company is conducting. The school district already won \$35,000 over the past year or so from T-Mobile through its Friday Night 5G Lights contest, a football-related promotion.

Votes from the public at the Fri-

day Night 5G Lights website are being accepted for each finalist, of which Princeville is the only one in Illinois. Voting ends Oct. 24. School-generated social-media posts on Instagram and X also boost the odds.

The grand-prize winner, to be announced Oct. 30, is to receive \$1 million for a football-field upgrade. Among ancillary prizes are a trip for 16 school representatives to the SEC football championship game this December in Atlanta, as well as an upgraded weight room.

Princeville upgraded its weight

room about a year ago, so the contest is a little late for that. But School Superintendent Tony Shinnall isn't about to complain.

“We're super excited,” he said. “The kids absolutely deserve this. Even if we don't win, this is doing wonders for school spirit and the community. We're going to go down swinging.”

Princeville was in 11th place in the voting as of early this week, with Dexter (Maine) Regional High School at the top. Still, that isn't shabby for Princeville, which is one

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Vote for Princeville

Ballots can be cast for Princeville in the T-Mobile Friday Night 5G Lights contest at www.t-mobile.com/brand/friday-night-5g-lights. One vote per email account per day. Voting ends Oct. 24. The district Instagram account is @princevillecusd and the X account is @PrincevilleCUSD.

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of the smallest schools remaining in the competition. More than 2,000 schools nationwide participated.

The genesis of Princeville's contest involvement lies with a friend of Shinall's wife, Aimee. The friend told her about it last year. Shinall applied and the school won \$5,000, a prize for finishing among the top 450 schools. Princeville applied again this year and won another \$5,000.

After that, area T-Mobile representatives took a closer look at Princeville's potential. So did Kelly Jenkins, the district technology coordinator, and colleagues Alex Coulter and Summer Rice. They and high school mass-communications students developed social-media posts with T-Mobile hashtags.

"Summer has taken this as a personal challenge, and she has delivered for our kids so much," Shinall said. "She has been all over this since day one."

Princeville-produced social-media videos included administrators Jake Lowery and Rich Thole demonstrating how well (or not so well) they know current teenager slang, according to Shinall. A group of grade-school teachers also proved adept at video creation.

All of it helped lead to the top-25 selection, which included a \$25,000 prize. It also led to a raucous, early-morning pep assembly last week, where Princeville students celebrated the achievement. Among the congratulations was a personalized Instagram video from retired NFL player Rob Gronkowski.

"I'd never done a morning pep assembly before," Shinall said. "It was a lot louder than I thought it was going to be."

Another gathering that's likely to be loud is set for halftime of Friday's homecoming game against ROWVA-Williamsfield. That's when Princeville is to be presented the \$25,000 T-Mobile check.

Last year, the T-Mobile money funded the purchase of stencils for on-field logos, according to Shinall. This year's prizes might go toward field irrigation work. But Princeville always could use a little more. Or maybe a lot more.

"Hopefully we're have a spending problem here soon and have to figure out how to spend much more money," Shinall said.

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This Week's Hot Picks

- **Free Concert** – Ernie Couch and Revival will perform a free concert Wednesday, Oct. 1, at 7 p.m. at Elmwood United Methodist Church. Light refreshments at 6 p.m. Free-will offering.
- **Spoon River Drive** – Annual Spoon River Drive through Fulton County starts Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 4-5, and continues Oct. 11-12. Stops include Farmington. Food, vendors and scenic sites.
- **Sausage Dinner** – St. Mary's of Kickapoo has its annual sausage dinner on Sunday, Oct. 5, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the school gymnasium. Cost \$20 adults, \$10 children 5-12, free ages 4 and under.

This Week's Events

- **Rummage Sale** – Hanna City United Methodist Church has a rummage and bake sale today through Saturday, Oct. 2-4, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. All proceeds go to missions.
- **Book Group** – Book group meets today, Oct. 2, at Morrison & Mary Wiley Library in Elmwood at 6:30 p.m. to discuss "Butch Cassidy: The True Story of an American Outlaw" by Charles Leerhsen.
- **Music Festival** – LaFayette Railroad Music Festival is Saturday, Oct. 4, 2-5 p.m. outside the Depot Building in La-Fayette. Perform open-mic style or in a group singing songs that mention trains, the railroad, hobos or other tunes. No alcohol allowed.

Future Events

- **Depression Awareness** – Amy Filter will discuss depression and suicide awareness and wellness on Oct. 8 at 6:30 p.m. at Brimfield Public Library. Free







program for ages 18 and up.

- **Fall Cleanup** – Fall clean-up day for residents of Salem Township and Yates City is Oct. 11, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Roll-off containers will be placed at the Salem Township Garage, 113 E. Market St., Yates City. Do not place items on the ground.
- **Community Luncheon** – Brimfield Union Church, 105 W. Clay St., has its monthly community luncheon on Oct. 14 at noon.
- **Harvest Home** – Harvest Home fundraiser dinner is Oct. 16, 4:30-6:30 p.m. at the Yates City Community Center. Beef and noodles, mashed potatoes, beans, roll, dessert and drink. \$13.
- **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.
- **Bingo** – Williamsfield American Legion Post 371 holds bingo the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m.

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It’s time to retire “seeing is believing.”

A second issue with A.I. is that it doesn’t know what the truth is. Its take on the world will be driven by the data it accesses. Popular but untrue information isn’t necessarily filtered out. In contrast to the breathless tone of clickbait, newspapers can seem a little old-school.

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Ken Paulson is the director of the Free Speech Center at Middle Tennessee State University and a former editor-in-chief of USA Today.

