

Mary Chambers Of Edward Jones Receives Chartered Financial Consultant Designation

Financial Advisor Mary Chambers of the financial services firm Edward Jones in Lacon has received the Chartered Financial Consultant®, or ChFC®, designation. The course of study to earn the ChFC® includes the following topics: Planning for business and individual retirement needs, Tax-sensitive investment strategies, Risk management and insurance, Estate and gift-tax strategies, Contemporary applications for financial strategies

In addition to the education and examination components of the certification, Chambers will be required to complete a professional recertification program each year, including an ethics questionnaire.

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Honor Roll

(From Lacon Front Page)

ne, Kourtlyn Hattan, Makenzie Horton, Layla Loeser, Abigail McCasky, Jack McGlasson, Lincoln Meils, Leah Mooberry, Catherine Oltman, Gabriel Pyles, Eli Rosa and Waide Yarger.

Honors

Seniors: Sean Crew, Kenlsee Ensor, Olin Jakubek, Katerina Lenz, Jaxson Naretto and Micheily Reeves Clark.

Juniors: Brecken Bade, Autumn Dreger, Connor Harlan, Jacob Dylan Loeser, Piper Roach and Mackenzie Wilson-Myers.

Sophomores: Silas Bakel, Nollie Boyer Urnikis, Benjamin Braun, Matthew Bumber, Turner Eberle, Christian Hohstadt, Brecken Pyles, Desiree Sanchez, Khloe Taylor and Braeden Wilson.

Freshmen: Maggie Eckard, Cora Guthman, Cooper Hattan, Lucas Luebbers, Silas McKinney, Renee Medina, Lennon Miles, Sydney Miller, Bridget Moodie, Gavin Naretto, Arianna Rice, Brooklyn Rice, Amber Sanchez, Emma Schuyler Weir, Samuel Show, Ezra Stokes, Bentley Strong, Bryson Williams and Zoe Zick.

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Marshall County Democrats Organizational Meeting Set For June 16

The Marshall County Democrats will hold a meeting to re-establish a party presence in the County on Tuesday, June 16th at 6:00 pm at the Lacon Area Community Center at 405 N. Washington St. in Lacon. Anyone interested in learning and wanting to support this effort is invited to come.

Marshall County was previously one of two counties (of 102) in Illinois that had the Democratic Committee process lapse. In this critical election year, people of Marshall County of whatever political persuasion are encouraged to dialogue and peacefully raise their voices.

For more information contact Donna Augustyn-Sloan, Elected Democratic Committee Chair of Marshall County by email at Marshall.co.il.democrats@gmail.com. Announcements will be posted on the fb page Marshall County Illinois Democrats.

“Happiness is having a large, loving, caring, close-knit family in another city.”

- George Burns

... PUBLIC NOTICE ...

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF MARSHALL-PUTNAM RIVER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

Ronald Bruch, Treasurer of the Marshall-Putnam River Conservancy District in the counties of Marshall and Putnam in the State of Illinois, being first sworn on his oath, deposes and says that the following statement is a true, complete and correct statement of revenues and expenses administered by him as such treasurer, from May 1, 2025 to April 30, 2026.

REVENUES

Property Taxes.....\$10,063.41
Interest Earned1,339.88
TOTAL\$11,403.29

EXPENSES

Conservation Programs\$4,551.78
Educational Programs00
Per Diem for Trustees950.00
Payroll Taxes.....72.69
Accounting.....1,350.00
Bank Charges00
Insurance615.00
Legal Fees300.00
Legal Publication316.68
Trustees’ Mileage402.53
Contracted Secretarial150.00

Chicago Bears

Preckwinkle said in a statement.

A spokesperson for Chicago Mayor Brandon Johnson said city officials would continue discussions until they see shovels in the ground in Hammond.

Illinois state Rep. Dan Ugaste, R-Geneva, suggested that the legislature would have to call a special session to keep the Indiana project from moving too far ahead.

“I’m gonna file something next week, as early as I can, and get something to see if maybe we can still get something done. There’s no reason a simple bill can’t pass and keep the Bears here in Illinois,” Ugaste told The Center Square.

Illinois House Speaker Emanuel “Chris” Welch said Illinois remains open to ongoing efforts to secure the Bears, but it will take time to get it right.

Quick Hits: Illinois

Pritzker pauses data center tax credits

Gov. J.B. Pritzker has ordered the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity to pause data center tax credits, starting July 1.

Pritzker’s move follows The Center Square’s report on Thursday, detailing the state legislature’s decision to not advance data center regulation during the spring session that ended on Monday morning. A statement from the governor’s office said existing incentive agreements under the data center investment program will be honored, including those entered with DCEO before July 1, 2026.

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TOTAL\$8,708.68
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenses\$2,694.61
Change in Liabilities15.30
Cash and Investments, May 1, 202536,012.15
Cash and Investments, April 30, 202638,722.60
Vendors in excess of \$1,000: M-P Soil and Water Conservation4,551.78
Hopkins & Associates, CPAs.....1,350.00
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of May, 2026.

