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## BUSY PRIMARY?

## Will turnout improve for primary?

Open seats in House, Senate may get vote out

By **JEFF LAMPE**  
For The Prairie News

While races are not very heated locally, next Tuesday's March 17 primary election is shaping up to be unusually busy in parts of Illinois.

Due to retirements, six House and Senate seats in Illinois are open and 60 hopefuls are vying for those positions. Overall, five of the state's 17 Congressional seats are open, which represents roughly one-quarter of all House Democratic retirements and 10% of all House retirements in the country, according to an Associated Press analysis.

The AP reports that by one expert's measure, it's Illinois' largest number of open House seats going back at least 70 years. That has fueled speculation that more voters will take part in this primary than in 2024, when the statewide turnout of 19% was the lowest in more than 50 years.

But those Congressional seats up for grabs are all in the Chicago area. Closer to home, Congressional incumbents U.S. Rep. Eric Sorensen (17th District) and Darin LaHood (16th) are favorites and there is not much local intrigue.

The big races on the ballot Tuesday are for governor and lieutenant



Illinois voters have a chance to cast their votes in the upcoming statewide primary election being held on Tuesday, March 17.

governor, United States Senator, Illinois state comptroller and secretary of state.

The race to replace retiring Sen. Dick Durbin has attracted the most candidates, with 11 names listed on Democratic ballots and six on the Republican side. U.S. Rep. Raja Krishnamoorthi leads eight of 10 Democratic polls by as much as 26% despite Gov. JB Pritzker's support for Lt. Gov. Julianna Stratton.

Don Tracy has a narrow lead among Republican candidates for Durbin's seat, though polls show

many 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. Governor.

Republican gubernatorial candidates are former State Senator and 2022 gubernatorial nominee Darren Bailey, DuPage County Sheriff James Mendrick, businessman Rick Heidner and former WirePoints CEO Ted Dabrowski. Bailey is a clear leader in polls,

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## Speedy meeting

With storm approaching, Stark Co. Board makes short order of agenda items

By **ANDY LATORA**  
For The Prairie News

TOULON – The Stark County Board of Supervisors heeded weather alerts and staged a lightning-quick meeting Tuesday night at the county courthouse.

The meeting was called to order at precisely 6:30 p.m. After roll call and six other mandated actions, the board skipped over agenda discussion items (committee reports, etc.) and delved into new business.

At 6:44 p.m. the meet-

ing adjourned.

Before board members hustled to the safety of home, they approved the following items:

- A special-use permit for a temporary, 60-meter tower for Goldrush Apple Energy. The tower is used to measure wind.
- A resolution to approve membership in the North Central Illinois Council of Governments. The board had previously approved the free membership but NCICG requested a formal

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## SPRING ROYALTY



Seniors Jay Smith and Kailynn Townsend were crowned King and Queen of the Galva High School Spring Fling Saturday night. Smith is the son of Deb Smith and the late Roger Smith and Townsend is the daughter of Craig and Sarah Townsend, all of Galva.

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# ELECTION: Very few contested local races

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with up to 34% of the vote.

Four women are running for Illinois comptroller on the Democratic side: Margaret Croke, Stephanie Kifowit, Holly Kim and Karina Villa. Bryan Drew is the lone Republican candidate.

In the race for Illinois secretary of state, Republicans Walter Adamczyk and Diane M. Harris face one another in the primary for a chance to run against Democratic incumbent Alexi Giannoulis.

Contested elections are few and far between on the local level.

Stark County Democrats will see a contested race on the ballot for 16th State Central Committeeperson. Running for two spots are candidates Kevin Lamm, Patrick Cortesi and Kim Armstrong.

Henry County Republicans in Galva and Kewanee and some other parts of the county have a Congressional choice in the 17th District between Dilan S. Vancil and Julie

Bickelhaupt.

Vancil opened his first of six Dame Fine Coffee shops in Monmouth and has also been a railroad worker and served as a school board member for West Central CUSD 235.

Bickelhaupt farms with her husband near Mount Carroll and has also served as a county board member. She also manages human relations for her family's insurance business.

The winner will face incumbent Sorensen of Moline, who in 2024 won a

second term over Joe McGraw with 53.8% of the vote.

Henry County Republicans also have a choice to make for the County Board in District 2. Six candidates are running for five positions in District 2, which encompasses primarily the southern half of the county and includes Galva and Kewanee. Candidates are David Tomsic, Chad L. Winter, Natalie Hendryx, Deborah Casteel, Kevin Brown and Marshall Jones.

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### Stark County Athletic Program

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# BOARD: OK'd resolution for new county offices

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resolution. The board is hoping to get help from the group in drawing up a mandated solid-waste plan for the county.

