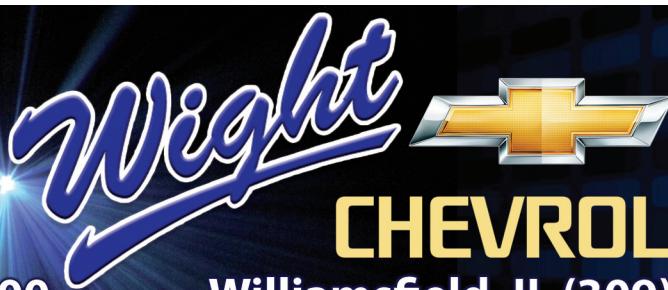




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In soccer terms, yellow card so far for Williamsfield

By NICK VLAHOS

For The Weekly Post

WILLIAMSFIELD – Soccer and lockers were the primary topics of the Williamsfield School Board meeting Monday.

Creation of a high school soccer program and installation and/or repositioning of student lockers don't appear to be imminent. But surveys of students and school staff appear to have provided more clarity about interest

and options.

A survey of students in grades 3 through 11 indicated soccer might have some traction. There were 24 students who listed soccer as their primary fall-sport choice, with 19 listing it second. The combined total was only three fewer than football, the top selection.

Board President Chad Goff believed the survey lacked detail. He preferred a grade-by-grade

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• Farmington honors early graduates, scholars. **Page 7**

breakdown.

Goff also repeated concerns he expressed when soccer was broached during the board's December meeting. Those included how soccer might cannibalize other fall sports and how it might affect the all-sports cooperative agreement Williamsfield has

with the Oneida-based ROWVA district.

"ROWVA, they have zero interest in soccer," Goff said. "Everybody keeps skipping over the part that we have a limited amount of students."

Superintendent David Mills and Principal Zack Binder echoed Goff's concerns regarding unilateral Billtown soccer. But Board Member Paul Bosnich, a soccer proponent, sug-

gested Williamsfield could explore a soccer-only co-op with other neighboring districts, including Brimfield and Elmwood.

Bosnich also suggested soccer appeals to many younger Williamsfield children in a way other sports don't, football in particular.

"In the fourth-grade class, most of those boys aren't going to play football," Bosnich said.

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NEEDLING TRUMP

Pritzker spins new narrative for Chicago

All-of-the-above media strategy as 2028 looms

By BEN SZALINSKI
and BRENDEN MOORE

Capitol News Illinois

While sitting for his second Fox News interview of 2025 in late October, Gov. JB Pritzker made a plain observation about President Donald Trump, who earlier that day derided Illinois' billionaire chief executive as "weak" and "pathetic."

"It seems like I live rent-free in his head," Pritzker told host Bret Baier on one of the president's favorite news networks. "He talks about me all the time just spontaneously."

Pritzker and Trump did not speak directly in 2025, but they regularly exchange barbs through television cameras and social media. Pritzker is among Trump's most pugnacious critics and has likened Trump's return



Illinois Gov. JB Pritzker speaks to reporters recently in Chicago. Pritzker's media strategy has helped grow his national profile as speculation increases that he will run for president in 2028.

to power to the rise of Nazism in 1930s Germany.

Never one to let scores go unsettled, Trump often punches back. And the back-and-forth has only escalated since he placed Chicago in his cross-hairs. Trump first threatened to deploy National Guard troops to the city's streets, and his administration later sent masked agents to conduct aggressive immigration raids.

Trump dropped his bid to occupy the nation's third largest city on Dec. 31, but he teased on social media that "we will come back."

The feud has allowed Pritzker to grow his national profile as he's used his bully pulpit to knock Trump and perhaps lay the groundwork for a 2028 presidential campaign.

Capitol News Illinois reviewed

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Site change for proposed tower

Emergency-response mast planned for Elmwood land

By NICK VLAHOS

For The Weekly Post

ELMWOOD – A proposed tower in Elmwood to facilitate emergency response probably won't be in an ideal location, but that isn't likely to impede the project.

The tower is planned for city-owned land along Poplar Street west of Sweetwater Park, according to John Doering, a member of the Peoria-Stark Emergency Telephone System Board. That represented a shift from what Doering first proposed in September to the Elmwood City Council.

Doering had deemed ideal a spot near the city water tower on the west side of town, but municipal public-works representatives differed, he told the council Jan. 6.

The tower is expected to be between 250 and 400 feet tall, with about 300 feet as a sweet spot, according to Doering. The entire project might cost about \$2.5 million.

"It is more involved than most might suspect," Doering said. "This is not a little endeavor by any means."

Doering proposed to the council a 20-year

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ELMWOOD: Council OKs hike in utility rates

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 lease of \$1, identical to one his board has for an emergency-response tower in Medina Township. The council took no action.

The proposed tower is expected to enhance Elmwood-area coverage for police, fire and emergency-medical 911 calls. The closest tower to Elmwood is near Kickapoo, according to Doering. The purpose of a fire-centric tower in Yates City probably would be relocated to the proposed tower.

Doering suggested the tower site will need significant preparation, including power and drainage improvements. Initially, the Poplar Street location was considered too low-lying.

"This is kind of a messy location," Doering said. "There's kind of a so-so street in front of it. A lot of dust and gravel. It requires a little more maintenance on our part for ventilation. We need to be in the Elmwood area for this tower, and if that's what we need to do, that's what we'll

do."

Targeted completion is sometime this year, but Doering indicated that might not happen: "We're working on it. Diligently."

Regarding action items, the council approved a 4% hike in utility rates for 2026. The new base water rate for customers within city limits is to be \$20.15 per month, up to 1,000 gallons used. The former base was \$19.37.

Additional water charges are based on use of more than 1,000 gallons per month.

The new additional charges range from \$5.25 to \$2.51 per 1,000 gallons, with the price decreasing as use increases. The former range was \$5.04 to \$2.41.

The new base sewer charge is \$17.86 per month, up to 1,000 gallons of water used. The former base was \$17.17. The city will charge sewer customers an additional \$3.28 for each 1,000 gal-

lons used beyond the base, up from \$3.15.

Councilman Nathan Brunnels, who helps oversee public works, suggested the 2026 increase is higher than he'd prefer. According to him, the city still is attempting to account for ramifications from the COVID-19 pandemic.

"The COVID years were really rough on the city, and inflation after COVID really hit us hard," Brunnels said. "We've been slowly trying to climb back up, because I didn't want to do 10-15 percent in one year."

The council also agreed to accept sealed bids, starting at \$10, for a city-owned trailer. It's unused and rusting but might be repairable, according to Mayor Andrew Almasi.

"I'd hate to see it sitting there another five or 10 years and let it be completely worthless," he said. Bid deadline is Feb. 10.

Correction

• Peoria County Sheriff's Office Deputy Crystal Strauss began as the Princeville school resource officer in 2019. The year was incorrect in a Weekly Post story published Jan. 8. The newspaper received incorrect information.


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THE WEEK AHEAD

Hot Picks Ahead

• **Harvest Home** – A Harvest Home fundraiser dinner will be held today, Jan. 15, 4:30-6:30 p.m. at the Yates City Community Center. Chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, roll, dessert and a drink. \$13.

• **Native Seed Celebration** – A variety of native prairie seeds will be available for swap or merely to take home on Saturday, Jan. 17, from 10 a.m. to noon at Salem Township Library in Yates City. You do not need to bring any seeds to participate in this event.

This Week's Events

• **Movie Night** – Lillie M. Evans Library in Princeville has interactive family movie night Jan. 23 at 6:30 p.m. for a free showing of "Megamind." Goody bags provided.

• **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.

