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Petition drive underway for superintendent's removal

By NICK VLAHOS
For The Weekly Post

PRINCEVILLE – The Princeville School District appears to be in a bit of turmoil.

Petition drives are underway to remove Superintendent Tony Shinall and return Peoria County Sheriff's Office Deputy Crystal Strauss as school resource officer. The primary issue appears to be a

late-October incident in which Shinall was accused of lifting a 4-year-old preschooler for disciplinary reasons.

It isn't clear if that incident was connected to the reassignment of Strauss after six years as Princeville SRO. The sheriff's office notified the school district Jan. 2 regarding Strauss' departure. WEEK-TV in Peoria first re-

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ported the incident between Shinall and the preschool student.

Investigations by the Illinois State Police and the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services cleared Shinall of wrongdoing, according to a statement from Princeville School Board President Amy Davis. But when the board met Jan. 13, at least two of the 30 or so attendees criticized Shinall.

"I personally don't know whether any of the allegations are true, but in leadership, perception matters," district resident Jim Hand told the board.

According to Peoria County Sheriff Chris Watkins, Strauss was reassigned following an internal investigation regarding alleged policy violations. The school district had no input re-

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PHARMACIES CHANGE HANDS

New owner for last local pharmacies

Frye buys Brimfield, Princeville pharmacies

By JEFF LAMPE
For The Weekly Post

BRIMFIELD – At a time when many small-town pharmacies are closing, the future looks much brighter for two local drugstores.

On Jan. 1, Kevin Frye completed his purchase of Sherman's Pharmacy and Princeville Pharmacy. His brother, Kody Frye, is the manager and pharmacist in Princeville and they become the second set of brothers to play active roles in providing medical assistance for local communities.

Curtis Sherman, who started Sherman's Pharmacy in September 1977,



Kevin Frye is the new owner of Sherman's Pharmacy and Princeville Pharmacy. From left to right are Kody Frye, Kevin Frye, Curtis Sherman and Keith Sherman.

will continue working as a part-time pharmacist two days a week. His brother Keith Sherman, who worked at Caterpillar Inc., has also been involved as a secretary and treasurer for the business, which in 2000 expanded north and opened Princeville Pharmacy.

A 37-year-old Williamsfield native who now lives in Brimfield, Frye started the process of purchasing the business six years ago. He said at that time, the pressure put on pharmacies by pharmacy benefit managers – middlemen between pharmacies and

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Elmwood in line for \$1M fed grant

Money, if allocated, would fund wastewater lagoon rehab

By JEFF LAMPE
For The Weekly Post

ELMWOOD – City officials are cautiously optimistic that the second time will be a charm for a \$1 million federal grant to upgrade Elmwood's wastewater lagoons.

U.S. Rep. Eric Sorensen announced this week he has secured more than \$33 million in federal Community Project Funding for Illinois' 17th Congressional District, including \$1 million for Elmwood.

Similar funding was secured for Elmwood in March 2024 by Sorensen, a Democrat, but was removed from the bill signed by President Donald Trump in March 2025.

The project required by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency involves replacing the existing rock filter used to treat wastewater in the city. Funding would also allow the city to remove sludge from the bottom of its four wastewater lagoons to increase their capacity.

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PHARMACIES: ‘We know your name here’

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insurance companies – was a bit scary. But in recent years, he said new federal legislation has helped drugstores.

Frye said he also benefits from the overall lack of pharmacies in central Illinois.

“We serve a very wide area. There’s not many independent pharmacies left,” he said. “We’ve got some really loyal customers who have been with us for a long time.”

Curtis Sherman said the pharmacy business has

changed dramatically since he started at age 24.

“I’ve seen in my lifetime from almost every small town around having a pharmacy to hardly any,” he said. “The fixed pricing by insurers has been a killer over the years. But since we have survived, that’s getting better.”

Sherman said another plus has been membership in the Compliant Pharmacy Alliance Cooperative, an independent buying group that represents about 2,200 local

pharmacies across the country.

“That gives us buying power similar to a chain,” Sherman said. “It saved our bacon.”

Kevin Frye said he first met Sherman when he was playing basketball as point guard for Williamsfield and former coach Bob Anderson. Sherman was a longtime basketball official and Frye said he didn’t know that Curtis was a pharmacist when they first met.

Frye credits his wife, Taylor, with getting him interested in becoming a pharmacist after he had first considered a career as a drug-sales representative. The couple have three boys and one girl.

After six years of schooling, Frye started working as a pharmacist in 2011, including a stint with the national chain Walgreens.

Frye said there is a significant difference between doing business with a national chain and a local, independent pharmacy.

“The service we provide compared to Walgreens is second to none,” Frye said. “We know your name here. You aren’t treated like a number or like it’s a fast-food restaurant.”

Frye said he appreciates the Sherman brothers working with him on the extended purchase process.





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

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

• **MANNA Meal** – Elmwood United Methodist Church resumes its monthly MANNA Meal on Jan. 28 at noon, serving fried and roasted chicken, cheesy potatoes, vegetables, desserts and drink. Cost \$8. Bring your own table service.

The Weekly Post Seven-Day Forecast

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Partly Sunny	Cloudy	Partly Sunny	Sunny	Partly Sunny	Partly Sunny	Partly Sunny
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This Week’s Events

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

• **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.

• **Crochet Group** – Morrison & Mary Wiley Library in Elmwood hosts the Hooked on Crochet group every Monday from 10 a.m. to noon. Crafters can bring projects from home.

• **Soup Day** – Douglas United Methodist Church has its annual soup day Jan. 31 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Menu includes chili, vegetable soup, broccoli cheese soup, maidrites, hot dogs and desserts. Free-will donation. Carry out or dine in.

• **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. 7, 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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GUEST VOICES



Voters should know actual meaning of tariff

To the Editor:

With all the talk in the news and with differing inferences from differing sources about tariffs, I want to better understand the actual meaning and use of tariff. The most forthright and simply explained meaning that I found is on a website produced by GovFacts.org. An introduction to the meaning is reproduced below.

GovFacts.org is a nonpartisan site focused on making government concepts and policies easier to understand – and government programs easier to access.

The group says its articles are referenced by trusted think tanks and publications including Brookings, CNN, Forbes, Fox News, Pew Research, Snopes, The Hill and USA Today.

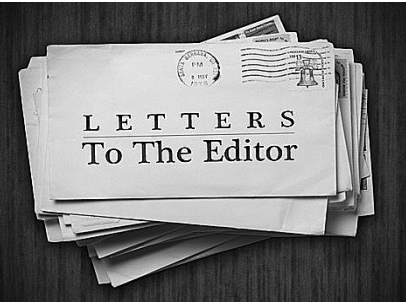
Here is GovFacts.org’s explanation of tariffs and how they work.

“A tariff is a tax that governments place on goods coming into their country. You might also hear them called duties or customs duties – trade experts use these terms interchangeably. While most tariffs target imports, governments can also tax exports, though this happens far less often.

“The process in the United States is straightforward. When a ship full of foreign goods arrives at an American port, U.S. Customs and Border Protection collects the tariff. The company importing the goods pays the tax, typically within 10 days of the goods clearing customs.

“The most immediate effect of a tariff is simple: it makes imported products more expensive for Americans to buy. This basic function drives all the complex economic and political consequences that follow.”

You can read the complete report at [govfacts.org/money/broader-econ-](http://govfacts.org/money/broader-econ-omy/trade-policy/what-are-tariffs-and-how-do-they-work/)



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– David Courson, Elmwood

Empathy, understanding sadly lacking in society

To the Editor,

For many of us, the new year affords the opportunity for reflection.

I am grateful and give thanks every day for the many blessings in my life. However, more than anything my greatest concern is with the growing lack of empathy in this world, and especially in our country.

Witness Elon Musk stating that the greatest weakness of western civilization is empathy. His only acknowledged charitable contributions support electric vehicles and rockets that benefit himself, not anyone else.

Whatever happened to the teaching that when much is given much is expected? Are we not our brother’s keeper?

Empathy is defined as “the ability to understand and share the feelings of another person.” It involves putting yourself in someone else’s shoes and experiencing their emotions, thoughts and perspectives as if they were your own. It goes beyond just understanding; it can lead to compas-

sionate behavior and helping others.

Most troubling is a lack of empathy from those of us who identify as people of faith, especially toward others who are different from us in any way.

A quote attributed to Pope Leo XIV confronts this hypocrisy directly, “You cannot follow Christ and the cruelty of kings. A leader who mocks the weak and preys on the innocent is not sent by God. He is sent to test you, and many are failing.”

As for me, I would rather be excluded for those I include, than included for those I exclude.

Christ teaches us to love one another and to do unto others what we would have them do to us. Please do not quote scripture from the front pew on Sunday morning and then harbor hate in your heart for those who do not live, work, pray, love or look like you on Monday. A local pastor who I respect said he would rather see a sermon than hear one.