- A resolution for the Peoria Area Convention and Visitors Bureau, which can apply for grants for tourism on behalf of the county.

- The reappointment of Janelle Down to the health board.

- The appointment of Matt Forstrom to the Planning Commission for

a three-year term that begins April 1.

- An annual public-transportation ordinance that ensures the county will provide public transportation.

- A resolution to appoint Joe Rediger to the E911 Emergency Telephone System Board.

In addition to no committee reports from board members, there were no reports on county highways, finances or from the sheriff's department.

The board did approve minutes from two previous meetings: the Feb. 10 regular monthly meeting and a March 4 special meeting. The lone agenda item at the March 4 meeting was for a resolution approving the construction of a County Administrative Office Building with the assistance of federal grant funds.

The resolution is part of the requirement to apply for federal grants. The vote was 6-1 in favor of the resolution.

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**Incidents & Accidents  
Stark County**

**2-25** - The Stark County Sheriff's Department assisted at the scene of a rural Wyoming residential structure fire shortly before 9 a.m. The Wyoming Fire Department responded to the initial emergency call located west of Wyoming on Route 17. A 48-year-old resident reportedly was taken by ambulance to a local hospital for medical treatment. The incident remains under investigation through the Illinois State Fire Marshall's office.

**2-27** - John R. Potter, 33, address unavailable, was arrested by the Stark County Sheriff's Office following a traffic stop and extradited to the Bureau County Jail on an outstanding Peoria County warrant. He was charged with two counts of failure to appear in court, according to the Peoria County Sheriff's Office.

**2-27** - The Stark County Sheriff's Department responded to a report of a person with a gun in LaFayette. Upon further investigation two juveniles were located including a 13-year-old boy who presented a green colored air soft BB gun that reportedly resembled a Glock with a magazine. A parent of the minors arrived on scene and requested that the deputy take the gun and dispose of it.

**3-1** - Terry D. Hand, 60, Toulon, was ticketed for illegal possession of adult-use cannabis by a driver. He was issued a court date to appear.

**3-2** - Preston Davis, 19, no address available, was cited for speeding 79 mph in a 55 zone.

**3-3** - Dillon P. Comb, 34, no address available, was cited for speeding 75 mph in a 55 zone.

**3-3** - Logan L. Hendrickson, 44, no made available, was ticketed for driving without a valid driver's license and operating an uninsured vehicle. His vehicle was impounded and he was issued a court date to appear.

**3-4** - Thomas R. Stoecker Jr., 30, Wyoming, was cited for 75 mph in a 55 zone.

**3-4** - A deer related vehicle accident occurred on Illinois Route 93 near the intersection of 850E. The driver involved was Jon D. Rediger, 33, of rural Toulon. No injuries were reported but damage was reported to the vehicle's right-side fender.

**3-5** - Three deer-related accidents were reported from various unidentified locations including driver's whose addresses were not made immediately available including Ryker



C. Jackson and Riley J. Werderman, both 18, and Aleijah J. Willis, 19. No additional information was included with the accident reports.

**Galva Report**

**Officer dispatched:**

**3-2** - to the 200 block of SW 6th Ave. for a complaint involving a loose dog that was struck by a vehicle. The dog had minor injuries and was returned to its owners.

**3-2** - While patrolling, officer noticed a freight train had stopped and was blocking all Galva crossings. The train began to move after about 10 minutes, allowing traffic to resume.

**3-2** - to City Hall to speak to a subject about an ordinance warning letter they had received.

**3-2** - Officer met with a subject at the Galva Police Department to follow up on a theft complaint previously reported.

**3-2** - to the 100 block of NW 3rd Ave. for a civil standby during a child visitation.

**3-2** - As the result of a traffic stop in the 600 block of S. Center Ave., Lacey Hall, 37, Altona, was cited for operating a vehicle when registration suspended for mandatory insurance violation. She was released with a required court date.

**3-2** - As the result of a traffic stop in the 200 block of S. Exchange St., Jennifer Willey, 43, Kewanee, was cited for operating a vehicle when registration suspended for mandatory insurance violation. She was released with a required court date.

**3-3** - While patrolling, officer noticed a freight train had stopped and was blocking all Galva crossings. BNSF was contacted and the train eventually moved along.

**3-3** - Officer assisted Illinois DCFS with information about a local family.

**3-3** - Officer met with a subject at the Galva Police Department to speak about obtaining an order of

protection.

**3-3** - to the east edge of town to watch for a reckless driver following several complaints. Officer located the suspect vehicle and conducted a traffic stop. The driver was issued a written warning for following too closely.

