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Supt. Jay McCracken Took Rotarians on Tour of New PC Primary School



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completion of the school with no outstanding bonds. Mr. McCracken offered his congratulations to those involved in the decision-making process, and to the PC community for doing what was necessary to build a school in which all can share pride. He said that he and the School Board anticipate that the school will be completed within the next several months, with the possibility of a community open house in July and ready for students' arrival in August.

PC Food Establishments Receive 2008 Food Sanitation Award

CATEGORY III

- Score of 99 or higher on all inspections
 - No critical violations
 - No repeat violations
 - No valid complaints
 - Professionalism during inspections
 - Compliance with all fee, codes and ordinances
- Putnam County Food Pantry**

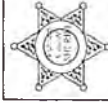
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- Boggio's Orchard
Lake Thunderbird Snack
Larry's Lunch Box**

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 - No valid complaints
 - Professionalism during inspections
 - Compliance with all fees, codes and ordinances
- P.C. Foods, Inc.**

**Putnam County Elementary School
Putnam County High School**



Sheriff's News Release

The Illinois Sheriffs' Association announced that it will be awarding over \$53,000 in college scholarships throughout the State to students wishing to pursue higher education during the 2009-10 academic year. The scholarships are to be applied to tuition, books and fees only. The students must be enrolled full-time at a certified institution of higher learning within the State.

Sheriff Kevin Doyle of Putnam County, will be awarding one scholarship in the amount of \$500. There will be no restriction on any applicant by reason of race, age, creed, color, sex or national origin. The only limitations are as follows:

- Applicants must be permanent IL residents
- Scholarships must be utilized at institutions of higher learning within the State
- Students must be enrolled as a full-time student during the 2009-10 school year (excluding summer session)

Applications are now available at the PC Sheriff's Office or on the internet at www.ilsheriff.org. Students must complete the application, answer the essay question and return all documentation to the sheriff's office in their permanent county of residence by March 13th (must be postmarked by that date).

For more information, please contact your local sheriff's office, high school advising center or college financial aid office.

Putnam County Record

The Record office is open from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. daily unless otherwise posted. Please be advised that ALL ads that require proofs MUST be into the advertising department by NOON on Fridays. No articles or items for the calendar will be printed in the current week's edition if not received by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday of the current week. Classified ads must be sent via email or mail. We do not take Classified ads over the telephone anymore. These items must be in written form. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Rotarians toured the new PC Primary School on January 22, hosted by fellow Rotarian and PC Schools Supt. Jay McCracken. The school, expected to be completed by this summer, replaces the former Hopkins Elementary School destroyed by a tornado in 2004. Pictured L-R are Lonna Nauman, Jim Mack, Matt Hostetter, Adriane Shore, Dee Biagi, Lorraine Terando, Jay McCracken, Chantelle Biagi-Bruer, Jeanne Alleman and Darrell Alleman.

Granville Rotarians were recently treated to a learning experience as fellow Rotarian and PC Schools Supt. Jay McCracken presented a progress report and tour of the new Primary School. Jay described the long process of insurance litigation, financial planning, design and finally construction, to replace the tornado-stricken

the School Board's settlement with insurance, and a grant with the possibility of more to come, from the Illinois and Federal Emergency Management Agencies, IEMA and FEMA.

Mr. McCracken explained that the Board has made it possible to pay for the project without financing, intending that the project will be fully paid upon

PCHS Wins 2nd Place at Tri-County Conference



Putnam County reacts to winning the 2nd place trophy at the 83rd Annual Tri-County Conference Tournament on Friday night. Putnam County lost in the Championship game 48-45 to Peoria Christian. Kevin Fay and Anthony Ahlers were named to the All-Tournament Team.

Putnam County Teen Releases Album. See Pg. 4.

History From The Files of the Putnam County Record

10 YEARS AGO JANUARY 27, 1999

The 8th grade boys captured first place in the Little Tri-County Tournament at Henry January 12-16. They defeated Fieldcrest West 34-31 to advance to the championship game and defeated Henry 40-29 for the title.

Lucile Stansell Wilson celebrated her 100th birthday on January 30th with family and friends.

PCHS, in conjunction with IWCC, held an adult welding class at the high school beginning Feb. 3rd.

The Granville American Legion held their Annual Ground Hog Dinner on January 31 at the Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Dino Paganelli, formerly of Putnam County, celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary at their home in Los Angeles CA.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne (Irma) Wright of rural Lostant celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary on January 17 with a dinner at Georgetown in Wenona hosted by their children.

DEATHS:

Elizabeth "Betty" Ballerin, 76 of Spring Valley on January 17; Ethel J. Olson, 92 of Henry, formerly of Granville on January 18; Mildren Vercellone, 90, formerly of Granville on January 21; Berdeen Batalia, 84 of Peru on January 16.

20 YEARS AGO JANUARY 18, 1989

Tom Kluschman, a representative for Contel of Illinois presented Bill Entwistle with a check for \$250 for PCEF.

The PC Library, along with 10 other area libraries, was awarded a "Library Services and Construction Act Grant" by the State in the amount of \$10,000. Each library shared equally in the fund.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bonucci of Granville donated 100 share of Continental Telephone Company stock to the PCEF. The gift, valued at \$4,000 at the end of 1988, was used to start the Foundation's Endowment Fund.

Walter and Emma Toedter celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary with a dinner at the Sirlain House on January 8.

Robert Hafey announced his candidacy for the position of Magnolia Township Road Commissioner.

Keith Boggio announced his candidacy to run incumbent Steve Urnikis for Hennepin Township Road Commissioner.

Laura Anne Balensiefen, 1988 M-P County Fair Queen, participated in the IL State Fair Pageant in Springfield January 20-23.

After working for 23 years at Cullinan Construction Co. in Tremont, Glen Crew was given a surprise retirement

party on Dec. 7 by his family at Mona's in Toluca.

DEATHS:

Charles Vogler, 87 former Granville president on January 12; Robert J. Cange, 55 of Wood River on January 5; Donald McChiey, 70 of Nashville TN on January 10; Charles W. Doran, 48 of rural Magnolia on January 14 in Arlington Twp WI; Minnie Chioni, 89 of LaSalle on January 11.

BIRTHS:

Mr. and Mrs. Michael (Jennifer) Passini of Standard, a daughter on January 4; Donald and Diane (Kostellic) Baxter of rural Granville, a son on December 18; Mr. and Mrs. James R. (Sue) O'Connor, a son on January 5.

30 YEARS AGO JANUARY 4, 1979

The new year got off to a very cold start with temps 15 below. PC roads were snowpacked, icy and hazardous with over a foot of snow falling in the area.

PC State's Attorney John Grivetti filed a petition on behalf of the PC Board of Review and Putnam County requesting that a hearing be scheduled to review a decision made by the Property Tax Appeal Board of Illinois concerning the 1976 Personal Property Tax valuation of Jones and Laughlin Steel Corporation. In June 1976 J&L submitted a sworn Personal Property Tax Return for Corporations to the PC Assessor stating that the actual value of its machinery and equipment at the Hennepin plant on April 1 of that year was \$35,038,870. The PC Board of Review disputed J&L's figure and declared

that on that date the machinery and equipment had a valuation of \$70,735,399.

Histories of old homes in PC is not unusual but the Jack Brandstatter Jr. home in Hennepin probably has one of the most intriguing histories of all -- it was once a hotel where men such as Abraham Lincoln and Theodore Roosevelt slept and dined. Theodore Roosevelt signed the Hotel Cecil register on October 22, 1907. He was one of several prominent persons who dined and slept there.

Several organizations contributed to the ambulance fund: Hennepin Lions Club \$1,000; cannister collections \$200; Golf Day at Edgewood Park and Hee Haw Show \$5,700; J&L Steel \$305; car raffle \$3,600; cross country track team \$1,600 and memorials and individual donations \$3,800. Board members at the time were; Tom Mix, VP; Norman Raffety, Director; Brad Acunecius, Chairman; Don Troglito, Treasurer; Maybelle Morris, secretary; John Cimei, Director; Pres Gleason, Director and Clarence Smith, Director. A director represented each community in the county.

DEATHS:

Wilhelmina S. Whitaker, 74 of Granville on December 29 after shoveling snow at her home.

40 YEARS AGO JANUARY 16, 1969

Lynden Forty-Niner Bess 6117491, a two-year old registered Holstein cow, owned by Joe Lyons & Sons of Granville, produced pounds of milk and 590 pounds of butterfat in 334 days.

Sign-up for summer ball for McNabb-

Magnolia children will take place Saturday,

Feb. 7 at the McNabb Library from 9:00 to 12:00 p.m.

Teams include T-ball, Instructional (parent pitch) League, Minor League, and Little League.

Cost will be \$30.00 per child. Any hardships or special needs, please feel free to contact Rich Presthus at 815-228-2624.

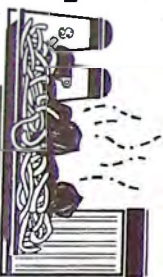
We are in need of coaches and a concession stand supervisor. Please contact Rich Presthus at the above number if interested.

Hennepin Relay for Life Team Spaghetti Supper

Mon, Feb. 9 • 4:30 - 7 p.m.
Ray's Place in Hennepin

Dinner includes spaghetti, salad, bread and butter, dessert, water and coffee.

Other drinks available at the bar.
\$6.00 Adults; \$3.00 for children
Preschool free, Carryouts available.



Jefford Jeppson Jr., PC Republican Central Committee chairman and Wilhard Spratt, Hennepin vice chairman, accompanied by Charles Flowers, attended the inauguration of Richard Ogilvie as the 37th Governor of Illinois.

The Off Keys Band entertained at a meeting of the Antique Car Club at the Peoria Yacht Club.

Mrs. Nathan Barr entertained the third grade classmates of her daughter, Dianna, and special guests, Peggy and Patty Gallagher of Spring Valley at a luncheon party which celebrated Dianna's ninth birthday.

DEATHS:

Herman A. Kannenberg, 71 of south Bureau on January 12 changing a tire; Helen K. Wolff, 893 of Eden Twp and Granville on January 13; Helen M. Smith, 48 of Metamora, sister of Carl Meuser on January 11.

BIRTHS:

Mr. and Mrs. Daryl Drennan, a son January 15; Mr. and Mrs. Larry Fleming, a son on January 12.

50 YEARS AGO JANUARY 15, 1959

Ronald Migliorini, former local man, who two years ago entered the employ of Alexander Lumber Co., here, prior to its closing, was moved to the company's Compton yard and was then assigned to manage the company's yard in Cuba.

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- IGA Chicken Noodle or Tomato Soup, 10/75 oz.....60¢
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- Skippy Peanut Butter, 18 oz.....\$1.50
- Riley's Juice Pouch, 10 ct box.....\$2.00
- SuperChill Soda, 12 pk.....\$2.75
- SuperCrunch Pretzels.....\$1.25
- Lipton, 100 ct tea bags.....\$2.99
- Charmin Basics, 12 big roll.....\$5.50
- Bounty Basics, 8 roll.....\$5.99
- Lysol All Purpose Cleaner.....\$2.50
- Lysol Disinfecting Spray.....\$3.50
- Xtra Laundry Detergent.....\$2.75
- Whiskas Temptations Treats, 3 oz. \$1.50
- Nutri-Plan Scoopable Cat Litter, 14 lb. \$3.99

DAIRY

- Nestlé Flavored Milk, 16 oz.....\$1.25
- Shedd's Country Crock Spread, 45 oz. \$3.00
- Smart Balance Omega 3, 15 oz.....\$2.69
- IGA Crescent or Cinnamon Rolls \$1.50
- Prairie Farms Chocolate Milk, gal. \$2.99
- Prairie Farms Yogurt, 8 oz.....65¢

FROZEN

- Klondike Ice Cream Bars.....\$3.50
- Weight Watcher's Smart Entrées. \$2.00
- Banquet Family Size Entrées.....\$2.50
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Putnam County Teen to Release First Album

by John Kendall

Since he was 13, Cody Guynn has always had the beat of music in his head. Since the age of 15, the Hennepin native has wrote his own lyrics and finally, after five long years, Guynn is near completion and the releasing of his first album.

While the release date of the album will be sometime in March and the cost of the CD is still undecided, Guynn looks forward to finally getting his first CD out. "I knew music was what I wanted to do for my career that I should start selling it and see what others think of my music," Guynn stated. Cody also stated that right now, 14 tracks were done, but the late release date was in hope that someone who would want to collaborate with him on a track would step up and work with him. "I want to make four more tracks, and I don't want the album to be all from me. I want other artists, especially from the 815 (area code). I am hoping for 18 tracks."

When asked why Guynn choose to be a rapper and not a performer in another genre, he stated, "When I was younger, I had older cousins who influenced me, and they listened to Notorious B.I.G., Tupac, and others, so I grew up with that music. I have always been a hip-hop type person as well, so I got into it more than any other genre. It is probably something I am going to do until I retire from music."

Guynn considers his style of hip-hop as "Atlanta style," which features more dancing, fashion, and style. "The tape I am releasing is called 'I'm Swag,' and that is about my style and the way you carry yourself. The music I do is for the people in my age group, so hopefully they can relate to it. It is going to present on who I am," Guynn continued. "Even if someone doesn't like my genre of music, I hope they appreciate the fact that I have been working on this for a long time and listen to it to see where I come from and see what is in my mind," Guynn added.

Other than his Myspace page, Guynn has gone out in public and performed his music in talent shows and working as a DJ, and has gotten a positive response from his music. "My family has been a huge support for me. My dad tries to promote me as much as he can, but because where I come from (Hennepin), it is hard to get my name out. I need to find someone to help me get through and put my music out there," he added.

"I don't know where music is going to take me, but all I know is I love music so much. If I get a negative response from the album, I am going to continue to work and try to use that as motivation to get better. No matter what, I am going to stick with music and record. Since the day I started, I believe my knowledge of rapping has increased so much, that in a few years, I am hoping to master this," he added.

Guynn's biggest dream is to become a major hip-hop rapper, but if that doesn't occur, he has other plans. "If I can do something in music, such as being an engineer or a producer for someone's song, I would love to do that, even if it means that I am not going to be the big star."

For anyone who wants to listen to a sample of Guynn's music or contact him about collaborating, visit his Myspace page at www.myspace.com/djcoddyg.



Pictured at left is the new album cover for Cody's new release and above Cody is rapping into the mike recording for the album.

PCHS Welding Class Gets New Welder



Pictured above are some of the members of the Advanced Welding Class with the new welder.

The Putnam County Advanced Welding Class received a supplemental funding grant to purchase a state-of-the-art external drive GMAW weld unit. Mr. Wragge was very pleased to have this addition to the weld shop in that it supplements fabrication welding practices for the students.

This \$6,000 unit will fit well with the other six MIG units of various flex core and



Last Sunday members of the PC FFA chapter met at the high school, had breakfast at Coal Miner's Cafe and headed north to Snow Star Ski Resort near the Quad Cities. Many of the members had skied before with a few beginners giving it their best. Members skied and snowboarded in the 7 to 8 temperature with the sun shining bright.

Jenna Hansen, PC FFA's VP, set the event up for the chapter to put in its annual calendar. Snow Star is a wonderful ski resort in that it has slopes for all skill level skiers and is only 1.5 hours away from Putnam County. Everyone had a great time and came home with wet clothes, red faces, and no broken bones!!!

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WHY, WHY, WHY
Why does Superman stop bullets with his chest, but ducks when you throw a revolver at him?
Why do Kamikaze pilots wear helmets?

I would like to extend a special "Thank You" to everyone that donated so generously to our "Socks for Santa" project. A very special thank you to Coal Miner's Cafe, Casey's General Store and Cina's Hair Cottage for being collection points for us. Thanks to your generosity, we were able to collect over 600 pairs of socks that were distributed through the Putnam County Food Pantry basket distribution. So many needy families in our county benefited from your generosity. Once again, Thank you so much!

Linda Garcia

Mobile Mammogram Planned
The mobile mammogram from Methodist Hospital will be at the McNabb Fire Station on March 19th from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call 815/872-5091, X218 for further information and details and to register for an appointment. The event is sponsored by the Bureau/Putnam County Health Depts.

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CLASSIFIEDS TO THE EDITOR:
The Putnam County Record will print letters to the editor at the discretion of the editor and providing the letter has been signed by the writer along with the inclusion of their address and phone number in case there are questions.

ADS:
Emailed ad deadlines are by 10:00 a.m. Monday mornings so that the ads can be worked up and a proof sent. If requested in order for the corrections to be made by Noon on Mondays. The Putnam County Record reserves the right to reject any ad on grounds of taste. The newspaper does not deem itself responsible for the content of ads where logos do not hold, no matter what format they are sent upon the paper in. All ads emailed must be in a pdf format, and photos must be in a jpg format. We will guarantee our work in creating your ads, however.



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Food Pantry Needs

During February, the Putnam County Food Pantry has canned fruit and laundry detergent as the items it especially needs. The pantry is also in need of paper bags and plastic sacks. These and other items may be left at any of the banks in Putnam County or dropped off at the pantry. The Food Pantry is located in the basement of the Granville United Church of Christ and is open from 8:30 to 10 a.m. every Saturday morning. It serves needy Putnam County families. When needed, families come to the Pantry once a month for *emergency grocery items*.

Please remember, every penny donated is used in our county.

Thanks to everyone who has donated food and other items to our monthly appeal. Great thanks goes to the many volunteers who quietly service clients, stock the shelves, and pick up commodities and who help in other ways to make the Pantry operate so well. The support of the Putnam County community continues to be greatly appreciated.

Sacred Heart Altar Society to Host Dinner At PCHS

What could be better than homemade soup and PCHS Basketball? Sacred Heart Altar & Rosary Society is hosting a Soup and Sandwich Dinner on Friday, February 6 at Putnam County High School. Dinner will be served in the Commons from 4:30 to 6:30, prior to the game and the Lil Pantera performance. Meals will include soup, sandwich, drink and dessert at a cost of \$5.00. For carryouts, please bring your own containers. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the District After-School Program.

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Adam Clayton Powell

by Greg Stannar

Anyone who watches crime shows on television knows it's not wise to flaunt your ill-gotten gains or dishonest lifestyle. For



Greg Stannar

Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. it became even an embarrassment for his loyal low-income Harlem constituents, who eventually took his job away from him two years before his death in 1972.

The memory of his misappropriated funds, long court battles over them, and his inability to show up for work were eventually forgotten and the good things in that handsome and charismatic man's life were remembered enough to get a Harlem boulevard and state office building named after him.

So who was this saint-turned-villain-turned-saint? He definitely inherited some good genes for talent and ambition. His father, whose father (Adam's grandfather) probably was the massah or white relative of his, missed being born into Virginia slavery as a mulatto by a few months. Instead of being beholden to a white man, Powell Sr. picked up divinity degrees at Virginia Union University and Yale, going to New York City to head the Abyssinian Baptist Church in 1908, the same year his son, Adam Clayton Jr., was born. Powell Senior was 43 when junior was born.

The father was regarded as

one of the most successful black leaders long before the integration fight was recognized nationally.

All this laid a good foundation for junior to take over the church, which he did after going through Colgate and Columbia universities. But Adam Junior openly said he ignored a lot of what the bible had to say, preferring instead a life of drinking, smoking and good sex that did not always include his wife.

After becoming New York City's first black councilman, Powell Junior became one of the first black northern congressmen to take a seat in Washington, something he held for 12 terms. He rose in seniority to chair the education and labor committee with its countless millions to distribute.

All this was done without spending a lot of time at his office. Colleagues began questioning this and some staff paychecks that ended up in his pocket as well as hints of tax fraud.

When his associates refused to seat him in 1967 because of his excesses, Powell took the case to the U.S. Supreme Court, which agreed with Powell but made him pay back \$25,000 in kickbacks. Voters finally had enough and in 1970 kicked him out. He died two years later of prostate cancer at 63.

Those genes, by the way, seemed to find the moral compass again, with his offspring becoming respected educators and politicians.

THANK YOU

PUTNAM COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL AND NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Would like to Thank everyone who helped make our Annual Soup and Sandwich Supper for Muscular Dystrophy a great success.

A Special Thank you to Hennepin Foods and PC Foods for donating the barbecue!

Thanks to everyone!

Triple D Membership Drive a Success

During the recent annual membership drive, the Triple D Coyote Club was able to recruit its newest member, Mr. Dan Kotecki. Kotecki, originally from Cedar Point, is one of the first members that is not a blood relative.



nor related to any of the existing members; however, he has maintained perfect meeting attendance and adds the unique ability of "driving around." His outdoor experience and skinning abilities will compliment the masterful art of acting as the designated driver for the newly purchased Anti-Coyote Vehicle. This vehicle, more commonly referred to as the "ACV," was custom built from a slightly used UPS truck, equipped with six windows in the rear for easy rifle accessibility, cooler, bench seating for 10 members, coyote locker for storing the hunt, refrigerator, periscope turret with telescope, gun/ammunition rack, and a homemade speaker system for coyote calling.

The non-licensed ACV can run on rugged land in addition to back roads with ease, and in chase will travel in excess of 40 mph. The average coyote is known to run at a top speed of 27 mph, allowing pursuit capability in excess of most varmints known within the immediate area. The Department of coyotes is in the process of approving the newest anti-coyote vehicle for commercial use, with a final decision being handed down within days. If you see this type of vehicle DO NOT be alarmed, there is no need to call authorities. Should a coyote problem occur in your area, please call 1-800-COY-OTE, the response time is minimal. Thank you for your support.

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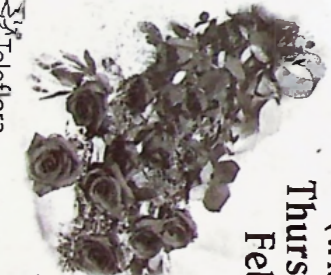
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PUTNAM COUNTY FOOD PANTRY
2008 Facts and Figures

In 2008 the Pantry fed 2343 people: More than any other year on record.
7 Hi table summarizes the growth and use of the Pantry in the last 12 years.

| TOWN | # of Client Families | Adults | Children | Total People 2008 | Total 2007 | Total 2006 | Total 2005 | Total 2004 | Total 2003 | Total 2002 | Total 2001 | Total 2000 | Total 1999 | Total 1998 | Total 1997 |
|--------------------------|----------------------|--------|----------|-------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Granville | 90 | 172 | 122 | 294 | 248 | 250 | 228 | 239 | 217 | 192 | 216 | 212 | 187 | 137 | 107 |
| Hennepin | 13 | 23 | 21 | 44 | 28 | 35 | 20 | 18 | 41 | 30 | 18 | 16 | 23 | 24 | 16 |
| Magnolia | 17 | 32 | 26 | 58 | 46 | 61 | 59 | 76 | 69 | 65 | 36 | 45 | 52 | 29 | 31 |
| Mark | 9 | 16 | 10 | 26 | 20 | 29 | 28 | 23 | 14 | 10 | 18 | 11 | 24 | 17 | 6 |
| McNabb | 12 | 22 | 20 | 42 | 17 | 21 | 38 | 27 | 30 | 26 | 17 | 17 | 15 | 7 | 12 |
| Putnam | 6 | 14 | 10 | 24 | 20 | 21 | 29 | 48 | 40 | 18 | 26 | 23 | 33 | 36 | 50 |
| Standard | 6 | 9 | 7 | 16 | 18 | 31 | 19 | 30 | 43 | 32 | 16 | 12 | 20 | 11 | 8 |
| County Wide Client Total | 153 | 288 | 216 | 504 | 397 | 448 | 421 | 468 | 454 | 373 | 352 | 336 | 354 | 269 | 242 |
| Total People Fed | | | | 2343 | 2246 | 2165 | 1935 | 2076 | 2181 | 1837 | 1675 | 1624 | | | |

* The number of people served in 2008 increased 27% from 2007. There were 60 new families in 2008.
* Families made a total of 737 visits over the course of the year, a slight increase from last year.
* On the average, families visited the Pantry 4.8 times during the year. More people visited the Pantry in 2008 than 2007. They came fewer times.
* On the average, the Pantry served 14.3 families each week, a 2.6% increase from last year.
* On December 20, 2008 the Pantry distributed Christmas baskets to 117 Putnam County families—382 people, 174 children and 55 senior citizens.
* In November the Pantry in cooperation with FC Foods distributed Thanksgiving baskets to over 60 families.
* About 140 deliveries were made over the course of the year to homebound families.

Prepared by: Andy Hopkins
January 16, 2009

ACS Daffodil Days

Daffodils are the first flowers of spring and the American Cancer Society's symbol of hope for a world free from cancer. The ACS's Daffodil Days is the third week of March, across Illinois and the country. Blooms purchased now will spread the joy of spring along with the message of hope.



Ten blooms are \$10 and when put in water they will bloom beautifully. A purple vase is available to complement your sunny daffodils. We have "Garden of Hope" potted daffodil bulbs that can be transplanted, and a limited edition Boyd's collectible bear designed exclusively for the American Cancer Society. Her name is "Carrie N. Hoe" and she can be purchased with a bunch of daffodils for \$25. Daffodils are also available by the half case (25) and the full case (50).

There are several sites in Marshall and Putnam counties that you can place your orders. The First National Bank in Lacon, Morton Community Bank in Toluca, Henry State Bank, Citizens First National Bank and City Hall in Henry, The First State Bank of McNabb, Wenona State Bank and North Central Bank in Hennepin. There will also be other places of business you can order from, along with many local volunteers. Orders are being taken from now until February 17. The daffodils will arrive just in time for spring on March 18. Pick-up locations will be the First National Bank of Lacon from 11-3; Henry City Hall from 3-5; and North Central Bank from 11-3.

Your purchase delivers more than flower. It helps fund ACS research, programs on specific cancers and preventative measures for early detection screenings, and provides around-the-clock access to information to help newly diagnosed patients understand their options. Order your daffodils now and help spread hope.

Stage 212 Adds Performance for "Godspell"

Because of outstanding ticket requests, Stage 212 has added a final matinee performance of its winter musical, Godspell, Saturday, February 7 at 2:00 p.m. Tickets are \$16 and can be purchased by visiting the box office during regular office hours, Monday, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.; Wednesday, 3 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m., or by calling 815-224-3025. Tickets may be reserved over the phone with Visa, MasterCard or Discover.

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Newsletter from the PC Schools Superintendent

January 29, 2009

Our students in our Putnam County Schools have remained engaged in numerous academic and extra curricular activities, despite the bitter cold and snow that are reminiscent of winters from long ago. We are proud of our students as they strive to perform their best in all endeavors, whether it is in the classroom, on the basketball court, or one of many other Putnam County School activities!

The recent inclement weather necessitated school closures for several days, and I recognize the need to improve the timing of snow day announcements. On January 22, the decision was late because I had been consulting very early in the morning with our bus company and other area school districts. While the roads were clear and we had standby bus drivers and extra buses available, I had to alter my plans at the last minute because of complications from the extreme cold. I accept full responsibility for that late decision, and I apologize for any problems that it caused. In the future, snow day notification will be made much earlier so that everyone will have adequate time to alter plans. Of course, the safety of our students is the most important consideration at all times.

On Friday, January 23, we were able to have a teacher institute day instead of a snow day. I appreciated our teachers' willingness to brave the weather to attend this institute day that originally had been planned for March 20. While discussing creative solutions to save another snow day, yet maintain student safety, we decided to coordinate the exchange of our March 20 Institute Day with that Friday's schedule. The Regional Office of Education was very helpful in approving that change, and we did not need to count that day as another snow day. Please remember that March 20 will now be a half day of student attendance with dismissal at 1:30 a.m. As was originally planned for that Friday, the teachers will have an in-service in the afternoon on March 20.

On April 23, we will host our first Putnam County Partners in Education workshops for parents. Our committee has been busy planning this outstanding opportunity for parents and family members to learn more about how we can work together to provide the best education possible for our young people. More details will be provided as we near the event date.

Our new Putnam County Primary School project is nearing completion. The interior painting has been progressing well, and ceiling grids are being installed. The tile floors will be laid soon, and other finishing work will continue. All who have toured the new facility have remarked about the excellent layout of the building. Plans for the July Open House are underway, and a well orchestrated move is being planned by administration and staff.

Jay McCracken

ON STAGE 212

Stage 212 in LaSalle is currently seeking submissions from directors for their upcoming 2010 season. Applications for the winter, spring, summer and fall slots plus a children's production are being accepted for consideration. The theater group will also entertain proposals for special "5th Show" productions, typically small cast and a little out of the ordinary, to run in slots outside of the regular season.