Feed the hungry, shelter the homeless, heal the sick and show respect to the foreigner in our land.

“That what you do to the least of us you do to me” is a powerful teaching, worthy of our acceptance.

Let us count our blessings and share what we have with others.

Hopefully any clergy who read this will talk about empathy on Sunday morning. Wishing to you peace, love and understanding and empathy.

– Brad Guidi, Princeville

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Case against Farquer will proceed Feb. 5

By NICK VLAHOS
For The Weekly Post

ALEDO – Another attempt to end the legal prosecution of the former Williamsfield school superintendent has been rejected.

Mercer County Circuit Court Judge Matthew Durbin again decided probable cause exists for the state to proceed with its case against Tim Farquer. The Mercer County School District superintendent is accused of accessing student health records inappropriately.

During a hearing that lasted about 30 minutes on Jan. 15, Durbin denied a motion from Farquer’s attorneys to reconsider a similar ruling he made Nov. 14.

“It is a very low standard for probable cause,” Durbin said. “The state has no obligation to call every witness they intend to show at trial, only to show enough evidence that a crime may have been committed and the defendant may have been part of it.”

Farquer, 53, is scheduled to appear in court at 1 p.m. Feb. 5 for a hearing scheduled to last three hours. Other motions filed on his behalf are to be considered then by Judge Norma

Kauzlarich, the presiding Mercer County jurist. Kauzlarich was not available to hear them last week, according to Durbin.

Clad in a dark suit, Farquer sat last week alongside three of his attorneys – Lindsey Lusk, Joseph McMahon and Douglas Scovil. They argued the law was being misapplied to prosecute Farquer, who was charged with official misconduct, unauthorized access to medical records and computer tampering.

The official-misconduct charge is a felony, punishable by two to five years in state prison.

According to Farquer’s counsel, federal statutes regarding health-record privacy apply to medical professionals, not school superintendents. Those records are part of a student’s overall record, consistent with state law.

Farquer is accused of ordering district nurse Amber Wood to divulge student health and vaccination information last September regarding an outbreak of hand-foot-and-mouth disease. Lusk suggested Farquer was going to use that information to draft a letter to district par-

ents regarding the outbreak.

“The state simply cannot say they think Mr. Farquer cannot access that information,” Lusk said. “The state must show something.”

Lusk also said the Mercer County School Board didn’t appear to find fault with Farquer’s access. But State’s Attorney Grace Simpson argued Wood and other school nurses believed Farquer’s directive was inappropriate, among other issues.

“A preliminary hearing is not a trial,” Simpson said. “It is simply a low burden that the state has met and continued to meet.”

Durbin granted Scovil’s

request to allow Farquer, a Williamsfield native and resident, to travel out of state to attend his son’s sports events. Florida, Indiana, Iowa and Wisconsin were the states Scovil mentioned.

“I don’t believe Mr. Farquer is going to flee to any foreign lands,” Durbin said.

Farquer is on paid administrative leave from his job, which he began in 2024 after a decade in Billtown.

Mercer County district information-technology employees Andrea Long and Amberly Norton face the same charges as Farquer. Norton was to appear in court earlier this week. Long’s next hearing is scheduled for March 2.

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NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on **August 13, 2025, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on February 6, 2026, at the Peoria County Courthouse, 324 Main Street, NE Jefferson St., Main Entrance, PEORIA, IL, 61602**, sell at public in-person sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

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

Property Index No. 14-33-104-002

The real estate is improved with a commercial property.

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

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

If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condo-

minium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

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

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NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff’s attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Case # 2025-FC-0000066 I3279481

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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

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on **February 18, 2026, at the hour 9:00 a.m., Miller, Hall & Triggs, LLC, 416 Main Street, Suite 1125, Peoria, IL 61602**, sell, in person, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:

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

Commonly known as **3918 N. Dayton Ave., Peoria, IL 61614**. 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: At sale, the bidder must have 10% down by certified funds, balance within 24 hours, by certified funds. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file 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, Potestivo & Associates P.C., 223 West Jackson Boulevard, Suite 610, Chicago, IL 60606. (248) 853-4400 ext 1200. 320164 INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION intercountyjudicialsales.com I3279597

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

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE MERRILL LYNCH FIRST FRANKLIN MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST, MORTGAGE LOAN ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-4 Plaintiff

vs.

ZIPPORAH MEADERDS AKA ZIPPORAH RANDLE AKA ZIPPORAH FRANKLIN; WT FRANKLIN; ILLINOIS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS

Defendant

25 FC 53

CALENDAR

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on **February 25, 2026, at the hour 9:00 a.m., Miller, Hall & Triggs, LLC, 416 Main Street, Suite 1125, Peoria, IL 61602**, sell, in person, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:

P.I.N. 13-13-303-007.

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For information call Sales Department at Plaintiff’s Attorney, Robertson, Anschutz, Schneid, Crane & Partners, PLLC, 13010 Morris Road, Suite 450, Alpharetta, Georgia 30004. (708) 668-4410 ext. 52109. 25-268717 INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION intercountyjudicialsales.com I3280072

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

Freedom Mortgage Corporation Plaintiff

vs.

Patrick Craig; et. al.

Defendant

23 FC 228

CALENDAR

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P.I.N. 14-27-258-005.

Commonly known as **3726 N. Dayton Ave., Peoria, IL 61614**.

The real estate is: single family residence. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of Section 18.5 of the Condominium Property Act. Sale terms: At sale, the bidder must have 10% down by certified funds, balance within 24 hours, by certified funds. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information.

For information call Sales Department at Plaintiff’s Attorney, Codilis & Associates, P.C., 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100, Burr Ridge, IL 60527. (630) 794-5300. 14-23-06474 INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION intercountyjudicialsales.com I3280088

