bituaries



ALBERT KEARNS, 97, of Arcola, IL passed away at

8:14 A.M. on Saturday, February 2, 2019 at the Arcola Health Care Center. Private services will be

held, burial will be in the Arcola Cemetery. The Edwards Funeral Home is assisting the family.

Albert was born on September 6, 1921 in Humboldt, IL. He was a son of Frank and Bessie (Watkins) Kearns. He married JoAnn Evans on

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Virginia lawmakers recent-

ly rejected a bill that would

have made it permissible

to terminate a pregnancy

throughout all three trimes-

ters, just like the egregious

bill New York recently le-

galized. While thrilled that

Virginia lawmakers had the

commonsense to vote this

murderous legislation down,

and we should celebrate that

small victory, Laurie Higgins

of the Illinois Family Institute

reports that "there are 23 other

states... that allow full-term

babies to be killed and for

the same reasons (as NY's

bill). And 7 other states allow

full-term babies to be killed

Virginia governor Ralph

Northam made this sicken-

ing statement about abortion

Wednesday during a radio

"If a mother is in labor...

the infant would be deliv-

ered. The infant would be

kept comfortable. The infant

would be resuscitated if that's

what the mother and the fam-

ily desired, and then a discus-

sion would ensue between the physicians & mother."

an's "choice" includes the

right to slaughter a full term,

fully formed, newly born

baby. This appalling convic-

tion of the "right" to murder

your own child is barbaric

and nauseating. When a ba-

by's born, everybody can see

Villa Grove

VFW post 2876

Bingo Lic# B1934

Pull Tab Lic# P-48

Northam believes a wom-

for any or no reason."

January 7, 1951 in Paris, IL.

He is survived by his wife JoAnn, five sons, Mike Kearns and his wife Pamela of Savoy, IL, Kevin Kearns of Arcola, Mark Kearns and his wife Susan of Wildwood, MO, David and his wife Kathy of Arthur, IL and Dean of Newman, IL; eight grandchildren, Sean Kearns and his wife Christi of Marion, IL, Aaron Kearns and his wife Lindsay of Mahomet, IL, Dawn Purdue and her husband David of Singapore, Brook Elam and her husband

the Editor

that the child's alive. You can

see she's an innocent, beauti-

ful, living, breathing human

being, separate from the body

of her mother; her own person

You cannot deny a human,

though tiny, her civil right to

LIFE under the United States

Constitution. The last phrase

of the 14th Amendment states:

"...nor shall any State deprive

any person of life, liberty, or

property, without due process

of law; nor deny to any per-

son within its jurisdiction the

equal protection of the laws."

The left claims that by mak-

ing abortion illegal, we are

taking away a woman's right

to decide what to do with her

own body. But the fact is the

rights of that little baby girl

kicking inside of the woman

are valid too. And you are

taking away her "woman's

right" to choose what to do

with her own body by dis-

membering her and tossing

her remains in the trash can.

Abortion is illegal. Not

"should" be illegal, it is ille-

gal. It is written right there in

our country's founding docu-

ments. And now our leaders

want to kill babies outside of

the womb as well as within.

How far we have fallen from

the shining city on a hill we

Abortion isn't a right, it's

6:30 pm- Early Bird

7:00 pm- Regular Bingo

(emphasis added).

with her own privileges.

Albert was a Marine Veteran of WWII having served in the Pacific Theater.

Merle Kearns.

Phillip of Champaign, IL,

Megan Kearns of Tuscola,

IL, Katie Pepperdine and her

husband Craig of Catawissa,

MO, Dana Kearns of Wild-

wood, MO and Tyler Kearns

of Arthur, IL and a sister-in-

law, Ilene Pyle of Mattoon, IL.

by his parents, a daughter-

in-law, Tami Kearns and five

siblings, Wilma Byerly, Ar-

mour "Dollie" Kearns, Har-

old Kearns, Dale Kearns and

He was preceded in death

He was a member of the Arcola First Christian Church. He had worked at the Chevy garage in Arcola, IL, King Brothers in Arcola, IL,

went to work at Mooney Ford in Tuscola for several more Albert enjoyed tinkering

International Harvester deal-

ership in Arthur, IL, back to

King Brothers in Arcola for

several years and retired, then

in his garage, gardening and working in his yard.

the Editor etter to

January 22, 2019

To the Newman Board of Trustee Members

Regarding the Harvest Ridge Wind Farm:

First of all, I would like to thank the Trustee Members who are in support of the Wind Farm.

I would also like to express my disappointment in the Board members who voted for the new Zoning regulations regarding the Wind Farms. I feel that my tax dollars are being wasted on this ridiculous Zoning Ordinance. Your own attorney advised you not to pass this ordinance. If you are relying on some type of insurance to pay the attorney fees of a lawsuit, what happens if the claim is denied and/or what happens when the dollar amount ex-

ceeds the limit? Who is then

responsible for the attorney

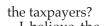
fees and how will that impact

voters and landowners in the Newman Township are in favor of the Wind Farm and as elected officials you are not representing the wants and needs of the people.

etc. are unprecedented.

For those of you who are against this project, I urge you to reconsider your vote. As elected officials, I hope you will support this project and its opportunities to better our

Thank you for your time.



I believe the majority of

Help me understand why you would be against this major opportunity for our community considering the opportunities for tax revenue, jobs, housing improvements,

I hope you understand that this is a chance in a lifetime for many and we will never have this chance again.

community.

