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Elizabeth celebrates Christmas in the Village

By Tony Carton
EDITOR

Much the same as Christmas cards sprung to life, area hamlets are going all out for the Christmas season and last weekend's Christmas in the Village hosted by the Elizabeth Chamber of Commerce was no exception.

Some folks started their day with the Santa Dash, a one-mile fun run before heading back to the former Bishop's Little Big Store for a full day of activities.

"It's our annual Christmas in the Village celebration in conjunction with Small Business Saturday," said Elizabeth Chamber of Commerce President Merri Sevey, who said she loves Christmas and yes, her birthday falls on Christmas Eve. "So, she said, 'we are encouraging folks to not only have fun, but to Shop Small and Shop Local for the holidays.'"

The Chamber and a number of village churches and organizations were set up in the Bishops building and offering everything from cookies and hot chocolate to crafts for the kids, bake sales and more.

"We're set up for story time with Mrs. Claus and a soup supper and many of our businesses have decorated Christmas Trees, so folks can vote for their favorite," said Sevey.

All the proceeds from the Christmas in the Village festivities go to the Elizabeth Food Pantry and Sevey said they've had a better than expected turn out.

"Lots of young families are arriving and of course, Santa is down at the Depot Museum," she said. "There is a living nativity scene down the street. All of our downtown businesses have specials, snacks, and sales to encourage folks to Shop Small Businesses and Shop Local."

May Ann Hatfield was one of the angels in the living nativity scene.

"We are with Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church here in Elizabeth and we're here today with our living nativity scene," Hatfield said. "This is because of the coming Advent season and we're sharing the joy that it brings. We've done this for four

years and it's especially fun when we have the nice warm weather."

Elizabeth Mayor Mike Dittmar turned out with his family for the celebration.

"We all ran in the Santa Dash this morning and now, we're here for Story Hour with Mrs. Claus, and we'll be heading to the train depot to visit with Santa before too long," said Dittmar. "Our Chamber has just been doing wonderful things. When I first became mayor, there were two Chamber members, but they've grown dramatically. They're just doing a great job and hopefully, folks are buying their Christmas presents today on Shop Small Saturday."

In addition to the day's holiday activities, several realtors were busy at Elizabeth's downtown holiday central talking local real estate with interested parties.

"We have a few realtors here today to talk with folks about open downtown buildings shops and in the spring, the Chamber will host a much larger event where any downtown shops that are empty will be open for tours," Dittmar said.

Old Northwest Land Company founder and former president/CEO Skip Schwerdtfeger was one of those promoting Elizabeth during Christmas in the Village.

"We've got a Christmas party here with all kinds of baked goods and you can gain three pounds just walking through the door," said Schwerdtfeger. "We also have the Bishop's building for sale. It's a famous old spot and historic store in downtown Elizabeth. In general, this area is still a buyer's market and if somebody wants to buy, now is a good time to get a good deal."

There were some great retail opportunities too.

"We're having a really good day," said Common Cents Resale owner and operator Sammy Trebian. "Folks are really supportive of Shop Small Saturday and Christmas in the Village, so there's a lot to do today."

Common Cents Resale was ex-

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Those might be Santa's trains

Clara Gerlich watches the trains with Piper Havens who came to the depot museum with her dad Cole to see Santa and to enjoy the rail memorabilia and many train sets on display. Piper will turn four-years-old four days after Christmas. Her dad said she is at that perfect age where she will be discussing everything she sees on TV with the Jolly Old Elf.

Stockton and Warren Lions Clubs team up with eighth graders for eyeglass and key recycling

Recently Lions members Francis Fennell and Howard Rowe along with representatives from the Center for Sight and Hearing presented to Stockton eighth graders.

Students learned about living with disabilities, how people with disabilities can live independently with supports, and how local service groups like the Lions Club along each of us can help others in our community.

The Stockton eighth grade is helping our local Lions Clubs recycle used eyeglasses and keys and is asking

for the community's help as well. Please bring your used eyeglasses and keys to Stockton High School, Stockton Middle School, or Stockton Elementary and they will be recycled or refurbished to help other families in need! The Lions collaborate with the Center for Sight and Hearing to help families locally as well as families across the world in need of eyeglasses. The Lions and the eighth graders will be collecting from December through February.

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Kaci, Kollins and Kenley Patterson visit with Santa during Saturday's Christmas in the Village held throughout Elizabeth Saturday afternoon.



Mrs. Claus took a few minutes out from her busy holiday schedule to read to groups of children during Saturday's Christmas in the Village celebration.

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tending discounts of as much as 30% on some items and the shop is planning other special activities through the holiday season.

Just across the street Cat Hoogestraat was opening Dejawood, a shop specializing in reclaimed, re-designed, and rediscovered functional woods, vintage items, spices, soaps and much more.

"Today has sure been busy," said Hoogestraat. "I was a little late and there were people waiting outside to come in and start their shopping."

The shop is in an embryonic stage and she said having a line at the front door is always a good thing.

The Village of Elizabeth is beautifully decorated and the businesses will be adding new items throughout the holiday season. Shop Small and Shop Local!



Dejawood store manager Cat Hoogestraat shows off some of the raw woods and table tops that are available in the shop along with a variety of wood décor items, spices, soaps and more.

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Sharing seasonal joy

Folks with the Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church set up a live nativity scene in downtown Elizabeth in recognition of the coming Advent season and to share of joy of the season.



Common Cents Resale owner Sammy Trebian admires an interesting older clock with Carol Volenec who had come to Elizabeth from Galena for Christmas in the Village



John and Brenda Howard and their troop of little people participate in the Christmas in the Village cookie walk and did very well even though face with some very difficult cookie choices,



The River Ridge High School Choir under the direction of Mr. Thomas Taylor lifted their voices in seasonal song during Christmas in the Village held over the weekend in Elizabeth.

Christmas Walk at the Stockton Heritage Museum

Come visit the Stockton Heritage Museum during the Annual Christmas Walk, "A Candy Cane Christmas" on Saturday Dec. 3. The window displays hold children's toys from years gone by, and memories of family gatherings. The Museum will be open from 10-3.

We will be holding a Silent Auction to raise funds for the improvements scheduled for the "Annex", the new addition to the Museum. Included in the auction will be Kraft cheese wooden boxes and an HO scale train with Kraft logos on the cars. Also at auction will be "swanky-swigs", collectable juice glasses, which some may remember as the containers that held pimento cheese spread and other products from Kraft's. Gifts available for purchase are DVD's and books of Stockton's history, Christmas ornaments and cards of Stockton.

Stop in to see the displays of Stockton Schools, our Honor Wall for WW2 soldiers, and our expanding train display in progress.

Door prizes and gifts for the children will be offered.

The Annex will be hosting the First Annual, Better with Brewster Macaroni and Cheese Bake Off sponsored by Brewster Cheese and the Stockton Chamber of Commerce. Stop by to check out Stockton's own creative recipes for the most popular cheese-based meal in the United States.

All are invited to join us in this holiday celebration.

Freeport Art Museum to host CTE Academy National Art Honor Society gallery show

The CTE Academy National Art Honor Society (NAHS) is excited to announce their seventh annual gallery show at the Freeport Art Museum. The exhibit runs from December 2, through the beginning of January 2017. On December 6, the NAHS students will host a gallery opening from 5-7 p.m. Light refreshments will be served and exhibiting artists will be on hand. Chapter sponsors and NAHS Alumni will also have work in this show. Please come out and support these young people.

Each year the CTE Academy NAHS creates a show around a common theme that is selected by students. This year's theme is Out of Place. NAHS officers install the exhibit, run the press, staff the opening, and run the whole process. "It's a pretty amazing task and opportunity for high school students. They are getting

a crash course in curating, marketing, and art making as a team to create a cohesive show." said chapter sponsor Irene Thraen-Borowski. The CTE Academy NAHS would like to thank the Freeport Art Museum for providing the young people with this opportunity.

The CTE Academy NAHS is both an academic and service based organization that is a part of the national chapter. This year NAHS has 18 members spanning the districts of Galena, River Ridge, Scales Mound, Stockton, and West Carroll. It is sponsored by CTE Academy Graphics Teacher Irene Thraen-Borowski, Scales Mound Art Teacher Sara Wentz, Stockton Art Teacher Dorothy Ramey, and West Carroll Art Teacher Kelsie VonHollen. For more information on NAHS, contact Irene Thraen-Borowski at irene@cteademy.net or (815) 858-2203 ext 8.

VIEWPOINT

Senate Week in Review

Nov. 14-18.