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PUBLIC RECORD

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Police reports

- **FARMINGTON** – Police took two juveniles into custody temporarily following a fight during a high school boys basketball game in Farmington on Jan. 14. After that incident, one of the suspects threatened the other by posting on social media a photograph of a gun, according to authorities. Farmington police were notified about 7:30 p.m. Jan. 14 about a fight at the school. Farmington was playing Canton at the time. Farmington School District personnel broke up the fight and the two juveniles were removed from the building, according to a police-department news release. While off campus, one juvenile threatened the other on Snapchat. The depicted weapon was an airsoft gun that looked like a Glock pistol. The school campus was not locked down because that incident happened elsewhere, according to police. Farmington police and Fulton County sheriff’s deputies located the juvenile who made the threat. The juvenile was taken into custody without incident, then released to his or her parents with a pending Fulton County accusation of aggravated assault. The other juvenile’s parents brought him or her to the police department. That suspect has a pending Peoria County accusation of aggravated battery. Both suspects are to have appointments with juvenile-probation departments.
- **FARMINGTON** – Minor damage was reported following a structure fire in Farmington. The incident in the 300 block of E. Fulton St. began shortly before 2:45 a.m. Dec. 29, according to the Farmington Community Fire Protection District. Firefighters found smoke emanating from the east side of the building, caused by a fire in a first-floor bathroom. A smoke alarm alerted the residents, who used a home fire extinguisher before they evacuated. No injuries were reported. The bathroom sustained minimal damage, and minor smoke damage was reported throughout the first floor. The fire cause was being investigated.
- **GALESBURG** – A Dahinda woman’s blood-alcohol content was more than three times the legal limit following a traffic stop in Galesburg. Carolyn E. German, 21, was driving a 1999 Buick sedan when Knox County Sheriff Jack Harlan pulled it over shortly before 6:15 p.m. Dec. 24 in the 600 block of U.S. Route 150 East. The vehicle was swerving, according to a sheriff’s-office report. When asked from where she was coming, German said “Arizona.” German’s BAC was .279; the legal limit is .08. An empty malt-beverage bottle was found in the vehicle.
- German was accused of driving under the influence of alcohol and improper lane use. She was transported to OSF Saint Mary Medical Center for medical evaluation. German’s passenger, a 30-year-old man, was released.
- **MONICA** – At speeds of at least 90 mph, a vehicle fled a traffic stop north of Monica. A Peoria County Sheriff’s Office deputy was driving about 2 p.m. Dec. 22 in the 16000 block of N. Elliott Rd. when he saw a 2023 Subaru sedan stopped in the middle of the pavement, according to a redacted report. The driver, a 26-year-old Washington man whose name was redacted, was wanted for aggravated fleeing, among other violations. The vehicle was headed toward Princeville following the stop.
- **HANNA CITY** – Peoria County Sheriff’s Office deputies were dispatched shortly before 5:15 p.m. Dec. 19 to Doubet and Taylor roads east of Hanna City regarding a 2018 Chevrolet Traverse in a ditch, according to heavily redacted reports. Jenna R. North-Alwood, 51, of Hanna City was charged with two counts of driving under the influence of alcohol. The vehicle was towed.
- **FARMINGTON** – No injuries were reported following a garage fire in Farmington. The blaze began shortly before 9:45 a.m. Dec. 19 in the 400 block of N. Main St., according to the Farmington Community Fire Protection District. Heavy smoke emanated from the one-stall detached garage. It took about 20 minutes to bring the flames under control. Firefighters remained at the scene until about 11:30 a.m. The cause of the fire is under investigation.
- **HANNA CITY** –A Peoria County Sheriff’s Office deputy was dispatched at 8 p.m. Dec. 18 to the 12500 block of W. Farmington Rd. regarding a report about a man dressed in black who was trying to open a window. Brailyn P. Youmans, 25, was arrested about 9:45 p.m. inside the residence. The victim was a 22-year-old Hanna City woman, according to a heavily redacted sheriff’s-office report. Youmans was charged with criminal trespass to a residence and taken to the Peoria County Jail.
- **TRIVOLI** – No injuries were reported following a three-vehicle, chain-reaction wreck in Trivoli. Shortly before 6 p.m. Dec. 17, a Hanna City boy was driving an eastbound 2014 Nissan Altima in the 18300 block of Illinois Route 116 when the vehicle rear-ended a 2015 Ford Fusion driven by Cooper Reece of Farmington, according to a Peoria County Sheriff’s Office report. The Fusion then rear-ended a 2021 Lexus RX 350 driven by William H. Clarke of Peoria, who had slowed for a vehicle stopped to make a left turn. The Altima driver said he looked down for a few seconds before he looked up to see the Fusion had slowed. Those two vehicles were towed.
- **YATES CITY** – In a social-media post, an East Peoria woman threatened to kill a Yates City woman, according to authorities. The Facebook post was reported shortly before 7:15 p.m. Dec. 16, a Knox County Sheriff’s Office report stated. The 39-year-old victim said she and the 37-year-old suspect went to school together. The victim said she had not seen the suspect in a while and never had a problem with her. Authorities took no action immediately. The victim submitted a screenshot of the post.
- **KICKAPOO** – A Brimfield woman avoided injury after ice fell from a semi-trailer truck and shattered the windshield of the vehicle she was driving west of Kickapoo. Laura E. James was behind the wheel of a westbound 2023 Chevrolet Malibu at 11:30 a.m. Dec. 16 on U.S. Route 150 about one-quarter mile west of Voorhees Road when an eastbound orange-and-white truck passed her and the ice dropped, according to a Peoria County Sheriff’s Office report. James did not follow the vehicle because of the windshield damage. The Malibu was drivable.
- **HANNA CITY** – Adama Diakite, 23, of Hanna City was arrested shortly after 3 a.m. Dec. 31 and was being held for another law-enforcement agency, according to the Peoria County Sheriff’s Office.
- **TRIVOLI** – Darren M. McClister, 60, of Trivoli was arrested shortly before 1 a.m. Dec. 28 and was being held for another law-enforcement agency, according to the Peoria County Sheriff’s Office.
- **LEWISTOWN** – Jesse A. Herrmann, 25, of Hanna City was arrested Dec. 13 and accused of criminal damage to government-supported property, according to the Fulton County Sheriff’s Office.
- **ELMWOOD** – Chief Aaron Bean reported the following Elmwood Police Department activity for December: one traffic stop, four warnings, 20 reports, one notice to appear and one ordinance violation.
- **FARMINGTON** – Chief Chris Darsham reported the following Farmington Police Department activity for December: 348 business checks, 3,875 building checks, five crashes, one property crime, 13 traffic tickets, five ordinance violations, three crimes against people, 15 miscellaneous reports, 64 traffic stops, nine arrests, 24 reports, 273 calls and 21 calls to assist other police departments.
- **GALESBURG** – These were among calls to which the Knox County Sheriff’s Office responded between Dec. 28-Jan. 3: civil issue, Elmwood; civil issue, Dahinda; suspicious incident, Yates City.

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Hefty water bill washes over area resident

By **MOLLY COPHER**
For The Weekly Post
YATES CITY – A Yates City resident came to the Jan. 14 board meeting to dispute a hefty water bill he had received.

Richie Springer said that, according to his bill, his house is missing 77,000 gallons of water, and he doesn't know where it went.

The Yates City water department checked his house, yard, basement and crawlspace and found no

water.
“You would hear 4,000 gallons a day coming out of your house if there was a leak. I don't have one,” Springer said.

The village offers a forgiveness credit up to \$500 for such occasions. Even so, Springer's bill remains around \$1,100.

It was noted that after being alerted by Village Treasurer Joy Mahr to the amount of water passing through his property's meter over the course of

20 days, the usage drastically decreased and returned to normal.

Springer said he checked all the valves the day he was notified of the discrepancy but found nothing amiss.

“I just can't pay for something I didn't use,” he said.

The village installed a new meter and is investigating the cause, though Village Trustee Seth Lekies said the problem could be a leaking toilet

resulting in the missing water. Mahr also noted the bill includes the sewer rate for collecting the same amount of water.

Later, the board approved the hiring of Kenneth McMillion as a police officer, along with several purchases in support of their police force.

Those items include squad-car radar for \$1,727.99, an outer carrier vest for \$400.40 and six new police uniform shirts for \$597.

PRINCEVILLE: Shawn Yarger takes SRO role

Continued from Page 1
garding that decision, per Davis' statement.

“The board can spin the story however you want, but this community will never believe she violated policy and procedure that caused her to be removed from the school,” said district resident Jennifer Carruthers, who created both online petitions.

The petition against Shinall states a significant portion of the Princeville community has lost confidence in his leadership. It accuses him of bullying and intimidation, as well as disregard for community input.

Strauss has built trust, ensured safety, mentored students and created a positive, supportive school environment, according to the petition that seeks her reinstatement.

As of late last week, the Strauss petition had 236 verified signatures, the Shinall petition 192.

Strauss' replacement as Princeville

SRO, Deputy Shawn Yarger, began work Monday. For parts of 2024 and 2025, Yarger patrolled Princeville as the village's dedicated deputy, under a municipal contract with the sheriff's office.

“I want to restore trust back into the community and bring a familiar face back to the people. That's really it,” Yarger said about his decision to pursue the SRO opening. “I hope (those) who knew me from my previous duties in Princeville know I'm very transparent and hope to continue building relationships.”

Yarger also opened a pizzeria recently in Lacon.

The Weekly Post filed an Illinois Freedom of Information Act request with the State Police for more information regarding its investigation of Shinall. The sheriff's office denied a FOIA request. It cited an ongoing internal investigation and disciplinary proceedings.

A FOIA request with the Peoria County State's Attorney's Office is pending.

Regarding action items, the board approved five student trips. Among them were a chess-team trip this weekend to a tournament in West Chicago; an FFA trip June 9-11 to Springfield; a high school baseball trip March 20-21 to Jacksonville; and an anatomy-and-physiology class trip March 27 to St. Louis.

On that visit to Saint Louis University, students are to receive a cadaver laboratory demonstration and have a chance to perform dissections, according to Jake Lowery, the junior-senior high school assistant principal.

Following executive session, board members approved hiring Jessica Bliss as 7th-grade volleyball head coach, Alex Ramirez as a second-shift custodian and Cam Semelroth as a high school baseball assistant coach.

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by Dave T. Phipps

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Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- LITERATURE: Who was the first Canadian to win the Nobel Prize in Literature?
- MYTHOLOGY: What is the home of the Greek gods?
- LANGUAGE: Which language is the second most spoken in Canada?
- HISTORY: Which explorer sailed around Africa to discover a trade route between Europe and India?
- MOVIES: What is the name of Elle Woods' Chihuahua in "Legally Blonde"?
- GAMES: In what year was the original Pac-Man video game released?
- TELEVISION: What is the name of the town where "Hart of Dixie" is set?
- FOOD & DRINK: Which popular fruit has seeds on the outside?
- MEDICAL TERMS: What is the common name for alopecia?
- GEOGRAPHY: In which country are the Cliffs of Moher located?

Answers


- Short story author Alice Munro, 2013.
- Mount Olympus.
- French.
- Vasco da Gama.
- Bruiser.
- 1980.
- Bluebell, Alabama.
- Strawberries.
- Hair loss.
- Ireland.

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TOP 10 MOVIES

- Avatar: Fire and Ash (PG-13)
- Primate (R)
- The Housemaid (R)
- Zootopia 2 (PG)
- Greenland 2: Migration (PG-13)
- Marty Supreme (R)
- Anaconda (PG-13)
- The SpongeBob Movie: Search for SquarePants (PG)
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- David (PG)

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Farmington planning for old JH demolition

By JEFF LAMPE
For The Weekly Post

FARMINGTON – The long-discussed demolition of the former Farmington Junior High School took one more step toward being a reality on Monday.

