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Young Lena retailer has big plans for small town hardware and rental business

By Tony Carton
Editor

LENA — When folks need to remodel a living room or fix a drain, the names of big-box hardware stores may come to mind, but the clatter of a mechanical paint shaker and the fresh scent of turpentine aren't exclusive to corporate retail stores. Lena has an answer to those folks thinking they need to make a run to the Rockford or Freeport; its Brandon's Hardware and Rental just off the downtown on West Railroad Street

"I took over for the previous owner just about a year ago," said Brandon's Hardware and Rental owner Brandon Warner. "I worked here six years prior to owning it."

He had left for a big box hardware outlet hoping to become a General Manager, but missed the small town feel and returned.

"I missed working with the local people, so I came back and mentioned that if the previous owner was ever interested in selling the store I might like to maybe purchase it someday," Warner said.

He got an answer quicker than he thought.

"About a week after our talk, he came and gave me a price on it; we got the deal done and here I am now," he said.

Not one to stand still, Warner quickly took the reins and the business took off.

"I have a full line of paint, electrical and plumbing sup-

plies," he said. "We have a lot of rental equipment that I rent out daily. I also do screen and glass repair, make keys, so a little bit of everything."

Most recently Brandon's Hardware has added lumber.

"We added that downstairs earlier this year and I've added a country gift room so I could kind of cater to everyone," he said.

He said the city's recent renovation of the main thoroughfares has made a noticeable difference in his business.

"I've seen a lot more customers walk through the door and an increase in business," Warner said. "There's new people I've never seen before so I think the project may be drawing people to the area and I've noticed new businesses opening in the area too."

Expansion is on the horizon for Brandon's Hardware and Rental.

"I would love to see another business hopefully soon," he said.

Customer service is key to Warner's continuing success.

"I love giving one-on-one attention to each one of my customers," he said. "Taking care of each one individually is what I love the most."

Lena mayor Dennis Bergman said in an earlier interview that business was on the upswing in the downtown.

"There were some interruptions because of construction

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Tracy Siegner photo

Owner Brandon Warner said customer service is key to continuing success for Brandon's Hardware and Rental in downtown Lena

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LENA LIBRARY NEWS

By Dixie Althoff
Director

LENA — Another month almost over and the beautiful weather continues. We are quickly approaching the holiday season even though we are not ready to think that far ahead. I even ventured to Farm & Fleet Toyland over the weekend to get a few presents for the youngest grandkids. What a zoo.

It is only a matter of time until we deal with the dreaded "S" word. Any predictions as to when we will get our first SNOWFALL? Stop by the library and give us your prediction of when and how much you think it will snow. We will see who our best snow predictor is. (Could be a little prize involved).

We are cleaning house at the library. We are going through our children's books and weeding them out. There are lots

of nice books on our for sale/donations shelves.

You will probably see some Adult Non-Fiction there too as we are also weeding those out. Stop by and browse, that book you have been looking for just might be there on the shelves.

Last week the preschool story hour had a Halloween and leaves are falling theme.

For a craft, they did a Halloween bead necklace. They had to follow a color pattern for their beads. Each child wore a very pretty necklace home. Good job, kids.

Halloween and leaf books were read. Things really got lively when they did the Hooky, Spooky (like the Hokey, Pokey). Several other songs were enjoyed, and everyone had a great time.

The after school group did not meet last week due to Columbus Day. When there is no school, there are no pro-

grams here either. This week they did a Halloween scavenger hunt. There were some pretty eerie items to find, such as eyeball bubblegum, gummy ears, feet and brains. Bookmarks and pencils were also out there to be found. After all that fun, they made "eyeball donuts" for their snack. A very tasty treat and they looked cute too.

This week the preschool group continued with the Halloween theme. "It's Pumpkin Time" was read to the children. Songs were sung such as Black Cat, I'm a Little

Scarecrow, Leaves on the Trees, and If You're a Ghost and You Know It. Everyone enjoys the singing! For a snack, eyeball donuts were enjoyed by this group too.

New fall reads: Foreign

Affairs by Stuart Woods, Golden Age by Jane Smiley,

Host by Robin Cook, Lake House by Kate Morton, Rogue Lawyer by John Grisham,

See Me by Nicholas Sparks, Winter Stroll by Elin Hilderbrand, The Martian by Andy

Weir, Miracle at the Higher Grounds Café by Max Lucado, Saturn Run by John Sandford, and Nine Lives by Wendy Corsi Staub. Lots of new books to choose from; just remember some of the older books are just as good. The nights are getting longer so stop in and pick up a book or a movie to pass these dark hours.

Book Discussion meets October 28 at 9:30 a.m. Hope you can join us.

Watch the Shopper's Guide for further events.

Stockton Chamber hosts Miss Merry Christmas and Jack Frost holiday competition

STOCKTON — Enter your child, ages four to eight in Stockton's Miss Merry Christmas and Little Jack Frost contest. The deadline for photo submission is October 28. Please provide the following information along with a photo: child's name, age, and birthday, parent's name, address and phone number.

A Chamber committee will select the finalists and their photos will be published in the Scoop Today in mid-November. The public will vote for the winners.

Miss Merry Christmas and Little Jack Frost will each receive a \$50 gift certificate and be crowned December 4 before the municipal tree lighting ceremony and will help Santa and Mrs. Claus during the annual Stockton Christmas Walk.

Enter your child today. Remember photo submission is October 28. Email photos to stephaniemm22@yahoo.com or snail mail the Chamber at Stockton Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 3, Stockton, IL 61085. Please call 815.275.0481 for further information.

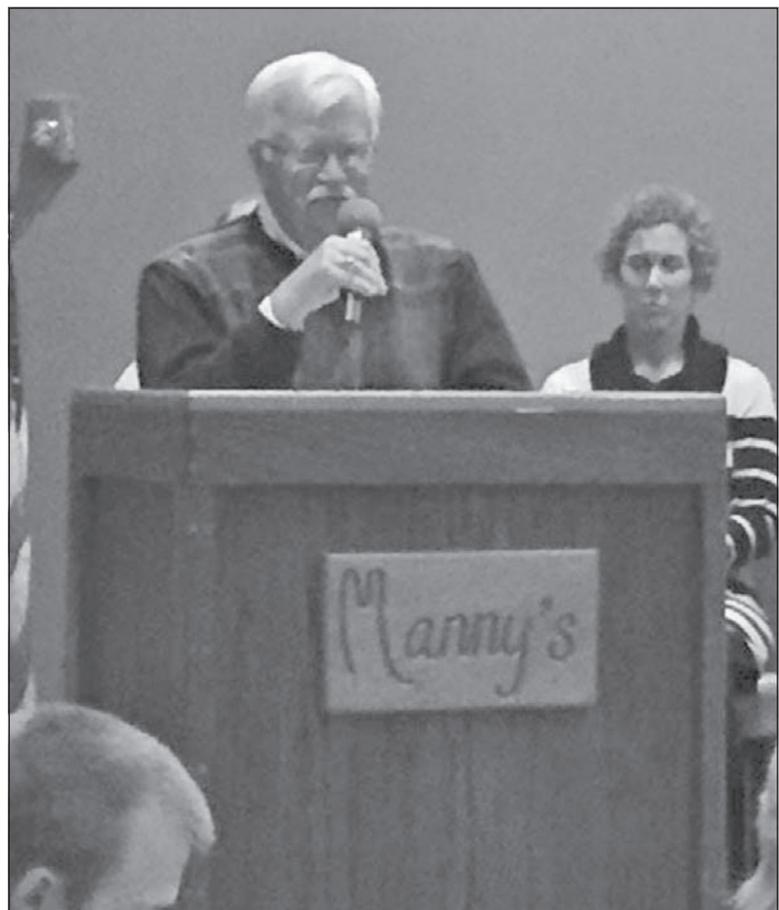


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Dammann inducted to hall of fame

On Saturday, October 17, Dr. Gordon Dammann was inducted into the Northwestern Illinois Sports Hall of Fame. Dr. Dammann has been a long time resident of Lena, IL where he has spent much of his time serving the Lena-Winslow school system. He coached Jr. Tackle for 12 years, sponsored a Varsity Golf tournament, and served as a commentator on LWTV at football games for many years. Other interests of Dammann's include: 18 years Illinois High School Association Football Official and NCAA Football Official- CCIW Conference for 10 years.

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The Family of Dalvin Dittmar



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- Lee & Alice (Blasing) Diehl

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Area Trick or Treat times and dates

- Lena 10/31 5-7 p.m.
- Pearl City 10/31 5-7 p.m.
- Orangeville 10/31 5-7 p.m.
- Stockton 10/31 5-7:30 p.m.
- Warren 10/31 5-8 p.m.
- Elizabeth 10/30 5-7 p.m.
- Freeport 10/31 5-7 p.m.

Going Trick or Treating? Be safe

Swords, knives, and other costume accessories should be short, soft, and flexible.

Avoid trick-or-treating alone. Walk in groups or with a trusted adult.

Fasten reflective tape to costumes and bags to help drivers see you.

Examine all treats for choking hazards and tampering before eating them. Limit the amount of treats you eat.

Hold a flashlight while trick-or-treating to help you see and others see you. WALK and don't run from house to house.

Always test make-up in a small area first. Remove it before bedtime to prevent possible skin and eye irritation.

Look both ways before crossing the street. Use crosswalks wherever possible.

Lower your risk for serious eye injury by not wearing decorative contact lenses.

Only walk on sidewalks whenever possible, or on the far edge of the road facing traffic to stay safe.

Wear well-fitting masks, costumes, and shoes to avoid blocked vision, trips, and falls.

Eat only factory-wrapped treats. Avoid eating homemade treats made by strangers.

Enter homes only if you're with a trusted adult. Only visit well-lit houses. Never accept rides from strangers.

Never walk near lit candles or luminaries. Be sure to wear flame-resistant costumes.



Tracy Siegner photos

Brandon's Hardware and Rental carries a full line of paints, plumbing and electrical supplies and much more. The store is located at 145 W Railroad St, Lena



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Brandon's Hardware and Rental carries a great selection of yard and garden tools in a variety of shapes and sizes designed to make your landscaping dreams come true.

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and so forth, but they've survived and are looking forward to the new downtown look and what it will do for them," Bergman said.

He said Lena has a couple small projects financed by grant monies in the works too.

"We have the Safe Routes to School project coming up next year and an ITEP Sidewalk Connection grant that will connect one of our subdivisions to the center of town, Bergman said. "Things are happening in Lena."



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Lena Lions keep it clean

The Lena Lions Lion Roger Russel, Lion Dave Hoffman chairman of the highway cleanup and Lion Ben Mayer, participated in the final highway pickup of the year on Saturday October 17. Not pictured is Lion Jim Brenner

The Lena Live Wires elect new officers at October meeting

By Krista Keene
Correspondent

LENA — The Lena Live Wires October meeting started at 6:15 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H pledge were led by Krista Keene. Roll call was then called by Della Crain. After roll call Joe Werkheiser read the Treasurer's Report. There was no old business at tonight's meeting. New business is making sure you turn in your enrolment forms.