**3-4** - along with the fire department, to the 500 block of SE Industrial Ave for a truck possibly on fire. Upon arrival, the truck had been unloaded, but there was a small fire on the ground. The fire department was able to extinguish the fire.

**3-4** - to assist Henry County with a vehicle pursuit that came towards the Galva area a few times. The subject ultimately wrecked and was taken into custody northwest of Galva by Henry County.

**3-4** - to assist the ambulance with medical calls on SW 4th St. and SE 1 st St.

**3-5** - to the 100 block of N. Exchange St. for a complaint involving disorderly conduct and social media threats.

**3-5** - As the result of a traffic stop in the 300 block of Main St., Robin Atkinson, 60, Kewanee, was cited for operating a vehicle when registration suspended and operating an uninsured vehicle. She was released with a required court date.

**3-5** - to the 400 block of NW 4th St. for a theft complaint.

**3-5** - Officer was notified about a dog bite complaint by hospital staff. The incident actually occurred in rural Galva, so the information was relayed to Henry County.

**3-6** - to meet with a subject at the police department to take a complaint involving identity theft.

**3-6** - to City Hall to speak to a resident about an ordinance violation notice they had received.

**3-6** - to Wiley Park for a disturbance involving a group of juveniles.

**3-6** - to a physical disturbance in the 700 block of NW 1st Ave. The victim declined to prosecute.

**3-6** - to assist a motorist in the 100 block of Morgan Road with a flat tire.

**3-7** - to the 500 block of SW 3rd St. to serve a resident a written banning notice after a theft complaint a few days ago.

**3-7** - along with the ambulance, to the 500 block of SE 2nd St. for an intoxicated patient. The subject refused transport.

**3-8** - to the 900 block of SE 2nd St. to assist a motorist who apparently had a broken axle.

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**Stark County awards Ag in Classroom honors**

WYOMING – The Stark County Farm Bureau Foundation took time at its March 7 trivia night to honor the contributions of several Stark County educators involved in the school's Ag in the Classroom Program.

Debbie Ford was recognized as teacher of the year and Rita Krause was named volunteer of the year at the event held in the Stark County Junior Fair Building. Also receiving certificates were Sarah DeBord, Haley Down and Brett Elliott.



The Stark County Farm Bureau Foundation honored several Ag in the Classroom Program educators at its March 7 trivia night fundraiser in Wyoming. Pictured from left to right are Sarah DeBord, Haley Down, Debbie Ford, Rita Krause and Brett Elliott.

**Et cetera**

• BRADFORD – The Bradford chess team participated in the IESA state chess meet in Peoria. The 6th grade team placed 28th out of 53 teams and Athan Barto-Colvin and Mason Streitmatter scored the most

points. The 7th grade team was 50th out of 61 teams and Kayden Thomas scored the most points. The 8th grade team placed 30th out of 62 teams and Derek Alexander scored the most points.

• BISHOP HILL – Rock-and-roll

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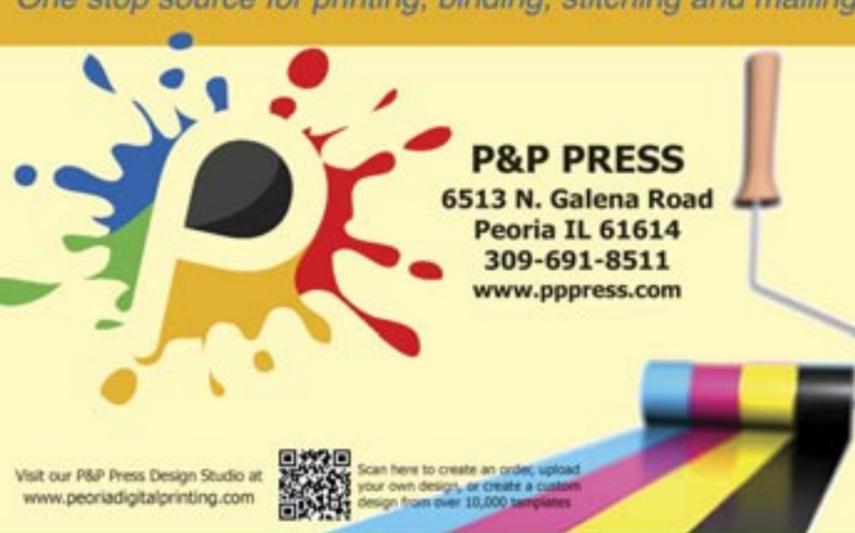
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## OBITUARIES

### Michael H. Hepner

BISHOP HILL – Michael H. “Mike” Hepner, 70, of Bishop Hill, died at 1:36 p.m., Saturday, March 7, 2026, at OSF St. Mary Medical Center in Galesburg.