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Police reports

• **MONICA** – A Princeville-area man required hospital attention following a side-by-side vehicle accident south of Monica.

Brian R. Cropin was driving a 2008 Polaris side-by-side shortly after 5:15 p.m. Sept. 13 on a property in the 19100 block of N. Daily Rd. when the vehicle slid while emerging from a mud pit and landed on its left side, according to a Peoria County Sheriff’s Office report.

Cropin sustained a 4-inch vertical laceration on his forehead and possibly a broken left hand. An ambulance took him to OSF Saint Francis Medical Center in Peoria. His passenger, a female, said she had back pain but refused medical treatment.

• **KICKAPOO** – A two-vehicle wreck south of Kickapoo resulted in an Elmwood motorcyclist being treated at a Peoria hospital.

David A. Larsen was aboard a northbound 2005 Harley-Davidson shortly before 9:45 a.m. Sept. 13 in the 7500 block of N. Kickapoo-Edwards Rd. when a southbound 2014 Ford Edge crashed into the motorcycle, a Peoria County Sheriff’s Office report stated.

The other driver was Jacob M. Parmenter of Peoria. He said he was turning left toward a parking lot on the east side of the road and didn’t see the motorcycle until it was too late. Parmenter wasn’t injured.

Larsen sustained lacerations on his face and left hand. An ambulance transported him to OSF Saint Francis Medical Center. Both vehicles sustained disabling damage and were towed. Parmenter was cited for failing to yield right of way.

• **KICKAPOO** – An Elmwood woman was taken into police custody following an incident at a Kickapoo-area gasoline station.

Whitney E. Baker, 30, was accused of assault in connection with the incident, which happened shortly after 8:45 p.m. Sept. 11 at the Shell station at 7116 N. Kickapoo-Edwards Rd., according to a heavily redacted Peoria County Sheriff’s Office report.

Baker was arrested at 5:15 p.m. Sept. 12 in Elmwood. The other person involved was a 34-year-old woman from Peoria who was a fellow customer. The Illinois Department of Children and Family Services was notified.

• **FARMINGTON** – A Farmington man was accused of multiple vehicular crimes following a traffic stop. Jeremy S. Coon, 40, was driving a 2006 Chevrolet pickup truck

when a Farmington police officer pulled him over shortly before 7 a.m. Sept. 9 near Wall and Court streets. The vehicle’s license plates were expired, according to a police report.

Post-stop checks indicated Coon’s driver’s license was suspended, something he said he didn’t realize. Coon was also charged with operating an uninsured vehicle. The vehicle was impounded.

• **ELMWOOD** – A local man and woman were accused of battery in connection with a fight at the Elmwood Fall Festival. Zachary D. Beintema, 40, and Shari R. Beintema, 42, received notices to appear Oct. 15 in Peoria County Circuit Court following the incident, which happened about 5:15 p.m. Sept. 4 in the 200 block of E. Main St.

A Peoria County Sheriff’s Office deputy was dispatched to the festival regarding a report about two men fighting. One talked about getting a gun, according to a heavily redacted report. Neither Beintema would speak with the deputy. Zachary Beintema had dried blood on his head and a scraped right elbow.

Witnesses included a 28-year-old Elmwood woman and a 39-year-old Bushnell woman. The Elmwood Police Department also responded.

• **FARMINGTON** – A traffic stop in Farmington led to the driver being accused of multiple vehicular offenses. Anna R. Emmerich, 32, was driving a 2017 Chevrolet sedan when a Farmington police officer stopped her shortly before 11:30 p.m. Sept. 4 near Fort Street and Elmwood Road. Emmerich’s driver’s license expired in 2019, according to a police report.

Emmerich was cited for the license expiration, as well as for operating an uninsured vehicle. The report listed Emmerich as having a Peoria address but also stated she was homeless and residing in a tent west of Farmington.

• **ELMWOOD** – A Maquon teenager knocked over a concrete pole next to an Elmwood apartment building while driving a pickup truck that was pulling a trailer.

The accident happened at 3 p.m. Sept. 1 in the 300 block of W. Pleasant View St., according to a Peoria County Sheriff’s Office report. The driver was parked facing west on Butternut Street behind the building and attempted to turn the vehicle but was unable.

Instead, he drove through the apartment-building parking lot to get to Pleasant View Street, but the trailer hit the post. No injuries to the boy and his passenger were reported.

• **OAK RUN** – Tools were reported missing from a residence

under construction near Oak Run.

The alleged theft from the site, in the 1600 block of Knox Road 1350 East, was reported shortly before 10 a.m. Sept. 1, a Knox County Sheriff’s Office report stated. Missing were a DeWalt 12-inch, 15-amp compound miter saw valued at \$1,800 and a Bosch transit laser level and tripod valued at \$300.

No suspect information was available immediately. The property owner installed trail cameras; three days later, they detected a woman carrying a chainsaw and a man wearing a bandanna that covered his face. Nothing more was reported missing.

• **DAHINDA** – A McLean County woman drove off a road southeast of Dahinda and crashed into a garage.

Addyson P. Peasley, 22, of Carlock was driving a westbound 2018 Hyundai Sonata on U.S. Route 150 when the accident happened, shortly after 3:15 a.m. Aug. 31 just east of Knox Road 1900 East, according to a Knox County Sheriff’s Office report.

Peasley was transported to OSF Saint Francis Medical Center in Peoria. She couldn’t provide a statement. Weather conditions were dry. Blood samples indicated nothing to suggest Peasley was impaired, the report stated. Damage exceeded \$1,500. The vehicle was towed.