• **Mahjong** – A Mahjong group is gathering Mondays at 1:30 p.m. at Morrison & Mary Wiley Library in Elmwood. Adults welcome.

Future Events

• **Blood Drive** – St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church in Elmwood has a blood drive Jan. 27 from noon to 5 p.m.

• **Historical Meeting** – The Elmwood Historical Society meets Jan. 27 at 7 p.m. at 102 E. Main St.

• **Princeville Forum** – As part of Peoria County 200+ planning, Peoria County has a Princeville Future Talk on Jan. 29 6:30-

7:30 p.m. at LME Library in Princeville.

• **Raccoon Roundup** – The fourth annual Raccoon Roundup will be Jan. 30-31, with sign-up (Jan. 30, 5-8 p.m.) and weigh-in (Jan. 31, 2-5:30 p.m.) at the Elmwood Tap. Cost \$25 per person, up to four-person teams. Raffles during weigh-in, DJ after. Call (309) 403-1183.

• **Trivia Night** – Maquon United Methodist Church trivia night is Jan. 31. Supper 4:30 p.m., trivia at 6. \$10 per person, maximum eight per table. Register by Jan. 24. Call (309) 299-2567.

• **Pancake Breakfast** – Elmwood Kiwanis Club has its all-you-can-eat pancake and whole-hog sausage day Feb. 1, 6:30-10:30 a.m. at Elmwood High School. \$8 adults, \$4 children age 6-11 and free for ages 5 and under.

– United Methodist Church of Farmington has its 69th annual pancake and sausage day on Feb. 7 from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. For meat pre-orders, call (309) 245-4310 before noon on Jan. 29.

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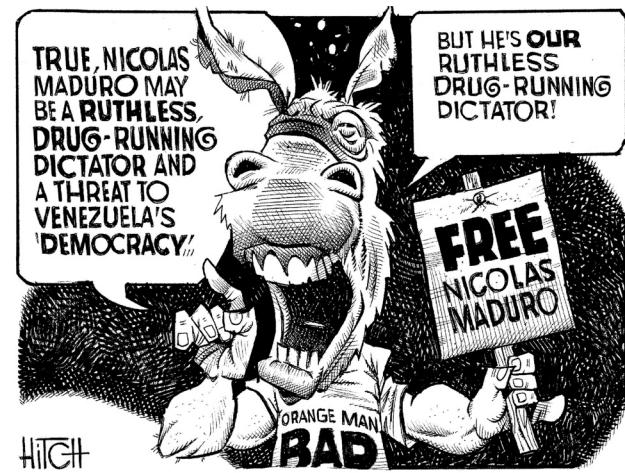
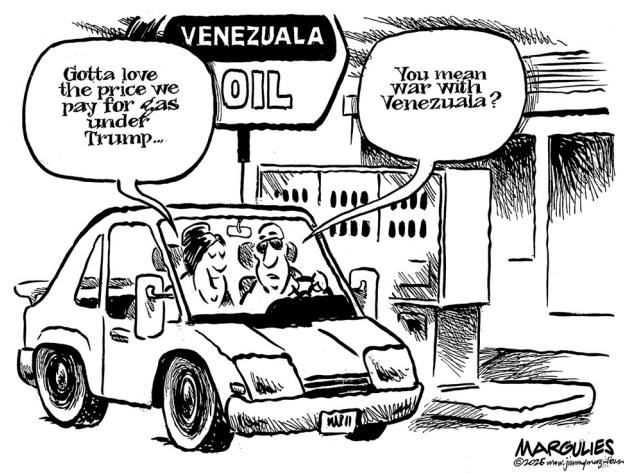
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Of court, cursing, seeds and Turkish yogurt

Rambling through central Illinois, amazed at how slowly the legal system works.

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My career as a journalist started in sports, then moved on to hunting and fishing. What fun. People were passionate about both but generally enjoyed the stories.

For the past decade, I've broadened my skillset by covering meetings of school boards and city and village councils. While more important, those events are less enjoyable, less well-attended and generate more complaints than my earlier efforts.

For the first time in my career, I've also spent time in court working and not trying to weasel out of something. Prior to starting The Weekly Post, my only previous experience in a courthouse was for jury duty and as an active participant.

Monday offered another chance to visit a courthouse, this time in Stark County, where the day's docket was very full. The latest experience reinforced previous lessons: Covering court is the least enjoyable of all forms of journalism.

That goes beyond the fact that people are generally upset no matter what you write. Covering court is also difficult because everybody involved tends to whisper and talk fast,



Jeff LAMPE

making it seem confusion and obfuscation is indeed the goal of the legal system.

Even when attorneys and judges speak in audible tones, I'm not entirely sure what is going on. Then again, often there doesn't seem to be anything going on. The steady stream of continuances, delays, hearings and reviews drive me nuts.

Even worse is that so many people accused of serious crimes are released nowadays and then fail to show up for their required court dates. This creates more headaches for understaffed law-enforcement agencies and for a judicial system that can't afford to get any slower.

I understand the presumption of innocence. I agree people should get a fair trial. But if somebody is accused of multiple serious felonies, they should be locked up and have their case heard quickly – not be released to commit more felonies.

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In my quest not to curse, which is not going very #\$\$%&@ well, **Gene Vaughan** offered this from an old farmer he knew from Wenona: "Son of a biscuit." Worth a try. ... **Dave Pittman** of Peoria is part of a new central Illinois organization called Braver Angels, a group he says hopes to "solve the partisan political divide" by bringing equal numbers of liberals and conservatives into a room for a carefully structured conversation. But Pittman said he has so far had trouble recruiting conservatives for the first meeting on Jan. 28 at 5:30 p.m. at Peoria's Lakeview Li-

brary. "We're just getting it started. Who knows who will show up," Pittman said. Any takers out there? ...

Speaking of not knowing who will show, we've got our annual Native Seed Celebration this Saturday, Jan. 17, from 10 a.m. to noon at Salem Township Library in Yates City. As always, if you have seeds to exchange, we'll have space for you. But YOU DON'T HAVE TO BRING SEEDS to share. Now is a great time to scatter prairie seeds onto the freezing and thawing ground. We promise to get you home in time to watch the AFC divisional game pitting a fine group of folks from the East Coast against cocky upstarts from Denver.

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Parting shot: As part of an ongoing pursuit to not die, people in my life somehow convinced me to eat sugar-free Greek yogurt for breakfast. At first the idea sounded appealing, as I've enjoyed years of eating delicious Greek food. Taramosalata. Spanakopita. Dolmades. Saganaki. Gyros with tzatziki sauce. My mouth waters even to type those romantic names. Not so for Greek yogurt. There's no question this nasty stuff must be good for you, because it tastes sour and smells like my kid's gym shoes. Ah, but my research shows what is marketed as Greek yogurt may actually be Turkish. Not to stoke the fires of centuries-old animosity, but that makes more sense.

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On a separate note, females in New York City better be learning self-defense. Their Muslim mayor said in a 2020 podcast that there are people better trained than police to respond to calls about domestic violence.

– **Sharon Dunbar**, Princeville

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Police reports

• **YATES CITY** – A Yates City man hid from law-enforcement authorities who eventually arrested him for multiple crimes.

Knox County Sheriff's Office deputies arrived shortly before 7:15 p.m. Dec. 26 at a residence in the 400 block of S. Dixon St. in search of Zachary R. Cassel, 33. A man who answered the door told the deputies he believed Cassel was home, a sheriff's-office report stated.

A deputy then saw through a window the man talking with Cassel, who then left the room. The man returned to the door and said he believed Cassel was not home but allowed the deputy inside to look for him. The deputy found Cassel walking out of his bedroom.

