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Illinois Coalition against Domestic Violence to honor students

Illinois Coalition against Domestic Violence (ICADV) is awarding a team of high school students from Lena-Winslow with a \$1,000 grant and iPad Pros for winning first place in the annual NO MORE Teen Dating Abuse video challenge to raise awareness about the issue of teen dating violence. The grant and technology are courtesy of a HopeLine from Verizon grant.

Now in its fifth year, the ICADV NO MORE Teen Dating Abuse Video Challenge is the first statewide prevention project of its kind in Illinois, that invites high school age teens throughout the state to create a short PSA type video that is creative, targets teens, and promotes healthy relationships. The videos were judged based on creativity, the appeal to teens, and their messaging of promoting healthy relationships.

ICADV is celebrating the first place award-winning Lena-Winslow High School students at an award ceremony where the school will be presented with a \$1,000 grant. Each student on the team will also receive iPad Pros.

WHEN: Monday, March 27, 1 p.m.

Celebration and check presentation

WHERE: Lena-Winslow High School, 401 Fremont St. Lena

For more than a decade, Verizon, through its HopeLine program, has been a champion of ending domestic violence. Verizon supports a broad range of programs that include: training health care practitioners and first responders about screening for signs of abuse; engaging men as role mod-

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Pearl City Fourth Graders experience mock fossil dig

Mrs. Brouhard's fourth graders at Pearl City recently wrapped up their unit on rocks and fossils by going on a mock fossil dig. The class boarded a flight, watched the take-off and landing on the big screen. Once they landed in Montana, they went to their mock dig site. The students worked in pairs and spent 5 'days' finding bones and working together to assemble them in an attempt to find out what animal they came from. Each 'day' they were given certain conditions and criteria to follow. They discovered that paleontology is hard work, and sometimes you can be so convinced that the animal is one thing, you fail to change your opinion even when new evidence points at something else.

Koning's Precision Paint & Body now located in Lena

By Tony Carton
EDITOR

The mission at Koning's Precision Paint & Body is to provide their customers with peace of mind. Koning's specializes in all makes and models and whether it's a small scratch or an issue requiring complete restoration, Koning's Precision Paint & Body guarantees satisfaction.

"We restore cars to pre-loss condition and sometimes better than that, depending on the cars that come in here," said Precision co-owners/operators Brenda and Steven Koning. "Our focus is on the end product. If we're happy with it, usually the customer is going to be happy with it too. We are particular about the product we put out and most of the time we are able to give our customers better than what they started with."

Koning's Precision Paint & Body moved to Lena from its long standing Pearl City location in September 2016.

"First and foremost we were looking to get out of the flood plain," she said. "We already had a large book of business from Lena and we decided it would be the most logical place to relocate."

The Konings have constructed a new and massive facility at 301 Dodds Drive, Lena and the immaculate and larger space provides them with everything they needed to con-

tinue their established standard of excellence.

"We draw clientele from all around the area," Koning said. "We have a lot of customers from Freeport. We also bring folks from Wisconsin and Winnebago County, and we see quite a few 'Sunday Drivers' who are very particular about their vehicles."

She said their new and larger facility allows them to not only offer the same truck and car services as before, but they have room now to work comfortably on large trucks as well.

"There are a lot of farms out there

that have trucks in their fleets that they haul grain with and we want to be able to continue accommodating their needs," Koning said. "We can handle large vehicles in here now and we've always had a frame machine for straightening frames, so that hasn't changed."

They also spray in bed liners and they've built a bigger paint booth, so the sky is pretty much the limit for repairs or restoration at Koning's Precision Paint & Body.

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Adkins Energy LLC 2017 scholarship available

Adkins Energy LLC is proud to offer its annual scholarship. The application is available on the Adkins website: www.adkinsenergy.com; application deadline is Wednesday, April 12.

Adkins Energy LLC will award a \$1,500 scholarship to one winner. Anyone pursuing higher education at a trade school, college or university in 2017 may apply. Entries will be judged on previous academic achievement, current financial impact, and an essay.

To be eligible for the scholarship, applicants must:

Complete an application, including the most recent transcript of grades,

with class ranking, if available.

Submit a typed essay, no longer than three pages double-spaced, on the following: At Adkins Energy, we produce both ethanol and biodiesel from the same kernel of corn. What is biodiesel, what blends are used in the fuel supply, and what are its advantages?

Submit a description of how this scholarship will affect the applicant's educational goals or special financial circumstances.

Submissions must be postmarked by Wednesday, April 12, 2017. The winning recipient will be awarded the \$1,500 scholarship after providing proof of enrollment.

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Elect Bob Nawa (R) West Point Township Trustee



As an incumbent Trustee I need your vote to continue serving the community. My wife, Gen, and I moved to the Lena area in 2006. I have been regularly attending the township meetings for about 8 years, 2 of

those as a Trustee. With your vote I can continue working with the board to provide services to the Township within our budget.

Thank You

Vote for Bob Nawa(R)

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Judged a winner

Pearl City took first place at the Section 1 FFA Livestock Judging Contest held at Mt. Carroll on Saturday March 18. Pictured left to right: Garrett Handsaker, Skylar Fischer, Addison Keltner, Jazmin Wingert, and Meg Tessendorf.

Five class course in survival beekeeping offered

Terrence N. Ingram from Apple River has decided to teach one more beekeeping course. This will not be a course for beginners in beekeeping. It will be a course during which he will be teaching beekeepers how to get their hives to survive without the use of chemicals. The course will consist of five 2-hour classes. The total cost for the course will be \$100. The classes will be held at 2:00 pm at Apple Creek Apiaries on the Saturdays of April 15, May 20, June 17, July 15 and August 19th.

Surviving the onslaught of agricultural chemicals applied to the cropland, plus varroa mites and hive beetles, is a real battle for every beekeeper. Adding additional chemical stress to each hive by the individual beekeeper applying other chemicals

inside each hive is creating a real nightmare for the bees' survival.