The first week of the fall veto session ended a day early without any real action on the state budget.

House Speaker Michael Madigan and Senate President John Cullerton began the first week of the fall veto session by boycotting a budget negotiation meeting scheduled by the Governor. Despite their attendance at later meetings, no significant progress was made on balancing the budget and passing any reforms to streamline state government and reduce costs.

We need to pass a full balanced state budget, as the appropriations authority required to pay for many state operations, human service providers, and state vendors will run out on Dec. 31. We also need a full budget solution to provide stability to residents and businesses, while protecting vital state services and schools.

The urgency of the matter was underscored when the Governor's Office of Management and Budget released its annual long-term budget projections. The publication estimated that the current budget year deficit is nearing \$5.3 billion, which will likely

push the bill backlog to \$13.5 billion by the end of the fiscal year. With no changes to the status quo, the backlog could reach \$47 billion by Fiscal Year 2022.

While the stopgap budget passed June 30 covered K-12 schools, transportation, and some higher education spending, the spending authority for much of the budget will expire on Jan. 1, which means no more money is appropriated for the state's already struggling colleges and universities, some human service providers, state vendors and operations (including utility bills for prisons and state facilities), and healthcare for state employees.

Despite the state's budget crisis, both Madigan and Cullerton decided to cancel a scheduled Nov. 17 session day in their respective chambers, leaving only three days left in the annual fall veto session to deal with the budget.

Flawed voter registration bill passes

In other business, Democrat legislative leaders rammed through an override of voter registration legislation that experts say has several major

flaws, while refusing to take up a newer, Republican-sponsored measure that cleans up many of the technical problems in the initial legislation.

Senate Bill 250 would automatically register voters when they apply for, update, or renew their driver's licenses. While proponents touted the measure as a new system to increase voter participation and clean up the voter rolls, Gov. Rauner had vetoed the measure because of several concerns with the specific language.

The legislation would require the Secretary of State's office to forward all of drivers' data to the Illinois State Board of Elections, potentially violating privacy standards. Concerns were also raised that the new system would automatically register anyone to vote who qualifies for a driver's license, including those who are here illegally. Individuals would be given the opportunity to attest to their eligibility to vote, but the application would be processed even if they are unable to attest.

In addition, residents would be registered without their consent or knowledge. They would have the opportunity to opt out of the system, but not until weeks later by mail.

A compromise measure, Senate Bill 3452, was filed by State Sen. Sue Rezin (R-Peru) to address the issues with Senate Bill 250. Under Rezin's legislation, individuals would have the opportunity to opt out at the beginning of the process. It would also stop the application process if their records show that the person may not be eligible to vote. Rezin's legislation would also require a signature attesting to the person's eligibility to register to vote.

Though Senate Bill 3452 offered a reasonable compromise that would address the concerns outlined by the Governor and other lawmakers while also increasing voter participation, the bill was not allowed to advance.

More than \$100 million added in spending

Despite serious fiscal problems facing the state, two other vetoes were overridden with the result of adding more than \$100 million in spending each year. The proposals were well-intentioned, but the hefty price tag of the proposals made them impossible to support.

Senate Bill 2536 requires non-relative providers in the child care assistance program to participate

in orientation pre-service trainings. Additionally, it requires the non-relative providers to be paid \$15 an hour for their time spent at the trainings. This legislation would cost \$28.4 million for training and \$1.9 million for insurance, annually.

Senate Bill 2931 increases wages for personal assistants and individual maintenance home health workers to no less than \$15 an hour. The total cost of this bill is estimated at \$86.6 million annually.

Senate Republicans re-elect Leader

Also during the week, Senate Republicans unanimously re-elected Senator Christine Radogno as their Caucus Leader, recognizing her efforts to protect the rights of Illinois residents and improve the state's economic outlook, and her leadership during the current budget crisis.

Leader Radogno said that she is excited to continue in her leadership role as the caucus works to find compromise and balance state spending with revenue, while working to make state government more accountable, efficient, and responsive to Illinois residents.

Around the Northern Hills with Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau Manager Annette Eggers

Americans can be thankful that the bill for their Thanksgiving dinner will decrease this year for the first time since 2013, according to American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF). AFBF's 31st annual Thanksgiving Dinner Price Survey found that the average cost for the holiday meal to feed 10 people rang up at \$49.87, 24 cents less than last year's cost of \$50.11. "Consumers will pay less than \$5 per person for a classic Thanksgiving dinner this year," said AFBF Director of Market Intelligence John Newton. "We have seen farm prices for many foods - including turkeys - fall from the higher levels of recent years. This

translates into lower retail prices for a number of items as we prepare for Thanksgiving and confirms that U.S. consumers benefit from an abundant, high-quality and affordable food supply." AFBF bases the survey on a traditional Thanksgiving meal consisting of turkey, bread stuffing, cranberries and pumpkin pie, along with all the trimmings. Lower-cost turkey drove the decrease with the average cost of a whole bird coming in at \$22.74, or \$1.42 per pound. That's 30 cents less than last year for the bird or 2 cents less per pound. AFBF reports that there are more than enough turkeys to go around this year after

flocks rebounded from Avian flu outbreaks in 2015.

Rolls, on the other hand, showed the greatest increase, a 9 percent jump.

Polaris discount expiring We were sorry to learn that Polaris is discontinuing their special member discount for Illinois Farm Bureau members effective January 1, 2017, so I encourage anyone who has been considering a Polaris purchase to move quickly

to take advantage of savings up to \$1000 on selected Polaris vehicles. We have had several members utilize this discount, so don't delay if you are looking to make a purchase. Just visit www.ilfb.org/benefits and click on the Polaris link. I have been informed that efforts are being made to possibly retain this as a statewide discount, so watch for a possible announcement

Take pride in being a family farmer. Purchase one of our "This is a family

farm" signs. This is a great way to show be proud to be a farmer AND a member of the Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau. We have had a good response to these signs and it's great to see them proudly displayed on area farms. The signs are available for purchase at our office for \$30. This could be a great Christmas gift!!

Farm Fun Fact: Turkeys are the only breed of poultry native to the Western Hemisphere.

Update regarding new overtime rules

On Nov. 22, U.S. District Court Judge Amos Mazzant issued an injunction to temporarily bar the Labor Department's new overtime rule from going into effect as of Dec. 1, 2016. His ruling was in response to a recently filed emergency motion for preliminary injunction by plaintiffs, including the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and the National Retail Federation, who had previously filed a lawsuit to enjoin the implementation of the FLSA regulations.

What to do now? The ruling is a temporary injunction. In the future, Judge Mazzant may rule to make his injunction permanent, or not. The U.S. Labor Department is expected to appeal his ruling. After inauguration, President Trump could direct the Department to drop any such appeal. With so many unknowns, it may be difficult for you to make a decision.

If the regulations do become permanent, they may or may not be retroactive to Dec. 1. It seems unlikely they would be retroactive, and if they are, it seems unlikely employers will be penalized for paying overtime retroactively.

If you agree, then don't announce any of planned pay changes to your employees; however, see the article below where the author recommends maintaining records of hours worked for certain employees as of Dec. 1, 2016 in case the rules are implemented.

This link provides detailed explanation of the situation and about risks employers should consider:

<http://www.ogletreedeakins.com/shared-content/content/blog/2016/november/what-should-employers-do-now-that-the-overtime-rule-is-blocked>

These are some answers to questions received since the injunction.

Under labor laws, employees are either:

- Exempt from the OT law or
- Non-exempt, and therefore to be paid a 50% premium for OT hours.

Generally, employers can classify any employee as hourly or as salaried. In other words:

- Hourly employees can be exempt from OT or non-exempt, and
- Salaried employees can be exempt from OT or non-exempt.

Examples:

- If an hourly employee is OT exempt, they can be paid their hourly rate for hours in excess of 40 hours per week.

(\$15.00 per hour x 50 hours for the week = \$750.00 of pay)

- If a salaried employee is non-exempt (subject to 50% premium OT pay), their OT payment must be at least 50% of their average hourly rate for that week. The regular rate is obtained by dividing the salary by the number of hours worked each week.

(\$500 weekly salary ÷ 50 hours worked = \$10.00 per hour x 50% premium x 10 hours of OT hours = a \$50 OT payment + \$500 salary = \$550 of total pay)

Note that the employee's hourly rate is recomputed each week using the hours worked.

This is the minimum OT pay rate, i.e., OT can be paid at any higher percentage or rate)

- Any paid time not worked (holiday, vacation, sick, jury, PTO, etc.) is not considered time worked and does not have to be considered in computing the number of OT hours worked during a week.