• **PEORIA** – Fulton County Sheriff’s Office deputies took into custody Cameron B. Snider, 27, of Hanna City shortly after 3:30 p.m. Sept. 3 at the Peoria County Jail. Snider was wanted in Fulton County for an unspecified offense, according to a redacted sheriff’s-office report.

• **LEWISTOWN** – Fulton County Sheriff’s Office deputies arrested Rowdy G. Eldridge, 20, on an outstanding warrant for failure to appear in court. The sheriff’s office did not specify the offense, nor when Eldridge was arrested.

• **DUNLAP** – Shortly after 6:30 a.m. Sept. 5, Harry G. McFall IV of Elmwood was driving a 2022 Ford F-350 pickup truck east in the 13900 block of W. Parks School Road north of Dunlap when the vehicle struck a deer that emerged from the south. A Peoria County Sheriff’s Office report did not specify if McFall was injured. The vehicle sustained a large dent in its front bumper but was drivable.

• **GALESBURG** – These were among calls to which the Knox County Sheriff’s Office responded between Sept. 7-13: trespass, Galva; trespass, Douglas.

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TIF discussions ongoing in Princeville

By NICK VLAHOS
For The Weekly Post
PRINCEVILLE – At some point, the Princeville School District might receive some tax-increment-financing revenue from the village. But district officials would like more certainty.

Under an agreement the Princeville School Board approved Sept. 23, the village would share a portion of property-tax revenue generated in TIF 4, which covers most of downtown and west-northwest areas. The agreement requires approval from eight other

public taxing bodies in which Princeville is included.

School Superintendent Tony Shinall welcomed the agreement. He and School Board members have been asking the Village Board for a way to receive more money from TIFs, which at creation freeze property taxes that are to go to various bodies.

“I see it hopeful, because I and the board want the village to thrive,” Shinall said about the TIF 4 proposal. “We really feel like we’re doing our part providing a world-class

education.”

Property-tax increases in TIFs are diverted into a fund used for infrastructure improvements that can lead to area redevelopment. Almost all of Princeville is included among three TIF districts.

If and when the TIF 4 agreement is enacted, other taxing bodies would receive 25% of most annual incremental TIF 4 revenues, to be distributed in proportion to their rates. They also would receive all the incremental revenue from a 2-megawatt solar farm that is nearing completion in TIF 4.

The other taxing bodies, in descending order of share, are the Lillie M. Evans Library District, the Akron-Princeville Fire Protection District, Illinois Central College, Akron and Princeville townships, Peoria County, the Peoria airport authority and the county soil-and-water conservation district.

During the School Board meeting last week, members discussed a Village Board TIF Committee meeting two of their peers and Shinall attended in August. They said they believed the dialogue went well in general, but they want more information on how the village assesses TIF-grant success.

A full, joint meeting of both boards was suggested as the next step.

“Discussing the issues and concerns is the only way we’ll likely resolve those issues and concerns,” School Board Vice President Michael Harmon said.

Agreement approval followed executive session, which is closed to the public. Also approved afterward was an early-graduation request for an unidentified Princeville student.

Earlier, the board authorized the district budget for the 2026 fiscal year. An operating-fund deficit of \$876,662 is projected, as is a final fund balance of \$6,913,603.

Also approved were two deals with National Glazing Solutions of Chicago to provide security film for windows at district buildings. Last year, NGS provided film for exterior doors and some exterior windows.

Coverage for the rest of the exterior is to cost \$31,430.67. Interior windows are to be covered for \$30,824.36.

Among other items board members approved were a FFA-member trip to the organization’s national convention Oct. 29-31 in Indianapolis and a renewal with Constellation Energy of Baltimore for electricity at a rate of \$0.10982 per kilowatt hour.

The local Knights of Columbus chapter presented the board a check for \$2,700, part of the proceeds from the organization’s 2024 Tootsie Roll drive. District special education is to benefit. Shinall also announced the resignation of Cody Blunier as high school sophomore-class sponsor.

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BRIEFS

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PEORIA – The Peoria County Genealogical Society will hold its monthly member meeting on Oct. 9 at the Peoria Public Library North Branch from 6-8 p.m.

Aaron Comte, director of Springdale Cemetery & Mausoleum, and Brian “Fox” Ellis, storyteller and author, are featured speakers. Their free program is entitled “History of Springdale Cemetery.”

Comte will highlight the cemetery’s resources, while Ellis will bring history to life, promoting Springdale’s fall tours.

Jubilee College park a CWD check station

BRIMFIELD – Jubilee College State Park will be a check station for deer hunters who want to have deer tested for chronic wasting disease. During archery season, heads from adult deer can be left in a freezer outside the check station at 13921 U.S. Route 150. During firearm seasons, hunters can opt to drop off deer for testing at the park office between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m.

College graduate

• **Laquetta Hairston** of Farmington graduated from Wichita State University.



Jim and Mary Beth Ralston of Yates City were honored last Sunday with a plaque at Harvest Home Park to recognize their efforts and donations to improve the park.

Possible park donation in Elmwood sparks discussion

By MOLLY RICHESON
For The Weekly Post

ELMWOOD – A developer of the Fairground Acres subdivision has made a verbal offer to the City of Elmwood to donate a lot for park space.

Not everyone at the Sept. 23 Elmwood City Council meeting was excited about the offer.

The council’s park committee gathered Sept. 22 to survey Lot 15, located on the east side of the subdivision on North Fairground Way. Several neighbors approached the committee while they were discussing possibilities for the lot, which could require work to become ADA compliant.

Amy Davis, Elmwood’s economic-development director, said tax-increment-financing funds could be used to improve the property. She said developer Fred Paige made a verbal offer to donate the lot, but as of Tuesday Davis was not aware of any formal written offer.

