

# Obituaries

## Arthur F. Thomas



OGDEN — Arthur F. Thomas, 76, of Ogden passed away on Sunday (March 24, 2019) in his home.

Arthur was born Oct. 6, 1942, in Danville, a son of Maurice and Mabel (Kelm) Thomas. He married Julia Butler on June 13, 1965, in Rossville.

Arthur is survived by his wife, Julia of Ogden; brother-in-law, Bill and wife Mary of Bloomington; sister-in-law, Phyllis Little and fiancé Bill Gilbert of Villa Grove; nephews, Rick Butler of Dallas and Tim Little of Villa Grove; nieces, Stephanie Hudson of Maple Valley, Wash., Katelyn Stites of Bloomington, Madison Butler of Minoon and Mandy Chesnut and husband Mark of Pesotum. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Robert.

Arthur earned a master's degree from the University of Illinois and was a teacher. He loved woodworking and home projects. He worked for

Prairie Gardens for 11 years making custom frames.

Funeral services were held Thursday, March 28, 2019, at Rossville United Methodist Church. Interment took place in Rossville Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Rossville United Methodist Church.

The family has entrusted the Blurton Funeral Home to assist them in honoring Mr. Thomas life. Memories or photos may be shared with the family on his everlasting memorial page at [www.BlurtonFuneralHomes.com](http://www.BlurtonFuneralHomes.com)



Matthew 12:33-37 Good News Translation (GNT)  
A Tree and Its Fruit

33 "To have good fruit you must have a healthy tree; if you have a poor tree, you will have bad fruit. A tree is known by the kind of fruit it bears. 34 You snakes—how can you say good things when you are evil? For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of. 35 A good person brings good things out of a treasure of good things; a bad person brings bad things out of a treasure of bad things.

36 "You can be sure that on the Judgment Day you will have to give account of every useless word you have ever spoken. 37 Your words will be used to judge you—to declare you either innocent or guilty."

## Pet of the Week



Tommy is a male Domestic Short Hair cat. He is friendly with people, but doesn't like other cats or dogs. Tommy is around 4 years old. He is available for adoption at the Douglas County Animal Shelter. Call 253-4921 for more information or to adopt Tommy.

### THANK YOU

*Thank you for all the prayers and calls before, during and since my two surgical procedures. They were greatly appreciated.*

*May God Bless You All,  
Naomi E. Miller*

## Letter to the Editor

There have been a handful of recent media statements by individuals who oppose the Harvest Ridge Wind Farm that contain several assertions and assumptions about energy subsidies that are incorrect.

For nearly 100 years, the federal government has supported energy innovation through various forms of tax incentives and other financial tools. Fossil fuels, in their start-up period, got five times more in government incentives than renewable energy has, and nuclear received ten times as much. In fact, over the last century, American taxpayers have paid more than \$500 billion to subsidize the energy industry. Yet, according to the Nuclear Energy Institute, only 2.8 percent of all federal energy incentives have gone to wind energy over the last 70 years. If you are opposed to tax credits for wind, you should also oppose the numerous financial incentives for all other energy resources.

Wind energy will soon be the first and only major energy resource in the U.S. without any federal subsidies. Yet, wind power will remain cost-competitive with all other forms of electric generation.

The wind industry's current federal incentive has

been successful in helping establish a competitive domestic wind industry. It has spurred investment and helped establish a U.S. manufacturing base of the wind energy supply chain. Over the last 10 years alone, the U.S. wind industry has attracted \$145 billion in private investment, supplies more than 6 percent of the nation's electricity, and employs over 105,000 people, including more than 5,000 people in Illinois. And there are more than 500 wind-related manufacturing facilities operating in 41 states, with 34 facilities in Illinois.

Wind energy is a safe and cost-effective energy resource that offers rural communities important economic development opportunities. If you would like to learn more about wind energy and the benefits that it can bring to your community, visit [cleangridalliance.org](http://cleangridalliance.org).

Kelley Welf  
Clean Grid Alliance

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## Incident Report

The following is Villa Grove Police Activity for March 17-23:

- Juvenile-1
- Written Warnings-7
- Citations-3
- Preserve the Peace-1
- Traffic Accident-1
- Ordinance Violation-4
- Assist Douglas County Sheriff's Office-2
- Assist Tuscola Police Department-1
- Welfare Check-1
- Animal Complaint-1
- Suicidal Subject-1
- Civil-1

Mental Subject-2  
Disorderly Conduct-1  
VILLA GROVE POLICE DEPARTMENT

1020 N. Sycamore  
P.O. Box 133  
Villa Grove IL 61956  
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Dennis W. Gire,  
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## Menus

### Villa Grove Peace Meal

April 8 - April 9

**Monday:** Salisbury Beef Pattie, Mashed Potatoes, Broccoli, Texas Toast, Peaches

**Tuesday:** Taco Salad w/ Meat & Toppings, Peaches, Taco Chips, Pudding

**Wednesday:** Chicken Pot Pie, Creamy Cole Slaw, Biscuits, Warm Chunky Applesauce

**Thursday:** Ham & Beans, Copper Carrots, Cornbread, Gelatin w/ Fruit

**Friday:** Roasted Pork Loin, Frosted Sweet Potatoes, Seasoned Green Beans, Roll, Grapes

**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 Menu April 8-12

8	9	10	11	12
<b>Breakfast:</b> French Toast Sticks	<b>Breakfast:</b> Breakfast Pizza	<b>Breakfast:</b> WG Biscuit And Sausage Gravy Or WG Donuts	<b>Breakfast:</b> Scrambled Eggs WG Biscuit	<b>Breakfast:</b> Jr. Chicken Patty On WG Biscuit
<b>Lunch:</b> Hot Dog On WG Bun Green Beans RF Cheese Doritos Peaches	<b>Lunch:</b> Salisbury Steak Mashed Potatoes Gravy Corn Dinner Roll Applesauce	<b>Lunch:</b> Popcorn Chicken Steamed Broccoli WG Rice Carrot Sticks Banana	<b>Lunch:</b> WG Pancakes Turkey Sausage Baked Tater Tots 100% Juice	<b>Lunch:</b> Breaded Mozz, Sticks Marinara Sauce Dragon Punch 100% Fruit Slushy

Villa Grove

## BINGO

Every Friday Night  
VFW post 2876

Bingo Lic# B1934  
Pull Tab Lic# P-48

6:30 pm- Early Bird  
7:00 pm- Regular Bingo



This Weeks Jackpots:  
Egg in a Basket Raffle \$2000  
Blackout Jackpot \$675

**Villa Grove Lions**  
**29th Annual Pork Chop Dinner**  
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**Saturday, April 6, 2019 • 5:00-7:00pm**

Villa Grove School Cafeteria

Tickets \$30.00

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**Child's Meal Available \$5.00**

**Drawings Begin @ 7pm**

**Contact: Mike Leon 217-417-0255**

**or Jim Mikeworth 217-493-7171**

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