Winter productions are typically small musicals or comedy/dramas, the spring and fall shows are comedy/dramas and the summer production is traditionally a big musical, but other proposals will be considered. Any show is eligible for submission except those performed at Stage 212 in the past 21 years. Anyone interested in submitting a play for consideration should contact the chair of the Play Selection Committee, Natalie Smigel, at 815-223-7413 or natsmigel@sbcglobal.net or visit www.stage212.org. Visitors to the web site will also find a reference list of all productions Stage 212 has put on in their over forty-year history. All applications are due, with three copies of a perusal script, by March 1. A final selection will be made for recommendation to the Management Committee of Stage 212 in March.

Stage 212 has been the Illinois Valley's community theater since 1968, and welcomes anyone interested in participating in a-stage production, regardless of previous experience. For more information about its current season, telephone 815-224-3025.

PCAS Events - February

The Putnam County Senior Center will be taking nominations for the annual Gallery of Ageless Achievers sponsored by Western Illinois Agency on Aging. The past 31 years more than 1,135 people 60 years or older have been honored into the Achievers. This honor is a life honor for the member. This award honors volunteers on their accomplishments that they achieved after age 60. Five volunteers will be selected for recognition in Putnam County. Deadline for nominations is Wednesday, March 11. The celebration will be on Friday, May 8 at the Milan Community Center in Milan. For more information call the center at (815) 339-2711.

Spelling Bee

The Putnam County Senior Center will once again sponsor a Spelling Bee for seniors age 50 and up on Monday, June 1 at 10 a.m. The winner of this Bee will advance to the regional and then have a chance to advance to the State Spelling Bee on Monday, August 17 at the State Fair in Springfield. Any senior interested in participating can call the center at (815) 339-2711.

Mardi Gras

Putnam County Senior Center will celebrate Fat Tuesday on February 24 at the center. Seniors are encouraged to wear the colors of gold, purple and green and wear a mask. Menu for the 11:30 lunch is breaded pork cutlet, whipped potatoes, lima beans and rosemary applesauce. Games and activities will begin at 12:30. Call (815) 339-2711.

Tax Man

A volunteer tax preparer will be at the Putnam County Senior Center on Wed. Feb. 25. Appointments start at 9 a.m. and will extend until 2 p.m. This is a service for seniors and low income tax payers. Participants must bring all proof of income, any interest, property tax info and identification. They will not do people that own farm land or businesses. Please call to make an appointment, (815) 339-2711.

Soups On

The Putnam County Senior Center will be serving soup and sandwiches on Thursday, February 26 at 11:30 a.m. A variety of soups will be served. Cost of the meal will be \$3. To make reservations call (815) 339-2711. The center is located on First St. in Standard.

Gift Shop

The Putnam County Senior Center is looking for gently use items to offer for sale in their Gift Shop. Household, craft and decorating items are needed. The profit from the shop goes toward programs at the center. The shop is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. The center is located on First St. in Standard.

Can You Hear Me Now!

The Putnam County Senior Center wants your old cell phones. Anyone with old cell phones can turn them in at the center for the centers latest fundraiser. The plan is to have drop boxes in different business throughout out the area. For more information call the center at (815) 339-2711.

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Hi Everyone!
Are you like us ready for spring? I love snow, but enough is enough. I've started to receive bulb catalogs at home and I'm excited about picking out different flowers to plant. That is always fun.

We have been busy planning the fun filled activities that we are coming up at the center.

Everybody at the senior center would like to thank everyone who has helped in anyway with the center either through financially or physically this past year. We look forward to working with you again in the upcoming year with projects that keep the programs at the center available to our seniors. We are looking for people in the area that have a talent or other resources to hold programs and or classes at the center. The seniors are always willing to try new and different things to do.

We received the application for Western Area Agency on Aging Gallery nomination. Our search will begin for the board's nominee. The celebration will be held on Friday, May 8 in Milan.

There will be a spelling bee held to find the senior who is the best speller in our area. Last year we had the second place regional speller, Doris Phelps, go on to Springfield in August. Our bee will be held on Monday, June 1. Any senior over 50 can contact the center to sign up.

We will be celebrating Mari-Gras on Fat Tuesday on February 24. Get out those gold, green and purple feathers and beads and come ready to have fun. For reservations call 815-

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Please call for an appointment to complete your 2008 Form IL-1363 (Circuit Breaker) on-line or contact Nadine, PCAS Outreach worker, to come to your home to help you file. Any other problems or concerns contact * PCAS. All the staff is part time, so please call first.

Reminder: It is the policy of the Putnam County Senior Center that if the Putnam County School is closed due to weather conditions, then the Senior Center will also be closed. However, at times when the schools are not closed due to weather conditions, but the Putnam County Senior Center decides to close because the weather is not appropriate for the seniors, then the announcement will be on WLPO/WAJK.

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| Antkowiak, Jim Bolda, Frances Chiapelli, and Beverley Lapuh | 04) 9:30 A.M. - SITE COUNCIL MEETING |
| Please join us at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, February 24th to celebrate our February Birthday & Anniversary Day. | 05) 12:30 P.M. - BINGO |
| Call by Noon on Monday, February 23rd to make lunch reservations. | 10) 10-11A.M. - EXERCISE CLASS & FREE BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS |
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| Putnam County Sheriff's Department | 16) PCAS CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF THE PRESIDENTS' DAY HOLIDAY |
| Jim & Ruth Hall | 17) 10 A.M. - 11 A.M. - EXERCISE CLASS |
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| Doris Happold - IN MEMO-RY OF MABEL PETERSEN, MARJORIE GRASSER, MARSHALL & ALICE KUHNE | 18) 12:30 P.M. - ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP MEETING |
| Duane & Marilyn Calbow - IN MEMORY OF MARTHA CALBOW | 19) 12:30 P.M. - MUSIC THERAPY |
| Glady's King - A LOVING MEMORIAL FOR MY SISTER, DOROTHY(MEKLEY) JOHNSON | 24) 10-11 A.M. - EXERCISE CLASS & FREE BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS |
| Ruth Hayward - IN MEMO-RY OF FRANCIS KELLER-MAN | 11:30 A.M. - BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY DAY PARTY! |
| Beverley Lapuh - IN MEM-ORY OF JEROME BOLDA, THERESA GIUDICI, RAYMOND KELSEY & DOROTHY JOHNSON. IN HONOR OF SYLVIA PETERSEN'S 102ND BIRTHDAY | 12:30 P.M. - MARDI GRAS PARTY! |
| Joyce Epley - IN MEMORY OF LINDA, ROBIN & BOB FEBRUARY ACTIVITIES | 25) 9:00 A.M. - TAX PREPARATION (BY APPOINTMENTS ONLY) |
| | 1:00 P.M. - HENNE-PIN CARDS |
| | 12:30 P.M. - SENIOR SOCIAL HOUR |



★ Putnam County Obituaries ★

Daniel Richardson

1976-2009

Daniel DJ David Richardson Jr., 32 of Princeton died January 23, 2009 in Perry Memorial Hospital, Princeton.

Services were January 28, 2009 in United Pentecostal Church, Princeton. Rev. Ron Townsley officiated. Burial was in Greenwood Cemetery, Bureau.

Mr. Richardson was born November 28, 1976 in Spring Valley to Daniel and Debra (Klemencic) Richardson Jr. He married Teri Underwood on September 27, 1997 in Henry Apostolic Tabernacle. He graduated from Henry-Senachwine High School in 1994 and was a journeyman for Plumbers Local 422.

He attended United Pentecostal Church and Henry Apostolic Tabernacle and was a member of the Moose Lodge. He raced stock cars, coached Princeton Youth Football and Princeton Girls Youth Softball and was crew chief for his daughters' go-kart racing. He was self-employed as a plumber.

Survivors include his wife, two daughters, Taylor Marie and Haley Alisa; one son, Cole Daniel; one stepdaughter, Emily Chesney; one stepson, Matthew Chesney, all at home; his parents, Daniel (Annette) Richardson Sr. of McNabb and Debra (Richardson) Jikia of Princeton; four sisters, Suzanne (Time) Underwood, Margit (Terrance) Kelly, Chanda Richardson and Candace Richardson, all of Princeton; one brother, Terrance Toussaint of Princeton; two stepbrothers, Josh and Andrew Adams; nieces and nephews.

Dorothy Piano

1918-2009

Dorothy Ann Piano, 90, of Spring Valley died January 27, 2009, in her home following a short illness.

Services were January 31, 2009 in Barto Funeral Home, Spring Valley, with a Mass in Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Spring Valley. The Rev. Michael Monclova officiated. Burial was in Valley Memorial Park, Spring Valley.

She was born May 12, 1918, in Spring Valley to James and Mary (Marino) Guarneri. She

married Frank J. Piano on December 30, 1944, in Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Spring Valley.

She worked at St. Margaret's Hospital, Spring Valley, and at Westclox, Peru, and was a bookkeeper for Cyclops Welding for many years. Peter was a member of Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church.

Survivors include three sons, Francis (Adele) Piano of Spring Valley, James (Carol) Piano of Standard and Tom (Sally) Piano of Spring Valley; two daughters, Patricia (Irv) Donaldson of Spring Valley and Rosemary (Paul) Yerly of Spring Valley; eight grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Florence M. Stralski of Spring Valley and Sister Marguerite Guarneri of the Sisters of Mary of the Presentation in Valley City, ND.

She was preceded in death by her husband on April 9, 1991; one granddaughter in infancy; and one brother.

Henry Hall

1921-2009

Henry Hall, 87 of Hennepin died January 28, 2009 in Cabin Livin' in rural Hennepin.



Services were January 31, 2009 in Dysart-Cofoid Funeral Chapel, Granville. Rev. Brian Caughlan officiated. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery, Hennepin with military honors conducted by members of the American Legion.

Henry was born October 2, 1921 in Hodgenville KY to John and Ida Henry Hall (Price) Hall.

He married Gerda Grete Ballnach October 23, 1948 in Augsburg, West Germany.

He graduated from Putnam High School. He served in the U.S. Army during WWII in the European Theater from Oct. 16, 1942 to Dec. 10, 1948.

He worked at IPC in Hennepin for 32 years - retiring Nov. 1, 1985. He was a member of Hennepin United Methodist Church, Hennepin Fire Department for 30 years; Hennepin American Legion Post

\$1044 for 50 years; Hennepin Lions Club; and Magnolia Masonic Lodge.

Survivors include two brothers, Roy of Hennepin and William of Wyandot; three sisters, Ruth Moats of Kewanee, Joy Reno of Seatonville and Alma (Grace) Holmes of Hennepin; numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife; one brother, Tearl; and two sisters, Erma Dabler and Ella Shaw.

Memorials may be made to the Hennepin Fire Department or the Hennepin United Methodist Church.

Pallbearers were Amanda Holmes, Justin Beard, James Beard, William Holmes, Roger Holmes, and James Beard.

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PCHS Students Participate in Honor Band Festival

On January 18th and 19th Augustana College hosted their 37th Annual Honor Band festival in Rock Island. The festival consists of students from all over Illinois as well as various schools from Wisconsin, Iowa and Missouri. Students are selected for participation based on director nominations and playing experience. Six Putnam County High School students attended this two day event. Kevin Alleman, tenor saxophone; Christine Mattern, clarinet; and Dominic Passini, trumpet were members on the festival Gold band conducted by Dr. James Lambrecht, director of bands at Augustana College. Kiona Copeland, alto saxophone; Maryssa Switzer, flute; and Laura Wilson, flute were members of the festival Blue band under the direction of guest conductor/composer Mr. Robert Sheldon. The festival focuses on preparing music for a finale concert after many hours of rehearsal over the two day event. The finale concert features both the Gold and Blue honor bands as well as a performance by the Augustana Symphonic Band. Congratulations on a wonderful performance!

PC Senior Participates in All-State Band

Music students across the state of Illinois gathered January 28th through January 31st in Peoria for the Illinois Music Educator Associations All-State Conference. The conference brings together music teachers and students throughout the state for a weekend of rehearsals, performances and workshops. Students attending the All-State Conference have been selected because of their exemplary musicianship. In order to qualify for All-State selection students have auditioned and participated in their District festivals held in the fall. Putnam County is proud of Lora Ossola for her second year of participation in the All-State Band. Lora's weekend included attending an opening performance of "Synergy," an international touring brass quintet; demanding rehearsals, and a concert at the conclusion of the conference. Congratulations, Lora, on your achievement!

Rotary Lends Support To Biloxi Mission Trip



Nearly packed and ready to set course for Biloxi, Mississippi, members of the local Mission Team appeared at Granville Rotary's January 29 meeting to tell fellow Rotarians of the plight of those still poor, and homeless in the wake of hurricane Katrina. Pictured above (right to left), Granville Rotary President Rick Serafini presented Rev. Ron McNeill, Karen Karczewski and Jerry McIntyre with a donation of

\$100 in support of their week-long volunteer trip with a dozen others, to aid the work of UCC's Back Bay Mission, rehabilitating flood-damaged homes and providing for the poor. Rotary salutes those who will give of their time and talents to help the many families there who are still in dire need.

Have you visited our newspaper online? The Interactive Website is at www.pcrtnews.com Check it out!

The family of Lois Chambers would like to thank everyone who helped and supported us in any way during the death of our beloved wife, mother, grandmother, and great grandmother. To those who sent cards, flowers, memorial donations, foods, drinks, and hugs, we thank you. Thanks to the IVCH nursing staff, especially to Angela, Dianne, and Amy - your smiles and tenderness were so comforting to her. Thanks to Dr. Kim, Dr. Wojcik, Dr. Kokoska, Dr. Bergandi, and Dr. Perales for the skill and compassion they demonstrated in caring for Mom and to the IVCH pastoral care staff for your prayers and words of comfort in those final hours and minutes. Thanks to Pastor John Lee for the lovely service and to Pastor Brian Caughlan for your blessings and prayers and to the members of Magnolia's Methodist Church for the lovely meal that you prepared to us after the services. Special thanks to Angie Glenn, Marge Kays, and Joann Ruff for your help and guidance. Thanks to the Mueller Funeral Home for your professionalism in planning the services for Mom. To the many people who came to the visitation and braved the cold to express sympathies, thank you. Thanks to the granddaughters for all your help with details and input, especially Jennifer and to the seven grandsons who honored their grandmother last by bearing her on her journey to her heavenly "home." To anyone we have overlooked, we thank you from the bottom of our hearts.



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The deadline to sign up is Feb 7th the distribution date will be Feb 21st.

You may sign up at the Granville Library or the Granville Township (which is located in the library) or by calling 815-339-2541 or 815-339-6982

The Share Food newspaper can be found in the library with all of the extra value items and next months menu information.

Remember there is no requirements for income or family size. The Share Food Program just extends your grocery shopping dollars. Please call if you have any questions.

TCOC 2009 Scholarship Program

At least 15 scholarships will be awarded by TCOC to low-income students residing in the council's service area. The scholarships, each worth \$1,000, have been made available to the IL Dept. of Commerce and Economic Opportunity through its community Services Block Grant.

In making the announcement of this year's scholarship program, Tri-County's Chief Executive Office, Sandra Julifs, stated that preference will be given to students wishing to pursue "high tech" careers or other growth occupations, although this, in itself, should not discourage otherwise interested persons from applying. Applicants of racial or ethnic minorities as well as previous scholarship recipients are encouraged to apply. It is planned to award at least one scholarship in each of the agency's nine county service area. To be eligible, the following criteria must be met: the applicant must be a member of a low-income family; must be planning to attend an accredited IL post-secondary educational institution as a full-time student during the fall of 2009; and must be a resident of either Bureau, Carroll, LaSalle, Lee, Marshall, Ogle, Putnam, Stark or Whiteside counties. Further info and forms may be obtained from TCOC, PO Box 610, Rock Falls, IL 61071 or online at www.tcocheilps.com. Deadline is April 17th.

Crime is Down in PC

Percentages don't mean much in Putnam County. In Putnam County, crime fell off nearly 10 percent despite a fourfold increase in batteries (five in 2007, up from one in 2006).

The Putnam County Sheriff's Office reported a 10 percent decline in its crime rate while Granville, the county's only municipality to report crime statistics, reported a 2.4 percent increase thanks to three batteries, three more than were reported in 2006.

Sheriff Kevin Doyle said he was pleased with the downward trend of the 2007 figures, but raised two caveats.

First, 2008 has been a relatively busy year for Putnam County and he anticipates the declines would be offset this time next year. Second, the volume of crime means that minor fluctuations in numbers, which may not be accurately reported, can result in big statistical swings.

"That is a question of mine: how precise they are," Doyle said. "One or two new crimes can make it look as if there's been a huge increase."

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School Menus

ATTENTION PARENTS OF PC STUDENTS: Beginning January 1, the P.C. School District will no longer provide paper copies of the lunch/breakfast menus to each household. The menus will be available on our Website located at: pcschools35.org, in the Putnam County Record and on WLPO radio.

BREAKFAST:

- 2/9) 1 slice toast w/butter, pork sausage patty or 3/4 c. cereal, 1 slice toast w/peanut butter, OJ, milk
- 2/10) Waffle w/syrup or 3/4 c. cereal, 1 slice toast w/butter, OJ, milk
- 2/11) Donut w/powdered sugar or 3/4 c. cereal, 1 slice toast w/butter, OJ, milk
- 2/12) Cereal bar, yogurt cup, orange, milk
- 2/13) French toast sticks or 3/4 c. cereal, 1 slice toast w/butter, OJ, milk

LUNCH:

- 2/9) Sub sandwich, Smiley potatoes, baby carrots, fruit roll-up, milk
- 2/10) Nachose supreme w/chili, cheese, sour cream & salsa, corn, sherbet cup, milk
- 2/11) Corn dog, baked beans, graham crackers, apple w/dip, milk
- 2/12) Cheeseburger/bun, potato chips, veggies sticks w/dip, mandarin oranges, milk
- 2/13) 11:30 dismissal, no lunch

A FEW BUSHISMS:

There's an old saying in Tennessee - I know it's in Texas, probably in Tennessee - that says, fool me once, shame on... shame on you. Fool me - you can't get fooled again. *Nashville TN, Sept. 17 '02*

Free societies are hopeful societies. And free societies will be allies against these hateful few who have no conscience, who kill at the whim of a hat.

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- 2/9) Meatloaf w/gravy, whipped potatoes w/gravy, winter blend veggies, rainbow chiffon gelatin
- 2/10) Porcupine meatballs, whipped potatoes, tiny whole carrots, peach pie, dinner roll (diet sliced peaches)
- 2/11) Beef stew, green beans, tropical fruit, baking powder biscuit
- 2/12) Breaded baked pork chop, baked potato, green bean casserole, frosted yellow cake (angel food cake)
- 2/13) Rotisseries chicken, scalloped potatoes, tiny whole beets, sliced peaches, dinner roll



CREW - Justin and Andrea (Baley) Crew of Granville became the parents of a daughter on January 26, 2009 at SMH, Spring Valley.

VERDONE - Charles P. and Julie C. (Stevens) Verrone of Hennepin became the parents of a daughter on January 31, 2009 at SMH, Spring Valley.

MORRIS - Mr. and Mrs. Michael (Tracy) Gapsinski Morris became the parents of a daughter, Caroline Grace, on January 27, 2009 at IVCH, Peru. Grandparents are Rolfe & Carol Morris; Donald & Nancy Burress, and Butch & Marybeth Gapsinski; grandparents are Clarabelle Gapsinski of Peru and Evelyn Burress of Granville. She was welcomed home by big sister, Zoey, age 6.

Trivia Night

The Princeton Public Schools Foundation is excited to announce their new fundraiser for the 2008-2009 school year. "Trivia Night" will be held on Feb 21st at the Bureau County Metro Center. Trivia Night will be held with teams of eight people per table answering questions by paper and pencil quiz style tests. Tickets will be \$10 per person and can be purchased from any Foundation Board member starting in January. All proceeds will go to the Princeton Education Foundation.

For more information contact.....princetoneducationfoundation@phs-il.org

HUMOROUS QUOTES:

- "Home is a place where teenagers go to refuse." - Unknown
- "There is a fine line between fishing and just standing on the shore like an idiot." - Steven Wright
- "Raising a kid is part joy and part guerilla warfare." - Ed Asner
- "I knew we were in for a long season when we lined up for the national anthem on opening day an done of my players said, 'Every time I hear that song I have a bad game.'" - Jim Leyland

PC Library: Happy Birthday President Lincoln

Putnam County Library is happy to present "Lincoln Tales Tall and True" on Tuesday, February 10th at 6:30

p.m. Please note that the location has been changed to the Hennepin Branch Library. The library is celebrating the 200th birthday of Illinois' most famous citizen. The program will explore Lincoln's life and the myths that surround his legacy. The program is geared to young and old, so join the library in celebrating Lincoln's bicentennial birthday. The program is made possible through a grant from the Illinois Humanities Council.



Aaron Schock Says We Must Get Economic Stimulus Right

On Tuesday, my House Republican colleagues and I had the extraordinary opportunity to meet with our President, Barack Obama, when he came to the Capitol to discuss the need for an economic stimulus. During this incredibly sincere meeting, the Conference agreed with our President about the need for a bipartisan stimulus package that would lead to economic growth. He pledged to work with us and we pledged to work with him. Less than 24 hours later, House Democrats refused to follow the example set forth by President Obama. Instead of working with my colleagues and I to craft a timely, targeted and responsible stimulus package, Speaker Nancy Pelosi crafted this bill behind closed doors, refusing to consider ideas from either side of the aisle.

Both Democrats and Republicans had ideas that could have improved the stimulus package. Over 200 hundred amendments were submitted, the majority of which were by Democrats. I had one of the few bipartisan amendments, cosponsored by Democrat Adam Smith of Washington. This amendment would have ensured the website www.recovery.gov provides timely, accurate and complete information on where taxpayer dollars authorized by the stimulus are being spent. American people are wondering where the bailout funds were spent and we must not make the same mistake with stimulus dollars. I strongly believe everyone should have the capability to see exactly where stimulus funds are being spent.

Regrettably, Speaker Pelosi refused to consider this common-sense, bipartisan proposal, or any other substantive bipartisan suggestions. At the end of the day, the only thing bipartisan about the bill were the votes against it.

We can and must do better than this package rife with spending that will not create jobs and get our economy moving again. One such proposal was an alternative measure submitted by Republicans and Democrats of the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, of which I am a member. Our plan would have doubled infrastructure spending in this legislation, bringing the total amount to \$80 billion, including \$66 billion for highways. This would have created or sustained 2.7 million jobs of the 3.5 million President Obama has requested be created through any stimulus package.

Incredibly, even though many describe the stimulus that passed the House as an infrastructure bill, less than 8 percent of the \$819 billion in this bill goes to our transportation and infrastructure priorities. This simply is not enough.

The dire state of our economy combined with the urgent needs to upgrade our infrastructure requires us to seize this opportunity to get this bill right. We must not spend this much money and fail the people again.

Thankfully, today's vote is far from the last word on the economic stimulus bill. The Senate's version will differ from the version the House passed and those differences will be hammered out in a conference between the House and Senate.

In our meeting this week, President Obama promised my Republican colleagues and I that he was open to intervening on our concerns. I am hopeful the new version that comes back to the House for final consideration will address the concerns I have outlined. I want nothing more than to vote for and advocate for passage of a targeted, timely and responsible economic stimulus package.

Don't forget our service men and women on foreign soils or even here at home. We will send them the Putnam County Record free of charge. Just bring in their current names and APO addresses.

In the face of rising unemployment rates, area residents are turning to local agencies for the tools to find a new job.

In the month of December, Illinois paid \$304,064,142 in unemployment insurance benefits, an 81 percent increase over the \$167,927,565 paid in November, according to Illinois Department of Employment Security. Also in December, 17,056 Illinois residents received their last unemployment insurance benefits — not because they had successfully found a job, but because they reached the maximum amount the state releases to an individual. That figure comes one month after a jump in initial claims for benefits.

Locally, 523 more residents of La Salle, Bureau, Marshall and Putnam counties filed initial claims in November than in October, a 37 percent increase. Many of those without work already are looking for a new occupation.

"I would say we are definitely seeing more people coming in," said Pam Furlan, executive director of Business Employment Skills Team Inc. in Peru. "People are seeking help with job-finding, training and post-high school education," she said.

Furlan provided data on people receiving services from BEST offices in Ottawa, Peru, Dixon and Princeton. The figures show a slight increase from November to December — just eight people — but Furlan said this increase is actually more significant. "Very high considering it's the holiday season," Furlan said.

The real surprise came in January. Unemployment insurance claims totaled 21,320 in the week ending Jan. 3, an increase of 20 percent or 3,485 more people filing than during the first week last year. After the first three days the BEST office was open this month, Furlan said 328 people already were registered as receiving services, including people who already were enrolled last month.

"All offices reported that these numbers are much higher than what they've seen in previous years," Furlan said. "Plus, phone calls are coming in like crazy with people inquiring about jobs."

Joel Torbeck, director of the Dislocated Workers Center at Illinois Valley Community College, anticipates 2009 will be an even busier year for the center. "Once you get an

In The Face of Rising Unemployment

economic recovery, employment usually lags," Torbeck said. "(A company) puts off the lay offs until the last minute." He said they helped more than 300 people in 2008 and economic indicators both nationally and locally point to more layoffs and unemployment through the next fiscal quarter and possibly longer.

He said they are bracing for February lay-offs from one company and he has already heard from other company officials about potential lay-offs in the coming months. "I think the first quarter is going to be really bad," he said.

Economic pressures also seem to have an impact on the kinds of training area residents are seeking. At Illinois Valley Community College, counselor Jane Sack noticed people returning to college with different goals than in recent years. "When there's more time, people ... choose a career that will fulfill them. Now it seems they're looking for something that will sustain them financially," Sack said. To that end, more people come to her office inquiring about the certified nursing

assistant program or welding classes — courses of study that are clearly occupation-oriented.

At BEST, Furlan has noticed the same trend. "Healthcare occupations of any kind are by far and above the number one area, followed closely by truck driving/logistics occupations. Other things, however, include accounting, welding, auto mechanics, micro computer, IT, office technology and industrial maintenance. Right now we focus on more on occupational training programs than four-year college programs," Furlan said.

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Why do banks charge a fee on 'insufficient funds' when they know there is not enough money?

Why does someone believe you when you say there are four billion stars, but has to check when you say the paint is wet?

Why do they use sterilized needles for death by lethal injection?



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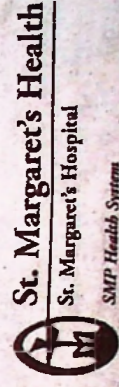


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Home Park:
139 Oak Park Estates
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Take notice that the abovesaid Mobile Homes were sold on November 14, 2006, for delinquent mobile home local services taxes for the year 2005 and prior years, and that the period of redemption from such sale expires May 22, 2009. Take further notice that a petition for order directing issuance of tax certificates of title has been filed in the abovesaid cause as to the above-named mobile homes by Putnam County as Trustee, and that on July 9, 2009 at 11:00 a.m., said Petitioner will apply for an order that a tax certificate of title issue as to each abovesaid mobile home not redeemed on or before May 22, 2009.

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Social Security's Home Page Has People Talking

by Jay Fuller

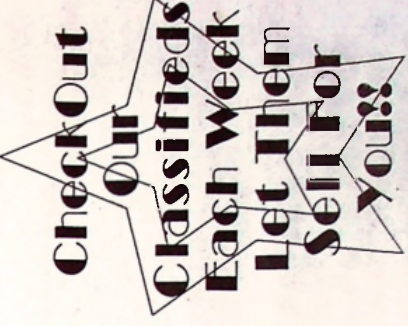
Social Security Operations Supervisor in Peru
Not long ago, Social Security unveiled a newly redesigned homepage at www.socialsecurity.gov. It's the same location, but a much-improved design. The public agrees that the new page is more welcoming, easier to navigate, and includes improved graphics. All of the same important information is there, but in a more visually appealing way.

Here is what some visitors to the new home page told us:
• "Think your new web page is great! Easy to navigate and full of info for us retired folk. Thanks!"
• "I just saw your new design and I love it. It is so much easier to find your way around. Thank you."

• "Great design and the video tour is also a great touch."
• "Outstanding! Clear, precise details make moving around the site for info very easy. The larger font is great for we seniors."
• "I really like the new web page. It is finally organized the way it should be, by categories."

Important services many visitors look for are right in the center of the page: applying for retirement; applying for disability; and requesting a Social Security card. Major program topics run along the top of the page, such as retirement, survivors, disability, Supplemental Security Income and Medicare. And more information can be found along the left and right columns, including news, online services, frequently asked questions and information for specific groups and people.