The Farmington City Council voted 5-0 at Monday’s meeting to pay \$4,000 to Maurer-Stutz, Inc. to oversee bidding for demolition of the former junior high building.

The old school building connects the current city office building to the Farmington Community Center. The building is in disrepair and demolition has been a topic of conversation for years at council meetings.

A meeting about the demolition is scheduled for today, Jan. 22, at 1 p.m., Mayor Kenn Stufflebeam said.

Another topic of frequent conversation that came up Monday is the heating and cooling system that serves the community center and gym. Stufflebeam said the three heaters that service the community center have reached a point where need to be replaced, as parts are no longer available and only two units are working.

Stufflebeam said he would prefer to install complete HVAC systems.

“There’s more things we can do in the summer,” he said.

So far, though, only one bid for the work has been received. That bid from Covenant Heating, Air, Plumbing & Refrigeration of Pekin was for \$48,000. Stufflebeam expects one more bid and hopes for a third, though that may be difficult, he said.

The council voted unanimously to pay for three new HVAC units not to exceed \$48,000. TIF funds will be used to pay for the units and the contractor will be determined after additional bids are received.

The council also approved paying Massey Roofing, Inc. of Edwards \$5,900 to repair the outside edge of a wall that is crumbling at the roofline and allowing water to leak into the dance room. The leak is also damaging windows and mortar, which is creating other moisture issues.

The council tabled a bid to repair the roof over a community center room that is used for birthday parties. That room shares a wall with the junior high that is slated for demolition.

“We might not be able to save that wall,” Stufflebeam said, suggesting action on the bid wait for final results of demolition.

The council also approved a

\$7,500 bid from Dale and Sandy Horn to purchase a vacant, city-owned lot at 165 N. Wall St. The city previously purchased the lot and tore down a structure. The Horns plan to build a garage on the lot, located next to their home.

Todd Abraham submitted the only other bid of \$6,250 and indicated he planned to build a house on the lot.

The city also approved spending \$38,500 for a previously leased 2022 Chevrolet Tahoe with 30,000 miles as a new squad car for the police department. The Tahoe will replace a 2016 Ford Explorer with almost 200,000 miles that recently dropped an engine according to Stufflebeam.

Because the purchase came ahead of schedule, the city will loan \$17,000 from its general fund to the squad car fund.

As a result, the city now has three Explorers that will be sold as surplus at some point in the near future.

Finally, the city learned that the owners of lots at 427 W. Fulton St. and 181 E. Court St. have until May 5 to pay back taxes to redeem those properties. Otherwise, they will be available for the city to purchase later this year.

ELMWOOD: Funding ‘not a guarantee yet’

Continued from Page 1

The Elmwood waste lagoons discharge into the West Fork of Kickapoo Creek and, eventually,

into the Illinois River.

“We’re hopeful but it’s not a guarantee yet,” Elmwood Mayor Andrew Almasi said. “(Sorensen) has

put it forward, but it still needs to pass the U.S. Senate and get signed” by Trump.

Almasi said that was the stumbling block last time around.

“We had assurances, but it got held up,” he said.

“Communities across our district are dealing with aging infrastructure that need urgent repairs, but too often they lack the ability to fund these critical projects without help from the state or federal government,” Sorensen said in a press release.

“I’m proud to work with local leaders in Elmwood and Bloomington to secure federal funding that will help them improve wastewater infrastructure and construct new storm-water basins to better mitigate flooding. I urge

the Senate to act quickly to take up this legislation and pass it into law so these critical projects can move forward.”

The federal funding is part of a broader bipartisan government funding bill that passed the U.S. House of Representatives last week.

Next, it goes to the Senate, where it will be debated and voted on. If approved, it will await a signature from Trump to be allocated.

Still to be seen is what impact, if any, the ongoing feud between Trump and Gov. JB Pritzker might have on passage and signing of such legislation.

The City of Bloomington will also receive \$1.092 million for a project to provide flooding re-

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Applications for further education via college or the trades for the graduating class of 2026 will be available in February. Applications must be completed in full and returned by March 5. Scholarships will be awarded on Senior Award Night, April 30.

Applications for college and graduate students will be available in early March at local banks. Current board members can also be contacted. Board members are Kathleen Kowal, Dave Giagnoni, Anne Stufflebeam, Michael Meyers, Kathleen Welch, Elvessa Severt, Marty Copple, Ron Deppermann, Marci Fletcher, Tamra Fulton, Sarah Keefer, Diane McCormick, Verda Roberts, Kristin Shelby, Kent Ulm and Emily Webel.

Another winner for Farmington Moose prize

FARMINGTON – It took nearly 17 months for a winner to emerge in



Jane Yoakum of Elmwood poses with a check for \$60,597 after winning the Queen of Hearts drawing at Farmington Moose Lodge 1571 on Jan. 15.

a Queen of Hearts drawing that soared to \$156,515 at Farmington Moose Lodge 1571.

It took just one week for Jane Yoakum of Elmwood to claim the newest jackpot of \$60,597 on Jan. 15.

Winners in back-to-back drawings mean the new jackpot this week will start at \$5,000.

College graduate

• Elizabeth Grace Hayden of Elmwood graduated Magna Cum Laude from Iowa State University with a bachelor of science degree in agricultural studies.

College honors

• The following students made the Monmouth College Dean’s list (3.5 gpa or better) for the 2025 fall semester: **Meaghan Carpenter** of Hanna City, **Cade Farquer** of Williamsfield, **Anthony Guppy** of Elmwood, **Ava Landon** of Williamsfield and **Kynlee Stearns** of Dahinda.

• **Harrison A. Perring** of Princeville made the Loras College Dean’s list (3.5 gpa or better) for the 2025 fall semester.

• **Grace Behringer** of Brimfield made the Saint Mary’s College Dean’s list (3.6 gpa or better) for the fall 2025 semester.

• **Jonathan Lance** of Brimfield was named to the McKendree University Dean’s list (3.6 gpa or better) for the fall 2025 semester.

• **Vivian Haynes** of Dahinda and **Jacob Karn** of Farmington made the Northern Illinois University Dean’s list (3.5 gpa or better) for the 2025 fall semester.

• **Jake Mullen** of Hanna City made the Middle Tennessee State University Dean’s list (3.5 gpa or better) for the 2025 fall semester.

Et cetera

• No injuries have been reported after the U.S. Geological Survey reported a magnitude 3.8 earthquake near the Montgomery County town of Ohlman early Tuesday. People reported feeling the quake throughout central and southern Illinois. There were no immediate damage reports.

• Softball official **Fred McNeeley** of Princeville has been selected as a 2025-26 official of the year by the Illinois High School Association. he will be honored July 10-11 during an officials conference in Normal.

• State Rep. Ryan Spain (R-73rd District), was named a 2025 Prairie State Policy Champion by Americans for Prosperity–Illinois. Spain was recognized for advancing policies that foster fiscal responsibility, protect taxpayers and support families.

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Illinois Dems tout ‘affordability’ as goal

By BEN SZALINSKI
Capitol News Illinois
SPRINGFIELD – Illinois House Speaker Emanuel “Chris” Welch says this spring’s election-year legislative session will be squarely focused on tackling voters’ priorities.

“We’re going to focus on things that help folks in their household budget,” Welch told Capitol News Illinois. “We’re going to focus on things that help create good jobs, wage growth and opportunity. We’re going to help our small businesses continue to grow and succeed.”

“Affordability” will be the word of the year, and Welch said members of his House Democratic caucus will make decisions through that lens.

A recent poll by Emerson College and WGN News showed the economy was by far the top concern for Illinoisan, with 40% of the 1,000 likely primary voters surveyed naming it their top priority.

“I certainly hope it doesn’t mean another push for a progressive income tax or a tax on retirement,” House Republican Leader Tony McCombie, R-Savanna, told Capitol News Illinois.

Welch said he would like

to see a graduated income tax enacted in Illinois, although he didn’t commit to making a constitutional amendment a priority.

“Our job as a state is to help people and to address a lot of the systemic issues that we have here in Illinois,” Welch said. “We need revenue to address it.”

Last year, 61% of Illinois voters voting in a referendum signaled support for a tax on millionaires that would fund unspecified property tax relief. Illinois has a flat tax enshrined in the state constitution, which means voters would have to approve an amendment to make it happen.

Welch said several members of his caucus are pushing for it, but the plan likely doesn’t have the votes yet. Gov. JB Pritzker has also said it won’t be a priority for him this spring, though members of the General Assembly are welcome to lead the charge.

McCombie argued such a tax won’t address the affordability problem.

“When the Democrats say that their initiatives are for affordability of Illinois, that scares me because affordability means more revenue, which means more taxes,” McCombie

said.

Lawmakers have faced tighter budgets in the last two years and resorted to targeted tax increases to boost revenue and continue growing spending. The challenge for lawmakers this spring will be closing a potentially multi-billion dollar deficit for fiscal year 2027 that begins on July 1.