Two residents of the subdivision, Bonnie Beal and Phillip Beal, attended the council meeting to present their concerns.

“This decision should not be made lightly and it does not need to be made tonight,” said Bonnie Beal, the Elmwood treasurer.

Phillip Beal disagreed with the idea of using TIF funds to develop the vacant lot.

Elmwood has two TIF districts. TIF 1 encompasses the subdivision and TIF 2 is for the downtown business district. TIF 1 expires in 2027 and TIF 2 expires in 2030. Elmwood has the option to transfer the remaining balance of TIF 1 into TIF 2 upon expiration, or the city can redistribute the remaining funds back to the taxing bodies that would normally receive property-tax income.

Kristen Strom, Ward 3 alderwoman, said she prefers the latter option.

“I don’t know that it’s the best use of TIF when we

know that we’re operating on a tight budget and that the school is operating in deficit where \$9,000 per child is having to be absorbed by the community,” Strom said.

Mayor Andrew Almasi said nothing has been formally proposed. He said this was a discussion about a hypothetical donation.

“This meeting is just to start thinking about what

we would do with it if we got it,” Almasi said. “We have not committed to a park. This is just a proposal.”

Almasi said residents can ask that a formal donation of the lot not be accepted by the council.

In other business, the city has received another notice from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency about its inability to re-

solve issues with sludge in the water-treatment lagoon. As a result, the city may have to pay a fine.

“It’s not for lack of trying on our end,” said Nathan Brunnelson, Ward 1 alderman and chair of public works. “We lost our grant and are working on getting a loan.”

Another meeting with the IEPA was scheduled for this week.

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FARQUER: Preliminary hearing set for Oct. 20

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thorized access to medical records and computer tampering. The official-misconduct charge is a felony, subject to a prison term. The other charges are misdemeanors.

A preliminary hearing was scheduled for 9 a.m. Oct. 20 in Aledo. Court documents stated Farquer’s alleged misconduct began about Sept. 1 and continued until his arrest.

“Unfortunately I cannot comment but am anxious for the facts to come out soon,” Farquer stated in an email to The Weekly Post.

In a text message, Johnson said he was unavailable. A telephone

message was left for Mercer County State’s Attorney Grace Simpson.

During a special meeting Sept. 26, the Mercer County School Board voted to place Farquer on paid administrative leave.

Appointed as interim superintendents were Alan Boucher and Scott Petrie. Both are former Mercer County superintendents. Farquer succeeded Petrie in 2024.

A statement School Board President Bill Smock emailed to The Weekly Post read, in part: “As more information becomes available, the board remains committed to transparency, collaboration and maintaining the

high standards of excellence that the community expects from its schools.”

Petrie pleaded guilty in Scott County, Iowa, to drunken driving in 2019. He received probation and served four days of in-home detention, according to KWQC-TV of Davenport, Iowa.

A news release issued Sept. 24 stated the Aledo Police Department had been investigating a complaint regarding school-district employees illegally accessing students’ medical records. Electronic devices were seized through a search warrant.

The investigation led to the arrests of two school-district information-technology employees, Andrea Long and Amberly Norton. Both are 41 and from Aledo. They face the same charges as Farquer, whose involvement was discovered during the investigation.

Durbin ordered Farquer not to have contact with Long and Norton, whose preliminary hearings are scheduled for Oct. 7. The school nurse was not identified and was not charged with a crime. How many students’

records were divulged was not revealed.

In a statement Sept. 25, the School Board suggested health records are part of a student’s overall school record, as defined under the Illinois School Student Records Act. Medical-privacy laws regarding health-care providers do not apply.

“Their use by teachers, school nurses and support staff is not only common but necessary to meet the educational and developmental needs of our students,” the statement read, in part. “Their use within the school setting is lawful, regulated and essential to the functioning of our educational mission.

“We ask the community to withhold judgment until all facts are reviewed and due process is respected.”

Farquer attended high school in Williamsfield and was its superintendent from 2013 until 2024. He left the district by mutual agreement with its school board.

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Everett E. Potter

PEORIA – Everett Eldon Potter, 88, of Peoria, formerly of Texas, passed away at 7:54 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 24, 2025, at Carle Health Proctor Hospital in Peoria. Everett was born on March 25, 1937, in Akron Township, to Forrest and Irene (Wilson) Potter.



Potter

Surviving is one brother, Floyd Potter of Princeville, and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; four brothers, Pastor Marvin Potter, Byron Potter, David Potter and Russell Potter; and two sisters, Hazel

Fritz and Fern Rell.

Everett worked as a machinist at Caterpillar Inc. for 10 years. He previously worked at Campbell’s Soup in Texas for 20 years. Upon his retirement, he moved back to Illinois. He was a proud member of the National Guard. Everett was raised south of Edelstein on the farm. He will be greatly missed by his family.

A burial of ashes will take place in Prospect Cemetery at a later date. Haskell Funeral and Cremation Services is assisting the family with arrangements.

Online condolences may be left for Everett’s family at www.haskellfuneral.com.

Michael J. Strom

VICTORIA – Michael J. Strom, 67, of Victoria, passed away on Sept. 25, 2025, surrounded by his loved ones.

He was born on Oct. 16, 1957, the son of Pat Strom and Leah (Dykeman) Strom. He grew up in rural Williamsfield. Mike was married to Julie (Moore) Strom for 36 years.

He is survived by his mother, Leah Strom of Williamsfield; siblings Doug (Marsha) Strom of Dahinda, Rhonda (Barry) Sonboli of Rancho Cucamonga, Calif., and Lee (Andrea) Strom of Seattle; children Angela (Tyler) Snow of Galesburg, Tabitha “Tabby” Beardsley of Knoxville and Cody (Brittany) Strom of Dahinda; and seven grandchildren.