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7th Grade Volleyball Girls Place 1st



Pictured above are the 7th grade girls volleyball team. L-R (back) Kaitlyn Toedter, Shelby Yeppen, Brooke Veronda, Nikki Mertei, Carly Gonet, Coach Jessica McKenzie, Stephanie Wilson, Emily Whitney, Riane Wroblecki, Taylor Eriajasek, (middle) Daniela Pavlovich, Monica Monroe, Taylor Pettit; (front) Amanda Holmstrom, Angela Holmstrom, Dylan Thompson and Tara Doyle.

The Marselles Invitational Volleyball Tournament was held on Friday and Saturday, February 7th and 8th. The Lady Pumas began the tournament with a win against St. Columba of Ottawa.

The ladies made an early evening of it with two quick wins. This victory put them on the winner's side of the bracket.

The Ottawa St. Pat's team, which had defeated Oglesby Washington, was PC's next

match on Saturday morning.

The Lady Pumas began the day with two quick wins which propelled them into the Championship game. The other undefeated team, Milton Pope, had defeated Waltham and Marselles on their way to the Championship game. The match went back and forth with several lead changes during the first game, but PC lost the game 25-21. It appeared that Milton Pope was going to make it an early afternoon for the Lady Pumas who trailed

most of the second game.

Trailing 23-22, the ladies won a side out and served the final two points to propel them into the final game to 15 points. The Pumas fell behind 5-1, which forced an early time-out by 1st year Coach Jes McKenzie. The girls rallied and won 15-13. What a thrill for the Lady Puma Team. A special thanks goes to the 8th grade girls that stayed the entire day to cheer the team on.
GOOD JOB, GIRLS!!!

Circuit Clerk's Office Accepts Credit Cards & e-Pay

Putnam County Circuit Clerk, Cathy Oliveri, announces that her office is now able to take credit card and internet e-pay payments. To pay a no appearance required traffic ticket, conservation ticket or to pay on an existing account on-line, go to this website: www.illinoispc.com and following the instructions. You may use Mastercard, Discover or American Express cards.

"I am very happy to be able to bring this service to my constituents and make it easier to make court payments without having to come in and miss work. The Putnam county Treasurer's Office began using e-pay for tax payments and the people seemed to like the convenience so I initiated it for the courts."

Pre-Registration for PC Kindergarten is Feb. 25

Pre-registration for kindergarten students for the 2009-10 school year will be held Wednesday, February 25. Putnam county community Unit School District #535 will register students at the elementary building in Hennepin. It is important for parents to pre-register a child for kindergarten so that the school has a preliminary count of the number of children who will be enrolled.

Parents may register at the school on February 25 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. (Parents may also pick up packets at any PC School, fill them out at home and return them to an PC School.)

A child must:

- Be 5 years of age on or before Sept 1
 - Have a county registered birth certificate
 - Have a social security number
- Parents are reminded that children must be in compliance with health, physical, immunization and dental requirements to start classes on the first day of school in August. Forms will be available. Students may register for school but may not attend classes until such time as they are in compliance.

Parents interested in purchase a *kindergarten supply kit* may contact the elementary school for an order form @ 815/925-7032.

PLEASE NOTE: Parents still need to register their child at fall registration.

Schock Spearheads Washington Meeting for Hennepin Steel Plant

Schock organized a productive meeting with Senator Durbin, Union Leaders and Management of ArcelorMittal.



Congressman Aaron Schock (R-IL) organized a meeting in the United States Capitol that brought together Senator Dick Durbin, administration officials, representatives from United Steel Workers Local 7367, local government officials and ArcelorMittal's North American CEO and President, to discuss the closing of the Hennepin Steel Facility.

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss options regarding the impact of closing ArcelorMittal's Hennepin steel plant will have on their workers and the community at large.

Schock's primary goal was to find any way possible to keep the Hennepin plant open. He made clear if the company absolutely rules out keeping the plant open, he would not accept having ArcelorMittal retain ownership of an idle plant, only to slowly cannibalize it over 20 years. In Schock's view, such an action would create an economic blight on Putnam County. At the meeting today, company officials for the first time said they were willing to consider offers to buy the plant and that they would work with federal, state and local officials along with the union to find alternative economic development for the site.

Putnam County Board Chairman and Vice President of United Steel Workers Local 7367 Duane Calbow expressed deep appreciation to Congressman Schock for organizing the meeting and for his efforts on behalf of the

steelworkers.

Schock's main concern was for the jobs of approximately 300 workers and also for the economic impact to Putnam

County schools from the loss of tax revenue as well as Putnam County and Hennepin. Schock and Durbin each expressed their determination to work together to develop a comprehensive plan with local officials to establish productive alternatives, leading to economic relief for Putnam County, its schools, local government and workers.

"This was a productive meeting and it's important to have dialogue between business and labor as we begin the road to recovery and discuss alternatives to closing the plant," said Schock. "The bottom line is the economic well-being of Hennepin and Putnam County are of utmost importance and I pledge to do whatever I can to ensure it prospers."

Possible responses to the closing of the Hennepin Facility include creating a Job Emergency Advisory Committee, utilizing the Commerce Department's Economic Adjustment Investment Program or the Department of Labor's National Emergency Grant program.

Schock closed the meeting by again reiterating that if ArcelorMittal remains unwilling to reopen the plant, it is vital for the company to sell the facility to another entity that will create jobs and heal the tax base of Putnam County and Hennepin.

This is the first meeting of what will be many more to increase economic growth in Putnam County and the surrounding region..

American Legion Ground Hog Dinner. See Pg. 7.

History From The Files of the Putnam County Record

10 YEARS AGO

JANUARY 1999

The 9th Annual "Golden 100 Club" dedication took place on December 10th at the Putnam County Senior Center.

11 State Scholars at PCHS were named and included Terri Boyle, Melissa Dappen, Matthew Entwistle, Keith King, Kirsten Riddle, and Jonathan Ward.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest (Gertrude Marshall) Hansen of rural McNabb celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on January 9th.

Ed and Ruth (Keilty) Boers of rural McNabb celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on January 15th.

Ruth Glass, formerly of Hennepin, celebrated her 100th birthday with an Open House on January 10th at St. Joseph's Nursing Home in Lacon.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward (Dorothy Lipinski) Novak, Sr. of Granville celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on January 16th.

A record 20" snowfall and blizzard conditions slowed Putnam County the week of January 13th. It was the worst weather conditions since 1979.

Chauncey Naumann celebrated his 89th birthday on January 12.

Navy Lt. Albert A. Brady of Granville completed a 70 day patrol to the Mediterranean Sea aboard the ballistic missile submarine USS Nebraska, home ported in Kings Bay GA.

M-P County Fair Queen, Sara Balensiefen, competed for the title of 1999 IL State Fair Queen at the convention in Springfield January 15-18.

Jenna Hammerich, of rural Granville, was awarded the Founders Merit Scholarship at Lake Forest College.

PCES welcomed Lisa Walker, a graduate of WTU, as a special education resource teacher while Mrs. Cotter was on maternity leave.

All employees at LTV Steel in Hennepin evacuated the building due to a fire on January 15. It turned out to be a minor electrical fire started from a faulty circuit breaker.

DEATHS:

Robert V. Skaggs, 71 of Buda on December 19; Peggy Anders, 73 of Spring Valley, formerly of Granville, on December 24; Rose Siebert, 80 of LaSalle on December 25; Cecelia Broaddus, 80 of Mendota on December 26; James William Engelhaupt, 81 of rural Ottawa on December 27; Clyde Lipka, 55 of LaSalle on December 28; John Fassino, 86 of Standard on December 30; Harold Zelmer, 89 of rural Granville on January 8; Donald L. Hassler, 75 of Princeton on December 30; Also "Moon" Siensa, 82 of Oglesby on January 4; Robert Fassino, 91 of Sun Valley CA on November 21; Carl H. Toether, 88 of Auburn WA on December 24; Arnold Munks, 91 of Seneca, formerly of Hennepin; Ivan Finnegan, 81 of Sun City AZ, formerly of Cedar Point, on January 12.

BIRTHS:

Mr. and Mrs. William (Jennifer Miller) Petersen of Hennepin became the parents of a daughter at SMH on January 2; David and Chris (Rehn)

Sabotta of rural Hennepin, a son on January 6; Steve and Angela (Forbes) Halbleib of McNabb a son on January 6; David and Ann Marie Jones of Oklahoma City OK a son on January 13; John and Theresa (Wiedner) Cotter of rural Bradford, a son on December 23.

10 YEARS AGO

FEBRUARY 3, 1999

Because of the continued dumping of steel on the American markets, the UAW of America, along with LTV Steel, Bethlehem Steel and many other steel manufacturers, mounted a campaign to try to get the government to address the issue. It is illegal for other countries to dump their products on the American market at less than the cost of production. Due to the ongoing assault of the America worker and his family, many had already lost their jobs, several mills were laying off workers while other mills had already closed their doors.

A reception was planned to welcome Fr. Charles Karl to the Immaculate Conception Church in Mt. Palatine on February 7.

Donna Holevoet, a Mark native, was named Teacher of the Year in Henry County.

The McNabb Fire Station was near completion ten years ago. Many donations were received. Putter's @ Edgewood donated a check for \$2,000 from the Annual Golf Play Day proceeds.

DEATHS:

Virgil G. Aimone, 86 of Standard on January 27; Edith Meredith, 73 of Peru on January 28.

BIRTHS:

Jeff and Connie Cimei of Magnolia, a daughter on January 12; Jeffrey and Dawn (Marks) Zurinski of McNabb, a son on January 27.

20 YEARS AGO

JANUARY 1989

Granville Rotary provided a new local phone center for Putnam County residents as local coordinator for the United Cerebral Palsy Telethon.

Gene "Butch" Mekley announced that he was seeking the position of road commissioner of Magnolia Twp.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Boers of rural McNabb celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on January 15.

The Board of Directors of the PC Historical Society selected the famous PC Courthouse as the 11th in a series of commemorative tiles. Since 1989 was the 150th anniversary of the courthouse, it seemed fitting for the site to be selected.

Kirsten J. McGarry of McNabb was placed on the Dean's List at IL Wesleyan Univ. in Normal for the fall 1988 semester.

Paula Mekley of McNabb was named to the Dean's List at ISU.

Mrs. Armo (Tina) Vulciani made a wish on Christmas Eve that she could see some of her family from Italy. She got her wish when on Christmas evening her brother, Odoardo, called to tell her his daughter, Betty, and her husband, Tony, were leaving the Milan Airport for America.

A reception for Joel and Julie Gray, new pastor of the UMC in Hennepin, was held

on Christmas Eve.

DEATHS:

John Michael Ghibellini, 23 of Mt. Morris in an auto-semicolon accident on Dec. 23; Dominic "Babe" Capponi 70 of rural Magnolia on Dec. 31; Charles A. Holly, 83 of rural Granville on January 4.

FEBRUARY 1, 1989

Putnam County and surrounding areas were saddened at the news of the death of Dr. R.M. Germano, 84 of Granville. He died January 30 at SMH in Spring Valley.

Two industrial projects costing more than \$18 million and which created 20 jobs were the result of a 90 acre expansion of the Bureau/Putnam Area Enterprise Zone located NE of Hennepin. Plans for both projects were announced at a hearing held at the PC Courthouse.

Kenton A. Reik of Granville announced his candidacy for re-election to the Granville Village Board.

Robert A. Borri, 41 of Granville filed his petition to run for Granville Village President in the April 4 election.

The warm weather during the winter in northern IL and the National Weather Service prediction for continued above-normal temps. for February was unusual. They also predicted above normal and badly needed precip for the month.

A new church, Fellowship Hall and Rectory, was in the works for St. Patrick's Church in Hennepin. The plan was to receive final approval from the Diocese Art and Architect Committee and Bishop Edward O'Rourke and Bishop John Myers of Peoria. The new facility was to be located facing an extension of 10th St. and Dore Drive. Altars and stained glass windows donated by the Dore family to the old church would be utilized in the new building.

Ray Barnes announced that he would run for re-election for Granville Twp Road Commissioner.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Halley of Magnolia celebrate their 24th wedding anniversary on February 5.

DEATHS:

Kenneth Murphy, 74, a native of Putnam died January 21; Carl Johnson, 61 of Peru on January 24.

30 YEARS AGO

JANUARY 25, 1979

Snow was still piled high all over Putnam County from the recent blizzard of '79. Neither man nor beast could escape from the recent snowstorm which had many local farmers worried and having trouble reaching their animals in pastured filled with deep snow.

The announcement was made that James Bumgarner of Springfield would replace former Judge Albert Pucci of Putnam as the Resident Judge of Putnam County.

Vice Chairman of the County Board, Irving Fiedler, was informed by the County ESDA Coordinator that the snow storm was very serious and he advised that in a state of snow storm emergency to report to the State authorities.

The newest Putnam County bank was located on High Street in Hennepin.

Students from Granville named to the Dean's List at IVCC were Richard Bassi,

Charles Ellena, Wyatt Haws, Jami Kierczynski, Adam Passini and Christina Smith. Mr. and Mrs. Walt Keller were treated to a surprise dinner hosted by their children in honor of their 35th wedding anniversary.

Rural carrier Edward A. Lefman retired from the Putnam Post Office on January 17, topping off a 41 year career as a substitute rural carrier.

40 YEARS AGO

FEBRUARY 6, 1969

Doug Siebert was released from the hospital after being an overnight patient for observation after a fall on the ice at his home the previous day.

Mr. and Mrs. Anton Kotecki of Standard were pleasantly surprised at a 35th wedding anniversary party held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Nildo Bernardi.

Mrs. Averill West, the former Patricia Bruch, completed work towards her Master's degree at the U of I.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Zimmerman celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on February 16 at an open house reception in the County Line Church.

S.A. John C. Meuser spent a 15 day leave with his parents

adn sister after completing recruit training at Great Lakes Naval Training Station.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Accunius and Brent entertained at a turkey dinner in their home honoring their son and brother, Sp/4 Bradley Accunius, who was on a week leave from Fort Bragg NC.

60 YEARS AGO

FEBRUARY 10, 1949

Mr. and Mrs. George Dittman of Magnolia celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with more than 100 relatives and friends who called at their home during an open house.

Burnis and Edward Capitani opened a new hardware and electric store in Granville in their building on the west side of McCoy Street, formerly occupied by the Chatterbox.

Mrs. Alan Burwell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Morrine of Hennepin was among the class at Millikin University receive her B.A. degree at the closed of the fall semester.

BIRTHS:

Mr. and Mrs. Robert V. Klein, a son on February 8; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Zellmer, a daughter on February 6.

Sponsored Home in Granville Being Built

It was recently learned that Duane Carpenter, who is the president of Habitat for Humanity in Bureau and Putnam counties, will construct homes in Granville for two families. These families do not receive the homes on a "no-cost" basis. They must provide a down-payment, along with 150 hours of work for each adult who will lives in the homes. Lincolnshire Subdivision has been selected as the place where the homes will be built.

As the time comes closer for the construction to begin, the Putnam County Record will keep the community up to speed on the progress.

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Alfonse D'Amato

by Greg Stanmar

Sometimes it just doesn't pay to lose political correctness, even in a close senatorial election. A case in point in this series of Creeks & Creeps was three-term U.S. Sen. Alfonso D'Amato, R-New York, who, in 1998, when neck and neck with Democratic challenger Charles Schumer, a U.S. congressman and, more important, a Jew, called his opponent a putz-head.



Greg Stanmar

Invoking the Yiddish-American slang for fool did not sit well with the Jewish constituents he was meeting at the time. Up to then D'Amato, an Italian-American Catholic, had a great record with Jewish interests, including spearheading a movement to re-unite lost possessions with Holocaust survivors.

D'Amato and any New York Republican politician always have to walk the tight rope of being open to liberal causes while remaining true to the Republican Party's support. He had done that as well as he climbed the political ladder, but then hit that one slippery PC rung and he was down.

The national spotlight focused on this obscure local politician in 1980 when he beat out legendary senator Jacob Javits in the primary. A year earlier Javits was diagnosed with the often fatal disease of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis. It didn't help that Javits, who lost a primary bid, compounded voters' concerns about his health with giving his liberal base another choice after signing on with a third party to stay in the election.

D'Amato only got 45 percent of the vote but that was enough to win. He was born in 1937 in Brooklyn to a political family and moved to Long Island, where, with law degree in hand, he became public administrator of Nassau County, an appointive office. He moved around a bit in local political circles, ending up as presiding supervisor of Hempstead.

From these humble political beginnings he toppled Javits and quickly earned the nickname "Senator Pothole" for his ability to address local concerns. Sometimes he was colorful in his antics for those constituents. He once filibustered a bill that would have cost the jobs of 750 voters when the positions were to go to Mexico. Part of the filibuster included his rendition of "South of the Border (Down Mexico Way)." Another filibuster involved reading a phone book.

Bus Driver Initial & Refresher Classes

All bus drivers are required to attend a two-hour Bus Refresher class prior to the renewal of their current permit. The following dates and locations have been set for refresher classes in the M-P-W ROE area. A driver needs to attend **only one** of the following sessions:

- March 5, Roanoke, Sowers Elementary
- March 17, Metamora, Metamora Grade
- April 23, Midland, Midland High School
- May 6, Granville, Putnam County High School
- July 23, Washburn, Regional Office of Education
- August 20, Eureka, Eureka Middle School

An Initial Training Class for new bus drivers will be held on July 28, 29 & 30 at the M-P-W ROE at 117 S. Jefferson St., Washburn. (Must attend all three nights)

July 28, 6:30-9:30 p.m.
 July 29, 6:30-9:30 p.m.
 July 30, 6:30-9:30 p.m.
 Refresher & Initial Drivers: Please pre-register to be sure space is available to the Regional Office of Education, Washburn, 309/242-8212
 Participants are requested to bring pen or pencil.

Lebovitz Receive Degree

A total of 1,093 students at ISU completed requirements for the bachelor's degree at the end of the Fall session. ISU, the oldest public university in IL, delays the announcement of graduates until the Office of the University Registrar can verify the completion of academic requirements for graduation. Marc Lebovitz received his bachelor's degree in December from ISU.
Congratulations, Marc!!

Black Bear Captured in Bureau County

The Bear Will Receive Care at an Approved Facility

On February 3rd officers from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) Illinois Conservation Police along with the assistance of a wildlife expert from the Quad Cities, tranquilized a black bear that had been seen roaming Bureau County. The male black bear weighing approximately 200 pounds was located in the Neponset area. The animal was in a state of semi hibernation at the time. It was transported to a USDA licensed facility in southern Illinois that is permitted to possess bears.

The origin of the bear is unknown and is suspected to have been in human care prior to its release or escape. The IDNR Conservation Police first learned of this bear in June of 2008 when it was observed in the Sheffield area. In December the bear was observed and photographed in the Neponset area during a warm spell.

Officers from the Illinois Conservation Police consulted with federal, state and county wildlife and law enforcement agencies to formulate a plan of response to the bear's presence. For safety reasons, officials decided to attempt to take the bear alive and place it in an approved facility. Upon arrival at the facility the bear was in good health and will receive proper food, shelter and veterinarian care. An investigation is underway to determine the bear's origin.

Putnam County Area Events

• **Retired Teachers Association**... The Marshall-Putnam Unit of the RTA will hold its quarterly meeting on Tuesday, February 24, Ray's Place in Hennepin. Registration and coffee at 10:00 a.m. Featured speaker: Jay McCracken, Supr. PC CUSD #535. Optional lunch following the program. All area retired teachers are warmly encouraged to attend the meeting, join the Unit, and enjoy the program; newly retired colleagues eat as guests of the Unit and receive their first year's membership free. Please join us!

• **Laricide 1-hour Training**
 The Bureau and Putnam County Health Department in conjunction with the Illinois Department of Public Health, and the LaSalle County Health Department is offering a 1-hour laricide training Tuesday, April 14, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the conference room at the Bureau County Health Department. Please register by April 8. The Illinois Department of Agriculture (IDA) Rule allows application of a pre-packaged solid mosquito laricide by persons who attend a 1-hour training seminar. This seminar is free. If you would like to attend, please contact the Bureau County Health Department at 815-872-5091, extension 210, and a registration form can be mailed or faxed.

Food Pantry Needs

During February, the Putnam County Food Pantry has canned fruit and laundry detergent as the items it especially needs. The pantry is also in need of paper bags and plastic sacks. These and other items may be left at any of the banks in Putnam County or dropped off at the pantry. The Food Pantry is located in the basement of the Granville United Church of Christ and is open from 8:30 to 10 a.m. every Saturday morning. It serves needy Putnam County families. When needed, families come to the Pantry once a month for *emergency grocery items*. Please remember, every penny donated is used in our county. Thanks to everyone who has donated food and other items to our monthly appeal. Great thanks goes to the many volunteers who quietly service clients, stock the shelves, and pick up commodities and who help in other ways to make the Pantry operate so well. The support of the Putnam County community continues to be greatly appreciated.

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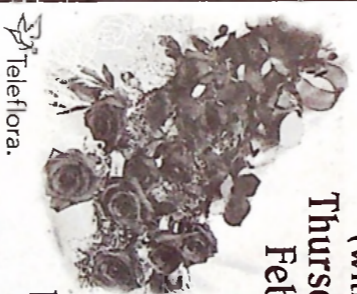
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President's Day 2009 Monday, February 16th



Presidents' Day is an annual holiday observed in the United States to honor the nation's presidents, especially George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. It is celebrated on the third Monday in February. The birthdays of Washington and Lincoln fall near or on the holiday. Washington, the nation's first president, was born on Feb. 22, 1732, according to the calendar we now use. Lincoln, who served as president during the American Civil War (1861-1865), was born on Feb. 12, 1809.

A federal holiday called Washington's Birthday also occurs on the third Monday in February. It became a legal public holiday in 1971. Later, many states adopted Presidents' Day instead, to honor not only Washington, but other presidents as well, especially Lincoln. Presidents' Day is sometimes called Washington-Lincoln Day.

On Presidents' Day, banks, government offices, libraries, and schools close. Most private businesses remain open. Many stores hold Presidents' Day sales.

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• Jack Santino, Ph.D., Professor of Popular Culture, Bowling Green State University.

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Granville Baseball Registration

Registration for Granville summer baseball will be held on Saturday, February 14th from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.; Wednesday, February 18 from 5-6:30 p.m., and a late signup on Saturday, February 21st from 9-10 a.m. All signups will be at the Granville Village Hall. Fees will be \$55 for Junior League (13 & 14), \$45 for Little League (11 & 12, and Minor League (9 & 10), and \$30 for Instructional League (7 & 8) and T-Ball (5 & 6). A \$10 early bird discount will be applied to the above amounts on registrations received by February 18th. The Little League Association Age Determination Chart will be used to place a player in the appropriate division. The chart uses May 1st as the cutoff date. Senior League (15 & 16) registration will also be held on these dates to determine the number of interested players. Fees for Senior League will be collected at a later date. Please contact Chad Tonozzi at 339-6790 with any questions.

PC Republicans Lincoln Day Dinner

The Putnam County Republican central Committee invites everyone to their annual Lincoln Day Dinner on February 23rd at Putters in McNabb at 6:00 p.m. Dinner will be family style chicken at \$20 per person.

This year's speaker will be Christine Radogno, who has served in the IL Senate since 1997. She currently represents the 41st District in Cook, DuPage and Will counties. She is the Senate Republican Leader and has been a long time advocate of ethical and fiscal reforms in Illinois State government.

RSVPs need to be received by February 18th to: Alma @ 339-6267, Jim @ 925-7481 or Trudy @ 882-2579.

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Secretary of Ag to Extend Comment Period

Illinois Farm Service Agency (FSA) Acting State Executive Director, Charles Chadwell today stated that on January 26 U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack announced he will extend the comment period for the 2008 Farm Bill Farm Program Payment Limitation and Payment Eligibility rulemaking process.

Vilsack discussed his priorities as Secretary of Agriculture during a teleconference call on January 26 with agriculture and other reporters across the country and said that as part of the regulatory review process outlined by the White House and Office of Management and Budget (OMB), he is directing the Department to extend the comment period for the payment limits rule for an additional 60 days.

"Let's be clear - in no way is this move a signal that we will modify the rules for the 2009 crop year," Vilsack said. "Sign up has begun and it's important that clear and consistent rules remain in place so that producers can prepare for the crop year and manage their risk appropriately."

To date, USDA has only received seven comments on the payment limits rule and Vilsack says that by extending the comment period additional farmers and other interested parties will have the opportunity to comment.

"In keeping with President Obama's recent pledge to make government more transparent, inclusive, and collaborative, I would like to pursue an extended comment period so that more farmers and other individuals can participate in this rulemaking process," he said. "I'm particularly interested in suggestions that would help the Department target payments to farmers who really need them and ensure that payments are not being provided to ineligible parties for future crop years." Vilsack also announced that the Department does not plan to implement a proposal developed by the previous Administration that would cut more than \$3 million from the Specialty Crop Block Grant Program, a popular program that promotes the growth of healthy fruits and vegetables to farmers who really need them and ensure that payments are not being provided to ineligible parties for future crop years."

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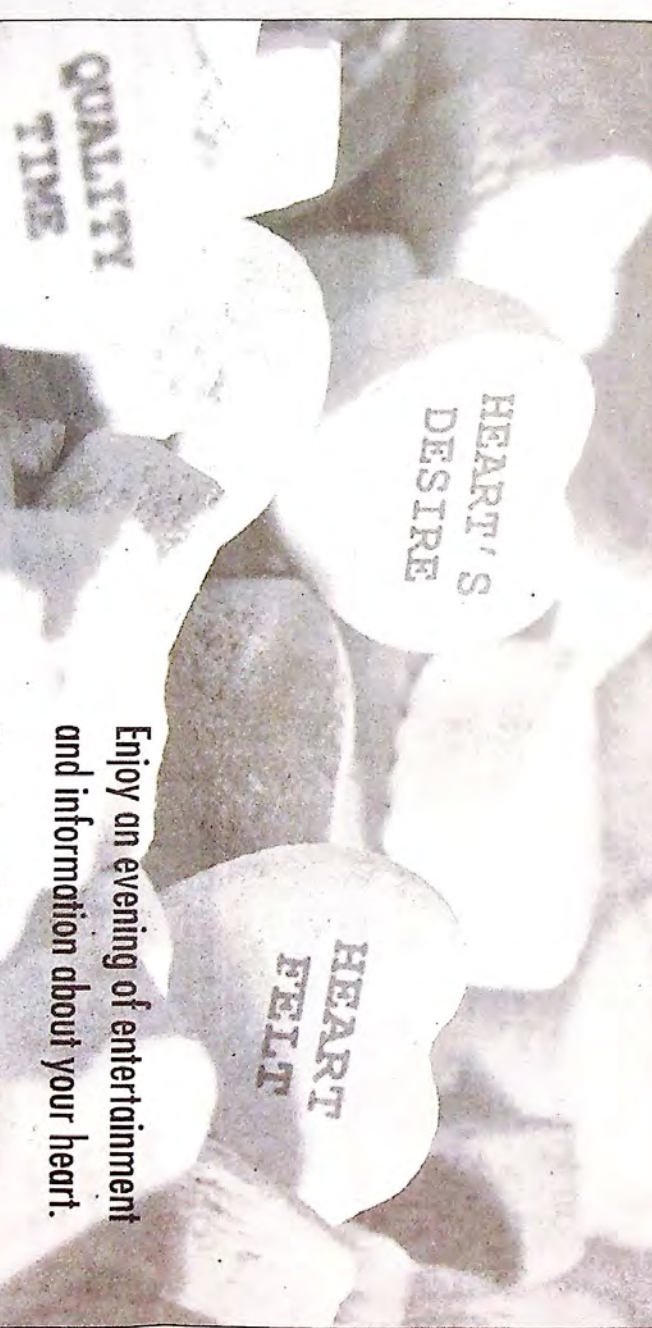
Grease Fundraiser Dinner

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Pictured above L-R are Peggy Ann and Legionnaire Ron Bluemer, Legionnaire Joe Panier and Legion post Commander, Ed Giuliani serving the sausage dinner to Mike and Linda Gonet. During the course of the dinner 167 meals were served along with 45 take-out orders.



Pictured above are Legionnaires Jerry Massini, Buc Troglio and John Ossola selling the homemade pork sausage at the annual Ground Hog Dinner this past Sunday.



Pictured at left is 63 year Granville Legion Post #180 member, William (Bill) Tonarelli, a World War II Navy veteran who served on the aircraft carrier USS Wasp. Bill was in charge of seating diners at the dinner.