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ON THE RECORD

Obituaries

KELLY E. KUPERSMITH

Kelly E. Kupersmith age 55 of Stockton, IL, passed away in her home surrounded by her family and friends on Thursday, Nov. 24, 2016. She was born Dec. 30, 1960 to Virgil and Patricia Molitor in Freeport, IL. She graduated from Stockton High School in 1979. Kelly married Bill Kupersmith on Aug. 2, 1980.



Mom's passion was being around children. She started her teaching career when she was in high school as a student aide. After she went to college (Highland Community College & Whitewater Wisconsin), she began to use her gift at the Warren Elementary School and then went to Black Hawk School District in South Wayne, Wisconsin where she taught for 26 years. Mom loved music whether it was playing the piano, singing, or humming, especially Christmas music. She loved watching, playing and coaching sports. Mom loved to feed the birds and playing with her dog, Blu.

Kelly is survived by her mother, Patricia (Townsend) Molitor; husband, Bill Kupersmith; daughters, Kayla, Ally, and Carly Kupersmith; son, Kirk Kupersmith; sister, Terry (Pete) Korth; sister, Wendy (Jim) Blair; brother, Matt (Renee) Molitor; and many nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her father, Virgil Molitor.

A visitation will be held Thursday, Dec. 1, from 4 - 7:30 p.m. followed by a rosary service from 7:30-8 at the Holy Cross Catholic Church in Stockton. The funeral service will be Friday, Dec. 2, at 10:30 a.m. at Holy Cross Catholic Church in Stockton. A luncheon will take place after the funeral in the fellowship hall. A memorial has been established. Remembrances and condolences may be shared with her family at www.thermannfuneralhome.com.

There will be a gathering time Sunday, Dec. 4, at 1:30 p.m., followed by a Celebration of Life at 2:30 at the United Methodist Church in McConnell. A time of fellowship will immediately follow the service. Pastor Matt Smith will perform the service. The family wants to give special thanks to Dr. Tawfik's staff, Presence St. Joe's, and everyone at Oakly Courts for all of their care and caring. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.leamonfh.com.

VERNON A. PHILLIPS

Vernon A. Phillips, 96, of Lena, died Sunday, Nov. 20, 2016 at Presence St. Joseph Center in Freeport. He was born on May 13, 1920 at home in Waddams Twp. to Clyde and Alice (Hardel) Phillips. He married Eleanor Buss in Lena, Jan. 30, 1941. She preceded him in death on March 31, 2006 after 65 years of marriage.



Vernon was a lifelong farmer, almost all of it in Waddams Twp. He was civically active serving on numerous committees and church

boards. He was a Farm Bureau board member and served 57 years on the Greenwood Cemetery board. A member of the McConnell United Methodist Church. He was township assessor in Waddams Twp. and started the Waddams Wildcats 4-H club as its first leader.

He is survived by his daughter, Marquita (Tom) Bannon of Palmyra, MO and his son, Paul (Valerie Wick) Phillips and their three children, Michael (Rhonda) Phillips, their daughter, Kaylie (Scott) Hammer and their daughter Jaden. Also, Krista (Kevin) Repa and their sons, Landon, Owen, and Ryker. Also, step-son Jeff (Michelle) Weegens and their children, Allison, Sydney, Cohen, and Carson.

Paul and Valerie's son, Scott (Donna) Phillips and their children, Bradley (Kaylee) Phillips and their daughter Madelyn, Daughter, Samantha (Shawn) Smith and their children, Levi and Ellie.

Paul and Valerie's daughter, Rebecca (Scott) Vorwald, her son Tyler Riem and Becca and Scott's children, Evan and Channing Vorwald. All of Paul and Val's family are from the Lena area.

Vernon is preceded in death by; his parents, an infant son; Bruce Alan Phillips, a brother; Robert R. (Lois) Phillips, and a sister Clara Elizabeth (John) Rampenthal.

Vernon donated his body to science and wishes, in lieu of flowers, that Memorials be given for FHN Hospice, Stephenson County 4-H, or the McConnell United Methodist Church.

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SOS+ December's annual Christmas Party

On Thursday, Dec. 8, SOS+ (Senior Outreach of Stockton and surrounding areas) will gather at Calvary UM Fellowship Hall for their Annual Christmas Potluck Party. All seniors are invited to come and enjoy the festivities. We begin at 12, Noon with our annual Pot Luck dinner.

Seniors will join Darlene Lloyd along with Al and Carolyn Mysli-

wiec in an ole fashion Christmas sing-along; and if all seniors have been extra good this year, Good Ole St. Nick himself may just pay a surprise visit. Topping off the day will be our favorite and most interesting to say the least, White Elephant gift exchange. All seniors of Stockton and local areas are invited to our Christmas Celebration. The meeting will start at 12, Noon in Stockton's Calvary's UM Fellowship Hall. Bring a dish to pass and a white elephant gift for the fun-filled Christmas gift exchange.

SOS+ (Senior Outreach of Stockton and surrounding areas) is a volunteer ministry providing programs and fellowship to our

area seniors. There is no cost to join; a free will offering is taken at each meeting which helps in providing interesting and educational programs throughout the year. Volunteers are much needed. If you would like to volunteer to help or volunteer to entertain, please let us know. We are proud to say, "SOS+ is rounding out its 12th year and going strong".

For more information on SOS+, please feel free to call Mary Feltmeyer 815-297-5425, Nancy Rice 815-947-3683 or Shirley Toepfer 815-947-3639. If you are in need of a ride to the church, please call. We would be delighted to accommodate you.

Birth

EVERLY GIBBONS

Jessica Nava and Robby Gibbons of Apple River, Ill. are the parents of a daughter Everly Ellen Gibbons born Tuesday Nov. 22, 2016 at FHN Memorial Hospital; Freeport, Ill. Everly has a sister Addelyn Gibbons, 6 and a brother Gunner Gibbons, 2. Grandparents are Sheri and Richard Wellman of Stockton, Ill., Grace and Steve Heller of Apple River and the late Lawrence "Chuck" Gallagher. Great grandparents are Addeline Gibbons of Cuba City, Wis. and Matt and Betty Zelasco of Stockton.

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FROM LENA'S KITCHEN



The not so skinny cook

The turkey has been roasted, and most of the leftovers consumed. It is time to move on to December. This week's recipes will feature some good holiday treats, a couple of unique main dishes, and the start of some cookie recipes.

Marcia from A.J.'s Lena Maid Meats had a delicious appetizer for the Shop Small Business Saturday. She was willing to share this great recipe with all of us. The recipe uses canned chicken that A.J.'s sells. The dip would be a special treat for holiday parties or at any time. Enjoy this tasty appetizer from one of Lena's finest business establishments.

Chicken Alfredo Dip

3 C. shredded Parmesan Cheese
2 T. corn starch
2 C. milk
3 cloves garlic, peeled, chopped and minced
½ C. of finely chopped green onions

8 oz. cream cheese
Mix all the ingredients together and put in a crock pot that has been sprayed with cooking spray. Turn the crock pot on Low for 1½ hours. Add 2 jars of canned chicken that has been shredded and 1 cup of heavy cream. Mix together and warm the mixture. Serve on wheat thins.

Everyone from the Food Network to Dr. Oz is extolling the virtues of black beans. This salad is a quick and easy way to use some of those healthy black beans. Try this spiced up version of black beans. Eat it as a side or use it as a topping for tacos with lettuce and tomato and cheese.

Warm Black Bean Salad
3 T. extra-virgin olive oil
1 C. diced red bell peppers
1 C. diced green onions
½ C. diced red onion
1 can (15 oz.) black beans, rinsed and drained
1 C. frozen corn kernels
2 T. apple cider vinegar
1 t. taco seasoning
½ t. salt
¼ t. sugar

In a medium skillet, heat the oil over medium-high heat. Add peppers and onion, cook, stirring frequently until soft, about 5 minutes. Stir in the beans, corn, and spices; cook, stirring occasionally, until heated through, about 5 minutes. Serve immediately.

If black beans are healthy, romaine lettuce is probably just even a little bit healthier. This great and easy lettuce salad can be eaten as a main dish (add some rotisserie chicken or some tuna) or as a great side.