Cassel was wanted in Knox County for failure to appear in court regarding a forgery/theft case. He was wanted in Peoria County for failure to appear regarding three charges: unlawful use of a credit card, retail theft and two counts of forgery.

A deputy transported Cassel to the Knox County Jail in Galesburg. On Dec. 29, he was transferred to the Peoria County Jail, according to a Peoria County Sheriff's Office report.

• **FARMINGTON** – An Elmwood man and his passenger required hospital attention following a single-vehicle wreck north of Farmington.

Shortly after 1:45 p.m. Dec. 13, Zachary T. Bomhold was driving a 2001 Ford pickup truck north on Illinois Route 78 at Korth Road when he lost control and slid off the pavement. The vehicle rolled onto its passenger side, according to a Peoria County Sheriff's Office report.

Bomhold and his passenger, a male, complained about right arm and shoulder pain. They were transported to Graham Hospital in Canton. The vehicle sustained passenger-side damage and was towed. Elmwood firefighters and BYE Ambulance Service also responded.

• **KICKAPOO** – A Brimfield man admitted he sideswiped another vehicle while driving near Kickapoos.

Sean O. Sullivan was behind the wheel of a westbound 2014 Toyota Tacoma pickup truck about 9:45 a.m. Dec. 13 on U.S. Route 150 at Voorhees Road when he sideswiped an eastbound 2022 Toyota Corolla driven by Feliciano R. Castillo of Lomax, a Peoria County Sheriff's Office report stated.

Sullivan said he overcorrected because he couldn't see lines on the road in the snow. No injuries were reported, and both vehicles sustained minor damage.

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model dirtbike was reported stolen from a property northeast of Princeville.

The apparent theft happened sometime before about 9:15 a.m. Dec. 13 in the 5900 block of W. County Line Rd., a redacted Peoria County Sheriff's Office report stated. The victim was a 43-year-old man.

• **WEST PEORIA** – Jesse A. Herrmann, 25, of Hanna City was accused of improperly passing an emergency vehicle, squealing his vehicle's tires and reckless driving on Dec. 12 at about 3:15 p.m. at Sterling and Rohmann avenues. A Peoria County Sheriff's Office deputy was working a traffic detail in his squad car when the incident occurred.

• **TRIVOLI** – A Trivoli man driving a snowplow avoided injury from a two-vehicle wreck south of his hometown.

Bradley M. Bolton was behind the wheel of the southbound 2026 Mack truck before 8:15 a.m. Dec. 12 in the 5200 block of S. Stone School Rd. when a northbound 2017 Honda slid on a curve and into the plow, according to a Peoria County Sheriff's Office report.

Madison R. Wefenstette of Canton was the other driver. She was uninjured after her vehicle came to rest in a ditch. Both vehicles were drivable.

• **BELLEVUE** – An Edwards woman said she stopped her vehicle in Bellevue because of a dog in the roadway, after which another vehicle crashed into hers.

Crystal G. Chiaravalle was driving a 2016 Nissan Altima north on Airport Road at Mine Hollow Road when the accident happened shortly after 8:30 a.m. Dec. 10, according to a Peoria County Sheriff's Office report. The other vehicle was a 2019 Jeep Cherokee driven by Lisa A. Lee of Peoria.

Lee said she tried to swerve out of the way. No injuries were reported. Chiaravalle was cited for driving with a suspended license and for operating an uninsured motor vehicle. Her vehicle was impounded.

• **OAK RUN** – An Oak Run man left an accident scene because he was tired and didn't want to wait in the cold for police, he told authorities.

Graham A. McDaniel, 21, admitted to driving a 2022 Ford F-250 pickup truck that slid on ice about 2 a.m. Dec. 6 in the 1500 block of Knox Highway 12 and overturned, a Knox County Sheriff's Office report stated. A deputy found the vacant truck on its side in a ditch about 6:45 a.m.

McDaniel was cited for leaving the scene of an accident with vehicle damage and for failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident. His truck was impounded.

• **EDWARDS** – Four mailboxes were found broken and lying in a



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Farmington honors early grads, scholars

By JEFF LAMPE

For The Weekly Post

FARMINGTON — The start of construction on an alternative learning area forced the Farmington School Board to move its Monday meeting to the Elementary School's research center.

The backdrop of brightly colored farm murals on the walls of the center was perfect for what proved to be more of a celebration than a business meeting.

Nobody spends more time honoring students at board meetings than Farmington, and Monday's usual list of honorees also included two early high school graduates, 11 Illinois State Scholars and a large, vocal

crowd of onlookers.

Isabella Haggard and Patricia Rapp were recognized as early graduates for the Class of 2026.

Illinois State Scholar honorees were Ava Essex, Jackson Gilmore, Jack Gronewold, Treyven Haroldson, Ryan Helle, Ethan Martin, Kirk Melton, Caleb Showalter, Calvin Thompson, Halie Whitby and Anthony Zotto.

Also honored were the following students of the month: senior Ryan Helle, junior Avery Blunier, sophomore Chloe Briggs, freshman Claire Price, 8th-graders Olivia Anderson and Bradley Murray, 7th-graders Aniston McMaster and Brandon Hartstirn and 6th-graders Isabella

Thomason and Jonathan Balagna.

Finally, teachers receiving the Orange Frog award were Rebecca Littrel and Lainey Banta.

After plenty of clapping and handshaking, the board spent just a few minutes approving its annual SEAPO hiring survey, numerous board policy updates and personnel changes and heard reports on committee meetings.

Hired were Jessica Kilper (interim junior-high scholastic bowl coach), Abby Oedewaldt (café worker) and Jennie Pettett (student facilitator). Bill Lettow was also approved as a volunteer, and the board accepted the resignation of Justin Segner.

The board also heard that high school graduation is set for May 10.

BILLTOWN: Lockers still in

Continued from Page 1

"They don't want to play tackle football. They don't want anything to do with it.

"If you look at a lot of the dynamic for high school now, there's kids that aren't playing football that would play soccer if it was available. Junior-high kids are playing soccer now that don't have any interest in playing football."

A soccer program would cost about \$10,000 to \$12,000 annually, according to Board Vice President Sam Cain. That gave him pause, particularly after the district spent the past year cutting costs and increasing taxes to pare a significant deficit.

"I would love for us to be able to do it," Cain said. "My personal opinion is financially, we're trying to move in the right path. I would have trouble supporting (it)."

Bosnich intends to state his case to the Billtown-ROWVA co-op committee, which next meets March 4.

Regarding lockers, a staff survey appeared to favor student use with limited book-bag access, according to Binder. He indicated locker use encourages organization and time management and reduces book-bag classroom clutter and safety risks.

Lockers are lacking in the middle-school hallway,

which leads to those students lugging weighty book bags, according to district officials. Billtown has about 160 students in grades 5 through 12 and about 110 functional lockers.

According to Mills, the next step is estimating expense. He suggested locker work would cost in the tens of thousands of dollars. Educating students about how to use lockers efficiently also would be an element.

"We need to help the kids, not just throw them the combination," Mills said.

Board members also accepted the resignation of high school assistant volleyball coach Josh Morris.

Amber Waves



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Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. HISTORY: What is the Code of Hammurabi?
2. GAMES: Which letters in the English version of Scrabble are worth 10 points each?
3. MOVIES: What is the name of Dr. Evil's cat in "Austin Powers in Goldmember"?
4. MEDICAL TERMS: What is the common name for somnambulating?
5. TELEVISION: What is the name of the town where "Veronica Mars" is set?
6. THEATER: What is the first play written by an African American woman to be produced on Broadway?
7. LANGUAGE: What is the official language of Austria?
8. MATH: What is the smallest prime number?
9. GEOGRAPHY: What is the only U.S. state with a one-syllable name?
10. MYTHOLOGY: What is the home of the Norse gods?