County Achievement Night is Sunday November 15 at 1 at the Eagles Club in Freeport. Papa Murphy's is doing a fundraiser so think about doing it. The Co-Presidents are Della

Crain and Andrea Sutter. The new Co-Vice Presidents are Sam Pecoraro and Casey Crain. Reporter is Krista Keene. The new secretary is Krista Keene. Co-Treasurers are Michael Sutter and Christian Sutter. The new person for flags is Hannah Pecoraro. Joe Werkheiser made a motion to approve the list of officers. Krista Keene seconded it.

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I would like to thank everyone who attended my 80th birthday party and for the cards and gifts. I was really pleased to see so many people who care.

Thanks to my daughters and their families, nieces and nephews, who planned the event. It was a great day!

Best wishes,
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VIEWPOINT

Rauner and AG Lisa Madigan lawyers duel in letters

By Mark Fitton
Illinois News Network

SPRINGFIELD — Top lawyers for Illinois' Republican governor and Democratic attorney general are in a dustup over the governor's office filing a "friend of the court" brief with the U.S. Supreme Court.

Attorney General Lisa Madigan's solicitor general says Gov. Bruce Rauner's staff lawyers stepped out of line when they filed an amicus curiae brief in a case now before the court, *Friedrichs v. California Teachers Association*.

Rauner's lawyers say Madigan's office is wrong on several fronts.

The *Friedrichs* case is of nationwide interest to unions and right-to-work advocates, among others.

Rebecca Friedrichs and nine other California teachers who are not union members object to paying what are known as "agency fees" or "fair-share" dues.

They argue that being forced to pay dues, even those said to be directed only toward bargaining and contract administration, is a violation of their First Amendment rights of free speech and free association.

The high court announced in June it would hear the case this term, which began earlier this month. A decision is not expected until summer 2016.

On Sept. 25, Illinois Solicitor General Carolyn Shapiro wrote to Scott Harris, clerk of the court, to inform him of an "unauthorized" filing of an amicus curiae or "friend of the court" brief on behalf of Rauner in support of Friedrichs' position.

The governor's attorneys, Jason Barclay and Dennis Murashko, lack the authority to file such a brief, Shapiro argued.

Those attorneys "have no authority to file or order the filing of any brief in this court on behalf of the governor, in his official capacity, because neither the governor nor his attorneys have the authority, as a matter of state law, to represent the state

or its officials in any court or to determine the state's litigation positions," Shapiro wrote.

"The Illinois Constitution provides: 'The attorney general shall be the legal officer of the state,'" Shapiro wrote.

She cited the Illinois Attorney General Act which states, among other things, the attorney general has the power to "appear for and represent the people of the state before the Supreme Court in all cases in which the state or the people of the state are interested."

She said the Illinois Supreme Court has, for at least a century, delegated the state's legal representation to the attorney general.

For example, she cited the case of *Fergus v. Russel*, in which the Illinois Supreme Court held the attorney general "is the sole official adviser of the executive officers ... and it is his duty to conduct the law business of the state, both in and out of the courts."

She also cited the case of *Scachitti v. UBS Financial services*, in which the court said, "the attorney general is the chief legal officer of the state and its only representative in the courts."

Shapiro contends "Mr. Barclay and Mr. Murashko are well aware that they do not have authority to file or authorize the filing of court documents on behalf of the governor in his official capacity absent appointment by the attorney general as special assistant attorneys general."

Barclay and Murashko wrote their own Oct. 1 letter to the clerk of

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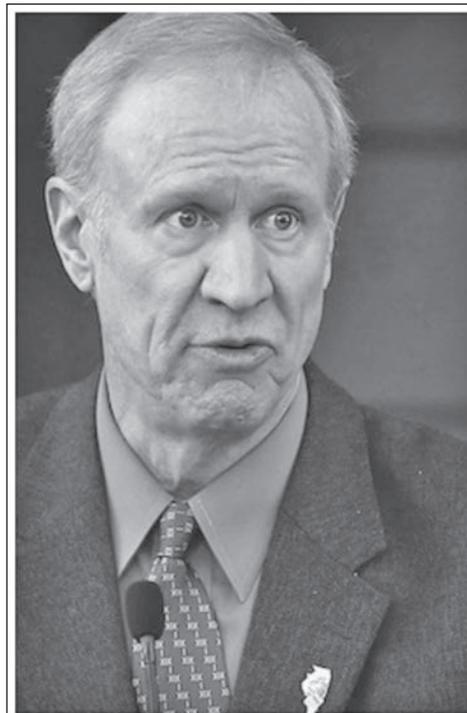


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Rauner lawyers Attorney General Madigan square off over the governor's office filing a "friend of the court" brief with the U.S. Supreme Court

Mautino chosen state's auditor general

By Mark Fitton
Illinois News Network

SPRINGFIELD — State Rep. Frank Mautino will be Illinois' next auditor general.

The Democrat from Spring Valley, nominated by state's Legislative Audit Commission, was approved Tuesday by a vote of 55-0 in the Senate and 102-10 in the House.

The post was established in the 1970 state constitution, and Mautino becomes Illinois' third auditor general and the first to have served in the General Assembly.

Mautino has served in the House since 1991 and been a deputy majority leader since 2011. He was a member of the Legislative Audit Commission for 18 years before resigning from the panel this summer to submit his application for auditor.

He was praised by members of both parties Tuesday for his intelligence, integrity and perseverance, as well as his understanding of Illinois government.

"He will serve us as the auditor general in the same way he served us in the General Assembly," said Rep. Jay Hoffman D-Belleville. "He will serve us with honor, with integrity. He will be a man that we will be able to respect in that position — the same as we've respected (outgoing auditor general) Bill Holland."



Photo provided
Spring Valley Democrat State Rep. Frank Mautino will be Illinois' next auditor general.

Sen. Sue Rezin, R-Morris, whose district includes the representative's, said while she and Mautino have the philosophical differences one might expect, party lines have never kept Mautino from working with her on legislation to benefit the Illinois Valley.

"Frankie, as everyone so affectionately calls him, works very hard to make everything work for our district," she said.

Rep. John Bradley, D-Mariion, said while Mautino's qualifications as a professional and legislator are "without question, his qualifications as a human being are without equal."

Mautino, 53, is a 1985 graduate of Illinois State University,

where he majored in marketing. He and his wife, Lena, have three children. His late father, state Rep. Richard "Dick" Mautino, served in the House from 1975 until his death in 1991.

After the vote, Mautino thanked his colleagues for their support and confidence.

"This chamber is full of amazing people, and I've been blessed these last 25 years to serve with you," he said.

Holland, the current auditor general, announced in June that he would retire at the end of the calendar year. Then a staff member for Senate Democrats, Holland took office in 1992 and built a reputation for integrity in a state known for partisan, rough and sometimes corrupt politics.

The auditor general is the Illinois constitutional officer charged with reviewing state agencies financial records, their performance and their compliance with state and federal laws. The office issues about 150 reports per year.

The remainder of Mautino's current, two-year term will be filled by weighted vote of the Democratic county chairman in the 76th District, which includes all or parts of Bureau, LaSalle, Livingston and Putnam counties.

Mautino was appointed to serve a ten-year term. The job pays about \$152,000.

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OBITUARIES

Delbert C. Kloeppling

ORANGEVILLE — Delbert C. Kloeppling age 94, passed away on Thursday, October 22, 2015 at the Monroe Clinic Hospital. He was born on October 7, 1921 to Fred and Florence (Stuckey) Kloeppling in the Twin Grove area in Green County, WI. He married Wilma Mains on February 17, 1946 in Afolkey, IL. Delbert served his country in the U.S. Army as a Staff Sergeant from 1943-1945 in the 35th Infantry in the South Pacific Theater. He was a Purple Heart recipient. He farmed for 15 years on the family farm. He was employed by Micro Switch for 25 years as a punch press operator and retired in 1986. He also owned and operated the Delbert Kloeppling Trucking Company.



Delbert was a member of the VFW Post 998 in Freeport. He was an avid hunter, enjoyed trap shooting and golfing at Brush Creek Golf Course.

He is survived by his wife, Wilma of Monroe, children: Rev. Michael (Pamela) Kloeppling of Lebanon, IL, Vicki (Shan) Mac Adam of Freeport, IL, Pamela Rupnow of Monroe, WI, Kathy Seffrood of Monroe, WI, Dennis (Barbara) Kloeppling of Marshall, WI; fourteen grandchildren, four step-grandchildren, nineteen great grandchildren, four step-great grandchildren, one sister, Helen Wilson of Dakota, IL.

Delbert is preceded in death by his parents, son David Kloeppling, son-in-law Gerald Seffrood, two brothers, Clifford and Gilbert Kloeppling, two sisters, Lucille Arnsmeier and Vera Notter and one great granddaughter, Shelby Patzwitz.

Funeral services were held on Monday, October 26 at the Cramer-Leamon Funeral Home in Orangeville.

Burial was in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens in Freeport, IL.

A memorial has been established in his name.

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

Eugene E. "Poppy" Wiest

APPLE RIVER — Eugene E. "Poppy" Wiest, 81, of Apple River, IL, and formerly of Cassville, WI, passed away on Friday, October 23, 2015, at Mercy Medical Center, Dubuque, IA.

Funeral Services will be at 10:30 a.m., on Wednesday, October 28, at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, in Scales Mound, IL.

Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m., on Tuesday, October 27, at the Miller & Steinke Funeral Home, Scales Mound, and from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m., on Wednesday, at the Church.

Complete arrangements are pending and will be announced by the Miller & Steinke Funeral Home, Scales Mound.

Online condolences may be left for the family at www.millerfhed.com

Howard Wilkinson

STOCKTON — Howard Wilkinson, age 69 of Stockton, IL, passed away Thursday, October 22, 2015 at St. Anthony Hospital in Rockford, IL. He was born August 18, 1946 to Glen and Virginia (Scott) Wilkinson in Savanna, IL. Howard served in the United States Air Force and was stationed in Vietnam. He married Janice Pierce August 15, 1970. Howard farmed west of Stockton for 5 years



then went to work at Kelly Springfield Tires until his retirement.

Howard loved the outdoors—hunting, fishing, golfing and camping at Timberlake Resort with his wife. He was an active member of the American Legion where he served as commander for a number of years. He was instrumental in bringing the Legion back to Stockton. He was also a member of the 554 Plum River Lodge Free Masons. Howard was a lifetime Bears and White Sox fan. He also loved watching the Stockton Blackhaws.

Surviving Howard are his wife, Janice of Stockton, IL; sister, Patti (Allen) Dean of Wyoming, IL; son, Scott Wilkinson of Mt. Carroll; daughters, Christie (Nick) Deyo of Monroe, WI, Jody (Ben) Newman of Stockton, IL, and Jenny (James) Homan of Shannon, IL; his nephew Randy Storey of West Jersey, IL, who was like a son to him; 11 grandchildren and a great granddaughter. Howard was preceded in death by his parents and a granddaughter Alexandria.

A visitation was held Sunday, October 25 at the Hermann Funeral Home in Stockton with a Masonic Service. The funeral service was Monday October 26 also at the funeral home. Interment took place at Ladies Union Cemetery in Stockton. A memorial fund has been established. Condolences may be shared with his family at www.hermannfuneralhome.com.