Hepner

Funeral services were to be held at 1 p.m., Wednesday, March 11 at Rux Funeral Home in Galva with Pastor Rebecca Gearhart officiating. A visitation was to be held from noon until the time of the services at the funeral home. The burial will be at Bishop Hill Cemetery. Memorials may be directed to the Henry County Humane Society.

Mike was born on July 13, 1955, in Kewanee, the son of Robert H. and Gloria Mae (Clark) Hepner. He married Silvia Interrial on July 10, 1976, in Bishop Hill. Silvia survives as well as their children, Jessica (Derek) Timmons of Abingdon, Michael R. (Katie) Hepner of South Bend, Ind., Lindsey (Frisman Jackson) Hepner of Redmond, Wash. and Morgan (Juan) Hepner-Garcia of Fort Knox, Ky., thirteen grandchild-

dren, Brooke, Owen, Ella, Ruth, Grace, Calvin, Augustus, Henry, Maggie, Forrest, Anya, Mannex and Lexton, a sister, Connie (Don) Gerard of Galva, two brothers, Edward (Cathy) Hepner of San Antonio, Texas and Douglas (Patty) Hepner of Kewanee and several nieces and nephews.

Mike graduated from Galva High School in 1973. He was an avid collector of antiques. He enjoyed antiquing and researching the history behind many of the pieces he collected. He took great pride in Bishop Hill and its history. He enjoyed playing cards, especially pitch, and spending time at the Filling Station where he could be found catching up on the local coming and goings of his friends and neighbors. He was exceptionally proud of his children and grandchildren and took great interest in their activities.

### Frances Price

KEWANEE – Frances R. Price, 98, of Kewanee, passed away Friday, March 6, 2026, at Arcadia Care of Kewanee, surrounded by her loving family.

She was born on April 20, 1927, in Bradford at home, the daughter of Frank Sr. and Daisy (Hewitt) Mannon.

Frances married Dale Price on June 26, 1948. He preceded her in death on Aug. 22, 2022.

Frances is survived by two sons, Dennis (Donya) Price of Kewanee and Rich (Sheri) Price of Kewanee; three grandchildren, Dean (Rachelle) Price, Kewanee, Duane (Torri) Price, Sheffield, and Eric Price, Kewanee; three great-grandchildren, Dillon, Jackson and Daelyn; and a brother, Frank “Toad” Mannon Jr., Kewanee.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; two sisters, Mary Ferris and Julia Barton; and a brother, Clyde Mannon.

Frances worked as an office manager for Dale Price Coal Yard, working alongside her husband, Dale. In her younger years she worked for the YMCA Kiddie Kollege. She enjoyed watching birds at her bird feeder, collecting pottery antiques, and baking pies. Most of all, Frances loved spending time with her family.

Private graveside services will be held on Tuesday, March 10, 2026. Pastor Andrew Christman will officiate. Burial will be in Pleasant View Cemetery.

Condolences can be left online at [www.golnickschuenemanfh.com](http://www.golnickschuenemanfh.com).

## Church Directory

### Toulon Methodist Church

229 W. Main St., P.O. Box 538, Toulon, IL. 61483  
Phone (309) 286-2224  
Pastor Glenn Corbly 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 Corbly 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  
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### 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](mailto:info@thegathering.life)  
website: [www.thegathering.life/](http://www.thegathering.life/)  
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Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Email [fcctoulon@gmail.com](mailto:fcctoulon@gmail.com)  
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Thursday Kids Club 5:30 to 7 p.m.  
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Facebook: Wyoming Naz • Website: [www.wyomingnaz.com](http://www.wyomingnaz.com)

### First Congregational Church

204 N. 7th St., PO Box 35, Wyoming, IL 61491  
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Sunday Youth Group 5-7 p.m.  
Wednesday Kid’s Club 5:30-7 p.m.  
Wednesday Virtual Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.  
Email: [pastor@toulonbaptist.com](mailto:pastor@toulonbaptist.com)  
[www.ToulonBaptist.com](http://www.ToulonBaptist.com)  
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Contact: [messiahlutherangalva@gmail.com](mailto:messiahlutherangalva@gmail.com)  
1-309-932-3346  
Facebook: Messiah Lutheran—Galva, IL

### Galva First United Methodist Church

Rev. Rebecca Gearhart  
214 NW 2nd Ave., Galva, IL 61434 • (309) 932-2460  
[preachinghope@gmail.com](mailto:preachinghope@gmail.com)  
[galvafirst@gmail.com](mailto:galvafirst@gmail.com)  
Sunday Worship: 9:0 a.m.

