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There's a new shop in downtown Lena kids, come give it the ol' look-see

LENA — As if to celebrate its return to normalcy downtown Lena is experiencing a bit of a growth spurt as the town's rejuvenation project nears completion, traffic returns and downtown new comer Fluegel's opens in the beautiful old storefront that for years housed anchor-level retail outlets V&S Variety and Ben Franklin.

"I've been gone for almost 20 years, but now I'm back and all the pieces fell into perfect place; it was a big puzzle we had to put together and now, here we are," said Fluegel's owner Annalisa Fluegel. "I'm excited about the opportunities here in downtown Lena."

She has just opened Fluegel's, a retail store offering custom embroidery, decoration, sport apparel and women's boutique items.

"My whole background is clothing and retail and licensed sports merchandise, so the mix here is kind of everything I've ever done," she said. "All that coupled with the fact I love this store; its location, its tall ceilings and it is centered downtown, so everyone is going to notice it."

She said the stories folks bring in about the history of the store make opening her business doubly fun.

"I get all the stories about the candy and how before it was the V&S it was a Ben Franklin," she said. "There are still a lot of old Ben Franklin displays here; and I'm learning about the history of our downtown. I didn't know the hair salon used to be a grocery back when my dad was little,

so all the stories of downtown and how it used to be are really cool."

Fluegel's does embroidery and transfers, so they can do work for schools, businesses and farms; you name it and they will do it.

"We can do monogramming on bags or that you can have on a binder for school; kind of a little bit of everything for everyone and we also have toddler and baby clothes, men's sports apparel, just a little bit of everything," Fluegel said. "The boutique is already going very well. I think if someone doesn't have to take a trip to Freeport or Rockford or Monroe or Galena, but can stay local and still find what they want is pretty nice, so we'll keep bringing in new items every week and keep it rolling."

She said turn-around time for custom work is quick especially if the client has an idea of what they want.

"A lot depends on if I have what they need in stock, but we have a lot of products here that are blank, so we can embroider for schools, businesses or whatever," she said. "Of course, if the item is in stock it's a lot quicker, but if not, it only takes a day or two for special orders and we're growing already, so as business picks up our turn over time will be even shorter."

Keeping the shop in an evolution mode is her plan for the future.

"We're already completely different from what I originally anticipated, but I want to help local businesses grow and



Tracy Siegner photo

Annalisa Fluegel opened Fluegel's a shop in downtown Lena offering custom embroidery work, sport apparel and boutique items for the whole family.

if I can offer them a custom apparel program to help promote their businesses and keep everything local we all win," she said. "There is no business in this area like what I'm doing with embroidery and clothing, so I'm really excited."

She said constant change will bring success to Fluegel's.

"I'm not trying to overload," Fluegel said. "Once something is here, say six pieces or maybe a shirt and when those are gone they're gone. I'm not going to keep reordering something,

so our stock is constantly flipping over and bringing new merchandise to the area. That, along with trying to keep prices down so we are competitive and folks can shop local and keep their money in Lena is what will work for Fluegel's."



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Rails Awards Grant for Lena Community District Library to Upgrade Catalog

LENA — The Reaching Across Illinois Library System (RAILS) awarded a grant for \$6,186 to the Lena Community District Library to upgrade the library's catalog.

The library is a member of PrairieCat, one of four shared online catalog organizations supported by RAILS. Through RAILS shared catalogs, Illinois library patrons share more than 18 million items annually, broadening the number of catalog items available to an individual library user.

Illinois is a leader nationally in promoting this type of sharing of library resources and this grant helps libraries benefit their users with state-of-the-art technology and the necessary support for that technology.

"I am a very passionate proponent of resource sharing and believe that library participation in a shared catalog is the best way to share resources," said RAILS Executive Director Dee Brennan. "I am proud that Illinois libraries have been a model for this kind of resource sharing for almost 50 years.

"The library will use this grant to allow our cardholders to put holds on items electronically 24/7," said Library Direc-

tor Dixie Althoff. "This will give our patrons access to a wider variety of materials."

"It was great to receive this grant to provide our patrons with the latest technology" said Library board President, Ron Mahon.

The Lena Library is located on 300 W. Mason St. in Lena and the doors are open six days a week. Sunday is the only day the library is closed. There are over 20,000 books housed in the library and over 1,000 DVDS. There is also a nice selection of magazines.

Computers are available to the public as well as WIFI.

Children's story-times and afterschool programs are offered during the school year and in the summer we have the Summer Reading Program.

The Reaching across Illinois Library System provides delivery, shared online catalogs, e-book services, and other support to all types of libraries in northern and western Illinois. The system serves private, school, and university library members in a 27,000 square mile area. More information about RAILS is available at: www.railslibraries.info.



LENA-Rails executive Deirdre Brennan, Lena Library Director Dixie Althoff and Lena Library Board Member Kathleen Benters participated Tuesday in a ceremony awarding the Lena Library grant monies for upgrading the library' catalog. Tracy Siegner photo

Lena student named to dean's list at Drake University

DES MOINES, IA — The following local students were named to the Dean's List at Drake University. This academic honor is achieved by earning a GPA of 3.5 or higher for the Spring 2015 semester: McKenzie Magee

Drake University is a mid-size, private university in Des Moines, Iowa, enrolling more than 3,300 undergraduate

and 1,700 graduate students from 40 states and approximately 40 countries. Students choose from over 70 majors, minors, and concentrations and 20 graduate degrees offered through six colleges and schools.

Drake students, faculty, and staff take advantage of the wealth of cultural, recreational, and business opportunities found in Iowa's capital city. In return, Drake enriches the city through its own cultural offerings, considerable economic impact, and many service-learning endeavors, which channel the talent and energy of the Drake students toward meeting the needs of the community.



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Wildlife/historical bus tour scheduling for 2016 announced

APPLE RIVER — The Eagle Nature Foundation, has just announced that it will once again be sponsoring a four day bus tour to Nebraska on March 14 to 17, 2016. This tour is open to the public, but is limited to the first 30 persons who register. Limiting the number of persons on the bus will allow each person to have two seats and a personal window for viewing.

One highlight of the tour is to see the hundreds of thousands of Sandhill cranes, which stop in the area for about two to three weeks to fatten up and get some energy before they continue on their migration to Canada. One evening, an hour will be spent on a bridge over the Platte River to watch tens of thousands of these cranes come to their nighttime roosts on the islands in the middle of the river. Examples of other wildlife that may be seen are bald eagles, red-tailed hawks, snow geese, canada geese,

many other waterfowl and prairie dogs.

Some historical sites to be visited include: DeSoto Wildlife Refuge, site of the recovered steamboat Bertrand, which sank on its maiden voyage up the Missouri River in 1865; the winter quarters of the Mormon Trail; Fort Kearny, first fort on the Oregon Trail; Stuhr Pioneer Museum, which has just been remodeled, and its unique pioneer village; Nebraska Prairie Museum, with its World War II German prisoner of war camp; and Hastings Natural History Museum, featuring the world's largest display of whooping cranes; and the Great Platte River Road Archway Monument which takes a person through the history and development of Nebraska from the Oregon trail to our modern day Interstates.

Historian and naturalist, Terrence Ingram, will be leading the tour as he has for the past 10 years. As the bus travels

through the different environments, he explains what the habitats are and what wildlife is being seen and what wildlife should be seen. The price for the tour includes the motels, the entry fees to the sites that are visited, and all but four meals. This is a very delightful and entertaining four day tour to see and learn some history of our nation and some of its natural resources.

To receive a brochure for the tour and/or register for the tour, call 815-594-2306, or check ENF's website, eaglenature.com. Before you register for the tour, it is recommended that you call the above number to make sure there is still room available on the bus. First call, first served.

For more information contact: Terrence N. Ingram, Executive Director, Eagle Nature Foundation, 300 East Hickory St., Apple River, IL 61001 Phone 815-594-2306

U OF I Extension and Stephenson County 4-H youth shooting sports program underway

STEPHENSON COUNTY — University of Illinois Extension and Stephenson County 4-H is proud to announce the continuation of the Archery Shooting Sports program. The 4-H Shooting Sports Club is an active participation program designed to introduce young people to the sport of archery. The program is built around natural resources, wildlife, outdoor recreation, and safety. The program goals include experiential learning and positive interaction with other members under the instruction of state certified instructors. The core concepts will stress safety, ethics, personal responsibility, and the development of lifetime recreational skills.

Lori Tessororf, 4-H Program Coordinator, stated, "the 4-H staff, in conjunction with the shooting sports instructors at Indian Trail, want this to be an exciting, enjoyable, and rewarding experience taught within a safe environment. We are excited about starting our fourth year of offering the archery program to area youth.

It's a wonderful opportunity for youth to gain life skills through a structured shooting sports program."

The Archery Shooting Sports program is open to all youth in Stephenson County 8-18 years of age. Safety is first and foremost - participants are expected to follow the directions of the instructors at all times. All equipment will be supplied by the club from beginners to advanced archers.