To survive a beekeeper must learn to read the symptoms of these stresses in his or her hives. Then he, or she, must take appropriate action to try to overcome what is happening within the hive. Once a beekeeper knows the symptoms of some of these, he or she is on the way to knowing what to do during proper times of the year to help his or her hives survive to another year. Only by getting their hives through the winter can a beekeeper have any real hope of surviving in this business for very long.

The key to a lot of this is the genetics of the queen in the hive. During the classes the students will work in the beeyard of Apple Creek Apiaries

with wintered over hives, with 3# packages with Koehnen Carniolan queens, and with queens from several different sources to test the genetics of each. In addition to the packages, he will be getting some queens that are old world Carniolans, some that are new world Carniolans, and some that are from survival stock. These new queens will be coming in during the middle of May.

Mr. Ingram hopes that he will be able to share with beekeepers what he has learned in his over 60 years of keeping bees. The class will be limited to the first 15 to 20 people who register for the class. To register send your name and address and \$100 to Apple Creek Apiaries, 8384 North Broadway, Apple River, IL 61001 or call 815-594-2592 for a registration form.

Pleasant Valley Busy Bees March meeting summary

By Brissia Garcia and Lilly Groezinger
CLUB REPORTERS

The Pleasant Valley Busy Bees met on Monday, March 20 at Elda Goodmiller's home for their 5th annual international-themed meeting. "We learned about China, and we studied panda bears," explained 4-H club member Daniel Garcia. "I liked it."

Plans were finalized for the club's upcoming trip to a chick hatchery in April, and for their yearly Memorial Day weekend service project. The club also welcomed several new members this month! The Pleasant Valley Busy Bees invite youth ages 5-18 to check out their 4-H club. For more information, give leader Elda Goodmiller a call at (815) 598-3152.

THANK YOU

A heart-felt thank you to each and everyone that helped me in any way since my injuries at Christmas and a month later. 12 weeks in somebody's care. That especially includes Presence St. Joseph's staff from admitting, administrator, the super therapy department and A wing RN's, LPN's, CNA's to the cleaning crew and 'fix it' men. Also the friendly kitchen-dining crew and their good food.
Dorothy Ditzler

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Please help
Willie
celebrate his
90th Birthday
at an Open House
Sunday, April 2
from 2 - 5 p.m.
in the
Fellowship Hall of
Good Shepherd Church

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Willie Kayser's family

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LeWin Principal's Honor Roll (Term Three)

A student receiving a 4.0 and above, with no actual grade below an A, will be listed on the "Principal's" List. A student who has a grade point of 3.99 to 3.67 and no actual grade below an A- will be listed on the "High Honors" list. A student who has a grade point of 3.67 to 2.67 and no actual grade below a B- will be listed on the "Honors" list.

Freshman

Jenna Bidlingmaier
Gabrielle Brinkmeier
Grant Fiedler
Samantha Kempel
Joseph Lenz
Madison Meador
Kaylee Meyer
Kierra Schulz
Jordan Streckwald
Abbygale Strominger

•Koning

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"Hopefully we will continue to grow over the next few years and be able to increase our number of employees and the number of customers we can serve," she said.

Quality and service are the Koning's keys to success.

"These days insurance companies are trying to lower their costs and one way that happens is to put after-market parts on a customer's insurance estimate," Koning said. "Certainly, they are entitled to do that, but a lot of customers are apprehensive about using those and we will try to price match original equipment or OEM parts instead of the after-market whenever possible. When a customer comes in with all after-market parts on their estimate and we use OEM instead, the customer is usually happier with the end result."

Learn more about the products and services available through Koning's Precision Paint & Body by dropping by the shop at 301 Dodds Drive, open 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. or call (815) 369-4148 or visit them on Facebook by searching Koning's Precision Paint & Body

Illinois Press Foundation offers grants for high school journalism programs

The Illinois Press Foundation is once again pleased to offer its Illinois High School Mini-Grants Program for public and private high schools with existing journalism programs. High school journalism teachers may apply for grants up to \$1,500 for hardware and/or software needed to produce print or online newspapers.

This is the eighth year the foundation has offered the grants. In 2016, over \$22,000 was awarded to 17 schools. Grant applications are due via email by Friday, April. 28, 2017, to Kate Richardson at krichardson@illinoispress.org.

Complete information can be found at <http://illinoispress.org/Foundation/GrantsScholarships.asp>.

Sophomores

Adriana Curran
Maleah Linden
Kendall Lobdell
Meagan Mader
Parker Magee
Olivia Matz
Iris Trimble

Juniors

Grace Bidlingmaier
Kenneth Broge
Ty Chrisman
Viola Kluck
Asa Lake
Amber Madigan
Noah Milder
Madison Scace

Seniors

Shawn Bonebright
Marissa Buss
Hope Enck
Leigh Hille
Jordan Lee
Bailey Litow
Cole Oberle
Meghan Scace
Lillian Schierloh
Allison Weegens

High Honors Honor Roll Freshman

Ashlyn Enck
Jaden Julius
Hannah Milliken
Kaidyn Sargent

Zane Stouffer
Channing Vorwald
Jenna Zeal

Sophomores

Cade Benson
Jacquelyn Moest
Megan Packard
Christina Schubert

Juniors

Trevor Aurand
Laurel Flynn
Samantha Gobeli
Lauren Guy
Eli Lingle
Noah Trumpy
Rahveon Valentine
April Woolcock

Seniors

Bailey Baldauf
Colton Brinker
Kayleigh Gerber
Kourtney Heun
Mitchell Mikesell
Sondra Winters

Honors Honor Roll Freshman

Alec Bennett
Alyssa Brown
Michael Chrisman
Ava Dietz
Zachary Fox
Ethan Gift
Tenley Huttenlocher
Zoe Johnson