Ronald E. Bruch,
Secretary/Treasurer

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Marshall-Putnam River Conservancy District will hold regular meetings commencing at 7:00 p.m. on the second Thursday of July, September, and November, 2026 and January, April and May of 2027. The July, November and April meetings will be at the Marshall County Courthouse and the September, January and May meetings will be at the Putnam County Courthouse.

STEUBEN TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR’S STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

TOWNSHIP FUND

I, Mark Monier, Supervisor of Steuben Township, Marshall County, Illinois, being duly sworn, depose and say that the following statement is a correct report for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2025 and ending March 31, 2026.

TOWNSHIP FUND

Beginning Balance
April 1, 2025\$277,479.19

REVENUES

Property Tax.....118,816.63
Replacement Tax.....3,539.90
Interest Income.....4,069.50
Insurance Dividend954.00
Total Revenues.....127,380.03

EXPENDITURES

Administration33,171.54
Assessor00
Cemetery11,000.00
Supplies, Mowing, Expenses39,910.74
Audit, Legal, Publishing .5,347.85
Insurance.....6,724.00
Illinois Municipal Retirement.....00
Social Security10,842.69
IL Withholding.....2,167.71
Utilities.....2,381.22
Dues, Drug Regs.50.00
Cemetery Administration 1,500.00
Transfer to Equip and Bldg.....100,000.00
Total Expenditures213,095.75
Ending Balance
March 31, 2026191,763.47

GENERAL ASSISTANCE FUND

Beginning Balance
April 1, 202562,985.58

REVENUES

Property Tax.....3,150.19
Interest Income.....1,207.36
Total Revenues.....4,357.55

EXPENDITURES

Administration522.45
Social Security170.78
MyTax.Illinois.....33.41
Emergency Assistance.....612.00
Supp-lies74.59
Bank Fee3.00
Total Expenditures1,410.23
Ending Balance
March 31, 202665,926.90

SPARLAND COMMUNITY CEMETERY ASSOC. FUND

Beginning Balance
April 1, 202527,674.21

REVENUES

Interest Income.....221.31
Steuben Township11,000.00
Lots1,467.00
Total Revenues.....12,688.31

EXPENDITURES

Cemetery/Mowing7,070.00
Grounds Upkeep300.00
Repairs686.72
Misc.....67.00
Total Expenditures8,123.72
Ending Balance
March 31, 202632,238.80

ROAD AND BRIDGE TREASURER’S ANNUAL REPORT

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND

To the Highway Commissioner, Steuben Township, Marshall County, Illinois. I, Mark Monier, Treasurer of Steuben Road District,

Marshall County, Illinois, being duly sworn, depose and say that the following statement is a correct report for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2025 and ending March 31, 2026.

Beginning Balance
April 1, 2025\$83,075.03

REVENUES

Property Tax.....67,278.91
Replacement Tax.....6,651.34
Interest Income.....1,414.39
MISC. INCOME392.83
Transfer in from Permanent Road9,000.00
Total Revenues.....84,737.47

EXPENDITURES

Administration348.29
Maintenance32,539.47
Labor4,173.72
Parts and Supplies.....10,498.10
Fuel5,278.07
Gravel.....999.72
Machine Hire255.00
Social Security1,478.22
Illinois Withholding294.05
Bank Fee10.00
Trans to Equip & Bldg ..16,000.00
Total Expenditures\$71,874.64
Ending Balance
March 31, 202695,937.86

PERMANENT ROAD FUND

Beginning Balance
April 1, 202558,192.99

REVENUES

Property Tax.....21,001.89
Interest Income.....584.40
Total Revenues.....21,586.29

EXPENDITURES

Trans to Road & Bridge ..9,000.00
Gravel.....2,143.21
Bank Fee10.00
Trans to Equip & Bldg ..26,000.00
Total Expenditures37,153.21
Ending Balance
March 31, 202642,626.07

EQUIPMENT AND BUILDING FUND

Beginning Balance
April 1, 202523,946.59

REVENUES

Property Tax.....9,378.83
Interest Income.....86.55
Transfer from Town Fund100,000.00
Transfer from Road and Bridge.....16,000.00
Transfer from Gravel26,000.00
Total Revenues.....151,465.38

EXPENDITURES

Equipment153,882.68
Fuel1,207.44
Total Expenditures155,090.12
Ending Balance
March 31, 202620,321.85

CONSTRUCTION OF BRIDGES FUND

Beginning Balance
April 1, 202583,333.27

REVENUES

Property Tax.....13,657.53
Interest Income.....1,387.18
Total Revenues.....15,044.71

EXPENDITURES

Office.....74.59
Total Expenditures74.59
Ending Balance
March 31, 202698,303.39

BRIDGETOWN EVENTS

102 North Ida St., Lacon, Illinois

♦ Weddings (Indoor/Outdoor)

♦ Funeral Dinners

♦ Meetings



♦ Reunions

♦ Showers

♦ Parties

♦ Banquets

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