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County board approves loan to renovate highway building

By JEFF LAMPE

For The Prairie News

TOULON – The Stark County Board on Tuesday approved a loan of up to \$400,000 for planned renovations to the Stark County Highway Department building in Bradford.

The loan with the State Bank of Toulon is a 15-year note at 3.95% interest that will be used similar to a line of credit, explained County Engineer Judd Giffin. Giffin said he plans to borrow money as needed when

the board approves construction bids for the building.

One such bid approved Tuesday was for installation of a trench drain in the garage. Judd Construction Inc. of Hennepin had the low bid of \$43,000 to remove concrete and install the drain.

Giffin said he has also received preliminary architect's drawings for offices in the building at 16501 U.S. Route 40 that the county purchased in October 2025 for \$310,000 from GK

Rogers LLC.

Problems with the former highway department building in Toulon date back to at least 2018. Staff is currently moving out of that Works Progress Administration facility that was built in 1942 for \$20,829.77.

Giffin also reported that he had met with Hutchinson Engineering to start work on road-use agreements with Apex Energy for the proposed Goldrush Apple Wind Project. The board approved the agreement with

Hutchinson.

Giffin said Hutchinson is expected to reach out to Sheryl Churney to serve as attorney in its negotiating. Churney has previous experience with wind projects in Henry and Bureau counties.

Interim Sheriff Chuck Demetreon presented the council preliminary information on a possible new 10-year contract with Axon for body cameras and other equipment.

Demetreon said the contract

would be \$44,757 for 10 years for 14 body cameras, seven Fleet cameras for Sheriff's Department vehicles and two free license-reading cameras.

The previous five-year contract for body cameras only cost \$21,496 per year and expires in April.

Demetreon said the Fleet cameras can read license plates while a squad car is in motion to inform officers if a vehicle is stolen or has any issues.

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EARLY VOTING

Early voting underway for primary

Election day March 17

By JEFF LAMPE

For The Weekly Post

Early voting is underway in Stark and Henry counties in advance of the upcoming March 17 general primary election.

In Stark County, early voting started Feb. 5 and concludes March 16. Voting is Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Stark County Courthouse, except for holidays when the courthouse is closed.

In Henry County, early voting started Feb. 5 and ends March 16 in the Henry County Courthouse in Cambridge in the office of Barbara M. Link. Hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Early voting is available for voters



Knox County unveiled its new voting machines this winter. The machines replace 20-year-old equipment and officials hope they will improve election efficiency and security.

in Knox County through March 16. Voters registered outside the City of Galesburg can vote early at the Knox County Clerk's Office during regular business hours. The office will also be open on certain Saturdays for early voting. Those dates will be released at a later date. The hours for those dates are from 9 a.m. to noon.

The highest-profile contested races on this primary ballot are for United States Senator, a few Congressional races and several statewide races – including governor and lieutenant governor, state comptroller and secretary of state.

The race to replace retiring Sen.

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Deck pleads guilty on weapon charge

Sentenced to 2 years in prison

By JEFF LAMPE

For The Prairie News

TOULON – The man whose alleged activities led to the permanent closure of Wyoming's Drivers and Motor Vehicles Facility is headed to jail.

Caleb A. Deck, 48, pleaded guilty to a felony charge of possession of a weapon by a felon on Monday in the Toulon Courthouse. He was sentenced to two years in prison by 10th Circuit Court Judge Paul E. Bauer.

The weapon in question was a bludgeon, according to Stark County State's Attorney Austin King.

Deck had been in Bureau County Jail since

January, serving a 120-day sentence for driving on a suspended license.

Prior to that, he had been at large after failing to show for a scheduled court hearing in June.

Deck's case dates to incidents in 2024, when he was also charged with assaulting a police officer, burglary and theft of property worth \$500 to \$10,000. All other charges were dropped on Tuesday.

Deck's plea means his case will not go to trial. Another case also previously scheduled for a Stark County trial in March involving Alex Nowlan has been

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COUNTY BOARD: New dispatch system ahead

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"My projection is fees coming from it will pay for it in the following year," the sheriff said.

Demetreon said while he was not initially a fan of body cameras, he has since seen their value. Furthermore, he said laws now make them mandatory.

The board voiced preliminary agreement with the contract. Demetreon said he would bring the deal back for formal approval, likely at the March board meeting.

Demetreon said staff training con-

tinues for a new dispatch system with Peoria County that is expected to go online Feb. 24. The new system will be all digital and should make reporting easier for officers, Demetreon said.

In other business, the board approved increasing its donation to the Stark Council for Continuous Improvement from \$2,500 to \$10,000 for 2026. Board Chair Kari Bush said the board can assess return on investment once it starts preparing the 2027 budget to see if it will increase its contribution.

The board also approved paying \$621.30 for a half-year membership to the North Central Council of Governments. A hope is that NCCG can help Stark County draft a required solid waste plan.