Krista Keene
Makenzie Lawson
Alexander Leamon
Bailey Leamon
Joel Martinez-Brown
Shannon Noller
Sean Ormiston
Alivea Peight
Madilyn Schultz

Sophomores

Bradyn Almasy
Aidan Cruz
Darren Dameier
Boone Durham
Rebecca Edler
Kelly Geyer
Keegan Gyland
Brooke Knoup
Sydney Lindquist
Lillian Rowley
Kendra Setterstrom
Sophie Tootelian
Rachel Young

Juniors

Thomas Crothers
Carmen DeVries
Shanna Lartz
Madilyn McMahan
Natasha Rowe
Christian Sutter
Evan Vorwal
Alandus Williams

Seniors

Austin Banister-Markee
Joshua Brunner
Daylan Chumbler
Jacob Diddens
Victoria Gahm
Brianna Haight
Hollace Julius
Kyle Kalkbrenner
Tanner Lawfer
Lucas Lawson
Payden Lingle
Mazy McGinniss
Kristine Morris
Renee Scheider
Sidney Shipman

Stephenson County 4-H and Extension Foundation to host Pork Chop Dinner

The Stephenson County 4-H and Extension Foundation announces its 10th Annual Pork Chop Dinner Fundraiser, which will be held on Sunday, April 2, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Eagles Club in Freeport, 1200 W. Galena Ave. The dinner will feature a 6 oz. pork chop sandwich, grilled with the assistance of the Stephenson County Pork Producers, featuring their special seasoning. Potato salad or chips, cheese from local cheese producers, apple-sauce, drink, and dessert will also be served. Two serving lines and special carry out line will be available. The dinner is planned by a committee of Foundation members and other 4-H volunteers, and donations from local businesses and restaurants help make it possible.

Advanced tickets are \$6 and may

be purchased from members of Stephenson County 4-H Clubs or at the U of I Extension Office, 2998 W. Pearl City Rd, Freeport, until March 24. After that, tickets will be sold at the door for \$7 and hot dog meal tickets will be available at the door only and not sold prior to the event. Many area restaurants and businesses have provided items for the meal and silent auction, and the Foundation appreciates their support.

There will be a silent auction with gift baskets created by 4-H clubs and other opportunities to support local 4-H clubs. All proceeds will benefit the Stephenson County 4-H and Extension Foundation and stay in Stephenson County. For more information or questions, please call the University of Illinois Extension-Stephenson County at 815-235-4125.

Makenzie J. Smith conducts undergraduate research at UW-Whitewater

Makenzie J. Smith from Orangeville, Ill., who is majoring in theatre, presented at the Undergraduate Research Day event at the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater.

"It's a showcase of academic student engagement in its purest form-seeing students engage in scholarly activity through undergraduate research within their discipline and across disciplines," said Whitney Supianoski, director of the McNair Scholars Program.

The event was Thursday, March 16, in the James R. Connor University Center Hamilton Room.

Smith's project is called "Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival - Irene Ryan Acting Scholarship Nomination."

Projects ranged from social work and criminology to performing art pieces. Many of the students have been preparing their research and working alongside a faculty mentor for close to a year.

"Typically, they (undergraduate

students) work for a year or more. By 'work' I mean the active scholarly work that they need to put in, including a literature review or some sort of experimentation. It includes thinking how to present the work and explain the work to people who may not be in their field of expertise," said Catherine Chan, director of the Undergraduate Research Program.

As a longstanding UW-Whitewater event, Undergraduate Research Day has grown not only in numbers, but in the quality of the research being presented.

"I've witnessed a growth in the variety of the projects and different trends in the projects being presented," said Chan. "There are more team-based projects now, more interdisciplinary projects being developed. It is certainly an opportunity for them to practice any opportunities down the line for interviews for grad school, professional schools and employment."

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VIEWPOINT

The American people deserve a front row seat

Dick Durbin
UNITED STATES SENATOR

This week, I re-introduced bipartisan legislation to require open proceedings of the Supreme Court to be televised. The Cameras in the Courtroom Act would require the Supreme Court to permit television coverage of all open sessions of the Court, unless the Court decides, by a majority vote of the Justices, that doing so would constitute a violation of the due process rights of one or more of the parties before the Court. I'm proud to introduce this bill during "Sunshine Week," a national effort to promote government transparency and freedom of information.

Decisions made by the Supreme Court impact the lives of all Ameri-

cans in every corner of the country, but their proceedings often don't reach beyond the four walls of the courtroom. And while we may disagree on the outcome of these cases, we can all agree that the American public deserves greater access to the arguments and decisions that will shape our society for years to come. It's time for the Supreme Court to embrace technology and transparency.

Supreme Court nominee Judge Neil Gorsuch has a troubling record

This week, the Senate Judiciary Committee held hearings for President Trump's Supreme Court Nominee Judge Neil Gorsuch. I grilled Judge Gorsuch on his dubious record

on civil, human, and workers' rights, and asked him to cite specific examples to justify his claims that, as a judge, he's stood up for the rights of working people, minorities, women, and LGBTQ Americans.

I also pressed Judge Gorsuch to explain his efforts to preserve the legality of torture techniques like waterboarding, his questionable stance on maternity leave, his unfeeling and poorly-reasoned dissent in the case of truck driver Alphonse Maddin, who lost his job after refusing to stay with his broken trailer in life-threatening weather conditions, and his ruling in favor of corporations over people in *Hobby Lobby v. Sebelius*.