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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](mailto:WyomingUMCPastor@gmail.com)  
Service is held at 10 a.m. Sunday morning.

### Bradford Leet United Methodist Church

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Leet UMC 118 E. Main St., Bradford, IL 61421  
Services on Sundays at 10:15 a.m.  
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Services on Sundays at 9 a.m.  
Rev Dan Wright  
309-897-8113 309-507-1626  
[thewrights62@hotmail.com](mailto:thewrights62@hotmail.com)

### Bradford Apostolic Christian Church

440 E Main St Bradford IL 61421  
9:45 a.m. Sunday Worship Service and simultaneous Sunday School pre-K thru 12+  
11:00 Lunch and Fellowship, 12:15 2nd Sunday Worship  
Wednesday Worship Service 7:15 pm  
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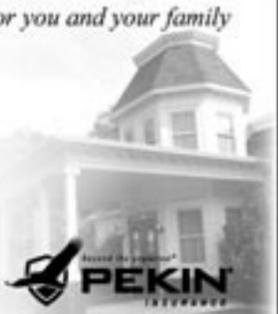
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**NOTICE**  
**GALVA CEMETERY CLEAN UP WEEK:**  
 All grave blankets, artificial flowers, potted flowers, and all other plants are requested to be removed from the Galva Cemetery by Sunday, March 29, 2026 if relatives wish to save them.  
 No more flowers should be placed on the graves until Friday, April 3, 2026.  
**Galva Cemetery Board**

**LEGAL ADS**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
 RE: Illinois Department of Transportation State Fiscal year 2027 Section 5311 Rural/Downstate Public Transportation Operating Assistance Grant Application. Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held in Marshall County and Stark County. Please email your request for information, questions, or comments by March 30, 2025 to either Hannah Fuchs, Marshall County PCOM, at pcom@marshall-countyillinois.gov or Traci Dowell, MSW Projects of Henry Executive Director, at tracimswprojects@gmail.com  
**Date:** March 20, 2026 **Time:** 11:00am **Place:** Toulon Nutrition Site, Toulon Methodist Church, 229 W. Main, Toulon, IL  
**Date:** March 25, 2025 **Time:** 11:00am **Place:** Henry Nutrition Site, St. John's Community Center, 1301 Second Street, Henry, IL.  
 For the purpose of considering a project for which financial assistance is being sought from Illinois Department of Transportation, pursuant to the Illinois Department of Transportation's general authority to make such Grants.  
**I. Description of Project:** Application for financial assistance to provide transportation services to the general public, elderly and individuals with disabilities in Marshall and Stark Counties.  
**II. At the Hearing:** Marshall County will afford an opportunity for interested persons or agencies to be heard with respect to the social, economic, and environmental aspects of the Project. Interested persons may submit orally or in writing evidence and recommendations with respect to said Project.  
**III. Marshall County** requests that any hearing impaired person wishing to attend this Public Hearing notify Traci Dowell at 309-364-2287 at least one week prior to the scheduled hearing date so that arrangements can be made to provide an interpreter.  
**IV. Copy** of the application for the state grant for the proposed project will be made available for public inspection at the MSW Projects office, 1013 Western Avenue, Henry, IL.  
 Traci Dowell, MSW Projects of Henry  
 P.O. Box 140, Henry, IL 61537  
 Published 3/13/26

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS**  
 ESTATE OF **RICHARD L. DOWNARD**, Deceased  
 No. 2026-PR-13  
**CLAIM NOTICE**  
 (Publication)  
 Notice is given of the death of **RICHARD L. DOWNARD**. Letters of Office were issued on **January 30, 2026**, to **Stacy McDaniel** of **237 Marion Cty 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.  
 Massie & Quick, LLC  
 Attorneys for Estate  
 P.O. Box 205  
 Galva, IL 61434  
 Telephone: (309) 932-2168  
 Published 2/27, 3/6, 3/13/26

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS**  
 ESTATE OF **NANCY L. DYNES**, Deceased  
 No. 2026-PR16  
**CLAIM NOTICE**  
 (Publication)  
 Notice is given of the death of **Nancy L. Dynes**. Letters of Office were issued on **February 6, 2026**, to **Larry M. Dynes** as Executor 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 August 6, 2026.  
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 Name Barash Everett, LLC  
 Attorney for Executor  
 Address P.O. Box 165  
 City Galva, IL 61434  
 Phone(309) 932-2001  
 Email: everettr@barashlaw.com  
 Published 2/27, 3/6, 3/13/26