Mabel M. Boelk

WARREN — Mabel M. Boelk, 93, of Warren, IL passed away at her home on Monday, October 19, 2015. She was born on May 11, 1922 in Kent, IL. She was the daughter of Edwin and Elizabeth (Fehr) Manthei. Mabel and her husband Harold were married in Lena, Illinois on June 8, 1941. They farmed in the Pearl City area for several years prior to moving to the Warren area in 1958. Mabel was a member of St. Ann Catholic Church and the Altar & Rosary Society in Warren. She enjoyed cooking, especially in the cafeteria at the school, dancing, gardening and enjoyed her flowers and being with her family; especially her grandchildren and great grand children.

Mabel is survived by her children, Shirley (Marty) Brubaker and Linda Graves of Freeport, IL, Janice (Steven) Townsend of Indianapolis, IN, Kathy McAuliff (Tony Calabrese) of Port Washington, WI, and Larry Boelk of Warren, IL; 11 grandchildren,

Christine Lee, Valerie (Pete) Farnsworth, Deborah Van De Mark, Dana (David) Dinderman, Michael Graves, Kellard (Sarah) Townsend, Stephanie (Barney) Ricca, Kenji (Amber) Townsend, Brandon (Heidi) Homb, Eric Homb, Erin (Mike) Janssen, 19 great grandchildren, and 1 great-great grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Harold, brothers Kenneth and Melvin, and three brothers in infancy.

Services were held Saturday, October 24 at St. Ann Catholic Church in Warren, IL.

A visitation was held on Saturday, October 24 at St. Ann Catholic Church in Warren.

Rev. Andrew Skrobitt will officiate the services.

Burial will be at St. Ann Catholic Cemetery in Warren, IL.

A memorial has been established in her memory.

Friends may send condolences to the family at www.leamonfh.com.

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Fluegel's to celebrate grand opening in downtown Lena

By Tony Carton
Editor

LENA — Many new businesses will quietly open their doors, break in the staff, deal with the glitches and then celebrate a grand opening. Fluegel's, a retail store offering custom embroidery, decoration, sport apparel and women's boutique items in downtown Lena is no different and on November 12 from 4 to 7 p.m. Fluegel's will pull out all the stops and celebrate its formal grand opening.

"A lot has changed in just a couple months," said Fluegel's owner Annalisa Fluegel. "What I thought the business was going to be is different. It's a lot bigger and a lot more exciting than I thought. It's been really good"

Her background is clothing and retail and licensed sports merchandise, so the mix at Fluegel's is a reflection of everything she's ever done and the store is in the beautiful old storefront that for years housed anchor-level Lena retail outlets V&S Variety and Ben Franklin.

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 Frank-

lin," 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."

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

"It's fun and I get to buy clothes and people get excited about that part too," she said. "We're already completely dif-

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Tracy Siegner photos

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



The sport apparel available at Fluegel's in downtown Lena can be custom embroidered in-house with a company or team name or logo.

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Volunteer Hospice of NW Illinois to host Turkey Stroll

STOCKTON — Volunteer Hospice of Northwest Illinois will celebrate Hospice Month with a brand new fundraiser: Turkey Stroll – Come and Bowl. This event will take place at Stockton Bowling Lanes on Saturday, November 14 with registration at 5:30 p.m. and bowling from 6 – 9 p.m. There will be door prizes, raffle prizes, 50/50 chances, and some surprises, too! Call the Hospice Office at 815-947-3260 to sign up by Thursday, November 12. The cost is just \$20 per bowler. Non-bowlers are welcome to join the fun with a donation at the door.

Volunteer Hospice of Northwest Illinois, Inc. is located in the heart of downtown Stockton at 105 S. Main. We are a volunteer community based agency providing compassion-

ate care, support and education to families dealing with life limiting illness and loss. Our organization is not funded by any federal, state or local tax dollars. We rely solely on donations from individuals and organizations who believe in our mission. Thank you in advance for supporting our Volunteer Hospice.

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The next 4-H meeting is November 9 at 6 p.m. at St. John's Church. There is a programming meeting for the new officers at 1 p.m. on October 25. There were no demos or talks at this meeting.

At the next meeting the Crain's will be bringing snacks. Krista Keene made a motion to end the meeting, with April seconding it. The meeting ended at 6:45.

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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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ferent from what I originally anticipated, and it's amazing. 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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Swift Hospitality Group donates \$50,000 to HCC Hospitality Management program

FREEPORT — Highland Community College and the HCC Foundation recently announced a \$50,000 donation by Swift Hospitality Group, a Freeport-based hotel development and management firm, to the Highland Community College Foundation to support the development and initial year's operation of the new Hospitality Management program.

The announcement was made at a recent check-presentation event on the Highland campus.

"The hotel industry requires high standards to be successful, and high standards require education and training. It is up to us to inspire the next generation, and give them the opportunity to achieve excellence," said David Swift chairman and CEO of Swift Hospitality Group.

"This new program at HCC will help to provide the education and training needed to supply the hospitality industry with a qualified workforce

ready to meet the growing need," said Swift.

Created in partnership with Swift Hospitality Group, the new associate of applied science degree in Hospitality Management is designed to provide pathways for individuals pursuing a career in the hotel and hospitality industry. This growing field needs people who are knowledgeable in tourism, event planning, service management, and more Hospitality Management students will gain the core skills needed to be successful in positions such as general manager, front desk manager, food and beverage manager, sales coordinator, executive housekeeping, and maintenance supervisor.

"This timely new program could not have been introduced at this time if it were not for such a generous gift,"

said Highland president, Tim Hood. "Partnerships like this between HCC and area businesses, industry, and neighboring organizations will continue to be among the keys to future prosperity for our region."

Jim Berberet, HCC Foundation executive director, also thanked Swift Hospitality Group for the inspiration for the new program and for its financial support, as well as the Carlson Family Foundation and several area donors.

"The HCC Foundation will continue to seek support from hospitality businesses and individual donors for the second year of the Hospitality Management program," Berberet said.

Swift Hospitality Group is a family owned and operated business based in Freeport, Illinois. The company develops

and manages select hospitality properties across the country. Their focus is on building and maintaining high quality properties, providing an excellent guest experience and operating efficiently. Co-founders Dave and Jan Swift have more than 40-years' experience in conceiving, building, operating and managing many business interests.

Highland Community College offers more than 60 programs of applied and transfer degrees, community education and business training. In addition to comprehensive academic programming, Highland provides theatre, art and music opportunities for the community. Located in Freeport, Highland is conveniently positioned in the tri-state region with access to several major metropolitan areas.

Northwestern Illinois Community Action Agency 2016 LIHEAP/Weatherization Program

Northwestern Illinois Community Action Agency has grant funding from the Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity (DCEO) to assist the residents of Jo Daviess and Stephenson Counties with home heating utility costs through the LIHEAP and Weatherization Programs.

Beginning Thursday, October 1, 2015, income eligible seniors (age 60 and older) and people receiving social security disability benefits may call to schedule an appointment to apply for assistance.

On Monday, November 2, 2015, income eligible households who are disconnected or have a disconnect notice from their gas or electric utility and families with children age 5 and under may also call to schedule an appointment to apply.

NEW!!! Disconnected households may be required to make a payment on their utility before LIHEAP benefits can be approved.

Starting Tuesday, December 1, 2015, all income eligible households may call to schedule an appointment to apply.

Eligible households may call 800-883-1111 or 815-232-3141 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. to schedule an appointment to apply for assistance at one of the following locations.

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Hanover Village Hall

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Income Guidelines To qualify, a household must have income at or below the levels shown on the chart for 30 days prior to the application date.

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# of People Living in Household	Gross Income for 30 Days Including Application Date
1	\$1,471.00
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**** You must bring the following documentation with you to your appointment. If you are missing these documents, your appointment may be rescheduled.****

- Social Security Cards for all members of the household
- Proof of all gross income for all household members for 30 days including the application date including pay check stubs, SSA/SSI/SSD current benefit letters, pension/retirement statements, child support, unemployment reports, TANF/AABD/Township GA assistance notices, self employment reports, and proof of zero income.
- Current heat and electric bills issued.
- Medical Card from Illinois Department of Human Services
- A signed copy of current lease for renters

PY 16 Emergency Furnace Program/ Weatherization

An Emergency Furnace Assistance Program is available for LIHEAP households who are **homeowners** and whose **existing** heating systems are not functioning or have been red-tagged by their utility.

The purpose of the LIHEAP Furnace program is to restore heat to the household and is available from October 1 through March 31 or until funds have been exhausted.

The Weatherization program is available to homeowners to provide measures to save energy for heating and cooling.

To qualify for this assistance from these programs, the household must first apply for and be approved for LIHEAP assistance.

The household must have active service with both primary and secondary heating utilities. Households with disconnected utilities are not eligible for this assistance.

In addition to LIHEAP documents, the following documentation to show proof of home ownership is required:

- Copy of real estate tax bill Or
- Copy of warranty deed Or

• If a mobile home, must have a copy of the mobile home title.

Please call 815-232-3141 or 800-883-1111 to make an appointment for assistance.

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the court and argued the solicitor general is off the mark.

The governor's lawyers say Illinois is not and never has been a party to the Friedrichs case and the governor's office isn't trying to change that, but only filing an amicus or "friend" brief — which they argue Rauner has every right to do.

And they say the governor clearly and within court rules filed only in his individual capacity and alongside several individual employees of the Kaneland, Illinois, Unified School District No. 302.

Ebenezer-Salem to host pancake supper

PEARL CITY — The Ebenezer-Salem United Church of Christ will have a pancake supper on Saturday, November 7 at the Pearl City Legion from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The cost will be \$7.50 for adults, \$4.50 for children ages 4 to 10, and children under 4 eat for free. Carry outs will be available.

"The governor never represented that he filed the brief on behalf of the state of Illinois, the attorney general of Illinois, or any other elected official in Illinois," the governor's attorneys wrote.

Finally, they say the governor and attorney general have been at odds in both state and federal cases and remain so in a state case concerning a Rauner executive order addressing First Amendment issues similar, if not identical, to matters at issue in the Friedrichs case.

When the attorney general is in conflict with another state executive official, such as the governor, the courts have held "attorney general must yield to the other official's choice of counsel," Barclay and Murashko wrote, citing the case of Suburban Cook County Regional Office of Education v. Cook County Board.

The governor's lawyers conclude the "attorney general is, of course, free to file her own amicus brief in support of respondents in Friedrichs. She may yet do so. She may do so on behalf of her

own office or on behalf of the state. But the attorney general cannot infringe on the governor's ability to speak to this court, especially when... the governor and the attorney general are adversaries in active litigation on the same issue in Illinois."

To date, nothing has become of the disagreement.

Supreme Court spokeswoman Kathleen Arberg said the letters are part of the case file and docket notes distributed to the justices. Should the court have any response, it will be noted on the docket, she said in an email.

Neither Rauner's nor Madigan's press secretaries had any comment Friday.

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PASTOR'S CORNER

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LENA — Psalm 5:8 Lead me, Lord, in your righteousness because of my enemies—make your way straight before me

Five years ago I went with our high school students to the Silver Valley region of Idaho for a mission trip. This part of the state was beautiful, scenic, full of wildlife and stunning mountain vistas. It also could be treacherous. Our home base for the week was located thirty miles up some narrow, twisted roads at the head of a small valley flanked by tall mountains. Since most of the families we were serving were located at the opposite end of the valley, necessity required that we navigate roads carved out of the side of the mountain twice each day as we went about our business.