The board tabled appointment of Joseph Rediger to the Emergency Telephone System Board. Action could not be taken because the board had tabled action on Pat Maher's appointment to the same board without a vote at its Jan. 13 meeting. The board is expected to vote on both tabled matters at its March meeting.

ELECTION: Krishnamoorthi leading Democrats

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Dick Durbin has attracted the most candidates, with 10 names listed on Democratic ballots and six on the Republican side.

U.S. Rep. Raja Krishnamoorthi leads various Democratic polls despite Gov. JB Pritzker's support for Lt. Gov. Julianna Strat-

ton. The Republican leader is Don Tracy, though some polls show more than 80% of Republican voters are still undecided. Tracy is a Springfield-based attorney and was chair of the Illinois Republican Party from 2021-24.

Pritzker is running unopposed on the Democratic

side with Christian Mitchell as his new Lt. Gov. Republican gubernatorial candidates are Darren Bailey, Ted Dabrowski, James Mendrick and Rick Heidner.

Contested elections are much less prevalent on the local level.

The Stark County ballot shows only one contested race, that for state central committeeperson on the Democratic slate. Kevin Lamm, Patrick Dertesi and Kim Armstrong are run-

ning for two spots.

Henry County expects to have its sample ballot online by today.

Some voters are also facing an advisory question asking whether Illinois should adopt signature requirements for independent and new-party candidates that are equal to those required of Democrats and Republicans.

Currently, independents and new-party candidates face requirements that are up to 20 times greater.

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PUBLIC RECORD

Incidents & Accidents Stark County



2-1 - The Toulon Police Department arrested three individuals for possession of a controlled or counterfeit substance(s). Charged in the incident was Mariah S.N. Best, 26, Houston, Texas, along with Nakeya M. Harper, 29, and Reginald M. Jackson, 24, both of Katy, Texas. The trio was transported to the Bureau County Jail where they were booked.

2-2 - A 16-year-old Bradford teen was ticketed for operating an uninsured vehicle. He was issued a court date to appear.

2-3 - Tanya S. Walker, 52, Bradford, was cited for speeding 71 mph in a 55 zone.

2-3 - An abandoned vehicle was towed and impounded from Illinois Route 91 south of Wyoming.

2-6 - Eric J. Biesecker, 18, Chillicothe, was cited for speeding 80 mph in a 55 zone.

2-6 - Citations were issued to two individuals following a traffic stop on U.S. Route 40 and 1300N. Driver Amilee M. Penaflor, 21, Sterling, and passenger Trisha L. Penaflor, 26, Niceville, were cited for possession of adult-use cannabis. Both were issued court dates to appear. Penaflor was also ticketed for speeding 85 mph in a 55 zone. The vehicle was impounded.

2-6 - Two individuals were cited following a traffic stop on Illinois Route 91 and 900N. The driver Cassel O.R. Taylor, 28, Kewanee, was charged with possession of adult-use cannabis, speeding 58 mph in a 55 zone and possession of a controlled substance identified as cocaine. Jesus Meza-Corral, 35, Kewanee, was charged with illegal transportation of alcohol by a passenger and also issued a notice to appear for possession of a controlled substance identified as cocaine.

2-7 - Jordan H. Alexander, 37, Kewanee, was cited for driving without a valid driver's license. His vehicle was impounded and he was scheduled for a court date.

Galva Report

Officer dispatched:

2-1 - to the 600 block of NW 7th St. for a complaint involving telephone harassment.

2-1 - to the 600 block of NW 7th

St. for a child-custody dispute and to remove an unwanted subject.

2-3 - to the 600 block of NE 2nd St. to assist the Henry County Housing Authority retrieve property owned by them.

2-3 - to the 100 block of NW 3rd St. for a 911 hang-up complaint. It was determined to be a misdial.

2-3 - to the 500 block of NE 3rd St. for a verbal domestic disturbance.

2-4 - to the north edge of Galva to remove a deer carcass from the roadway.

2-4 - to the 00 block of SW 4th St. to assist a motorist assist who had locked their keys in the car. Tarleton was contacted and was able to unlock the vehicle.

2-4 - to retrieve a Freedom of Information Act request form.

2-4 - Officer spoke to a subject by telephone about a child-custody dispute.

2-4 - to the 00 block of Wallace St. to assist court services with a compliance check.

2-4 - to a residence on SE 2nd St. for an apparently suicidal subject who was making threats of self-harm. The subject was transported by ambulance for evaluation and treatment.

2-4 - to the east edge of town to attempt to locate a semi-truck that was losing part of its load.

2-5 - While patrolling, officer recognized a subject walking downtown who was wanted on a warrant. After confirming the information through LEADS, the officer stopped the subject in the 300 block of Market St. As the result, Jason Sherbeyn, 49, Kewanee, was arrested on a LaSalle County warrant for failing to appear on the charge of retail theft. He was transported to the Henry County Jail.