The governor’s budget office in October projected the deficit would be \$2.2 billion for FY27, although state revenues have outperformed expectations since then. Recent numbers through December show that revenue is up 5% in the first six months of FY26 compared to FY25. But there is uncertainty about what federal funding Illinois will receive.

Over the last year, the Trump administration has cut off certain funding streams to Illinois and threatened many others.

In the last two weeks alone, the administration threatened to eliminate mental health funding, other types of health care funding over the state’s policies on gender identity, and overall federal funding to Illinois because of its sanctuary policies.

“With all of the funding cuts that the administration has taken away from us, it has been probably the most challenging year of my governorship because we can’t replace the federal funding,” Pritzker told reporters last Wednesday. “It’s too large, and I think the federal government doesn’t understand the damage that they’re

doing.”

Though the cuts are often struck down by the courts, they have kept the state’s budget in constant limbo. McCombie spun the blame for the cuts onto Pritzker’s anti-Trump rhetoric.

States will also have to take on more spending following Congress’ passage of the One Big Beautiful Bill Act last summer.

The state’s cost to provide food assistance could rise by \$700 million, while cuts to health care programs could push added costs into the billions.

Welch said part of this spring’s agenda will be picking up unresolved initiatives from the fall, which includes insurance reform.

Leaders say they want to pass legislation to give the Illinois Department of Insurance more power to regulate insurance rates.

Lawmakers could also consider further energy policy changes despite passing a major bill in the fall that they hope will eventually lower utility costs. Issues with supply and costs persist, particularly as power-hungry data centers continue to spring up around the state.

With lawmakers focused on cost of living and other issues, the Chicago Bears’ request for \$800 million in infrastructure funding and property-tax breaks for a stadium project in Arlington Heights is low on the General Assembly’s list.

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Stark Co. higher priority for wind than Peoria

By JEFF LAMPE
For The Weekly Post

TOULON – Thanks to strong response from landowners in Stark County’s Valley Township, that area is now the focus for the first phase of the proposed Goldrush Apple Wind Project.

That was the word delivered Jan. 13 by Shelley Schwab of Apex Clean Energy during a monthly meeting of the Stark County Board.

“Landowner engagement has been amazing here,” Schwab said, pointing to a map showing landowners who have leased their property to Apex.

She said Apex has 85,000 acres under lease in Peoria, Marshall and Stark counties. The greatest concentration is in Stark’s Valley Township.

For that reason, Schwab said Stark

County has supplanted Peoria County as first step in a planned three-phase installation of wind turbines.

“That’s a change,” she told the Stark board. “Your landowners are very responsive and it has been very amazing to work with them.”

Schwab said interest is greater in Stark County in part due to land-owner experience with other wind projects. And western Stark County could be the site for a second phase due to landowner response there.

Still to be worked out, she said, are needed permits for Stark and Peoria counties and road-use agreements for several townships. Multiple jurisdictions are involved since a transmission line that starts near Princeville has to be extended into Stark County.

Schwab said the changing land-

scape for wind projects and tax credits on the federal level that will end in 2029 has not deterred this project because “Illinois is pretty renewable-friendly.”

Apex has so far paid out \$124,900 to support groups in Stark, Marshall and Peoria counties. Among those who have been awarded community grants are the Wyoming Fire Protection District, Akron-Princeville Ambulance, Inc., Akron-Princeville Fire Protection District, the Toulon Civic Association, the city of Wyoming, Wyoming Public Library and more. Awards have also been made to Stark County, Princeville and Brimfield high schools.

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Pages From The Past

Compiled by Andy Latora

Five Years Ago

- Practices will resume at many schools for junior high students in basketball and volleyball, but playing games is still an issue to be decided at a later date.
- Residents of Peoria, Knox and Fulton counties can once again legally eat inside a restaurant or bar.

10 Years Ago

- Construction on a new bar and grill in downtown Kickapoo started. Local businessman Jim Feuchter is developing a 3,500-square-foot restaurant and tavern to be called Pizza 150.

45 Years Ago

- New street signs were installed throughout Williamsfield.
- The Elmwood Bible Church welcomed Rev. Brockway as its pastor.

65 Years Ago

- Fred Williams re-opened the Princeville Floor Covering Shop

on Main Street in Princeville.

75 Years Ago

- Mrs. Norma Timmons of Princeville was the first woman in the history of the Peoria Skeet and Gun Club to win a class championship when she was awarded a C Class Trophy.
- Elmwood High School became a member of the Blackhawk Conference during actions taken at a meeting in Bradford.

80 Years Ago

- The Royal Café, which has been operated by Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Spickard, became the property of Joe Cecil of Elmwood.

85 Years Ago

- A Farmington man found an exotic snake hiding in a crate of bananas that had just been shipped into the area.
- Admission to the Elmwood Palace Theatre was 35 cents for adults and 10 cents for children.

90 Years Ago

- The sewer system in Princeville was completed.

95 Years Ago

- The Elliot Store in Rapatee was held up Tuesday evening and \$80 was taken from the register.
- A new 50-cent piece is out. It is the Mayflower coin minted by the government.

95 Years Ago

- Elmwood is without a cigar shop once again.

105 Years Ago

- In the late hours of the night, H.E. Seltzer’s restaurant in Elmwood was broken into and \$20 in merchandise was stolen.
- The Elmwood Hard Roads Assn. has been duly organized. Their motto is “hard roads and good government.”
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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 James (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. From Joshua 10, the sun stood still while Joshua’s army destroyed what people? Amorites, Midianites, Egyptians, Philistines
3. How old was Abram when God changed his name to Abraham? 12, 17, 40, 99
4. From Genesis 9, who saw a rainbow in the sky? Adam, Moses, Noah, Abraham
5. Who was David’s oldest brother? Jonah, Eliab, Joel, Agrippa
6. From 1 Samuel 2, how many more children did Hannah have? 5, 10, 15, 20

ANSWERS: 1) New, 2) Amorites, 3) 99, 4) Noah, 5) Eliab, 6) Five
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(309) 446-3811
brimfieldunionchurch.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: williamsfielddahindaumc@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

(Maquon worship: 11 am)
Facebook Live is 11 am at Maquon UM Church page

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

St. Mary’s Catholic Church
Father James Pankiewicz
9910 W. Knox St. Edwards
(309) 691-2030
stmaryskickapoo.org
Sat. Confession: 2:45-3:45 pm
Saturday Mass: 4 pm
Sunday Masses: 7:30 & 10 am Mon., Wed., and Fri. Mass: 8 am
Sat. Confession: 2:45-3:45 pm

ELMWOOD
Crossroads Assembly of God
Pastor Don Nuttall
615 E. Ash St. Elmwood
(309) 742-6409
crossroadselmwood.org

Wed. Bible Study: 7 pm
Sun. Worship: 10:30 am

First Presbyterian Church of Elmwood
Reverend Marla B. Bauler
201 W. Evergreen Elmwood
(309) 742-2631
firstpresbyterianofelmwood.org
Sun. Worship: 10:30 am
Sun. School: 9:30 am

St. Patrick’s Catholic Church
Father James Pankiewicz
802 W. Main St. Elmwood
(309) 742-4921
Sat. Mass: 5:30 pm
Tues. & Thurs. Mass: 8 am
Tues. Confession: After mass.

United Methodist Church of Elmwood
Pastor Austin Miller
821 W. Main St. Elmwood
(309) 742-7221
elmwoodumc.org
Sunday Worship: 9 am NEW!
Youth Sunday School: 10 am

FARMINGTON
Farmington Bible Church
Pastor Tony Severine
497 N. Elmwood Rd.
Farmington
(309) 245-9870
Sunday School: 9:30
Worship Service: 10:30

Farmington United Methodist Church
Pastor Austin Miller
187 W. Fulton St.
Farmington
(309) 245-4310
farmingtonmethodist61531@gmail.com
Sunday School 10:15 am
Sunday Worship 10:30 am

First Presbyterian Church of Farmington
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

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

PRINCEVILLE
Princeville United Methodist Church
Pastor David Pyell
420 E. Woertz Princeville
(309) 385-4487
princevilleumchurch.com
Sun. Worship: 8:30 am
Sunday School: 8:45 am

St. Mary of the Woods Catholic Church
Father Corey Krengiel
Father Deogratias Mpewo
119 Saint Mary St. Princeville
(309) 385-2578
incarnationcatholic.org
Sun. Mass: 9 and 11 am
Wed. & Fri. Mass: 6:45 am
Tues. & Thurs. Mass: 8 am
Wed. Confession: 7-8 pm

TRIVOLI
Brunswick Community Church
4027 S. Stone School Rd, Trivoli
Pastor Terry England
Sunday School: 9:45 am
Sunday Worship: 10:45 am
Sunday Evening: 6:00 pm
Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 pm

(309) 403-4626

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

WILLIAMSFIELD
St. James Catholic Church
Father Deogratias Mpewo
214 N. State Route 180
Williamsfield
(309) 446-3275
stjameswilliamsfield.org
Sun. Confession: 7-7:20 am
Sunday Mass: 7 am

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

YATES CITY
Faith United Presbyterian Church
Reverend Marla B. Bauler
107 W. Bishop St. Yates City
(309) 358-1170
Worship: 9 am
Sunday School: 10:15 am
Thursday Choir: 7 pm

LEGAL ADS - Call (309) 741-9790

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 PUBLIC ACTION
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.