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Mid-Day Connections

The Illinois Valley Midday Connection is a non-denominational Christian Women's Group that cordially invites all women from the Illinois Valley area of North Central Illinois to come to their Tuesday, February 17th monthly luncheon at 11:30 a.m. at Dickinson House, 440 S. Dale Ave., Oglesby, where the theme will be "Magic Moments." There is no membership fee or special requirements to attend. Dickinson House is handicapped accessible and everyone is welcome who would like to meet new people and enjoy a good program. A presentation on massage therapy by Gina Quinn from Pure Reflections Day Spa in Peru, will suggest ways to help you relax and will be the programs special feature. A musical program of vocal and guitar selections will be sung and played by Pastor Tim Underwood of Ottawa. The guest speaker will be Dorothy Smith from Moline, on the topic, "A Dreamer's Reality." Dorothy is our Regional Representative. Free child care is available if you call by Friday, February 13. Making reservations is important. Cost for the lunch and program is \$13.00 - beverage, tax and tip included, and to be paid at the door. To make reservations please contact Vickie at 815 223-4687 or Anita at 815 223-2852 or email to scolari12@comcast.net. Sponsored by Stonecroft Ministries.

Relay for Life Kick-Off

The kick-off for the 2009 American Cancer Society Relay for Life for Marshall and Putnam counties was held January 29 at Kenyon's Place in Lacon.

Tiffany Meyers, ACS staff partner for the local Relay, welcomed about 25 committee members and team captains and spoke briefly about the accomplishments of the 2008 Relay and the goals for this year's event. This year's Relay will be held on June 12th at 4 p.m and conclude at 8 a.m. on June 13 in Henry City Park.

Jean Goldner, team recruitment chair spoke concerning the new location for the Relay and stated that electricity will be available for all camp sites.

Following the family style chicken dinner, Kathy Rossman of Toluca, recipient of the first annual Dick Bernardi Memorial Award gave a moving talk about why she Relays. Kathy lost a daughter to cancer seven years ago, shortly after she had given birth to a health baby girl, and has since lost several members of her family to the disease. She has been active in Relay for Life since its inception locally because she was a friend of Dick Bernardi and felt the need to do something to aid in raising funds to find a cure.

Elise Pate, Health Initiative representative from the ACS spoke and gave several interesting statistics regarding the two county area: 131 residents of the area are diagnosed with some form of cancer each year; 19.25% of the residents are smokers; and 48.8% of women have not been tested for breast cancer in the past five years.

Team packets were distributed, as well as information concerning the upcoming Daffodil Days campaign. Door prizes were awarded and those present given an opportunity to have their pictures taken and to send a message to their legislators urging more support for funds to aid in cancer research.

Our thanks to Bill and Anita Kenyon for their generous support in the Kick-off and Wrap up events each year.

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Lila

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1921-2009

Lila M. Muzzarelli, 87, formerly of Spring Valley, died February 5, 2009, in Spring Valley Nursing Center where she had resided for 2.5 years. Services were February 7, 2009 in Barto Funeral Home, Spring Valley and a Mass in St. Anthony Catholic Church, Spring Valley. Rev. Robert Spilman officiated. Burial was in Valley Memorial Park, Spring Valley.

Mrs. Muzzarelli was born May 19, 1921 in Minnesota to Ernest and Emma (Lange) Breuning. She married Joseph A. Muzzarelli in St. Benedict Catholic Church, Ladd.

She worked at Westclox, Bassig-Hobbs and St. Margaret's Hospital. She was a member of St. Anthony Catholic Church and Mother Cabrini Sodality.

Survivors include four sons, Joe of Granville, Mike of Dallzell, Paul of Spring Valley and Walter Piper of Joliet; one daughter, Della Porter of Minnesota; two grandchildren; and one great-grandchild; and one brother, Earl Breuning of Peru.

She was preceded in death by her husband on April 10, 2008.

Memorials may be directed to the family.

Willard Osborne Sr.

1939-2009

Willard Dean Osborne Sr., 69 of Earlville died February 6, 2009 at Kindred Hospital, Syca-
more.

Funeral Mass was February 9, 2009 in St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church, Earlville. Rev. Chris G. Haake officiated. Burial was in St. Teresa Catholic Cemetery, Earlville. Hanley-Turner-Eighner Funeral Home of Earlville was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Osborne was born May 23, 1939 in Coldiron KY to Carl Osborne and Gladys Muncy. He married Ethel Mitchell on November 13, 1960 in Weymouth MA.

He was a member of St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church, Earlville American Legion Post 549, Ottawa Masonic Lodge 40, AFSCME Local 742, Phi Beta Kappa and Lewis University Alumni, and was a Democratic Committeeman for Earl Precinct 2. He served in the U.S. Navy for 15 years and in the Army Reserve for 16 years.

He retired after 31.5 years working at IL Department of Corrections in Sheridan.

Survivors include his wife; three sons, Willard "Skip" (Rita) Jr., Steve (Dawn) and Scott (Kimberly) all of Earlville; one daughter, Annmarie (Kevin) Manahan of Granville; nine grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; two foster grandchildren; two foster great-grandsons; seven brothers, Kenneth (Betty) of OH, Charles "Daniel" (Sondra) of CA, Joseph (Denise) Muncy of FL, Herbert (Kathie) Muncy of VA, Jerry (Gayla) Muncy of AR and Ted (Janet) Muncy of Compton; two sis-

Travel to Europe

Wishing you were on your way to a villa in sunny Tuscany, instead of here in Illinois during another Midwestern winter? If so, join us for a trip around the world, sponsored by the Marshall-Putnam Farm Bureau and the U of I Extension. The cost of the class is \$30 for members and \$35 for nonmembers and will be held at the Marshall-Putnam Farm Bureau Building on Saturday, April 25 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. You will be transported overseas and learn about the cultures of different European countries, try foods that are native to specific areas and get great ideas on lodging, activities, money-saving tips and much more. Rachael Mellen, originally from the United Kingdom, will be your tour guide for the day. She will be discussing the traditions, folklore and providing information that only a former resident could give. Call for more details at 309-364-2501, or email us at mpfb@mchsi.com.

Also coming up, Digital Photography and Photo Editing. Digital Photography - February 17, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. This class will teach you about your digital camera. Topics covered: handling the camera, settings, memory cards, and photo composition. Cost \$10 member/\$15 non-member.

Editing Digital Photos using Picasa 3 - February 18, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Picasa is a free photo editing program that has a lot of great features and photo effects. The class will teach how to organize, crop, eliminate red eye, touch up and apply effects. The program also includes the following capabilities: web albums, printing, Blog This, movie, and collage. Cost \$10 member/\$15 non-member.

A complete listing of computer classes offered at the Marshall-Putnam Farm Bureau building can be found on the University of Illinois Extension Marshall-Putnam Unit's web site at www.extension.uiuc.edu/marshallputnam/techtrain.

Human Service Transportation Plan - Region 3 Transportation Committee Meeting Notice

The Human Services Transportation Plan (HSTP) - Region 3 - Transportation Committee will be held on Friday, February 27 between 10 a.m. to Noon at the Mendota Civic Center at 1901 Tom Merwin Drive in Mendota. This meeting is open to the public. The Human Services Transportation Plan (HSTP) is federally mandated as a part of Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU). HSTP is a unified comprehensive strategy for delivery of services that identify the transportation needs of persons with disabilities; older adults, and persons of limited income. It lays out strategies for meeting these needs and prioritizes the services. The Illinois Department of Transportation has formed agreements with Regional Planning agencies throughout the State for the purpose of preparing and implementing the plan. North Central Illinois Council of Government (NCICG) is the local agency that will prepare plans for Region 1 (Carroll, JoDaviess, Stephenson, and Winnebago Counties) and Region 3 (Bureau, DeKalb, LaSalle, Lee, Ogle and Putnam Counties). More information about NCICG is available at www.ncicg.org or contact Jeff Joyce at (815) 875-3396.

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There are several "prints" in life that define a person or object. The imprint is a form of identity, and it can reveal much about the subject. In today's society fingerprints are being used for a variety of reasons, and all point to their effectiveness in identifying the person who owns them.

Fingerprints are used to prevent identity theft. Some supermarkets are even testing a technology that allows customers to pay by fingerprint. Schools and communities are compiling files of children's fingerprints in case there is a need, it helps keep the children safe. There are multiple uses for fingerprinting today. Your fingerprint can either protect you or they can incriminate you—if you commit a crime. Imprints of our lives identity who we are, and they can tell much about the person. There are other "prints" that

For example, most of us at one time or another have read or received a copy of the poem, "Footprints." The poem is inspiring and helps us be aware of how awesome Almighty God really is. This is such a explanation of how much God loves us and cares for us. Jesus said, "I will never leave you, nor will I forsake you." We memorize such Scriptures and quote them, but when we recall some difficult time that we had just encountered, we see the reality of the poem, "...that is when I carried you." Through this reality we have the opportunity to share God's love through Jesus Christ with those around us. People with a heart for the Lord have a heart for people. The true joy of living comes from a heart of thanksgiving.

Just think how the world would be if we left "HEART-PRINTS." Heartprints of genuine concern, compassion, understanding, caring, and joy! As we enter the "holiday" season—ask yourself, "Am I preparing my heart for Christmas?" It's easy to think about how to prepare the house, decorate the tree, and have the annual gift exchange. There is much more than the physical preparation, preparing the heart is far more important, and satisfying.

In Acts 9:36-43 we read about Dorcas, a woman in the early church who left her "heartprint" on the lives of many people. Dorcas had the ability to sew and she made clothes for many people. Her life was not centered about what she could for herself, it was used to help others in need. Look around, think of all the "heartprints" that you can leave! Dorcas was willing to see with a heart of compassion. Can you see some of the "needs" that can become heartprints?

When we recognize who we are in Jesus Christ, it should give us great joy. Caring for others requires a heart of obedience to the Lord. Sometimes we feel as though gratitude has become a lost art. Not too many people bother to say "thank you" these days. We teach our children to say thank you when they are little. Remember what Jesus said about the children, that we are to become as children. In other words, we need the simple life of faith believing and thankfulness! When we have an attitude of gratitude, it is much easier to leave heartprints on the lives of other people.

How is getting your heart ready for Christmas different from getting your house and church ready?

What are some ways that you can prepare your heart for Christmas?

Who can you give a "heartprint" this season? Heartprints are gifts from God—through you!

Most of these "heartprints" won't cost you money, they will cost you time and talent which the Lord blessed you with. We hope you find many ways to leave your imprint upon other lives—God bless!

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Butterbraid Sale

The Relay for Life Teams from Hennepin will again hold a Butterbraid Coffee Cake sale, in time for your Easter breakfast or brunch. Delivery of the coffee cakes will be April 2 and can be obtained or ordering from any team member or by calling 925-7147, 925-7098 or 339-6139.

The pastries serve 8 to 10 people and are \$11 each and are available in eight different flavors; apple, Bavarian Crème with chocolate icing, blueberry cream cheese, cherry, cinnamon, cream cheese, red raspberry or strawberry cream cheese; or caramel rolls, which serve nine. Frosting packets are included with the frozen dough, which is baked after being allowed to raise.

Cookie dough will not be sold during this sale, but will be available next fall during the pre-holiday sale held annually by the teams.

Members of the team include Ila Weddell, Betty Dean and Linda DeMattia, co-captains; Bette Hulm of Henry, Toni Ross and Gretchen Currie of Granville, Ron Colby of Spring Valley, Deanna Fecht of Toluca, Lindsay Weddell, Angel Doucette, Church & Donna Berry, Judy Pomatto, Teresa Clausen, Gloria Bouxsein, Carol Bachio, Beth Mack and Barbara Casey all of Hennepin.

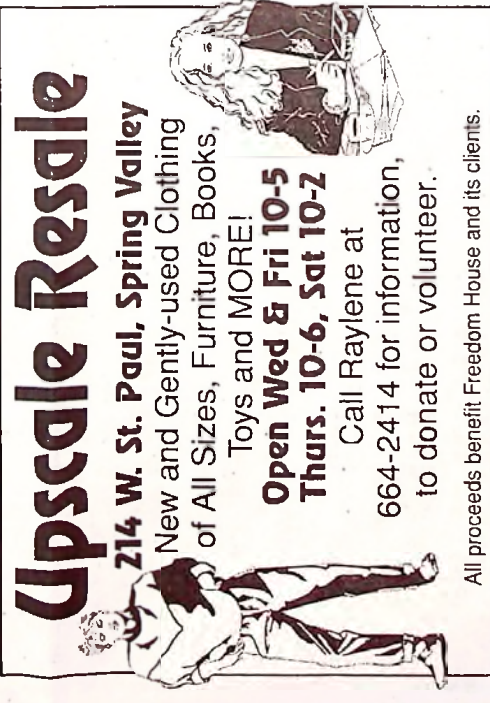


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Common Address: 2-560 Juniper Court, Putnam, Illinois 61560 P.I.N. 03-00-071-190

The Judgment amount is \$ 164,910.91. Contact the Law Offices of Ira T. Nevel, 175 North Franklin, Suite 201, Chicago, Illinois 60606, (312) 357-1125, for further information. The terms of the sale are cash. The property is improved by a single family residence, together with all buildings and improvements thereunto on, and the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging and will not be available for inspection prior to sale.

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Scholarship Program Available at Office of Senator Dahl

Students interested in getting some help with their college expenses are encouraged to apply for a scholarship program available through the office of State Sen. Gary Dahl (R-Granville).

Each year, Sen. Dahl awards eight Illinois General Assembly Scholarships to students throughout the 38th District who have need of scholarship assistance. The scholarships provide tuition for one academic year, and are applicable to both graduate and undergraduate level studies at any Illinois public university.


"I encourage any student looking at attending an Illinois public university, and who is in need of financial assistance, to apply," Dahl said. "The legislative scholarship program is a great opportunity for students to offset the rapidly rising cost of college."

To qualify for the senator's scholarships, students must meet four basic criteria: They must be a resident of the 38th Senate District, be accepted at the university of their choice, demonstrate activity in public and civic affairs and show a relative financial need. In addition, active reservists, current military personnel and veterans will receive preference for two of the eight scholarships.

An online scholarship application can be found on the senator's Web site, www.dahl.senate.gov. Applications must be received in the senator's office or postmarked by April 30.

The scholarships are awarded by an advisory committee which reviews all applications and selects the recipients. Notification of scholarship awards will be made in the summer.

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JANUARY 2009

30-Nick VanWingerden to Alan and Rosemary Aimone. E-Parcel 1: Pt. SW1/4, Sec. 35, Twp 33N, R1W; Parcel 2: Pt. NE1/4, Sec. 35, Twp 33N, R1W and Pt. SE1/4, Sec. 35, Twp 33N, R1W.

30-Alberta A. Kereta to Robert P. Mukenschnabl and Tamara S. Mukenschnabl. D-lot 101, Lake Thunderbird Hills (\$36,500).

FEBRUARY 2009

2-Kevin L. Doyle, Sheriff of Putnam County to the Granville National Bank. E-Lot 60 & 61, Archibald W. Hopkins Second Addition, Village of Granville.

4-HSBC Mortgage Services, Inc. to Raul Flores. D-Lot 11, Blk 3, Lincolnshire Subdivision #1 (\$55,000).

4-Anthony Medina to Federal National Mortgage Association. E-Lots 342 & 343, Lake Thunderbird Hills.

5-Putnam County Sheriff to Peoples National Bank of Kewanee. E-Lot 56, Lake Thunderbird Woods.

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- 2/16) PCAS CLOSED - PRESIDENT'S DAY
- 2/17) Sweet & sour pork over rice, lettuce salad w/ French, cherry cheesecake, (diet cheesecake)
- 2/18) Beef tips & noodle casserole, broccoli/Normandy, peachy peach gelatin
- 2/19) Roast turkey breast, bread dressing, peas & carrots, pumpkin pie w/topping, dinner roll
- 2/20) Cape Code fish fillet w/lemon, twice baked potato, beets in orange sauce, apple pie (diet applesauce)

School Menus

ATTENTION PARENTS OF PC STUDENTS: Beginning January 1, the P.C. School District will no longer provide paper copies of the lunch/breakfast menus to each household. The menus will be available on our Website located at: pcschools535.org, in the Putnam County Record and on WLPO radio.

BREAKFAST:

- 2/16) NO SCHOOL - PRESIDENT'S DAY
- 2/17) 2 slices cinnamon toast or 3/4 c. cereal, 1 slice toast w/ butter, applesauce, milk
- 2/18) Funnel cake or 3/4 c. cereal, 1 slice toast w/butter, OJ, milk
- 2/19) Bagel w/cream cheese, Gogurt, banana, milk
- 2/20) 1 slice toast w/butter, pork sausage patty or 3/4 c. cereal, 1 slice toast w/PB, OJ, milk

LUNCH:

- 2/16) NO SCHOOL - PRESIDENT'S DAY
- 2/17) Hot Pocket, tri-tator, fruit roll-up, applesauce, milk
- 2/18) Hot dog/bun, pasta salad, chips, pears, milk
- 2/19) COOK'S CHOICE
- 2/20) Chicken patty/bun, au gratin potatoes, baby carrots w/dip, orange, milk



ANDERSON - Ryan and Erika Anderson became the parents of a daughter, Brynna Lee, on January 21, 2009 at St. Francis Hospital in Peoria. She weighed 8 pounds 8 1/2 ounces and was 20 inches long. Brynna was welcomed home by her big sister, Kaitlyn. Paternal grandparents are Sandra Anderson and the late John Anderson of Henry. Maternal grandparents are Beth Moeller and the late Keith Moeller of Henry.

OLSON - Michael and Amy (Hall) Olson of Granville became the parents of a daughter on February 4, 2009 at IVCH, Peru.

GLEASON - Matt Gleason and Teresa Short of Bureau became parents of a son on February 3, 2009 at SMH Spring Valley.

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"I am extremely thrilled to be bringing a top notch organization back to the Valley. This project has been in the works for quite some time and April can't come fast enough," said Jay Repsel, owner of DREAMWAVE. "My goal is to provide economical family entertainment during these tough times. Wrestling hasn't always been looked at as "family entertainment" because of what some people see on television but I want to produce a show that parents and fans alike can be proud of. I have lived my entire life here and I look at this as my way to give back to the area."

Jay Repsel has been involved in one way or another with the wrestling industry for the better part of fifteen years. During the wrestling boom of the early 2000s, Repsel was responsible for promoting another company and finding new talent like future WWE superstars CM Punk, Mr. Kennedy and Evan Bourne. He successfully mixed that new talent with wrestling legends like the Road Warriors, Raven and Bam Bam Bigelow. "That was a tremendous time in my life and I look back on it fondly. Unfortunately, things didn't work out as I had hoped and ever since I closed that door in 2005, I have been working on coming back bigger and better than ever."

Bigger and better it will be. DREAMWAVE Wrestling features the biggest and brightest stars of the Midwest scene. From Egotistico Fantastico to Austin Roberts and Juice Robinson, Repsel has again assembled an excellent mix of young talent and established veterans. However, DREAMWAVE will not be lacking in star power. Beginnings will feature former WWE and WCW Legend "The Ugandan Giant" Kamala. Kamala has been a revered name in the business for more than 25 years as fans old and new can recall his feud with Hulk Hogan in the late 80's over the World Heavyweight Championship and his Casket Match with The Undertaker in front of 80,000 plus in England in 1992.

For additional information or tickets, please go to www.dreamwavewrestling.com. Any questions or comments can be sent by e-mail to dreamwavewrestling@gmail.com.

DREAMWAVE Wrestling is the Midwest's premier independent professional wrestling organization and offers the most economical entertainment value in the Illinois Valley. The company is owned and operated by DREAMWAVE Entertainment, LLC. and headquartered in Oglesby.

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IRS E-file Can Speed Refunds to Illinoisans

New Online Fill-In Tax Forms

On January 16, the Internal Revenue Service flipped the switch to begin accepting electronically filed returns. This year, the number of e-filed returns streaming in from Illinois will likely be on the increase. And some will probably be e-filed using the IRS's new online, fillable tax forms.

The IRS expects nearly 3.6 million Illinoisans to e-file this year, either through their tax preparers or on their own. That will mean that more than half of Illinois tax filers have scrapped paper and pen in favor of the computer mouse.

Filers will have more reasons than ever to make the switch to e-file with the IRS announcing the Jan. 16 opening of an expanded e-file program, highlighted by new tax forms that can be filled in and e-filed online, a feature that will allow virtually everyone to e-file at no cost.

"We realize people are looking for fast refunds and e-filing is the way to go," said IRS spokesperson Sue Hales. "Along with faster refunds, e-filers will get confirmation within 48 hours that IRS has received their return."

According to Hales, taxpayers who combine e-filing with direct deposit usually get a refund in 10 days or less. Filers who owe taxes can also enjoy the accuracy, ease and safety of e-filing now and paying later by authorizing an April 15 direct debit to the IRS.

"People looking to hold down the cost of tax filing should consider using IRS Free File," Hales said. "Free File offers both free preparation and free e-filing of your federal tax return."

Last year, there was a surge in e-file from home computers. More than 1.1 million Illinoisans prepared and e-filed their own returns, an increase of 19 percent from the previous year.

Free File is available only through the IRS Web site at irs.gov. It offers 20 different software options that can assist taxpayers with Adjusted Gross Incomes (AGI) in 2008 of \$55,000 or less. About 65 percent of Illinois filers qualify for free online tax preparation and e-filing through Free File.

Taxpayers who are more comfortable with filling out paper tax forms may enjoy using the new online fillable tax forms, which can be e-filed for free.

The IRS began the e-file program in 1986 as a pilot project in three cities: Cincinnati, Phoenix and Raleigh-Durham, N.C. That year, there were 25,000 tax returns filed electronically. The e-file program expanded nationwide in 1990 and 4.2 million tax returns were filed. IRS e-file has undergone tremendous growth each year. Last year, nearly 90 million returns were e-filed nationwide.

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USDA Nationwide Lamb Referendum Began Feb. 2

Illinois Farm Service Agency (FSA) Acting State Executive Director, Charles Chadwell announced today that a nationwide referendum allowing lamb producers, feeders, and first handlers to vote on whether to continue or terminate the Lamb Promotion, Research, and Information Order, authorized under the Commodity Promotion, Research, and Information Act of 1996 will be held February 2-27.

To be eligible to vote, persons must certify and provide documentation, such as sales receipts or remittance forms, which show they have been engaged in the production, feeding, or slaughtering of lambs during the period, Jan. 1 through Dec. 31, 2008. Beginning February 2 and continuing through February 27, Illinois Farm Service Agency (FSA) county offices will conduct the referendum. Eligible voters should obtain form LS-86 from a county FSA office either in person, by mail, fax, or via the internet at: <http://www.ams.usda.gov/ismarketingprograms>. Persons must vote in the referendum at the County FSA office where their administrative farm records are maintained. For eligible voters not participating in the FSA programs, voting opportunities will be provided at the county FSA office where the person owns and/or rents land. Form LS-86 and supporting documentation must be returned in person, by mail, or by fax to the appropriate county office prior to the close of business on Feb. 27. Mailed forms and documentation must be postmarked no later than midnight on Feb. 27, and received in the county FSA office by March 6.

USDA monitors activities of the American Lamb Board. The mandatory program is financed by producers, seedstock producers (breeders), feeders, and exporters who are assessed one-half (\$.005) per pound when live ovine animals are sold. The first handler, primarily packers, pays an additional 30 cents per head on ovine animals purchased for slaughter.

Copies of the Final Rule and Notice are available from the Marketing Programs Branch: Livestock and Seed Program, AMS, USDA, STOP 0251- Room 2628-S; 1400 Independence Avenue, SW; Washington, D.C. 20250-0251; tel. (202) 720-1115; or via the internet at www.ams.usda.gov/ismarketingprograms

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Legals

LEGAL PUBLICATION IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, PUTNAM COUNTY, ILLINOIS
Cause 08-TX-10 TO THE FOLLOWING NAMED PERSONS (AND IF DECEASED TO THEIR UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVICES), AND TO THE STATE OF ILLINOIS ATTORNEY GENERAL AND SECRETARY OF STATE, PUTNAM COUNTY CLERK, COUNTY TREASURER, STATES ATTORNEY, GREEN TREE FINANCIAL, LLC AND UNKNOWN OWNERS AND PARTIES INTERESTED IN THE PARCELS HEREINAFTER NAMED

Parcel Number: 02-55-211-616 Owners/Parties Interested: Yeager, David Cert Number: 2005-0048 St. or Common Address/Mobile Home Park: 139 Oak Park Estates

Parcel Number: 02-55-211-616 Owners/Parties Interested: Oak Park Estates Cert Number: 2005-0048 St. or Common Address/Mobile Home Park: Take notice that the abovesaid Mobile Homes were sold on November 14, 2006, for delinquent mobile home local services taxes for the year 2005 and prior years, and that the period of redemption from such sale expires May 22, 2009. Take further notice that a petition for order directing issuance of tax certificates of title has been filed in the abovesaid cause as to the above-named mobile homes by Putnam County as Trustee, and that on July 9, 2009 at 11:00 a.m., said Petitioner will apply for an order that a tax certificate of title issue as to each abovesaid mobile home not redeemed on or before May 22, 2009.

Putnam county as Trustee, Petitioner For further information contact the County Clerk address: 120 N 4th St., Hennepin IL 61327

LEGAL PUBLICATION IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT PUTNAM COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JEROME J. BOLDA, deceased. No. 09-P-1 CLAIMS NOTICE
Notice is given of the death of JEROME J. BOLDA, deceased, of the Village of Hennepin, Putnam County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on January 29, 2009 to Frederick C. Bolda, 13233 North 2250 Avenue, Geneseo, Illinois 61254, whose attorney is Eric S. Swartz, 611 Second Street, P.O. Box 174, Henry IL 61537.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of said Court at the Putnam County Courthouse in the Village of Hennepin, Putnam County, Illinois, on or before August 14, 2009, or, if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by 755 ILCS 5/18-3, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before said date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the representative within 10 days after it has been filed and proof of such mailing must be filed with the Court.

Dated: January 30, 2009 Frederick C. Bolda, Executor of the Estate of Jerome C. Bolda, deceased Eric S. Swartz Attorney for the Executor 611 Second Street, PO Box 174 Henry IL 61537 (309) 364-2354

as This, That, & More Marketing, located at 114 Ava, Mark IL. Dated this 3rd day of February, 2009.

Daniel S. Kuhn, County Clerk 23-3x-npd

LEGAL PUBLICATION ASSUMED NAME
Public notice is hereby given that on February 2, 2009, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Putnam County, Illinois, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as Roger Robbins, Jr., located at 222 S. McCoy Street, Granville IL 61326.

Dated this 2nd day of February, 2009.

Daniel S. Kuhn, County Clerk. 23-3x-npd

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LOT 560 IN PLAT NO. 3 OF LAKE THUNDERBIRD WOODS, PUTNAM COUNTY, ILLINOIS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, AT PAGE 178, ON 3 APRIL 1970, IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF DEEDS OF PUTNAM COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Common Address: 2-560 Juniper Court, Putnam, Illinois 61560 P.I.N. 03-00-071-190

The Judgment amount is \$164,910.91.

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Area Schools Participate in Simulcast for Lincoln's Birthday



Pictured above are students at Putnam County Jr. High School who participated in the Lincoln's Birthday Simulcast with 6,000 other schools across the nation. An attempt was being made to get into the Guinness Book of World Records for having the most students recite the Gettysburg Address at the same time. Official witnesses were present to testify that the students had recited the Address at the same time the other schools were doing so. In order to break the record, more than 223,363 students must have recited the Address on February 12th. Some of the other schools in the area who joined in on the simulcast were Leepertown, Lostant and Tonica. (Turn to Page 6 for photo of Leepertown.)

Kessler Honored as 50 Year Member



Pictured at left is Fred Kessler (R) of Granville who was recently recognized by the BEW Local 176 (International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 176) as having been a member for 50 years. He is also the oldest member of the Local at 96 years of age. The certificate of service was presented to him by Jim Conness (L), Business Agent for Local 176.

Congrats to you, Fred!!!

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New Parish Priest Welcomed in Putnam County

by Elin Arnold

Sacred Heart and St. Patrick's Churches in Granville and Hennepin respectively have welcomed Fr. Pat DeMeulemeester as their Parish Priest. Fr. Pat arrived in Putnam County in June of last year and has had plenty of time to make himself at home.

Ordained in 1995, Fr. Pat is a native of East Moline. He graduated from Holy Apostles in Cromwell CT with a Bachelor's Degree in Philosophy and a minor in Psychology. He then earned his Masters of Divinity in Theology at St. Mary's in Emmitsburg, MD.