The archery club will start on Wednesday, October 7, 2015 from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. at the Indian Trail Archers facility located at 107 E. Spring St., Freeport. The club will then meet every Wednesday for eight weeks with November 25 being the last class. The fee for participating in the archery club is \$50.00 per youth. If interested, please contact Lori Tessororf at (815) 235-4125 or register online by visiting: <https://web.extension.illinois.edu/registration/?RegistrationID=12907>. Registration is currently open until

October 2 for all youth interested in the archery club.

About 4-H: Illinois 4-H strives to help youth learn skills for living. 4-H programs are offered in every Illinois county by University

of Illinois Extension. Illinois 4-H aims to impact the lives of 250,000 youth each year through sustained learning clubs and groups and short-term programming. 4-H is a community of seven million

young people around the world learning leadership, citizenship, & life skills. For more information on any of these events, contact University of Illinois Extension-Stephenson County at 815-235-4125.



Photo submitted

Lena Masonic Lodge 174 presents Coins for Kids awards

Lena Masonic Lodge 174 presented Sean Smith's son, Levi, with a check for \$250.00. Row 1: Pete Brown, Sean Smith with his son, Levi, Samantha Phillips, Tom Smith, Randy Kryder and Bob Bussian. Row 2: Craig Robieson, Tom Edler, Larry Buchenau, Robert Wells and Jack Baxter. Row 3: Ryan Engel, Dennis Bussian and Boyd Wingert.

Lena Business & Professional Association August 8 Meeting

LENA — Present were Ruth Maedge, Shari Staton, Duane Devoe, Ryan Buss, Julie Montgomery, Lisa Lobdell, Jean Engel, Desiree Ozburn, Cindy Martin, Tyson Terhune and Maxine Dittmar.

Minutes were presented from last month's meeting. Ruth made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Desiree seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report was presented. Ruth made a motion to accept the report as read. Lisa seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Membership — (Jodi, Chairperson) no report.

— (Paris, Chairperson) Working on Christmas Walk Prep. Fall Festival, Discover Lena Wheel, Shari will be chairing that up. Customer Appreciation Day is in the planning stages. They are kicking around the idea of a float in the Fall Festival Parade this year.

Tourism — (Tyson Terhune will be the interim chairperson.) see Village Report

Village Report — (Tyson Terhune, Chairperson)

Downtown — Parking lot on south side will be finished.

New light poles will be going in by end of August.

1st weekend in September, all will be done at the latest.

There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony for downtown

with an open house for water tower and public works.

Ben approached LBPA about brackets for light poles. Lions have donated enough money to pay for this. So, the lights are paid for. They may need money for decorations for the light poles.

Application for IL Main Street Program — if this all goes through, we will have a Main Street Group just as an advisory group only to create a downtown master plan.

The village is looking at adapting a maintenance code to enforce for the downtown. This would only affect run-down of abandoned buildings, burned buildings, lawn maintenance, junk sitting around, etc.

There was a zoning change on East Lena Street of 3 homes. A potential business may be coming.

3 businesses making changes — Mulligans would like an awning, Don Brown/Bella

360 would like an awning and Fluegels removed the awning as well as opened up a new clothing store which includes embroidery.

New fence going up downtown by train tracks. Contact Tyson with ideas of types of fencing.

Beautification — (Jean, Chairperson) July yard has been chosen. Planters will move back up town once they are done.

Social — (Wendy, Chairperson) we will be starting to do round-table discussions at any business that would like to get involved. We would like to keep them at an hour long ~ 30 minute presentation and 30 minutes Q&A/social time. Our first one will be Doug at Citizens State Bank on September 24th from 5:30pm-6:30pm talking about retirement options and life insurance on business owners. January will be our Christmas Party. February will be Jessica

at Citizens State Bank talking about Human Resources.

Health & Wellness — (Lisa, Chairperson) Lena Living Center Breakfast, this Wednesday @ 7:30am. They will be showing off the 'D' wing. first week in September will be the ribbon cutting ceremony. As always, watch the Shopper's Guide for all events.

Website — (Julie & Shari, Co-Chairpersons) we will be updating the whole look and layout first part of next year as our hosting fee is paid up until the end of this year. We will be organizing the look of it before hand so we can hit the ground running. Please check out our Facebook page. We will be posting upcoming round-table discussions, meetings, etc.

Events — (Ruby, Chairpersons) Rhonda has stepped down as co-chairperson.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Lena Lions — no fish boil this year.

The information booth.

Christmas lights were in the cabinets.

Roger had the key to the visitor's booth cabinets. Maxine got in to the cabinets. Roger will make copies of keys and hand out.

Jim Leamy might hook up the motion light for us.

Welcome to Lena baskets — Maxine has been collecting times from the Post Office, Churches, Businesses, Library, etc.

A questionnaire was handed out as to what you, as a business owner, would like more information on — Human Resources, Marketing, Retirement, Life Insurance, Remote Deposit, etc. We would like to gather ideas for the round-table discussions as to what would peak your interest. Please let Shari know what your thoughts are.

Julie made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lisa seconded it. Motion carried.

DEADLINES

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SENATE WEEK IN REVIEW:

Aug. 17-21 from the office of State Senator Tim Bivins

SPRINGFIELD — Though they still refuse to compromise on a complete budget, Senate Democrats pushed through another spending measure during the week, and overrode a gubernatorial veto of legislation that would implement mandatory arbitration to decide a negotiation stalemate between state employee unions and the Governor.

Also during the week, many social service providers breathed a sigh of relief when Gov. Bruce Rauner signed bipartisan legislation authorizing \$5 billion in federal funds to be appropriated to programs that assist crime victims, and provide assistance to citizens with disabilities, senior citizens, and women and children.

In other action, Gov. Rauner honored the late Judy Baar Topinka by dedicating a street in her name at the Illinois State Fair on Aug. 18, and signing into law a measure that preserves the state government transparency and accountability that Topinka strived so hard to implement throughout her public service career.

Deficit spending continues via piecemeal budget

Another spending measure was pushed through by Senate Democrats during the week in the absence of a state budget. The Monetary Award Program (MAP), which provides grants to low-income college students, would see funding of \$373.3 million this fiscal year under Senate Bill 2043.

I am a strong supporter of the Monetary Award Program, but cobbling together a spending package piece-by-piece will only exacerbate the state's climbing deficit and close the window on how to appropriately manage taxpayer dollars. Without a balanced, sustainable budget in place to fund core services, Illinois will run out of money and these critical programs won't be funded—or taxpayers will once again be asked to foot the bill for Democrat lawmakers' unbridled spending.

We must work together to reform state government, in order to place Illinois back on the path to fiscal solvency.

Governor signs legislation authorizing federal funds for social services

In the wake of the state's budget impasse, the Governor signed legislation that will allow the state to distribute \$5 billion in federal funds to critical social service programs that provide meals for senior citizens and supplemental nutrition programs for women and children, help crime victims, and provide community and rehabilitation services for individuals with disabilities.

The state is responsible for administering many programs mandated or funded by the federal government. Although funding for these programs has been approved at the federal level, the Comptroller was unable to cut checks to agencies for these programs without state appropriations authority. Senate Bill 2042 allows the Comptroller to spend those dollars and ensures the providers receive the federal funding.

House to decide outcome of

controversial collective bargaining legislation

A controversial measure that would take away state government's authority to negotiate employee union contracts and instead use a costly arbitration process, was once again advanced by the Senate during the week.

Senate Bill 1229 was initially passed May 31 over the objections of Republican lawmakers and Gov. Rauner, who later vetoed the measure. The Senate overrode the Governor's veto on Aug. 19. The legislation now advances to the House of Representatives, where that chamber has 15 days to act.

Crafted by the state's largest employee union, Senate Bill 1229 would temporarily require an unelected arbitrator to decide the outcome of contract disputes between the Governor and state employee unions. Critics argued the legislation takes away the Governor's authority to negotiate taxpayer-paid, multi-billion-dollar labor agreements and places it in the hands of a third-party mediator. They also questioned the proposal's constitutionality.

The Administration estimates the measure will cost taxpayers upward of \$1.6 billion. Critics also questioned the interference with the collective bargaining process, blocking unions' right to strike or government's lockout authority. Gov. Rauner has publicly announced he will not lock out employees.

Judy Baar Topinka legacy preserved

In a ceremony dedicating "Judy Baar Topinka Lane" at the State Fairgrounds on Aug. 18, Gov. Rauner signed legis-

lation preserving her efforts to provide the public with greater access to state and local fiscal data, specifically her creation of the Online Ledger and The Warehouse online public information databases.

Senate Bill 903 codifies the online Ledger and The Warehouse under the State Comptroller, ensuring that these resources will continue to be available to taxpayers through the Illinois Comptroller's Web site. The Ledger connects taxpayers to state financial records and other official reports and analyses. Information about the state's fiscal condition, revenue, expenditures, state contracts, awards and grants, state employees and other reports are made available. The Warehouse offers similar information as it relates to local government finances.

Synthetic drug ban becomes law

Illinois now has one of the strictest laws on the books to combat newly-styled street drugs. I cosponsored the legislation to address a rise in the use of drugs such as synthetic marijuana and bath salts.

Signed Aug. 14 by Gov. Rauner, Senate Bill 1129 outlaws the basic chemical structure of synthetic drugs. In recent years, illicit drug makers simply altered a banned formula and sold a revised version of the drugs. The new law seeks to halt this practice, basing the ban on the drugs' underlying chemical composition.