One afternoon, coming around a hairpin turn, we were confronted by a significant rock slide, seemingly blocking all forward progress. It was a sudden, abrupt kind of discovery and the brakes needed to be applied in a quick, decisive manner. Backing up was dangerous. The nature of the sharp turn meant that following traffic wouldn't see us until we were bumper to bumper in a bad kind of way. Going ahead appeared impossible. Several feet beyond the passenger door, the shoulder of the road ended and near vertical mountainside began. The anxiety level in the vehicle was a little elevated. About that time a front end loader from the highway department chugged up the steep incline from the downhill side. We couldn't see it because the shoulder of the mountain blocked our view, but we could hear our deliverance coming. A few quick scoops, and a man with an orange vest and a smile on his face waved us slowly through, helping us navigate the few big boulders that were left.

What we expected that morning was a clear, mostly straight path like we had encountered every other morning we had been down that road. That isn't what we got, however. What we got was a surprise. Our progress was opposed, blocked. We weren't going anywhere with-

out help.

"Lead me Lord", the Psalmist cries out. "I've got enemies and I can't make the way straight on my own. I need help." In the normal course of daily living we often encounter an impasse, a roadblock. We could try to navigate through the complication on our own but that often ends in frustration and incomplete resolution. Notice the words in the Psalm. God makes the path straight. When He takes over, the way is no longer twisted or winding or obstructed. A strengthened connection with the Father makes for easier travelling.

What are the barriers in your life? What impedes your forward progress and slows you down, causes your anxiety level to be elevated? God loves you because of righteousness. The sacrifice of his Son on our behalf makes us part of His family. He wants to come to your aid, but He will do it on His terms and in His timing. Ask Him. Let Him lead. Allow Him to be in control. You might not be able to see it but, your divine front end loader might already be headed in your direction.

PASTOR'S CORNER

We are like Rough-Sawn Oak

By Gary Rich

Lay Leader at Lena United Methodist Church

LENA — Recently I was helping with the Agriculture I class in the wood shop at LeWin High School. The school purchases rough sawn oak for the students to use on their projects since it is cheaper and the students get practice using the planer and joiner as they finish the boards. The rough sawn oak has many splinters, is discolored in spots and is actually a pretty ugly board. As the students run the board

through the planer all the rough edges and splinters are removed and what is left is a clean, smooth, beautiful piece of wood. Jesus does the same thing with us as we accept his grace. Jesus takes away our sins and gives us a clean, smooth finish just like that board. Once we accept Christ as our savior we become like that board that has been run through the planer. What we see as our unforgivable sins are forgiven.

In our study of Paul we continue on with Paul's second missionary trip. Timothy has been invited to accompany Paul and Silas as they con-

tinue to cross through Galatia and on to Philippi. Philippi is a city of ten to fifteen thousand residents with a small population of Jews. There were not enough Jews to support a synagogue, so Jews and God fearing Gentiles gathered outside together. There was a certain woman there named Lydia that heard Paul's message. Lydia was in the business of selling purple cloth. It was very expensive and was usually associated with royalty. Lydia was deeply moved and accept-

ed Christ as her savior and was baptized. Lydia became the first convert on European soil.

Don't forget our new alternative service at Lena United Methodist Church starts November 7 at 4:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall of the Lena UMC. (Enter through the rear door of church from the parking lot.) Located at 118 W. Mason. We will gather around the round tables, have a devotion time, time for discussion and some coffee and snacks. Come join us.

Willow/Kent United Methodist Churches

WILLOW/KENT — Willow/Kent UMC will worship together Sunday; Nov 1 at Willow 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. using the lessons in the devotional "The Upper Room" using the Holy Bible for all references and makes for interesting discussions.

All are invited and welcome to this time too.

Willow UMC is located about 7 miles SE of Stockton, IL on Willow Rd. For more info, please call 815-601-6742

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

LENA — Good Shepherd Lutheran Church will gather for worship on November 1, at 118 E. Mason St. Lena, IL, at 9:30 a.m. All are invited to worship on this All Saints Sunday with Holy Communion. Pastor Miranda Klosterboer will share the children's message and sermon and lead worship along with Karen Niemeier who will lead on the organ. Following worship, there will be a time of fellowship. All Sunday School children will gather for Sunday School Opening at 10:45 a.m. followed by learning, Bible study, prayer, and fellowship. Sunday morning Bible Study for youth and adults will meet in the fellowship hall at 11 a.m.

On Tuesday November 3 The Faith Circle will meet at 1 p.m. for Bible Study at the Lena Living Center. On Thursday November 5 the Hannah Circle will meet at 9 a.m. at Good Shepherd in the Fellowship Hall.

On Wednesday November 4 at 8 a.m. the Piece Corps Quilters will work together to craft quilts for Lutheran World Relief. They are always looking for more people to help tie 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. At 6:30 p.m on Wednesday Confirmation students in seventh and eighth grades will meet for learning, fun, prayer, and fellowship.

A Mystery Dinner will be held Saturday November 7 at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. It will be a fun-filled evening of deciphering clues as to what is on the Mystery Supper Menu this year. The supper will be a three course meal with appetizer, main dish, and dessert. The fun will start at 6 p.m. in the fellowship hall at Good Shepherd with the selection of your meal for the evening. Come and enjoy the adventure and fun. Sign up or call the church at 815-369-5552 by November 1 so that supplies may be purchased. A good will donation will be taken to cover the cost of the meal and to help with the food. Everyone is welcome to come and join in the fun and laughs as we enjoy a good meal.

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St. John's schedules November activities including spaghetti luncheon and vendor fair

PEARL CITY—The November 1, Worship Service will feature All Saints' Day and will be led by Pastor Ekstrand. Following worship, the Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet. Whirl Sunday School and Confirmation will meet at 10:15 a.m. You are encouraged to bring your last items for the Harvest Home collection on Sunday, November 1. All items will be presented that day for a blessing.

The Youth Ministries of St. John's will be hosting a Craft

and Vendor Fair on Sunday, November 1 in conjunction with their annual Spaghetti Luncheon. Vendors include J&T Creations, Norwex, Avon, MaryKay, Jamberry Nails, Greeting Cards by Judy Nelson, Carol's Collectibles, Thirty-one, Suzanne's Doll Fashions, April's Angels and More, Bud n' Belle, Tastefully Simple, Pampered Chef, Scentsy, Parkview Home and the Bake Sale. Please contact the church office if you are interested in

participating in the Vendor Fair by calling 815-443-2215 or email prshadmin@gmail.com.

The Women's Gathering will host a Bake Sale during the Vendor Fair at St. John's from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. on Sunday, November 1. The women of St. John's are asked to bake and contribute items for the sale.

The SPLAT Youth group will have their Annual Spaghetti Lunch on November 1 from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in Luther Hall. Tickets are \$5 at the door. The menu includes, Spaghetti, green beans, French bread, tossed salad, dessert and beverage.

St. John's will host a Flu Shot Clinic (FHN) on Sunday, November 1 from 10 a.m. until Noon. The cost of the flu shot will be \$52 for the High Dose (for ages 65 & older) and \$40 for the Quadrivalent (under age 65). The cost is waived if a Medicare card indicating Part B coverage is presented. No insurance plan claims can be processed other than Medicare Part B or Medicare Replacement Plan. Check or cash accepted for out of pocket costs.

Members and non-members alike are welcome to participate in two different Bible Studies at St. John's. The Monday evening bible study is at 7 p.m. and will begin a new series on November 2 titled the "The Psalms." Join us on Monday evenings as we come to understand more vividly the cries and celebrations expressed through the Psalms, and how they intimately relate to our lives even today. The Thursday morning bible study

is held at 9:30. The discussion will be on "Genesis:" A Narrative from the Mouths of the Hebrew People of God. You are welcome to join in on any or all of the bible studies! Both bible studies are held in the Conference Room of the Lower Level. The door on the east side of the building will be open for the bible studies.

All those that serve as worship assistants, ushers, lectors and sacristans at St. John's are encouraged to attend one of the upcoming Worship Volunteer

re-orientation sessions. They will be held on Wednesday, October 28 at 7:30 p.m. or Saturday, November 7 at 9:30 a.m.

Upcoming special events: Interested in learning to play Mexican Train Dominoes? You're welcome to join the fun at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, November 3 until Noon. Any men of the Congregation and community are welcome to join Pastor Ekstrand at a Men's Breakfast at Little John's (Pearl City) on Wednesday, November 4 at 7:30 a.m.

St Paul's in Kent to observe All Saints Sunday

KENT — On Sunday, November 1, St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Kent will observe All Saints Sunday at the 10 a.m. family worship service. This will be a time to remember, honor, and give thanks for those loved ones who have died in the past year, as they have joined other saints in Christ's Holy Church Triumphant. We will feel their presence with us this day as we sing the praises of the God who brings life out of death.

All are welcome to worship with us. The sermon will be based on Matthew 5: 1-12, commonly called "The Beatitudes." The congregation will sing David Haas' hymn "Blest are They." Holy Communion will be celebrated, and all are welcome at the Lord's Table. We welcome visitors anytime at the little church with the big heart. We are in the suburbs of Kent, on Sunnyside Road. For more information, call Pastor Andres at (815) 232-4010.



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Area artist captures special moment

On Easter Sunday, Pastor Mike Nesbit was distributing the wine during Communion when a little girl, Addison Duis, came up to him and gave him a big hug around his knees. This simple act inspired Barb Kellar, a local artist, to preserve the moment by creating a painting of it, so others could remember it also. After it was completed, Pastor presented the painting to the congregation and dedicated it and blessed it. He spoke of Addison as being shy and his surprise when she hugged him. When Barb created the painting, she had no idea of the story behind it, and this made the painting even more special. The painting is entitled "Our Good Shepherd" and is on display at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Elizabeth, IL.



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NUIC well represented in 2015 Football Playoffs

WARREN — Warren/Our Lady of the Sacred Heart advanced into the Class 1A State tournament following a 20-15 win over Milledgeville on Friday, Oct. 23, as the regular season came to a close.

Warren joins a host of other NUIC representatives as the 2015 Tournament gets underway with games across the State of Illinois.

There was concern, following a week five loss to Polo that if focus wasn't found, the playoffs could be missed.

The 44-point loss added fuel, as Warren bounced back with a two-point win over Stockton in week six.

With games scheduled against Galena, Durand and Milledgeville, it was discussed that Warren/Our Lady of the Sacred Heart would get enough wins to be invited to get a chance to play into November.

Seven teams in the northern 16 are NUIC representatives.

As number ten-seed Stockton faces number seven-seed Galena, in an NUIC crossover match, two of the NUIC powerhouses, Dakota and Forreton face off in the eight-nine game.

In the NUIC Upstate this season, Polo had no equal. With a 9-0 mark they secured a number four seed in the Class 1A Tournament.

The Marcos have allowed less than four points a game. Polo has also punished their opposition, scoring nearly 500 points in the nine-game span.

After finishing the regular season with a 9-0 mark and those statistical totals, a question could be built as to whether or not the NUIC is truly appreciated for the talent it brings to the post season.

With the number of teams playing for their chance to drive towards Champaign, head-to-head meetings are going to occur, the NUIC will have to beat itself as it prepares to take on all others.

The NUIC has done that, better than any other conference over the past three years, with Dakota, Lena-Winslow and Forreton all claiming the Class 1A Crown.