Answers

1. One of the earliest and most complete written legal codes established by the Babylonian King Hammurabi.
2. Q and Z.
3. Mr. Bigglesworth.
4. Sleepwalking.
5. Neptune, California.
6. "A Raisin in the Sun," by Lorraine Hansberry, 1959.
7. German.
8. 2.
9. Maine.
10. Asgard.

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TOP 10 MOVIES

1. Avatar: Fire and Ash PG-13)
2. Zootopia 2 (PG)
3. The Housemaid (R)
4. Marty Supreme (R)
5. Anaconda (PG-13)
6. The SpongeBob Movie: Search for SquarePants (PG)
7. David (PG)
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9. Wicked: For Good (PG)
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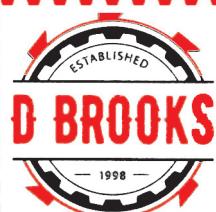
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Princeville tips well after donated dinner

By NICK VLAHOS

For The Weekly Post

PRINCEVILLE – The food at the Christmas dinner for Princeville village employees and board members was fantastic, it appears: tomahawk steaks, sides and desserts.

It sounds even better when it's free, although the Village Board extended something tangible in appreciation.

During its meeting Jan. 5, the board approved a \$1,000 gift to be split between Darrin Pulley and Robert Freeman, who prepared the donated dinner Dec. 20. Pulley, a Princeville resident, was the chef. He is a district manager for Eurest Dining Services, which supplies food to Caterpillar Inc.

For the past three years, Pulley also has catered the annual supper

for the Akron-Princeville fire department, according to Village President Jeff Troutman.

"They just enjoy being able to help out and give back to the community," he said. "They donated everything, but we felt like we had a budget and we had money in the budget, so we should offer them something for their time and efforts. Whether they accept is another thing."

About 20 people attended the village dinner, according to Troutman. "It was good," he said.

The donation was part of a light agenda for the first board meeting of 2026. Trustees also approved a payment of \$129,883.87 to Leander Construction Inc. of Canton regarding an ongoing sewer- and wastewater-system improvement project

in the village, set to resume later this year.

No vote was taken regarding village purchase of computer software that would help facilitate processing of code-enforcement reports.

Trustee Spencer Wilson, who chairs the board's codification committee, is waiting to receive additional information from leaders in Skaneateles, N.Y., which uses the software provided by Kansas-based CivicPlus. Skaneateles has about 7,000 residents compared to some 1,600 in Princeville.

CivicPlus representatives made a board presentation last month. It is to charge the village \$16,000 initially. Annual renewals would begin at \$9,750 and increase by 5% thereafter.

Princeville Future Talk to gather community input

For The Weekly Post

PEORIA – As Peoria County celebrates its bicentennial, local leaders are looking ahead to the future – and inviting residents to help shape it.

As part of the Peoria County 200+ comprehensive planning process, the county will host a Princeville Future Talk on Jan. 29 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at the LME Library, 207 N. Walnut Ave, Princeville.

You can also participate online at Peoria-County200Plus.com.

The Princeville Future Talk is one of several community conversations designed to gather local insight and perspectives that will inform Peoria County's new Comprehensive Plan. The event will provide residents with an opportunity to learn about the Peoria County 200+ process, share ideas

about the county's future and engage with the planning team.

Peoria County 200+ is a long-range, community-driven planning effort that will result in a new Comprehensive Plan – a foundational policy document that establishes a shared vision for the county's future. The plan will serve as a roadmap for land use, housing, transportation, infrastructure, economic

development, conservation and public investment over the next decade and beyond.

The county's current Comprehensive Plan was adopted in 2009. County leaders believe it is time for a fresh plan to help create positive momentum across the region.

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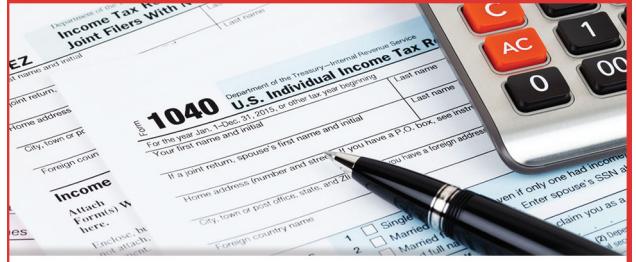
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Lucky winner claims Farmington Moose prize

FARMINGTON — After nearly 17 months of Thursdays filled with anticipation, Lisa Brown finally won Farmington Moose Lodge 1571's Queen of Hearts drawing on Jan. 8.

Brown took home a check for \$156,515, a jackpot that started on Aug. 3, 2023. The new pot should attract immediate interest, as it has been set at \$60,597 for this week.

Graham Health System appoints new president

CANTON — Graham Health System, a regional healthcare provider headquartered in Canton, has named Allison Sours its new president and chief executive officer. Sours takes

over for Bob Senneff, who retired after 20 years of leading Graham.

Sours joined Graham in April 2018 as vice president of quality, where she provided strategic leadership in advancing organizational quality, safety and patient-care excellence.

A central Illinois native, Sours holds a bachelor's degree from Illinois State University and an executive master's degree in strategic leadership from Bradley University. She will also serve as president of the Graham Hospital Foundation.

College honors

• Four local students made the Southern New Hampshire University President's list (3.7 gpa or better) for the fall 2025 term: **Angela Fryxell** of Hanna City, **Rhiannon Perry** of

Farmington, **Emma Morris** of Elmwood and **Erica Fiddes** of Brimfield.

• The following students made the Carthage College Dean's list (3.5 gpa or better) for the 2025 fall term: **Harrison Maly** of Dahinda, **Aaron Payne** of Farmington and **David Higgs** of Princeville.

Et cetera

GALESBURG — Hudson was the most popular name given to a baby boy in Knox County in 2025, with six of 307 newborn boys receiving that name. Levi was second, at five.

There was a 10-way tie for first out of 297 girls. The names Amara, Emery, Harper, Isabella, Josephine, Nova, Oaklynn, Sophia, Stella and Violet were each bestowed on three babies.

Two Stark County men headed for jury

By **JEFF LAMPE**

For The Weekly Post

TOULON — Two Stark County men facing felony charges will remain in the Bureau County Jail after court appearances Monday at the Stark County Courthouse.

Barring a change, both Caleb A. Deck and Alex R. Nowlan will have their cases decided by jury trials in March at the same courthouse.

The two accused felons appeared before Circuit Court Judge Paul E. Bauer wearing gray-and-white horizontal-striped jump-suits and ankle shackles.

Deck faces felony charges dating back to the fall of 2024 for possession of a firearm by a felon, as

saulting a police officer, burglary and theft of property worth \$500 to \$10,000. Deck also has two previous misdemeanor charges of trespass to state land from 2024 and domestic battery/physical contact from March 2025.

In court Monday, Deck was scheduled for a pre-trial hearing on Feb. 9 at 9 a.m. in the Stark County Courthouse. He may enter a plea on a new misdemeanor charge of escape for failure to report in June 2025, according to Public Defender Robert M. McBride.

Deck also has a March 2 jury trial set for 9 a.m. in Stark County on his felony charges.

Nowlan faces 12 felony

charges in Stark County, including eight counts of possession of child pornography, possession of a controlled substance, unlawful restraint, harass/threaten a person and intimidation/physical harm. He has several other misdemeanor charges.

Nowlan also faces five felony charges in Marshall County ranging from criminal sexual assault, traveling to meet a minor, grooming, aggravated criminal sexual abuse and indecent solicitation.