Synthetic drugs mimic the effects of marijuana, cocaine and meth, but with significantly higher potency and significantly more danger to the user. Severe reactions to the drugs

include suicidal thoughts, confusion, violent behavior, hallucinations and chest pains. Known by such names as K-2, Spice, Yucatan Fire, Double X and Scooby Doo, synthetic drugs can often be purchased at convenience stores as an over-the-counter product.

New law enforces government transparency and accountability

Enforcing transparency and accountability in government meetings is the aim of a new law that give people more time to report a potential violation of the state's Open Meetings Act.

House Bill 175 will give a person 60 days after discovering the violation to report it, as opposed to the prior requirement that requires a violation to be reported within 60 days from the date of the meeting.

The legislation was inspired by reports of a potentially illegal closed-door July 2013 meeting by the Oakwood Hills Village Board about a controversial proposal to construct a \$450 million power plant in their town. The public had no knowledge of this meeting until nearly a year later when the gathering was discovered by an attorney hired by village residents who opposed the power plant project.

House Bill 175 was signed into law by Gov. Rauner on Aug. 19 and has an immediate effective date.

Other legislative action

Gov. Rauner took action on a number of bills during the week. A complete list is available on the Senate Action page of the Senate Republican Caucus Web site.

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What's wrong with My Plant program scheduled at Stockton Township Library

STOCKTON — Unusual weather has caused some interesting plant disease and insect issues this growing season on top of the typical summer garden problems. Come learn from Extension Horticulture Educator, Candice Miller, about what exactly is showing up this season, how to diagnose these common problems, and how to manage them.

Feel free to bring plant samples to the pro-

gram. Various samples will be available to view and diagnose.

This workshop will be held on Thursday, September 3rd from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. at the Stockton Township Library, 140 W. Benton St. Stockton.

The cost of this program is \$5 and pre-registration is requested by September 2. To register, call 815-858-2273 or go online: <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/jsw/>

Rotary District 6420 seeks Uganda travel applicants

STATELINE — Rotary District 6420, which serves Rotary clubs in northwest Illinois, is seeking volunteer applicants to serve on a vocational training team that will be going to Kamwenge in Uganda in for two weeks February 2016.

District 6420 is looking for applicants with two years of professional experience

involving one or some of these skill sets: chef, pastry chef, and menu development; business management including the development of business plans, setting up books and understanding financial statements, marketing; and public health including sanitation, nutrition and hygiene.

The volunteers will work

with staff and students at a vocational training school. Rotary will be responsible for transportation to and from Kamwenge as well as room and board.

For an application, call or email Carter Newton at 815-238-0318 or cnewton@galgazette.com. Application deadline is Sept. 10.

ON THE RECORD

OBITUARIES



JAMES GASSMAN

James Gassman

LENA — James Gassman, 88, Lena, IL passed away Sunday August 16, 2015 at Lena Living Center. He was born September 20, 1926 at home in Waddams Grove, IL to Paul August and Ella Mae (Lobdell) Gassman. James married Ruth Esther Solt on January 11, 1946 at the Pearl City Methodist Church. They spent the next 69 years together, until she passed away in May of this year.

James farmed in the Pearl City and Lena areas and dehorned cattle in the area for many years. He and Ruth spent many winters in Florida, where they both enjoyed golfing and playing cards.

James is loved by those surviving him: his sisters, Mrs. Ardith (Dale) Kitner and Paula (Joe) Gerke; his daughter, Kalynn (John) Carlson of Oswego, IL; his son, Calvin Joe Gassman of Lena; his grandchildren: Krista (Wade Lawson) Carlson of San Pedro, CA, Amber Gassman of Monroe, WI, Timothy (Michelle) Carlson of Portland, Oregon; and five great-grandchildren, Ethan and Keegan Carlson of Portland, Oregon, Cole and Devon Bornemeier and Mariah Siegenthaler all of Monroe, WI. He was also survived by many

nieces and nephews.

James was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Ruth Gassman; his sisters, Elaine (Omer) Neebel and Patty (Carl) Smith; a brother, Paul August Jr. at birth; a son, Stanley Gassman at birth; and a granddaughter, Angela Carlson.

Visitation was held on Saturday, August 22 at the Salem United Methodist Church of Christ in Lena until the time of service.

A funeral service was held at 11 a.m..

Pastor Randy Nicholas officiated.

Burial will be at the Salem Cemetery.

A memorial has been established for the Salem United Church of Christ.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.leamonfh.com

Jeffrey "Jeff" L. Holcomb

SAVANNA — Jeffrey "Jeff" L. Holcomb, age 50, of Savanna, Illinois, died August 15, 2015, at Mercy Medical Center, Clinton, Iowa. A funeral service will be held 11 a.m., Saturday, August 22, at Law-Jones Funeral Home, Savanna. Cremation rites will follow with burial in Savanna Township Cemetery at a later date. A visitation was held from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Friday, August 21, at Law-Jones Funeral Home, Savanna. A memorial fund has been established in Jeff's memory.

Family and friends are invited to share in Jeff's life at www.lawjonesfuner-

alhome.com. Jeff was born November 18, 1964, in Clinton, Iowa, the son of Herbert "Mick" and Geraldine (McGinnis) Holcomb. He attended school in Elizabeth, Illinois, and graduated from Elizabeth High School with the Class of 1982. Jeff later went on to Highland Community College where he received his Associates Degree in Business Management.

Jeff loved Allis-Chalmers tractors, hunting, fishing, riding motorcycles, boating, gardening, and any other activities where he could enjoy being outdoors. He was a member of ABATE of Illinois. Jeff will be dearly missed by his mother, Geraldine; a sister, Roxanne Holcomb of Denver, Colorado; a brother, Daniel (Carmen) Holcomb of Galena, Illinois; nephews, Patrick, Owen, and Luke; and two step-brothers, Marlo Kane of Elizabeth, Illinois, and Terry Kane of Savanna, Illinois. He was preceded in death by his father; two infant brothers; and two step-sisters.

Lois Heidenreich Haithcock

STOCKTON — Lois Heidenreich Haithcock, formerly of Stockton age 73, passed away May 17 in Kenosha Wis. She is survived by her sons Rich & Bill, granddaughter Jessica Haithcock, brother Max Heidenreich, sisters Virginia Hughes and Juanita Willis and several nieces and nephews. A memorial service will be held Friday, September 5 at 3 p.m.

at Calvary United Methodist Church, Stockton with fellowship time to follow at the church.

Ronnie "Bones" A. Vance

WARREN — Ronnie "Bones" A. Vance, 52, of Warren, passed away Sunday, August 16, 2015. He was born July 17, 1963 in Freeport, IL to Donald and Ina (Stubbe) Vance. Ronnie worked as a trucker for many years. He recently started driving for Schamburger Trucking of Stockton, IL.

"Bones" enjoyed spending time with his family, watching tractor pulls and many other kinds of races. His passion was riding his Harley Davidson.

He is survived by his wife: Laura Vance; children: Sarah (Quinn) Vance, Aaron Vance and Brian (Rani) Vance all of Apple River; three brothers: Jerry (Ronda) Vance, Randy Rowley both of Apple River and Rob Divine of Rochelle; two sisters: Rhonda (John)

Havens of Apple River and Angie (Tim) Rowley of Warren; grandchildren: Brady, Abby, Bridget, Hailey, Addison, Landon, Aidin, Wyatt, Jaydyn, Isabel, Evan and Ella; three step children; Elizabeth (John) Armstrong of Rockford, IL, Crystal (Mike) Germann of Ohio, and James Miller of Colorado and many close family and friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents, brother, Rick; sister, Linda and his maternal and paternal grandparents.

Visitation was held on Thursday, August 20 from 4 – 8 p.m. at the Bartell-Leamon Funeral Home.

A funeral service was held on Friday, August 21 at 10:30 a.m. at the Apple River Event Center in Apple River, IL.

Pastor Randy Nicholas officiated.

Burial was at Elmwood Cemetery.

A memorial has been established in his memory.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.leamonfh.com

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FIRST BIRTHDAY



MAGGIE PORTNER

Portner celebrates first birthday

STOCKTON — Maggie Portner, daughter of Chris and Marcella Portner of Stockton turned one-year-old on Tuesday, July 2. She has a brother Landon and a sister Tiffani. Her grandparents are Jean Portner of Laramie, WY and Juanita and LaVerne Willis of Stockton.

Graze for Green – managing for fall pasture

STATELINE — Grazing standing pasture is the most cost-effective way to feed ruminant livestock. There are ways to improve productivity and carrying capacity of pastures well into the fall.

“Pasture is an underutilized resource in many parts of northwestern Illinois,” says Andy Larson, Extension Local Food Systems and Small Farms Educator. “With a bit more planning and management, we could support a lot more grazing livestock in this area.”