This year, the playoff path appears similar, the possibilities of a semi-final meeting between the survivor from the NUIC Northwest and the NUIC Upstate appears to be a very good possibility.

Polo hasn't been challenged all season, whether or not this proves to be an advantage will be determined, but their path could run into Stockton or Galena or 9-0 Lena-Winslow.

As the pairings were announced on Saturday, Oct.

24, it was discovered that the NUIC's representation of almost 25 percent of the playoff field, surprised no one.

Victims of the NUIC regular season, including Eastland-Pearl City, River Ridge, Orangeville and Pecatonica now get to sit back and watch how the 2015 post-season

unfolds, as they prepare to face those programs, when 2016 comes to visit.

In the Class 2A ranks, only West Carroll was selected from the NUIC, they will face off against the top seed in the northern branch of the Class 2A Tournament, Downs (Tri-Valley), on Friday.

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Dakota faces Forreton in Class 1A opener

By Chris Johnson
Reporter

DAKOTA — The Forreton Cardinals had to work hard, late, to defeat the Pecatonica Indians on Friday night, Oct. 23, as they closed the 2015 regular season with a 36-6 win and a 7-2 record, good enough for a tie for second place in the NUIC Northwest.

Second was the best the Cardinals could have hoped for this season, after suffering earlier losses to fellow conference powerhouses Dakota and Lena-Winslow.

On Friday, Sept. 11, the Dakota Indians defeated the Forreton Cardinals 34-0, during the regular portion of the NUIC schedule.

On Friday, Oct. 9, the Car-

dinals picked up their second loss of the year, 40-20, to Lena-Winslow.

The Cardinals have won five of their last six games heading into this Friday night's game in Dakota, as they start on their attempt to return to Champaign in the Class 1A Football Playoffs.

Earlier in the year Forreton struggled against Dakota.

It was the worst offensive performance of the season. Forreton was shut out.

In order for the Cardinals to get a chance to redeem themselves for their second loss of the season, against Lena-Winslow, they will have to work past this weekend's game in Dakota and win a couple more.

Forreton could have to face two Conference foes, if fortune

dictates, as Polo and Warren also begin their march towards State and could find a path leading towards the 2014 State Champs.

Dakota ended the season with a 7-2 record, wrapping up with a 28-13 loss to the Galena Pirates.

Galena moved to 7-2 and ended the regular season tied for second place in the NUIC Northwest.

NUIC results

First-round 1A matchups involving NUIC teams are: Elgin Westminster Christian (6-3) at Polo, Warren Co-op (6-3) at Chicago Hope Academy (8-1), Stockton (7-2) at Galena (7-2) and Princeville (5-4) at Le-Win.

Blackhawks trail into post season begins in Galena

By Chris Johnson
Reporter

STOCKTON — The Stockton Blackhawks defeated the Ashton-Franklin Center Raiders 54-6 on Friday night, Oct. 23, to close the 2015 regular season with a 7-2 mark.

The Blackhawks enter the 2015 post season on the road this Friday night, Oct. 30 in Galena.

Following a 48-8 loss to the NUIC Upstate Champion Polo Marcos in week three, the Blackhawks ran off five wins over their next six weeks to secure their position in the post-season.

In the week six game against

Warren/Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, the Blackhawks came up two points short from reversing their starting position, as the 2015 Class 1A State Tournament begins.

An 8-1 mark could have still given Stockton the Galena Pirates in the opening round, however, the Blackhawks would have played host.

Stockton will have to contend with the NUIC Northwest runner-up and the force they bring with them onto the field, when they play at Galena on Friday.

Offensively, the Blackhawks have been a force to reckon with, scoring just shy of 40 points a game. Galena, how-

ever, has allowed less than 15 points a game.

If the Blackhawks are to advance, they will have to attempt to keep pace with the Galena offense, which has scored 316 points this season, the third most in the NUIC Northwest, a conference that includes Lena-Winslow, Forreton and Dakota, the three most recent Class 1A State Champions.

A win by Stockton over Galena, will mean the Blackhawks would host in the round two game against either the North Region number-two seed Ottawa Marquette Crusaders or the number-16 seed Alden-Hebron Giants.

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Lena-Winslow enters State Tournament undefeated

By Chris Johnson
Reporter

LENA — The 2015 regular season has come to a close for the Lena-Winslow Panthers and now the 2015 Class 1A State Tournament is about to begin.

On Friday, Oct. 23, the Panthers defeated the West Carroll Thunder, 47-28, en route to an undefeated, 9-0, season and a number-three seed with the playoffs starting this Friday night, Oct. 30.

The Panthers received the high seed and will play in the northern branch of the Class 1A Tournament.

The post season will begin in Lena and the Panthers will face the Princeville Princes, out of the Lincoln Trail Conference.

Throughout the year, it has been noted how competitive the NUIC had been and how well it has performed in the State Tournament in recent years.

Seven teams representing northern Illinois are playing in this year's Class 1A State Tournament from the NUIC, including Lena-Winslow, Dakota, Forreston, Galena, Polo, Stockton and Warren/Our Lady of the Sacred Heart. The argument begins for conference supremacy.

A legitimate contender will have plenty of participants themselves and the NUIC may have to play through it, to get the Champaign.

The Lincoln Trail is not to be overlooked.

Toulon (Stark County) at 9-0, was given the overall number one position in the northern branch of the Class 1A bracket, they won the Lincoln Trail Conference this season.

The Rebels are joined by fellow conference mates Kewanee Wethersfield, Monmouth United, Aledo (Mercer County), Oneida (ROWVA) and Princeville, representing another large percentage of the 32-team field.

The Ottawa Marquette Crusaders were 9-0 this season. The IHSA, during their selection process, determined the Northeastern Athletic Conference Champions were a more complete program, then many others in the NUIC, including Conference Champion, Lena-Winslow.

The Panthers were given the number-three seed in the Class 1A Tournament. Many felt they should have been higher.

That oversight could mean the Panthers soon could begin a long march towards a repeat visit to the field of dreams in

Champaign.

For the Panthers, wins over 7-2 Dakota, 14-13 along with other wins over playoff qualifiers, including 7-2 Forreston and the West Carroll Thunder have helped prepare them for the road which lies ahead.

Lena-Winslow, on the season, scored over 40 points a game while allowing barely twelve points, defensively.

In the early portion of the 2015 season, the Panthers began putting their attack into action, with limited resistance, in wins over EPC, 46-8, Pecatonica, 42-12 and River Ridge, 53-14.

In week four, the season became much more challenging for the Panthers as they faced the Galena Pirates, barely holding back the rumbler from the west, 14-6.

The following week was no easier for Lena-Winslow as they battled the Dakota Indians.

The game turned into victory for the Panthers and paved the way for the undefeated, NUIC Northwest Championship.

A risky decision by Lena-Winslow yielded great rewards in their conference game against Dakota on Sept. 25.

The Panthers, following a

late fourth quarter touchdown strike and trailing 13-12, went for the win and the two-point conversion. They succeeded and set up the perfect run through the remainder of the NUIC schedule.

A loss to Dakota, or a failed two-point attempt, would have meant the Panthers would have shared the honors with

the Dakota Indians for the Conference Crown and Dakota could have carried bragging honors into the 2016 regular season showdown.

When the Class 1A State Tournament enters the final rounds, there is a good chance, iff not Lena-Winslow, someone from the NUIC is going to be influencing how 2015 ends.

NIUC RESULTS

2015 Northwest Upstate Illini Conference golf all-conference selections

Unanimous First Team

Bryan Edler-Forreston,
Kane Hyde - Galena
Zach Lacher - Stockton
Anthony Mendoza - West Carroll
Michael Motsch - E Dubuque
Alex Staver. Stockton

First Team

Erik Durand - Pecatonica
Cameron Ehlers - W Carroll
Peyton Keeffer - Stockton
Christopher Rademacher - Polo

Second Team

Austin Eischen - E Dubuque
Nate Brown - RR
Zac Cummins - Aquin
Cameron Hottman - Pecatonica
Sean Keckler - W. Carroll

Mack Llanas - Polo
Conner Shoemaker - Aquin
Curt Strauss - Eastland
Tim Streight- River Ridge

Honorable Mention

Brix Clayton - Polo
Evan Kruse - Galena
Tristin Woodin - Polo

2015 NUIC Girls Golf All-Conference Selections

AU-Conference Selections

Karissa Freidag - Eastland/
Milledgeville
Megan Gille - Stockton
Naeva Groenewold - Forreston

Hayley Guilinger - West Carroll

Bailey Heckman - Eastland/
Milledgeville

Kaitlin Korf - Forreston
Grace Norton - Eastland/
Milledgeville

Winslow American Legion dedicates veterans' memorial

By Larry Nelson
Correspondent

WINSLOW — It was a small but appreciative group of Winslow area residents who met on Carver Street recently to help dedicate an attractive memorial to honor all veterans who have served our country. The memo-

rial garden area was a project of the Stewart-Schneider Post 0592 and was completed by legion members as well as by community members. Adjutant Don Bunker said the legion members wanted to do something to honor veterans, something that would last for a long time. He called the

project "the work of many hands joining for our community."

The memorial found a prominent spot on Carver Street in

the downtown. Bunker offered a prayer and a very short message about the memorial. When the ceremony was over, many of

those in attendance stayed to chat and to admire the memorial stone and perhaps to reflect on for what it stands.



Larry Nelson Photo

Some of the 37 American legion members from Winslow area who worked on the veterans' memorial which was dedicated in Winslow recently paused for a group photo. From left: Larry Mann, Don Bunker (adjutant), LeRoy Bernet (commander), Jerry Hastings, Burnette Burkhalter, LaVerne Schneider, Gary Harter, John Ammon. Both Ammon and Hastings are World War II veterans.

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FROM LENA'S KITCHEN



The not so skinny cook

LENA — As I sit here and write this column, it is a dreary and windy day. I guess we will have a few of those. The temperature is falling, so it will be a good time to make some soup. The recipes this week feature fall flavors. The pumpkins and the apples are getting a little makeover. Enjoy trying these new ways to eat the fall fruits and vegetables.

This salad uses my favorite greens combination. I love the different kinds of lettuce found in the spring mix greens. I really like the arugula lettuce because it gives a little peppery bite to the salad. I also like the nuts, apples, and cranberry combination. The dressing has just the right mixing of the vinegar, mustard, and poppy seed. I hope you will try this new salad. Note: I used Honey Crisp apples.

Apple Cranberry Cashew Salad

- 2 pkg. (5 oz. each) of spring mix salad greens
- 2 large apples, coarsely chopped
- 1 can (9¼ oz.) salted cashews
- 1 pkg. (5 oz.) dried cranberries
- ½ C. shredded Parmesan cheese
- Dressing
- 2/3 C. sugar
- ½ C. canola oil
- 1/3 C. cider vinegar
- 1 t. ground mustard,
- 1 t. poppy seeds
- 1 t. salt

Combine the greens, apples, cashews, cranberries and parmesan in a large bowl. In a separate bowl, whisk together the dressing ingredients. Drizzle the dressing over the salad and toss.

Fall is good soup weather. I love to make different kinds of soup. Serve the salad recipe from earlier in the column and some great crusty bread, and this soup is delicious on a chilly fall evening. I like the combination of lentils and barley. If you want, you could leave out the chicken and just have a meatless soup.