2-5 - to Sentry Estates for a well-

fare check on a resident. The subject was located with no signs of life. The coroner was contacted and responded.

2-5 - to the 1100 block of SE 2nd St. for a 911 open-line complaint. Officer was not able to locate anyone needing assistance.

2-5 - to the 00 block of SW 4th St. for a verbal disturbance and ongoing harassment complaint.

2-5 - along with Stark County Medic, to a medical emergency on SE 3rd St. involving an infant who was unresponsive.

2-5 - While patrolling, officer located items obstructing the roadway near the intersection of NW 6th St. and NW 8th Ave. The items were removed.

2-6 - twice to the 700 block of NW 4th St. to assist a citizen who appeared to be suffering from a mental-health crisis.

2-6 - to the 100 block of SW 4th St. for a complaint involving harassing text messages.

2-6 - to a residence on NW 4th Ave. for a welfare check on a child. The child was fine.

2-6 - to the 00 block of NE 4th Ave. for a harassment complaint.

2-6 - to the 900 block of SE 2nd St. to attempt to locate someone from the Kewanee Police Department.

2-6 - to the 600 block of SW 4th St. for a 911 hang up complaint. It was determined to be a misdial.

2-6 - twice to the 00 block of SW 4th St. for a loud-music complaint.

2-6 - to the 200 block of NW 2nd Ave. for a juvenile complaint.

2-7 - to the 300 block of NE 2nd St. for an attempted-scam complaint.

2-7 - to the 700 block of NW 1st Ave. for a verbal domestic disturbance.

2-7 - to Trolley Road for a 911 open-line complaint. Officer was not able to locate anyone needing assistance.

2-8 - to the 700 block of NW 1st St. for a 911 hang up complaint. It was determined to be a child playing with a phone.

2-8 - to the 1000 block of NW 7th Ave. for an attempted-scam complaint.

2-8 - to the 900 block of SE 2nd St. for a 911 hang up complaint. Officer was not able to locate anyone needing assistance.



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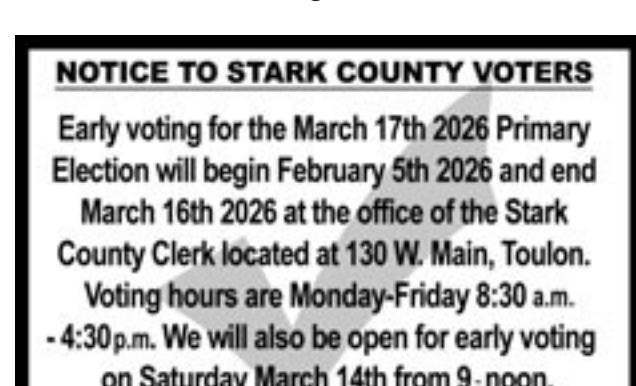


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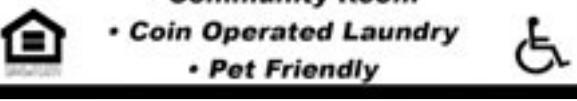
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CBI BANK & TRUST d/b/a F&M BANK, Plaintiff,
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RICK K. MCGHEE; ANITA M. MCGHEE; CAPITAL ONE BANK, N.A.; CITIZENS EQUITY FIRST CREDIT UNION; THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE; STATE OF ILLINOIS, DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; DISCOVER BANK; COMMERCE BANK; LVMF FUNDING, LLC; PARTIES IN POSSESSION; INTERESTED PERSONS; UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants.

1. The name, address and telephone number of the person to contact for information regarding the real estate is Ian Smith, telephone number 309-344-2563.

Dated this 26th day of January, 2026.

/s/Douglas R. Lindstrom, Jr.
Douglas R. Lindstrom, Jr. 6291748
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NOTICE OF SALE
(735 I.L.C.S. Sec. 5/15-1507(c))

OBITUARIES

Donald J. Frey

BRADFORD – Donald “Don” Joseph Frey, 78, of Bradford, Ill., formerly of Chicago, passed away on Friday, Jan. 30, 2026, at his home surrounded by loved ones.

Don was born on May 16, 1947, in Chicago, the son of Joseph and Dolores (Madl) Frey. He worked for S&C Electric for over 20 years as an assembler. Don married Patricia Hogue on Oct. 12, 1968. She preceded him in death on March 15, 2012. Don served our country in the U.S. Army National Guard, and was honorably discharged in 1971.

Don enjoyed being outside doing yard work, mowing and decorating for any holiday. He was a jokester and loved spending time with his family.

Don is survived by his two children, Denise Hill of Bradford and Donnie Frey of Wyoming; eight grandchildren, Clifton (Brandie) Hill, Zachary Harris, Lea (Kyle) Harlan, Savannah (Kenny) Gibson, Sebastian Beckelman, Shayden Beckelman, Alyssa Frey and Justin Frey; and six great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife and daughter, Debra Beckelman.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date. Cremation rites have been accorded. Memorials may be directed to the American Diabetes Association.