On September 9 join specialists from University of Illinois Extension and Illinois Natural Resources Conservation Service for a workshop and pasture walk on grazing management for fall pasture. During the classroom portion, grass-based livestock producers will learn about:

fundamentals of improved grazing management, including careful planning of rotations and stocking rates - Andy

Larson, Extension Local Foods and Small Farms Educator

extending the grazing season with alternative forages, like cover crops, annuals, stockpile, and corn stalks - Travis Meteer, Extension Commercial Livestock Educator

building durable and economical fencing and water systems that best fit a pasture and a budget - Matt Bunger, NRCS Grasslands Specialist

how and when grazing livestock can productively utilize woodland pasture with minimal negative consequences - Jay Solomon, Extension Energy & Environmental Stewardship Educator

During the pasture walk at Dietrich Ranch, Dan and Erin Dietrich will discuss management-intensive and contract grazing, high stock

density grazing, optimizing a grazing system for diversified livestock species, and selling identity-preserved products through niche markets.

The classroom portion of the program will begin at 1p.m. on September 9 in the boardroom of the River Valley Complex at 605 Main St. in Leaf River (formerly the Leaf River School). At 5:15p.m, we will travel three miles south to Dietrich Ranch

near Mt Morris for dinner and a pasture walk beginning at 5:30 and concluding around 7:30. Cost for the program, including educational materials, dinner, and pasture walk is \$25. Please register by September 7 to guarantee materials and a meal. Register with the Ogle County Extension office by calling (815) 732-2191 or visiting <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/bdo/> under “Register Online.”

Explaining crazy weather to kids

ELIZABETH — Rain or shine, the weather affects our daily lives. Explore with your students the science behind thunderstorms, hurricanes and more with NOAA and NASA’s Science Hijinks online at <http://1.usa.gov/1KHhzcd>.

This weather resource for teachers offers ideas on science fair projects, definitions of meteorology terms and climate facts. Be sure to also check out the Bot-A Bing comic on exploring science in fun, new ways!

RENUNION

Heidenreich reunion scheduled for September

STOCKTON — The Heidenreich reunion will be held on Saturday, September 5 at the Stockton Park House in Stockton. Please bring two dishes to pass, your own table service and your own drink.

Any family updates may be sent to Faye Heidenreich-815-858-3735.

ANNIVERSARY



ELI AND BETTY (NELSON) MCNUTT

Eli and Betty McNutt celebrate anniversary

WARREN — Eli and Betty (Nelson) McNutt of Warren celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary on Thursday, August 20.

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FROM LENA'S KITCHEN



The not so skinny cook

The cooler weather and our rain earlier last week made for some really great summer days. I was in Minnesota for a few days, and it was down right chilly. I wasn't used to the fifty degree weather and having to wear a sweatshirt or a coat. When we left Illinois it was ninety degrees, and the temperature dropped the further north we drove. It rained for three days; they needed it as badly as we did. We were all hoping that some of that rain would get to northwest Illinois. We didn't have as much, but we did get some. Hopefully this coming week we will continue to have some showers. This week's recipes will feature some more great fruits and vegetables of the season.

The first salad recipe for this week is a great tasting seafood salad with an Italian dressing. You just use regular Italian dressing with a little basil and wine to give it a zippy taste. The tomatoes, onion, and artichokes add flavor to the seafood. A lot of seafood salads have a sour cream dressing; this one is different because of the Italian flavoring. Enjoy this unique seafood summer salad—you could also eat it in the fall!

Mixed Green Salad

1 C. Italian salad dressing
1 T. minced fresh basil
¼ C. dry white wine (optional)
¾ lb. peeled and deveined cooked shrimp
2 C. imitation crab meat
16 C. torn mixed salad greens
2 large tomatoes, seeded and coarsely chopped

2 jars (7½ oz. each) marinated quartered artichoke hearts, drained

1 large red onion, thinly sliced and separated into rings
1 can (6 oz.) pitted ripe olives, drained and q quartered
6 hard cooked eggs, quartered and cut lengthwise

Minced fresh parsley
In a bowl, mix the dressing, basil and white wine. Add the shrimp and crab and toss gently to combine. Cover and refrigerate for at least 2 hours. Place the greens in a serving dish; top with the tomatoes, artichoke hearts, onion, olives and eggs. Refrigerate, covered for at least 1 hour.

To serve: add the seafood mixture with the marinade to the salad and toss gently to combine. Sprinkle with parsley and serve with lemon wedges.

One of my readers told me that she had never bought tortellini before, but I had a recipe she wanted to try. Her question to me was why hadn't she used it before because she and her family loved it. This is a great summer main course because you can do everything on the stove.

Cheese Tortellini Primavera

4 C. fresh broccoli florets
¼ C. plus 2 T. water, divided
½ lb. fresh asparagus, trimmed and cut into 1½ inch pieces

1 pkg. (20 oz.) refrigerated cheese tortellini

2 T. flour
1 can (10½ oz.) chicken broth, undiluted

1 medium yellow pepper
1 medium zucchini
1 medium yellow summer squash

3 T. butter
3 green onions, chopped
3 garlic cloves, minced
½ C. fresh grated Parmesan cheese

¼ t. pepper
1/8 t. salt

Grated parmesan for garnish
In a large glass bowl, combine the broccoli and ¼ cup water; microwave, covered on

high for 2-3 minutes or until tender. Cool slightly and drain. Repeat with asparagus and remaining water.

Cook the tortellini according to package directions and drain. In a small bowl, whisk the flour and chicken broth until smooth.

Cut the pepper, zucchini and squash into ¼ inch thick strips. In a large skillet, heat butter over medium heat. Add the vegetable strips and cook and stir 6-8 minutes or just until crisp-tender. Add the green onions and garlic; cook 1 minute longer. Stir broth mixture to combine; stir the broth mixture into the vegetables and bring to a boil. Reduce the heat; simmer, uncovered, 1-2 minutes or until sauce is slightly thickened, stirring occasionally.

Add the broccoli, asparagus, tortellini, ½ cup of cheese, pepper and salt; heat through, tossing gently to combine. If desired, garnish with more grated parmesan.

A lot of people are loving feta cheese. This Greek salad uses feta cheese with a whole lot of vegetables. You can use any kind of small pasta such as shell pasta or even macaroni if you want. The balsamic dressing adds just the right touch to the tomatoes, cucumbers, and zucchini. And of course, you can't have a Greek salad without olives. If you can't find Greek olives, you can use ripe ones instead.

Greek Pasta Salad

4 C. spiral pasta (about 12 oz.)

Dressing:

¼ C. olive oil
3 T. lemon juice
2 T., balsamic vinegar
1 T. water
3 garlic cloves, minced
1 t. salt
¼ t. pepper
1 T. dried oregano

Salad:

3 large tomatoes, seeded and chopped
1 medium red pepper, chopped
1 small cucumber, seeded and chopped
1 small zucchini, chopped
1 small red onion, halved and thinly sliced

1/3 C. sliced Greek olives
1 C. crumbled feta cheese

Cook pasta according to package directions. Drain and rinse with cold water and drain well. In a small bowl, whisk the oil, lemon juice, vinegar, water, garlic, salt and pepper until blended. Stir in oregano.

In a large bowl, combine the pasta, vegetables and olives. Add the dressing and feta and toss to combine. Refrigerate covered for an hour

This week's Home Extension recipe features eggplant. I was leaving the Farmer's Market, and a friend was coming—her quest was eggplant. There were many beautiful eggplants that were manageable in size.

This recipe has lots of great flavor and is creamy too.

Eggplant Casserole

4 T. olive oil
1 lb. eggplant, cut into ½ inch dice

1 red pepper, cut into ½ inch dice
4 ribs celery, cut into ½ inch dice

1 onion, chopped into ½-inch dice

½ C. chopped fresh basil leaves

1 C. grated Parmesan
½ C. heavy cream

1 C. Italian seasoned bread crumbs

Salt and pepper

Preheat the oven to 375. In a large sauté pan over medium-high heat, add the olive oil. Add the eggplant and cook halfway through. Add the pepper, celery, and onion and cook for 3-4 minutes, or until vegetables begin to wilt. Add the basil leaves and remove from heat.

Add the parmesan, cream, bread crumbs and salt and pepper. Toss to combine.

Place skillet in the oven and cook until heated through, about 20 minutes.

Blueberries have been on sale in the stores these past weeks. This recipe is for a dessert that is quick and easy to make. It tastes great (I think it is like a cobbler, but what

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Tomatoes, tomatoes, everywhere – now what?

STOCKTON — Tomatoes are one of the top planted garden vegetables, and for good reason! They're incredibly delicious and versatile with many culinary uses as well as being relatively easy to grow for most gardeners.

This class will cover both growing tomatoes, as well as utilizing them in the kitchen.

Extension Horticulture Educator, Candice Miller, will discuss what has been happening with tomatoes in the garden this year and what to avoid for next year's growing season. The unusual summer weather has caused issues and we'll look at some disease samples.

Nutrition and Wellness Educator, Diane Reinhold, will then share information on the health benefits that come when you include tomato-based products as part of a well-balanced diet. Tomatoes are versatile, and many of us have our favorite

recipes but who doesn't need new and adventurous recipes? This class will include mouth-watering recipes and of course there will be taste-testing!

This program will be held at Stockton Public Library on

September 10 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. The cost for this program is \$5 and pre-registration is required at <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/jsw/> or call 815-858-2273.