Visitation was to be Oct. 1 at Hurd-Hendricks Funeral Home in Knoxville. Graveside services will be today, Oct. 2, at 11 a.m. at Williamsfield Cemetery. Fellowship will be at American Legion Post 371 Norman Legion Hall in Williamsfield.

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AWANA: Wed. 6:15 pm ages 3-12
Union Church at Brimfield
United Church of Christ
Pastor Stephen Barch
105 W. Clay Street Brimfield
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brimfieldunionchurch.org

BIBLE TRIVIA
By Wilson Casey
1. Is the book of Ecclesiastes (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. Which book could be summarized, "God will hold us accountable for all our actions"? Daniel, Hosea, Zephaniah, Haggai
3. From Genesis 28, who had the vision of angels going up and down a ladder reaching into heaven? Joseph, Ahab, Ehud, Jacob
4. What does Paul say is the su-

Sunday Worship: 9 am
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Church: (309) 639-2768
Pastor's Office: (309) 639-2389
Email: williamsfielddahindaumc@yahoo.com

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Facebook Live is 11 am at

preme gift of the Spirit to be-
lievers? Faith, Love, Holiness, Eter-
nity
5. From Genesis 19, where did Lot encounter an angel? Wilder-
ness spring, City gate, New temple,
Tent door
6. Where did Jesus turn water
into wine? Bethany, Nazareth,
Cana, Gethsemane
ANSWERS: 1) Old, 2) Zepha-
niah, 3) Jacob, 4) Love, 5) City
gate, 6) Cana
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Sunday Mass: 7 am
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Pritzker: Feds seeking Chicago troop deployment

By **BEN SZALINKSI** and **JERRY NOWICKI**
Capitol News Illinois

The Department of Homeland Security is seeking to send 100 military troops to Chicago, according to Gov. JB Pritzker, who assailed the

move as the Trump administration’s latest – yet not unforeseen – push to consolidate power.

“What he plans to do with that power now or during the 2026 elections should worry all of us,” Pritzker said at a Monday afternoon news confer-

ence, adding, “You cannot call this anything except an attack on the Constitution of the United States.”

In the days leading up to the news conference, armed Customs and Border Patrol officers paraded through the streets of Chicago arrest-

ing people and shot chemical projectiles at protesters in Broadview, including allegedly at a TV news reporter’s car.

As of Monday, the Chicago Tribune reported that federal prosecutors had charged five people in relation to recent protests, including two who were apparently armed, according to federal authorities.

The Tribune reported that federal Judge Gabriel Fuentes noted there has been “a tendency for ICE to be very aggressive,” in response to the Broadview protests, and it was “not a surprise that there was a confrontation.”

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CryptoQuote

answer

You know, you don't have to be famous, you just have to make your mother and father proud of you. — Meryl Streep

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Answer

7	3	5	2	8	6	1	4	9
9	6	2	1	4	7	8	3	5
8	1	4	3	9	5	2	6	7
5	2	9	6	1	4	7	8	3
6	4	7	8	3	2	9	5	1
3	8	1	7	5	9	4	2	6
1	7	8	4	6	3	5	9	2
4	5	3	9	2	1	6	7	8
2	9	6	5	7	8	3	1	4

Answers on Page 12

Super Crossword

CAPITAL-GRAMS

ACROSS

1 Slogan

6 Like horses offered for breeding

12 "You played well"

20 Knot on a tree branch

21 Like Lowell's "day in June"

22 Anomalous

23 Creature in the Philippines' capital?

25 Former British prime minister Benjamin

26 Geronimo or Cochise

27 Voting "no"

29 Final inning, usually

30 Best Picture of 2012

32 "E! —" (1961 epic film)

33 Horse-drawn carriage in Angola's capital?

37 Sobieski of the screen

39 — Plains

40 Olympic swimmer Tom

41 Skating couples in France's capital?

44 Like charged atoms

45 Pear variety

49 Melodramatic

50 Privy to

51 Massey of old movies

52 Affliction for some war vets

56 Mince of old movies

57 Pollen-bearing organ from a flower in Iran's capital?

60 Goffer Male

62 Insect's egg capsule

64 Boise loc.

65 "State Fair" actor Ayres

66 Ring thrown at a pig in Ecuador's capital?

69 Public square in Bolivia's capital?

72 Abbr. on a navy vessel

73 Website ID

74 Showed up at

76 Narratives

77 Feudal lords in Greece's capital?

80 TV captain Jean- — Picard

83 Big shindig

84 Has to have

85 Like a desert

86 Workforce newcomer

88 Harper of "No Country for Old Men"

89 Doughnut-shaped

91 Small parasite in South Korea's capital?

96 Primitive-based kind of diet

97 "Ob-viously!"

98 Striped stinkers

99 Comedian in Lesotho's capital?

104 — Fridays (eatery chain)

106 "Fancy —!"

107 Flared dress

108 Feudal toller

109 "Who — think it?"

111 Said "OK" to silently

115 Gym sweat-boxes in the Bahamas' capital?

119 Intimate chat

120 The second "S" of KISS

121 Prez Roosevelt

122 Back spot for a rider

123 Madrid's land, to its natives

124 "It's nobody — business"

DOWN

1 "Gig" studio

2 — roll (hot)

3 Scarlet bird

4 Libyan port

5 Cantina port

6 Popular beer from Japan

7 Not flabby

8 — Lanka

9 Mexican meat dishes

10 Ariel's planet

11 Letter before epsilon

12 Rove (about)

13 Kimono sash

14 Clip- — (some ties)

15 1996 presidential hopeful Bob

16 Bit of salt

17 Modfly

18 Island south of Sicily

19 Nobelist Root

24 Says "OK" to

26 Tabby not leaving the house

30 Swiss peak

31 Singer Chris

34 Part of DKNY

35 — Baba

36 Fond du —, Wisconsin

38 Kin of -ette

39 Like a desert

42 Drivers' org.

43 Brand of coolers

44 Fills the lungs

45 Deli staple

46 "So chic!"