During the hearing, the Supreme Court, in an opinion authored by

Chief Justice Roberts, unanimously ruled that the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals' – the Court that Judge Gorsuch currently sits on – standard for what educational benefit a school is required to provide students with disabilities is inconsistent with the law. The timing of the decision was striking because the Court alone determines when it announces its rulings. Chief Justice Roberts' opinion specifically notes that "[w]hen all is said and done, a student offered an educational program providing 'merely more than de minimis' progress from year to year can hardly be said to have been offered an education at all." According to the National Education Association's analysis of 10th Circuit jurisprudence in In-

dividuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) cases, Judge Gorsuch established the "merely... 'more than de minimis'" standard in a 2008 opinion.

Thus far, Judge Gorsuch's answers to these critical questions have failed to address my serious concerns over his record. President Trump's Chief of Staff, Reince Priebus, said that Judge Gorsuch "has the vision of Donald Trump." Make no mistake – when it comes to the treatment of workers, of women who have been victims of discrimination, of people of minority religious faiths, and of our Constitution, I personally do not believe America needs the vision of President Trump represented on the Supreme Court.

Illinois General Assembly to consider ending marijuana prohibition, regulating and taxing marijuana for adult use

Legislation introduced in the *House and Senate that would allow adults 21 and older to purchase marijuana in licensed, taxpaying businesses instead of the underground market*

State lawmakers introduced legislation Wednesday that would end marijuana prohibition in Illinois and

establish a system in which marijuana is regulated and taxed for adult use.

The Senate bill, SB 316, is sponsored by Senate Appropriations Committee Chairwoman Heather Steans (D-Chicago), while the House version, HB 2353, was presented by Rep. Kelly Cassidy (D-Chicago).

Each would make it legal for adults 21 and older to possess, grow, and purchase limited amounts of marijuana. The state would license and regulate businesses to cultivate, process, test, and sell marijuana to adults, and it would create and enforce strict health and safety regulations, such as testing and labeling requirements and restrictions on marketing.

"Marijuana prohibition is a quagmire that creates far more problems than it prevents," Cassidy said. "Sev-

Bustos statement after House cancels TrumpCare vote

Washington Republicans Pull TrumpCare vote after immense public pressure.

Friday, after Washington Republicans canceled their long promised and delayed TrumpCare vote, Congresswoman Cheri Bustos issued the following statement:

"The defeat of TrumpCare is a major victory for our children, our seniors and hardworking families across our nation," said Congresswoman Cheri Bustos. "More than 97 percent of the individuals who contacted my office voiced their strong objection to TrumpCare and I thank all of them for making their voices heard. The American people sent a clear message that no one should be one accident away from bankruptcy, older Americans shouldn't have to pay an age tax and hardworking families shouldn't pay more for less coverage. However, our work is not finished. Next week, I hope we can come together and start working across the aisle on real solutions to reduce out of pocket expenses and lower the price of prescription drugs."

eral states have adopted sensible alternatives to prohibition, and it is time for Illinois to develop its own exit strategy. Regulating marijuana and removing the criminal element from marijuana production and sales will make our communities safer." The bills propose taxing marijuana at a rate of \$50 per ounce at the wholesale level, and retail sales would be subject to the state's standard 6.25% sales tax. Based on current usage rates and the market price of marijuana being sold for adults' use in Colorado, the Marijuana Policy Project estimates regulated marijuana sales could generate between \$349 million and \$699 million per year in new revenue for Illinois.

"Right now, all the money being spent on marijuana is going into the pockets of criminals and cartels," Steans said. "In a regulated system, the money would go into the cash registers of licensed, taxpaying businesses. It would generate hundreds of millions of dollars per year in new revenue for our state. Prohibition is a

financial hole in the ground, and we should stop throwing taxpayer dollars into it."

Eight states have enacted laws regulating and taxing marijuana for adult use. A February Quinnipiac University poll found 59% of U.S. voters think marijuana should be made legal. Polls conducted by the Pew Research Center and Gallup last October found support at 57% and 60%, respectively.

"People are fed up with laws that punish adults for using a substance that is far less harmful than alcohol," said Chris Lindsey, senior legislative counsel for the Marijuana Policy Project. "The time is right for the Illinois General Assembly to re-examine marijuana prohibition and consider the potential benefits of a thoughtfully crafted regulatory system. The sky has not fallen in the eight states that have made marijuana legal for adults. It's time for Illinois to move past prohibition and stop missing out on the jobs and revenue other states are already getting."

Bracelet and Belt Workshop

Take a Workshop at the Stephenson County Fiber Art Fair. Saturday, April 8. Make a wool covered belt or bracelet! Cover the item of your choosing with hand dyed and spun yarn. Choose a belt with leather and buckle or a bracelet that is hinged for opening. Create a beautiful accessory for yourself or to gift! No experience necessary. Materials provided.

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Citizens State Bank names Borgmann Chief Risk Officer

Citizens State Bank has promoted Mindy Borgmann to the newly created position of Chief Risk Officer. Borgmann has been in the banking industry for more than 30 years, and has most recently been serving CSB customers as Senior Vice President of Retail Banking.

As Chief Risk Officer, Borgmann will focus on developing and maintaining a comprehensive process for identifying, assessing, monitoring, and reporting key business risks that can impact achievement of the company's goals and objectives.

"My new role is more analytical, and focuses on positioning the bank strategically for growth and success," Borgmann says. "I'm excited to be

able to help Citizens State Bank grow and better serve our customers and communities."

Borgmann is a graduate of Highland Community College and Dakota High School. She is the treasurer of the Lincoln-Douglas Society and serves as board president for VOICES of Stephenson County. She is also an active volunteer for the United Way of Northwest Illinois and the Salvation Army.



Mindy Borgmann

ON THE RECORD



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Celebrating 40 years

John and Elaine Bumphrey will celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary on March 26. They were married at Ebenezer-Salem United Church of Christ in Pearl City, IL in 1977. They have been dairy farmers in rural Pearl City throughout their marriage. In addition to farming, John is the road commissioner for Jefferson Township and Elaine works in the housekeeping department at Lena Living Center. They have two children, Dan Bumphrey (Sarah Edler) of Pearl City, IL and Lorie (Kyle) Kaatz of Savanna, IL. They have one granddaughter, Ellarose.