What's wrong with My Plant program scheduled at Stockton Township Library

STOCKTON — Unusual weather has caused some interesting plant disease and insect issues this growing season on top of the typical summer garden problems. Come learn from Extension Horticulture Educator, Candice Miller, about what exactly is showing up this season, how to diagnose these common problems, and how to manage them.

Feel free to bring plant sam-

ples to the program. Various samples will be available to view and diagnose.

This workshop will be held on Thursday, September 3rd from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. at the Stockton Township Library, 140 W. Benton St. Stockton.

The cost of this program is \$5 and pre-registration is requested by September 2. To register, call 815-858-2273 or go online: <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/jsw/>

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do I know?) The recipe makes a small square pan that can be eaten in one sitting. It is great served warm—ice cream is good with it also.

Blueberry Buckle

- 2 C. flour
- ¾ C. sugar
- 2½ t. baking powder
- ¼ t. salt
- 1 large egg
- ¾ C. milk
- ¼ C. butter, melted
- 2 C. fresh blueberries
- Topping:
- ½ C. sugar
- 1/3 C. flour
- ½ t. cinnamon
- ¼ C. butter, softened

Preheat the oven to 375. In a large bowl, whisk flour, sugar, baking powder and salt. In another bowl, whisk the egg, milk and melted butter until blended. Add to the flour mixture and mix just until moistened. Fold in the blueberries. Transfer to a greased 9-inch square baking pan.

In a small bowl, mix the sugar, flour and cinnamon for the topping. Using a fork, stir in softened butter until crumbly. Sprinkle over batter.

Bake 30-35 minutes or until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean (do not overbake). Cool pan on a wire rack; serve warm or at room temperature.

The first volleyball and foot-

ball games begin this week. High School golf has already started. I always think that when the sports start, fall is rushing in. I will have to take down my summer decorations and put up the fall ones. I really don't know where time has gone. Several people have asked me about the size of our wonderful Farmer's Market. They think that there isn't much there because there are usually three vendors. Today there were raspberries, carrots, green beans, kale, broccoli, cabbage, sweet corn, tomatoes, peppers, eggplant, cucumbers, kohlrabi, potatoes, and lots of herbs. There were jellies, jams, cookies, pie, coffee cakes, individual pies, snack mixes, and gift items. Stop by and see what wonderful things these folks have for us every week. They may be small, but they are mighty! For those of us who have no garden space and are really bad at growing things, these people are our angels. Thanks for having produce and products every week. We are still looking for summer recipes, but also are on the hunt for fall recipes. If you have some recipes to share, you can contact us in person, by mail, or email us at From Lena's Kitchens, Shopper's Guide at 213 S. Center St. or email scoopshopper@rvpublishing.com.

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CHURCH NOTES

Bible Study Opportunities at St. John Lutheran Church Pearl City

PEARL CITY — The August 30 Worship Service will be led by Pastor Ekstrand beginning at 9 a.m. The seventh and eighth grade Confirmation Students with their parents will meet at 10:15 a.m. on August 30 following the worship service. Fifth Quarter (seventh and eighth grades) will meet on Sunday, August 30 at 6 p.m. In addition, the Genesis Youth Group (high school) will meet at 7:30 p.m. on August 30.

Members and non-members alike are welcome to participate in two different Bible Studies starting this fall. The Monday evening bible study will start on September 14 at 7 p.m. and is titled, "Give Us a King" and is based on first and second: Samuel. The Thursday morning bible study is held at 9:30 and it will begin on September 17. The discussion will be on "Genesis:" A Narrative from the Mouths of the Hebrew People

of God.

The Sunday School Rally Day will feature a "carnival of activities" and will be held after worship on September 13. The youth will lead the worship service and Vacation Bible School youth will sing two songs during worship. Plan to start the Sunday School year with St. John's on September 13. The first day of Whirl Sunday School and Confirmation will be on September 20 following worship.

TICKETS AVAILABLE:

We have some tickets available for "The Talented Templetons" at White Pines in Oregon on Thursday, October 15. The tickets are \$29 which includes a buffet lunch with beverage, dessert, tax, gratuity and the performance. We will carpool from the church at 10:45 a.m. and return at approximately 4 p.m. "The Talented Templetons" are a family of Mom, Dad and their nine children harmonizing and playing

a variety of instruments. The family showcases their abilities through country favorites, bluegrass, gospel, classics, old time tunes, Celtic reels and jigs. The deadline has been moved up to September 13 or when all 40 tickets have been paid for. There is a sign-up on the bulletin board. Please make checks to St. John's Women's Gathering and give to Lynda Palmer, Kris Eden or Karen Bremmer. Members and guests are welcome to join us.

Summers over so it's back to school time with the folks at Lena UMC

Gary Rich

LENA — Fall is my favorite time of the year. Kids are back to school and soon the leaves will turn and Friday nights will be busy with Football. At Lena United Methodist Church pre-K through adult Sunday school will be starting on August 30th. Our adult class will be studying "The Call" by Adam Hamilton. It is a six

lesson study of the life and message of The Apostle Paul. Another activity that starts in the fall is our Food and Fun nights on every Thursday evening starting the September 17. Every Thursday our cooks prepare a home cooked meal that is served at 6. At 6:45 there are activities for anyone that wants to participate. A group does knitting and tying pillows. If that is not your thing another

group plays euchre. Some just set and share fellowship or play dominos. If you are not able to attend Sunday school on Sunday morning "The Call" study on the Apostle Paul will also be offered.

Starting on Sunday September 20 a 24 week class on Discipleship will be offered. The first 12 weeks will study the Old Testament and the next 12 weeks will study the New

Testament. Jesus wants us all to be his disciples and spread the word of God's love. Sometimes we are not sure if we are prepared or know how to do that. Disciple class will help. Participants will receive a thorough introduction to the Bible. It does not matter if you have taken Disciple before or if you have read very little of the Bible or if you have never

taken a Bible study before, we will all help each other find the ministry that Jesus has for us. So, come join us once a week on Sunday night from 6:30 to 8 at the Lena UMC and strengthen your relationship with Christ. If you don't have a Bible, that's Ok, God will have one here for you. (Questions? Call the office — 815-369-5291)

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church of Lena schedules activities for week of August 30

LENA — Good Shepherd Lutheran Church will gather for worship on August 30, at 118 E. Mason St. Lena, at 9:30a.m. Deb Leinenger will share her gift as she offers special music for worship. Pastor Miranda Klosterboer will share the children's message and sermon and lead worship along with Karen Niemeier who will lead on the organ. All are invited to worship on this fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost with Holy Communion. Following worship, there will be a time of fellowship and a Bible Study. All Sunday School children will gather for Sunday School Opening at 10:45 a.m. followed by learning, Bible study, prayer, and fellowship.

quilts and sew. No previous quilting experience is necessary. Come join the fun and make a difference in the world!

The After School Program for fourth through eighth graders will meet at the Hangout downtown on Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 p.m. Each day there is worship with music

and a Christian message; pizza; homework help; and lots of time for all sorts of games, challenges and play.

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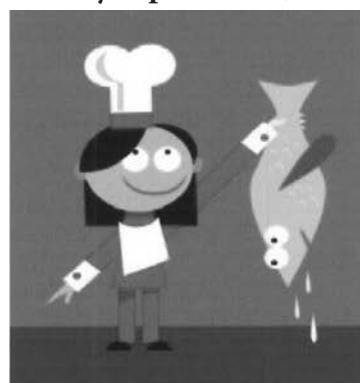
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NOTICE

Lena-Winslow CUSD #202 Board of Education in Stephenson and Jo Daviess counties announces the availability of the Tentative Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015. The budget will be available for public inspection online at Le-Win.net or at the District Office, 401 Fremont Street, Lena, IL during normal school hours beginning on Wednesday, August 19, 2015.

The Board of Education will hold a public hearing regarding the Annual Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2016 on Tuesday, September 22, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Le-Win Junior High School library at 517 Fremont Street, Lena, Illinois.

Pete Conway
Secretary

Board of Education
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The North 87 feet of the following described Real Estate: Beginning on the North line of Lot 8 in Roush's Subdivision of the Village of Lena, Illinois, 18 feet West of the Northeast Corner thereof and running thence West along the North line of said Lot 8 and Lot 9 of said Subdivision to the East line of the alley running North and South to said Lot 9, running thence South along the East line of said alley, 162 feet, thence East parallel with the North line of said Lots to a point 18 feet West of the East line of said Lot 8, running thence North 162 feet to the place of beginning; Situated in the Village of Lena, Stephenson County, Illinois.

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The improvement on the property consists of a single family residence. If the subject mort-

Eagle Nature Foundation schedules fall bird count in September

APPLE RIVER — On Sept. 12 this year, Terrence N. Ingram, President of the Eagle Nature Foundation, invites the public to join him as he will be counting all the birds that he can find in the Apple Creek Prairie and Apple Creek Woods from dawn to dusk. He will be taking the first step to document the loss of birds that has occurred due to aerial spraying of the commercial agricultural fields over one half mile from Apple Creek property that took place during the last week of July and the first week in August. During

a period of two weeks these planes were turning around right over Apple Creek Farm when they were spraying the corn fields nearby.