Stella M. Gilbreth

GALVA – Stella Marie Gilbreth, 81, of Galva, died at 12:10 a.m., Thursday, Feb. 5, 2026, at OSF St. Francis Medical Center in Peoria, surrounded by her family.

A visitation was held Feb. 9 at Rux Funeral Home in Galva with recitation of the rosary at 4:30 p.m. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Feb. 10 at St. John The Beloved Parish in Galva. Celebrant was Msgr. Michael Bliss. Cremation was to be accorded following the services and inurnment will take place at a later date in the Galva Cemetery. Memorials may be directed to the family for a memorial to be established.



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Card of Thanks

The Family of Jerry Wilson

We would like to thank everyone who attended Jerry's Celebration of Life. For all those who helped; donated food, cookies, cards, and especially the stories! Also thank you to the American Legion for letting us use their building and Steve Sturm for being our bartender.

Jerry will always be in our hearts as a father, grandfather, uncle, and especially our Big Brother.

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Pastor Glenn Corby Phone (309) 286-2224 or (217) 778-1591
Toulon Sunday School 9:15 a.m., all ages & Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m.

LaFayette Methodist Church

Illinois Highway 17, P.O. Box 147, LaFayette, IL 61449
Phone (309) 995-3371

Pastor Glenn Corby Phone (309) 995-3371 or (217) 778-1591
LaFayette Sunday Worship: 9 a.m.

West Jersey United Methodist Church

Illinois Highway 78, West Jersey, IL • Rev. Pablo Marty
Phone (217) 425-5707

Sunday Worship: 9 a.m.

Elmira United Presbyterian Church

7874 State Route 93, Toulon, IL 61483 • (309) 896-3481
Services each Sunday at 9 a.m.

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The Gathering Church

Location: 105 N. 7th St., Wyoming, IL 61491
Sunday mornings @ 10:30 a.m.

Mail: PO Box 322, Wyoming, IL 61491

email: info@thegathering.life

website: [www.thegathering.life/](http://www.thegathering.life)

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Reverend David Graham

218 N. Henderson St., Toulon • (309) 286-4901

Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.

Email fccotoulon@gmail.com

website: firstcongregationaltoulon.org

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Pastor Marshall Jones

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(309) 932-3733

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Rev. Shawna Marsh

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204 N. 7th St., PO Box 35, Wyoming, IL 61491

(309) 695-4091

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Email: pastor@toulonbaptist.com

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Contact: messiahlutherangalva@gmail.com

1-309-932-3346

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Galva First United Methodist Church

Rev. Rebecca Gearhart

214 NW 2nd Ave., Galva, IL 61434 • (309) 932-2460

preachinghope@gmail.com

galvafirst@gmail.com

Sunday Worship: 9:0 a.m.

Holy Trinity National Catholic Church

Father John Cramer

716 N. Tremont, Kewanee, IL

Mass - Sat. at 5 p.m., Sun. at 9 a.m., Mon.-Thurs. at 9 a.m.

Rectory Phone: 309-852-5191

Father Cramer Phone: 574-329-9292

Wyoming United Methodist Church

Pastor Rebecca Klemm

302 North Main Street PO Box 287 Wyoming, IL, 61491-

0287. 309-606-9027

Email: WyomingUMCPastor@gmail.com

Service is held at 10 a.m. Sunday morning.

Bradford Leet United Methodist Church

Leet UMC 118 E. Main St., Bradford, IL 61421

Services on Sundays at 10:15 a.m.

Boyd's Grove United Methodist Church

Leet UMC 1976 Wyanet Walnut Rd, Bradford, IL. 61421

Services on Sundays at 9 a.m.

Rev Dan Wright

309-897-8113 309-507-1626

thewrights62@hotmail.com

Bradford Apostolic Christian Church

440 E Main St Bradford IL 61421

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
 OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
 HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS**
ESTATE OF RICHARD L. DOWNDAR, Deceased
 No. 2026-PR-13

CLAIM NOTICE
 (Publication)

Notice is given of the death of **RICHARD L. DOWNDAR**. Letters of Office were issued on **January 30, 2026**, to **Stacy McDaniel** of **237 Marion Ct 7044, Flippin, AR 72634**, as Independent Administrator, whose attorney is **Michael Massie, Massie & Quick, LLC, P.O. Box 205, Galva, IL 61434**.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Henry County Circuit Clerk, Henry County Courthouse, **307 W. Center St., Cambridge, IL 61238**, or with the representative, or both, within six months from the date of first publication, the **BAR DATE**, and any claim not filed within that period is **barred**. Copies of a claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within ten days after it has been filed.