Romaine Salad

½ Roma tomato, chopped
2 T. extra-virgin olive oil
1 T. white wine vinegar
1 T. minced green onions
Salt and black pepper to taste
1 C. thinly sliced romaine lettuce
1½ Roma tomato, sliced into wedges
½ C. sliced cucumber
Purée chopped tomato, oil, vinegar, and onions in a mini food processor or blender. Season with salt and pepper. Place the lettuce, tomatoes, and cucumber in a salad bowl and toss to coat.

The next two recipes were sent to me by a reader. They make double recipes, so you can feed a crowd or freeze the extra casserole. The first one is a take-off on chicken cordon bleu—instead of using chicken breasts, it uses cubed chicken, stuffing mix, ham, and a great sauce. You could also use chopped turkey if you still have some left over. The second one is a southwestern main dish. You can jazz it up by adding chopped jalapeno peppers to the cheese on top for a little extra zip. Our contributor likes these two recipes because if she is feeding a crowd, she uses both of the pans instead of freezing one.

Chicken Cordon Bleu Bake

2 pkg. (6 oz. each) stuffing mix
1 can cream of chicken soup
1 C. milk

8 C. cubed cooked chicken
½ t. pepper
¾ lb. sliced deli ham, cut into strips

1 C. shredded Swiss cheese
3 C. shredded cheddar
Preheat the oven to 350. Prepare the stuffing using package directions. Whisk together the soup and milk. Toss the chicken with pepper and divide between two greased 9 x 13 baking dishes. Layer with ham, Swiss, 2 cups of cheddar, the soup mixture and stuffing. Sprinkle with remaining cheddar. Bake, covered, for 30 minutes. Uncover and bake until the cheese melted, 10-15 minutes. To freeze, cover with aluminum foil and freeze unbaked. To use, partially thaw in fridge overnight. Remove 30 minutes before baking. Bake at 350 as directed in original directions. Uncover and bake until the cheese has melted, 10 minutes.

Southwestern Casserole

2 C. uncooked elbow macaroni
2 lbs. ground beef
1 large onion, chopped
2 garlic, cloves, minced
2 cans (14 ½ oz. each) diced tomatoes, undrained
1 can (16 oz.) kidney beans, rinsed and drained
1 can (6 oz.) tomato paste
1 can (4 oz.) chopped green chilies, drained
1½ t. salt
1 t. chili powder
½ t. ground cumin
½ t. pepper
2 C. shredded Monterey Jack cheese

Cook the macaroni according to package directions. In a large saucepan, cook ground beef and onion over medium heat, crumbling beef, until the meat is no longer pink. Add the garlic; cook 1 minute longer. Drain. Stir in the tomatoes, kidney beans, tomato paste, green chilies, salt, chili powder, cumin, and pepper. Bring to a boil. Reduce the heat and simmer, uncovered, for 10 minutes. Drain macaroni and stir it into the beef mixture.

Preheat the oven to 375. Transfer the macaroni mixture to two greased 2-quart baking dishes. Top with Monterey Jack cheese. Cover and bake at 375 for 30 minutes. Uncover; bake until the casserole is bubbly and heated through, about 10 minutes longer. Serve one casserole and cool the second; cover and freeze up to 3 months. To use

the frozen casserole, thaw in the refrigerator for 8 hours. Preheat the oven to 375. Remove from the refrigerator 30 minutes before baking. Cover and bake for 20-25 minutes, increasing time as necessary to heat through.

The next two recipes are for cookies that you can use on your holiday tray. The first one reminds me of the cookies our next door neighbor, Mrs. Koch made. They melted in your mouth, and they always had that pecan half in the center. The second recipe combines chocolate and coconut for a uniquely pretty cookie. These are nontraditional Christmas cookies that you can combine with traditional Christmas cookies on your holiday plates.

Pecan Shortbread Cookies

1 C. unsalted butter, softened
¾ C. powdered sugar
½ t. vanilla
2 C. flour
¼ t. salt
1½ C. pecan halves
½ C. sugar

In a large bowl, beat butter, powdered sugar, and vanilla with a mixer at medium-high speed until creamy, 3-4 minutes, stopping to scrape the sides of the bowl. In a medium bowl, whisk together the flour and salt. Gradually add the flour mixture to butter mixture, beating just until combined.

Turn out dough onto a lightly floured surface, and divide in half. Shape each half into a disk, and wrap in plastic wrap. Refrigerate for 30 minutes.

Preheat the oven to 350. Line the baking sheets with parchment paper.

On a lightly floured surface, roll the dough to ¼ inch thickness. Using a 2-inch fluted round cutter, cut dough, and place on prepared pans, gently rerolling the scraps to use all the dough. Dot the center of each cookie with water and top with a pecan half. Sprinkle with sugar and refrigerate for 10 minutes.

Bake until lightly browned, 10 to 12 minutes. Let cool in pans for 2 minutes. Remove from pans, and let cool completely on wire racks. Store in an airtight container for up to 3 days. You can prepare the cookies on the baking sheets and freeze until firm; transfer to a heavy-duty resealable plastic bag, and freeze up to two months. Bake from frozen as directed.

Chococonut Cookies

2 C. flour
1 T. cornstarch
1 t. baking soda
1 t. salt
1½ sticks, unsalted butter, melted
1 C. packed brown sugar

½ C. sugar
1 t. vanilla
¼ t. almond extract
1 large egg plus 1 egg yolk
3 C. semisweet chocolate chips
2½ C. sweetened shredded coconut
2 t. vegetable oil

Whisk the flour, cornstarch, baking soda, and salt in a medium bowl. Set aside. Beat melted butter, brown sugar, sugar and vanilla and almond extracts in a large bowl with a mixer on medium speed until thick and creamy, about 2 minutes. Beat in egg and egg yolk. Reduce the mixer speed to low and beat in the flour mixture until just combined. Stir in 1 cup each of the chocolate chips and shredded coconut. Refrigerate the dough until firm enough to scoop, about 1 hour.

Position racks in the upper and lower thirds of the oven, preheat to 350. Line 2 baking sheets with parchment paper. Arrange tablespoon-size scoops of dough, about 2 inches apart on the baking sheets. Bake, switching the pans halfway through, until lightly golden, 12 to 14 minutes. Let cool completely on the baking sheets.

Pour the remaining ½ cups shredded coconut in a medium bowl. Melt the remaining 2 cups of chocolate chips with the vegetable oil in a small saucepan over low heat, stirring, until smooth. Dip each cookie partway in the melted chocolate, then immediately dip in the coconut. Return to the parchment-lined baking sheets and refrigerate until set, about 30 minutes.

There were a lot of people in town for Small Business Saturday. Everyone commented on what a nice downtown area we had. You can still sign up to be in the Christmas parade on Friday night. Santa and Mrs. Claus will lead the parade and then light the tree in downtown Lena. There is a house walk, a chili supper, a cookie exchange, some wine and goodies, horse rides, and lots of fun. Take a tour of the decorated houses while you are driving around town! Remember anyone can be part of the parade. You can have a bicycle or a wagon and make it a family event. Sign up at DeVoe Floral. There are so many activities planned in Lena this next month that are family oriented and not expensive. Come and join in the fun. As a side note, we are asking for cookie recipes or any other Christmas time recipes.

If you have some new or favorite recipes, 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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Stockton fourth graders speak to US cheese surplus

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As the oven timer ticks down the hours to the Brewster Cheese and Stockton Chamber of Commerce co-sponsored "Craft Your Mac" macaroni and cheese competition, Stockton's own AmeriCorps volunteer Lemon has been visiting Stockton Elementary in the hopes of convincing the fourth graders to open their thoughts on how to best distribute America's burgeoning cheese surplus.

The responses are heartwarming and humorous and The Scoop Today will print as many of the proposed "solutions" as possible.

If children are our future; we are looking at bright tomorrows! Enjoy!

Javier:

If I ruled 95.2 million pounds of cheese I would sell it for money and buy a flat screen TV, bunk bed, water, fridge, clothes, house, food, basement and a car. Why would I do that? I would do that so I can give it to the poor and homeless people so they are not living on the dirty sidewalks. So if they old out a can they are only going to get a penny or a nickel. That's not enough. Isn't that great?

Veyuh Luke

Do you like cheese because I got it. 95.2 million pounds of it. I would make sculptures out of some of that cheese. Then I would give it away and I would sell it. I would make sculpture about Stockton and other places like Paris, New York, Jamaica, Mexico, Africa, and a lot more places. I would also make sculptures that look like Macaroni and Cheese. Also, I would make different animals like penguins, polar bears, and hamster. I would make sculptures about everything. I would do this because I just think this would be a fun project to do.