Some of the fields were sprayed twice during that one two-week period, first by a yellow plane and then by a white plane. By the time they had finished most of the birds within one half mile of the fields had disappeared. If this poison they were spraying is killing birds that are living over one half mile from the target fields, just think of what damage this same poison must be doing to other wildlife, including you and me; many of whom are living less than one half mile from these same fields being sprayed.

Apple Creek has lost most of its common birds as well as the many insects upon which these birds were feeding. Apple Creek lost all of the red-winged blackbirds, cowbirds, house wrens, chickadees, chimney swifts, robins, brown thrashers, woodpeckers and many others. The few

birds that are left, mainly house sparrows, are not even eating a half gallon of bird seed a day from Ingram's feeders, whereas, three weeks ago they were going through 2 gallons of seed every day. Even if you cannot join Ingram on the 12th you are urged you to help the Eagle Nature Foundation with a \$ pledge for each species and/or bird that he is able to see or hear on that day. Normally 30 to 40 species in one day, are seen at Apple Creek, but because of these sprays, it is questionable whether Ingram will find even 20 species on Sept. 12 and definitely not hundreds of birds.

During his Big Bird Day on May 9 of this year, he recorded 65 different bird species in this same area. Join Mr. Ingram on Sept. 12, or at least send in a \$ pledge to help ENF document the damage these sprays are doing to our bird life and to the environment in which we are all living. If the birds are now dying because of the sprays, will you and I be next?

A big cup for your big heart outing at Woodbine Bend

WOODBINE — Woodbine Bend is hosting an outing to raise funds for victims of the April 9 Fairdale tornado on Saturday September 5 with shotgun start at 1 p.m.

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Stephenson County 4-H leader Pennie Miller nominated to 4-H Hall of Fame



Photo submitted
Pearl Valley Rangers 4-H Club leader Pennie Miller is nominated to the 4-H Hall of Fame

PEARL CITY — The Stephenson County 4-H program would like to congratulate Pennie Miller for being nominated as one of this year's 4-H Hall of Fame inductees.

Pennie has been a club leader for 18 years with the Pearl Valley Rangers 4-H Club. During this time, she also was very active helping with events and activities with the 4-H Federation. Pennie has been a 4-H show superintendent and recorder for over 15 years along with serving as a judge at other fairs, serving on the 4-H Fair Committee for numerous years, and a member of the county Foundation Board for 5 years. "Pennie is a great asset to our 4-H program," said Lori Tessoroff, 4-H Program Coordinator. "She has been an inspiring leader working with the youth in the county, as well as being

a supportive and caring volunteer. We are very honored to recognize Pennie for this outstanding award.

The Illinois 4-H Foundation established the statewide Hall of Fame in 2004 to honor and celebrate extraordinary 4-H alumni, volunteers, and former 4-H staff. Nominations for the Illinois 4-H Hall of Fame are made by University of Illinois Extension staff. Each inductee received a commemorative Hall of Fame medallion.

The Illinois 4-H Foundation raises private funds that are invested in Illinois 4-H programs that provide meaningful, positive development experiences for Illinois youth to develop leadership, citizenship, and life skills. To learn more, visit: www.4hfoundation.illinois.edu.

Junior high and high school athletic events passes offered in Lena

LENA — Lena-Winslow CUSD #202 is offering a senior citizen (65+) non-transferrable athletic pass good for admission to all junior high and high school athletic events for \$50 (a \$212 value).

The district is also offering an elementary student non-transferrable athletic pass for good for admission to all junior high and high school athletic events for \$25 (a \$140 value).

These passes cannot be honored at IHSA events (i.e. regionals, sectionals, playoff football games, etc.).

The junior high and high school students have athletic passes as part of the registration at each school.

Kent/Willow United Methodist Churches announces service schedule

KENT — Kent/Willow UMC will worship together Sunday, Aug 30 at Kent UMC at 9 a.m. Pastor Brenda Morris will be giving the message and all are invited and welcome; also to stay for the fellowship following. Sunday School is at 10:30 a.m. studying from the lessons in the devotional "The Upper Room"; very interesting lessons from the Holy Bible; all are invited and welcome to this time too. Kent UMC is located right in the town of Kent, IL; for more info call 815-601-6742.

Come help us celebrate fifty years at McConnell Grace Free Methodist Church

MCCONNELL — We have the privilege of celebrating fifty years with many past pastors and families on Friday August 28 through Sunday August 30.

We will be showing the movie *Do You Believe* on that Friday night at 7p.m. with free popcorn and pop and children's ministries also.

Starting on Saturday night from 4-6 p.m. we will be hosting a scavenger hunt around McConnell with teams of 4-6 participants. There will be great prizes so you won't want to miss out on the fun.

Following is a great concert at 7 p.m. with Joel Brovant.

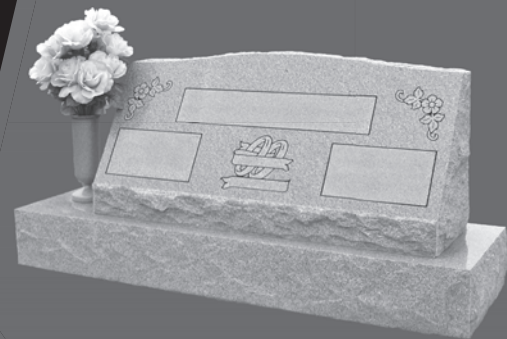
Food is provided, but bring a blanket or lawn chair.

There will be a great Sunday service at 10 a.m. with many past pastors participating, followed by a pot luck and great fellowship. Child care is provided.

McConnell Grace Free Methodist Church is located next to the Post Office. Call 815.868.9213 or visit us on the web at www.gracefmc.org

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Children, young people and adults from local congregations gathered together during the week of July 27 for the first annual Elizabeth Community Vacation Bible School. More than 50 children attended "Camp Discovery - Jesus At Work Through Us" which was organized by St. Paul Lutheran Church, Church of St. Mary, and First United Methodist Church. Each night began with a meal for the whole family, followed by music, Bible stories, crafts and games. Capping off the week was a special closing program followed by a camp fire, s'mores and overnight camping on the church grounds. A huge thank you goes out to all the volunteers and donors who helped to make Camp Discovery an amazing week for us all.

Lake Le Aqua Na *fishing tournament*



Five year old Kailyn and eight year old Madison Schubert make time to glance at the camera during the fishing tournament Saturday at Lake LeAquaNa State Park near Lena.



Tracy Siegner photos

These nine youngsters came out to Lake Le Aqua Na for Saturday's fishing tournament hosted by the Lena Baptist Church.



Brad Schubert with sons Heath and Hagen Schubert taught their dad Brad something about the science of catching fish during the fishing tournament hosted Saturday by the Lena Baptist Church



Pam Barton and little Maria Wampfler discuss the fine art of fishing before casting their lines at Lake-Le-Aqua-Na State Park on Saturday afternoon.



Five year old Kailyn Schubert shows off her catch of the day during the fishing tournament held Saturday at Lake-Le-Aqua-Na State Park

Lena Library

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Tracy Siegner photos

Balmy weather brought strong crowds to the downtown parking are for Saturday's installment of the Lena Farmer's Market



The downtown rejuvenation project is nearly completed and the Lena Farmer's Market showed a strong uptick in traffic Saturday morning.



Tracy Siegner photo

Lake Le-Aqua-Na Fishing Tournament

Fishing tournament organizer Kirk Schubert wore his lucky Grampa shirt, but still came back from the lake Saturday with nothing in his creel.

Senior Bingo Lunch

Thursday, August 27th
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Above: The sport apparel available at Fluegel's in downtown Lena can be custom embroidered in-house with a company or team name or logo.



The newest addition to downtown Lena is Fluegel's a shop.

Fluegel's owner Annalisa Fluegel said she would be rotating her boutique stock to keep the merchandise unique and so there would be new items every time a customer stops by.

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Bottom Right: Annalisa Fluegel completes a monogramming project on a piece of sport apparel sold in her downtown Lena store.

Tracy Siegner photos

Movies at Mame's looks at David Fincher's *The Game* (1997) - R

HOLLYWOOD — Wealthy San Franciscan financier, Nicholas Van Orton (Michael Douglas) is a loner. He lives alone, he dines alone, and he's celebrating his 48th birthday alone. Nicholas wasn't always this way, but the tragedy of his father's suicide when he himself was 48, has prompted Nicholas to close off his personal relationships. He's tried in the past to nurture his addict brother, Conrad (Sean Penn) and to build a life with his ex-wife Elizabeth (Anna Katarina), but has become indifferent to other people, rejecting sentiment. Suddenly Conrad reappears for Nicholas' birthday, completely sober, in recovery and bearing a gift for Nicholas; a Game.



ed until he decides to initiate his Game. CRS's representative, Jim Feingold (played by the late James Rebhorn) tells him everyone's Game is different, and one day Nicholas will wake up to find his Game has begun.

All the vagueness of CRS's operations frustrates Nicholas and he tells Feingold that he is no longer interested

in redeeming his gift. Then strange things begin to happen. A life-sized clown doll in the middle of his gated house's drive, his television begins to speak directly to him, and then there's Christine (Deborah Kara Unger); a waitress with her own motivations. It seems Nicholas' Game has begun, whether he wants it to or not. He teams up with Christine to get to the bottom of CRS's activities and his Game takes a sinister turn. CRS does not take kindly to investigation of the Game. Everywhere Nicholas and Christine turn, it seems they're being watched. CRS can't be everywhere, can they?!