All of his assignments have involved multiple churches. He spent three years in Monticello, two years in Rock Island, six years in Elkhart IN, and lastly, two years as an Assistant Pastor in Lincoln, before coming to PC.

His parents immigrated to the U.S. in the 1950's so most of his family remains in Belgium. His first language was Dutch. Fr. Pat has three siblings; an older sister, Ruth; an older brother, Mark; and a younger brother, John. He also has three nieces and nephews in this country.

He realized he had a call on his life to work in the ministry after he graduated from high school. "I was always the priest when I was young," he recalled. "It was at all the neighborhood weddings and pet funerals of my friends."

Fr. Pat has developed goals for the Parish. "My main goal is to bring the people together as a family," he stated. "In my State of the Parish letter it was clear that I do not want to unite buildings, I want to unite people. I also want to get the youth in the area involved as part of the family. It all follows with the philosophy."

Fr. Pat has chosen a unique way to settle in. Since there are two houses available he lives in both of them. "Since I am the Pastor in both communities, I want to be in both communities," he stated emphatically. "It does present some interesting challenges," he continued. "I need two of everything. When you want something it's always in the other house but we survive." The main point is: Fr. Pat is approachable and that's why he lives in both villages.

Lucky for us he has brought an interesting hobby with him. He describes it simply as "Christmas" and should be no surprise to anyone that this is a main interest of a parish priest.

For his 14 years in the ministry he has been collecting figurines and buildings that are part of the birth of Jesus. He now has a spectacular display that was in Hennepin this year and the people in Granville can look forward to enjoying in their community next year. It is up for 6 weeks in Dec. and Jan. and has been 20' but will be 4' longer in 2009. It involves over 100 people, 100 lbs. of sand, and the figures change during the Advent Season. Mary and Joseph start out on a donkey as they travel to Jerusalem. Fr. Pat also sets up five Christmas trees.

His other lifetime hobby is travel. He has been to six out of seven continents with only Africa left to visit. He has also traveled to all 50 states in America giving him a wealth of knowledge about the people of the world.

Fr. Pat is a wonderful young and energetic Priest with a true heart for people. The Putnam County Record joins the rest of the county in welcoming him and we all look forward to having him here for a long time.



Fr. Patrick DeMeulemeester

Putnam County Record

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The Day The Music Died - Feb. 2, '59. See Pg. 4.

History From The Files of the Putnam County Record

10 YEARS AGO

FEBRUARY 10, 1999

Putnam County was honored at the Annual meeting of the M-P SWCD.

Bill Johnson, PCHS principal, a multi-talented guy, shared his knowledge with students while cooking in Diana Webb's Home Ec class demonstrating how to make egg rolls.

PCJHS 8th grade basketball team won the regional title at Streater Northlawn on Feb. 4.

The PC Historical Society held their third quarter meeting at Sacred heart Parish Hall on Jan. 17. Featured speaker was Marilyn Rasmusen who spoke on Indian lore.

DEATHS:

Helen Marie Hartzell, 79 of Hennepin on January 29; Ray Jenkins, 77 of Pawnee on January 29; Lois C. Husser, 73 of Ladd on January 30.

20 YEARS AGO

FEBRUARY 8, 1989

Two candidates filed for Senachwine Twp Road Commissioner. They were Arthur E. Kuhl and William D. Greek.

Edith Homrighouse reached her 101st birthday on February 9.

Mary Kinney celebrated her 80th birthday on February 11.

Rex Richard was named to the Dean's List for fall at SIU, Carbondale.

30 YEARS AGO

FEBRUARY 8, 1979

Terry Judd, owner of Hennepin Food Mart and two others delivered groceries by snowmobile to over a dozen homes during the blizzard which occurred a few weeks ends ago. According to Judd, deliveries were made on two days to persons in rural Hennepin, Florida and Bureau, along with J&L Steel and the II. Power plant.

M-P Oil Co. thanked everyone who attended their open house on January 30 at the new service center one mile north of McNabb.

The grand opening of Toni's Flower and Gift Shoppe in Granville was held during the past week.

BIRTHS:

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley (Debbie Ploplis) Shevokas because the parents of a daughter, Elizabeth Marie on January 22.

40 YEARS AGO

FEBRUARY 20, 1969

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Zimmerman of the county line celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary with an open house on February 16.

Following a five day holiday for the students of the

PC schools, classes resumed but attendance was greatly affected by various illnesses, namely flu, colds and chicken pox. Daily absenteeism had been around 125 at the high school.

Mr. and Mrs. John Uzella Sr. celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on February 22 with an open house at the VFW Hall.

Sue Hecht, a 1968 graduate of PCHS was among the class of student nurses at St. Francis School of Nursing who were capped during a capping ceremony held in the hospital chapel.

After four years of service, Army Sgt. Louis Anders received his separation from the armed forces at Fort Wadsworth, Staten Island NY.

Melinda Ann Halbleib, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Halbleib of McNabb was baptized in Immaculate Conception Church, Mt. Palatine by Rev. John Kwak.

50 YEARS AGO

FEBRUARY 5, 1959

Hopkins High announced that Janice Fassino was DAR Good Citizen for the year. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fassino of Standard.

Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Keller celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with an open house reception at McNabb Lutheran Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Griffith of McNabb celebrated their 39th wedding anniversary on February 14.

Rev. John H. Kidder, pastor at First Lutheran Church, dedicated 80 new Service Books and Hymnals at the worship service on February 15.

Mr. and Mrs. John Naumann celebrated their 50 wedding anniversary at an open house reception at County Line Lutheran Church on February 15.

Hopkins High was preparing for the approaching 1959 Regional Basketball Tournament schedule in their gym.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hartman celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on February 16.

BIRTHS:

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Mekley, a daughter on Feb. 1 at SMH; Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Sullivan of Putnam, a daughter on January 27; Mr. and Mrs. William Clift Jr. of Putnam a daughter on February 28; Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Groth of Holwayville, a son on February 8 in SMH and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Davies of Florida are the maternal grandparents.

70 YEARS AGO

FEBRUARY 8, 1939

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Miller

celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary at their home in Hennepin Township.

BIRTHS:

Mr. and Mrs. James Loy, a son on February 21; Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Sadnick a son on February 15; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bregar, a son on February 21.

80 YEARS AGO

FEBRUARY 21, 1929

The Modern Woodmen lodges of Granville, Hennepin and Florida held a joint initiation of a class of more than 60 in the hall at Granville with the Bloomington team in charge.

PC friends of Dr. and Mrs. B. Q. Dysart of Bureau, former Granville residents were interested in the announcement that Dr. Dysart had formed a partnership with Dr. T. C. Cogshell of the Henry Hospital, taking the place of Dr. Cromwell who recently had died.

Swaney High was victorious over Magnolia in the deciding game of the county basketball tournament. Winning score was 22-12. Swaney's line up included McGhie, Wallace, Morgensen, Koehler and Lowrey. Opponents were Morpew, Chesnut, Wells, Nelson, Titus and Griffin.

90 YEARS AGO

JANUARY 1919

The architect and contractors of the Hopkins Township High School were in Granville and tested the heating system and went over the whole plant with the board. Everything was about completed and the mechanics were finishing the odds and ends so that it is expected that all work would be finished by the weekend and the building turned over to the district for use.

J. E. Uimer, one of the prosperous farmers on Hennepin Prairie, did not take a back seat when it came to raising good hogs, but he had nothing on Mrs. Uimer in that line. He informed the Record that a week earlier he hauled a fine Chester White hog that was raised by Mrs. Uimer to a butcher in Mark. The hog tipped the beam at 600 lbs. and sold for the nice sum of \$102.00.

Dr. and Mrs. McCormick and Mrs. V. B. Leech had their

homes wired for electricity during the week.

Walter Stevenson began work in the National Bank on February 1. This was the job he had quit when he entered the service.

Rennie Stoens sent a letter to relatives stating that he was well and in Paris doing military police duty. He did not know when he would get to return home.

DEATHS:

James Kostellic, 60 of Granville died January 19 at SMH after 6.5 weeks suffering from a heart ailment; Silas King, 88 of Rockford died January 14 and services were in Magnolia.

BIRTHS:

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Reynolds, a daughter on January 26 delivered by Dr. Wyatt.

PC to Join Drug Task Force?

It was discussed at the PC Board meeting approved sharing with Bureau County and entering into an intergovernmental agreement for a multi-city and county drug task force. Sheriff Doyle pointed out that he felt it would be beneficial to the county and that he was glad he was asked to be in it.

It was also revealed that interim supervisor of assessments, Tammy Mehalic was appointed as the permanent Supervisor of Assessments since she had passed the appropriate tests. The new supervisor has been quite busy with her new assignment.

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- IGA Canned Fruit, 15/16 oz.....\$1.00
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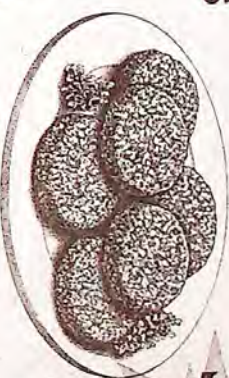
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The Day The Music Died - February 3, 1959

by Darrell Allemen

Buddy Holly's Rock & Roll Band, the Crickets' last performance was 50 years ago on February 2, 1959 at the Surf Ballroom in Clear Lake LA. The next morning Buddy Holly, Richie Valens and JA Richardson (Big Bopper) wanted to fly to Spring Valley where their next engagement was to be held at the Les-Bu Ballroom on February 7 to make arrangements. The other band members took a charter bus there. Buddy Holly and his band had performed in July 1958 at the Les-Buzz Ballroom.

The fateful morning of February 3, Buddy Holly, Richie Valens and J.A Richardson and the pilot of their small plane were killed in a crash near Mason IA on their way to Spring Valley. The rest of the Winter Dance Party arrived at Les-Buzz Ballroom on schedule with a new lineup that included Frankie Avalon. The mood was very somber that night at the Les-Buzz. Buddy Holly was buried that day. He was only 22 years old. His music had taken flight rapidly during his short career from 1954 to 1959.

Don McLean's 1971 hit, "American Pie" as "The Day the Music Died" was in honor of Buddy Holly. Marie Elena Holly, Buddy's widowed bride, as the song called her, said after they moved to New York from Texas, they would walk to Washington Square Park and Buddy would bring his guitar and just sit there. All the young musicians would come and talk to him and ask, "How do you do that?"

The way he played the guitar was different, with a downstroke. It was like an educational session every day. Maria said he was very serious about his music, so particular, precise and picky. He said that he was this way because he wrote music for the people to enjoy, and to make sure they were happy. He wanted his music to last forever.

Buddy Holly grew up in Lubbock TX with his school-mate, J.L Allison, the Crickets drummer and co-songwriter. J.L said he wished they would have had better recording equipment. They were making money playing local dances, youth centers, skating rinks, and mostly they just practiced, learning new songs before a four-hour dance. He guessed that they knew almost every rock 'n' roll song that was out then, even before it was called rock 'n' roll.

Buddy and the Crickets made contributions to Rock by being the first truly self-contained, sustainable unit to write songs, record them, and play them on the road with guitars, bass and drums. J.L said around Lubbock if they wanted a song, there was no one else in town to do it, so

they had to write it.

In the mid-50s the Les-Buzz Ballroom on Rt. 6 and 89 west end of Spring Valley, was the place to be for rock and roll. Besides it was also the place to be if you liked to roller skate. Arthur (Buzz) Verucchi, and his brother-in-law, Les Dhesse, opened the Les-Buzz Roller Rink in 1949. My sister, Patty, and her girlfriend, Betty Grasser from McNabb, spent a lot of time roller skating, first at the Peru roller rink where the Peru Auto Salvage Company is on Rt. 6 today.

My Dad did not want my sister to drive at night so he had me take her and Betty, so I learned to skate and loved it. To this day I still have my roller skates and the suitcase they came in. We also skated in the outdoor skating rink in the Henry Park. But when Les-Buzz opened up, we only went there. By that time my girlfriend, Jeanne Anderson, went with us and loved to skate also.

In 1950 Les and Buzz started bringing in musical entertainment to the rink and calling it the Les-Buzz Ballroom. Soon big bands came headed by Louie Armstrong, Count Basie, Duke Ellington, Gene Krupa, Stan Kenton, Guy Lombardo, Everly Brothers, Fats Domino, Danny and the Juniors, Bill Haley, Bobby Rydell, Freddy Cannon, Dion and the Belmonts and more. Besides these big bands, recording stars like Frankie Avalon, Fabian, and Buddy Holly used places like the Les-Buzz Ballroom to feature themselves in the early years of Rock 'n' Roll.

The stadium and arena shows were years away. Some stars appeared on Saturday nights, others performed on Tuesdays or Wednesdays as they passed through town en route to another show. Buzz handled the promotion for the ballroom concerts by using the Les-Buzz 1956 yellow and black Chevrolet station wagon, with a large sign mounted on its roof naming the ballroom and band. It was rigged with loud speakers and Buzzy would parade through all the towns in a big radius of Spring Valley. As he entered a town's main business street, he would start announcing on the speakers as he slowly drove through. Then he would stop at the businesses, restaurants, and taverns dropping off posters. I actually witnessed Buzzy driving through Granville and McNabb at different times. It was a kind of spectacular sight.

Jeanne and I saw Gene Krupa and Fabian before we were married. Then we would go over to a concert with our children and park next to the side of the building because there was no air conditioning in the summer. They opened

long doors so we could watch people dancing and enjoy the loud music. One could dance and listen to the hottest bands and singers in the United States for \$2.00 or \$2.50 a person at the Les-Buzz Ballroom.

Jeanne and I attended the St. Margaret's Hospital Foundation fundraiser at Celebrations 150 to listen and watch the John Mueller's Winter Dance Party tour. There were several people from Hennepin, Mark, Standard, Granville in attendance - more than 500 people in total. The Buddy Holly band included John Mueller as Buddy Holly, Jay Richardson, son of the Big Bopper as his father, and Ray Anthony performing as Richie Valens. When the Big Bopper's son came on the stage, he shouted "Are you ready for some Rock and Roll?" The whole place came alive. It was impossible to sit still for everyone. For most hits the dance floor was full.

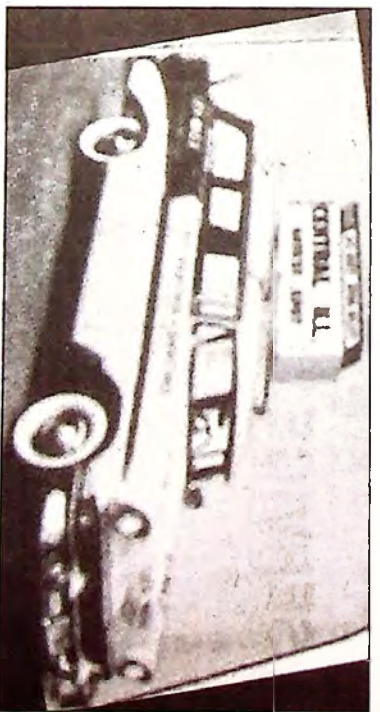
"Big Bopper," Jay Richardson said he was born three months after his dad died and he wanted to keep his dad's music alive.

A local band, "Wake the Sheep," performed first and the staff of the Igloo Drive-In of Peru served their french fries, burgers, milk shakes, and sodas so everyone could enjoy the 1950s experience. Headbands and eyeglasses that lit up and blinked were everywhere. These great hits were played: *Donna, Peggy Sue, Blue Days Black Night, That Will Be The Day, True Love Ways, I Wonder Why, Little Red Riding Hood, We All Belong Together, Go Johnny Be Good* and more. This was the music at its best. The 50s were when music was music and cars were cars. What a great time to have lived.

Pictured top right is Buddy Holly (top left corner) and his Cricket Rock 'n' Roll band in the late 1950s.

Center is John Mueller as Buddy Holly (left) and his band playing 50s rock 'n' roll music at the St. Margaret's Hospital fundraiser at Celebrations 150, LaSalle.

At the bottom is the Les-Buzz Mobile, a 1956 Chevy station wagon, that Buzzy Verucchi drove through area towns advertising the Rock 'n' Roll bands that would be playing at the Les-Buzz Ballroom at any given time.



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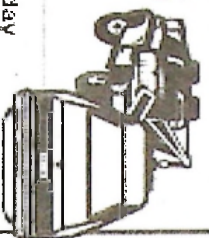
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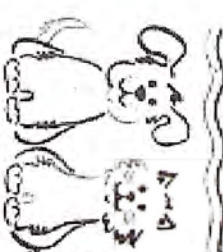
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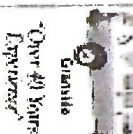
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Richard and Hazel Weddell, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Weddell, Sr. will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on February 19th. Richard Weddell and the former Hazel Galher were married in Magnolia. Their attendants were Wilma Weddell (deceased) and Francis Weddell, brother of the groom.

The couple are the parents of two children, Rich (LeeAnn) Weddell Jr. of Hennepin and Gary (Jean) Eich of Serena. They have six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Mr. Weddell retired from BR Goodrich in Henry and Mrs. Weddell retired from IVCH in Peru.

The couple are members of the United Methodist Church in Hennepin.

College Happenings

•• Straughn on Dean's List

NIU announced the Fall 2008 Dean's List students and Chelsi Straughn of Hennepin, a student in the Health & Human Sciences was on the list.

•• Kuhn on Dean's List

Angela Kuhn, daughter of Sheli Starkey of Granville and Dan Kuhn of McNabb, was named to the College of Business Administration Dean's List at UIC for the 2008 fall semester. A minimum GPA of 3.50 for the semester in at least 12 graded hours of course work is required to be named to the list.

•• Erickson Graduates

ISU announced its 2008 Dean's List students. Those students have achieved GPAs that place them in the top 10% at the university. Michelle Erickson graduated with a BS in Education and is now teaching in the Bloomington and Pontiac schools.

•• Tonioni Graduates

Nicole Heather Tonioni received a BS degree in commencement ceremonies on December 20th from Bradley University.

M-P Republican

Women to Meet

The M-P Republican Women will hold their Feb. meeting at Roland's in Hennepin on Feb. 26 at 6:30 p.m. The program for the evening will be presented by Carol Merina. Please make your reservation by Feb. 23 by calling Gina Noe @ 309/364-3701, Nedra Junker @ 309/463-2256, Jean Davis @ 309/246-8503.



Pictured above L-R are Kevin Bengson (Instructor), Matt Dorman, Katie Burkmann, Morganne Moreno, Dustin Foster, Michael Keiser, Roman Savoie and Nathan McCann.

PCHS Selects DAR Winner

Putnam County High School's recipient of the DAR Good Citizen Award for this year is Peter Ladage. He is the son of Armand and Anita Ladage of Hennepin. The Princeton - Illinois Chapter of the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution sponsors this program. Peter was selected for this award by faculty and fellow seniors on the basis of "dependability, service, leadership, and patriotism." While in high school, Peter has been on the high honor roll every semester. He is very active in theatre, music, and all of these departments' activities. He also participates in National Honor Society, Scholastic bowl, and the WYSE competitions. Peter has been accepted to University of Illinois - Chicago. He plans to study in their biomedical engineering program. He also hopes to be involved in the NROTC program.



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- Serving from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the High School Commons.
- \$5 per person.**

PCHS will be presenting Grease March 19th, 20th & 21st
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Crooks & Creeps

Excerpts From A New Book by Greg Stanmar

President Andrew Johnson by Greg Stanmar

Some politicians got into this collection of Crooks & Creeps just because they are politicians who came out on the legal short end when battling other politicians. Such is the case of Andrew Johnson, who will go down in history as the first president to be impeached.

Unlike Bill Clinton 135 years later, there was not much scandal involved in this case. The worst that could be said about Johnson was that he was arrogant, which didn't help win over the radical Republicans he had to battle after the first congressional election since Abraham Lincoln was assassinated.

Until the impeachment, Johnson, basically a Democrat, was known primarily as the only Southern senator to remain in Washington when the Civil War began. When he took over Lincoln's job after the assassination he also took over the Illinois President's vision for the South after the war.



Greg Stanmar

Johnson encouraged the South's re-entry into the Union, angering those politicians who wanted their pound of flesh. He also vetoed early civil rights legislation when he thought it too much a tool of the carpetbaggers.

Johnson, like Clinton after him, survived the big political bang of impeachment. The Greenville, TN, man caught the eye of Lincoln and in 1862 named him military governor of Tennessee. When seeking re-election in 1864, he called on Johnson as a running mate in what Lincoln thought was going to be a close election (It wasn't.) Fate put Johnson in line to be the 17th President.

Born in 1808 in North Carolina, he lost his father three years later. His mother apprenticed him off to a tailor at the age of 10, but Johnson had other plans and ran away to Greenville with his brother. By 1853 he rose enough in politics to be elected governor in 1853, becoming a U.S. senator four years later.

As President, Johnson's long-lasting contributions included buying Alaska from the Russians and putting an end to France's designs in Mexico. He also unknowingly pushed Canada into federalism and away from the slow-to-react British crown when he did not stop Americans from crossing the border with mayhem on their minds.

Johnson's last major act before U.S. Grant would take over as president was to grant full amnesty to Confederates. He became the only president to become a U.S. Senator after leaving office. He died in office of a stroke shortly after his appointment in 1875. Before he died, though, he made a ringing condemnation speech against the corruption of Grant's tenure. Many of his former political enemies cheered that speech, giving a glimpse of what was to come (you will read about it later).

Woodcrafters Unlimited Association to Meet

This month's meeting will be held on Thursday February 19th at Bob Foltz's Market in Tonica. Show and Tell will begin at 6:30 p.m. with the regular meeting to start at 7:00 p.m.

Russ Marie from Pekin Hardwoods will be our guest for the evening. He will demonstrate the use of Routers, Jig & Fixtures and Offset Routing. Russ is well versed in this area and this should be an interesting evening. Plan on attending this show if you are a Router buff.

The Summer Outdoor Adventure will again be held at Illinois Valley Community College on July 27-28-29. Our Club will again host 12 people for each event on the 28th and 29th. Members are asked to bring in different ideas on what we can have the children do for those two days.

Woodcrafter's meetings are open to the public. If you enjoy any form of woodworking, come join us.

IVCC News

Cast of Camelot

Illinois Valley Community College announces the cast list for the spring musical "Camelot." The cast, listed by hometown, includes:

Dana: Brian Jesse;
DePue: Sara Pizano;
Granville: Lauren Campbell, Alycia Dunham;
Hennepin: Ben Gibson;
LaSalle: Steve Kwiatek, Collin VanBuren;
Marshall: Brie Urbanec;
Mendota: Dustin McCarver, Jacqui Whitmore, Kalea Winner;

Normal: Robert Gibson;
Ottawa: John Mitchell;
Peru: Matt Boehm, Christian Chamberlain, Michael Dhesse, Andrew Pipno, Jackie Zeman;

Spring Valley: Eric Duffield, Kayla Janusick;
Streator: Sarah McDon-

ald;

Tonica: Tara Ferrari;

Walnut: Andrea Kurth.

"Camelot" is a musical by Alan Jay Lerner and Fred-eric Loewe based on the King Arthur legend, complete with the magic of Merlin, Guinevere, Sir Lancelot and the Knights of the Round Table, as adapted from the T.H. White novel, "The Once and Future King."

Music directors for "Camelot" are Dr. David Allen Kuester and Norman Engstrom. Don Grant Zellmer will serve as choreographer and Tom Schultz as technical director. Performances will be held at 8 p.m. Thursday, Apr. 16 through Saturday, Apr. 18, and at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Apr. 19 in the IVCC Cultural Centre. Admission is \$8 or free with IVCC ID. For more information contact Kuester at 815.224.0352, or Engstrom at 815.224.0279.

Open House

Illinois Valley Community College will hold an Open House for students considering IVCC in the upcoming year at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, March 3 in Room C-316.

Prospective students of all ages are welcome and will have the opportunity to take a tour of the school, meet IVCC faculty, staff and students and visit a classroom of their choice. Lunch will be provided and reservations are required.

PC County Board Meeting Minutes

The regular meeting of the PC Board was on January 12 in the Boardroom at the Courthouse in Hennepin at 4 p.m. by Chairman Duane Calbow. Roll call was taken with Sheila Haaga absent. Minutes of the November meeting were approved. The Board heard reports on the following:

- County highway engineer and maintenance activities
- IDOT completed its Motor Fuel Tax Audit for January 1, 2005 and ending December 31, 2007.

- A letter went to IDOT requesting reconsideration in lowering the "bare road policy" from 100% to 75% for PC Hwy 71, 89, 26 & 18 during winter months
- A Resolution of the County Board of Putnam County Requesting Approval of the Use of Money Allotted to the county Under the Provisions of the Motor Fuel Tax Law. The resolution allows the board to appropriate \$35,000 from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund for salaries. The board approved.

- A letter was submitted to request of Federal Funding to defray the cost of Hennepin Twp and ESK Rd, Rte 71 road projects.

- Sheriff's report on Civil Processing Transactions.

- Treasurer's financial reports for December

- All County reports are on file in the County Clerk's office)

- County Probation Officer Andy Ceresa had nothing to report to the board for the month of December and therefore was not present for the meeting.

- No update was available from the Supervisor of Assessments Office, due to the vacancy caused by Sue Pettit's resignation. The board discussed approval for Pettit's consulting fees and the appointment of Tamara Mehalic as Interim Supervisor of Assessments.

- County Zoning Officer Jim Burger informed the board of one permit issued during the month and three inspections completed. Burger also announced that the Planning Commission and the Zoning Board of Appeals recommended approving the set-back variance for Rumbold & Kuhn (Putnam Elevator). After a brief discussion, the board approved the variance.

- County Death Investigator Robert Coloid reported one death for the month of December.
- Putnam County Emergency Management Agency Coordinator Jim Goldasich reported on the meeting of the Executive Board of the Illinois Emergency Services Management Agency and the regular meeting of the Putnam County EMA.

- The board received a request from the Lake Thunderbird Association's Conservation Committee for the sale of beer and wine at their Venison Dinner. The motion was passed following brief discussion.
- A new committee was established to oversee the office of Death Investigator, comprising of Chauntelle Biagi-Bauer and Frank Niewinski.
- The board reviewed and approved payment of all December bills, the board also reviewed reports from the County Clerk's Office, the Regional Office of Education, and the legislative report from the Illinois Association of County Board Members.
- The board entered into a brief executive session to discuss personnel issues. After returning to regular session, no comment was made, and the board adjourned at 5:21 p.m.

IVCC-LPO Hall of Fame

The deadline to submit nominations for the Illinois Valley Community College-La Salle Peru Oglesby Junior College Hall of Fame class of 2009 is Friday, Feb. 27.

The IVCC-LPO 'hall' was established a year ago to honor the academic, fine arts, athletic or career achievements of alumni and former college employees during their years at the college or in their personal or professional lives.

In addition, the Hall recognizes individuals who may not have attended the college but who have made a significant difference in the lives of students through their service or generosity to the college.

Inductees will be chosen in March and honored Saturday, May 16 in the IVCC Cultural Centre. A total of 25 individuals were inducted last year including world renowned neurosurgeon Robert Spetzler, 20-year college director Francis "Phil" Dolan and Peru mayor Donald Baker (LPO '48).

Nomination forms can be downloaded from <http://ivcc.your-membership.com/?page=HallofFameForm>. Nominees not chosen last year will be reconsidered this year. For further information, contact Fran Brolley at 815.224.0466.

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★ Putnam County Obituaries ★

Harold Petersen

1935-2009

Harold L. Petersen Jr. 73 of Superior, WI died Sunday, February 8, 2009 at his home.



Cremation rites have been accorded and graveside services will be held at a later date in Riverside Cemetery in Hennepin. The Dysart - Cofoid Funeral Chapel in Granville is in charge of local arrangements.

Harold was born September 13, 1935 in Hennepin to Harold L. and Silvia (Beard) Petersen Sr. He married Mary (Bartlett) Munson on March 23, 1969 in Tiskilwa.

He attended Bradford grade and high schools. He served in Germany in the U. S. Army from 1958 to 1950.

Harold worked at the Lacon Woolen Mills, Moorman Feed Co., LTV Steel Plant, Wood Carvers Museum in Colorado Springs CO where he was a member. Worked in management and retail with Stuckey stores before retiring.