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS**  
 ESTATE OF: **JOHN WAYNE HUGHES**, Deceased  
 No. 2026PR27  
**CLAIM NOTICE**  
 (Publication)  
 Notice is given of the death of **John Wayne Hughes**. Letters of Office were issued on **February 20, 2026**, to **Samuel Brown Hughes** as Executor 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 **August 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.  
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 Published 3/6, 3/13, 3/20/26

**CLAIM NOTICE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS IN PROBATE**  
 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF **PATRICK R. KING**, Deceased  
 CASE NO: 2026PR23  
 NOTICE is given of the death of **PATRICK R. KING**. Letters of Office were issued on February 17, 2026, to: **BETHANY ALEXANDER, 401 w Henry St. Atkinson, IL 61235**, as Independent Administrator of the Estate of **PATRICK R. KING**, deceased, whose attorneys are:  
**Justin M. Raver**  
**KARLIN RAVEN, LLC**  
**101 N TREMONT ST. 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 **September 8, 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 his Attorney of record, unless the representative or his 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 RAVEN, LLC  
 Attorneys for Bethany Alexander, Independent Administrator  
 101 N Tremont St.  
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 DATED: February 23, 2026  
 Published 3/6, 3/13, 3/20/26

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS**  
 ESTATE OF: **Peter L. Wallen**, Deceased  
 No. 2026PR21  
**CLAIM NOTICE**  
 (Publication)  
 Notice is given of the death of **Peter L. Wallen**. Letters of Office were issued on **February 12, 2026**, to **Jeffrey A. Wallen** as Executor 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 **August 28, 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.  
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 Name Barash & Everett, LLC  
 Attorney for Executor  
 P.O. Box 165  
 Galva, IL 61434  
 Phone(309) 932-2001  
 Email: everettr@barashlaw.com  
 Published 3/6, 3/13, 3/20/26

**NOTICE OF ASSUMED NAME BUSINESS**  
 Public Notice is hereby given that on Thursday, February 19, 2026, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Stark County, Illinois, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all of the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as COME AS YOU GLO located at 115 WEST MAIN ST. TOULON, IL 61483.  
 Dated this 19th day of February 2026.  
 /s/ Heather Hollis  
 County Clerk  
 No 2026ASN-11748  
 Published 2/27, 3/6, 3/13/26

**NOTICE OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING OF PENN TOWNSHIP**  
 Annual Town Meeting Notice is hereby given to the legal residents of the Township of Penn in the County of Stark and State of Illinois, that the Annual Meeting of said Township will take place on Tuesday, April 14, 2026 being the second Tuesday of said month at the hour of 6:30 o'clock p.m. at the Township meeting room, Castleton, Illinois for the transaction of miscellaneous business of said Town and a moderator having been elected, will proceed to hear and consider reports of officers and decide on such measures as may, in pursuance of law, come before the meeting.  
 Dated March 6, 2026  
 Jay Iliff, Penn Township Clerk.  
 Published 3/13/26

**NOTICE OF ASSUMED NAME BUSINESS**  
 Public Notice is hereby given that on Thursday, March 5, 2026, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Stark County, Illinois, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all of the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as FOX CREEK FARMS located at 16517 N. Bradford Rd., Bradford IL 61421.  
 Dated this 5th day of March 2026.  
 /s/ Heather Hollis  
 County Clerk  
 No. 2026ASN-11749  
 Published 3/13, 3/20, 3/27/26

# SC, Galva girls earn LTC basketball honors

By **ANDY LATORA**

For The Prairie News

Stark County's Coley Johnston and Galva's Kaylyn Gale were first-team honorees on the all-Lincoln Trail Conference girls basketball team.

Johnston scored 499 points during the season, an average of 16 per game, and pulled down six rebounds per game. She also had a team-best 113 steals.

Stark County's Sophie Finnegan, who led the Rebels with 88 assists and 32 blocks, was named to the all-LTC second team. Finnegan averaged 11.3 points per game.

Galva's Jovie Weber was

an honorable-mention choice in the league.

• **Indoor track** – The Stark County girls 4x800 relay team posted the fifth-fastest indoor time last week in central Illinois according to Central ILXCT. The girls relay won in a time of 10:27.7 on March 5 at the Westwood Center in Sterling. Relay members are Cheyenh Smith, Norah Rorem, Paytin Terwilliger and Dusti Smith.

The same quartet placed first in the 4x400 relay in 4:29.62.

Dusti Smith was second in the 1,600 (5:24.44) and Cheyenh Smith was second in the 1,600 (2:31.69).

Evan Knobloch won both the 800 (2:09.27) and 1,600 (4:52.33) and Keyshon Webster was third in the 800 with a personal record of 2:25.38.