Another thing I would do with my cheese is I would make it snow cheese. How I would do this is I would make a machine that shreds cheese and shoots it up in the air and the cheese goes everywhere. My machine would go everywhere like Paris, Mexico, New York, Stockton, Chicago, Jamaica, Africa and the rest of the world. You can make cheese men, cheese angels. You can try to catch cheese flakes in your mouth. You can also try to make a cheese fort. Or make a cheese pile and then jump in it. I would do this just for fun. PS I would make a cheese pile and jump in it. I would have cheese all over me.

For my third cheese idea, I would make a cheese slide. It would be the world's largest cheese slide. I would make a cheese slide and have melted cheese running down it. I would make a cheese playground. Another thing I would build is a phone that works. Also TV, Clock, scented warmer, fish tank, lamp, tablet, light, stove, microwave, and

watches that actually would. I would make mugs, sticky notes and other things. The most important for kids is cheese toys. I would be eating cheese for a long time. That's all of my cheesy ideas.

Annastyn Larson

If I had 95.2 million pounds of cheese in my storage I would either use it or sell it because I want money. I would sell it for \$20,000. I would chop it up or I would save the leftovers and then I would sell it again. Or I can give it to the homeless people for #0. I would do that because they don't have money and they also hungry. I would also give it to the cancer center for people who have cancer.

Keagan Steen

If I ruled 95.2 million pounds of cheese I would give half of it to the people without food. One reason I would do that is because it would be helpful. Another reason I would do this is because I feel bad for them. The last reason I would do this is because they are hungry. Another thing I would do with that much cheese is make a Green Bay Packers Symbol. Since I have nothing to do in my spare time, I would send it to them as a "gift." I would then tease them about being called the Cheese Heads. What I would do with my last 1/4th of cheese is send it to Kraft Mac & Cheese factory. I would do this because I love mac and cheese. I could help them out and be nice. And because I don't know what to do with that much cheese.

Katelyn Winters

If I had 95.2 Million pounds of cheese I would build a 20-foot-tall statue of myself. It would be out of cheese. The Statue would be an exact replica of myself. I would pay workers to do it. Then I would donate some of the cheese to restaurants so there is more food and not starvation. No one likes or wants starvation. I don't want people to starve. I want them to be fine like now.

Bryce Grube

If I had 95.2 million pounds of cheese this is what I would do. I would sell 15.1 million pounds of cheese to the people that make macaroni and cheese. Then I would try to make 100 more pounds of cheese to do the process all over again.

Ethan

95.2 million pounds of cheese. What would I do with that much cheese? I would build sculptures out of the cheese, like a twin statue of liberty and pyramid. I would not

sell the rest of the cheese but I will use some of the cheese to sell for donations to the poor but not all. I would sell the rest to restaurants for people that like cheese. If that restaurant ran I would give cheese to them. I would make sculptures so I can make that place like more popular if they wanted to. I would sell the cheese so they won't have to starve. And I would sell the rest to a restaurant so the people in that restaurant don't get at the boss that is working at that restaurant. That's what I would do with all that cheese.

Kacy Wright

What would you do with 95.2 million pounds of cheese? I would give it to the poor and to companies that are struggling with food. I would give them each 1 bag. That would keep them good for a month. This would help the poor not to starve anymore and the companies will have more cheese to make stuff. The second thought I had is I would sell the cheese and make good money. With the money I would buy silver and make a sculpture out of the silver and put it in the park. I would represent that I had all that cheese and it would be awesome. This is what I would do with 95.2 million pounds of cheese.

Peter LaLond

If I had 95.2 million pounds of cheese I would make an 8 foot model of the Kraft Cheese Factory with windows and a little parking lot with trucks and cars and I would make the inside exactly identical with the machines and working doors. If I had 95.2 million pounds of cheese I would make a giant cheese roll out of the cheese... at least what's left from the last idea. This would be for the poor to eat.

Daniel Schmoll

What would you do with 95.2 million pounds of cheese? Fist I would sell some cheese to make money. I would save the rest for me to eat, I do love me some cheese! Then I would donate some money to Chocolate Moon so they can be open all the time and sell food. My sister loves and misses their chili. Last, I would give money to McDonalds so I can have free burgers for life—I really love their burgers.

Shirley Cook

This is what I would do with 95.2 million pounds of cheese, is give some to the homeless and the poor people. I would also keep the rest of the cheese for myself and make different macaroni and cheese recipes I'd give it to the nursing home to the people there could eat the

delicious cheese recipes there going to be different kinds of recipes. Would this be great to do?

Gracie Luke

If I had 95.2 million pounds of cheese I would make a lot of sculptures out of it and it would be in a big museum. My cheese would be colorful. I would make a cheese house. I would make cheese furniture and refrigerator, oven, sink, and microwave. I will make my house a white Swiss cheese. The holes in the cheese will be windows.

Amber Haas

If I ruled the cheese I would sell most of it so I could get money to give to the poor people. I would do this because I don't want anyone to have to leave their hometown. Or lose all of their friends and family. If I got too much cheese I would use some of the leftover cheese and cheese money and make a cheese machine. I would do this because I wouldn't eat that much I mean I would but I don't think I can. This would also let people get cheese if they don't have any. The cheese machine would make shredded cheese so the machine doesn't hurt people when it's throwing cheese.

Emily Broshous

If I had 95.2 million pounds

of cheese I would sell all of that cheese and get rich. Each piece of cheese would be \$45. Once I sold all of that cheese I would go on a lot of vacations and get so tan. Also I would give some of the money to the homeless people. If I ruled the cheese I would also build a hole in my backyard where I would have a secret room underground. It would be very big. I would make a lot of gymnastics stuff out of cheese to put in this room. It would be very fun. There are my two ideas I would do if I had 95.2 million pounds of cheese.

Avery Ann Wackerlin

If there was 95.2 million pounds of extra cheese here's what I would do. First I would go to the store to get some meat and then I will go home and cut a big pound of cheese and then cook it. Next, I'd put it on the grill and let it cook. Then, I will take it off and see if it is cooked enough. Last, I will eat it and make more for people that don't have food. They could put on some ketchup and mayo or lettuce with onions. I would give them to other people and I might work at a restaurant too. I love cooking with my mom and dad and my grandma and aunt and uncle. I bet I will be a cook when I grow up.

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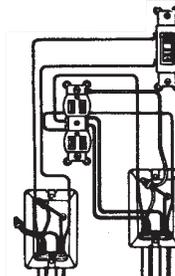
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Selecting the perfect tree this holiday season

Selecting the "perfect" Christmas tree this holiday season is simply a matter of following a few steps, according to University of Illinois Extension horticulture educator Ron Wolford.

"Picking out the perfect tree can be a fun, memory-filled family tradition," said Wolford.

He offers the following tips to help select a fresh tree for the home and keep it looking its best.

Pick a spot in your home to place the tree before heading out to buy it.

"Ask yourself whether the tree will be seen from all sides or whether some of it will be against a wall," Wolford said.

Choose a tree that fits where it is to be displayed. For example, if the tree is displayed in front of a large window, then all four sides should look as good as possible. If the tree is displayed against a wall, a tree with three good sides would be okay. A tree with two good sides would work well in a corner. "The more perfect a tree, the more expensive it will be," Wolford added.

Pick a spot away from heat sources, such as TVs, fireplaces, radiators, heaters, and air vents. "A dried-out tree is a safety hazard," he

said.

Measure the height and width of the space you have available in the room where the tree will be placed.

"There is nothing worse than bringing a tree indoors only to find it's too tall," Wolford said. "Take a tape measure with you to the farm. Trees always look smaller outdoors so measure to be sure and don't forget to bring a cord to tie your tree to the car."

If buying from a retail lot, Wolford recommends going during the day. "Choosing a tree in daylight is a much easier experience than trying to pick out a tree in a dimly lit lot," he said.

"Choose a fresh tree from a Christmas tree farm. Purchasing a tree from a Christmas tree farm ensures that you will have a fresh tree. A fresh tree will have a healthy green appearance with few browning needles.

"Needles should be flexible and not fall off if you run a branch through your hand. Raise the tree a few inches off the ground and drop it on the butt end. Very few green needles should drop off the tree. It is normal for a few inner brown needles to drop," he added.



Make sure the handle or base of the tree is straight and long enough so it will fit easily into a tree stand after fresh cuts are made for water uptake.

Store the tree in an unheated garage or some other area out of the wind if you are not putting it up right away, Wolford noted. "Make a fresh 1-inch cut on the butt end and place the tree in a bucket of warm water. When you bring the tree indoors, make another fresh 1-inch cut and place the tree in a sturdy stand. The water reservoir of the stand should provide one quart of water for every inch of diameter of the trunk," he said.