They will celebrate with their children. All who know John and Elaine are encouraged to congratulate them with a card or phone call.

Obituaries

ALTA L. BONJOUR

Alta L. Bonjour, 97, passed away peacefully on Tuesday March 21, 2017 at her home in Warren. She was born on Sept. 10, 1919 in rural Massbach, IL. the daughter of Christian and Carlena (Reusch) Albrecht. She attended Kellar School in rural Massbach. Alta married Elmer C. Bonjour on Nov. 10, 1942, at St. John Lutheran Church in Massbach IL. Elmer served his time in the United States Army and she became an Army wife from Nov. 1942 to 1945. They farmed for 37 years from 1947 to 1984 in the McConnell, Stockton and Warren areas. They were married for 68 years before he passed away on December 15, 2010. She was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Warren and the church ladies group Martha's Circle. Alta enjoyed donating her time to sewing quilts at the church. She also enjoyed gardening, fishing, bowling, card playing, crocheting and watching baseball especially the Chicago Cubs.

She is survived by one daughter; Nancy Hahne of Warren, IL. five grandchildren; Deanna (Dave) Eden of Bushnell, IL, Cara (Brian) Conry of Bentonville, AR, Thomas (Valerie Fulps) Bonjour of Gratiot, WI, Matt (Sharon) Hahne of DeForest, WI and Ryan (Jessica) Hahne of Lena, IL; Daughter-in-law; Carol Bonjour, Gratiot, WI; three step-grandchildren, Laurie (Art) Patchen of Albany, WI, Jim (Ally) Schlough of Monroe, WI and Jeff (Dawn) Schlough of Brownstown, WI. Ten great grandchildren and step-great-grandchildren; and one step-great-great-grandchild.

She is preceded in death by her; parents, husband, son; Ronald Bonjour on March 31, 2013, daughter-in-law; Charlotte Bonjour, granddaughters; Danielle Bonjour and Terri Hahne and step-grandson; John Schlough, Brothers; Harvey and



Walter Albrecht, sisters; Alvena Zink and Buena Gothard.

Funeral services were held March 26, at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Warren.

Visitation was held March 25, at the Bartell-Leamon Funeral Home in Warren.

Burial at Elmwood Cemetery in Warren, IL

Officiating was Pastor Bryan Odeen and Pastor Dave Eden.

A memorial has been established in her name.

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

LUANNE M. LARTZ

Luanne M. Lartz, age 61, of Pearl City, IL passed away March 21, 2017. She was born in Freeport to the late Forest and Nancy Slick. Luanne was a 1973 graduate of Pearl City High School and attended Highland Community College. She married Scott Lartz on July 7, 1995.

Luanne was a member of Zion Community Church. She had worked for the president of Protexall Company in Galesburg and Economy/St. Paul/Metlife in Freeport. She loved her animals and showing her horse Kade. She also loved to read in her spare time. Most of all, Luanne loved spending



time with her family.

She is survived by her husband, Scott Lartz of Pearl City; sons, Tristan Lartz of Pearl City and Ethan (Paige) Lartz of Lena; grandson, Owen Lartz, and soon to be granddaughter, Emily Lartz; sister, Barb (Terry) Thomas of Pearl City; and many nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her parents, Forest and Nancy, and her grandparents.

There was a visitation at the Hermann Funeral Home in Pearl City on March 26. The funeral service was March 27, also at the Funeral Home. Interment will take place at Clay Cemetery. A memorial fund has been established. Remembrances and condolences may be shared with her family at www.hermannfuneralhome.com.

•Honor

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els and advocates for prevention; educating teens about preventing dating violence; providing resources for domestic prevention organizations and survivors; and using health information technology to enable better chronic disease outcomes.

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HCC to present 23rd annual Boyer Colloquium

The 2017 Boyer Colloquium, "Understanding and Improving Renewable Energy Materials — From Atoms and Up: Advancing Science to Meet Community Needs," is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 5. Admission is free, and the public is invited to attend this presentation, which will be held in the Highland Community College Student/Conference Center, room H-201.

This year's Colloquium will feature

Dr. Maria Chan, staff scientist at the Center for Nanoscale Materials and Fellow at the Computation Institute, a joint initiative between the University of Chicago and Argonne National Laboratory near Chicago, IL.

Technologies such as batteries for electric cars and thin-film solar cells can have a significant impact on energy security and the environment. Optimizing these technologies for peak performance requires an atomic-level

understanding of the materials used to make them.

But how is that achieved? Argonne scientist Maria Chan will explain how computer modeling, incorporating the principles of quantum mechanics, is used to investigate and even predict how materials behave and change. She will discuss how researchers work together to combine information from big computers, powerful x-ray, and electron microscopes, to "watch" materials in action at the atomic level, and to help improve their perfor-

mance. She will also discuss the open questions, challenges, and future strategies for using computation to advance energy materials.

Dr. Maria Chan is a staff scientist at the Center for Nanoscale Materials, part of the US Department of Energy-sponsored Argonne National Laboratory near Chicago, IL. She is also a Fellow at the Computation Institute, a joint initiative between the University of Chicago and Argonne to advance science through innovative computational approaches. Dr. Chan's re-

search focuses on the computational prediction of materials properties, using first principles, atomistic, and data science methods, particularly in applications toward materials in renewable energy technologies such as energy storage, photovoltaics, catalysis, and thermal management. Maria Chan obtained a B.Sc. in Physics and Applied Mathematics from the University of California, Los Angeles, and a Ph.D. in Physics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

The Boyer Colloquium, an annual event sponsored by the late Dr. M.E. Boyer, was created in 1994, to help students and communities understand the importance of the inter-relationships between ethics, economics, and ecology. The Boyer Colloquium Committee believes that if communities comprehend issues, the history of previous decisions and ramifications of prior actions, they will be better positioned to make informed decisions.