Lentil Barley Soup

- 1 medium onion, chopped
- ½ C. chopped green pepper
- 3 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 T. butter
- 4 cans (14.5 oz. each) chicken broth
- 3 medium carrots, chopped
- ½ C. dried lentils
- 1 ½ t. Italian seasoning
- 1 t. salt
- ¼ t. pepper
- 1 C. cubed cooked chicken
- ½ C. quick-cooking barley
- 2 medium mushrooms, chopped
- 1 can (28 oz.) crushed tomatoes, undrained.

In a Dutch oven or large pot, sauté the onion, green pepper, and garlic in butter until tender. Add broth, carrots, lentils, Italian seasoning, salt and pepper and bring to a boil.

Reduce the heat, cover and simmer for 25 minutes. Add the chicken, barley and mushrooms and return to a boil. Reduce the heat and cover and simmer for 10-15 minutes or until the lentils, barley and carrots are tender. Add the tomatoes and heat through.

I really like linguine pasta. This easy recipe is another one of those that all you need is a salad and bread, and you have a delicious meal. The sauce is easy to make and not as rich as a typical Alfredo Sauce. Try this lighter version and see if you miss all of those calories.

Linguine Carbonara

- 8 oz. uncooked linguine
- ½ C. frozen peas
- 1 large egg
- 1 C. evaporated milk
- ¼ C. finely chopped red pepper
- 1/8 t. crushed red pepper flakes
- 1/8 t pepper
- ½ C. grated Parmesan cheese, divided
- 2 bacon strips, cooked and crumbled

In a large pot, cook the linguine according to package directions, adding the peas during the last 2 minutes of cooking.

In a small saucepan, whisk the egg, milk, red pepper, pepper flakes and pepper; cook and stir over medium-low heat until the mixture is just thick enough to coat a spoon and a thermometer reads at least 160—do not boil. Remove from heat and stir in ¼ cup of the parmesan and the bacon.

Drain the linguini and peas; return to large pot. Add the sauce and toss to coat. Sprin-

kle remaining cheese on top of plated or bowled pasta.

This recipe was sent to me by a reader. She liked it because it is like the Magi bars she makes at Christmas. Use this recipe for a Halloween treat that doesn't take forever to make. If you are a coffee lover, this bar goes great; if you are like me, a cold glass of milk will enhance the flavor. Try this easy way to make a bar cookie.

Pumpkin Delight Magic Bars

- 1 pkg. (11 oz.) vanilla wafers
- ½ C. butter, melted
- 3 oz. cream cheese, softened
- 1 can (14 oz.) sweetened condensed milk
- ½ t. pumpkin pie spice
- 1 can (15 oz.) pumpkin (not pie pumpkin)
- 1 ½ C. coconut
- 1 C. white baking chips
- 1 C. dried cranberries
- 1 C. chopped pecans

Preheat the oven to 350. Place the wafers in a food processor; pulse until coarse crumbs form. Drizzle with melted butter and pulse until blended. Press into the bottom of a greased 9 x 13 baking pan.

In a large bowl, beat cream cheese, milk and pie spice until smooth; beat in pumpkin. Pour over the crust. Layer with coconut, baking chips, cranberries and pecans.

Bake 45-55 minutes or until golden brown. Cool in pan on a wire rack for 10 minutes.

Loose sides from pan with a knife; cool completely. Cut into bars. Refrigerate the leftovers.

In keeping with our fall/Halloween theme, this last recipe is easy because you use a box cake recipe as your base for the cupcakes. The toasting and sugaring of the pecans really make this cupcake special for a Halloween treat—actually you can keep it right into November and Thanksgiving.

Spiced Pumpkin Cupcakes

- ½ C. finely chopped pecans
 - 3 T. sugar
 - 1 box yellow cake mix
 - 1 C. pumpkin (not pumpkin pie mix)
 - ½ C. water
 - 1/3 C. oil
 - 4 eggs
 - 1½ t. pumpkin pie spice
 - Cream cheese frosting
 - 1 stick unsalted butter
 - 8 oz. softened cream cheese
 - 1 t. vanilla
 - 3½-4 C. powdered sugar
- Preheat the oven to 350.

Place baking cup in each of 24 regular size muffin cups.

In a heavy skillet, cook pecans and 2 tablespoons of sugar over low heat, about 8 minutes, stirring constantly until the sugar is melted. Spoon and spread pecans onto sheet of waxed paper. Sprinkle with remaining 1 tablespoon of sugar and toss.

In a large bowl, beat the cake mix, pumpkin, water, oil, eggs and pumpkin pie spice with an electric mixer on low speed for 30 seconds, then on medium speed 2 minutes, scraping the bowl occasionally. Divide the batter evenly among the muffin cups, filling each about two-thirds full.

Bake 19-24 minutes or until a toothpick inserted into the center comes out clean. Cool in pans for 10 minutes; remove from pans to cooling rack and cool completely.

Frosting: mix the butter and cream cheese in a mixer until blended. Add the vanilla and mix. Gently add the powdered sugar and mix until combined. Note: I generally use 3½ Cups of powdered sugar and add the other ½ cup as needed for desired consistency to spread on the cupcake.

Frost cupcakes and sprinkle the edge of the frosted cupcakes with pecans; press lightly into the frosting. Store in the refrigerator.

Well, my Chicago Cubs fizzled out four games early. Actually they really tanked, and it wasn't pleasant to watch. My mom and dad used to always say—"Wait until next year!" I at least have some hope for next year for the first time since I have heard that phrase. I will get ready on Saturday night for the many, many, trick or treaters I will get on my street. Please be careful as you are driving between 5 and 7 on Saturday evening, especially if you are in the Mason Street/Oak Street area. Watch for the little people who like to dart across the street. They can get away from adults in a flash. Now that we are putting Halloween to rest, we will be turning our attention to Thanksgiving recipes and yes, Christmas cookie recipes. We are on the hunt for some Thanksgiving recipes and some even better Christmas cookie 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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EPC Homecoming



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Area Girl Scouts were among the dozens of organizations that turned out to march in the EPC Homecoming Parade in Lanark

(Right) Kids of all ages turned out Wednesday in Lanark to cheer on the team and participate in the annual Eastland/Pearl City Homecoming Parade



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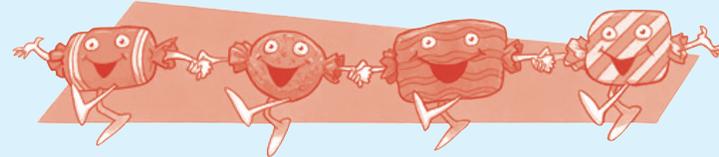


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Stephenson County Association for Home and Community Education hosts international meeting

FREEPORT — The Stephenson County Association for Home and Community Education (SCAHCE) held their International Meeting on October 12 at the Stephenson County Farm Bureau in Freeport. The program was on the Baltic States, which include Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania. Kristina Petty, who grew up in Lithuania, but has resided in the U.S. for the last fourteen years, gave the presentation.

During the meeting, it was announced that Aimee Shere, a graduate of Freeport High School, was this year's recipient of the SCAHCE \$300 Scholarship. She is pursuing a degree in Special

Education and Math at Illinois State in Normal.

The meeting ended with a taste testing of foods common to that region of the world. Everyone had the opportunity to dine on kugelis (potato casserole), piragi (sauerkraut), ausytes su grybais (little mushroom ears), paska (molded cheese dessert), sausainiai (cookie slices) and several other native dishes.

All HCE members and the general public are always invited to attend this meeting. HCE units are located throughout the county. If you would like more information, please contact Sandra Kubatzke at 815/563-4343.

Girl Scouts invite families to explore Camp Far Horizons together

HANOVER — This fall is the perfect time for families to get outdoors and explore nature together. Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois is opening Camp Far Horizons, 9702 S. Lost Horizon Road, in Hanover, to all area families on Saturday, November 7; from 10 a.m.–3 p.m. Hands-on

activities for the whole family will include archery, hiking, outdoor cooking, and arts and crafts. Cost is \$15 per youth (up to age 17 or high school senior); \$5 per adult includes all activities and lunch.

To ensure the safety of all participants, some activities will depend on the age of participant. Individual children or small groups of children must be accompanied by an adult chaperone (ages 18+). Advance registration is required by October 28. Visit www.girlscoutsni.org and "Click Here to Register." For more information, please contact Felecia Dupczak at 630-897-1565, Ext. 7161, or fdupczak@girlscoutsni.org.

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COLLEGE NEWS

Orangeville resident Lisa Lang named UW-Whitewater peer mentor

WHITEWATER, WI — Lisa Lang, a senior accounting major from Orangeville, has been trained and certified as a University of Wisconsin-Whitewater peer mentor.

Each of the 93 UW-Whitewater peer mentors is assigned a group of new students to help them get comfortable with campus, participate in activities and build relationships.

"Not only is this position a great way to gain experience, but it is also a perfect stepping stone to bigger opportunities offered at UW-Whitewater and beyond," said Marie Hornickel, coordinator of the Peer Mentor program.

Mentors ease the transition for new students all the way through the first semester by guiding them through Club U-Dub-Dub, facilitating New Student Seminar courses and setting them up for social and academic success.

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CONTACT of Northern Illinois schedules training sessions for volunteers

STATELINE — CONTACT of Northern Illinois will be offering training class for Helpline Volunteers. Training will be held for 4 consecutive Sunday's from 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. beginning October 18. Training classes prepare volunteers to assist troubled callers by listening, providing referrals and intervening in crisis. Classes are informative and interesting and are held in a welcoming and fun atmosphere. Upon completion of the class and internship hours, volunteers will receive 3 credit hours from Highland Community College that can be converted to CPDU's for teachers. Training topics include but are not limited to: Communication skills, Marriage and Fam-

ily, Mental Health, Substance Abuse, Loneliness and Grief, Self Care, Crisis Intervention and Domestic Violence. To register for training and to obtain training location please call CONTACT at 815-233-4357

A little levity to lighten your day

Q: What's green and tastes like red paint?

A: Green paint.

And/or

Q: What's the difference between genius and stupidity?

A: There are limits to genius.

Le-Win CUSD #202 celebrates Principals' Appreciation Week

LENA — Lena-Winslow CUSD #202 would like to salute our principals, Mary Gerbode, Andrew Lobdell and Mark Kuehl in recognition of Principals' Appreciation Week. These individual building principals are highly professional and dedicated to our students, parents, and school district. Thank you for all of your hard work.

Jo Daviess County Animal Control announces change of address

GALENA — The Jo Daviess County Animal Control announces a change of address, effective Nov. 2.

Beginning November 2, Animal Control will be operating out of the Jo Daviess County Health Department Building in Galena, IL. Dog owners can stop in and pay for licenses at the Health Department at 9483 US Hwy 20 West, Galena, IL, call the office with questions at 815-777-0263, or send in their payments to: Jo Daviess County Animal Control, PO Box 318, Galena, IL 61036.

Try a regimen of nutrition and detoxification to restore the body to normal equilibrium

Information compiled by Mike Wampfler D.C.

STATELINE — Even if you are a fairly healthy adult, normal weight that rarely gets sick, because of our lifestyle a detox program is a must at some point.