The boys 4x400 relay placed third in 4:04.08 and was made up of Braxton Gibson, Webster, Will Denton and Knoblauch. The boys 4x800 relay was also third in 9:40.30 and consisted of Webster, Denton, Jackson Smith and

Knoblauch

• **IESA volleyball** – The Stark County 8th grade volleyball team was to face Princeville on Wednesday in the Kewanee Wethersfield Regional semifinals for a berth in Thursday's title game.

Galva's 7th graders lost to Annawan in the regional semifinals, 25-13, 25-12. The 8th graders fell in the semifinals to Kewanee Visitation, 25-19, 25-12.

**MSW Projects, Marshall-Stark Public Transportation**  
**309-364-2287**  
**Stark County Regular Van Schedule for March 2026**

|                          |                            |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| Thurs., March 5: Kewanee | Thurs., Feb. 19: Kewanee   |
| Thurs., Feb. 12: Peoria  | Thurs., Feb. 26: Princeton |

**Pick up:**

|                           |                           |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>March 5, 12</b>        | <b>March 19, 26</b>       |
| <b>Bradford 8:40 a.m.</b> | <b>Toulon 8:40 a.m.</b>   |
| <b>Wyoming 8:55 a.m.</b>  | <b>Wyoming 8:55 a.m.</b>  |
| <b>Toulon 9:10 a.m.</b>   | <b>Bradford 9:10 a.m.</b> |

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Bids must be received by Sunday, April 12, 2026.

Please mail bids to: Village of LaFayette  
 P.O. Box 116  
 LaFayette, IL 61449

**NOTICE TO STARK COUNTY VOTERS**

Early voting for the March 17th 2026 Primary Election will begin February 5th 2026 and end March 16th 2026 at the office of the Stark County Clerk located at 130 W. Main, Toulon. Voting hours are Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. We will also be open for early voting on Saturday March 14th from 9 - noon.

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**ELMWOOD, IL REAL ESTATE AND FARM PRIMITIVE AUCTION**

The following house on 1.89 acres, large building farm primitives, Harley, outdoor, antiques and more will be sold on location live at 401 E. Harrison St. Elmwood, IL 61529, on

**SUNDAY MARCH 22nd, 2026**  
**AT 12:00 NOON (R.E. SELLS FIRST)**

**NOTE:** This ad is slightly condensed. See many pictures, serial numbers and the full ad online at [www.folgersauctionservice.com](http://www.folgersauctionservice.com) and **LIKE US ON FACEBOOK** for more. This 2-story home sits on a nice 1.89-acre lot inside the town limits of Elmwood, IL. There is over 1400 sq. feet above ground living space. Rooms include a nice sized kitchen/dining room area, a living room, an enclosed wooden front porch, a back entrance area, one full bath on the main level and one full bath upstairs, and a lg. loft bedroom area upstairs with much storage space. The house is completely empty and ready for a remodel to make for a great single-family home or perfect rental property. There is a partial basement. The furnace and central air are in good working condition. The outside building is over 4000 sq. feet with cement floors, electricity, overhead doors and separate room areas. Another shed and a covered back patio area sits off of the house. **TERMS:** A non-refundable \$10,000.00 deposit will be required on the day of the auction with the balance to be pd. in full at closing in approx. 30 days. This is an AS-IS auction.

**TRACTORS, HARLEY AND EQUIPMENT:** 2006 Harley Davidson Screaming Eagle V-rod VRSCSE motorcycle w/ 13,827 miles, 1250cc, runs great, title-nice 2002 4x4 Grizzly YFM 660 FP 4 wheeler-Honda XL 70 motorcycle-1944 John Deere model A-1947 John Deere M w/ belly mower-1937 Farmall F-12 w/buzz saw attachment-1937 Farmall F-20 - 1929 McCormick Deering 15-30-1936 McCormick Deering W K-40-1937 - McCormick Deering W-40 - 1948 Allis Chalmers C w/belly mower -Fordson tractor w/a roller conversion - JD sickle mower - JD 2 row cultivator off an A-3 section harrow-port. log splitter w/ohler engine - vintage steam engine parts - **MOWERS** (JD 11 0 and 11 2 old mowers, Kubota B 6000E, Lawn Chief) - Lawnboy push mower--John Deere 345 54" mower deck, 20HP liquid cooled, 08199--John Deere 6X 345 48" mower deck, 08/04, 20 HP liquid cooled - Case 3 bottom plow-Ford Model 14-80, #3972 square baler - 1 bottom lawn tractor plow-10' single axle tilt trailer - JD 340 trail snow mover - Columbia golf cart-JD 310 backhoe - Husqvarna 910 CRT roto tiller-Troy Bilt 4.5 HR roto tiller-hog catching chute-log splitter w/motor-misc.