Be sure to keep the water level above the base of the tree. If the base dries out, resin will form over the cut end and the tree will not be able to absorb water and will dry out quickly.

Commercially prepared mixes, sugar, aspirin, or other additives in the water are not necessary. "Research has shown that plain water will keep a tree fresh," Wolford said.

For more information, visit the University of Illinois Extension website Christmas Trees & More at www.urbanext.illinois.edu/trees.

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Lena Hometown Christmas "Christmas Past"

Friday, December 2, 2016

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2016 Parade Entry Form
LENA HOMETOWN CHRISTMAS
 Theme: "Christmas Past"

Business or Activity Name: _____
 Contact Person: _____
 Address: _____
 Plan on Entering: _____ Float _____ Walking in Group
 _____ Other (please describe) _____

This year, we hope that you will help us grow and make this part of the village's annual events. We would like the parade to be a "Lighted parade", this means that the more lights the better on your float or your person. Give it lots of thought, but have fun. This year there are a few rules and regulations, just keep it appropriate for all ages and make great use of our theme, "Christmas Past." Open to all Business, youth groups, etc. Please no Santa's or Mrs. Claus. **PRIZES WILL BE GIVEN.**
 Please return form to by December 1st to:
 DeVoe Floral, 216 Main Street, Lena, IL
 Questions?? Call Paris Hughes 815-369-5549
 Lena Business and Professional Association

LENA HOMETOWN CHRISTMAS
 2016 Theme: "Christmas Past"

WINDOW DECORATING CONTEST
LBPA Members

Business Name: _____
 Contact Person: _____
 Address: _____

Windows will be judged based on four categories:
 1. Use of Theme
 2. Originality (Unique design and creative use of lights & decorations)
 3. Arrangement (Display and placement of decorations)
 4. Overall Presentation

This form must be returned by November 30 to DeVoe Floral

Judging will be done between noon on December 2 and noon on December 3.

Questions?? Paris Hughes 815-369-5549

LENA HOMETOWN CHRISTMAS
 2016 Theme: "Christmas Past"

Home & Yard Decorating Contest
 To be judged by the Beautification Committee of the LBPA

Business Name: _____
 Contact Person: _____
 Address: _____

Homes & Yards will be judged based on four categories:
 1. Use of Theme
 2. Originality (Unique design and creative use of lights & decorations)
 3. Arrangement (Display and placement of decorations)
 4. Overall Presentation

This form must be returned by November 30 to DeVoe Floral

Judging will be done between noon on December 2 and noon on December 3.

Questions?? Paris Hughes 815-369-5549

Lena Library
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We will be open during the Christmas Walk
 Friday, December 2nd
 5 p.m. - 8 p.m.

- Serving Refreshments
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Deadline is Dec. 1
 Please call Cindy at 815-369-4030 to place your order

2017 Calendar
 This year's theme is "At Work in Lena". Available at Cindy's Beauty Salon, Engel's Jewelry and Lena Mercantile for \$7.00
 Sponsored by The Lena Historical Society. Purchases will help support the maintenance of the museum buildings and projects to preserve Lena history.

Shop Cafe 217 *This Holiday Season!*
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Thursday - Friday 6:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.
 Saturday 7:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
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Thanksgiving Promotion
Centerpiece Winners

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 Adkins Energy - Jenny Ils
 Brinkers Pit Stop - Sierra Hoff
 Buss Boyz Customs, Inc. - Shirley Fox
 Bussian Insurance Agency - Andrea Karnatz
 Cafe 217 Espresso Bakery Shoppe - Brad Duiker
 Citizens State Bank-Lena - Carol Robison
 Community Bank - Lena - Sandy Brinkmeier
 Community Bank - Warren - Celeste Moscam
 Community Bank - Winslow - Judy White
 Country Financial/Steve Rothschild - Jolene Wingert
 DeVoe Floral - Lisa Corp
 DeVoe Floral at Hartzells IGA - Carol Aurand
 Diffenderfer Accounting - Jeri Strohecker
 Engels Repair - Par Edler
 Famous Fossil - Janet Norden
 Flash News - Mark Mahoney - Maribell Trost
 Fluegels - unavailable
 Iron Horse - Guy Hedlinger
 HomeTown Trophies - Sally McMahon
 Leamons Ambulance - Aene Schneider
 Lena Dental - Nancy Hulfacher
 Lena Drug Store - Berniece Eden
 Lena FHN Family Medical (M45 Mktng) - Bob Douglas
 Lena Hair Center - Wendy Hickok
 Lena Living Center - Debbie Vrstak
 Lena Mercantile - Carol Larson
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 Lena Shoppers Guide - Meloa Law
 Lena State Bank - Dean Gerbick
 Lilies Chiropractic Clinic LTD - Loni Aude
 My Friend's Closet Thrift Shop - Mrs. Musser
 Pat Brown Realtors - Bill & Helen Heiler
 Sugar Bowl - Michelle Weegens
 Subway of Lena - Jan Bowden
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Lena's Hometown Christmas
"Christmas Past"
Friday, December 2
5 - 8:30 p.m.

- Meet & Greet Santa & Mrs. Claus at Citizens State Bank following the parade
- Deposit Letters to Santa in his mail box at Citizens State Bank (they will be personally answered by Santa)
- Tree Lighting & lighted parade 6 p.m.
 - Horse drawn carriage rides depart from parking lot next to Pat Brown Realtors - Free to public
- Community Giving Tree - Fluegel's
 - Refreshments & Treats
 - Merchant Christmas Walk
- Family Fun, Reading & Treats - Lena Library
- Cookie Walk and Chili Supper - Lena United Methodist
- Check out my Friend's Closet - Christmas Store after the parade for Christmas Items. Open until 8 p.m.
- Local Home & Yard Decorating contest
- Business Window Decorating contest

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Tuesday, December 6
6:00-7:30 pm
Jo Daviess Co. Ext Office
Healthy Holiday
Appetizers and
Beverages
Cost \$15
Make and taste fun recipes with reduced sugar and fat while learning how to avoid unwanted holiday pounds.

Thursday, December 15
2:00 -4:00 pm
Jo Daviess Co. Ext. Office
Holiday Wreaths
Cost \$25
Learn how to take a simple holiday wreath and make it festive, and then take it with you to decorate your home.



Wednesday, December 21
2:30 -4:00 pm
Stockton Library
Holiday Centerpieces
Cost \$20
Learn how to make a festive holiday centerpiece with fresh greens that you can take home for your Christmas table.

For more information or to register: call Jo Daviess county at 815-858-2273 or visit us online at <https://web.extension.illinois.edu/jsw>

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• **Surplus** (Continued from page 7)

Anna Blair

This is what I would do if I worked at Stockton Cheese. First, I would cut the cheese. Next, I would give it to people. Last, the people have it and make pie or something else. This is what I wrote and I hope you like it.

Mark Detwiler

If I had 95.2 million pounds of extra cheese, here are some ideas I would do. First, I would cut the cheese with my friends. They might have to bring chain saws. Next, I would sell it for money. Last, if I had more cheese left I would make stuff like cheesecake, cheese curds, and all of that. And, I could use it for bait for mice and all of that. That's what I would do with 95.2 million pounds of cheese.

Eli Larson

If I had 95.2 million pounds of surplus cheese, here is some ideas of what I would do. First, I would get wood and build my bakery. Af-

ter I build my bakery, I would bake the food on my menu. My bakery would be called Cheesy Man. Next, I would make cheese burgers, grilled cheese pizza, cheesecake, macaroni and cheese, cheese cookies, and nachos. Then I would sell them at my bakery. Last, if I had any cheese leftover, I would give it to homeless people. I would also give it to the army, marines, navy, and the coast guard, I would give my money to people that did not have any.

Noah Larson

If the USA had 95.2 million pounds of extra cheese, here are some ideas for what to do with all that cheese. First, I would turn some of it into milk and keep some cheese. Next, I would make a company with all of my friends and sell all of the milk and cheese. Last, I will donate most of the money to poor people. These are my best ideas for what to do if the United states of America had 95.2 million extra pounds of cheese.

Be the shining star in someone's Christmas.



Join with Apple River State Bank and First Community Bank of Galena in helping less fortunate families this holiday season. We will have a tree in our bank lobbies decorated with special paper ornaments.

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Thank you for joining us in making our community a better place to live. Best wishes for a joyous holiday season!