Bob Lewis, Savoy

etter to

I own farmland in both Newman Township and Champaign County, and taxes are noticeably cheaper in Champaign County even though the University of Illinois is there. The Harvest Ridge Wind Farm will keep from raising our taxes and revitalize this area, an area that is steadily losing its tax base. Our community is drying up, and the wind farm is giving us another chance.

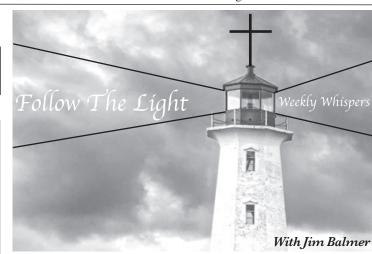
I'm a trustee in a neighboring township, and I can't imagine going against the township attorney's advice and intentionally walking into a lawsuit that will result in even higher taxes. It doesn't cost anything to sit on the sideline and wait for the Murdock Township lawsuit decision. There's no harm in waiting. The only harm is in putting additional taxpayer dollars at risk when we're already struggling.

The wind farm will provide more than \$50 million in tax revenues to Douglas County over the project's lifetime, money that would otherwise come out of our pockets! The

schools benefit most, with over \$1 million going to the Shiloh, Heritage, and Villa Grove school districts in tax payments in the first year and over \$25 million over the next 30 years. We can't afford to turn down this opportunity for our future or our children's and grandchildren's futures.

I used to oppose wind farms because I didn't think they made sense economically. But after doing my homework, it's clear that wind farms are both economical and economically beneficial for the communities where they're built, something that Newman Township desperately needs.

Terry Brewer Homer



James 4:11-12

Warning against Judging One Another Do not criticize one another, my friends. If you criticize or judge another Christian, you criticize and judge the Law. If you judge the Law, then you are no longer one who obeys the Law, but one who judges it. God is the only lawgiver and judge. He alone can save and destroy. Who do you think you are, to judge someone else?

Incident Report

The following is Villa Grove Police Activity for

January 19-26: Animal Complaint-1 Juvenile-3 Preserve the Peace-1 Ordinance Violation-3 Citation-1

Verbal Warnings-2 Activated Alarm-2 Mental Subject-2 Scam Call-1 Suspicious Vehicle-1 Domestic-1 Disorderly Conduct-2 Assist Arrow Ambulance-1

Pet of the Week



Midnight is a female Domestic Long Hair cat. She is friendly and likes to be around people. He and several other cats are available for adoption at the Douglas County Animal Shelter. Call 253-4921 for more information or to adopt Midnight.

"Signs of the Season" By Jim Balmer



Old Man Winter froze the waters of the Embarras. Photo by Jim Balmer. To comment on any of the photos featured in Signs of the Season email us at vgnews@mchsi.com or send a letter to Villa Grove News PO Box 20, Villa Grove IL 61956. Comments may be published in future editions of the newspapers.

Win a Family Pleaser

From

Monicals Pizza of

Villa Grove

BINGO Every Friday Night

once were.

Jenna Smith

a crime.



This Weeks Jackpots: Egg in a Basket Raffle \$1850 Blackout Jackpot \$800

HELP WANTED

Lincoln Street Lounge Broadlands Bartender and Waitress

Call 834-3010 **Leave Name and Number**

Menus

Villa Grove Peace Meal

February 11 - February 15

Monday: Chili Mac, Tossed Salad w/Dressing, Roll, Warm Cinnamon Peaches Tuesday: Turkey Pot Roast w/Baby Carrots&Celery, Broccoli Cauliflower Bake, Roll, Fruit Wednesday: Chicken Casserole, Peas&Carrots, Green Beans w/Pimentos, Bread, Applesauce Thursday: Roast Beef in Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Cabbage-Tomato Au Gratin, Roll, Fruit Salad Friday: Ham Loaf, Frosted Sweet Potatoes, Midori Blend Veggies, Bread, Fresh Fruit For Reservations Call at 832-9445

Skim milk and desserts with no sugar added are available in many locations. Ask the Site Supervisor for information. Sometimes we need to substitute our menus. We still guarantee a nutritious meal. The Peace Meal Senior Nutrition Program suggests a donation of \$3.50 for each congregate and home delivered meal. No older person shall be denied a meal because of their inability to contribute towards the cost of the meal. We accept Illinois Link Card.

Villa Grove School Breakfast and Lunch **Menu February 11-15**

Lunch:

WG Pancakes Turkey Sausage **Baked Tater Tots** 100% Juice

Breakfast:

Breakfast Pizza

Lunch: Pizza Calzone Marinara Sauce Carrot Sticks Applesauce

Breakfast: Cinn. Coffee Cake Lunch: Chicken Patty On

WG Bun Sliced Tomatoes Corn Orange Breakfast:

WG Biscuit And

WG Donuts

Sausage Gravy Or

Lunch: Bun Pears Cookie

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Hot Dog On WG **Baked Beans RF** Cheese Doritos

Breakfast:

Cereal

Yogurt

Lunch: No Lunch Served **Breakfast:**

15

Cinn. Roll Or Strawberry Cream Cheese Bagel

No Lunch Served

Bring your Valentines message to the News Office; Call the News Office with your Message (832-4201) or Cut out and Mail the form with payment to Villa Grove News

Valentines Message Cost \$10

Published February 13

Deadline: February 8

Message:

Valentines Day Giveaway!

PO Box 20, Villa Grove, IL 61956 Please include name & phone number to be entered into the drawing.

Two ways to enter: Purchase a Valentines Message for your Valentine for \$10 published February 13 Or Submit a Valentines Poem to be published in the Newspaper Call us with any questions at 832-4201