**PARTS, TOOLS, OTHER ANTIQUES:** Primitive Farm/Grain wagon w/wooden spoked wheels, good cond.- X130 anvil A97669--very old iron slot machines (Mills 5,10 and 25 cent, Rol-A-Top 10 and 25 cent)-modern slot machine (Rec Room Spec. Oriental slot)-vintage Sunoco gas pump-Flite Fuel gas pump-vintage bicycle--misc. old **STEAM ENGINE** parts-prim. Case Eagle iron caps--**CARBURETORS**-Ensign 2-63T 6/10/1913, Schebler pat., Wheeler Schebler Model A ATX 121 S AS7, Bendix Stromberg M-3-2 Int. Harvester 15-30-Marvel Schebler TSX-Stomberg SF-2-Zenith K-6-Zenith 101 73A-Holley pat. 1211 91 4-Zenith 53031A-Zenith 01690AR3-METAL LATHES: The Lodge and Daves Tool Co. Cinc. OH 16" swing, 72" bed, flat belt line shaft conv.-Flather and Co Nashua New Hampshire 16" swing, 84" bed, withthread cutting gear box, flat belt line shaft conv.-Craftsman 12" swing, 42" bed, bench top-WELDERS: electric Hobart Model T-295 295 amps, max N.L.V 80 #8TW-8638, volts 208/1230, amps 90/182, phase 1-electric Centry 110190 amp Mig, 120 v., model 117-057, set up for gas-electric Forney arc welder model F-75-PRC volts 115-gas engine Lincoln SAM 650 multi process constant and variable voltage DC welder-Lincoln SA-200 DC welder, parts-Lincoln SA-200 DC welder, 4 cul., Hercules flat head engine from the 1940s era-Fleetwood model 50 1/2 HP, 5 speed, bench top, floor mount, no name-KRW Hyd. arbor press, KR Wilson Buff. NY-Sioux valve grinder #650-Craftsman table saw- Craftsman bench grinder-Rockford metal cutting band saw-Craftsman and Radial arm. saw-Delta 28-1 50 band saw 8" throat-Craftsman 16" scroll saw-MAGNETOS: IH E4A and E4A-3, 2 Aero-American Bosch MJB 4A-103, MJB 6A-102, MJB 4, MJA4B-112, MRD6A 348WW, 4C-102-Fairbanks Morse type J4A-11 and FMJ-Wico Model X spec. XH-1906, AP477/B, and Model X spec. XH1343-Presto Life distributors-IH fuel injector pumps- Sunnen precision honing machine model LBA 550-2"24"x13" rims-2 McCormick Deering rear steel wheels for 15-30-2 McCormick Deering front steel wheels for 15-1 3-Corley Jr. edger, 4 cyl. Wl engine model VG4D, size 27-port circular saw mill, 52" blade, insert teeth, flat belt drive, v belt-4 cyl. GM diesel engine w/clutch and v belt drive, port. power source- Louden hoist, flat belt driven-3 buzz saw blades-4 hyd. car jacks-Wisconsin 4 cyl. engine VF40-1940 Evinrude Elto, 2 cyl., 3HP outboard motor--body hyd. jack system-steam boiler tube expansion tool-CHAIN SAWS: McCullough mac 1-10, JD 00061, Homelite Z, Homelite XP1020, Stihl 038 AV super, Stihl 024 AVS, Homelite Super 2, Husqvarna 136, Homelite electric, Stihl 066 magnum (3' bar, 28" bar and 20" bars)-Brush Cutter/Weed eaters (Stihl FS66, FS36 and FS45)-**OUTBOARD MOTORS:** (Johnson Sea Horse 5.5 HP Elgin model 571.58571 5 HP, Ted Williams 4.5 HP, Oliver 16HP w/6 gallon Oliver PIIX-Matic fuel can-Mercury40 HP)-5 50 gallon oil barrel pumps-Bird model 33 comm. meat cutting band saw-Foley Belsaw wood planer model 9103-Aker Fiber glass Tub shower unit, new, never installed NOS-Caterpillar cable control unit 32E1947- Novo Engine Co. Lansing MI KU3s4 #11596-old pulley, misc. oil and fuel cans, cast iron skillets and pieces, ladders, carts, tool boxes, tools, pulleys, primitives, so much more.

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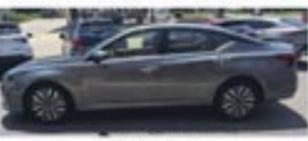
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