Lena's Kitchen and the Not So Skinny Cook

Life is full of changes, and we are changing as of this week. My column will appear twice a month due to the publisher's decision. Please do not give Tony or Laurie a hard time at the *Shopper's Guide* and *The Scoop Today*. If you have a comment or complaint, you can contact them about contacting the publisher. I will have a small article on the weeks my column does not appear. This week we are celebrating St. Patrick's Day and one of the social events of the Lena Community season—The Bunny Hop. You can get your tickets at DeVoe Floral for \$15 a couple. I worked one Saturday, and I got to see a lot of excited little girls. I think this is a great experience for all involved. The next week will be spring break, and I hope the weather is cooperative for people to get out and do some fun things.

This past week I was with friends in Texas—way down south in Texas. I haven't been on a vacation except my trips to the lake house in many years. It was truly an adventure that I will share some time in the future. I hope you all have a good week, and if you would like to submit any recipes or have any news or comments, you can contact me in person, by mail, or email me at From Lena's Kitchens, *Shopper's Guide* at 213 S. Center St. or email scoopshopper@rvpublishing.com.

A little levity to lighten your day

A man got on a bus with both of his front pockets full of golf balls and sat down next to a blonde. The puzzled blonde kept looking at him and his bulging pockets. Finally, after many such glances from her, he said, "It's golf balls." Nevertheless, the blonde continued to look at him for a very long time, thinking about what he had said. After several minutes, not being able to contain her curiosity any longer, she asked, "Does it hurt as much as tennis elbow?"

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for you, such as the roof, furnace and windows, plus more! This home offers 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, living room, family room with fireplace, kitchen has island with snack bar, dining room and main floor laundry. Outdoors in the fenced in back yard you will find a paver block patio, above ground pool and a storage shed. Priced at\$124,900



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Northwestern Illinois Community Action Agency has funding from the Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity (DCEO) to assist residents of Jo Daviess and Stephenson Counties with home heating utility costs through the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP).

Funding is available through the LIHEAP program with home heating utilities assistance for eligible households for the current program year of September 1, 2016 - May 31, 2017

If you have not received assistance during the current program year or if you have received a recent disconnect notice from your gas or electric utility, you may be eligible to receive assistance.

Call 815-232-3141 or 800-883-1111 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Mon. - Fri. for information or to schedule an appointment to apply at one of the following locations

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Science Siesta! girls + science = fun!

Have you ever dreamt of spending the night in a museum? No, this is not a movie, it's Science Siesta! Hosted by University of Illinois Extension, this annual event for fourth-sixth grade girls will take place on April 21 and 22. Once again, this program will be held at the Discovery Center Children's Museum in Rockford. This action-packed overnight will combine the fun of a pajama party with hands-on science experiences. "This is our sixteenth year of conducting Science Siesta, we have reached over 2,400 girls so far and we are excited to continue to offer this fun, interactive event to encourage girls to consider science-related career fields," said Johnna Jennings, University of Extension 4-H Youth Development Educator.

At Science Siesta, girls have the opportunity to meet females in actual science career fields from throughout northern Illinois. The scientists will share information about their background and involve the girls in activities much like they complete in their work every day.

Following the face-to-face interaction with female scientists, youth participate in activities based on the "Wonderwise" curriculum developed by the University of Nebraska. This curriculum highlights the work of female scientists and then translates their work into hands-on science based activities, which are fun and engaging. Participating girls may choose one of three workshop tracks for breakout sessions. Their choices include activities from "Vet Detective", "Parasite Sleuth" and "Urban Ecologist".

Statistics show that girls are less likely to pursue degrees and careers in science and mathematics than boys. Researchers agree that this is a complex problem with no easy answers,

Frances Thomas memorial service

In lieu of a visitation, a memorial service for Frances Thomas will be held at the Stockton High School gymnasium on Thursday, April 6 at 6:30 p.m. Private services for family and friends will be at the UU Church (210 N. Pearl St., Stockton, IL 61085) on Friday, April 7 at 1 p.m. Memorial contributions given in Mrs. Thomas' name will be sent to the Stockton High School library, and can be sent to the UU Church.

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Participants at Science Siesta get involved in hands-on learning activities that encourage their interest in science!

but believe that there are things that can be done. They suggest that having role models that girls can look up to, as well as making science fun and interactive will encourage girls to stay involved and interested in science. Events such as Science Siesta are designed to help bridge the gap for girls at a time when many may start to lose interest in science or question whether science is a field they should choose.

Science Siesta for Girls will begin with registration at 5 p.m. on Friday, April 21 and will conclude with

check-out at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, April 22. The registration fee is \$40 per girl. The registration fee covers pizza, snack, breakfast, admission to the Discovery Center Children's Museum and all hands-on activities. For additional information, as well as to register for either one of these Science Siesta events, go to the University of Illinois Extension website at <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/bdo/> or call (815) 758-8194. The registration deadline for this event is Friday, April 7

Pet Talk: Cataracts could affect your pet's vision

If you've noticed your pet's eye lenses becoming cloudy or opaque, your pet could be developing cataracts. Though cataracts can decrease vision, or even cause complete blindness, not every companion animal that develops cataracts requires surgery. Dr. Lucien Vallone, clinical assistant professor at the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences, explained how cataracts can affect pets.

"A cataract is an opacity of the lens," Vallone said. "A clear lens is necessary for good vision; thus, any opacification can cause decreased vision. However, not all cataracts are the same. Some cases of cataracts are so severe they can cause blindness and inflammation in the eye, which may cause significant discomfort. Some cases are small enough they don't interfere with vision at all and should be monitored."