This is one of my favorite movies of David Fincher's. It doesn't have the flashy editing of *Se7en*, or the cartoony violence of *Fight Club*, instead it tells its story in a much subtler, quiet way, ratcheting up the suspense and tension until you have no idea whether Nicholas is still playing his Game or if his life

is truly in danger. Who can he trust? Who is in on the Game? In the end, Nicholas has been left for dead, broken, destitute. Or was he?!

Fun fact: Jodie Foster was attached to the film to play Douglas's younger sibling, but wanted instead to play his

daughter. However, Douglas and the studio thought that the age difference of only 17 years between the two made for an unrealistic casting & hired Sean Penn to play the younger brother, Conrad. Foster later sued Polygram, but settled out of court.

The Highland Chorale rehearsals begin August 25

FREEPORT — The Highland Chorale is looking for vocalists for the upcoming season. Interested singers are invited to attend rehearsals beginning at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, August 25 in room FA-10 in the Ferguson Fine Arts Center on the HCC campus.

The first concert of the season will feature selections from "Sound of Music," "Forty Second Street," and many others. All singers are welcome and there is no fee or audition to join.

For more information contact Director Heidi Spotts-Manthey at Heidi.SpottsManthey@highland.edu or Allen Redford at allen.redford@highland.edu or by calling 815-599-3568.

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Northwood Saucers

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Eric Lawver, Fitchburg, WI

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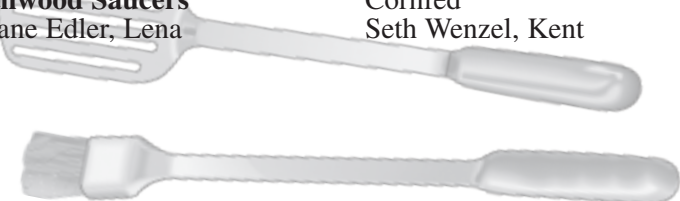
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Le-Win Superintendent welcomes teachers back to school

Right: During the Lena Winslow welcome back breakfast Superintendent Dr Chiles thanked the entire staff for their hard work over the summer and for helping during all the summer construction



Pearl City Board of Education regular meeting for Aug. 19

President Bremmer called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

After Roll Call the Board approved the August 19, 2015 amended agenda.

Recognition of Guests and

public comments were allowed. Two comments were made.

The Board approved the Consent Agenda consisting of the minutes from the July 22, 2015 Regular Board Meeting, closed session minutes from the July 22, 2015 Regular Board Meeting, Bills Payable, and Payroll.

Informational Items:

Mrs. Wallace, Elementary Principal reported:

Presented the Board the 2015-16 first day student enrollments by grade.

Provided the Board with the "Meet the Teacher Night" agenda.

Informed the Board that teacher in-service topics included Moodle, Student Growth incorporated into the Teacher Evaluation, PARCC alignment with IL Learning Standards, and Chromebook

Google Docs. These topics will continue throughout the year.

Presented the Board with information regarding "Reading Fitness" goals, technology committee update, character counts, parental involvement, and Veteran's Day celebration.

Mrs. Mandrell, JH/HS Principal reported:

Presented the Board the 2015-16 first day student enrollments by grade.

Presented the board with an updated Technology Plan

Provided the Board the results of the 1 year, 5 year and 10 year graduate survey results.

Provided the Board the Fall participation numbers for athletics.

Provided Professional Development activities that were conducted during teacher Insti-

tute days to include Moodle, Student Growth incorporated into the Teacher Evaluation, PARCC alignment with IL Learning Standards, the Next Generation Science standards and the new test Science test that will be given to fifth, eighth, and tenth grades this year, and Chromebook Google Docs.

Mr. Thill, Superintendent reported the following:

Discussed the possibility of conducting an auction/sale of materials found within the AG building.

Presented information regarding baseball field lights.

New Business:

Approved the purchase and installation of 2 security cameras from Jansen Electronics at a cost of \$2,595.

Discussed the status of the Ag building and options available to them for the sale and/or donation of the building.

Approved the purchase of a Recognition Stone from Fischer Excavating at a cost of \$806 for the courtyard.

Approved the building usage request by the Zion Church on October 4, 2015.

Moved the October Board meeting to Thursday, October 22, 2015 at 6:30 p.m..

Approved the facility usage request and fundraising event for the Prevention of Child Abuse by Kelly Arevalo on November 21, 2015.

Approved advertising prices for the scorer's table in the gym. Ad prices are \$50 for a single game, \$300 for the whole Fall season, \$400 for the Winter season and \$600 for the entire school year.

Approved the tentative budget which indicates a \$109,893

deficit. The board has reduced expenditures by a total of \$285,685. Revenue has also decreased by \$17,417. The State is still prorating General State Aide which has reduced mandated State funding by \$102,464. In the five years of prorations, the school has lost \$766,176 and all of this comes directly out of the Education Fund. Mandated categorical payments are mandated by the State, but we do not anticipate receiving the last one in this fiscal year. This results in an additional \$60,000 loss which has been figured into the budget deficit. In addition our transportation reimbursement has been reduced by an additional proration of \$24,718 also figured into the budget deficit. If the State does not prorate, we do not have a deficit budget.

The board moved the regular board meeting in September to Wednesday, September 23 at 6:35. The public hearing for the 2015-16 budget will start at 6:30 p.m.

Approved the 2015-16 Coaches Code of Conduct.

Set the head cooks work day from 7:00 am to 3:30 pm.

Accepted the resignations from Jessica Bacon; eighth grade girls basketball coach and Alyssa Pilson; asst. speech coach.

Approved Blake Becke and Adrian Kostallari as homebound tutors.

Approved the superintendent goals for 2015-16.

Approved Todd Krell as a JH football coach.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:37 pm.

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SCALES MOUND SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

August 17

The Scales Mound Community Unit School District 211 School Board meet in open session to approve the resignation of Mr. Thomas Henders as assistant track coach,

employment of Mr. Greg Jones as a sub bus driver, and Mrs. Regina Kretschmer as a fifth grade classroom aide and substitute teacher. Dr. Caron presented information to the Board regarding

the bids for the replacement phone system for the district. The bid was approved for Avaya phones installed and serviced by Frontier Communications for an estimated cost of \$26,792.61.

There was discussion

regarding the 2016 school year budget and a tentative budget was adopted. The budget will be on display for 30 days and voted on at the September 21 meeting.

Finally, the Board heard presentations regarding the

2016 Scales Mound Community Unit School District 211 School Improvement Goals, Principal evaluation documentation, and a final presentation regarding a new LED sign for the front of the building.

Jo Daviess County Sheriff's Office requests public's assistance

EAST DUBUQUE — The Jo Daviess County Sheriff's Office is requesting the public's assistance with an investigation that involves a family pet dog possibly being fatally shot.

The investigation involves the death of a family's pet dog. The dog was a six year old 12 pound Pekingese. The family let the dog out about 5 a.m. and found the deceased dog about 7 a.m. on Tuesday, August 18. The dog was believed to be shot in the owner's yard on

Michelle Court in rural East Dubuque.

Anyone with information pertaining to this investigation is encouraged to contact Dubuque/Jo Daviess Crime Stoppers at 800-747-0117 or the Jo Daviess County Sheriff's Office at (815) 777-2141. Persons providing information that leads to an arrest or recovery of property may be eligible for a reward of up to \$1,000.00. Potential callers are reminded that they may remain anonymous.

SOUTH WAYNE FIRE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL CONSIGNMENT AUCTION

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2015 - 9:00 A.M.

AUCTION LOCATION: 2445 E. STATE HWY 11, SOUTH WAYNE, WI 53587

INFORMATION

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Sunday, Aug. 30 • Noon - 1:30 p.m.