47 Allergic outbursts

48 Hot wax may be a part of it

50 Pluralized -y, often

51 Ill-suited

52 Pleasantly pungent

53 Fiduciary figure

54 Moves with a rustling sound

55 Morse click

57 Best Picture of 1997

58 Actress Long

59 Timber tool

61 They often precede verbs

63 Experienced via another person

67 Spring after P

68 Final. Abbr.

70 Target of the Salk vaccine

71 Petri dish site

75 Doc's fix

78 Paper VIPs

79 Palace area for women

81 Country south of Braz.

82 Fahrenheit alternative

86 Snarky laugh

87 Deer relative

89 Letter before upsilon

90 Ending for schnozz

91 "Time to ride the waves!"

92 Beat in a mano-a-mano

93 Releases from one's grasp

94 Jamaican music genre

95 N.J. hours

96 Gussies up

97 Removes some rodents

99 Stately home

100 Solitary

101 Alburn's first hall

102 Ewoks' forest moon

103 Detect

104 Creator of Tom Sawyer

105 Dutch cheese

110 Past due

112 Female goat

113 MSNBC anchor Cabrera

114 Vietnamese holiday

116 Mud bath site

117 Lime drink

118 Method. Abbr.

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

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF AMERICA
Plaintiff,
-v-
CARNELL J. THOMAS JR et al
Defendant
2025 FC 0000037

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CLAIM NOTICE

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

In Re ESTATE OF
JUDY E. BUHS,
Deceased.

CC 2025-PR-0000275

NOTICE is given to creditors of the death of **JUDY E. BUHS** on August 26, 2025. Letters of Office were issued by the above entitled Court to **SHELLEY R. PROBYN**, of **11314 South Glasford Road, Glasford, Illinois 61533**, 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, Peoria County Courthouse, Peoria, Illinois, or with the representative or both on or before the **3rd 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.

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DATED this 17th day of September, 2025.

SHELLEY R. PROBYN, Executor of the Estate of JUDY E. BUHS, Deceased.

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Brimfield volleyball fourth at Knoxville

By PHIL JOHNSON
For The Weekly Post

Brimfield's volleyball team took fourth place in Saturday's Knoxville Invite. The Lady Indians (10-6) picked up wins over Ridgewood and Kewanee in straight sets.

Anja Nelson and Kennedy Teubel were named to the all-tournament team. Jovi Chastain paced the Lady Indians in assists for the tournament, Teubel led the team in kills and Nelson led BHS in both digs and aces.

Brimfield came up short at home versus Illini Bluffs 21-25, 25-17, 25-18 last Thursday in the yearly battle of two of the most formidable ICAC teams.

Brittany McGowan and Ava Forney had two blocks apiece for BHS, Teubel notched 10 kills and Chastain assisted on nine scores. Nelson scored four aces and 18 digs.

Brimfield faces Lewistown in a Prairieland Conference matchup at home today (Oct. 2).

• **Elmwood** – Elmwood (17-4) clobbered host Bushnell-Prairie City 25-4, 25-6 on Tuesday in Prairieland action.

Payge Ryan turned in a big night with three aces, 13 assists and four digs. Wren Kellenberger also had three aces. Cheyenne Burge recorded two kills, two blocks and four digs, and Lexi Begner and Lia Hulslander each had four digs.

Elmwood bested ICAC/Prairieland rival North Fulton 25-22, 27-25 on the road last Thursday.

Jade Conlee joined in on the action with two aces. Gianna Ramirez also had a big night with 10 kills and 10 digs. Burge had seven kills and Ryan facilitated much of the scoring with 22 assists.

The Lady Trojans picked up a Prairieland win last Tuesday at West Prairie in three sets, 20-25, 25-20, 26-24.

"It was in a loud and small gym but the girls pushed through for the win," Coach Chelsea Brown said.

Gwen Agan recorded a block, Kellenberger had 15 digs and Burge came through with 16 digs and one block. Ryan added one ace, 25 assists and one block.

Elmwood will next take on Prairieland opponent Knoxville today at home.

• **Farmington** – Farmington (6-12) topped South Fulton 25-17, 23-25, 25-17 last Wednesday at home in a Prairieland matchup.

Kayleigh Toombs scored 10 kills, Kaitlynn McGee contributed 12 assists and Halie Whitby paced the Lady Farmers with 14 digs. Lynsey Shriber put in a strong defensive performance, with eight blocks. Ava Essex served four aces.

Host Midwest Central beat Farmington 25-16, 25-13 in nonconference competition.

Whitby recorded nine digs, Shriber blocked two and Essex scored two aces. McGee had six assists and Toombs had four kills.

Farmington will next be at Monmouth-Roseville for nonconference action today.

• **Princeville** – Princeville (6-16) fell 25-8, 25-23 at home to Lincoln Trail opponent Kewanee Wethersfield on Monday.

Claire Sutherland paced the Lady Princes in kills, with four, and Bethany Sennett had six assists. Carly Cox and Jameson McGinn each served two aces, and Kinsley Cowser had nine digs.

The Lady Princes lost 26-24, 25-19 at Monmouth-Roseville last Thursday in Lincoln Trail action. Cox scored on eight kills, Sutherland supplied eight assists and one ace and Sennett assisted on 22 scores.