Name Barash & Everett, LLC
 Attorney for Administrator
 Address P.O. Box 165
 City Galva, IL 61434
 Phone (309) 932-2001

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

ESTATE OF ELLA J. PINNICK, Deceased
 No. 2025PR115

CLAIM NOTICE
 (Publication)

Notice is given of the death of **Ella J. Pinnick**. Letters of Office were issued on **January 20, 2026**, to **Robert L. VerHeeke**, as Independent Administrator whose attorneys are **Barash & Everett, LLC**.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the **office of the clerk of the court, Henry County, Cambridge, Illinois** or with the representative, or both on or before **July 20, 2026**. Any claim not filed by that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

Name Barash & Everett, LLC
 Attorney for Administrator
 Address P.O. Box 165
 City Galva, IL 61434
 Phone (309) 932-2001
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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE
 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
 STARK COUNTY - 130 WEST MAIN
 STREET TOULON, ILLINOIS**

THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL
 BANK,
 Plaintiff,
 v.

ANGEL AROCHO, AKA ANGEL C. AROCHO; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants, Case No. 2026FC1

The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to **Angel Arocho, AKA Angel C. Arocho, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants**, that the said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit, Stark County, Illinois by the said plaintiff against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to wit:

The West Half of Lots 4 and 5 in Block 2 in Giles C. Dana's Addition to the City of Wyoming, Illinois, excepting therefrom 10 feet of even width off of the North side of said Lot 4, situated in Stark County, Illinois.

211 South 7th Street, Wyoming, IL 61491

07-01-104-003

Now, therefore, unless you, **Angel Arocho, AKA Angel C. Arocho, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants**, and the said above named defendants, file your answer to the complaint in said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the office of the Clerk of the Tenth Judicial Circuit, Stark County, Illinois, on or before March 24, 2026, default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a Judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint.

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/get>

help.asp or contact the Clerk of this Court.
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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE
 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
 STARK COUNTY - 130 WEST MAIN
 STREET TOULON, ILLINOIS**
CBI BANK & TRUST d/b/a F&M BANK, Plaintiff,
 vs.
RICK K. MCGHEE; ANITA M. MCGHEE; CAPITAL ONE BANK, N.A.; CITIZENS EQUITY FIRST CREDIT UNION; THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE; STATE OF ILLINOIS; DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; DISCOVER BANK; COMMERCE BANK; LVNV FUNDING, LLC; PARTIES IN POSSESSION; INTERESTED PERSONS; UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants.
CASE NO. 2025 FC 2

NOTICE OF SALE
 (735 I.L.C.S. Sec. 5/15-1507(c))
 Public notice is hereby given to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered by the Court in the above-entitled cause that the property hereinafter described, or so much thereof shall be sufficient to satisfy said judgment, will be sold to the highest bidder.

1. The name, address and telephone number of the person to contact for information regarding the real estate is Ian Smith, telephone number 309-344-2563.

2. The legal description of the real estate is: Commencing at a point One Hundred Fifty-One (151) feet West of the Southeast corner of Block "V" of Giles C. Dana's Addition to Wyoming, Illinois; running thence North One Hundred Forty-Eight (148) feet; thence West Fifty (50) feet; thence South One Hundred Forty-Eight (148) feet; thence East Fifty (50) feet to the Place of

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

In the Matter of the Estate of **Eleanor A. Addis, Deceased**
 No. 2026PR1

**NOTICE OF CLAIM DATE
 AND NOTICE TO UNKNOWN HEIRS**

Notice is given of the death of **Eleanor A. Addis** on **September 1, 2025**, and that Letters Testamentary were issued on **January 15, 2026**, to **James D. Addis**, whose attorneys are **Heyl, Royster, Voelker & Allen, 300 Hamilton Blvd., P.O. Box 6199, Peoria, IL 61601**. Claims may be filed within six months from the date of issuance of Letters of Office or within six months from the date of the first publication of this Notice of Claim Date, whichever is later, and any claim not filed on or before that date is **barred** as to the estate which is inventoried within that period.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Stark County Courthouse, Toulon, Illinois, and copies thereof mailed or delivered to said legal representative and to said attorneys of record. Within 42 days after the effective date of the original order of admission, any heir or legatee may file a petition with the Court to require proof of the will by testimony of the witnesses to the will in open court or other evidence, as provided in Section 5/6-21 of the Probate Act of 1975 (755 ILCS 5/6-21).

You also have the right under Section 5/8-1 of the Probate Act of 1975 (755 ILCS 5/8-1) to contest the validity of the will by filing a petition with the Court within 6 months after admission of the will to probate.

Dated this 22nd day of January, A.D. 2026.