Survivors include his wife, Mary of Superior WI; stepson - Robert (Linda) Munson of Granville; his mother - Silvia Petersen of Spring Valley Nursing Center in Spring Valley; one brother - Jerry (Kay) Petersen of Hennepin; two sisters - Betty Roe of Lake Nebagamon WI, and Joyce (Charles) Rosenbaum of Bradford; step grandson - Rob (Brai) Munson of Minooka; step granddaughters - Penny (Michael) Shipiro of Warsaw IN; eight great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Harold was preceded in death by his father and a brother (James), two nieces and three nephews.

Robert Halm

1938-2009

Robert G. Halm, 71, of rural Oglesby died February 8, 2009 in St. Francis Medical Center, Peoria.

Services were February 12, 2009 in Prey-Mueller Funeral Home, Oglesby. Rev. Marc Strand officiated. Burial was in Peru City Cemetery.

Mr. Halm was born January 14, 1938 in Peru to Oliver and Hildegard (Koster) Halm. He married Lois Sadnick on March 7, 1970 in Hennepin. He was a trucker with Schweman Trucking for 33 years, retiring in 2000. He also farmed in LaSalle Township near Oglesby.

He was a member of Oglesby Elks, Teamsters Local 722, LaSalle County Farm Bureau and LaSalle County Landowners Association.

Survivors include his wife; one daughter, Suzanne Halm of Standard; one son, Robert Jr. of Oglesby; and one sister, Marcell "Marcy" Olthoff of San Marcos CA.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his step-mother, Katherine (Croissant) Halm.

Memorials may be directed to the family.

On the Wings
of a Dove



thony's Catholic Cemetery, Hennepin. Dysart-Cofoid Funeral Chapel, Granville, was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. O'Connor was born April 14, 1922, in Dwight to Pierce and Frances (Bonges) O'Connor. He married Katherine Bratek on June 28, 1947, in Detroit MI.

He graduated from St. Bede Academy in 1938 and is a member of the St. Bede Hall of Fame for his play on the football team. He worked at ExCello Corp. in Detroit from 1941 to 1944. He served in the U. S. Navy from 1944-1946, including duty in World War II on the USS Chemung.

He owned and operated a Case implement dealership in Hennepin after the war. He then joined Illinois Power Co. in Hennepin from 1952 until his retirement in 1984. He and his wife also owned and operated O'Connor's Homestead in Hennepin from 1967-1984.

He was a member of St. Patrick Catholic Church in Hennepin. He served on the Hennepin Village Board and also served one term as co-stable. He was a member of Hennepin American Legion.

Survivors include his wife, Katherine "Kay" O'Connor; one son, Donald O'Connor of Bonita Springs FL; two daughters, Barbara (Dave) Holly of Granville and Kathleen "Kada" O'Connor of Hennepin; two grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; one brother, Pierce "Dave" (Emma) O'Connor of Hennepin; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one brother.

Memorials may be directed to the donor's choice.

David Hudachko

1952-2009

David M. Hudachko, 57, of Magnolia and formerly of Streator, died Feb. 8, 2009, in Fawcett Memorial Hospital, Port Charlotte FL.



A Mass of Christian burial was February 17,

2009 in St. Stephen's Church, Streator. Monsignor John Prendergast officiated. Burial was in St. Stephen's Cemetery, Streator. Hagi Funeral Home, Streator was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Hudachko was born Jan. 24, 1952, in Streator to Michael and Catherine (Brennan) Hudachko. He married Debbie Tremblay Poole on January 23, 2004 in Key West, FL.

Pastor Jack Stites First Congregational Church Bureau & Hampshire Colony Church Princeton

Hear His Word



We Are Called...

Jesus said, "Come, follow me..." Mark 1:17 (NIV)

We are more comfortable with the joy and celebration of Easter than remembering the pain and suffering that Christ endured before the resurrection. Lent is the season before Easter that helps us draw near our Lord as we study His journey to the cross. We are called to ...

Repent: Jesus began His ministry by saying "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near" (Matthew 4:17). We are enticed by the seductive way of the world but if we are honest with ourselves, much of what the world finds acceptable is in fact sinful and destructive. When we realize we are headed the wrong direction we must stop and ask God to forgive. He will, of course, as we commit to turn around and follow His divine direction.

Watch: Jesus spent His final moments in prayer before His arrest and He urged His disciples to "watch." After falling asleep, they watched His betrayal and some His crucifixion. Others failed to watch and ran when He was arrested. We are encouraged to watch and have the definite advantage of hindsight. We can look back and study what happened to our Lord and learn from it. We must remember all He went through to remove sin's power from our lives. We must also watch our own lives and learn from our mistakes in order to enjoy the freedom He has for us.

Pray: Jesus urged the disciples to "watch and pray" (Matthew 26:41). He prayed on the cross, "Father, forgive them," (Luke 23:34) showing us the importance of forgiving those that hurt us. He also prayed, (Luke 23:46) "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit," showing us the importance of committing one's self to the God who created us. If we are to become all that God has for us we must be open and honest, trust Him wholeheartedly, pray for others around us, and follow His lead in all that we do!

Love: Jesus told us to "Love one another" (John 13:34). We are to love our God, love each other and even love the unlovable. We are to live such a life of example that the world will be drawn to us because they want what we have! For St. Stephen's is not enough to refrain from murder; Jesus said we can't even play with the idea without being in danger of God's judgment! As God's children, we have the truth within our hearts and we should be living in such a way that God's love is shining through us to the world.

In this season, take to heart these lessons of Lent: REPENT—WATCH—PRAY—LOVE. Let us realize the great depth of God's love for each of us. He died for us. He's asking us to live for Him. May God Bless you during this holy season!

In His Love, Pastor Jack

(Todd) Brzycki of Milwaukee WI, and Dona (Bill) Knapp Deemer of New Berlin WI.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother in infancy.

Pallbearers were Shawn Hudachko, Randy Poole, Tracy Heider, Jack Myers, Charlie Rath, Bill Deemer, Todd Brzycki and Mathias Knapp.

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The class will cover the weather conditions necessary for storms to form, the recognition of various types of storms and actions to take when storms are present.

The class, which will be given by a meteorologist from the National Weather Service office in Davenport IA, will begin at 6:30 p.m. and last approximately 2 hours.

Hennepin FD to Hold 3rd

Annual Chicken Dinner

The Hennepin Fire Department will hold their 3rd Annual Family Style Chicken Dinner on Saturday, Feb. 28 at the Fire Station, 201 East High St., Hennepin. Serving starts at 4:30 and continues to 7:30 p.m., or until all the food is gone. Carry-outs are available by calling in advance to 815/925-7225, or by stopping in at anytime during the food service and place a carry-out order. The menu consists of our delicious deep fried chicken, spaghetti, ravioli, French fries, coleslaw, Italian bread, and your choice of a delicious homemade dessert. Cost for adults is \$8 and children under 12 is \$5. Carry-outs cost the same. This was a huge success in 2008 for the fire department with great food, good company and a great way to spend a Saturday evening.

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Hennepin Township Road Commissioner

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF PUTNAM, STATE OF ILLINOIS NATIONAL ASSET DIRECT ACQUISITION, LLC, ASSIGNEE OF ARGENT MORTGAGE COMPANY, LLC, PLAINTIFF(S),

vs. DARIUSZ STEFANCZYK, URSZULA STEFANCZYK, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., UNDER MORTGAGE RECORDED AS DOCUMENT NUMBER BOOK 102, PAGE 615, NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, UNKNOWN TENANTS AND UNKNOWN OWNERS.

Defendant(s), 08 CH 14 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment heretofore entered by the said Court in the above entitled cause, the Sheriff of Putnam County, Illinois, will on March 19, 2009, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., at the Putnam County Courthouse, 120 North Fourth Street, Hennepin, Illinois 61327, sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described premises and real estate in the said Judgment mentioned, situated in the County of Putnam, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment, to wit:

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The Judgment amount is \$ 164,910.91. Contact the Law Offices of Ira T. Nevel, 175 North Franklin, Suite 201, Chicago, Illinois 60606, (312) 357-1125, for further information. The terms of the sale are cash. The property is improved by a single family residence, together with all buildings and improvements thereon, and the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging and will not be available for inspection prior to sale.

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Fleet Home Town News

SpC Michael Beattie, of Mark, was deployed to Iraq on January 2nd. SpC Beattie is a member of the 511th Engineering Company. Anyone wishing to send cards or letters may do so to:

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PC FFA Hears About Insurance Needs of Members

Last week the PC FFA and Ag Management classe appreciated a visit from Mr. Mike Gonet, local insurance agent. He explained to the class the importance of auto insurance and why it is so expensive. The class was informed of the various ways they could keep their rates low, such as good grades and good driving habits. Auto insurance is a major burden on our young people, but it is a necessity they must have.

Mr. Gonet was very informative and the chapter thanks him for taking time to address this issue with the class.

PC TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS & CRIMINAL ACTIVITY

Daniel P. Bault, Ottawa, driving 15-20 mph over speed limit, \$75

Angelica Cobos, Granville, driving 15-20 mph over speed limit, \$75

Carol L. Fisher, Princeton, driving 15-20 mph over speed limit, \$75

Nathaniel G. Starnes, Magnolia, operate uninsured motor vehicle, \$175/6 month supervision

Brian S. Szymovicz, Mark, disregard stop sign, \$75

Brian S. Szymovicz, Mark, disregard stop sign, \$75

Steven J. Taylor, Henry, driving 15-20 mph over speed limit, \$75

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- 2/24) Breaded pork cutlet, whipped potatoes w/gravy, lima beans, rosey applesauce
- 2/25) Potato crusted cod fillet w/lemon, seasoned rice, green beans, tropical fruit
- 2/26) Grilled chicken/bun, Italian blend veggies, sliced tomato, cinnamon applesauce
- 2/27) Deep fried sea strip, parsley potatoes, Malibu blend veggies, cherry pie

School Menus

ATTENTION PARENTS: BEGINNING JANUARY 1, THE P.C. SCHOOL DISTRICT WILL NO LONGER PROVIDE PAPER COPIES OF THE LUNCH/BREAKFAST MENUS TO EACH HOUSEHOLD. THE MENUS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE LOCATED AT: PCSCHOOLS535.ORG, IN THE PUTNAM COUNTY RECORD AND ON WLPO RADIO.

BREAKFAST:

2/23) Waffle w/syrup or 3/4 c. cereal, 1 slice toast w/butter, OJ, milk

2/24) Cinnamon roll or 3/4 c. cereal, 1 slice toast w/butter, applesauce, milk

2/25) 1 slice toast w/PBJ, 3/4 c. cereal, applesauce, milk

2/26) Granola bar, yogurt cup, apple, milk

2/27) French toast sticks or 3/4 c. cereal, 1 slice toast w/butter, OJ, milk

LUNCH:

2/23) Spaghetti, dinner roll, salad w/FF dressing, pineapple, milk

2/24) Pizzaburger/bun, HS - French fries, JH, Elcm - Pretzels, corn, applesauce, milk

2/25) Grilled cheese sandwich, HS-Tomato soup, JH, Elem - French fries, veggies sticks w/dip, peaches, brownie, milk

2/26) Taco salad w/meat, cheese, sour cream and salsa, green beans, wafer cookie, banana, milk

2/27) Macaroni & cheese, dinner roll, corn, hot apples, milk



OLSON - Michael and Amy (Hall) Olson of Granville became the parents of a daughter, Payton Irene, on February 4, 2009 at 8:33 a.m. at IVCH, Peru. She weighed 9 lbs., 7oz. and measured 21 inches at birth. She was welcomed home by big brother Lucas, 6 and Chad, 4. Maternal grandparents are Ann Hall of New Bedford and the late John Hall. Paternal grandparents are Bob and Chris Olson of Pekin.

BENJAMIN - Dennis Benjamin and Jacei Zellers of Granville became the parents of a son on February 13, 2009 at St. Margaret's Hospital, Spring Valley.

Classifieds Sell For You

Mike Campbell Presents Donations to SV Clubs



Pictured above is Mike Campbell, owner of Valley Photo in Spring Valley, presenting checks to Sue Nolasco of Spring Valley Elementary Booster Club and Lori Doison of Spring Valley Elementary PTO. The donations totaled over \$2,500 raised through Pictures with Santa and the Halloween Spooktacular Photo Shoots at Valley Photo in the fall. In the past Valley Photo has raised monies for the Children's Library at the Richard Matuino Memorial Library and helped with the purchase of new lockers and playground equipment at JFK. The 2008 donations benefited the two parent organizations to help fund new baseball uniforms and various extra activities and study incentives.

Are You an Adult Survivor?

Were you subject to unwanted touching, coercion or humiliation as a child? Were you forced to view objectionable film or printed material? Sexual abuse may, or not involve touching. Most persons are victimized by someone they know. It may be a family member, neighbor, or friend. The victim may be female or male.

Do you experience any of the following?

- triggers which remind you of the abuse
- flashbacks or nightmares
- issues related to personal relationships either having boundaries which are too rigid letting few if anyone in or too porous allowing people into your life which may be unsafe
- fear or feeling as if on high alert or very watchful.

Freedom House offers counseling services to help survivors (who are non-offending) find support, new coping skills and to find hope and meaning in healing ways. Participants may be adult survivors of abuse or more recent survivors.

You are invited to call if you are interested in either a group or individual setting to work on your issues. Please call (815) 872-0087 to talk to Becky and she can give you more information and answer questions. A group will be starting March 4 at 10 a.m. Individual counseling sessions can be planned to start at your convenience.

One in three women and one in five-six men are sexually abused before age 18. There are many people in our communities who have been affected by this form of abuse and Freedom House is here to be a resource for you. Please consider giving us a call to make your new beginning.

PCEF Plans Ninth Annual Bowling Classifieds Sell For You!!

The Putnam County Educational Foundation (PCEF) recently announced that the Ninth Annual Betty Bouxsein Memorial Bowling Tournament will be held on Sunday, March 22 beginning at 1 p.m.

The tournament will return to Crown Lanes in Princeton. The entry fee is only \$160 and each team consists of (5) players. Trophies will be awarded to the first and second place teams as well as to the top male and female bowlers.

Since there are only 12 lanes available, please contact 815-925-7546 as soon as possible to reserve your lane.

Free Youth Activities in Hennepin

As the snow was melting outside, a group of Hennepin youth were beating the winter doldrums by learning a new cool skill. Marshall-Putnam 4-Her, Rebecca Plummer visited the Hennepin Heroes and taught them how to make a couple of origami projects.

Rebecca volunteered to teach the origami class as part of the special hands on classes being sponsored by the Hennepin Heroes 4-H club. The Hennepin Heroes 4-H Club would like to invite area youth to join them for a fun night and a taste of 4-H.

There are two more classes scheduled for this winter. On Wednesday, Feb. 18, Terry Madsen, Marshall-Putnam Extension Youth Educator, will be playing some fun games with the youth and their parents.

On Wednesday, March 4, Kathy Bade, Marshall-Putnam Extension Nutrition Coordinator, will be working with the participants in the kitchen to make individual pizzas.

The programs are free and no registration is required. Youth ages 5 years and older are invited to attend. The projects are geared towards youth over 8 years old. Thus, 5 to 7 year olds will benefit from having their parents or a mentor with them to help. All parents are welcome and encouraged to stay.

If you have any questions, please contact Anita Wilkinson at the Marshall-Putnam Extension Office at 309-364-2356 or aswillin@illinois.edu. These programs are offered by the Hennepin Heroes 4-H Club and the University of Illinois Extension, Marshall-Putnam Unit. For reasonable accommodations, please contact the Extension Office.



Pictured above is Rebecca Plummer, (center) Marshall-Putnam 4-Her, who taught an origami class at the Hennepin Heroes winter classes for kids. The next class is Wed. Feb. 18th at 6:30 p.m.

Military Personnel Qualify for Free Tax Help

Dahl: Military personnel can take advantage of free tax help

With tax deadlines fast approaching, military families can take advantage of free tax assistance and guidance from local CPA representatives, according to State Sen. Gary Dahl (R-Granville).

The Illinois CPA Society will match military personnel and/or their family members with CPA volunteers in their area who will provide free personal federal and state income tax preparation assistance. Volunteers will help qualified persons take full advantage of the tax benefits, exclusions and filing extensions available to them.

"I encourage members of the U.S. Armed Forces and their families interested in receiving tax assistance to utilize this helpful service," Dahl said. "Military families can get valuable insights into filing their returns, as well as the wide-range of tax benefits available to service members."

To qualify, U.S. Armed Forces personnel must have served in a combat zone or hazardous duty area, and must be current Illinois residents. Application forms are available on the Illinois CPA's Web site at www.icpas.org/forms.aspx?ekfrm=2244.

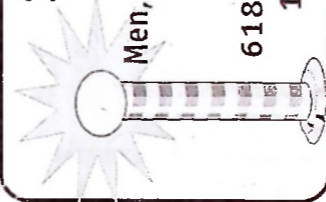
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Legals

LEGAL PUBLICATION IN THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

PUTNAM COUNTY,
ILLINOIS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JEROME J. BOLDA, deceased. No-09-P-1 CLAIMS NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of JEROME J. BOLDA, deceased, of the Village of Hennepin, Putnam County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on January 29, 2009 to Frederick C. Bolda, 13233 North 2250 Avenue, Geneseo, Illinois 61254, whose attorney is Eric S. Swartz, 611 Second Street, P.O. Box 174, Henry IL 61537.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of said Court at the Putnam County Courthouse in the Village of Hennepin, Putnam County Illinois, on or before August 14, 2009, or, if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by 755 ILCS 5/18-3, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before said date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the representative within 10 days after it has been filed and proof of such mailing must be filed with the Court.

Dated: January 30, 2009
Frederick C. Bolda, Executor
of the Estate of Jerome C. Bolda,
Eric S. Swartz
Attorney for the Executor
611 Second Street, PO Box 174
Henry IL 61537
(309) 364-2354

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LEGAL PUBLICATION

ASSUMED NAME

Public notice is hereby given that on February 2, 2009, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Putnam County, Illinois, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as Roger Robbins, Jr., located at 222 S. McCoy Street, Granville IL 61326.

Dated this 2nd day of February, 2009.

Daniel S. Kuhn, County Clerk.

LEGAL PUBLICATION

IN THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF PUTNAM, STATE OF ILLINOIS

NATIONAL ASSET DIRECT ACQUISITION, LLC, ASSIGNEE OF ARGENT MORTGAGE COMPANY, LLC, Plaintiff(s),

vs. STEFANCZYK, DARIUSZ STEFANCZYK, URZULA STEFANCZYK, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., UNDER MORTGAGE RECORDED AS DOCUMENT NUMBER BOOK 102, PAGE 615, NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, UNKNOWN TENANTS AND UNKNOWN OWNERS, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment heretofore entered by the said Court in the above entitled cause, the Sheriff of Putnam County, Illinois, will on March 19, 2009, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., at the Putnam County Courthouse, 120 North Fourth Street, Hennepin, Illinois 61327, sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described premises and real estate in the said Judgment mentioned, situated in the County of Putnam, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment, to wit:

LOT 560 IN PLAT NO. 3 OF LAKE THUNDERBIRD WOODS, PUTNAM COUNTY, ILLINOIS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, AT PAGE 178, ON 3 APRIL 1970, IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF DEEDS OF PUTNAM COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Common Address: 2-560 Juniper Court, Putnam, Illinois 61560 P.I.N. 03-00-071-190

The Judgment amount is \$164,910.91.

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The Case Against the Economic Stimulus Bill

by Congressman Aaron Schock

I was compelled to vote against the stimulus bill on Friday because it was a fundamentally bad bill. This was needlessly compounded because Members of Congress were given less than 12 hours to study such a voluminous bill involving such a vast sum of money.

Let me point out that the recent federal bailouts and pledges of support from FDIC, the Treasury, the Federal Reserve and this stimulus bill involve a total sum of money that was enough to pay off 90% of our people's mortgages in this entire country. It is a shame that such a monumental amount of money has been wasted and I cannot be part of wasting more. This money will have to be paid by U.S. taxpayers through eventual tax increases at some point—and with compounded interest.

Some commentators have said that no Republican has the right to talk about overspending because so much was overspent on homeland security, the wars, hurricane relief, etc. under President Bush. Not only do two wrongs not make a right, but to attempt to combat massive overspending in the previous administration by another exponential increase in federal spending is akin to treating an alcoholic with a warehouse of whiskey.

By far the biggest imperative for me in considering this legislation was the need to get it right. Our economy and workers are hurting. Savings and investments have taken a painful dive. Our federal government responded with a stimulus bill last winter of \$145 billion. It was followed by the \$700 BILLION Troubled Asset Relief Program, TARP, more commonly known as the "bailout" bill.

While our federal government took what many felt was needed and swift action by passing the \$700 billion Troubled Asset Relief Program (TARP), also known as the bailout, it's becoming clearer and clearer the federal government got it wrong. Our economy continues to flat-line and we don't even know where the money is being spent. As much as I agree with our President on the need to act quickly, getting it right is more important. I support stimulus measures that create real jobs, and are an investment in our nation's lasting infrastructure. I cannot support vast increases in spending on current programs that are pork laden and have nothing to do with stimulating the economy and instead simply stimulates government.

My colleagues and I from both sides of the aisle have asked for more job-creating infrastructure spending in this bill. When this legislation left the House, infrastructure spending was around 7.5 percent, with a promise the returning bill would contain much more. Instead of fulfilling this promise, they've simply just redefined the word "infrastructure" to include programs and spending previously contained in the bill under different titles. In this bill, REAL infrastructure spending now only accounts for 6 percent—less than was initially in the House version.

The bottom line is I will not vote for something that is 90 percent wasteful just to get the 10 percent that is good in the bill.

Let me also put this in perspective from another viewpoint. For the past four years there has been wide spread support for a capital bill to repair and build infrastructure in Illinois, but our previous Governor and the General Assembly could not agree, largely due to profound distrust that legislators of both parties had for our Governor. State engineers have identified \$50 billion of needed infrastructure spending in Illinois.

Unfortunately there has been no movement on a capital bill in our state in the past ten years. The amount that has achieved bi-partisan consensus in the last year is \$35 billion—and again that is a wholly Illinois plan. Contrast the power that would have to stimulate jobs with the only one billion dollars allotted to Illinois for highways and one billion for mass transit in the House passed federal stimulus bill. So we are talking two billion compared to thirty five billion dollars of stimulus. So I ask, which one is more important for government to act on?

The two billion dollars for Illinois infrastructure in this stimulus bill does not warrant putting our nation in such debt that puts our nation on a supersonic course to bankruptcy.

I also object strongly to the way the Congressional leadership tried to force consideration of this massive spending bill by calling for a vote on final passage with only 12 hours to consider the bill after the final conference bill was put together. Again, more importantly than acting impulsively, we must get this right.

Our nation's founders designed a system of government that has served us profoundly well. It involves the Congressional process of committee hearings once bills are proposed. This was completely short circuited for this bill. That Congressional process is used to shine a light on frequently obfuscated language inserted in big bills of which the true meaning only comes to light after scrutiny.

On Thursday, I had the honor of traveling on Air Force One with our President as he flew to Peoria to address workers at Caterpillar. As I sat in the audience surrounded by hard working employees, the President called me out by name and called upon the crowd to share their opinions on the stimulus with me. When the President finished his remarks, the crowd heeded his advice and surrounded me to shake my hand. The message they delivered to me, however, was to oppose this bill, which we all knew would not create jobs or stimulate economic growth.

I sincerely want to work with President Obama on issues across the board, but especially on jump starting our economy. After careful consideration of this stimulus bill, I decided I could not support him in good conscience at this time. Rather than being a rubber stamp, I believe I am more helpful to our President and our people by using my own best judgment, representing the views of my constituents, as I am empowered to do so by our Constitution. This is the system that has served us so well for more than 200 years.

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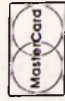
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Local Mission Team Goes to Biloxi

by Cyndy Bruch
The Granville United Church of Christ sponsored a mission team to Biloxi, Mississippi to rebuild homes destroyed by Hurricane Katrina. The team spent the week of February 1st, rehabilitating two homes and helping with the construction of one new home. The Granville UCC team was an ecumenical, multi-community group. Team members from

for a few weeks before receiving two donated work trailers from which the staff resumed work and began shaping services to fit the space and the post-Katrina reality. Within a few months workcamping, now more accurately called "disaster relief/recovery," began receiving work teams from across the country to help the Mississippi Gulf Coast dig out and rebuild. Three mobile

1% of those receiving FEMA direct housing assistance had ever previously received public housing assistance. So why aren't people in their homes? Many of the poor and elderly of southern Mississippi were under-insured or their claims were denied by the insurance companies. Contractors, taking advantage of the opportunity to build casinos and condominiums, charge too



Pictured above is the group from Putnam County who went to Biloxi to make a difference in the life of one homeowner.

the Granville UCC included Rev. Ron McNeill, Pastor Karen Karczowski, Harold Faletti, Andy Calacci, Gary and Cyndy Bruch. From Zion UCC, Peru was Rev. Gary Stillwell, Holly Antkowiak, Edna and Hanna Daugherty. Additional team members were Kevin Bruch, Immanuel Lutheran, Peru; Jerry McIntyre, First Lutheran, Granville; Luke Holly, Sacred Heart, Granville; and Rachel Mershan, Society of Friends, McNabb.

The work is directed by Back Bay Mission in Biloxi. From Back Bay Mission Web site: "Back Bay Mission was founded in 1922 as an outreach effort of the First Evangelical Church of Biloxi (later United Church of Christ), whose members responded with compassion and service to the needs of poor "fisher folk" living in deplorable conditions along the Back Bay of Biloxi, Mississippi. Since then, Back Bay Mission has continually grown its services and ministries, always keeping the impoverished and marginalized at the center of its concern.

Following the crippling Hurricane Katrina in August 2005, Back Bay Mission found itself with no habitable facilities. All ministries were discontinued

homes now serve as housing for these inspired and inspiring groups.

Because of past and current UCC investment in Back Bay Mission's work, over \$10 million in vital services are delivered annually to South Mississippians in such diverse areas as education, legal aid, health care, feeding programs, early childhood development, family counseling, housing, and domestic violence."

In 2007, Back Bay Mission, through volunteer labor, rehabilitated and built 24 homes. In 2008 they completed 50 homes. The rehabilitation of the gulf coast after Katrina is being led by volunteers, mostly from churches. Through Back Bay Mission, over 5000 United Church of Christ volunteers have contributed and made a difference.

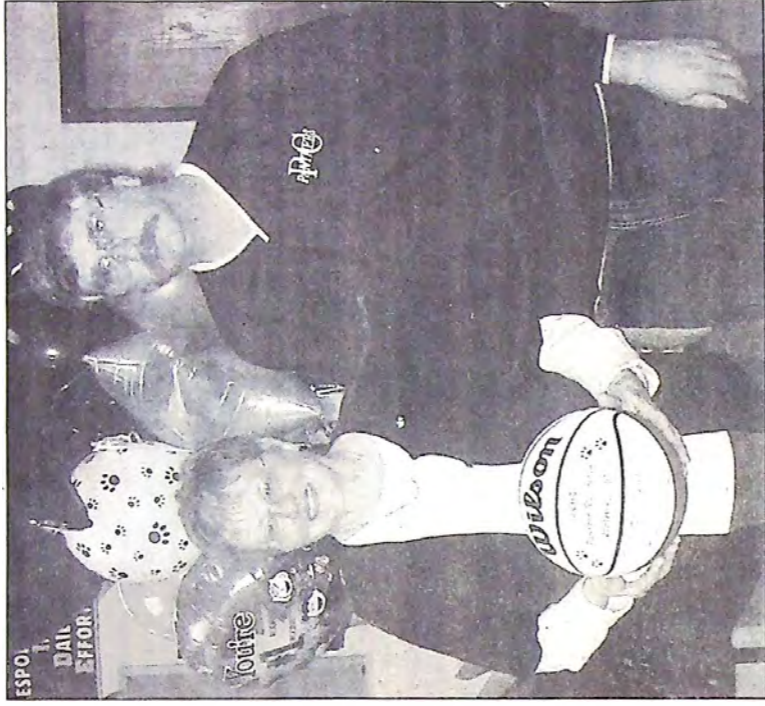
Yet there is still so much work to do. Hurricane Katrina damaged or destroyed more than 90,000 housing units in Mississippi. After more than 3 years there are still almost 8,000 people in Mississippi still receiving housing assistance. There are almost 5,000 FEMA trailers and cottages in use while people wait to rehabilitate their homes. Less than

much for lower income, or fixed income homeowners to afford. Wages in southern Mississippi have remained stable while the median sales price of single-family homes have risen 40% since Katrina. Homeowner insurance rates have increased 91% since Katrina.