Mortgagee, 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.
McCalla 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, Illinois Wampus Mortgage Loan Trust Plaintiff
vs.

Patrick S. Barrett a/k/a Patrick Barrett; et. al.
Defendant
25 FC 154

CALENDAR
NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on **February 11, 2026, at the hour 9:00 a.m., Miller, Hall & Triggs, LLC, 416 Main Street, Suite 1125, Peoria, IL 61602**, sell, in person, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:
LOT THREE (3) AND A STRIP OF LAND ELEVEN (11) FEET WIDE OF EVEN WIDTH BY FULL DEPTH OF LOT OFF THE WEST SIDE OF LOT TWO (2) IN MURPHY'S SUBDIVISION OF LOTS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 AND 8 IN BLOCK 11 IN EDWARD'S ADDITION TO TABLE GROVE, SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE CITY OF PEORIA, COUNTY OF PEORIA AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.
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 Judgement 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
intercountyjudicialsales.com
I3279337
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS
CTP FUNDING CORPORATION Plaintiff, -v-
HOREJS ENTERPRISES, LLC et al Defendant
2025-FC-0000066

NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on **August 13, 2025, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on February 6, 2026, at the Peoria County Courthouse, 324 Main Street, NE Jefferson St., Main Entrance, PEORIA, IL, 61602**, sell at public in-person sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:
LOT 83 IN DELMAR GLEN ADDITION, A SUBDIVISION IN THE CITY OF PEORIA, AS SHOWN BY PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK "M", PAGE 92, SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF PEORIA, IN THE 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.

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

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

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

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to the Illinois State Statutes and the permanent Zoning Ordinance of Peoria County, the **Peoria County Zoning Board of Appeals will hold public hearings on February 12, 2026, as follows:**
Case No. ZBA-2026-0004 at 9:00 a.m. Hearing to be held in Room 403, of the Peoria County Courthouse, Peoria, Illinois.
Petition of James and Heidi Golden, acting on their own behalf, a Rezoning request from "A-1" Agricultural Preservation to "A-2" Agriculture. The petitioner proposes to rezone 14.76 acres in order to operate a Landscape Contractor business at this location.
A part of the Northeast Quarter of Section 32 in Elmwood Township, Township 9 North, Range 5 East of the Fourth Principal Meridian, more particularly bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at the Northeast corner of said Northeast Quarter; thence South 80 rods; thence West 34 rods; thence North 27 rods; thence West 11 ¾ rods; thence North 53 rods; thence East 45 ¾ rods to the Place of Beginning, situated in the County of Peoria and State of Illinois; EXCEPTING THEREFROM, all that part thereof described as follows and bearings are assumed for the purpose of description only, to-wit: Commencing at a mag nail at the Northeast corner of the Northeast Quarter; thence N 89 degrees, 0 minutes, 30 seconds W, along the North line of said Northeast Quarter, a distance of 365.52 feet to the Point of Beginning of the tract to be excepted; thence S 1 degree, 25 minutes, 9 seconds W, a distance of 794.10 feet; thence N 87 degrees, 21 minutes, 52 seconds W, a distance

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
The CITY OF ELMWOOD will receive sealed bids for a dump trailer, a snow plow, a road drag and over-the-bucket forks through FEBRUARY 10, 2026. Bid items will be on display and numbered in the 200 block of South Rose.
Bidders need to put their name, contact information and bid amount inside a sealed envelope. The item number on which you are bidding should be printed clearly on the outside of the envelope. The City would like for bidding to start at \$10 per item.
Bids will be accepted during normal business hours at Elmwood City Hall through 4 p.m. on FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2026. Bids will be opened at the FEBRUARY 17, 2026, meeting of the Elmwood City Council.
Published 1/22/26

If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).
IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.
You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales.
For information, examine the court file, CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Plaintiff's Attorneys, 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL, 60527 (630) 794-9876
THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION
One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE
You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales.
CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100 BURR RIDGE IL, 60527 630-794-5300
E-Mail: pleadings@il.cslegal.com Attorney File No. 14-25-01438 Attorney ARDC No. 00468002 Case Number: 2025-FC-0000066 TJSC#: 45-3279
NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
Case # 2025-FC-0000066 I3279481
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS
NewRez LLC dba Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing

of 181.65 feet to an iron rod; thence N 38 degrees, 54 minutes, 48 seconds W, a distance of 319.21 feet to an iron rod; thence N 0 degrees, 45 minutes, 31 seconds E, along said North line, a distance of 394.50 feet to the Point of Beginning of said excepted tract which contains 6.5000 acres, more or less, as shown on the Plat Survey thereof prepared by Cluskey Land Surveying dated August 7, 2014, and recorded in the Office of the Peoria County, Illinois Recorder on August 26, 2014 as Document No. 2014-017812. (Elmwood Township 11-32-200-008)
Case No. ZBA-2026-0005 at 9:00 a.m. Hearing to be held in **Room 403, of the Peoria County Courthouse, Peoria, Illinois.**
Petition of James and Heidi Golden, acting on their own behalf, a Special Use request from Section 20-5.2.2.2.e of the Unified Development Ordinance, which allows for Landscape Contractors provided the minimum lot size is two (2) acres; no retail sales are permitted; and the business shall not be located in a recorded subdivision. The petitioner proposes to operate a Landscape Contractor business in the "A-2" Agriculture Zoning District.
A part of the Northeast Quarter of Section 32 in Elmwood Township, Township 9 North, Range 5 East of the Fourth Principal Meridian, more particularly bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at the Northeast corner of said Northeast Quarter; thence South 80 rods; thence West 34 rods; thence North 27 rods; thence West 11 ¾ rods; thence North 53 rods; thence East 45 ¾ rods to the Place of Beginning, situated in the County of Peoria and State of Illinois; EXCEPTING THEREFROM, all that part thereof described as follows and bearings are assumed

for the purpose of description only, to-wit: Commencing at a mag nail at the Northeast corner of the Northeast Quarter; thence N 89 degrees, 0 minutes, 30 seconds W, along the North line of said Northeast Quarter, a distance of 365.52 feet to the Point of Beginning of the tract to be excepted; thence S 1 degree, 25 minutes, 9 seconds W, a distance of 794.10 feet; thence N 87 degrees, 21 minutes, 52 seconds W, a distance of 181.65 feet to an iron rod; thence N 38 degrees, 54 minutes, 48 seconds W, a distance of 319.21 feet to an iron rod; thence N 0 degrees, 45 minutes, 31 seconds E, along said North line, a distance of 394.50 feet to the Point of Beginning of said excepted tract which contains 6.5000 acres, more or less, as shown on the Plat Survey thereof prepared by Cluskey Land Surveying dated August 7, 2014, and recorded in the Office of the Peoria County, Illinois Recorder on **August 26, 2014 as Document No. 2014-017812. (Elmwood Township 11-32-200-008)**
All pertinent written materials by either proponents or objectors pertaining to the above cases should be filed in the Department of Planning and Zoning, 324 Main Street, Room 301, Peoria, IL 61602.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS
BY: J. GREG FLETCHER CHAIRPERSON
Published 1/22/26

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON AN AMENDMENT TO THE TEXT OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ELMWOOD, ILLINOIS
The City of Elmwood Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, February 10, 2026 at 7:00pm at the City of Elmwood City Hall, 201 W. Main St., Elmwood, Illinois on an amendment to the text of the City of Elmwood Zoning Ordinance No. 2026-03 an ordinance amending Chapter 40 (Zoning) of the Elmwood Municipal Code pertaining to Solar Energy Equipment. A copy of the ordinances containing the proposed amendment is available for inspection at the City of Elmwood City Hall.
Published 1/22/26

60606. (248) 853-4400 ext 1200. 320164
INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION
intercountyjudicialsales.com
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PUBLIC NOTICE
TO: Scott Cranford; Beverly K. Cranford; Occupant; Jeffrey S. Cranford; 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".
TAX DEED NO.: 2025-TX-000268
FILED: December 29, 2025

TAKE NOTICE
County of Peoria
Date Premises Sold: November 6, 2023
Certificate No.: 202200326
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
THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES
Property Located at: **1916 North Aspen Road, Peoria, IL 61604**
Legal Description or Property Index No.: **13-34-380-052**