In today's world more than 60,000 chemicals have some degree of access to the food, air, and water of every country. Most of us have been vaccinated and have dental amalgams. We have seen the bio-accumulation of mercury described in the vaccine text and in the Dentistry chapters.

Most of us have taken in significant amounts of processed foods during our lifetime, much of which remains locked in our tract and in our cells because it is un-metabolizable.

By themselves, these accumulated poisons cannot escape the tissues in which they are trapped. Most people die with an enormous toxic load locked within their tissues. The majority of health conditions today are chronic and degenerative.

Modern medicine has a very poor track record curing them, proven by the fact that they are so epidemic, and that their incidence is skyrocketing.

Among them:

- Allergies
- Asthma
- Debilitating disease
- Diabetes
- Cancer
- Arthritis
- Heart/lung disease
- Overweight
- Vaccine injuries
- Chronic fatigue
- Myofascitis
- Digestive disorders

Obviously those with these conditions would benefit from a whole body cellular detoxification.

We often hear that it's all from genetics, and we try to blame our parents and go on eating the garbage thinking it has no effect. The truth is genet-

ics are compared to a cookbook = that is passed down from one generation to the next. While it is much easier to concoct some type of meal with a recipe it is also critical that we have the proper ingredients, as well as timing and the desire to put it all together.

These chronic diseases are very similar; they require ingredients and timing to make them allowable. For example only 40% of those with cancer genetics will ever develop cancer, the question is what do the 60% do different since they have the same genetics (cookbook). In addition, any healthy individual who is interested in optimum health or longevity would also improve by doing a periodic detox program. At least every 40 years, right? Athletes focused on peak performance can derive significant advantages from a program that provides maximum oxygenation of the body's cells and tissues at all times.

Our office is going to be doing a short presentation on purification and starting a mini-version of a detox (10 days) starting after Halloween, call our office with any questions.

McConnell Neighborhood Watch Committee schedules November meeting

MCCONNELL — The next meeting of the McConnell Neighborhood Watch Committee will be Monday, November 2 at 6 p.m. in the McConnell School/Waddums Township Building. Contact Jerry or Robin Pardus at 815-868-2425 with any questions.

Monroe Clinic Hospice provides grief support during the Holidays

MONROE, WI — For adults grieving the loss of a loved one, the holidays can be an especially challenging time of year. To help people cope with grief during the Christmas season, Monroe Clinic Hospice is offering "Handling the Holidays" at the St. Camillus Center, 2101 6th Street, Monroe, Wis., on Saturday, Nov. 7, from 1:30-3:30 p.m.

The program will help participants identify common holiday

concerns explore depression as a part of grieving develop practical strategies to handle the holiday season discuss the role of spiritual comfort during the holidays create ways to remember loved ones

Refreshments will be served at this free program, to register call 608-324-1230 or 800-367-8406. Space is limited, and early registration is encouraged.

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Contact **Brian Duster** with any questions:

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Highland Community College presents Jane Addams' vision for political candidates

FREEMONT — The Highland Community College Global Task Force will host a program entitled "Jane Addams: Why her vision is vital today" at 7 p.m. on Thursday, November 5, in the Student/Conference Center, Room H201.

A well-known native of northwest Illinois, Addams was born in Cedarville before going on to become the co-founder of the Hull House, the nation's most influential settlement house. A tireless advocate for social reform, Addams founded the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom and was co-founder

of National Child Labor Committee, the American Civil Liberties Union, the NAACP, and the Immigrant's Protective League. She was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1931.

The program will be presented by Judy Whipps, a professor of Liberal Studies and Philosophy at Grand Valley State University in Michigan. She has published a four volume edited set of Addams's writings, as well as many articles on Addams. She established the "Jane Addams' Prize," given out by the Society for the Advancement of American

Philosophy. Addams' work has inspired Whipps' thinking about education, and social change.

The program will focus on Jane Addams' vision which was shaped during a time when democracy was in crisis. Whipps will speak of how deep divisions between the rich and the poor, the fight for equal rights, the turmoil around immigration and working conditions, and the conflicts arising from labor movement were all threatening the stability of the nation. Even though Addams was 60 years

old before she was able to vote, her activism changed the landscape of these social and political issues.

Addams' aspirations for democracy, and her trust in the pragmatist method of working with others are models that all of us, including politicians, can still learn from today. Is it time to pay more attention to Jane Addams?

The event is free and open to the public. For more information regarding this event, contact Kay Ostberg at kay.ostberg@highland.edu or 815.599.3533.



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Twenty-nine walkers participated in the 2015 Eastern Jo Daviess CROP Hunger Walk at Apple Canyon State Park. The event has raised more than \$1300 to date with more to come.

CROP hunger walk held at Apple Canyon State Park on October 11

APPLE RIVER — The Eastern Jo Daviess CROP Hunger Walk was held Sunday, October 11 at Apple Canyon State Park. Twenty-nine walkers raised \$1,311.00 and more to come. It was a beautiful fall, windy day. We walked first back at 3 p.m. Devotions were led by Pastor Mike Nesbit, Pastor

Brenda Morris led us in a neat singing table prayer. Lunch was served hot dogs, chips, cookies, bars and drink was enjoyed by all. Thank you to all who donated money, their time and help in any way. God is good all the time. Twenty-five percent of the total money raised stays in our

local food pantries.

This year's participants were Jim, Suzie, Laney and Ethan Koch, Steve Deliberto Pastor Mike, Jen and Alex Nesbit, Pastor Brenda Morris, Dawn Weber, Trinity Bertucci Jan, Jay Jr., Maranda and Amy Schaney, Cody and Caitlin Breuer, Teresa Hesselbacher, Shirley Miller, Megan Preston, Nancy Rice, Carol Rowe, Maggie Palmer, Laiken and Livia Haas, Libbey and Sophie Shellenberger, Norme and Marian Binns. Churches involved were St. Paul Lutheran, Warren and Elizabeth, Christ Lutheran, Stockton, Wesley and Calvary Methodist, Stockton, Schapville Zion Presbyterian, Elizabeth. God is good all the time.

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SENATE WEEK IN REVIEW

SPRINGFIELD — Both houses of the General Assembly met in Springfield during the week for a rare fall session day, amid the ongoing budget impasse now well into its fourth month.

Meanwhile, the real-world impact of that impasse are more evident every day. Two of the three credit rating agencies officially downgraded the state's credit during the week, and new jobs figures highlighted the vital importance of cutting through the logjam to get Illinois' economy back on track.

The Senate also unanimously

approved the recommendation of State Rep. Frank Mautino as the state's next Auditor General.

Illinois credit woes continue: Fitch and Moody's downgrade

On Oct. 19, credit rating agency Fitch officially downgraded its rating on \$26 billion in Illinois general obligation bonds from A- to BBB+, the worst rating of any state in the country. On Oct. 22, Moody's followed suit, downgrading Illinois bonds from A3 to Baa1. Moody's had warned earlier in the week that a skipped pension

payment planned for November could affect their rating of Illinois' debt further.

In downgrading the state's debt, Fitch cited Illinois' weak economic recovery compared to the rest of the country — long-term liabilities, ongoing budget gaps, and reduced flexibility as a result of the budget impasse. Fitch also lowered the rating from BBB+ to BBB for bonds on the Illinois Sports Facilities Authority, McCormick Place, and Chicago's motor fuel revenue bonds.

Moody's also lowered its rating of sales-tax bonds from A3 to Baa1 and lowered the Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority and Civics Center bonds from Baa1 to Baa2. Moody's outlook for Illinois and each additional obligation remains negative.

Illinois economy continues to struggle: Change needed

So why do I continue to push for much-needed reforms in Springfield, especially those that would improve Illinois' struggling economy? According to the Illinois Department of Employment Security (IDES), Illinois lost nearly 7,000 jobs in the month of September, the fourth straight month of statewide job losses.

IDES anticipates that Illinois employment will not recover from the recession until April 2017 — a year and a half from now — while our neighboring states have already surpassed their pre-recession jobs totals.

Compared to the pre-recession peak for employment, jobs nationwide are up 2.9 percent, but Illinois is still more than 3 percent below its peak.

In downgrading the state's

credit during the week, Fitch specifically cited Illinois' lagging economic performance:

"Employment growth has been well below the national average through the recovery/expansion period and has weakened relative to the U.S. in recent months. Non-farm employment grew at just a 0.5 percent year-over-year rate in August 2015. Through August 2015, the state has recovered only 71 percent of jobs lost in the downturn, among the weakest of the states at less than half the national recovery rate. Both GDP and personal income declined at a steeper rate in Illinois during the recession and have been increasing at a slower rate during the expansion."

These aren't just abstract numbers. These numbers represent people trying to find work, families struggling to make ends meet, and businesses coming to the conclusion that Illinois is not a place to grow.

Senate approves Mautino as Auditor General

The Senate voted unanimously Oct. 20 to approve the appointment of State Rep. Frank Mautino to serve as the next Auditor General of Illinois. Mautino will replace Bill Holland, who has served as Auditor General since 1992, at the end of this year.

The Auditor General oversees state agency budgets and reviews the state's financial records, issuing about 150 audits of targeted agencies every year. Holland oversaw the high-profile 2005 audit of the Department of Central Management Services that

eventually led to former Gov. Rod Blagojevich's impeachment, and the 2014 audit of former Gov. Pat Quinn's controversial \$54 million Neighborhood Recovery Initiative.

The bipartisan Legislative Audit Commission had recommended Mautino for the post after a nationwide search.

Farmers wrapping up 2015 harvest

Across Illinois, most farmers have now completed their 2015 harvest and are now performing tillage operations and preparing their fields for next year.

According to the United States Department of Agriculture, 85 percent of all corn acres have now been harvested, compared to a five-year average of 68 percent. Both current progress and the average are equal to corn, at 85 percent and 68 percent respectively.

Winter wheat planting, which often takes place after soybeans have been harvested, is now 63 percent complete, with 33 percent of the plants having emerged from the soil.

Many farmers are beginning to become more concerned with how dry the weather and soil have been: 53 percent of topsoil moisture is now rated as short or very short, with 41 percent of subsoil rated similarly.

Capitol Facts

Q. Do legislators have a state car provided?

A. No. Legislators must purchase or lease their own vehicle, including registration and insurance. They also must purchase the legislative license plates if they choose that option.

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Public Notice is hereby given that on **October 5, 2015**, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Stephenson County, Illinois, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as: **Hoof and Paw** located at: **780 W. Walnut Rd., Freeport, IL 61032.**

VICIR. OTTE
Stephenson County Clerk
by **FLORENCE VAN MATRE**
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Dated October 7, 2015
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ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT PEARL CITY PARK DISTRICT FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2014 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2015

Revenues: Property Taxes, \$98,721; Replacement Taxes, \$5841; Rentals, \$506; Program Fees, \$30,318

TOTAL = \$135,386
Salaries: Peyton Brudi, \$19; Evan Bull, \$763; Dana Jordan, \$208; Cody Kluck, \$338; Kelsie Kluck, \$2631; Megan Lawler, \$2750; Nicole Lawler, \$2863; Deb Lutz, \$1235; Matthew McDearmon, \$3740; Carl Pickard, \$21,752; Dwight Pickard, \$2120; Dustin Pickard, \$2824; Janis Sheffey, \$3840

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Ending:
Fund Balance 118,423
I, Janis Sheffey, Treasurer of the Pearl City Park District, Stephenson County, Illinois, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the Annual Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2015.