Back Bay Mission and the people of Biloxi, Mississippi have become dear to the hearts of our team members. Our team needs your support. We pay all the expenses of the trip, mostly rented vans, gas and food. In addition, we always hope to leave a generous donation to the work of Back Bay Mission. Next year, Back Bay will have completed the construction of their volunteer housing. We will return to Biloxi next year, again the first week of February, taking a team of 20 people. If you would like to help, you are welcome to join our team. Please consider donating to the trip. Checks can be made out to Granville UCC, with Biloxi trip in the memo. Donations are tax deductible. Please send your donation to Granville United Church of Christ, PO Box 158, Granville, IL. 61326.

For more information on how you can help, contact Reverend Ron McNeill at 815-339-2305.

PCHS Senior Night Well Attended



Pictured above is Judy Pomatto is pictured above with an autographed basketball from the entire PCHS team in memory of her late husband, Mike, a longtime PCHS athletic supporter. Also pictured is Kelly Goetz, recipient of the Dave Thompson Father Service Award at Senior Night, February 20th.



Pictured above is PC Senior Anthony Ahlers with his parents Mark and Debbie after receiving a trophy for scoring 1,000 career points.

A Most Welcome Sight



Pictured above in Hennenpin on February 22nd are a flock of robins in Vicki Black's yard. She estimates about 50 were there. THINK SPRING!!!

Summer Baseball/Softball Signup Date. See Pg. 2.

History from The Files of The PC Record

10 YEARS AGO FEBRUARY 17, 1999

The Putnam County Bank in Hennepin made a donation to AMVETS in support of the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial Wall which visited Princeton from September 9 thru 13. PCHS's Coach Ken Jenkins was inducted into the Coaches Hall of Fame on February 6th in Crestwood.

The PC Sheriff's Dept. put out an all county appeal to Crimestoppers to help in the capture of persons who stole a Polaris 6x6 ATV and the trailer it was on.

Candidates in the various villages of Putnam County filed their petitions for the Consolidated Election in April.

PCJEF purchased a piano for the Junior High in McNabb for practice sessions. This meant the elimination of having to move the piano from the music room to the gym for concerts.

The PCJH 8th grade basketball team went to the Sweet Sixteen and won the Regional.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry of Granville celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on February 22nd.

Anna Marie Tonarelli of Romeoville, infant daughter of Darren and Jill tonarelli was baptized on January 24 in St. Hyacinth's Church in LaSalle.

DEATHS:

Marie Jean Smoot, 76 of rural Hennepin on February 14; John H. Trout, 89 of Mendota on February 8; Marie Fenza, 89, formerly of Dalzell on February 2; Mary Jerman, 84 of Oglesby on February 12.

20 YEARS AGO

FEBRUARY 15, 1989

Hennepin Mayor Jack C. Grant expressed the gratitude of the community of Hennepin and Putnam County to Representative Richard Maurino and Peg McDonald Breslin for their successful efforts in acquiring the O.S.I.A.D. matching fund grant for \$65,000 which was applied to the

\$135,000 riverfront, built on the shore of the IL River at Hennepin. The new park has fishing piers, boat docks, a picnic shelter, BBQ grills, playground equipment, restrooms and a parking lot. The park is also completely handicapped accessible.

Statewide Builders of Granville was presented the 1988 Peak Performer Award at the January Regional Sales meeting in Indianapolis. The company received the award for being the top volume producer of Lester wood farm buildings for the year.

Five students from PCJH won awards in a national art contest sponsored in the area by IVCC. Entrants came from a five county area and included 22 schools. Students received their awards at a Feb. 1 ceremony at IVCC. Winners were: Janet Shevoks, 7th grade with an honorable mention for her op art; Brian Male, 8th grade received an honorable mention for his op art; Kerry O'Connor, 7th grade, received an honorable mention for his string print, and Cynthia Medina, 8th grade, received a Gold Key Award for her pencil drawing. All were students of Sheila Heth.

The PC Board of Education adopted the practice of recognizing members of the PC teaching staff for outstanding individual professional achievement. Board of Education President, Reed Wilson, presented a personally engraved golden school bell to Lynn Shinkus, PC kindergarten teacher. She was honored because she had earned a Masters degree in Elementary Education from ISU.

LTV Steel challenged the value of the Hennepin Works Property and it was in the hands of the State Property Tax Appeal Board. Local taxing bodies banded together to make their message very clear. That message was: "We will get the best possible deal for the taxpayers of Putnam County."

The PC Courthouse planning committee picked August

27 as the date to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the courthouse.

Francis and Walter Boyle of rural McNabb were awarded damages in a case they had filed against the State of Illinois. The Boyles filed suit to recover damages received to their personal property and real estate as the result of a flood which occurred July 6 & 7 in 1982. Together they were awarded \$10,163.59 for personal property and Francis received an addition \$4,500 for damages to real estate.

Sgt. Gary L. and Spec. Irene Galher of Germany became the parents of a son on February 8.

50 YEARS AGO

FEBRUARY 26, 1959

The Ameday Migliorini family moved during the weekend from the west side to their new house on Church Street.

Graveside rites for Louis Masini, 56 of Highwood, were conducted in the Granville Cemetery. Mr. Masini died February 25 in Highland Park Hospital where he had been a patient one month.

60 YEARS AGO

MARCH 3, 1949

The Republican caucus in Senachwine township was held February 18 and the present officers were nominated for re-election: Melissa Conkey, town clerk; Willis Wheeler, assessor; Walter Wright, justice of the peace.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hartman of Granville Township celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary with about 100 friends and relatives in the basement of the County Line Lutheran Church.

The Democratic Party of Hennepin Township held a caucus at the courthouse and nominated these candidates: John E. Bonges, supervisor; Walter Meozzi and Albert Kolba, justice of the peace; Amos Deininger Jr. and Henry Hall, constable.

The Republican Party in Hennepin Township held a caucus and George Mekley was nominated for supervisor; George Mathis, assessor; Do-

ris Morris, town clerk; Adolph Kuhne and Edward Platt, justice of the peace; and Gerald Larson and William Biagi, constable.

Neither party in Granville Township held a caucus. Candidates were nominated by petition. One candidate filed for each office and were: Edward E. Hawthorn, town clerk; Edward Edwards, assessor; William Lonie and John A. Grivethi, justice of the peace; Paul Creno and Frank Layton, constable.

Magnolia Republicans nominated Dr. A.B. Pletsch, supervisor; Fred Koehler, town clerk; George Martin, E.O. Gunn, justice of the peace; A.W. Dean and Lewis Pletsch, constable.

Magnolia Democrats nominated Mark E. Keys, supervisor; Mrs. Thelma Satterfield, town clerk; Ed Daubs and Conrad Bickerman, justice of the peace; Robert Satterfield, constable.

On February 28 a group of young women met at the home of Mrs. Charles Vogler for the purpose of organizing a Junior Women's Club in Granville. Mrs. Vogler was acting as sponsor for the group and upon her suggestion the new organization selected the Greek name, Psi Omega. Officers were Helen Marie Hawthorne, president; Joyce Ann Thiesinger, VP; Catherine Urnikis, secretary; and Shirley Mae Barnes, Treasurer.

70 YEARS AGO

MARCH 2, 1939

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Combes became the parents of a daughter on February 28.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Needham of Cicero became the parents of a son on February 26.

Ten young folks gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Deininger near Florida to help their son, Bud, celebrate his 18th birthday.

DEATHS:

Mrs. George Haws, 85 of Magnolia on February 27 in St. Mary's Hospital, Streator; Z.F. Tinius of Magnolia on February 23 within 9 days of his 80th birthday, in his home.

Hennepin Townwide

Garage Sales

Hennepin Townwide Garage Sales will be held Friday and Saturday, April 24 & 25. If you live in Hennepin or Hennepin Township and wish to be a part of the townwide list, please either call the Hennepin Pool at 815/925-7319 or email the pool at hennepin-parkdistrict@mchsi.com.

Hennepin Baseball/ Softball Signups

Due to last Saturday's inclement weather, the signup that was scheduled at the Hennepin Pool Complex was postponed to this coming Saturday, February 28th from 1 to 4 p.m. Players may sign up through March 6. It is very important that any youth interested in playing summer baseball signup on during that time frame.

We need to know the number of players eligible on each team so we know if there are enough players to have a team. Teams will be for T-ball (ages 5-7), boys Instructional League (ages 7-8), boys Minor League (ages 8-10), Little League (10-12), 13-14 year old league and 15-16 year old league and little girls (ages 7-10) and big girls (ages 10-12). If you can not make these dates, please call the Pool at 925-7319 during the signup time or contact Paul Biagini at 925-7031.

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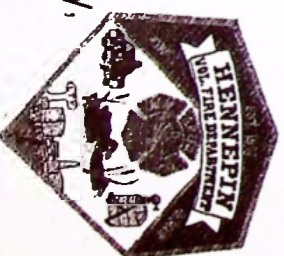
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- Hellmann's Tartar Sauce, 10 oz.....\$2.25
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- Heinz Cocktail Sauce, 12 oz.....\$2.00
- Favorite Lemon Juice, 32 oz.....\$2.29
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10.75 oz.....80¢
- Hormel Chili Master Chili, 20 oz jar..\$2.75
- Kraft Macaroni and Cheese.....80¢
- SuperChill Soda, 12 pk cans.....\$2.75
- IGA Oyster Crackers.....\$1.29
- Swiss Miss Hot Cocoa Mix, 10 a.....\$1.00
- IGA Complete Pancake Mix.....\$1.49
- IGA Pancake Syrup, 24 oz.....\$2.00
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- GM Trix or Golden Grahams.....\$2.75
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- IGA Instant Oatmeal.....\$1.75
- Nabisco Chips Ahoy.....\$3.00
- Campbell's Canned Pasta w/Meat...\$1.25
- Hunt's Ketchup, 24 oz.....\$1.00
- Chicken of the Sea Chunk Light
Tuna, 6 oz.....75¢
- Gatorade, 32 oz.....\$1.00
- Juicy Juice, 64 oz.....\$2.50
- Charmin, 6 ct mega roll.....\$6.99
- Carlita Salsa.....\$1.50
- Puffs Facial Tissue.....\$2.00
- Bounty Paper Towels, 8 roll.....\$5.50
- Charmin Basics, 12 roll.....\$5.50
- Tidy Cat Scoopable, 14 lb jug.....\$5.99
- Irish Spring Soap, 3 bars.....\$2.29
- Homelife 2X Detergent.....\$2.50
- Palmolive Dish Soap, 25 oz.....\$2.50

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- IGA Chunk Cheese, 8 oz.....\$2.00
- IGA Shredded Cheese, 8 oz.....\$2.00
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- IGA Orange Juice, 64 oz.....\$2.25
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- Frigo Ricotta Cheese, 15 oz.....\$2.75

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PCEF Betty Bouxsein Memorial Bowling Tournament

The Putnam County Educational Foundation (PCEF) recently announced that lanes are still open for the 9th Annual Betty Bouxsein Memorial Bowling Tournament. This annual PCEF fundraiser returns to Crown Lanes in Princeton. Virtually 100% of the revenue from the Bowling Tournament is dedicated to educational extras for the students attending Putnam County Schools.

The event is scheduled for Sunday, March 22, at 1 p.m. The entry fee is only \$160 and each team consists of five (5) players. Trophies will be awarded to the first and second place teams as well as to the top male and female bowlers. The tournament is limited to 12 teams so please contact 815-925-7546 to reserve your lane.

The tournament was named in honor of Betty who, as a PCEF trustee, brought energy, organization, and joy to each and every PCEF event. Although she served on numerous PCEF committees and was a trustee for many years, Betty will be best remembered for her roles in many of the PCEF annual musicals. Always willing to tackle a new challenge, Betty embraced the arts and brought a special personality to the stage. The renaming of the tournament in honor of Betty is one small way the PCEF can continue to remember with love and admiration someone who contributed years of dedicated service and without fanfare came to the aid of hundreds of Putnam County students.

A Message From the Office of Dan Kuhn, Your PC Clerk & Election Authority:

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- ✓ a new resident of the County must register in Putnam County in order to vote in Putnam County

Registration may be made with the Putnam County Clerk at the courthouse in Hennepin or with local deputy registrars. (Names of the local deputy registrars in your home area can be obtained by contacting the County Clerk's Office in Hennepin at 925-7129.) The Putnam County Courthouse is open from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. The County Clerk's Office will also be open on Saturday, March 7, 2009, from 9:00 a.m. to 12 Noon for voter registration only.

15 Minutes of Fame

Poll Results

Question: What person from 2008 do you hope has used up the last of their fifteen minutes of fame?

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| Joe the Plumber | 13% |
| O.J. Simpson | 20% |
| Ralph Nader | 0% |
| Rev. Jeremiah Wright 7% | 7% |
| Sarah Palin | 13% |
| Rod Blagojevich | 20% |
| All of the above | 27% |

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Jesse White
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White Announces 5th Annual Emerging Writer's Competition

Jesse White and the IL Center for the Book have announced that entries are being accepted for the 5th Annual IL Emerging Writers Competition for poets and short story writers.

White said the competition would again consist of two categories: the Gwendolyn Brooks Poetry Award and the James Jones Short Story Award. Cash prizes will be available in both categories. IL Poet Laureate Kevin Stein will select the winner of the Gwendolyn Brooks award and Kaylie Jones, daughter of James Jones, will pick winners of the James Jones Short Story award. Competition is open to IL residents age 18 and over and run thru June 30th. Rule and info may be found at http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/publications/pdf_publications/daa96.pdf. There is a \$20 submission charge. Start writing!!

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Thanks again,
Devin, Jeff and Eleanor Greathouse

Dahl: Illinois Should Move Ahead With Special Election

Illinois can and should move ahead with a special election to fill the U.S. Senate formerly held by President Obama, says State Sen. Gary Dahl (R-Granville). Dahl is calling for the General Assembly to quickly pass special election legislation so that the voters, not government insiders, decide who represents them in Washington.

"This Senate seat belongs to the people of Illinois, not one person or political party," Dahl said. "And 'we the people' should have the final say in who speaks for us."

Dahl joined Senate and House colleagues at a Thursday State Capitol press conference urging an immediate vote on Senate Bill 285, a measure requiring a special election to fill U.S. Senate vacancies. According to the measure, the election must be held within 115 days of the vacancy, which is the same process Illinois currently uses to fill U.S. House vacancies. If approved, there would be an April primary and May general election to fill the seat.

To help pay for the special election, Dahl said the state could target more than \$25 million in line items contained in the Fiscal Year 2009 budget - funding that traditionally has been used to fund legislators' pork projects.

The Granville senator said the measure wasn't meant to throw U.S. Senator Roland Burris out of office, noting the former Illinois Attorney General would have the option of contesting the election as an incumbent.

"There have been too many unanswered questions surrounding Sen. Burris' appointment," Dahl said. "An election campaign would give him an extended opportunity to tell his side of the story. But more importantly, it would give the public the final say as to whether he is the best voice for us in Washington."

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College Happenings

•• Carr on Dean's List

Robert Baer, Dean of the Foster College of Business Administration at Bradley University in Peoria, announced that Heather Carr was named to the Dean's List for the 2008 Fall semester.

Heather is a 2006 PCHS Graduate and the daughter of Gregg and Linda Carr of Hennepin.

Q&A's Printing??

Call us at 815/339-2321!

Putnam County Area Events

•• Marshall County Youth Football Fish Fry

The 13th Annual Benefit Fish Fry dinner for MCYF will be held at Henry American Legion on February 27. MCYF Assn has been established to maintain an organized youth football program in the Marshall County area. The youth football league is for boys and girls between the ages of 6 and 14 and includes flag football, tackle football, and cheerleading. All parents and children who participated in flag/cheer/tackle, football fans, and the general public are strongly encouraged to attend the benefit which helps to cover a big part of the yearly operating expenses. Costs are \$8 for adults and \$5 for children with carry-outs available. Serving is from 5-8 p.m. for the all-you-can-eat dinner and beverages and desserts will be available for a small additional charge.

•• Mobile Mammogram Planned

The mobile mammogram from the Methodist Hospital will be held at McNabb Fire Station on March 19 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call 815/872-5091, X218 for further information and details and to register for an appointment. The event is sponsored by the Bureau/Putnam County Health Department.

•• "Celebration of Stars" Quilt Show

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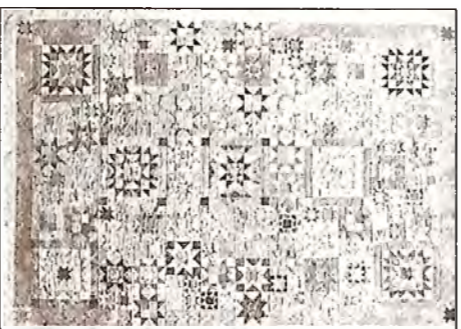


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March 21 and 22, The Covered Bridge Quilters' Guild will hold their 8th biennial quilt show in Princeton. The Allen Building at the Fairgrounds will come alive with hundreds of quilts on display during the "Celebration of Stars" Quilt Show.

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Pictured above is the queen size quilt which will be raffled off and the winner need not be present to win. Tickets are available through Guild members at \$1 each or six for \$5 or may be obtained by mailing your check and request to: CharlotteRakestraw, 17108 120 E. S., Mineral 61344. Phone: 309/228-5153. A variety of themed baskets will also be raffled off during the two days.

A quilt appraiser will among the attractions. Prior appointments can be made by calling Mary Serafini at 815/339-2171. Anne Lullie's quilts will be featured. Meet and visit with her.

For questions or more info email crncharlie@yahoo.com or call Carol Moore at 309/594-2032.

Marshall-Putnam Communities Release Joint Public Works Needs Report

In anticipation of President Obama's signing of a national stimulus package, leaders in Marshall and Putnam Counties have been working together for several weeks to develop a single source compilation of public works projects within the two counties that are ready to begin or could be ready in a very short time if state or federal funding became available. The final report of that project, A Regional Approach to Economic Stimulus, was released on President's Day. The local governments and agencies represented in the report, speaking with one voice, have asked the cooperation of state and federal leaders and agencies toward local efforts to address the projects identified in the report as important to the vitality of the Marshall-Putnam region.

The Marshall County Economic Development Council was incorporated in 2008 to assist local governments in addressing issues related to quality of life by promoting development, retention, education, and establishment or expansion of industries and businesses in the immediate Marshall County area by partnering the collective resources of the public and private sectors of the community.

Recognizing the immediate need to address issues of infrastructure and employment in light of the possibility of emerging funding opportunities, the Council determined to attempt to develop a regional approach to economic stimulus and invited local government leadership from Putnam County to join in creating a single source of priority public projects for the two counties for 2009.

The result of the wholly voluntary collaboration in this effort is a compilation of sixty nine projects at an estimated combined cost of \$58,093,000.

The projects, prioritized internally by each agency, represent opportunities to meet critical local needs in the categories of -buildings (18 projects estimated at \$14,735,000), -emergency services (4 projects estimated at \$602,000), -roadways (17 projects estimated at \$19,448,000), -wastewater (13 projects estimated at \$13,948,000), and -water supply (17 projects estimated at \$9,360,000).

The projects range from a county public safety building to a new road to sidewalk repairs, to ambulance equipment, to streetlights. Some are ready to begin work immediately; many are ready to bid, and some require additional preliminary work prior to bidding. All of the projects could begin work over the next several months and all of the projects present an opportunity to create local jobs or improve critical public services.

These projects represent a collective attempt to address immediate and genuine needs. By working together to develop the compilation community leaders have had an opportunity to better appreciate the scope of area infrastructure needs and begin to identify similarities of needs and other areas where further collaboration may work to the advantage of the communities. The participating leaders have seen first-hand that by working together there is potential to enhance many aspects of the quality of life in the communities of Marshall and Putnam County.

The project compilation is being distributed by hand where possible and by mail to Senators Durbin and Burris, Congressman Schock, State Senators Dahl and Risinger, State Representatives Mautino and Leitch as well as representatives of the Illinois Departments of Economic Opportunity, Transportation, Environmental Protection, Emergency Management and the North Central Illinois Council of Governments.

The development of A Regional Approach to Economic Stimulus was facilitated by the University of Illinois Extension, Marshall-Putnam Unit assisting the Marshall County Economic Development Council and includes projects from Marshall County, City of Henry, Henry Ambulance Service, City of Lacon, Henry Sanachweh CUSD, Village of Magnolia, Village of Hopewell, Henry Township, Village of Mark, City of Toluca, Henry Housing Authority, Village of McNabb, Village of Varna, Village of Hennepin, Village of Standard, City of Wenona, Hennepin Park District, McNabb Fire Protection District, Henry Fire Protection District, Village of Granville, Putnam County EMA, and Putnam County CUSD.

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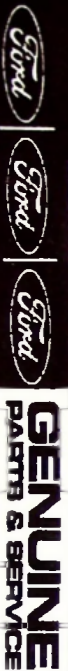
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'Someone asked the other day, 'What was your favorite fast food when you were growing up?'

We didn't have fast food when I was growing up,' I informed him. All the food was slow.'

'C'mon, seriously. Where did you eat?'

'It was a place called 'at home," I explained!

Mom cooked every day and when Dad got home from work, we sat down together at the dining room table, and if I didn't like what she put on my plate I was allowed to sit there until I did like it.'

By this time, the kid was laughing so hard I was afraid he was going to suffer serious internal damage, so I didn't tell him the part about how I had to have permission to leave the table.

But there are some other things I would have told him about my childhood if I figured his system could have handled it:

Some parents NEVER owned their own house, wore Levis, set foot on a golf course, traveled out of the country or had a credit card.

In their later years they had something called a revolving charge card. The card was good only at Sears Roebuck. Or maybe it was Sears & Roebuck. Either way, there is no Roebuck anymore. Maybe he died.

My parents never drove me to soccer practice. This was mostly because we never had heard of soccer. I had a bicycle that weighed probably 50 pounds, and only had one speed, (slow).

We didn't have a television in our house until I was 5. It was, of course, black and white, and the station went off the air at midnight, after playing the national anthem and a poem about God; it came back on the air at about 6 a.m. and there was usually a locally produced news and farm show on, featuring local people. I was 13 before I tasted my first pizza; it was called 'pizza pie.'

When I bit into it, I burned the roof of my mouth and the cheese slid off, swung down, plastered itself against my chin and burned that, too. It's still the best pizza I ever had.

We didn't have a car until I was 4. It was an old black Dodge.

I never had a telephone in my room. The only phone in the house was in the living room and it was on a party line. Before you could dial, you had to listen and make sure some people you didn't know weren't already using the line.

Pizzas were not delivered to our home. But milk was. All newspapers were delivered by boys and all boys delivered newspapers--my brother delivered a newspaper, six days a week. It cost 7 cents a paper, of which he got to keep 2 cents. He had to get up at 6 a.m. every morning.

On Saturday, he had to collect the 42 cents from his customers. His favorite customers were the ones who gave him 50 cents and told him to keep the change. His least favorite customers were the ones who seemed to never be home on collection day.

PCAS Events



Pictured here is Putnam County Senior Center advisory board president Ed Giuliani presenting the Putnam County Achievement Executive Director with a check for \$2,990.49 as part of their fundraising. Money was raised through the White Elephant Shop, and the annual bazaar. The center is open from 9 a.m. till 3 p.m. Monday through Friday with lunch served at 11:30 each day.



Shown here are seniors enjoy opening their Valentines at the Putnam County Senior Center. Front left to right, Ed Giuliani, Geno Bonucci, Margaret Bonucci, Ella Stems and Joyce Epley.

Thank You

Thank you to my wonderful friends and customers who attended my 75th Birthday Party on January 25th at June Bug's Corral Inn. Also to my children; Edward Olson & Joanne, Dayna Gaeta & Angelo, Gary & Patrice Olson, Jeff & Carla Olson for the wonderful job of doing the party.

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M-P Spelling Bee Winners Announced

Curious who is the best elementary speller in the Marshall-Putnam area? On February 19th the Marshall-Putnam-Woodford Regional Office of Education hosted the Annual Journal Star Central Illinois county Spelling Bee at the Henry-Senachwine High School auditorium. Participating schools in Marshall and Putnam counties were eligible to send champion spelling students between 5th and 8th grade to the contest. Districts that participated were: Fieldcrest, Henry-Senachwine, Midland and Putnam County.

A total of 20 students spelled an array of words such as *etymology*, *Fletcherism* and *percolate*. Kentessa Hartwig, a 7th grade student from Henry-Senachwine Grade School, prevailed when she correctly spelled the words *rolunda* and *guitar* in the final round. The runner up was 7th grade student Anna Nofsinger from Midland Grade School.

Kentessa will proceed to the Central IL Grand Final Spelling Bee in Peoria at the WEEK TV-25 studio on March 20. It will be broadcast to the public on March 21 at 9:00 a.m. on WEEK.

HPD News Notes...

•• Blood Mobile

The Hennepin Park District will be hosting an American Red Cross Blood drive on Feb. 26. Walk-ins are welcome of call 800/448-3542, Ext 1 to make an appointment. Please bring an American Red Cross donor card or a photo ID with you.

•• Free Swim Day

A free swim day for Hennepin and Hennepin Twp residents is March 2nd. PC children are out of school for Casimir Pulaski Day. Adult swim is from 12-1 p.m., open swim is from 1-4 p.m. and from 5:30-8 p.m.

Please call the pool at 815/925-7319 or email at hennepin-parkdistrict@mchsi.com for more information.

Thank You

We would like to thank the Granville, Standard & Hennepin Fire Departments for their heroic efforts Saturday, February 14th. We appreciate your efforts and kindness. We would also like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our neighbors, friends and family, who have helped us. We would like to especially acknowledge Mom (Charlotte Olson) and the Marine Corps League.

Thank You.

The Olson/Palsinger Family

GRANVILLE GIRLS SOFTBALL SIGN-UP

Tuesday, February 24th
Thursday, February 26th
Friday, February 27th
Wednesday, March 4th
at the Granville Village Hall from
5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

The following fees will apply:

5-6 years old (T-Ball) & 7-8 year olds
(parent pitch) - **\$20.00**
9-10 year olds, 11-12 year olds &
13-14 year olds - **\$25.00**

There will be an added \$10 charge for late sign-up.

If you have any questions, please contact Doug Gimbal at 339-2718.



Crooks & Creeps

Excerpts From A New Book by Greg Stanmar

Barney Frank

Backhanded support for Barney Frank came best from late fellow Democrat Thomas Foglietta of Pennsylvania. "If being stupid were grounds for expulsion," there would be very few congressmen around, said Foglietta in 1990 when politicians were considering kicking Frank out.

Frank avoided by a 408-18 vote not to get expelled from congress. In fact, his Massachusetts constituents returned him to office in overwhelming numbers. He did get a reprimand, one of only seven members of congress ever to get that distinction.



His former boyfriend, Steve Gobie, no longer having Frank's apartment to use for his prostitution ring, decided to go back to school—sort of. His new boyfriend was a principal at a grade school and that made a dandy place for Gobie to conduct business when the building was closed for academics.

Common Sense 101 must not have been one of the courses either Chevy Chase Principal Gabriel Massaro or Frank picked up when they were preparing for their professions.

Frank, born in 1940 in Bayonne, New Jersey, quit his studies for his doctorate in 1968 to become chief assistant to Boston Mayor Kevin White. He went back to school a couple of years later while a state legislator in Massachusetts, this time picking up a Harvard law degree.

God and the Pope must not have been looking far enough down the road when they decided U.S. Rep. Robert Drinan had to either leave the priesthood or congress. Drinan chose to keep the father in front of his name and Frank filled the new vacancy in 1980. Redistricting two years later forced his first political threat when he had to run against incumbent Republican Margaret Heckler.

Frank started out as an underdog but he was able to play to Massachusetts' inherent liberalism by pointing out Heckler's devotion to conservative Ronald Reagan. Frank won with a 2percent buffer and has never been in jeopardy since.

There were not a lot of gasps in Massachusetts in 1987 when Frank told the world he was a homosexual. By that time Gobie had been living with Frank for two years. Three years later Frank found out about Gobie's sideline.

"And this is how you repay me for fixing 33 of your parking tickets?" Frank must have screeched at Gobie. He also screeched at the closet door to Republicans who secretly shared his sexual orientation.

All this screeching has been forgotten as Frank continues to be the ranking Democrat of the financial services committee with no new political crisis expected for his 4th Congressional District before he finally retires.

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"Sugar Babies" Coming in March to RVP

River Valley Players is proud to announce their spring show "Sugar Babies," directed by Jim and Lisa Stout of Eureka. This show was a smashing hit at Peoria Players and the Barn. "Sugar Babies," is performed in a variety show format with each scene being its own story. The play is written in the style of the vaudeville days of adult humor that was all innuendo. For this reason RVP would like to stress that children will not find this show entertaining; High school age and above is more appropriate.