PHS picked up a 21-25, 25-16, 25-22 Lincoln Trail home victory over Monmouth United last Wednesday.

Cox scored on 11 kills, Sennett assisted on 18 scores and McGinn recorded 17 digs and four aces.

Princeville's next game will be on Monday at home versus Lincoln Trail opponent Galva.

• **ROWVA-Williamsfield** – R-W (14-3) defeated host Stark County 29-27, 25-11 in a Lincoln Trail match last Wednesday.

Sawyer Secrist turned in a big game with 17 kills. Riley Smith added seven kills, Ella Rigg recorded eight digs and Tori Trotter had 25 assists.

The Lady Cougars swept Roanoke-Benson 25-20, 25-23 last Tuesday in a nonconference match at home. Secrist recorded 12 kills and seven digs, Smith notched eight kills and Trotter had 17 assists. Maddi McGarry served up two aces.

R-W swept Peoria Manual last Monday at home 25-18, 25-6 in nonconference action.

Addison Byrd scored three kills. Rigg recorded five digs and four aces. Trotter contributed 13 assists. Secrist scored four kills.

ROWVA-Williamsfield's next matchup will be at home on Monday against Lincoln Trail opponent Ridgewood.

Princeville's Sennett wins Boiler Invite

By JEFF LAMPE
For The Weekly Post

KEWANEE – Princeville junior Bethany Sennett won the Boiler Invite girls cross country race last Saturday in a time of 19:23.

Sennett outpaced runner-up Dusti Smith (19:39), who led the race-winning Stark County team.

"(Sennett) ran a smart race in which she gradually moved up and seemed to get stronger and gain confidence as the race went on," Coach Jeremy Melick said.

Freshmen Emma Davis and Aubrey Mareachen tied for 15th, each coming in at 23:08.

The boys team placed second to Chillicothe IVC, 26-93. Hunter Keyster (fifth, 16:54) led Princeville, whose other scoring runners were Taylor Hess (10th, 17:45), Jacob Bosch (12th, 17:50), Elliott Wallis (40th, 20:07) and Collin Bowers (42nd, 20:19).

"He went out with the leaders but stayed under control and was able to hang with them the first half of the race," Melick said. "Still, Hunter was able to maintain his own pace and finished with a time that was over a minute faster than he ran at

this race last year." Keyster also posted a course record in a dual meet with El Paso-Gridley on Sept. 25.

The Princes compete Saturday in the Elmwood Invitational at Maple Lane Country Club, along with E-B and Farmington. Varsity girls run at 10 a.m., varsity boys at 10:40. The frosh-soph race is at 9:30.

• **Farmington** – Senior Dax Ulm placed fifth in 16:58 on Saturday in the WIU High School Invitational at Vince Grady Field in Macomb.

The Farmers placed fifth as a team in the seven-team race won by Delavan, whose Coriell Green was the race winner in 16:12.

Other scoring Farmers runners were Ryan Helle (29th, 19:40), Noah Shelby (37th, 20:07), Joel Layer (51st, 22:12) and Jackson Scriven (56th, 24:14).

Emma Pampaloni placed 12th in 21:07 to lead the fifth-place girls team. Delavan won the team competition and Emily King of Knoxville won the race in 17:52. Other scoring runners for Farmington were Camryn Emmons (31st, 24:01), Alina Mowen (35th, 25:58), Chloe Briggs (37th, 26:06) and Lucinda Deppermann (39th, 26:33).

Farmington and Elmwood-Brimfield were at the Prairieland Conference race at Spring Lake Park

on Tuesday.

• **ROWVA-Williamsfield** – The Lady Cougars won the three-team Kewanee CC Meet at Baker Park Golf Course, finishing ahead of Erie-Prophetstown and Bureau Valley.

R-W had four runners in the top seven of the 5,000-meter race, led by winner Harper Campbell (20:50) and runner-up Avery Manning (21:18). Emily Hilman (sixth, 22:28), Marissa Brown (seventh, 22:59) and Pearl Carlson (21st, 30:47) rounded out the R-W scoring.

Wyatt Hall won the boys race in 17:21. West Manning was ninth in 18:37.

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Trojans rebound

Alger leads E-B homecoming rally over Bureau Valley with three TDs

By JEFF LAMPE
For The Weekly Post

ELMWOOD – Todd Hollis was in his element last Friday. His daughter Alina was Elmwood Homecoming Queen on Blackout Night, the event he founded in 2008 to benefit Easter Seals.

And the Elmwood-Brimfield football team he coaches showed grit in a 38-22 comeback victory over Bureau Valley in a LincolnLand large-division game.

After falling behind 8-0 early against the winless Storm (0-5, 0-3), E-B battled back behind its usual strong running game and even a rare touchdown pass, from Evan Patterson to Tommy Burkitt.

The offensive story of the night for the Trojans, though, was junior Myles Alger, who assumed a new role in the E-B backfield. Layne Johnson moved to fullback and Alger went to three-back, from where he ran for 166 yards and three touchdowns on 16 carries.

“Last week Layne

jumped in at fullback and had some crushing blocks and we were kind of like, ‘That’s what we need,’” Hollis said. “Myles is pretty shifty and has a low center of gravity and he’s strong and gets through the small cracks and arm tackles.”

Johnson did more than just block, though, carrying 12 times for 143 yards and a clinching 21-yard score late in the fourth quarter. Shortly before that score, Bureau Valley had driven to the Trojans’ 10-yard line before being stopped on fourth-and-2.

“It’s a really well-coached team and they are getting better every week,” Hollis said of Bureau Valley.

The veteran E-B coach said his team also showed improvement following a rough outing against Princeville last week.