Janis Sheffey, Treasurer
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St. John's Lutheran Church annual bazaar and beef and noodle dinner to be held

LENA — St. John's Lutheran church will hold their annual bazaar and beef and noodle dinner on Tuesday, November 3 (Election Day) at St. John's Lutheran Church, 625 Country Lane Drive, Lena. The bazaar opens at 8:30 a.m. Coffee and rolls will be served from 8:30 a.m. until the bazaar is over

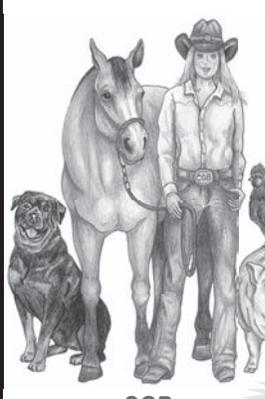
(free will offering). Dinner serving begins at 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. The menu includes beef and noodles, mashed potatoes and gravy, vegetable, Jell-o salads, relishes, dinner rolls, pie or angel food cake and coffee or milk. The cost is adults \$9, children 6-12: \$4 and 5 and under free (dine-in

only) Carry outs are available until 1 p.m. by calling 815-369-4035. Please call ahead for six or more dinners. Local delivery only. There will be a drawing \$1 per ticket/donation. First Prize is a Sampler Quilt - twin size. Second prize is an embroidered baby quilt. The drawing will be held at the bazaar. St. John's bazaar offers: homemade noodles (limited supply) baked goods homemade candy Thanksgiving and Christmas items crafts and all types of handmade items. Flu shots will be given from 9 a.m.-12 noon by FHN. Free blood pressure screening from 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. provided by St. John's Parish health nurses. St. John's is a handicapped accessible facility.

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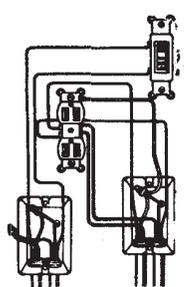
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Beware of credit card scams during transition to chip cards

CHICAGO — Attorney General Lisa Madigan today urged Illinois residents to be on the lookout for calls or emails from individuals posing as debit or credit card issuers in an attempt to con consumers into providing personal information, which can lead to scammers making purchases on consumer's cards or a larger identity theft scam.

issuers nationwide have been sending out new credit and debit chip cards that feature a small computer chip on the front that will help limit fraud and theft. The chip contains cardholder data and creates a unique code for each purchase. The new cards also still contain the magnetic strip, so that consumers can still use their credit cards to make purchases by swiping

the card when the seller does not have chip readers in place. Madigan's office says the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) is reporting instances of scammers taking advantage of the transition from the old cards to the chip cards to steal consumers' personal information.

Scammers target consumers who have not yet received the new chip cards by contact-

ing them via telephone or email claiming to represent banks and credit card lenders. The scammers tell consumers they must first confirm or update their accounts by providing personal information before they can receive a new chip card. Scammers are then able to steal consumers' identities, monitor their online activity, and install malware on electronic devices.

"A bank or credit card lender will never contact you to request your personal information before sending you a new card," Madigan said. "If you have questions

about your account or your card, you should contact your bank directly."

Madigan said Illinois residents can try to avoid being targets of this scam by contacting their financial institutions if they have not received new chip cards. Madigan also urged consumers who receive calls or emails from supposed banks or credit card lenders to hang up or delete the email, and report the contact to her Consumer Fraud Bureau.

Chicago: 1-800-386-5438
Springfield: 1-800-243-0618
Carbondale: 1-800-243-0607

Horticulture for the Holidays to feature Eye-catching Winter Container Gardens

STATELINE — Container gardening is not limited to the summer and fall months, at Horticulture for the Holidays learn how easy it is to create a beautiful winter container garden to display on your front porch or patio using greens and accessories. Led by Extension Educator Can-

dice Miller, participants will learn how to design a winter container garden. Participants will then be able create their own 12-14" winter container garden to take home with them with the materials provided.

Horticulture for the Holidays will be held on Thursday, November 12, from 5:30 to

7 p.m. at the Freeport Public Library, 100 E. Douglas Street, Freeport. Registration cost is \$25, preregistration is required. Registration can be completed on-line at web.extension.illinois.edu/jsw or by calling the University of Illinois Extension at (815) 235-4125.

Skate Station to host costume contest at annual harvest party

LENA — Skate Station will host a Costume Contest and Harvest Party on Friday, October 30, with registration and carnival games beginning at 5:30 p.m.

The costume judging and a candy scramble will follow at 6 for each of the four age groups, infant through adult.

Every participant will receive a goodie bag, co-sponsored by Huron Farm Market, Eleroy.

Those contestants wishing to stay for the 7-10 p.m. skating session will receive free admission (normally \$4). Skate rental is \$1 for quads or \$3 for inlines.

A lock-in for students fifth grade and older will be held at Skate Station on Halloween night, starting at 10 p.m. Daylight Savings Time. Clocks will be turned back one hour during the night, so pick-up time will be 6:00 a.m., Central Standard Time.

There will be a different skating game or activity every half hour to keep everyone entertained for the night. Costumes are not required. No food or

drink may be brought in (including candy).

Tickets are \$18 in advance, or \$20 at the door, including any kind of skate rental, unlimited pizza 1-2 a.m., and breakfast. Tickets are available at Skate Station during open skate sessions.

Skate Station is located on U.S. Hwy. 20, halfway between Freeport and Lena. For more information, check their website at www.skatestation.com or call 815-232-7344.

Affordable Health Screenings coming

STOCKTON — Residents living in and around the Stockton, Illinois can learn about their risk for cardiovascular disease, osteoporosis, diabetes, and other chronic, serious conditions with affordable screenings by Life Line Screening. Calvary United Methodist Church will host this community event on 11/23/2015. The site is located at 315 W. Maple Avenue in Stockton.

Screenings can check for:

The level of plaque buildup in your arteries, related to risk for heart disease, stroke and overall vascular health.

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Kidney and thyroid function, and more
Screenings are affordable, convenient and accessible for wheelchairs and those with trouble walking. Free parking is also available.

Packages start at \$149, but consultants will work with you to create a package that is right for you based on your age and risk factors. Call 1-877-237-1287 or visit our website at www.lifelinescreening.com. Pre-registration is required.

Thomson Causeway trick-or-treat in the park

THOMSON — Bring the family for a night of fun and trick-or-treating to the annual Trick or Treat in the Park held at the Thomson Causeway Recreation Area. This year the event is scheduled for Saturday, October 17 from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. One night a year ghouls and goblins take over the campground as they travel from campsite to campsite collecting candy. Campers decorate their campsites to earn the best decorated site in the campground. There is no charge for this program, and both campers and non-campers are invited to attend. If you are interested in

participating in this year's event make sure you are in the park prior to 2:30 p.m. as the campground will be closed to traffic during the event. Also, the boat ramp will be closed from 2:30 - 5:30 p.m. Thomson Causeway is located on the west side of Thomson, Illinois on Lewis Avenue off Main Street.

There are a few guidelines that visitors are asked to follow: Children age 12 and under are to be accompanied by an adult.

Trick-or-Treaters should only visit sites displaying trick-or-treat signs.

To ensure visitor safety, traf-

fic will be restricted throughout the camping loops during the event and the boat ramp will be closed from 2:30 - 5:30 p.m.

For more information, please contact the Thomson Rangers at 815-259-3628 or email mvrodmm13@usace.army.mil.

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THINKING ABOUT HEALTH

Seniors face higher medicare premiums, deductibles next year

By **Trudy Lieberman**
Rural Health News Service

STATELINE — The last couple of weeks have brought unexpected and unwelcome news to millions of seniors and disabled people on Medicare. Their already high out-of-pocket costs are going to get higher. For some, premiums for Medicare Part B coverage that pays for doctor and

outpatient services will go up as much as 52 percent. For everyone Part D premiums, which cover drug benefits, will increase an average of 13 percent, and everyone will see their annual Part B deductible rise from \$147 to \$223.

These are not trivial amounts considering that half of all people on Medicare are living on annual incomes of \$24,150

or less. In 2010 about 7 million people covered by the program lacked supplemental insurance such as Medigap policies, which cover what Medicare doesn't. By 2013 the number of people without the additional coverage had more than doubled, most likely because they couldn't afford to buy it.

What's going on here? Weren't Medicare's costs supposed to go down thanks to the Affordable Care Act?

These increases have nothing to do with Obamacare and everything to do with the laws governing Medicare and Social Security.

Each year the Secretary of Health and Human Services examines the spending for Part B services which actually has risen this past year. By law premiums paid by everyone on Medicare must cover 25 percent of the program's cost. (General tax revenues cover 75 percent.) And each year the Social Security Administration determines the cost-of-living increases (COLA) for seniors based on the Consumer Price Index. There will be no increase for the coming year.

All this means about 30 percent of beneficiaries will see increases for Part B. Most people have their premiums deducted from their Social Security checks, but the law prohibits any Part B premium increase that would result in a reduction in their Social Security benefits. Without a COLA



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ums stem from higher costs for both brand and generic prescriptions and particularly for specialty drugs like Sovaldi to treat hepatitis C.

Will Congress fix these inequities and find other funds to protect everyone from these increases? "It's very hard to predict what Congress will do," says Tricia Newman, senior vice president at the Kaiser Family Foundation. Newman points out this year's higher premiums and deductibles may be temporary and are expected to come down in 2017.

The other day I explained all this on a New York City radio show along with Joe Baker who heads the Medicare Rights Center, which helps beneficiaries from all over the country understand their options. Callers on fixed incomes and tight budgets drove home the point: The increases will pinch. One woman told of a \$300 rent increase she had to absorb along with higher prices for food and medicines.

Another said her husband had cancer, and the family had been socked with high medical costs. She said they had to pay a \$3,000 deductible before insurance kicked in. Most likely she meant the requirement to pay \$3,000 out of pocket before her Medicare Advantage plan pays benefits. That's a common out-of-pocket limit for these types of plans. Even if she didn't label the source of the problem correctly, she knew the family budget was in trouble.

That led to a discussion of the how the COLA adjustment is calculated and whether it is fair to seniors because they spend money on a different market basket of goods than younger Americans do. They spend more on healthcare, for example, and less on gasoline, which is heavily factored into the cost-of-living calculations. But despite years of talk and experiments with a more accurate cost of living index for seniors, the government has yet to implement one.

Years ago healthcare expert Marilyn Moon, who served as a public trustee of the Social Security and Medicare Trust Funds, urged Americans to save their money because they were going to need it for medical care when they got older. This year's situation shows how right she was.

How much do you pay for healthcare even with Medicare? Write to Trudy at trudy.lieberman@gmail.com.

increase, a higher premium means a smaller Social Security check.

Because Medicare premiums must cover 25 percent of Part B costs, the government has to find the money somewhere. So four groups of people will have to shoulder the added financial burden.

They include those who begin receiving Medicare benefits in 2016, those over age 65 who are on Medicare but who have not taken their Social Security benefits yet; wealthier beneficiaries (individuals with incomes above \$85,000 and couples with \$170,000) and low-income people eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid. State Medicaid programs pay those increases and they, too, are grumbling.

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