

# Douglas County Courthouse News

## Douglas

(Editor's note: The following is a report of the traffic tickets, criminal charges, and law and divorce cases filed within the past week at the office of the Douglas County Circuit Clerk in the Courthouse, Tuscola.

Tickets and cases covered were issued to or filed against residents of Douglas, Moultrie, and Piatt counties and towns within the circulation area of this newspaper.

Real estate transactions listed below were filed in the office of the Douglas County Clerk during the same weekly period.)

**Traffic Tickets**  
McKenzie C. Parrish, 19, of Atwood was cited September 27 for possession of cannabis less than 10 grams northbound on Iowa Street at Central Avenue in Atwood. Citation was filed September 28.

Cole Y. Burnett, 44, of Camargo was ticketed September 22 for speeding 100 mph in a 35-mph zone and driving under the influence of alcohol on Route 130 south of Villa Grove.

Kyle Shane Diethrich, 30, of West Terre Haute, Indiana, was ticketed September 25 for speeding 88 mph in a 55-mph zone eastbound on U.S. 36 at County Road 400 North in Garrett Township. Ticket was filed September 26.

Amy N. Haynes, 35, of Atwood was ticketed September 26 for operating an uninsured motor vehicle on Vine Street at 4th Street in Arthur. Ticket was filed September 27.

Natasha J. Bushar, 25, of Villa Grove was ticketed September 26 for operating an uninsured motor vehicle on County Road 1450 North in Tuscola Township. Ticket was filed September 28.

Dominique L. Fayne,

32, of Memphis, Tennessee, was ticketed September 27 for speeding 104 mph in a 70-mph zone northbound on I-57 at Mile Post 207 in Tuscola Township. Ticket was filed September 28.

Earl W. Ray, 64, of Tuscola was ticketed September 27 for driving while license is suspended on County Road 1150 North at County Road 1250 East in Tuscola Township. Ticket was filed September 28.

McKenzie C. Parrish, 19, of Atwood was ticketed September 27 for failure to signal and operating an uninsured motor vehicle turning from Central Street onto Iowa Street northbound in Atwood. Tickets were filed September 28.

Austin L. Carey, 24, of Ashmore was ticketed September 23 for operating an uninsured motor vehicle eastbound in the 500 Block of East Springfield Road in Arcola. Ticket was filed September 28.

Ashley M. Clough, 27, of Charleston was ticketed September 27 for operating an uninsured motor vehicle westbound on Route 133 at Schrock Drive in Arcola. Ticket was filed September 28.

Andrea N. Hatfill, 23, of Tuscola was ticketed September 30 for driving while license is suspended on Niles at Ficklin in Tuscola. Ticket was filed October 1.

William R. Marsh Jr., 45, of Big Bear City, California, was ticketed September 15 for driving while license is suspended and operating an uninsured motor vehicle on County Road 100 North at County Road 1190 East in Arcola Township. Ticket was filed September 17.

William R. Marsh Jr., 45, of Big Bear City, California, was ticketed September 21, for driving while license is suspended westbound on U.S. 36 at

Pleasantview in Tuscola.

Ezra N. Grassor, 25, of Arcola was ticketed October 2 for operating an uninsured motor vehicle on W. Washington Street at Route 133 in Arcola. Ticket was filed October 3.

Sara R. Cook, 23, of Arthur was ticketed September 26 for registration light violation on Route 133 at County Road 100 in Arthur. Ticket was filed September 27.

Hannah Marie Gossman, 21, of Terre Haute, Indiana, was ticketed September 26 for speeding 80 mph in a 55-mph zone on Route 133 at County Road 1675 East in Bowdre Township. Ticket was filed September 28.

Mary A.J.J. Rivas, 33, of Mattoon was ticketed September 21 for speeding 58 mph in a 45-mph zone eastbound on U.S. 36 at Main Street in Atwood. Ticket was filed September 28.

Sean Davin Conner, 35, of Tuscola was ticketed September 20 for tint on windows less than 35 percent around driver on U.S. 36 at Meadowview in Tuscola. Ticket was filed October 1.

Ethan A. Durbin, 18, of Pana was ticketed September 22 for operating a motor vehicle with expired registration plates or sticker westbound on U.S. 36 at Court Street in Tuscola. Ticket was filed October 1.

Varonica B. Durbin, 20, of Champaign was ticketed September 30 for speeding 80 mph in a 55-mph zone on County Road 530 East at U.S. 36 in Garrett Township. Ticket was filed October 1.