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LEGALS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT JO DAVIESS COUNTY - GALENA, ILLINOIS ILLINOIS BANK AND TRUST COMPANY F/K/A GALENA STATE BANK F/K/A THE ELIZABETH STATE BANK Plaintiff,

-v.- ELIZABETH F. SCHNITZLER, et al Defendant

16 CH 00014

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on September 30, 2016, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:30 PM on January 4, 2017, at the office of Vincent Roth Toepfer & Leinen PC, 122 1/2 N Main St, Galena, IL, 61036, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

LOT 28 IN EAGLE RIDGE UNIT NO. 20 OF BRANIGAR'S THE GALENA TERRITORY ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN JO DAVIESS COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as 439 TERRITORY DRIVE, GALENA, IL 61036 Property Index No. 43-08-420-028-00. The real estate is improved with a residence. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/ or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS

IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. Where a sale of real estate is made to satisfy a lien prior to that of the United States, the United States shall have one year from the date of sale within which to redeem, except that with respect to a lien arising under the internal revenue laws the period shall be 120 days or the period allowable for redemption under State law, whichever is longer, and in any case in which, under the provisions of section 505 of the Housing Act of 1950, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1701k), and subsection (d) of section 3720 of title 38 of the United States Code, the right to redeem does not arise, there shall be no right of redemption. The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales. For information, examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C., 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE

100, BURR RIDGE, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876 Please refer to file number 14-16-04385. THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales. CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100 BURR RIDGE, IL 60527 (630) 794-5300 E-Mail: pleadings@il.cslegal.com Attorney File No. 14-16-04385 Attorney ARDC No. 00468002 Case Number: 16 CH 00014 TJSC#: 36-12125 NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. I708080

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT JO DAVIESS COUNTY, ILLINOIS

WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, PLAINTIFF,

VS.

MARY JO DELIHANT; JUDE T DELIHANT; LESLEY M DELIHANT; THE GALENA TERRITORY ASSOCIATION, INC.; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, DEFENDANTS.

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2 LOST RIDGE GALENA, IL 61036

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU,

Jude T Delihant Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants defendants, that this case has been commenced in this Court against you and other defendants, asking for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to wit:

LOT 2 OF SHENANDOAH UNIT 6 OF BRANIGAR'S THE GALENA TERRITORY LOCATED IN THE NORTH-EAST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4; THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4; THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4; THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4; ALL IN SECTION 29, TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 2 EAST

OF THE FOURTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, GULIFORD TOWNSHIP, JO DAVIESS COUNTY, ILLINOIS; ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED JULY 16, 1974 AS DOCUMENT NO. 132123 IN PLAT BOOK 14, PAGE 36 AND NOW LOCATED IN PLAN HOLD B OF PLATS, NO 25-B. SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF JO DAVIESS, IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS

Commonly known as: 2 Lost Ridge

Galena, IL 61036

and which said Mortgage was made by,

Mary Jo Delihant

Mortgagor(s), to

Mortgage Electronic Registrations Systems, Inc. as nominee for Draper and Kramer Mortgage Corp.

Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Jo Daviess County, Illinois, as Document No. 321459; and for other relief.

UNLESS YOU file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this case in the Office of the Clerk of this County, Sharon A. Wand 330 North Bench St. Galena, IL 61036

on or before December 23, 2016, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF ASKED IN THE COMPLAINT.

PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

McCalla Raymer Pierce, LLC Attorney for Plaintiff

1 N. Dearborn St. Suite 1300 Chicago, IL 60602

Ph. (312) 346-9088

File No. 257438-58372

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Public Notice

The Chief County Assessment Officer for Jo Daviess County will be holding the Annual Township Assessor's meeting on Tuesday, December 6, 2016 in the County Board Room on the 3rd floor of the Jo Daviess County Courthouse at 6:30 p.m. The purpose of the meeting will be to hand out guidelines, workbooks and exemption forms for

the 2017 assessment year.

Donna M. Berlage

Chief County Assessment

Officer

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Nov. 30, 2016)

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LEGAL NOTICE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS/PLANNING COMMISSION JO DAVIESS COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Public notice is hereby given pursuant to a petition on file in the Planning & Development Administrator's office of Jo Daviess County, that a public hearing will be held on Wednesday, December 21, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the courthouse at 330 N. Bench Street, Galena, Illinois, to hear the petition of Highland Chemical, Inc. dba Ag-Tech (13276 Highway 20 East, Stockton, IL 61085), Drew Spidahl (9860 W Deerfield Ln, Lena, IL 61048) and Brandi Nehmer (N9161 Cardinal Crest Ln, New Glarus, WI 53574) owners, of the following real estate:

A tract of land located in a part of the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 5, Township 27 North, Range 5 East of the Fourth Principal Meridian, Wards Grove Township, Jo Daviess County, Illinois, containing 4.99 acres more or less.

Common Address: 13276 Hwy 20 East, Stockton

The petitioner is requesting the following: Special Use Permit in the AG Agricultural District to add land and an agricultural storage building to the property.

The petition, plan and complete legal description are available for examination at the Planning & Development Department at 1 Commercial Dr, Suite 1, Hanover, IL 61041, (815) 591-3810.

All interested persons are invited to attend said hearing and be heard.

Respectfully submitted,

Mel Gratton, Chairman

Jo Daviess County Zoning Board/Planning Commission

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NOTICE TO PETROLEUM DEALERS

Sealed proposals for the purchase of premium diesel fuel and unleaded gasoline will be received by the Apple River Township Board at the Apple River Township office, until 10:00 A.M. December 13th,

Continued on next page

CHURCH NEWS

UU Church of Stockton presents readers theater

On Dec. 4 at 10:30 a.m. the Unitarian Universalist Church of Stockton will present a readers theater entitled "Do You Hear What I Hear."

This play was written by renowned children's author, Leone Castell Anderson, and is published by Meriwether Publishing Ltd. The cast includes Casey and Tyler Williams, Eve, Ari and Luc Nottrott with Nancy Schuldt as leader, Joan

Harmet as pianist and Mel Parker as director of the UU choir. In this delightful presentation, the children of the church will share the sounds that they associate with the Christmas season. It will be a wonderful way to get into the holiday spirit.

The church is located at 219 N. Pearl Street, Stockton. For more information contact Rev. Armida Alexander at revinres06@yahoo.com.



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Thank you Dubuque Racing Association

Thanks to the generosity of the Dubuque Racing Association, The Workshop received a grant to install main entrance hand-capped automatic door operators.

St. Paul's in Kent baptizes two and lights Second Advent Candle

On Sunday, Dec. 4, 10 a.m. family worship, St. Paul's in Kent will celebrate with Lily Broshous and Scott Williams, as they are baptized. We will light the Second Advent Candle, the candle of Love.

Bonnie J. Hill will read the scriptures, and Deb Winning will offer her musical gifts. Holy Communion will be celebrated.

Join us at the Little Church with the Big Heart. We are located a quarter mile north of Kent, at 1334 N. Sunnyside Road. For more information, call 232-4010.

Stockton Community Chorus to perform 'One Last Noel'

The Stockton Community Chorus will be performing the Cantata "One Last Noel" by Randy Vader, Rose Aspinall, and Jay Rouse on Sunday Night Dec. 4, at Calvary United Methodist Church at 7 p.m. What a great way to begin the Christmas Season by listening to the wonderful story of Jesus' birth.

Stockton Middle School and High School schedule Winter Concert

The Stockton Middle School and High School will be performing their Winter Concert on Tuesday Dec. 6. The Fifth and Sixth Grade Band and Chorus will begin at 6 p.m. The Seventh through Twelfth Grade Band and Chorus will begin at 7:30 p.m. Come to support the students and enjoy the gift of Music.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church will gather for worship Dec. 4, at 118 E. Mason St. Lena, IL, at 9:30 a.m. All are invited to worship at Good Shepherd on this Second Sunday of Advent with Holy Communion. 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.

On Wednesday Dec. 7, 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.

On Thursday the Friendship Club will meet at 12 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for a Potluck Dinner and entertainment with "Take Two."

St. John's Lutheran Church

St. John's Lutheran Church will hold their Sunday morning service on Dec. 4. The service will begin at 9 a.m. and will include the Joy Choir. The Whirl Sunday School will meet at 10:15 am feature the lesson, "Jews and Gentiles." Confirmation class for seventh and eighth grade youth will also meet at 10:15 a.m. The Prayer Shawl Ministry will be meet following worship. The SPLAT youth will be selling Christmas Cookie Plates after worship on Dec. 4. All SPLAT youth and parents will meet at 11 am on Dec. 4th. All Sunday School and Confirmation youth will have Christmas Program practice at 11 a.m. also.