All companion animals can develop cataracts, but Vallone said cataracts are common in dogs. Several breeds of dogs may be predisposed to cataracts, though not every dog within these breeds are affected.

"Veterinarians encourage dog breeders to participate in breed-soundness examinations," Vallone said. "These examinations screen dogs for any evidence of heritable disease. Specifically, veterinary ophthalmologists will usually recommend prospective pet owners to ask dog breeders if their dogs have undergone yearly Eye Certification Registry (ECR) examinations. These examinations are performed by board-certified ophthalmologists and help breeders to eliminate cataracts that are potentially inherited."

Vallone added that cataracts in companion animals—especially dogs—could be a sign of another health concern, such as diabetes mellitus.

"In addition to cloudiness of the eyes, diabetic animals often display fluctuations in appetite, weight, thirst, and urination," Vallone said.

Currently, cataract surgery is the only treatment for companion animals to restore clarity to the lens. Vallone said the procedure is similar to cataract surgery in humans but requires general anesthesia. Topical therapies often can prevent the common and painful complications of cataracts but cannot restore vision.

If you think your pet may be developing cataracts, consult your veterinarian. All animals with any form of cataracts should be evaluated by a veterinarian or veterinary ophthalmologist to help preserve vision and health.

Pet Talk is a service of the College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences, Texas A&M University. Stories can be viewed on the web at vetmed.tamu.edu/pet-talk. Suggestions for future topics may be directed to editor@cvm.tamu.edu.

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Pearl City Board Of Education March 20 regular meeting summary

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

After Roll Call the Board approved the amended March 20, agenda. The order was changed to accommodate the petition on JH football and questions by members of audience.

Recognition of Guests and public comments were allowed. Two comments were made.

The Board approved the Consent

Agenda consisting of the minutes from the February 15, 2017 regular board meeting minutes, the closed session minutes from the February 15, regular board meeting, minutes from the February 28, special board meeting, the closed session minutes from the February 28, special board meeting, approval of bills and payroll through March 17, and the Petitions by Josh Robbins and Scott Woodley for course and salary reimbursement.

New Business:

Discussed the Building Usage request to use the small gym for a travel youth baseball team practice in the months of November - December. The board did not approve this request due to the lack of availability of the gym.

Approved membership to the IHSA for 2017-18.

After hearing a discussion regarding the JH football proposed changes for 2017-18 and the comments from the audience, the Board approved the proposed changes for JH football effective for the 2017 season moving to a 7 vs 7 format and emphasis placed on safety, training, and skill development. 7 vs 7 games will be played on Saturdays.

Approved a lease program

through CDW-G to acquire 200 Chrome Books at a lease of \$15,618 for each of the next three years. The chrome books will be used by the JH and HS in the 1 to 1 initiative.

Approved the Seventh Grade Math and Science trip to Six Flags on Friday, May 5.

Approved the summer school proposed schedule for 2017.

Approved holding a public hearing on Wednesday, March 29, at 6:30 in the HS IMC to conduct an inter-fund transfer from the Building and Operations Fund to the Educational Fund and/or from the Transportation Fund to the Education Fund.

Approved Kristi Fransen as volunteer softball coach for 2017.

Approved Jennifer Pitts and Me-

gan Spahr as homebound tutors at a rate of \$35/hour.

Approved the tenure status for Carla Whitebread, Spanish Instructor.

Approved the following coaches for 2017-18: Jason Schultz, eighth grade boys basketball, Allison Brouhard, seventh grade girls basketball, Steve Hawkinson, eighth grade girls basketball, Mike Lee, varsity girls basketball, Blake Becke, FS girls basketball, Sean Downey, varsity boys basketball, Kevin Koning, FS boys basketball, Deb Hamilton and Carla Whitebread as academic team coaches, Jamie Graf as head speech coach, and Lacey Yeoman as asst. speech coach.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

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Salem United Church of Christ in Lena continues 'Walk to the Cross with Christ' series

Please join us at Salem United Church of Christ in Lena. We continue our series called "Walk to the Cross with Christ." We bring the Bible to life by interactively reading the book of Matthew beginning at the start of Christ's ministry to his death on the cross.

Our 10:30 worship service April 2, will center on those Scriptures from Chapters 25 and 26 and conclude April 9 with Chapter 27. We aim to reinforce how "Christ walks alongside us." We anticipate the Holy Spirit working in our lives and communities as God speaks to us

through His Word. We also want to invite you to the Lenten Luncheon sponsored by Salem hosted by Lena U.M. Church on April 12, at 12 noon, Maundy Thursday church service April 13, at 7 p.m., and Easter Sunday for breakfast at 9 a.m. and worship service at 10:30 a.m. April 16. For more information, please call 815-369-4511 or visit us on Facebook to view the recorded "Walk to the Cross with Christ" series and sermons. We are the "Old Stone Church with the Lighted Cross" located at 8491 W. Salem Rd, Lena

St. John's Lutheran Church hosts Euchre and Dominoes Party

On Sunday, April 2, Pastor Ekstrand will lead worship on the Fifth Sunday of Lent beginning at 9 a.m. The worship service will include the Chancel Choir. Whirl Sunday School will meet and focus on the lesson, "Jesus Raises Lazarus." Confirmation class will also meet at 10:15 a.m. The Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet at 10:15 a.m. as well as the Helping Hands Committee Meeting. A SPLAT Youth and Parent meeting will be held at 11 a.m. in the Youth and Family Center.

A Community Euchre and Dominoes party will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, April 2, at St. John's. Cost is \$6 and includes a lunch at the conclusion of the event. All are welcome to attend.

The Genesis (high school) youth group will meet at 7:30 pm on April 2, at the Youth and Family Center. The Fifth Quarter (seventh-eighth grades) youth group has moved their meeting time to Wednesdays at 3:30 - 5 p.m. at the Youth and Family Center.