HEYL, ROYSTER, VOELKER & ALLEN

By: ____/s Timothy W. Kirk
 Attorneys for Executor of the Estate of
 Eleanor A. Addis, Deceased
 Timothy W. Kirk
 Heyl, Royster, Voelker & Allen
 P.O. Box 6199
 Peoria, IL 61601-6199
 Telephone: (309) 676-0400

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**CLAIM NOTICE
 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
 HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS, IN PROBATE**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE
 ESTATE OF JOSEPH GIOIOSO, Deceased**
 CASE NO: 2026PR15

NOTICE is given of the death of **JOSEPH GIOIOSO**. Letters of Office were issued on **February 6th, 2026**, to: **RANDY M. GIOIOSO-GARCIA, 8216 Holly Ct. Palos Hills, Illinois 60465**, as Independent Administrator of the Estate of **JOSEPH GIOIOSO-GARCIA**, deceased, whose attorneys are:

Justin M. Raver
KARLIN RAVER, LLC
 101 N Tremont Street
 Kewanee, IL 61443

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. Claims must be filed on or before **August 13, 2026**, and any Claim not filed within that period is **barred**. Claims may either be filed with the representative of the Estate or in the **Office of the Circuit Clerk of this Court, Henry County Courthouse, Cambridge, Illinois**, or both. If filed with the Court, the claimant, within 10 days after filing this Claim with the Court,

(1) Shall cause a copy of the Claim to be mailed or delivered to the representative and to her Attorney of record, unless the representative or her Attorney has, in writing, either consented to the allowance of the Claim or waived mailing or delivery of copies.

(2) Shall file with the Court proof of any required mailing or delivery of copies.

Justin M. Raver
KARLIN RAVER, LLC
 Attorneys for Melissa Merkel, Independent Administrator
 101 N. Tremont Street
 Kewanee, IL 61443
 DATED: February 6, 2026

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Beginning; also the use of a strip of land Thirteen and One-Half (13 1/2) feet in width lying North of land herein described and North of the tracts heretofore deeded to Frank M. Colgan and Harriet M. Peard, to be used as a private alley only, Stark County, Illinois.

PIN: 04-36-314-009

3. The common address or other common description, if any, of the real estate is:

104 East Park Street, Wyoming, IL 61491

4. A description of the improvements on the real estate is as follows:

Single Family Dwelling

5. The time and place of sale is: March 10, 2026 at 10:00a.m. at the Stark County Courthouse in Toulon, Illinois.

6. The terms of the sale are payment in full in cash at the time of sale.

7. The case title, case number and court in which the foreclosure action was filed is pending is shown above.

8. Title to the real estate will be conveyed subject to all general real estate taxes, which are a lien upon the real estate, special assessments, if any, easements and restrictions of record and subject to leases of

tenants in possession of the premises.

Dated this 26th day of January, 2026.

/s/Douglas R. Lindstrom, Jr.

Douglas R. Lindstrom, Jr. 6291748

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE
 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
 STARK COUNTY - 130 WEST MAIN
 STREET TOULON, ILLINOIS**

ESTATE OF BOBBIE J. WALTERS DECEASED.
 Case No. 2026PR2.

**PETITION FOR LETTERS OF
 ADMINISTRATION -
 State of Illinois,**

In the Matter of the Petition for Letters of Administration upon the estate of **BOBBIE J. WALTERS**, deceased. Case No. 2026PR2.

Public Notice is hereby given that an amended application or petition for Letters of Administration be granted to **Shawn P. Ryan** and that said Petition has

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

PEOPLES NATIONAL BANK OF KEWANEE,

Plaintiff,

Case No. 2026FC5

v.

AMANDA L. CURRIER; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS,
 Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE BY PUBLICATION

The requisite Affidavit for Publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to you, all Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, Defendants in the above-captioned cause, that the above-captioned mortgage foreclosure action was filed on February 3, 2026, and is now pending.

1. The names of all Plaintiffs, the Court in which this action was brought, and the Case Number are identified above.

2. The name of the titleholder of record is: **Amanda L. Currier**

3. A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows:

"The East 1/2 of Lots 17 and 18 Block 1 of Hoffrichter's Addition to the City of Kewanee, Township of Kewanee, County of Henry, State of Illinois"

PIN:20-32-483-002

4. A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows: **715 Pine Street, Kewanee IL 61443**

5. An identification of the mortgage sought to be foreclosed is as follows:

a. Names of Mortgagor: **Amanda L. Currier**

b. Name of Mortgagee: Peoples National Bank of Kewanee

c. Date of Mortgage: **May 8, 2018**

d. Date of Recording:

SPORTS: Girls regional action opens Saturday

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Daum had 16 points and Browning scored 13, including eight in the fourth quarter.

Stark County managed only one first-quarter point Feb. 4 in a 51-32 loss to Elmwood. Khaiden Turnbull had a team-high 11 points for Stark County.

• **Galva boys** — Annawan halted Galva's winning streak at 11 games by beating the Wildcats 67-63 on Tuesday night. The loss also was the first of the season for Galva (20-7) in 10 LTC games. Galva had four double-digit scorers: Blake Stahl (17), MJ Louck (13), JP Sloan (12) and Reid Harris (11).

Stahl had 34 points and 13 rebounds Feb. 6 to lead Galva past Monmouth United, 76-62. Sloan had 18 points, seven rebounds and three steals, and Louck had 14 points and six assists.