Nowlan's attorney, Kevin F. Sullivan of Peo-

ria, said a review is set for Jan. 26 at 1:30 p.m. in Stark County and a status hearing is scheduled for Jan. 21 at 11 a.m. in Marshall County.

Sullivan said Nowlan is also entering Peoria attorney Christopher S. McCall as co-counsel for all cases.

Patrick Murphy has been named as prosecutor for the cases in Stark's Circuit Court. Stark County State's Attorney Austin King refused himself from the case due to a conflict.

Nowlan's trial is currently scheduled for March 2 at 9 a.m. in Stark County.



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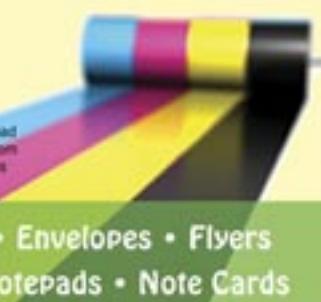


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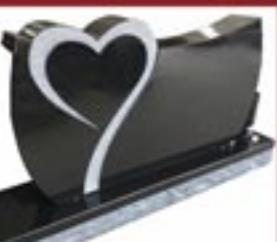
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try) Broshears. Merlin was a resident of Peoria.

Merlin married Eugene Millard on May 9, 1942, and they celebrated 71 years of marriage before Eugene's passing on June 12, 2013. She was preceded in death by her parents; an infant son,



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Stephen; her son Raymond Miller; and her siblings Dorothy, Ed, and Lee.

She is survived by her son David (Kathy) Millard of Peoria and her two daughters, Kathy (Randy) Stueve of Venice, Fla., and Sally (Ken) Maubach of Edwards. Merlin also leaves behind 10 grandchildren, Tammy (Steve) Grivich, Vince (Olga) Majerus, Heather (Mark) Ragaller, Ross (Cortney) Miller, Michael (Trisha) Millard, Rebecca (Clint) Reno, Daniel (Jackie) Millard, Brent Stueve, Laura (Doug) Humke and Nathan Stueve as well as 17 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her daughter-in-law Carol Miller.

She was preceded in death by her stillborn son Benjamin, along with her father, Hurff Cratty Flanegin, and her mother, Joan Miller Flanegin.

She is survived by her son, Luke Flanegin of Urbana and her six siblings, Demis Miles of Urbana, Sharon Mayrgundter of Annapolis, Md., Lolly Bonomi of Severna Park, Md., Michael Flanegin of Las Vegas, Janice Onken of Odenton, Md., and Tim Flanegin of Prescott, Ariz.

She enjoyed her family, especially her son, her dogs, gardening, remodeling and was a lifelong learner. No services are planned at this time.

Condolences may be made at www.renner-wikoffchapel.com and memorial contributions sent to ALS.org.

Anna M. Millard

PEORIA – Anna Merlin Millard, a loving mother and grandmother, passed away on Jan. 3, 2026, at the age of 103. Born on Dec. 23, 1922, in Evansville, Ind., she was the daughter of James and Gertie (Gen-

eral) Millard.

Ed was born in East Peoria on Nov. 13, 1940, to Raymond and Delphine (Kelley) Scheffert. Ed married Sandra Brown in November 1968. She survives, along with his namesake son, Edwin Scheffert Jr.

He is also survived by his sister-in-law, Karen Brown; niece, Holly Wake; nephew, Mark Brown; great-nieces Karena Hummel, Hannah Brown and Aubrey Brown; and great-nephew Ethan Brown.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Raymond and Delphine (Kelley) Scheffert; his in-laws, Claude and Alta Brown; and brother-in-law, Gary Brown.

Ed learned his mechanical skills from his father, which paved the way for him working such jobs as a pressman at International Paper, a mechanic for the City of Peoria, a foreman at Komatsu Mining and owner/operator of Scheffert's Garage.

Ed had a love of gardening and shared his bountiful produce with family and friends.

Cremation rites have been accorded. A celebration of life will be held on Saturday, Jan. 17, 2026, at the Brimfield American Legion from 1-5 p.m. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Heart Association.

Services were held on Friday, Jan. 9, at Davison-Fulton Woolsey Wilton Funeral Home in Peoria. Pastor Rob Collins officiated. Merlin was laid to rest in Swan Lake Memory Gardens in Peoria.

Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of your choosing.

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Surviving are two sons, David (Janet) Allen of Brimfield and Carl (Carol) Allen of East Peoria; two

Lena M. Allen

HANNA CITY – Lena Margaret Allen, 89, of Hanna City, passed away Monday, Jan. 5, 2026, at Arcadia Care in Toulon.

Born Feb. 24, 1936, in Peoria to Carl and Elizabeth (Johnson) Ponzel, she married Doyle Allen on Aug. 4, 1956, in Bartonville. He passed away on May 22, 2015. She was also preceded in death by her parents and one brother, George Ponzel.

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daughters, Karen (Glen) Heuermann of Hanna City and Marcy (Carl) Warren of Hanna City; seven grandchildren, Mandi (Stephen) Allen, Jacob (Tricia) Allen, Travis (Michelle) Allen, Anelle (Aaron) Ledvina, Emily Allen, Allison Fornal and Austin Warren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Her funeral will be at 11 a.m. Monday, Jan. 19, 2026, at Zion Penn Ridge Lutheran Church, 18015 W. Smithville Road in rural Trivoli. Visitation is 10-11 a.m. Monday at the church. Burial will be in Penn Ridge Cemetery in rural Trivoli.

Condolences can be left online at www.preston-hanley.com.

Jimmie L. Courtright

ELMWOOD – Jimmie Lee "Jimmie" Courtright, 78, formerly of Elmwood, passed away on Dec. 3, 2025. Jim was born to R. Frank and Dorothy (Green) Courtright.

He is survived by two brothers, Robert (Teresa) Courtright of Elmwood, and Ronald (Donna) Courtright of Melvin; four nieces, Christie (Brian) Trainor, Amber Courtright, Stephani Richards and Courtni (Jeremy) Stillson; and six great-nieces

and nephews.

Cremation rites have been accorded. The family is planning a private graveside service at a later date.

Condolences can be left online at oakhinesfuneralhome.com.

Vernece Homan

FARMINGTON – Vernece Homan, 97, of Farmington, formerly of Trivoli, passed away on Jan. 3, 2026, at Carle Health Proctor Hospital in Peoria.

She was born Nov. 2, 1928, in Cazenovia, a daughter of Albert and Hazel (Crank) Redenius. She married Lyle Homan on April 24, 1948. He preceded her in death. Also preceding Vernece in death were her parents; grandson Benjamin Homan; two brothers; four sisters; and son-in-law Gary Thomas.

Surviving are her children, Alberta Thomas of Bartonville, William E. (Joyce) Homan of Trivoli, Marvin (Michelle) Homan of East Peoria, Donna (Chris) Newport of Glasford and Dennis (Sonia) Homan of Trivoli; 10 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Jan. 8, 2026.

Burial was in Penn Ridge Cemetery in Trivoli.

Condolences can be left online at www.sedgwickfuneralhomes.com.

Evelyn J. Northrup

ELMWOOD – Evelyn J. Northrup, 85, of Elmwood, passed away on Jan. 5, 2026, at OSF Saint Francis Medical Center in Peoria. Evelyn was born June 1, 1940, to Ira and Sarah (Malcom) King in Vernon County, Mo.

Evelyn married Ronald Northrup on July 17, 1987, in Peoria. He preceded her in death on May 11, 2019.