Cory J. Householder, 26, of Charleston was ticketed October 1 for speeding 56 mph in a 35-mph zone northbound on Route 130 at McCoy Street in Villa Grove. Ticket was filed October 1.

Ramanbhai Parsottanas Patel, 57, of Oak Forest was ticketed September 30 for speeding 80 mph in a 55-mph zone southbound on U.S. 36 at County Road 500 East in Garrett Township. Ticket was filed October 1.

Stevi R. Quinn, 27, of Arcola was ticketed September 30 for speeding 78 mph in a 55-mph zone northbound on U.S. 45 at County Road 800 North in Tuscola Township. Ticket was filed October 1.

Sterling R. Shafer, 27, of Dawson was ticketed September 20 for tint opposite driver less than 35 percent on U.S. 36 at Progress Boulevard in Tuscola. Ticket was filed October 1.

Danielle L. Skees, 28, of Tuscola was ticketed September 30 for speeding 80 mph in a 55-mph zone eastbound on U.S. 36 at County Road 650 East in Tuscola Township. Ticket was filed October 2.

Araceli G. Colunga, 47, of Newman was ticketed September 29 for speeding 69 mph in a 55-mph zone eastbound on U.S. 36 at

County Road 2650 East in Newman. Ticket was filed October 2.

Justin D. Green, 44, of Arthur was ticketed September 29 for speeding 61 mph in a 45-mph zone eastbound on U.S. 36 at Broadway in Newman. Ticket was filed October 2.

Beverly J. Pridemore, 54, of St. Joseph was ticketed September 29 for speeding 70 mph in a 55-mph zone westbound on U.S. 36 at County Road 2350 East in Newman. Ticket was filed October 2.

Conception I. Richey, 68, of Greenfield, Indiana, was ticketed September 29 for speeding 60 mph in a 45-mph zone eastbound on U.S. 36 at Hopkins Street in Newman. Ticket was filed October 2.

Marissa Sue Shelby, 20, of Terre Haute, Indiana, was ticketed September 29 for speeding 78 mph in a 55-mph zone westbound on U.S. 36 east of Brushy Fork River in Newman. Ticket was filed October 2.

### Criminal Petitions

Andrew J. Kiser, 40, of Villa Grove has been charged with intimidation, a Class 3 felony, and harassment through electronic communication, a Class B misdemeanor. Kiser is accused of threatening to harm Jeannine Garrett between August 1, 2017, and August 20, 2018, with intent to cause Garrett

to perform acts related to her legal representation of Kiser's ex-wife. Charge was filed September 19.

Kiser is further accused of making threatening communications with Garrett via electronic communication text messaging between August 1, 2017, and August 20, 2018. Charge was filed September 13.

Charles L. Atterberry, 21, of Tuscola has been charged with battery, a Class A misdemeanor. Atterberry is accused of making physical contact of insulting nature with a 15-year-old on August 18 by shoving the person. Charge was filed August 20.

Christopher W. Creamer, 27, of Tuscola has been charged with criminal damage to property not exceeding \$500, a Class A misdemeanor, and criminal trespass to real property, a Class B misdemeanor. Creamer is accused of knowingly damaging the property of another (shrubs and flowers) on August 22 without the consent of the owner and with total value of damages not exceeding \$500. Creamer is further accused of entering upon the land of another located in Tuscola after having received prior notice that such entry was forbidden. Charges were filed August 28.

John A. Dilger, 42, of Urbana has been charged with presence of a sexual predator in a public park, a Class A misdemeanor. Dilger, a sexual predator, is accused of being knowingly present on July 11 on the real property comprising a

public park (Jurgens Park in Arthur) in violation of Chapter 720 Section 5/11-9.4-(b) of the Illinois Compiled Statutes. The charge carries up to 364 days in jail and a fine up to \$2,500. Charge was filed August 30.

Penny Stewart, 45, of Newman has been charged with deceptive practices, a Class A misdemeanor. Stewart is accused of writing a bad check on October 6, 2017, to Stumble In, Hindsboro, for \$200 to pay for merchandise, knowing that the check would not be honored by her bank, First Neighbor Bank. Charge was filed September 13.

### Dissolution of Marriage Petitions

Melissa Sue Stutzman, 32, of Atwood filed a petition for dissolution of marriage from Nelson Lynn Stutzman, 42, of Atwood. Petition was filed September 27.