Galva was to play Thursday night at Abingdon-Avon, then is to play in the LTC Tournament.

• **Stark County girls** — Coley Johnston scored 16 points and Sophie Finnegan chipped in with 14 in 42-21 win over West Central on Wednesday, Feb. 4. The next day, Stark County had a 32-point second half to rally for a 46-41 victory over Midwest Central. The Lady Rebels trailed 22-14 at halftime in the win Thursday.

In the LTC tournament on Saturday, Finnegan scored 25 and Johnston contributed 18 as seventh-seeded Stark County beat sixth-seeded Ridgewood 44-31 to set up a game against Knoxville on Monday. Knoxville won that contest 43-27...

• **Galva girls** — Lost 66-44 against Abingdon-Avon on Feb. 4 in its final game of the regular season.

Galva won its LTC tournament

game against West Central 45-39 on Saturday and was scheduled to close out tournament play against United on Monday before serving as a regional host for the IHSA state basketball series.

• **Class 1A Galva Regional** — The girls basketball regional tips off with Stark County getting a rematch against host Ridgewood in the opening round at 11:30 a.m. Saturday (Game 1). In other openers Saturday, No. 13 seed Morrison plays at No. 4 Bureau Valley (Game 2) and No. 12 Galva plays at No. 6 Polo (Game 3).

The semifinals are scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 17 at Galva, top-seeded Sterling Newman Central Catholic will face the Game 1 winner at 6 p.m. followed by a 7:30 p.m. matchup between the winners of Game 2 and Game 3.

The regional final is scheduled for Friday, Feb. 20 at 6 p.m.

DIVISION 00—PROCEDURAL & CONTRACTING REQUIREMENTS SECTION 001113 ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

DATE: February 12, 2026

PROJECT: Ceiling and Lighting Replacement Project at Galva Junior/Senior High School for Galva CUSD #224

LOCATION: Galva Junior/Senior High School, 1020 North Center Avenue, Galva, Illinois 61434

OWNER: Galva CUSD #224

224 Morgan Road
Galva, Illinois 61434

ARCHITECT: Richard L. Johnson Associates, Inc.

4703 Charles Street
Rockford, Illinois 61108
(815) 398-1231
(815) 398-1280 FAX

SCOPE: Separate Base Bids shall be submitted for the ceiling replacement work and the electrical work. Base Bid #1 will be for all work exclusive of the electrical work. Base Bid #2 will include the electrical work. The Base Bid #2 contractor will be assigned to the Base Bid #1 contractor. The Base Bid #1 contractor shall coordinate the work for both contractors.

BIDDING REQUIREMENT: Electrical Contractor must be an approved Ameren Contractor for the Small Business Direct Install (SBDI) Program. Contact **Gretchen Primeau** at 309-512-2778 or gprimeau@ameren.com.

DATE DUE: Sealed bids will be received until 11:00am, Thursday, March 5, 2026 at the office of the Galva CUSD #224 School District, 224 Morgan Road, Galva, IL 61434 and will be publicly opened and read aloud at that time.

PRE-BID MEETING: All prospective Contractors are urged to attend a pre-bid meeting at 11:00am on **Thursday, February 19, 2026**, at Galva Junior / Senior High School.

MANDATORY PRE-BID SITE

VISIT: Contractors are required to make a mandatory survey of the existing conditions prior to bidding.

ACCESS TO BIDDING DOCUMENTS:

Bidding Documents are on file for reference at the following locations:

Office of the Architect, Rockford, Illinois

Bidding Documents may be secured from the office of the Architect.

Plans and Specifications are available for download at www.rlarch.com under "Contractors".

DEPOSIT REQUIRED: Bidders may secure up to two (2) sets of bidding documents by submitting a non-refundable check for \$100.00 per set, or \$150.00 per set if documents are to be mailed.

BID FORM: Bids shall be submitted in duplicate on forms issued by the Architect.

PERFORMANCE BOND: A performance and payment bond for the full amount of the Contract will be required of the successful bidder. All costs associated with the bond shall be included in the bid amount.

BID SECURITY: Bids shall be accompanied by a Bid Security of at least 5% of the total amount of the base bid and all additive alternate bids. This may be in the form of a certified check, cashier's check, bank draft, or bid bond, payable to the Owner as a guarantee that the bidder will enter into a contract with the Owner and will furnish the proper performance and payment bond within the time limited by the Owner. If the successful bidder so files the contract and performance and payment bond, upon the execution of the contract by the Owner, the Bid Security will be returned to all bidders. If he/she fails to file such contract and performance and payment bond the amount of the Bid Security will be forfeited to the Owner as liquidated damages.

WAGE RULES: The general prevailing rate of wages in the locality in which the work is to be performed for each craft or type of worker or mechanic needed to execute the contract will adhere to all Federal Laws and Laws of the State, and to all local ordinances and regulations applicable to the work hereunder, and having force of law.