Surviving are two children, Kathy Luedtke of Peoria and Pam (Alan) Dennis of Galva; two stepchildren, James (Bonnie) Northrup and Michael (Barbara) Northrup; one sister, Martha Scott; 11 grandchildren; many great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Evelyn was also preceded in death by her parents; one son, Gary Hogue; two brothers; and four sisters.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

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Pages From The Past Compiled by Andy Latora**Five Years Ago**

The guessing game continues for school sports in Illinois. While a vaccine is being distributed and some parts of the state appear to be headed for less-strict COVID-19 mitigations, there is still much uncertainty about when and if seasons will start. At present, all IHSA and IESA sports are on a holding pattern.

10 Years Ago

Farmers State Bank in Elmwood successfully bid for the Palace Theatre in Elmwood and the shuttered Garden Theatre in Canton. The bid was accepted at an offer of \$192,330.85.

The Brimfield boys basketball team remained unbeaten at 15-0.

55 Years Ago

The Elmwood Bible Church welcomed Rev. Brockway as its new pastor.

70 Years Ago

Bill Folkenroth sold the building opposite of the bowling alleys in Elmwood to a local Hudson dealer.

75 Years Ago

About \$300 damage was done in the early morning in a fire at the Farmington Cement Co.

90 Years Ago

The West Park ice-skating pavilion in Elmwood was an ex-

tremely popular place during the holidays, with a large group of young people participating in ice skating all day and night.

95 Years Ago

The John Cochrane general store in Trivoli was held up on a Saturday night. Bandits ordered everyone to lie face down on the floor and fled with contents of the cash register.

Admission to the Elmwood Palace Theatre was 35 cents for adults and 10 cents for children.

110 Years Ago

Fulton County farmers donated a car of corn to help feed the hungry in foreign lands.

AREA CHURCHES

BRIMFIELD

Baptist Church of Brimfield
Pastor Doug Seeley
321 S. Jefferson St. Brimfield
(309) 678-2208

Sun. School: 9:30 am

Sun. Worship: 10:40 am

Wed. Bible Study: 7 pm

St. Joseph

Catholic Church
Father Corey Krengiel
Father Deogratias Mpewo
314 W. Clay Brimfield
(309) 446-3275

incarnationcatholic.org

Sat. Confession: 4:45 pm

Sat. Mass: 5 pm

Daily Mass: Mon. & Thurs. 8 am

Adoration: Thursday 7 am

Saint Paul Lutheran Church

Missouri Synod
Rev. Michael Wagnitz, Pastor
204 W. Clay St. Brimfield, IL
(309) 446-3233

The Lord bless your day.

Sunday

9:30 a.m. Divine Service

followed by Bible class

Wednesday

6:45 p.m. Christian Movie Night

Brimfield E-Free Church

Pastor Donald Blasing
11724 Maher Road
Brimfield IL 61517
(309) 446-3571
brimfieldefree.org

Worship: 10:30 am

Sunday School: 9:30 am

AWANA: Wed. 6:15 pm ages 3-12

Union Church at Brimfield

United Church of Christ
Pastor Stephen Barch
105 W. Clay Street Brimfield

BIBLE TRIVIA

By Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Nahum (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?

2. Man and woman came into being on what day of creation?

First, Second, Third, Sixth

3. How many windows were in Noah's Ark? Zero, 1, 52, 100

4. From Proverbs 15, what does a soft answer turneth away? Wis-

(309) 446-3811

brimfieldunzionchurch.org

Sunday Worship: 9 am

Tuesday Bible Study: 6:30 pm

• First Sunday is Communion

Sunday (gluten-free offered)

• Grief & Loss Group meets

Tuesday afternoons 3-4:30 pm

until further notice.

DAHINDA**Dahinda United Methodist Church**

Pastor Zoila Marty

1739 Victoria St. P.O. Box 14

Dahinda IL 61428

Sunday Worship: 9:30 am

Sunday School during worship

Church: (309) 639-2768

Pastor's Office: (309) 639-2389

Email: williamsfielddahind-

daumc@yahoo.com

DOUGLAS**Douglas United Methodist Church**

Pastor Kristine McMillan

484 3rd St.

Yates City IL 61572

(NOTE: Church is in Douglas)

Sunday Worship: 8 am

ELMWOOD**Crossroads Assembly of God**

Pastor Don Nuttall

615 E. Ash St. Elmwood

(309) 742-6409

crossroadselmwood.org

DAWSON**Dawson United Methodist Church**

Pastor Cindy Bean

83 N. Cone Street Farmington

(309) 245-2914

firstpresfarmington.com

Sunday School: 9:15 am

Worship: 10:30 am

Live on Facebook also

Fellowship: 11:30 am

EDWARDS**Baptist Church**

7422 N. Heinz Ln. Edwards

(309) 692-1755

bethanycentral.org

Sun. Worship: 9 & 10:30 am

In person and livestream

(Coffee pastries 8:30-10:30 am)

Wed: 6:15 pm AWANA & youth

group

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Sat. Worship: 9:30 am

Sunday Worship: 10:30 am

EDMUND

Edmund United Methodist Church

Pastor Austin Miller

187 W. Fulton St.

Farmington

(309) 245-9870

Sunday School: 9:30 am

Worship Service: 10:30 am

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS
ILLINOIS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, PLAINTIFF, VS.

JOHN LYDON, SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF KENNETH ANDERSON, DECEASED; ILLINOIS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF KENNETH ANDERSON; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS,

DEFENDANTS.
NO. 2025-FC-0000221
805 WEST CORRINGTON AVENUE
PEORIA, IL 61604

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO YOU, Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Kenneth Anderson

Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants defendants, that this case has been commenced in this Court against you and other defendants, asking for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to wit:

LOT 87 IN SHERIDAN PARK ADDITION, A SUBDIVISION OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 32, TOWNSHIP 9 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST OF THE FOURTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, SITUATED IN THE CITY OF PEORIA, COUNTY OF PEORIA AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as: **805 West Corrington Avenue**

Peoria, IL 61604

and which said Mortgage was made by, Kenneth Anderson Mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Flat Branch Mortgage Inc.

Mortgagor, and recorded in the **Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Peoria County, Illinois, as Document No. 2023017922**; and for other relief.

UNLESS YOU file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this case, on or before **February 9, 2026**, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF ASKED IN THE COMPLAINT.

You have been sued. To participate in the case, you MUST file an official document with the court within the time stated on this Notice called an "Appearance" and a document called an "Answer/Response". The Answer/Response is not required in small claims or eviction cases unless ordered by the court. If you do not file an Appearance and Answer/Response on time, the court may decide the case without hearing from you, and you could be held in default and lose the case. After you fill out the necessary documents, you need to electronically file (e-file) them with the court. To e-file, you must create an account with an e-filing service provider. For more information, go to ilcourts.info/efiling. If you cannot e-file, you can get an exemption that allows you to file in-person or by mail. You may be charged filing fees, but if you cannot pay them, you can file an Application for Waiver of Court Fees. It is possible that the court will allow you to attend the first court date in this case in-person or remotely by video or phone. Contact the Circuit Court Clerk's office or visit the Court's website to find out whether this is possible and, if so, how to do this. Need help? Call or text Illinois Court Help at 833-411-1121 or go to ilcourthelp.gov for information about going to court, including how to fill out and file documents. You can also get free legal information and legal referrals at illinoislegalaid.org. All documents referred to in this Notice can be found at ilcourts.info/forms. Other documents may be available from your local Circuit Court Clerk's office or website. ¿Necesita ayuda? Llame o envíe un mensaje de texto a Illinois Court Help al 833-411-1121, o visite ilcourthelp.gov para obtener información sobre los casos de la corte y cómo completar y presentar formularios.

PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
McCall Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLP Attorney for Plaintiff
333 W Wacker Drive, Suite 1820 Chicago, IL 60606-1220
Ph. (312) 346-9088
File No. 25-22809IL-1314993
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, as Trustee of Peoria County, IllinoisWampus Mortgage Loan Trust Plaintiff
vs.

Patrick S. Barrett a/k/a Patrick Bar-

rett; et. al.
Defendant
25 FC 154

CALENDAR NOTICE OF SALE

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P.I.N. 14-34-301-008.

Commonly known as **820 East McClure Street, Peoria, IL 61603**.

The real estate is: single family residence. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a common interest community unit, the purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by subsection(g-1) of Section 189.5 of the Condominium Property Act. Sale terms:

At sale, the bidder must have 10% (or 25% if so ordered in the Judgment of Foreclosure) down by certified funds, balance within 24 hours, by certified funds. No refunds.

The property is sold AS IS subject to all liens or encumbrances. The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the circuit court case record, property tax record and the title record to verify all information before bidding.

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

For information call Sales Department at Plaintiff's Attorney, Codilis & Associates, P.C., 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100, Burr Ridge, IL 60527. (630) 794-5300.

14-25-04337

INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS

NewRez LLC dba Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing

Plaintiff

vs.

Dominic W Ramsey; United States of America; Illinois Housing Development Authority; Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants

Defendant

25 FC 114

CALENDAR

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LOT 74 AND 75 IN MEADOW-LAWN ADDITION, AN ADDITION TO THE VILLAGE OF AVERYVILLE, NOW CITY OF PEORIA, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 27, TOWNSHIP 9 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST OF THE FOURTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED AUGUST 9, 1905 IN PLAT BOOK "F", PAGE 62; SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE COUNTY OF PEORIA AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as **3004 N. SHERIDAN RD, PEORIA, IL 61604**

Property Index No. 14-33-104-002

The real estate is improved with a commercial property.

Plaintiff

2025-FC-0000066

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P.I.N. 14-27-254-003.

Commonly known as **3918 N. Dayton Ave., Peoria, IL 61614**

Property Index No. 10-06-404-004

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. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than the mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by subsection(g-1) of Section 189.5 of the Condominium Property Act. Sale terms:

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Number: N/A
Warrant No.: N/A Installment No.: N/A
THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES
Property Located at: 5011 Pfeiffer Road, Bartonville, IL 61607
Legal Description or Property Index No.: 17-26-378-039

This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on **June 10, 2026**.

The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the County Clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming.

This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before **June 10, 2026**.

This matter is set for hearing in the **Circuit Court of Peoria County in 324 Main St., Peoria, IL 61602, Room 203, on July 27, 2026 at 9:30 AM**.

You may be present at this hearing, but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time.

YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY

Redemption can be made at any time on or before **June 10, 2026 by applying to the County Clerk of Peoria County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Peoria, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK 324 Main St. Room 101 Peoria, IL 61602 309-492-6059 Private Equity Group LLC**

Purchaser or Assignee December 30, 2025
13279688
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PUBLIC NOTICE
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TAX DEED NO.: 2025-TX-000279
FILED: December 29, 2025

TAKE NOTICE

County of Peoria
Date Premises Sold: November 6, 2023
Certificate No.: 202202321
Sold for General Taxes of (Year): 2022
Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and Special Assessment Number: N/A
Warrant No.: N/A Installment No.: N/A

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Legal Description or Property Index No.: 19-22-151-006

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This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the

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This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of Peoria County in 324 Main St., Peoria, IL 61602, Room 203, on July 27, 2026 at 9:30 AM.

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Redemption can be made at any time on or before June 10, 2026 by applying to the County Clerk of Peoria County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Peoria, Illinois.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK 324 Main St.

Room 101

Peoria, IL 61602

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CLAIM NOTICE

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

In Re ESTATE OF JOY A. PATTON,

Deceased.

CC 2025-PR-0000353

NOTICE is given to creditors of the death of **JOY A. PATTON** on November 17, 2025. Letters of Office were issued by the above entitled Court to **MARK A. PATTON**, of 12125 West Mader Road, Brimfield, Illinois 61517, 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 that or on or before the **24th day of July, 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 30th day of December, 2025.

MARK A. PATTON, Executor of the Estate of JOY A. PATTON, Deceased.

ROBERT L. POTTS, Esq.

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TO: Charles G. Pippin; Charles G. Pippin; Occupant; Kay Louise Pippin; Jason Edward Alexander; Haley Jade Alexander; Briana M. Alexander; Rachael Parker, County Clerk of Peoria County, Illinois; Claimants, Judgment Creditors, and Decree Creditors, if any of the above described as "Unknown Owners"; "Unknown owners or parties interested in said land or lots".

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BOYS HOOPS: Top-seeded Brimfield rolls in ICAC opener

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turnee, Collin Lowery.

"It makes it very, very difficult to guard if you've got three scorers," Sennett said. "We've got a couple of inside guys working their tails off and now we've got the outside guys going, too. It makes the other team plan for everybody on the court."

"Elmwood does a great job. They've got a great program. They were going to be a tough game for us. We just played a great game."

Garrett Webster had 21 points to lead Elmwood, and Quinton Johns scored 19.

Day and Lowery evenly split 30 points against winless R-W, which trailed 24-10 after one quarter. Bosch had 11 points in that period. Drake DeJaynes scored seven to lead R-W.

Princeville is to play twice this week at home – Friday against Monmouth United, Saturday against Roanoke-Benson.

• **Elmwood** – Going the opposite way of Princeville since the holidays is Elmwood, which lost two in a row. Freshman Gannon Shipman's buzzer-beating basket Jan. 8 felled Elmwood at Sciota West Prairie, 58-57 in a game the Trojans led 16-4 early. Johns had 19 points, Miles Addison 14.

Elmwood plays this week in the Inter-County Conference tournament at Brimfield. The tournament concludes Saturday with four games. The title game is scheduled for 6:30 p.m.

• **Brimfield** – Connor Doe had 23 points Monday night for Brimfield (15-4), including 13 in the third quarter of a 63-35 victory over ROWVA-Williamsfield

in the first round of the ICAC tourney. Jackson Kappes had 16 points, 14 in the first half. De-Jaynes scored 14 for R-W.

Top-seeded Brimfield is to play tonight (Jan. 15) in the semifinals against fourth-seeded Peoria Christian, which beat North Fulton 59-29 on Monday.

Defense shined for Brimfield in its 55-40 victory Jan. 10 at Orion. According to Brimfield Coach Scott Carlson, Orion averaged 70 points over its previous eight games. Brimfield held Orion to 16 second-half points in erasing a 24-22 deficit.

Dawson Traphagan had 18 points, including seven in a pivotal third quarter. Doe scored 10 overall. Tom Burkitt had 12 rebounds.

Brimfield led North Fulton by 20 in the third quarter Jan. 8, then

held on to win 51-44. Kappes (11 points) made two free throws with 18 seconds left to push the Brimfield lead to five. He was 4-for-4 from the line in the fourth quarter; the rest of his team was 0-for-6.

Doe scored a game-high 22, including 14 in the third quarter. Two nights earlier, Peoria Christian beat Brimfield 43-38. The Indians were outscored 29-20 in the second half.

• **Farmington** – A busy week for Farmington (3-10) began with two wins but ended with two defeats.

Chillicothe IVC beat Farmington 58-37 on Jan. 10, two days after Monmouth-Roseville beat the Farmers 57-40. Farmington was missing starter Landon Crawford in those games because of a sprained ankle. He could re-

turn late this month, according to Farmington Coach Marty Lozier.