The Fifth Quarter Youth group (seventh and eighth grades) will meet at 6 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 4th followed by the Genesis youth group (high school) at 7:30 p.m. Both groups will meet in the Youth and Family Center.

All those going to see Miracle on 34th Street should be at St. John's on Wednesday, Nov. 30, for an 8 a.m. prompt departure. Those meeting in Freeport should be at the Lincoln Mall parking lot (West End) by 8:15 a.m.

St. John's Lutheran Church, Pearl, City, now has a Saturday Evening Worship at 5:30 p.m. in our Nave/Sanctuary. The service will be led by Pastor Ekstrand and will be about 30-35 minutes in length and will include communion and a sermon. Members and non-members alike are welcome to participate in the Saturday evening service.

The Sunday School Christmas program will be during worship on Dec. 11. The Women's Gathering Christmas event will be at Karen Bremmer's home on Dec. 13. The poinsettia garden will be on Dec. 18. Christmas Eve worship services will be at 5 and 9 p.m. and Christmas Day worship will be at 9 a.m.

Bible Studies continue to be held at St. John's in the Conference Room on Mondays at 7 p.m. and on Thursdays at 10 a.m. Members and non members alike are invited to join the Bible Study discussions. The East door to the Lower Level is open for your convenience.

Willow/Kent United Methodist Churches

Willow/Kent UMC will worship together Sunday Dec. 4, at Willow UMC at 9 a.m. Pastor Brenda Morris will be giving the message and serving Holy Communion to all, no one is turned away, all are welcome and invited. Then to stay for the fellowship following.

Sunday School is at 10:30 a.m. and all are welcome and invited to join us as we are studying from the Holy Bible.

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

Pearl City First UMC schedules Christmas Walk events and services

Please join us on Dec. 4, at 8:30 a.m. for worship led by Pastor Matthew Smith. Stop in and see us at the Pearl City Christmas walk on Dec. 3, from 6-8 p.m. Do you need help with your holiday baking? On Dec 10, join us for a cookie walk and buy an assortment of your choice of

homemade cookies, candies and breads. We will provide a box for you and you may walk around and pick out all of your holiday goodies for \$5 per pound.

For more information about Pearl City First UMC, visit our website at www.pearlcityumc.org

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JO DAVIESS COUNTY -
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ILLINOIS BANK AND TRUST COMPANY
F/K/A GALENA STATE BANK F/K/A THE
ELIZABETH STATE BANK
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ELIZABETH F. SCHNITZLER, et al
Defendant

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1/2 N Main St, Galena, IL 61036, sell at
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the period shall be 120 days or the period
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which, under the provisions of section 505
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Shop Small Saturday

Chocolate Moon Gift Shop owner
Sandy Groezinger is joined by
friends and staff to decorate the
Christmas tree and celebrate her
shop's grand opening on Shop
Small Saturday in Stockton.

(Right) Stockton Ace Hardware
Assistant Manager Jean Hill said
the store had been unusually
busy on Shop Small Saturday
and she is looking forward to
next week's Candy Cane Christ-
mas celebration.



Lily and Alex Jordan went shopping in Stockton and chose some special Christmas gifts for their mom at Chocolate Moon Gifts on Shop Small Saturday.

Shop Small Saturday



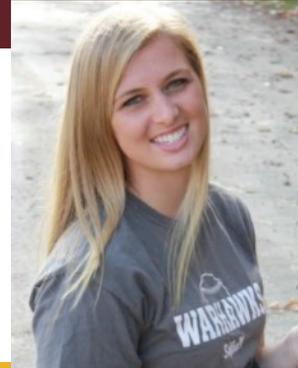
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Sandy Staas operates Natures Treasures in Woodbine and says every day is Shop Local day in her shop. The shop is a trove of gifts and natural items that just beg to be found under the tree on Christmas morning.

(Left) Stockton Floral and Gifts and Sweet Alice's employee Rachel Ertmer spent most of her work day creating floral arrangements and waiting on the steady stream of customers that had ventured out to experience Shop Small Saturday.



Glad Rags Resale Boutique owner Gloria Benson has a great selection of gently worn clothing in all sizes and has door buster sales on jewelry items through the holiday season in her downtown Stockton shop.



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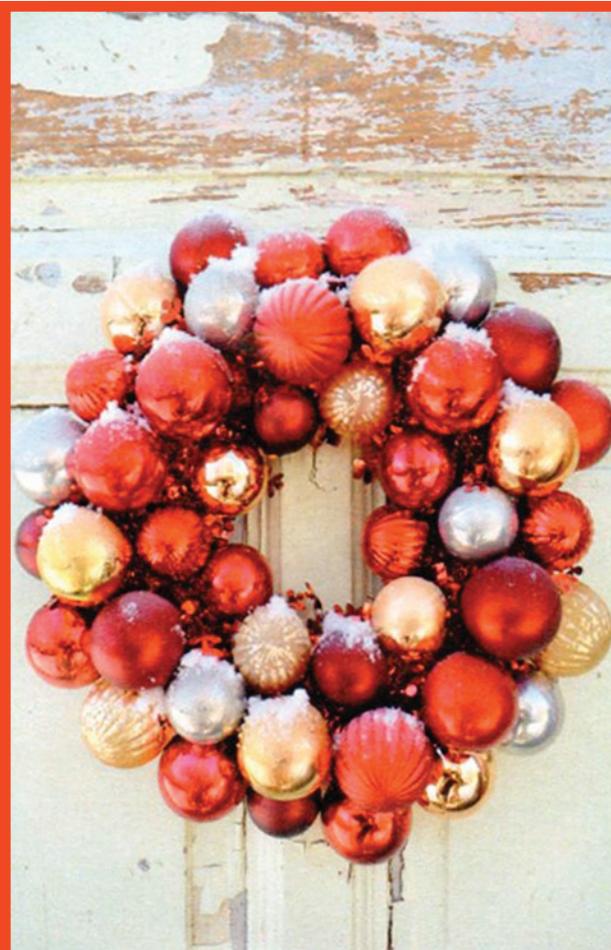


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9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Holy Cross Parish Hall
223 E. Front Avenue, Stockton, IL

- Bake Sale ▪
- Craft Vendors ▪
- Quilt Raffle ▪
- Adult Raffle ▪ Children's Raffle ▪

More prizes coming in daily
Wanted - Craft Vendors

Morning: Coffee & Homemade Rolls
Lunch: Pulled Pork & BBQ Sandwiches,
Salad, Homemade Pies



Same Day as
Stockton Christmas Walk

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Stockton Chamber of Commerce Presents: A Candy Cane Christmas!

Friday, December 2

**Featuring the Stockton High School Choir

6 p.m.: Crowning of Miss Merry Christmas & Little Jack Frost at the Christmas Tree lighting & caroling

S'mores over a fire!

**Courtesy of Subway of Stockton

Saturday, December 3

- 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Holy Cross Christmas Bazaar
- 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Arbonne & Scentsy Open House, 110 N. Blackhawk Dr.
- 10 - 11 a.m. Story Hour with Santa, Stockton Township Library
- 11 a.m. Santa Arrives by Fire Truck to Stella's Café
- 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Horse Drawn Carriage Rides, Sponsored by Illinois Bank & Trust! Weather dependent, across from Casey's
- 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Visit with Santa & Mrs. Claus, Stella's Café & Catering
- 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Boy Scout Soup/Chili Luncheon Scout Hall
- 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Stockton Bowling Lanes Bowl for a Buck, proceeds go to Student Leadership
- 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Mac & Cheese Bake Off@ Museum Annex, tastings and prizes!

Saturday Specials & Sales

- Creativations:** Stop in for photo ops with Mickey & Minnie at 1 p.m.
- Glad Rags Resale Boutique:** All Red & Green tag are 50% off Jewelry 30% off. Bring in your Stockton Strong shopping bag and receive more discounts.
- Refreshments and door prizes too
- Stockton Floral & Gifts:** In store specials and drawings
- Hartig Drug:** In store specials & drawings
- Ink & Paper:** Clearance Sale and Free Cappuccinos!
- Savvy Scavengers:** In store specials & drawings
- Stockton Hardware:** Stockton Cheese Samples



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- Stockton books and gifts for sale

- Silent auction fundraiser for Renovations for the museum

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