Sonja L. Hochstetler, 37, of Tuscola filed a petition for dissolution of marriage from Matthew Hochstetler, 33, of Charleston. Petition was filed September 26.

### Marriage Licenses

A marriage license was issued October 2 to Christy J. Herschberger of Arcola and Hannah Irene Gingerich of Arthur.

### Real Estate

Paul Robert Burlett and LP Limited granted Paul Robert Burlett, trustee of Paul Robert Burlett Declaration of Trust, a quitclaim deed for a parcel in SW SW 31-16-7 (South Main Street, Atwood) and a parcel in SW 31-16-7 (62 E. Highway 36, Atwood).

## ALAH cross country continues run through season

By KENT A. STOCK  
Staff Writer

Coach Derek Eaton of Knights cross country is doing his best to get his team ready for the post-season. The Knights finished in first place at a five team meet in Sullivan on Thursday and were in competition at the Cumberland Invitational on Saturday.

Layton Hall of the Knights was the first place finisher at Sullivan's meet held in Tabor Park. The speedy sophomore won the race with a time of 17:54.

Other ALAH runners, times and places: Austin Romine, 19:10 (3); Quentin Morgan, 19:43 (5); Jace Green, 20:19 (8); Justin Miller, 20:38 (10); Duston Sawyer, 22:17 (16); Jack Rollyson, 23:39 (23).

Team Scores: 1) ALAH 27; 2) Bement 57; 3) Sullivan 58. Tri-County and Villa Grove-Heritage also had participants in the competition but did not score as a team.

On Saturday, the Cumberland Invitational took place at Lake Land College in Mattoon. Hall was again the leader for the Knights. He place second with a time of 16:26.97 just three seconds from first place.

Other Arthur Lovington Atwood Hammond times for the Saturday meet were: Austin Romine, 18:57.59; Justin Miller, 19:44.44; Duston Sawyer, 21:37.05; Jack Rollyson, 22:55.

The Knights finished eleventh out of eighteen teams who scored in the meet.

## Happy trails to you, Arthur

By KENT A. STOCK  
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Living in the Arthur area, you are apt to see about anything, especially when it comes to livestock.

However, on Friday, October 5 something a little different took place along the roads east and north of Arthur...an actual cattle drive complete with cowboys, cowgirls, horses and, obviously cattle.

"This was our first year of doing this so it was a bit of experimenting on how things would work out," said Matt Best, owner of Handsome Duck Cattle Company located about three miles northeast of Arthur. "People had talked about doing something like this with me since I moved here. I guess it took a California cowboy to get it started," laughed Best.

Best, who also works at CHI Overhead Doors in Arthur, put out the word to local friends and his western buddies to come and take part in the inaugural event. "I was overwhelmed by the

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**Monday, Oct 15**—Chicken pot pie w/vegetables, Brussels sprouts, whole grain biscuit, sliced pears and milk

**Tuesday, Oct 16**—Mostaccioli w/meat sauce, winter mix vegetables, tossed salad, dinner roll, Mandarin oranges and milk

**Wednesday, Oct 17**—Tangy pork chopee w/vegetables over brown rice, green beans, rye bread, warm cinnamon apple slices and milk

**Thursday, Oct 18**—Fried chicken, ashed potatoes w/gravy, seasoned Venetian vegetables, whole grain wheat, seasonal dessert and milk

**Friday, Oct 19**—Vegetable beef soup, creamy coleslaw, peanut butter, crackers, raisins and milk

response." The enthusiastic team gathered up the nine head of cattle and drove them three miles from the ranch to the Arthur Sale Barn and then drove them back.

The event was not purely just for fun either. Best, whose close friend and co-owner of the cattle company in California, suffers from PTSD. Best wished to use this to raise awareness about the issue. "My friend

was supposed to be here but he was having some struggles and had to check in for outpatient treatment. He is impacted everyday by PTSD but knows when and where to seek help. There are so many people who have put their lives on the line in serving our country that are just like him. We need to find ways to support them!"

Best indicated that there would be another drive in the future.



Head 'em up and move 'em out was the call on Friday morning as some cowpokes drove nine head of cattle three miles into town to the Arthur Sale Barn. The real life cattle drive was organized by Matt Best of the Handsome Duck Cattle Company, located northeast of Arthur. This "trial run" was to raise awareness of PTSD. Future drives are planned. It was certainly a sight to see! Photo Regina Yoder.

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