“There were times to-night we could have gotten down and we didn’t,” Hollis said. “We responded, and that was something we were really looking for.”



Logan Estes carries for Elmwood-Brimfield in a 38-22 win over Bureau Valley. E-B ran for 380 yards and 9.3 yards per carry. Estes had 71 of those rushing yards. Photo by Collin Fairfield.

E-B faces a long road trip to Hamilton this week for a game against improving West Hancock (2-3, 1-3), which topped Illini West last week.

As for the Blackout Night, Hollis said the more than \$4,000 raised for Easter Seals is almost secondary to another benefit of the annual event.

“To me, the biggest thing

is that we planted the seed and guys will know and parents will know that there’s some people out there who can help them out,” Hollis said.

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FARMINGTON – Double-team Jack Gronewold if you want, but the Farmers can still make you

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Extra-point kicks crucial for Princes

By NICK VLAHOS
For The Weekly Post

PRINCEVILLE – Travon Richeson accomplished quite a feat last week. So did Jett Benningfield, with his hands.

Richeson’s extra-point kick following Eli Christianson’s touchdown run with 4:12 left in the game Sept. 26 gave Princeville a 21-20 football victory over Abingdon-Avon. It made Princeville 4-1 overall, 3-1 in the LincolnLand small division ahead of a league game Friday night at home against ROWVA-Williamsfield.

Benningfield’s share of the heroics came with 5:03 left in the third quarter, when A-Town (1-4, 1-3) scored to take a 20-14 lead. He blocked the ensuing extra-point kick. That helped put Princeville in position to win, if it scored again.

That also put Richeson, a senior and a first-year varsity kicker, in position to demonstrate what he’s learned.

“Earlier in the year, he was probably 50-50,”

Princeville Coach Jon Carruthers said about Richeson’s extra-point percentage. “Early in the year, we went for two a lot. The last couple of weeks, he’s really been improving.

“We had faith in him. He was 2-for-2 on the first two (touchdowns), and he was kicking really well, so we figured we’d try her out. ... I was happy for him. He’s grinding every day.”

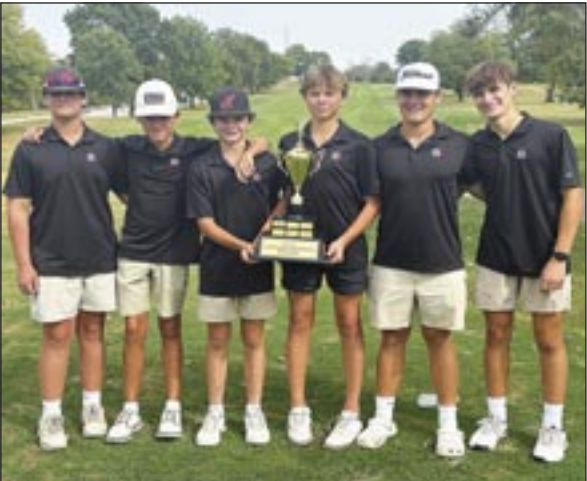
Princeville had to grind out this one. Carruthers lamented the Princes’ mistakes – too many of them, in his view. Among them were two fumbles and penalties for offsides, holding and face masks. The Tornadoes recovered an on-side kick and converted a fake-punt attempt.

“That’s definitely something we’re going to be preaching on and having to clean up,” Carruthers said about a practice emphasis

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Inside

- Princeville’s Bethany Sennett wins Boiler Invite in XC. Page 15.



The Brimfield boys golf team captured the ICAC tournament title on Sept. 23 at Parkview Golf Course in Pekin. The Indians surprised perennial-favorite Peoria Christian, edging the Chargers 318-319 to claim the trophy. The winning side was comprised of Chase Meinders, Will Snyder, Alex Jenkins, Westin Smith, Dane Fagerburg and Grady Donnelly.

Brimfield wins ICAC golf tournament title

By ANDY LATORA
For The Weekly Post

PEKIN – Brimfield sophomore Chase Meinders made clutch pars on the ninth and 10th holes on Sept. 23 to help the Indians boys golf team clinch the Inter-County Athletic Conference tournament title.

Meinders, who finished in a tie for 10th place, had plenty of help at Parkview Golf Course. Freshman Will Snyder shot 4-over-par 74 to finish in third and senior Dane Fagerburg gave Brimfield another top-10 finish with a 79 to tie for eighth.

The Indians edged tournament-favorite Peoria Christian by a stroke,

318-319. Delavan was third at 324 and Elmwood was fourth at 335.

ROWVA-Williamsfield posted a 368 to finish in seventh behind Illini Bluffs (341) and Cuba (365).

With Westin Smith’s 83, good for 12th, Brimfield had its four scorers in the top 12.

Snyder finished three shots back of medalist Drew Gama of Peoria Christian. Delavan’s Grady Burrell shot 72 to finish in second, one shot behind Gama.

Kuper Bolton carded Elmwood’s low score, finishing in a three-way tie for fifth with a 78. The Trojans’ Quinton Johns and Rory Conklin both shot

84 for 14th place, and Karsyn Bolton shot 89 to finish 23rd.

R-W’s Preston Lafary joined Meinders in the standings in 10th with an 82, Kaden Dewitt shot 90 (27th), Trent Stiers had a 95 (34th) and Mason Empson scored 101 (38th).

Brimfield also had two top-10 finishers in the girls tournament, which was also at Parkview. Nicole Detmers was runner-up after shooting 91 to finish seven shots off the pace of medalist Sara Finn of Illini Bluffs.

Rachel Fell shot 98 to finish in a tie for fifth for Brimfield.

All four Illini Bluffs scorers finished

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