Performances will be on March 21, 27, and 28 (doors open at 6) and March 22 & 29 (doors open at noon). Tickets are \$26.50 and include show, salad bar, buffet, dessert, tea & coffee and three drinks (beer, wine or soda). Tickets go on sale February 27. Call Judy 364-3403.

The cast of "Sugar Babies": 1st comic: George Maxedon, 2nd comic: Bill Entwistle; joined by quartet members Brian Kocher and Ken Herout.

Supporting cast is Wally Groom, Eric Maxedon and Patrick Russell.

Prima Donnas are Jane Knapp and Bethany Kapechuk. The Sugar Babies: Melissa Lester, Marissa Switzer, Elizabeth Wild, Faith Herout, Laura Wilson and guest star, Tamara Hallacombe reprising her role as the Soubrette.

News From Cargill

•• Cargill to Donate Funds to Food Banks

Cargill of Hennepin reports that they will match community donations to food shelves.

In an effort to support local food shelves, Cargill has announced it will double match donations made in the next month by community members to two area food banks.

The local Cargill AgHorizons Farm Service Group - which includes grain terminals in Hennepin, Lacon, Morris, Ottawa, Seneca and Spring Valley - is providing funds to Northern IL Food Bank and River Bend Food Bank, which together provide assistance to food pantry programs in the surrounding counties. The food banks are affiliate members of Feeding America (formerly named America's Second Harvest); Cargill is a national partner of the nonprofit.

From Feb. 20 to March 20 Cargill locations in the area will collect financial donations from individuals and community groups on behalf of the two food banks and then Cargill AgHorizons will match those donations up to \$10,000 apply for a match from the Cargill corporate office. With the matches the food bank will receive \$3 for each \$1 donated. Contributions can be made at the local elevator or mailed to: Teri Allen, Cargill, PO Box 65, Lacon IL, 61540.

The IL effort is an outgrowth of a \$5 million donation Cargill announced in December 2008 to support local, national and global hunger-relief agencies at a time when they are facing a growing demand for their services while donations are shrinking.

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•• PC FFA Represented at BQA Conference

Mr. Wragge attended the IL Beef Assn Quality Assurance Program held at Blackhawk East CC. This program focuses on improving and certifying beef production operations in assuring the public that only the best practices for high quality meat were implemented at the farm or ranch that the product originated. Handling, vaccination, implants, building facilities, transportation, feed quality, and identification were among the areas the class covered. Mr. Wragge attended as he represented the PCHS Ag Dept and FFA Chapter in order to assist his students involved in meat production and have the FFA chapter certified with the IL Beef Assn. Over 40 beef producers from neighboring counties attended the four-hour course. In order to improve beef product consumption, the beef producer must show to the public that his operation is doing everything possible to provide only the top quality beef cuts at the meat counter.

•• PC FFA Active at Tri-County

The chapter was very active during the Annual Tri-County Basketball Tourney at PCHS that lasted the entire week. Each year the PC FFA assists the tourney by parking cars all five nights. With the large turnout organized parking is a must and chapter members in heavy winter clothing and flashlight saw that the lot was in order. An FFA Alumni member is always present at the lot to provide adult assistance and a warm car/truck to jump into to warm up. The chapter also sells pork chops, hot dogs, and bratwurst sandwiches each evening to the crowds watching the games. Sandwiches are grilled after school behind the Ag Shop. The Chapter thanks all the kind people who stopped by the sandwich stand. It was a successful tourney year with all proceeds going to the Chapter to help defer costs of contests the members attend during the year.

•• Pheasants Forever

PC FFA members assisted the Grand Prairie Pheasant Forever chapter at their Annual Banquet and Raffle held at Kenyon's in Lacon. The chapter was pleased to be asked again by President Greg Simmons to help with setup and prize/award assistance with the banquet. The chapter has been a member of this worthwhile conservation oriented organization for over five years. The Pheasants Forever chapter helped out when the FFA established its prairie plot south of Hennepin by giving seeding advice and grass habitat seed, which was greatly appreciated. The banquet brought in many friends and guests and collected needed funding for future area wildlife conservation projects. The PC FFA and the high school natural resource class are proud to work with Pheasants Forever over the years and look forward to assisting in wildlife habitat projects in the future.

★ Putnam County Obituaries ★

Peggy Jane Kinkin

1942-2009

Peggy Jane Kinkin, 66, of Spring Valley died February 13, 2009, in Ottawa Pavilion nursing home, where she resided for a brief time.

Memorial service was February 21, 2009 in United Church of Christ, Spring Valley, Rev. Chuck Maney officiated.

She was born September 2, 1942, in Spring Valley to Lawrence and Beatrice (Thompson) Smith. She married Richard Kinkin on February 3, 1962, in United Church of Christ, Spring Valley.

Mrs. Kinkin owned and operated Little Country School preschool for 31 years with more than 800 students. She was a member of United Church of Christ and Spring Valley Junior Women's Club.

Survivors include her husband, two sons, Jay (Lisa) Kinkin of Granville and Doug (Paula) Kinkin of Cedar Rapids IA; one daughter, Holly Kinkin of Spring Valley; four grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; three brothers, Bill (Joan) Smith of MI, Gilbert Smith of FL and Alvin (Lois) Smith of Peru; one sister, Carol (Dennis) Bogatius of Spring Valley; nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Memorials may be directed to the family

Janice Pettit-Hanley

1949-2009

Janice "Ma" Pettit-Hanley, 59, of Peoria died February 20, 2009 in St. Francis Hospital, Peoria.

Services were February 24, 2009 in Helmer-Shields Funeral Home, Granville. Karen Karczewski officiated. Burial was private.

She was born November 27, 1949 in Arkansas KS to Harold and Neva (Stephenson) Pettit.

She was a certified nurses assistant and worked in the home healthcare industry for many years. She was a member of the navy Mothers.

Survivors include her mother, Neva of Peoria; one son, Steve Torres of Everett WA; one step-daughter, Tina Stevenson of Montana; three granddaughters; two brothers, Harold (Helen) Pettit of Spring Valley, Tim (Tami) David of Mount Horeb WI; two sister, Glenda Pettit of Peoria and Tina Fletcher of Westville IN.

She was preceded in death by her father in 2006. Memorials may be directed to the family.

William Hughes

1962-2009

William "Bill" Hughes, 47, of Utica died February 20, 2009, in his home after a lengthy battle with cancer.

Services were February 23, 2009 in Ottawa Funeral Home. Rev. Philip Halfacre officiated. Burial was in St. Columba Cemetery, Ottawa.

Mr. Hughes was born February 10, 1962, in Ottawa to William and Antoinette

(Pandolfi) Hughes. He married Lorraine "Kay" Weygand on Nov. 1, 2007, in their home in Utica.

He was employed as an automotive painter at Carlson's for 22 years.

Survivor include his wife; two sons, Jamie (Jesse) Donovan, and David Weygand, both of Ottawa; two grandchildren; four sisters, Julie (Rodney) Bailey of Wedron, Linda (Merle) Walter of McNabb, Mary (Kevin) Calhan of Grand Ridge and Beth (Craig) Walsh of Ottawa; three brothers, Pat (Sue), Phil (Betsy) and Jeff Hughes, all of Ottawa; nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, one in infancy, and his parents.

Pallbearers will be his nephews.

Memorials may be directed to the family.

Katherine Benassi

1913-2009

Katherine Benassi, 95, of Marseilles died February 20, 2009, in her home.

Mass of Christian burial was February 23, 2009 in St. Joseph Catholic Church, Marseilles. Monsignor J. Brian Rejsek officiated. Burial was in Riverview Cemetery, Marseilles.

She was born in November 1913 in Marseilles to Adolph and Jenny (Caveglia) Tio. She married Primo Benassi of Standard in 1941.

She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and its Altar & Rosary Society, and the Golden Era Senior Citizens.

Survivors include two daughters, Jean Acuff of Marseilles and JoAnne (Bob) Scutt of Marseilles; two grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; one sister, Jeanette (George) Duggan of Marseilles; and one brother, Jim (Mary) Tio of LaGrange Park.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1962, four sisters and one brother.

Jean Verda

1921-2009

Jean E. Verda, 87, of Granville died February 20, 2009, at home.

Services were February 23, 2009 in Helmer-Shields Funeral Home, Granville. The Rev. Ron McNeil and the Rev. Karen Karczewski officiated. Burial was in Granville Cemetery.

Mrs. Verda was born Feb. 28, 1921, in rural Princeton to Thomas and Edith (Cater) Evelhoch. She married Joseph Verda on Dec. 27, 1941, in Kohokia, MO.

Mrs. Verda worked at Westclox and was a homemaker. She was member of United Church of Christ in Granville, and the Women's Fellowship of United Church of Christ.

Survivors include three daughters, Carol Serrine of Granville, Sharon (Randy) Clancy of Puyallup WA, and Monnie (Alfie) Cioni of Granville; two sons, Eugene Verda of Neoga and Kenneth (Karen) Verda of Newark; 16 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; and one brother, Clifford Evelhoch of Spring Valley.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1984; two



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Hear His Word

"Contrition"

Ash Wednesday is February 25 this year, and thus begins the church season of Lent. Therefore, I would like to share a few thoughts on confession and contrition. They say confession is good for the soul. We know that it is a necessary step in the movement toward spiritual wholeness; confession is a terrific step to take on the way to finding that vital balance we all need in our lives. But it is quite another step into the interior of one's self to be contrite!

The grace of God's unconditional acceptance empowers, encourages, and enables us to not only tell the truth about the depths to which we have sunk but also to feel those depths. We can feel the wrongness we have done when we could and should have been doing the right thing.

Grace dissolves the fear we face as we look into the mirror of self. Grace allows us to make our confession. But what about contrition? Contrition (from the Latin *contritus*, means ground to pieces) by definition means sincere and complete remorse for the sins one has committed. The remorseful person is said to be contrite; it is, so to speak, feeling crummy about our actions.

Remember the prayer of contrition:

O my god, I am heartily sorry for having offended Thee, and I detest all my sins, because of thy just punishment, but most of all because they offend Thee, my god, Who are all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve, with the help of Thy grace to confess my sins, and to do penance and amend my life.

Contrition always implies an inner recognition of wrong done to God, or to other people, and a desire to turn from wrong and do the right thing. Contrition is clearly expressed in Psalm 51: 1-12, which reads in part: "For I know my transgressions and my sin is always before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in thy sight, so that you are proved right when you speak, and justified when you judge."

The question is this: do we feel the remorse and contrition only after we have been caught, charged, indicted, tried, and found guilty? I am afraid the answer for most of us is YES. Until then, we fool ourselves into believing the lie we have been living.

Grace brings us home through the door of contrition. It is a gift of God's grace to be able to feel sorrow and remorse for the wounds we have caused ourselves and others. Thus the importance of Lent, and the journey we all need to make in Lent.

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vs. DARIUSZ STEFANCZYK, URSZULA STEFANCZYK, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., UNDER MORTGAGE RECORDED AS DOCUMENT NUMBER BOOK 102, PAGE 615, NONRECORDED CLAIMANTS, UNKNOWN TENANTS AND UNKNOWN OWNERS.

Defendant(s). 08 CH 14 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment heretofore entered by the said Court in the above entitled cause, the Sheriff of Putnam County, Illinois, will on March 19, 2009, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., at the Putnam County Courthouse, 120 North Fourth Street, Hennepin, Illinois 61327, sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described premises and real estate in the said Judgment mentioned, situated in the County of Putnam, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment, to wit:

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The Judgment amount is \$ 164,910.91. Contact the Law Offices of Ira T. Nevel, 175 North Franklin, Suite 201, Chicago, Illinois 60606, (312) 357-1125, for further information. The terms of the sale are cash. The property is improved by a single family residence, together with all buildings and improvements thereon, and the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging and will not be available for inspection prior to sale.

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PC PROPERTY TRANSFERS

FEBRUARY 2009
 13-JTWD Tanny A. Gruen-walk to Debra A. Zemanek. Lot 8 in Block 4, Lincolnshire Subdivision (\$95,000).
 18-Tr.D Mary Ann Mudge to Mary Ann Mudge. E-Und 83.596% int e1/2 NE1/4, Sec. 21, Twp 32N, R1W w/exceptions (\$36,551).
 18-QCD-Mary Ann Mudge to Mark W. & Lori Mudge. E-Und 8.202% int. Tract I. W1/2, SW1/4, Sec. 24, Twp 32N, R1W w/exceptions; Tract II-E1/2, SE1/4, Sec. 23, E1/2 W1/2 SE1/4, Sec. 23, Twp 32N, R1W w/exceptions.
 18-QCD Donald H. Fiedler to Mark W. & Lori Mudge. E-Und 8.202% int Tract I-W1/2, SW1/4, Sec. 24, Twp 32N, R1W w/exceptions; Tract II-E1/2 SE1/4, Sec. 23, E1/2 W1/2 SE1/4, Sec. 23, Twp 32N, R1W w/exceptions.

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18-Tr.D.-Mary Ann Mudge, Trustee to Mark W. & Lori Mudge. Tr-D-Und 83.596% int, Tract I-W1/2, SW1/4, Sec 24, Twp 32N, R1W; Tract II-E1/2, SE1/4, Sec. 23, & E1/2 W1/2 SE1/4, Sec. 23, Twp 32N, R1W w/exceptions (\$1,033,345).

19-Bryan Harrison and Tamra Harrison to Christopher R. Bruch and Tiffany A. Seibert. D-Pt. Lot 9, Pt. Lot 10, Blk 1, Joel W. Hopkins Addition, Village of Granville (\$55,000).



LANHAM - Troy Lanham and Tiffany Kozuba of Standard, a daughter on February 18, 2009 at SMH, Spring Valley.

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SIU NEWS NOTES

•• Impact of corn-based ethanol production studied by K.C. Jaehng

Federal support for clean energy has given ethanol the jump-start it needed to become an alternative fuel. But we need to take a close look at what we gain and what we give up in making the switch, says Silvia Secchi, an economist in the College of Agricultural Sciences at Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

"As biofuels become a more important energy source in our country, we need to understand their effects both on local economies and the environment because they could go in opposite directions," says Secchi, who specializes in the science of trade-offs.

Secchi is part of a team of economists, environmental scientists and a statistician assessing the costs and benefits of corn-based ethanol production. The group includes researchers from Iowa State University and North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University, with funds coming from the federal departments of agriculture and energy to the tune of \$700,000.

Using data from Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri and Wisconsin -- home base for the bulk of the country's ethanol plants -- the researchers are looking at how production affects crop prices, crop choices, land use, water quality and regional economies.

"Much of the work looking at impacts of ethanol production has been done on a small scale," Secchi says.

"This involves five states in a 'hot spot' where a lot of ethanol activity is taking place."

Secchi's portion of the project focuses on the interrelationships between the presence of ethanol plants, the amount of corn farmers grow and the prices they get for it. Such knowledge could help entrepreneurs decide where to build new factories as, in making that decision, they have to factor in what the raw feedstock will cost.

"In developing their business plan, they can't take the historical price of corn as a given because by building a plant they're introducing something new in the landscape," Secchi says.

Because expanded corn production can have substantial environmental impacts, she also is looking at the effects of expanded corn production on water quality in the Upper Mississippi River Basin. Here she is breaking new ground. Environmental impact studies done by other researchers have focused mainly on the amount of fuel it takes to grow and harvest the corn and turn it into ethanol and on the level of greenhouse gases those activities produce.

"Water quality impacts are often neglected, but an increase in agricultural production will probably mean more nitrogen and phosphorus runoff (likely contributors to the "dead zone" in the Gulf of Mexico near the mouth of the Mississippi)," Secchi says.

Most of the project involves modeling -- using a computerized simulation that attempts to predict what would happen as different factors change and interact.

"I am using both existing assessment tools and new models I have developed with my collaborators," Secchi says. As much of the official data she's using in her models dates back 10 years or more, she also is collecting newer information to yield more accurate results.

Other team members are using models to look at how factory characteristics and the proximity of markets affect corn prices and premiums, the impact an ethanol factory has on land use and crop rotations, the factory's direct and indirect effects on its region's economy and the amount of fossil fuel ethanol could replace in the five-state study area.

While these studies extrapolate from known data -- plant location, size and ownership, acreage and location of farmland involved in crop production -- one portion of the project attempts to predict outcomes resulting from changes in some of these factors. What would happen if, for example, outside investors began building plants, or existing plants produced more, or an increased demand by livestock producers for ethanol's edible by-products led to construction of additional plants near those customers? What would occur if farmers start growing corn on land currently out of production because of federal subsidies?

With the concentration of both corn acreage and ethanol production in the Upper Mississippi River Basin and the growing emphasis on using biofuel, the team's findings will have particular relevance for that five-state area. But the tools they develop to reach their conclusions should have much broader applications.

"There are a gazillion questions because everyone has different risks, costs and conditions, and technology creates new problems as it solves old ones," Secchi says.

"We're just starting to get a handle on some of these things, but it's a good time for agribusiness economists. There's a huge need for research."

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•• Nominations sought for prestigious Sturgis award by Andrew Hahn

The Lindell W. Sturgis Memorial Public Service Award Committee at Southern Illinois University Carbondale seeks nominations for this prestigious annual award before the deadline of March 26.

The award goes to current SIUC faculty or staff members who demonstrate outstanding commitment to public service to their community -- whether that community is local, area, statewide or even national. Evidence of this public service includes time committed to service and positive impact of the service. The public service must be unrelated to University responsibilities.

Nominations should come from either an SIUC employee or a member of the community. The nomination should include a statement describing the nominee's contribution, two to three letters of support, and a list of public service contributions including notations of time involved and positive impact.

The Sturgis Memorial Public Service Award was the first public service award of its kind at SIUC when family members established an endowment in 1979. Sturgis, an SIU Board of Trustees member from 1949 to 1951 and from 1953 to 1971, had a long-standing history of commitment to the University pre-dating even his association with the Board of Trustees. Sturgis, who was from Metropolis, served as board chair from 1969 until his retirement.

Current board Chair Roger Tedrick was a student at SIUC when Sturgis chaired the board, and remembers him as a "larger-than-life figure" because of his commitment to the University and to public service.

"The prestige of this award goes far beyond its cash value," Tedrick said. "This award, established to honor a man whose commitment to this University and to public service were extraordinary, salutes an individual who pursues the goal of making this world a better place."

The award includes a \$750 cash gift, a plaque, and a reserved parking space for a year. The Board of Trustees announces the award recipient at the May board meeting. A special luncheon, attended by members of the Sturgis family, trustees, the SIU president and SIUC chancellor, and past award recipients.

An online nomination form is available at www.siu.edu/~crse/forms.htm. Send nomination materials to Cynthia L. Miller, Committee Chair, Constituent Relations and Special Events, Kesnar Hall, Room 207, Mail Code 6525, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, 1225 Douglas Drive, Carbondale IL 62901. For more information, visit <http://www.siu.edu/bof/lwsturgis.html>.

Addressing the Housing Market

by Congressman Aaron Schock

Earlier this week President Barack Obama unveiled a major plan to address the enormous problem of housing foreclosures in our country. As someone with a background in real estate, I know we must take steps to address the issue of foreclosures, which has played a cataclysmic role in our current economic troubles.

I believe we must have some core principles in any plan to address foreclosures. For instance, I believe responsible homeowners, many of whom are struggling themselves to pay escalating property taxes, should not be saddled with the costs -- either through tax increases or higher future interest rates -- of rewarding bad behavior on the part of banks or borrowers.

While we should assist homeowners who find themselves distressed through no fault of their own, taxpayers should not subsidize those who misrepresented their income or assets or who knew they could never have afforded the home they purchased.

Taxpayers should not subsidize banks and servicers for modifying loans they never should have made.

Finally, we should not expand already failed Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac with taxpayer funds without insisting on real reforms to protect the long-term interest of taxpayers. Above all, we should not be encouraging the same policies that led to the housing collapse fueled by sub-prime mortgages.

These are common sense principles that should be the basis for any housing rescue plan. Unfortunately, instead of acting on these principles, the plan unveiled this week by President Obama rewards reckless decisions made by irresponsible speculators at the expense of the American taxpayer.

It seems to me, his plan should have provided incentives or rewards to those homeowners who have been diligently making their mortgage payments or those who have respected their budget limitations and have not purchased a home beyond their means.

While a major part of the American dream is to be a homeowner, the federal government should refrain from subsidizing mortgage payments for financially troubled homeowners. The House will likely consider this week, so-called "bankruptcy cram down."

This cram down legislation would allow bankruptcy judges to change the terms of a mortgage, even writing down the amount owed. If this happens, banks will respond to this new risk by increasing interest rates, fees and down payments on all consumers. Cram down legislation will also make it far more difficult to sell mortgages in the secondary market, will reduce liquidity, and ultimately is not the most effective way to help borrowers. And because most bankruptcy plans ultimately fail, more homeowners will end up losing their home anyway.

There are far better ways to help borrowers. Providing simple mortgage modifications is less costly, does less long-term damage to the borrower's credit, and rate modifications can actually reduce payments more than principal modification. Additionally borrowers have been, and can continue to be, helped through delinquent refinances, partial claims, and other loss mitigation tools. The belief that this proposed cram down legislation will force servicers to perform more modifications is simply inaccurate.

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Legals

LEGAL PUBLICATION IN THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JEROME J. BOLDA, deceased. NO-09-P-1

CLAIMS NOTICE
Notice is given of the death of JEROME J. BOLDA, deceased, of the Village of Hennepin, Putnam County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on January 29, 2009 to Frederick C. Bolda, 13233 North 2250 Avenue, Geneseo, Illinois 61254, whose attorney is Eric S. Swartz, 611 Second Street, P.O. Box 174, Henry IL 61537.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of said Court at the Putnam County Courthouse in the Village of Hennepin, Putnam County, Illinois, on or before August 14, 2009, or, if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by 755 ILCS 5/18-3, the date stated in that notice. Any claim, not filed on or before said date, is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the representative within 10 days after it has been filed and proof of such mailing must be filed with the Court.

Dated: January 30, 2009
Frederick C. Bolda, Executor of the Estate of Jerome C. Bolda, deceased
Eric S. Swartz
Attorney for the Executor
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Public notice is hereby given that on February 3, 2009, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Putnam County, Illinois, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as This, That, & More Marketing, located at 114 Ava, Mark IL. Dated this 3rd day of February, 2009.

Daniel S. Kuhn, County Clerk
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DARIUSZ STEFANCZYK, URSZULA STEFANCZYK, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., UNDER MORTGAGE RECORDED AS DOCUMENT NUMBER BOOK 102, PAGE 615, NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, UNKNOWN TENANTS AND UNKNOWN OWNERS, Defendant(s).
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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment heretofore entered by the said Court in the above entitled cause, the Sheriff of Putnam County, Illinois, will on March 19, 2009, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., at the Putnam County Courthouse, 120 North Fourth Street, Hennepin, Illinois 61327, sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described premises and real estate in the said Judgment mentioned, situated in the County of Putnam, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment, to wit: LOT 560 IN PLAT NO. 3 OF LAKE THUNDERBIRD WOODS, PUTNAM COUNTY, ILLINOIS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, AT PAGE 178, ON 3 APRIL 1970, IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF DEEDS OF PUTNAM COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Common Address: 2-560 Juniper Court, Putnam, Illinois 61560 P.I.N. 03-00-071-190
The Judgment amount is \$164,910.91.
Contact the Law Offices of Ira T. Nevel, 175 North Franklin, Suite 201, Chicago, Illinois 60606, (312) 357-1125, for further information. The terms of the sale are cash. The property is improved by a single family residence, together with all buildings and improvements thereon, and the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging and will not be available for inspection prior to sale.
Attorney No. 06185808
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LEGAL PUBLICATION

At the regular meeting of the Putnam county Board on February 9, 2009, Resolution #2009-01 was passed being entitled: "Resolution of the County Board of Putnam County requesting approval of the use of money allotted to the County under the Provisions of the Motor Fuel Tax Law."

Said resolution is on file in the Office of the County Clerk and open for inspection for any interested parties.
Daniel S. Kuhn
Putnam County Clerk and Recorder
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- Type of sweet potato
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- Make apparent by one's behavior
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- Stiff hair or bristle, pl.
- *1995 Movie "Shorty" starring Oscar-winner Hackman
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- *Unexpected millionaire
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- 2nd or 6th President
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- They or they're
- *The 'M' in MGM
- Axillary
- *Penn's 2009 Oscar-nominated character
- Having the know-how to do something
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- Protective jewelry
- U-shaped curve in a stream
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- Ivy support
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- Former Portuguese province, reverted to China in 1999
- Angry growl
- *Best animated feature in 2003 awards, "Spirited"
- Indian soup
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- Give emotion to
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- A fool
- Dog trailer
- Make corrections
- *His was a curious case
- Mythical giant bird
- *Doubting nun
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- *" , Dolly!" won three in 1970
- Mouse catcher
- A walk outside
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- Nabisco Chips Ahoy Cookies, all. 2/\$6
- Our Family Pasta Sauce, 26 oz. 3/\$5
- Keillogg's MiniWheats and Frosted MiniWheats Cereal, 16.3 oz. \$2.69
- Assorted Keebler Grahams, 14-16 oz. 2/\$5
- Our Family Slider Storage or Freezer Bags, all. \$1.79
- Our Family Fabric Sheets, 40 ct. \$1.19
- Bumble Bee Chunk White Tuna, 6 oz. 3/\$5
- Our Family Aluminum Foil, 25 ft. 99¢
- Our Family Chili, Cocktail Sauce, 12 oz. 2/\$3
- Our Family Bleach, 96 oz. 2/\$3
- Febreze Air Effect, 9.7 oz. 2/\$5
- Assorted Mr. Clean, 28 oz. 2/\$5
- Swiffer Wet Cloth, 12 ct. 2/\$7
- Dial Bar Soap, 8 bars. \$3.99
- Dial Body Wash, 18 oz. \$4.59
- Our Family Auto Dish Soap or Gel, 75 oz. \$3.79
- Mazola Corn Oil, 40 oz. \$3.99
- Wonder Light Wheat or Italian Bread, 16 oz. \$1.89
- Butternut Large White Bread, 20 oz. \$1.89

ON Frozen Dept.!

- ★ DiGiorno Pizzas, ea. 2/\$10
- Our Family Frozen Vegetables, 16 oz. 5/\$5
- Bryer's Ice Cream, 48 oz. \$3.99
- Assorted Klondike Bars, 6 pk. \$3.99

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ON Produce Dept.!

- ★ Hot House Red Tomatoes, lb. \$1.29
- Tender Red Potatoes, lb. 59¢
- Grimmway Farms Baby Peeled Carrots, lb. 99¢
- Texas Rio Star Red Grapefruit, lb. 69¢

ON Dairy Dept.!

- ★ Florida Natural Orange or Red Grapefruit Juice, 64 oz. 2/\$6
- Azteca Flour Tortillas, 10 ct. 4/\$5
- Coffeemate Special Edition, all. \$1.99
- Our Family Plain Yogurt, 32 oz. \$1.99

BAKERY fresh!!

- ★ Fresh Baked French Bread, ea. \$1.39
- King's Hawaiian Rolls, 12 oz. \$2.99



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CENTER CUT BONELESS PORK LOINS

ON Meat Dept. E!

- ★ Family Pack Ground Round, lb. \$2.59
- Our Family Smoked Bacon, lb. 2/\$5
- Black Angus Eye of Round Roast, lb. \$3.99
- Lean Whole Fresh Pork Tenderloins, lb. \$3.69
- Our Own Bulk Garlic Sausage, lb. \$1.99
- Our Family Ultra Thin Sliced Lunchmeats, 10 oz tub. \$3.59
- John Morell Jumbo Hot Dogs, lb. \$1.19
- Lean Pork Cutlets, lb. \$2.99
- Oscar Mayer Lunchables, ea. \$2.29

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- Aqua Star 40 ct Shrimp 2 lb, \$10.99
- Cold Water Lobster Tails 7-8 oz, \$9.99
- King Crab Legs 2 lb, \$22.99

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- ★ VO5 Shampoo or Conditioner, 15 oz. \$1.00
- Assorted Roloids Tablets, 100 ct. \$3.79

ON Delicatessan!

- ★ Jennie-O Oven-Roasted Chicken Breast, lb. \$4.99
- Walnut American Cheese, lb. \$2.89
- Wilson's Pastrami, lb. \$4.99
- Mrs. Gerry's German Potato Salad, lb. \$2.49

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