RIGHTS RESERVED BY OWNER: The Owner reserves the right to waive any irregularities and/or reject any or all bids when, in the opinion of the Owner, such action will serve the best interests of the Owner.

WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS: No bid may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after the opening of bids without written consent of the Owner. By order of the Board of Education for Galva CUSD #224.

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game against West Central 45-39 on Saturday and was scheduled to close out tournament play against United on Monday before serving as a regional host for the IHSA state basketball series.

• **Class 1A Galva Regional** — The girls basketball regional tips off with Stark County getting a rematch against host Ridgewood in the opening round at 11:30 a.m. Saturday (Game 1). In other openers Saturday, No. 13 seed Morrison plays at No. 4 Bureau Valley (Game 2) and No. 12 Galva plays at No. 6 Polo (Game 3).

The semifinals are scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 17 at Galva, top-seeded Sterling Newman Central Catholic will face the Game 1 winner at 6 p.m. followed by a 7:30 p.m. matchup between the winners of Game 2 and Game 3.

The regional final is scheduled for Friday, Feb. 20 at 6 p.m.



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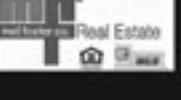
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The Prairie News Sports


Daum, Rebels hot at right time

Boys in LTC tourney; Girls entering regional play

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For The Prairie News

If the Stark County boys basketball game Tuesday night was a harbinger, it's the perfect time for one.

Connor Daum had 32 points, including 17 in the first quarter of a 69-50 Lincoln Trail Conference victory at Kewanee Westersfield. That snapped a five-game losing streak for the Rebels (7-16, 4-6).

Daum had three 3-pointers in the opening eight minutes. He scored eight in the fourth quarter and was 8-for-8 on free throws overall. Ben Browning had 12 points and Jeremiah Siebenthal 11 in a game Stark County Coach Kane Mastin called its most complete of the season.

"Everyone played well collectively," he stated. "As cliché as it sounds, once our kids start to understand our synergy, we can compete with many teams in the area."

Following a league home game that was scheduled for Thursday night against Biggsville West Central, Stark County is to play in the LTC Tournament, which begins Saturday at Woodhull. Pairings based on regular-season conference records are to be released today (Feb. 13).

The LTC event is a prelude to the state tournament, which begins Feb. 23 with regional play. Pairings are to be available online after 4 p.m. today at the Illinois High School Association website, www.ihsa.org.

Daum had 21 points Feb. 9 and Caleb Gentle scored 10, but Stark County lost a nonconference game to Henry, 64-58. Daum had eight first-quarter points and made two 3-pointers in

the third quarter. Stark County trailed by five at halftime but by nine after three.

"We couldn't execute when we needed to most," Mastin stated. "The scorebook doesn't tell the full story. Henry has a nice team, but I felt this was one we let slip away."

A second-half run wasn't enough for Stark County to overcome Ridgewood in a 58-51 LTC defeat Feb. 6.

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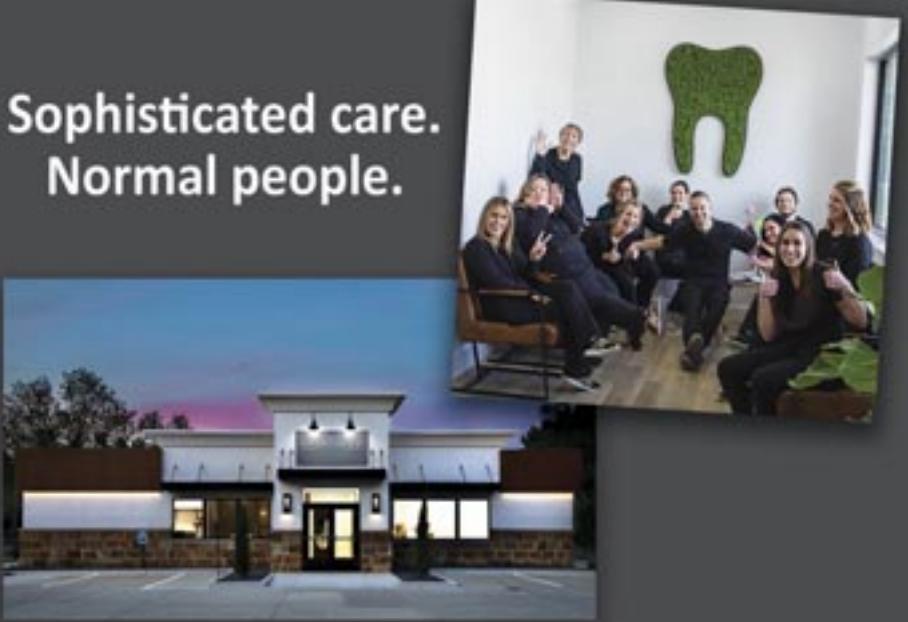


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