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
I3279671
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PUBLIC NOTICE
TO: Anita Johnson; Anita Johnson; Anita Johnson; Occupant; Yokita Lynn Johnson; Kiersten I. Teague; Kenedy J. Teague; Kobe Johnson; Robert E. Buchanan; First State Bank of Forrest as Successor to The Heights Bank; First State Bank of Forrest as Successor to The Heights Bank; 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".
TAX DEED NO.: 2025-TX-000271
FILED: December 29, 2025

TAKE NOTICE
County of Peoria
Date Premises Sold: November 6, 2023
Certificate No.: 202200472
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
THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES
Property Located at: **4004 North Grand Boulevard, Peoria, IL 61614**
Legal Description or Property Index No.: **14-27-229-010**

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

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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
309-492-6059
Private Equity Group LLC
Purchaser or Assignee
December 30, 2025
I3279685
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PUBLIC NOTICE

TO: Harold W. Harris; Kody Allen Harris; Kirk Andrew Harris; Kody Allen Harris; Christopher Anthony Harris; Christopher Anthony Harris; Christopher Anthony Harris; Occupant; Megan D. Harris; 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".
TAX DEED NO.: 2025-TX-000278
FILED: December 29, 2025

TAKE NOTICE

County of Peoria
Date Premises Sold: November 6, 2023
Certificate No.: 202201219
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
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**.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

TO: Bonnie M. Kirkman; Bonnie M. Kirkman; Occupant; 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".
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
THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES
Property Located at: 200 East Amy Street, Glasford, IL 61533
Legal Description or Property Index No.: 19-22-151-006

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.

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TO: Mike Claude; Mike Claude; Occupant; Gerald J. Klaub; 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".
TAX DEED NO.: 2025-TX-000277
FILED: December 29, 2025

TAKE NOTICE

County of Peoria
Date Premises Sold: November 6, 2023
Certificate No.: 202201089
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
THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES
Property Located at: **213 South Main Street , Peoria, IL 61604**
Legal Description or Property Index No.: **17-10-428-033**

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**.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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".
TAX DEED NO.: 2025-TX-000280
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County of Peoria
Date Premises Sold: November 6, 2023
Certificate No.: 202202343
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
THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES
Property Located at: 11003 South Trivoli Road, Glasford, IL 61533
Legal Description or Property Index No.: 19-30-400-005

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PUBLIC NOTICE

TO: Janet Bonham; Janet Bonham; Gary P. Bonham; Gary P. Bonham; Janet Bonham; Janet Bonham; Occupant; Jeremy L. Abner; Leon E. Abner; 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".
TAX DEED NO.: 2025-TX-000282
FILED: December 29, 2025

TAKE NOTICE

County of Peoria
Date Premises Sold: November 6, 2023
Certificate No.: 202200697
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
THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES

Property Located at: **414 West Cornington Avenue, Peoria, IL 61604**
Legal Description or Property Index No.: **14-33-112-003**

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PUBLIC NOTICE

TO: Stanley L. Gardner; Troy E. Gardner; Eric A. Gardner; Eric A. Gardner; Occupant; Dawn L. Schwark; Robert M. Arthalony; State of Illinois Department of Revenue; State of Illinois Department of Revenue; Attorney General for the State of Illinois Department of Revenue; 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".
TAX DEED NO.: 2025-TX-000281
FILED: December 29, 2025

TAKE NOTICE

County of Peoria
Date Premises Sold: November 6, 2023
Certificate No.: 202202366
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
THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES
Property Located at: **7406 West 1st Street, Mapleton, IL 61547**
Legal Description or Property Index No.: **20-21-300-004**

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Peoria, IL 61602

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 or both 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.

E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp>.

DATED this 30th day of December, 2025.

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

ROBERT L. POTTS, Esq.
WHITNEY & POTTS, LTD.
Attorneys for Executor
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS
U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE MERRILL LYNCH FIRST FRANKLIN MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST, MORTGAGE LOAN ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-4
Plaintiff

vs.
ZIPPORAH MEADERDS AKA ZIPPORAH RANDLE AKA ZIPPORAH FRANKLIN; WT FRANKLIN; ILLINOIS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS
Defendant
25 FC 53
CALENDAR

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on February 25, 2026, at the hour 9:00 a.m., Miller, Hall & Triggs, LLC, 416 Main Street, Suite 1125, Peoria, IL 61602, sell, in person, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:

LOT 43 IN PARK EAST SECTION ONE, A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE WEST HALF OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 9 NORTH, RANGE 7 EAST OF THE FOURTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED APRIL 14, 1971, IN PLAT BOOK "Z-2", PAGE 99, SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE COUNTY OF PEORIA AND STATE OF ILLINOIS. P.I.N. 13-13-303-007. Commonly known as **4124 W. COURTLAND ST., PEORIA, IL 61615**.

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 189.5 of the Condominium Property Act. Sale terms: At sale, the bidder must have 10% (or 25% if so ordered in the Judgement 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, Robertson, Anschutz, Schneid, Crane & Partners, PLLC, 13010 Morris Road, Suite 450, Alpharetta, Georgia 30004. (708) 668-4410 ext. 52109. 25-268717

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

Freedom Mortgage Corporation
Plaintiff
vs.
Patrick Craig; et. al.
Defendant
23 FC 228
CALENDAR

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Commonly known as **3726 N. Dayton Ave., Peoria, IL 61614**.

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Princeville girls on four-game win streak

By The Weekly Post

Princeville is on a four-game win streak after Monday's 44-29 girls basketball victory at Galva.

Addison Buckley had 17 points and 12 rebounds, Sahara Streitmatter added 15 points and Kamryn Smith grabbed nine rebounds.

Princeville (15-7) posted wins on back-to-back days with 57 points in each game. Streitmatter had 17 points and seven rebounds in a 57-22 romp over West Central on Jan. 14. Reagan Calder scored 16 and Buckley had nine rebounds.

On Jan. 15, Streitmatter had 22 points, including a trio of 3-pointers, and 11 rebounds in a 57-37 win over Peoria Christian. Buckley scored 19 and Calder added 10.

The Lady Princes beat Monmouth United 50-27 last Saturday with Streitmatter scoring 18. They host Ridgewood on Wednesday.

- **Brimfield** (11-11) – Beat North Fulton 45-35 on Jan. 15 as Layni Linthicum scored a team-best 14 points and Katie Doe had 13 points. Schyer Meinders had 11 rebounds
- Brimfield beat host Monmouth-Roseville 42-30 last Saturday with Meinders netting 14 points and five rebounds. Linthicum had 12 points, eight boards, six assists and five

HOOPS: Crawford returns for Farmers

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attempt with about 5 seconds left. Heights made two ensuing free throws.

Peoria Christian missed 12 fourth-quarter free throws in its semifinal against Brimfield but won 42-39. PCS was 1-for-6 from the line in the last 11.5 seconds, but Brimfield couldn't capitalize. Doe and teammate Jackson Kappes each scored nine.

ROWVA-Williamsfield (0-18) finished in last place in the eight-team tournament. The Cougars lost 58-20 to North Fulton in the consolation semifinals Jan. 17. The following day, Delavan beat eighth-seeded R-W 65-50. No other information was available.

Brimfield is host Friday night to Lewistown, Elmwood travels to Farmington and R-W visits Kewanee Wethersfield.

- **Farmington** – Landon Crawford returned from injury to score 11 points, a total matched by teammate

Boston Smith in a 51-41 victory Jan. 17 over Peoria Notre Dame.

"He's the difference-maker for us," Farmington Coach Marty Lozier stated about Crawford. "Just active. Plays great defense and has found his shot."

Blake Melz had 10 points for Farmington (5-11), which led 25-7 at half-time. Smith had six second-quarter points.

Canton broke away in the second half Jan. 14 to beat Farmington 54-36 in a renewal of their rivalry. Farmington led 25-22 at intermission but managed only two second-half field goals. Smith had 13 points, Logan Gardner 11 for Farmington. Braxton Rock scored 20 for Canton, 14 in the third quarter.

The previous night, Gardner had 19 points in leading Farmington to a 55-36 victory over Bushnell-Prairie City. Noah Howell had 13 points, all in the second quarter as

Farmington led 30-23 at the break. Gardner's scoring came in the first and third periods.

In addition to its home game Friday night against Elmwood, Farmington is to play Saturday night at Knoxville.

- **Princeville** – Brady Day had 19 points and Kaden Blunier scored 14 in a 66-59 Princeville non-conference victory Jan. 17 over Roanoke-Benson. Day scored 15 in the second half, including a trio of 3-pointers in the third quarter, when Princeville (9-9) erased a two-point halftime deficit.

Earlier in the week, Princeville lost two Lincoln Trail games. Monmouth United used a strong third quarter Jan. 16 to pull away from Princeville, 45-34. Day had 10 points.

On Jan. 13, Stark County beat Princeville 45-41 behind a strong second quarter. Jacob Bosch

WRESTLING: Ellis wins title

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by example."