Blake Melz's last-second layup Jan. 6 gave Farmington a 47-45 victory at Havana. Boston Smith had a team-high 18 points.

Crawford had 24 points Jan. 5, including 17 in the middle quarters, as Farmington beat DeLavan 61-44. Smith scored 17. Logan Gardner's six points, all in the second quarter, contributed to a 37-22 halftime lead. Farmington is to play Saturday afternoon at Peoria Notre Dame.

• **ROWVA-Williamsfield** – Stark County defeated R-W 53-46 in a Lincoln Trail game Jan. 10. R-W (0-16, 0-3) managed only six points in a decisive third period. Hayden Tucker had a team-high 10 points. Gage Browning scored seven in a 72-35 loss Jan. 6 to Monmouth United.

GIRLS HOOPS: R-W gets off to quick start in Monday win

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Knoxville 54-23. Glenn went 13-for-13 on free throws and made two 3-pointers for 23 points.

Last Saturday, Elmwood fell 37-28 to El Paso-Gridley. Ramirez led Elmwood (12-7) with nine points.

Elmwood is scheduled for a rematch against Illini Bluffs on Tuesday and then another one on Thursday against Peoria Heights. IB beat the ailing Lady Trojans by 25 on Dec. 18. Elmwood routed the

Heights by 31 on Dec. 26 in its Princeville opener.

• **ROWVA-Williamsfield** – Lauren Johnson scored 15 points on five 3-pointers and Eliza Tucker made a 3 and 6-of-8 free throws for nine points in a 50-40 loss to Brimfield on Jan. 7.

The next day, West Prairie built a big lead and held on to win 54-48. It's been a theme for R-W.

"In both games, we just dug ourselves a hole that we couldn't get out of," R-W Coach Jeff Hannam

said. "We were down 16 in the fourth quarter against West Prairie and cut it to two, but we just couldn't get over the hump."

"We need to guard and run good offense before we are down 10-15 points."

Tucker led R-W with 14 points in that one and Riley Smith scored seven of her nine in the final-quarter comeback.

A 20-5 first-quarter getaway lifted R-W to a 45-29 win at West Central on Monday. R-W (7-8) next

plays at Kewanee Wethersfield on Wednesday.

• **Princeville** – Beat Peoria Heights 50-25 last Saturday for its ninth win in its last 12 games. Reagan Calder scored a team-high 21 points for Princeville, Sahara Streitmatter had 16 points and Laurynn Bowers netted eight. The trio combined for nine 3-pointers.

Addison Buckley led the

way on the glass with 11 rebounds.

On Monday in a 60-43 loss at Wethersfield, Streitmatter had 21 points and seven rebounds.

Princeville (11-7) is scheduled to host West Central on Wednesday before visiting Monmouth United on Saturday.

• **Farmington** – Lynsey Shriver had a team-best seven points in a 47-18

loss to Elmwood on Jan. 7. The slide continued with two tough matchups over a three-day span.

The Farmers lost to Tremont 54-29 on Jan. 10 and then lost 56-36 against Brimfield on Monday.

Farmington (6-11) has two games scheduled this week, Tuesday against Bushnell-Prairie City and Thursday at Illini West.

FB players earn Shrine, academic honors

By The Weekly Post

Two local football players have been selected to participate in the 52nd annual Illinois High School All Star Shrine Game.

Selected to play for the Red Team in the June 20 game is offensive tackle Kaydon Bollinger of Farmington. Offensive guard Walter Lampe of Elmwood-Brimfield was picked for the Blue Team.

The game is played in Tucci Stadium at Illinois

Wesleyan University in Normal.

• **Academic all-state** – Eight local players earned a spot on the Illinois High School Football Coaches Association's academic all-state teams. To be selected, players must make an all-conference team and have a gpa of 3.5 or better.

For Class 1A, three Princeville players were honored: junior linebacker Collin Carruthers, senior running back/linebacker Noah Geiger and senior of-

fensive/defensive lineman Collin Lowery.

Class 2A saw five total honorees, three from Farmington and two from Elmwood-Brimfield. Farmers who made the team were senior wide receiver/defensive back Jack Gronewold, freshman quarterback Carson Noy and junior linebacker Garrett Perkins.

The E-B honorees are senior kicker Beau Grunow and senior offensive and defensive lineman Lampe.



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Balance key for Brimfield girls

By ANDY LATORA

For The Weekly Post

An all-around performance by Layni Linthicum helped lift Brimfield to a 56-36 girls basketball victory over Farmington on Monday.

Linthicum had 19 points, five assists and five steals. Josie Wiewel scored 15 and Katie Doe added 13 with six rebounds and five steals. Schyer Meinders cleared 10 rebounds with three points.

Brimfield got off to a strong start against Farmington, but suffered a lull just before halftime that continued after the intermission, according to Coach Josh McKown. But his team responded with a strong finish.

"Each game it seems someone different steps up scoring as we've had six different girls lead us in scoring," McKown said. "But it was nice to see it so spread out tonight with three in double figures."

"I thought, defensively, the girls executed our game plan well, which was to try to limit (Lynsey) Schriber and (Ella) Essex."

On Jan. 7, Brimfield beat ROWVA-Williamsfield 50-40 behind 14 points from Doe and 13 points from Wiewel. Cienna Graham chipped in with 10 points.

The next day, Brimfield lost 56-40 at Bureau Valley. Meinders had 10 points and six rebounds.

The other games scheduled for Brimfield (9-11) this week are on the road: at North Fulton on Thursday and at Monmouth-Roseville on Saturday.

"We are starting to play more complete games and the girls are understanding and embracing the roles each of them has on our team," McKown said. "It's been fun to watch and I'm hoping we continue to improve as we enter the stretch run."

• Elmwood – Gianna Ra-



Farmington's Sophia Puckett (21) has nowhere to go against Elmwood's Corinne Colgan. Elmwood won the Jan. 7 game 47-18. Photo by Dave Giagnoni.

mirez made four 3-pointers for a team-high 14 points and Brooke Allen and Andrea Glenn scored in double figures with 10 points

apiece in a 47-18 victory over Farmington on Jan. 7

The next day, the Lady Trojans more than doubled

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Princeville boys on the rebound

Modest win streak for Princes

By NICK VLAHOS

For The Weekly Post

A few weeks have made a difference for Princeville boys basketball.

Following a 27-point loss in the third-place game of their holiday tournament, the Princes (8-7) won two in a row. The second successive victory came Jan. 10, a 48-46 home decision over Elmwood, which won the Princeville tourney.

Although disappointed with his team's final tourney game, Princeville Coach Tait Sennett had suggested better times were ahead for a program that lost many of its top players from a 2025 Class 1A sectional finalist. For now, at least, Sennett's prognosis appears solid.

"Our kids are starting to buy into our defensive schemes and starting to understand those concepts,"

Sennett said. "They're starting to understand some of those offensive con-

ICAC schedule

At Brimfield

Thursday, Jan. 15

6 and 7:30 p.m. - Semifinals

Friday, Jan. 16

6 and 7:30 p.m. - Consolation

semifinals

Saturday, Jan. 17

2, 3:30, 5, 6:30 p.m. - Place games

cepts, too. Defense and offense, we didn't give Elmwood any kind of breathing room."

Brady Day had 16 points to lead Princeville against Elmwood (10-5), which trailed 20-19 at halftime.

Princeville received a second-half boost from junior Jacob Bosch, who had three 3-pointers on his way to 11 points.

Sennett heralded Bosch's emergence since the holidays. He scored 14 in a 67-33 Lincoln Trail Conference opening victory Jan. 9 over ROWVA-Williamsfield. Bosch gives Princeville another scoring threat to complement Day and another senior re-

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