1504 LOGAN ST. FREEPORT
REDUCED \$2,100 - CHARMING BRICK HOME on corner lot features front porch, hardwood floors, built in linen cabinet, 2 main floor bedrooms, quaint kitchen, living room with fireplace and spacious dining room. Upstairs is the 3rd bedroom with sitting/reading area, cedar closet and loads of storage. The lower level has a family room with gas fireplace, office, half bath, laundry room, fruit cellar and a workshop area. Home has newer replacement windows, furnace, air and water heater. New Price \$69,900

707 OAK ST. LENA
REDUCED \$2,600 - EXCEPTIONAL 3 BEDROOMS, 1 BATH home on beautiful Oak St. in Lena. This pristine home sits on a large lot that borders Dodd's Park. This home boasts a formal dining room, main floor laundry, new C/A in 2011 and updated electric in 2011 and a 2 stall detached garage. Pride in ownership shows! This home is meticulously maintained and doesn't need a thing. New Price \$79,900



605 S. SCHUYLER ST. LENA
FIRST TIME OPEN - PRICE REDUCED \$2,000 - SPACIOUS HOME WITH OVER 2,000 SQ. FT. of living area. 3-4 bedroom, 2 bath home - 4th bedroom now used as a family room. Eat-in kitchen plus formal dining room area and formal living area. (This home was once used as a duplex in upper level - call for details). Enclosed back porch and large open front covered porch. 2 stall detached garage with workshop area. Located on corner lot. New Price \$85,500

854 W. CHESTNUT ST. FREEPORT
FIRST TIME OPEN - COZY, COMFORTABLE UPDATED GARAGE on a corner lot! Relax or entertain on your covered front porch, back deck or large side yard. Home features spacious eat in kitchen plus a dining room, living room with sitting area, 2 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths. Upstairs bath has a whirlpool tub with tile surround. Dream 3 stall garage has a concrete floor, furnace, air and a work bench. Would make a great man cave since there is also a storage shed. Larger inside than it looks, don't miss seeing this one! Newers include roof, siding, windows, furnace, front porch, water heater and interior paint. One of the sellers is a license real estate agent. Priced at \$82,500

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NEW LISTINGS



LENA - MOVE IN READY BI-LEVEL features 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, eat-in kitchen with door to

deck and back yard, living room, family room and another LL room. Laundry room with storage space. There is a 2 stall detached garage. Newers include some floor coverings, interior paint, furnace, air, water heater, replacement windows, roof and exterior doors. Priced at \$83,500



LENA - LOOKING FOR SPACE? This home has that plus a large yard for garden, swing set, even has a

deck for outdoor entertaining. Back yard is fenced with maintenance free fencing. There is also a 30 x 192 lot across the street included with this property. Home features 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, large kitchen, dining room, formal dining room, living room, family room with gas fireplace, office. Room in lower level could be media room, exercise room or whatever you may need. Master bedroom has wood floors, 2 walk-in closets and double bowl sink in bath. Priced at \$144,900

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family room with wood burning fireplace, 2 skylights, laminate wood flooring, patio door to the patio. Deck around the swimming pool. Mud/laundry room off of kitchen leading to an oversized 32 x 32 two stall garage built in 2003 (has a large 14 ft. door and a 10 x 10 door). Has a total of 2,316 finished square footage. Priced at \$119,900

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PRICE REDUCED



LENA - REDUCED \$3,500 - SPACIOUS MOVE IN READY 4 bedroom, 2 bath home with many

updates. Living room has pocket doors to the dining room and French doors to the front porch. The front porch works for all seasons with its electric baseboard heating. The main floor family room with porcelain tile floor has patio doors to the outdoor living space. There is a dining room as well as an eat-in kitchen. Kitchen updates include pass through to dining room, porcelain tile flooring, granite countertops, backsplash, stainless steel appliances, ceiling, lighting, movable island. Main floor bath updates include tile floor, vanity, mirror and lighting. Other updates include lighting, refinishing of wood floors, interior painting. Two sets of stairs lead to the 4 bedrooms all with wood floors, 2nd bath, built-in cabinet and drawers in hallway. Floored attic is perfect for storage or finish for more living space. In the lower level is another family room or use it as a toy room or maybe a home gym. New roof in 2014. Large yard plus a storage shed. New Price \$139,000

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Use these tips to keep summer foods safe and out of the danger zone

STATELINE — Summer is a time for fun, food and relaxation – but did you also know it is a time when there is an increase in foodborne illnesses? “Foodborne related illnesses do increase during the summer months, primarily for two reasons. The reasons, however, may not be what one would typically think,” stated Diane Reinhold, University of Illinois Extension, nutrition and wellness educator and registered dietitian.

“In order to understand why foodborne illnesses occur, we first need to understand some of the science behind the causes of foodborne illness,” said Reinhold. The two culprits responsible for most foodborne related illnesses are bacteria and viruses.

“Bacteria are naturally present throughout our environment and can be found virtually everywhere. There is a never-ending threat that under the right conditions bacteria can quickly multiply to unsafe numbers,” explained Reinhold. Viruses on the other hand,

such as Norovirus, can spread directly from person to person or by an infected person who unknowingly contaminates food or drink prepared for others. Furthermore, Norovirus can survive for weeks on surfaces that have been contaminated with the virus.

You may be wondering if bacteria and viruses cause foodborne illnesses, why then does this occur more often during the summer months. “It is important to understand there are ideal growing conditions for microorganisms, such as bacteria. Most bacteria that are responsible for foodborne-related illnesses, such as Clostridium perfringens (C. perfringens) and Salmonella, prefer warm temperatures and need moisture to flourish. Thus the heat and humidity common to Illinois summers – simply cultivates endless opportunities for bacteria to quickly multiply to unsafe levels” said Reinhold.

In addition to summer creating ideal conditions for bacteria to grow, there is still yet another factor that contributes to the

increase in foodborne related illnesses. That factor? More people are simply busy enjoying the out-of-doors! With more people enjoying outdoor activities, more people are also eating outdoors. Whether attending family reunions or church potlucks, grilling, camping, or enjoying the day at the beach, it is important to keep food safety in the forefront because harmful bacteria can multiply quickly.

What can you do to help prevent foodborne related illnesses this summer?

Plan ahead. Transporting food? It is essential to find out ahead of time if there will be enough space to safely store food to prevent unsafe food temperatures not only while traveling, but also once the destination is reached. “If you will be traveling any distance, use a cooler and ice packs to help keep food cold. When storing your cooler, place the cooler in the coldest part of the car and once you arrive at your destination, place the cooler in a cool or shaded area,” recommended Reinhold. She added that “placing a thermometer inside the cooler will help in monitoring the temperature and be an indicator when temperatures have risen to unsafe levels.”

Keep food out of the “Dan-

ger Zone. “Bacteria can multiply quickly between the temperatures of 41-135 oF. When traveling with hot foods, keep HOT foods at or above 135 oF by carrying them in insulated carriers or using containers specially designed to keep food hot. Make arrangements ahead of time to keep food hot until served. Hot foods must be kept at 135oF or hotter to keep bacteria from growing. When reheating foods an internal temperature of 165 oF must be reached to be considered safe.

Do not cross contaminate. Cross contamination is the transfer of harmful microorganisms from one surface to another. “To avoid cross contamination always clean cutting boards, utensils, and counter tops with warm soapy water after each use. To prevent recontamination of foods, never place cooked food back on the same plate or cutting board that previously held raw food – this includes raw fruits or vegetables,” Reinhold explained.

Use a Food Thermometer. Checking for doneness? Use a food thermometer. The use of a thermometer is the only safe and reliable way to ensure food is cooked to a temperature high enough to kill harmful microorganisms.

“When checking food tem-

peratures remove food from the heat source, insert thermometer through the thickest part of the dish or meat, allowing the thermometer to reach the middle of the food,” recommended Reinhold. Repeat this process in several different places to ensure food is cooked evenly throughout to a safe minimum internal temperature. Avoid touching bone, fat or gristle with the thermometer probe. “Remember to clean your food thermometer with hot soapy water before and after each use, to prevent cross contamination,” added Reinhold.

Refrigerate promptly after serving. Warm summer temperatures cause microorganisms to multiply quickly. Food left unrefrigerated for more than two hours may not be safe to eat. However, when the temperature is above 90 oF, food should not be left out for more than one hour. Therefore, refrigerate food promptly.

Summer is a wonderful time to enjoy eating outdoors. Protect your family, friends and yourself from foodborne related illnesses by practicing safe food handling.

For more information about nutrition, wellness, and safe food handling, contact Diane Reinhold at 815-235-4125 or dreinhol@illinois.edu.

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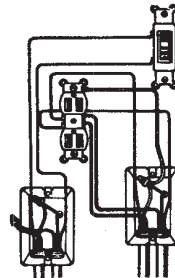
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More stops on the Stephenson-Blackhawk Trail

Larry Nelson
Reporter

LENA — Last week we introduced a narrative about the Stephenson-Blackhawk Trail, a series of sites in and near Lena, each rich in history regarding the settlement of the area and the skirmishes with Chief Blackhawk and his warriors. It should be noted a caller let us know some of the information pre-

sented last week was incomplete. The caller said the boy scouts were involved with the trail project and that Brett Richardson had made the arrowhead trail markers as an Eagle Scout project.

Our first stop was the Dodds House in Lena, a beautiful home still serving as a home on Lena Street today. Next, we visit two more Lena sites. From there, the trail goes approximately

west.

On the northwest corner of Lena and Schuyler Streets stood the oldest mill in Stephenson County. It was built as a steam grist mill in 1855 for \$11,000. It was powered by a 35-horsepower steam engine and could process 480 bushels a day. Much of the mill was razed to allow for the expansion of the intersection. Perhaps you have a photograph of the old mill you'd like to share with our readers.

Moving west on Lena Street to Vernon, one passes a small stone pioneer home. South, across the railroad tracks stands the old Lena Water Tower. This landmark, 115 feet tall, was built in 1896 right after its predecessor,

partly constructed, crumbled to the ground Christmas morning, 1895. The villagers were outraged at the shoddy construction of what they had expected to be a source of pride and fire protection. A new construction company finally got the tower constructed.

The tower well plunges more than a thousand feet in a 12-inch pipe. Folklore has it water comes from Lake Superior. The first electricity generator for the village was located next to the water tower. The tower was placed on the National Registry of Historic places by the National Park Service in 1997.

A new water tower has been erected on Lena's east side in 2012, but the old tower is still somewhat of a tourist draw for the village.



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