Bradlee Ellis, a Farmington senior, also claimed an individual title at Kewanee. Ellis reached the finals with two first-period falls then notched another pin, this one in 5:02, over Eureka's Finn Hoffman to win at 144 pounds.

Last month, Ellis (24-1) was named OW at the Clinton Holiday Invitational after registering four pins and a 20-2 technical fall in his five bouts.

"Bradlee had an early-season loss but since then he's really cleaned things up," Durbin said. "He's coachable, he listens well and he's been a great leader for us. He's our only senior and the guys can really look up to him."

Jackson Ralph (113) and Isaac Flora (120) were third at the Kewanee Invite and Jonathan Peters (150) was sixth. Ralph (17-10) and Flora (16-7) dropped semifinal bouts but rallied in the

wrestlebacks, recording two pins apiece for third-place finishes.

The IHSA's series begins with the individual regionals. Farmington goes to the Camp Point Central Regional on Saturday, Jan. 31. Durbin expects Chase

Frye to return to the lineup by then.

Frye is 8-0 and just got cleared to get back on the mat after an injury.

- Farmington freshman Lyndsey Brewer placed second at the Canton Girls Wrestling Invitational.

steals. Josie Wiewel scored 11.

- **Elmwood** (13-8) – Lost to Illini Bluffs 48-26 on Jan. 13. Brooke Allen scored 11 points to lead Elmwood. On Jan. 15, Elmwood scored a 40-21 win over Peoria Heights.
- Elmwood's only game this week is Thursday against North Fulton.
- **Farmington** (7-12) – Beat Bushnell-Prairie City 50-31 on Jan. 13 before a 57-18 loss at Illini West two days later.
- **ROWVA-Williamsfield** (7-10) – Dropped a 41-28 decision against Ridgewood on Monday. Plays Galva on Wednesday and Peoria Christian on Thursday.

and Eli Christianson each scored nine for Princeville.

"The points didn't show it, but we dictated a frenetic pace that played to our advantage," Stark County Coach Kane Mastin stated.

Princeville fell to 1-2 in the LTC. The Princes are to play tonight (Jan. 22) at Biggsville West Central and Saturday afternoon at home against Manito Mid-west Central.

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Super Crossword

THE THIRD PERSON

ACROSS

1 Go to

7 Stogie who sometimes replaced

12 Sauna locale

15 Defeater of Gore

19 Time: Prefix

20 On the briny

21 Retained

23 Old foxtrot dancer

25 Makes lively

26 Flow blockers

27 Oct. preceder

28 "All I Wanna Do" singer

30 Prefix with propyl

31 Winter hrs. in Philadelphia

33 Lawman

34 Falsehood

35 "The Finest Hours" co-star

40 America's first female astronaut

45 Top-secret U.S. org.

46 Starting on

48 Sanaa locale

49 "Samson and Delilah" co-star

55 Conductor

59 Big 20th-cen. conflict

60 Actress — de Armas

61 Universal rule

63 "Eww, micel!"

64 Harry Potter's skill

68 "Play It as It Lays" co-star

72 "Middle Child" rapper

73 In the past

75 Spain's El —

76 Really annoy

77 "Broadcast News" co-star

80 Dirt Devil or DustBuster

82 "Botch- —"

83 Former TWA competitor

84 Coll. in Columbus

86 NYSE debut

87 Rolo filling

91 Frontwoman of Hole

96 Cowboy rope

98 Italian money

99 A. in Munich

100 "Jerry Maguire" star

105 "Coma" novelist

110 "There — god!"

111 Barber's cut

113 Boise-to-Tucson dir.

114 "Dr." of music

115 Miami Heat

120 Potentially shocking fish

122 Writer Uris

123 Came through, as a radio signal

124 "Cheers" actress

128 Setting fire to

129 Shire of film

130 "Apparently!"

131 Throw easily

132 Golf gadget

133 "Geez, that's rough"

134 Recluses

DOWN

1 Not alkaline

2 Defeat

3 Quake

4 Vast spans

5 Dir. 135 degrees from 113-Across

6 G.P., for one

7 Postpaid enc.

8 URL start

9 Immigrant's class, in brief

10 Edwin of Reagan's Cabinet

11 Old Turkish officials

12 In a cutting way

13 Like a runt

14 Indigo dye

15 Wild pig

16 Innumerable

17 1-year-old on "Family Guy"

18 Steeds, in Westerns

22 Sierra maker

24 Sparkling

29 History topic

31 Exxon, once

32 Trade blows

36 Accrued qty.

37 Indian bread

38 This, in Peru

39 —wester Des—

41 Subsidiary theorem

42 Singer Sumac

43 Singer

44 Officeholders

47 Munich Mrs.

49 Beetles and Golfs, in brief

50 Famed flag-raising site of 1945

51 Orbiting body, e.g.

52 Spring month

53 Firm bigwigs

54 "Yes, yes!" in Mexico

56 City in Israel

57 Procedural form-filling founder

58 Endorses

62 Quirky

65 Maj.'s superior

66 Yale student

67 "Stuck" actor

68 "Road —" (1947 comedy film)

69 In-favor vote

70 Pale

71 LAX takeoff guess

73 Throat-check sounds

74 Avocado dip, informally

77 Former female mil. group

78 Prefix with grain or color

79 Irrefutable

80 Color shade

81 Bus. entities

84 Other, to Jorge

85 Snooty type

88 Oval portion

89 Pre-2001 space station

90 It fills la mer

92 1921 Karel Capek play

93 Cravings

94 Pet pests

95 Artist Yoko

97 WikiLeaks founder

100 Little goody

101 New York city or river

102 Yucatec speakers

103 Put a stop to

104 Noon nap

106 Atoll unit

107 Danish port

108 Big chain of food stores

109 Has a hunch

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Brimfield scores rematch reversal

By NICK VLAHOS
For The Weekly Post

The Brimfield-Elmwood boys basketball rematch last week was the opposite of a rerun.

Connor Doe had 23 points Jan. 17, including 16 in the first quarter, as host Brimfield beat Elmwood 53-26 for third place in the Inter-County Conference tournament. It was quite the reversal of the Princeville Holiday Tournament final Dec. 29, when Elmwood beat Brimfield 44-34.

According to Brimfield Coach Scott Carlson, his players probably had that game in mind when the teams met again. Brimfield had at least seven dives for loose balls, among other statistics. Elmwood was scoreless in the third period.

“We controlled the boards and defense was spot-on most of the game,” Carlson stated. “It also helps to make shots.”

Brimfield (16-5) was 21-for-39 from the field, including 5-for-14 on 3-pointers. Doe made each of those 3s, including four in the first period. At Princeville, Brimfield was 3-for-17 on 3s and 8-for-29 in the lane.

“We gave up a lot of open 3s to start the game, which wasn’t that different than the first game, but they didn’t miss this time,” Elmwood Coach Josh Fugitt stated. “They were much more comfortable and in rhythm than our first matchup.”

Miles Addison had eight points to lead Elmwood (11-7), which was seeded third. Brimfield was the top seed. Fourth-seeded Peoria Christian won the tournament by beating No. 2 Peoria Heights 64-45 in the final.

In its tournament opener Jan. 13, Elmwood defeated Illini Bluffs 52-42 behind 20 points from Karsyn Bolton, who scored 15 in



Farmington's Jack Gronewold gets bumped on his way to the bucket in a 54-36 loss to Canton. Photo by Dave Giagnoni.

the second half. Quinton Johns had 10 points. Two days later in the semifinals, Heights beat Elmwood 39-37 despite 17 points from Garrett Webster. He scored 14 after halftime.

Trailing by two points, Elmwood missed a 3-point

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Farmington frosh OW at Kewanee

Showalter remains unbeaten

By ANDY LATORA
For The Weekly Post

Farmington freshman wrestler Isaac Showalter has no need for suspenders. He’s got a belt.

Showalter notched a pair of first-period pins to reach the finals at the Kewanee Invitational last Saturday, then captured the 106-pound title with a 20-3 technical fall over Fulton’s Coltin Hartman.

Showalter (27-0), who won three straight IESA titles with an unbeaten record, was named the Outstanding Wrestler after spending just 4 minutes, 30 seconds on the mat in his three victories. He was awarded a WWE-type strap for the honor.

“We’re trying to find the best competition for him,” Farmington Coach Jacob Durbin said. “He’s just been dominating everybody. He hasn’t given up a takedown all year and he’s controlling every aspect of



Farmington freshman Isaac Showalter shows off the Outstanding Wrestler belt he was awarded last Saturday after winning the 106-pound title at the Kewanee Invitational.

his matches.

“He really has a huge arsenal. It’s a well-rounded offense – blast doubles, sweep singles, high Cs – he can do it all and he can attack both sides. He’s been impressive and he’s a good leader. He’s only a freshman but really leads

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