St. John's will host Mid-week Lent worship services on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. throughout Lent. Worship services will be held in the nave and will include the Chancel Drama, "Written by the Finger of God." Pastor Ekstrand will also lead Stations of the Cross at Noon on Fridays during Lent. The Pearl City United Meth-

odist Church will be hosting Lenten Luncheons followed by a bible study on Wednesdays at Noon during Lent. An area church will lead each week's bible study. Everyone is invited to the Lenten Luncheons at the Pearl City UMC located on South Hwy 73, Main Street, Pearl City.

The Christian Education Committee will meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday April 5 at 7:30 p.m. The Joy Choir will have rehearsal followed by their Easter party on Thursday, April 6.

St. John's will hold Holy Week services. The Maundy Thursday worship service will be held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 13. A Community Good Friday worship service will be held at 7 p.m. on Friday, April 15. The Easter Vigil worship service will be held on Saturday, April 15 at 8 p.m. Easter Sunday worship service will be held at 9 a.m. on Sunday, April 16. Join us for Holy Week observation.

Christ Lutheran Church

Christ Lutheran Church, 600 N Main St, Stockton, IL, will gather for worship on Saturday, April 1, 5:30 pm and Sunday, April 2, 10 a.m., celebrating the Fifth Sunday of Lent, with Pastor Susan Davenport delivering the sermon. Our theme, based on Martin Luther's Small Catechism, will be the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Sunday School for all ages is at 9 a.m.

For midweek Wednesdays during Lent we worship using "Holden Evening Prayer" and gather for "Simple Soup Suppers" at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Our theme is "Pray Like Jesus: The Lord's Prayer." Our guest preacher on March 29 is Linda Balbac from St. Paul Lutheran Church, Warren and on April 5 is Travis Skattum, also from St. Paul. All are welcome.

Faith Training for eighth grade is Wednesday March 29, from after school until 4:45 p.m. Faith Training for seventh grade is Wednesday April 5, from after school until 4:45 p.m.

Quilters meet each Tuesday from 1 - 3 p.m. Any skill levels are welcome. Sew or tie—your help is needed! See our "Reformation 500 Bookstore" display through March 26, with a sample of Lutheran and Martin Luther writings available for purchase at a discount and with Free Shipping.

Find us on the web at www.christlutheranstockton.com or www.facebook.com/ChristOnMainSt/.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church will gather for worship April 2 at 118 E. Mason St. Lena, IL, at 9:30 a.m. All are invited to worship at Good Shepherd on this Fifth Sunday of Lent 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 April 5 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!

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church invites the community of all ages to join them for a Lenten Supper on April 5, at 5:30 p.m. and to Lenten Worship at 6:30 p.m. The youth will lead the service as we learn about Luther's Small Catechism with Puppets.

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 April 6 Hannah Circle will meet at 9 a.m. at church in the Fellowship Hall. This is "Potluck". Rene' Johnson is the Bible Study leader.

Kent/Willow United Methodist Churches

Kent/Willow UMC will worship together Sunday April 2, at Kent UMC at 9 a.m. with Pastor Brenda Morris giving her message on "The Apostle Creed" a series "I Believe---in the Communion"---; all are welcome and invited to stay for the fellowship following.

Sunday School is at 10:30 a.m.; studying from the Holy Bible; all are invited and welcome to this time too.

Kent UMC is located right in the town of Kent, IL; for more info; call 815-601-6742;

NOTE-Lenten Cantata- is Sunday Eve; April 2, at 7 p.m. at Calvary UMC in Stockton, presenting the Community Cantata "Come to the Cross & Remember." You won't want to miss this.

Lena United Methodist Church to host annual ham loaf supper

Lena United Methodist Church, 118 W. Mason St., will hold their annual ham loaf supper on Saturday April 8, from 4:30-7 p.m..

Meal will include: ham loaf, pars-

ley potatoes, green beans, jello salad, dinner roll, dessert and beverage. Carry outs will be available. Call the church at

815-369-5291. Adults \$9, children under 10 yrs. \$4. Add the date to your calendar and grab a friend for an enjoyable night out.

BID NOTICE

The Township of Kent is seeking mowing bids for the entire 2017 season (April-October) for the following cemeteries located in Kent Township: St. Mary's Cemetery, Kent Lutheran Cemetery & Yellow Creek Union Cemetery. Sealed bids marked "Mowing Bid" will be accepted until 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 11, 2017 at the Kent Township Garage or they can be mailed to Kent Township, P.O. Box 21, Kent, Illinois 61044. Proof of insurance will be required from the winning bidder. Kent Township reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

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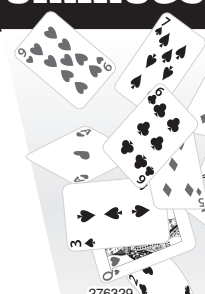
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Lady Wolves getting set for conference chase

By Chris Johnson
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

The Pearl City Lady Wolves are starting the march towards the defense of their Class 1A Sectional Title. They have run into some early season trouble, but found their chance to reset, as they stared down a familiar foe.

On Tuesday, March 28, the Lena-Winslow Lady Panthers paid a visit to Pearl City in an attempt to exact revenge, from a 2016 season-ending Sectional loss to the Lady Wolves.

The early season showdown won't carry the same "significance" as the 2016 Sectional Title game, but it still gave both teams a chance to see how they stack up and how prepared they are for this season. Both Pearl City and Lena-Winslow are expected to be in the hunt all season.

Lady Wolves Head Coach Mark Melville said he knows things will be a little different this season. The confidence is there, but there are some big changes that had to be made.

"We have a good mix of four

re-turning seniors. Tyra Clark is a junior and Tia Clark is only a sophomore. The rest are going to be freshman and sophomores."

Melville said he has to find a way to get things mixed together and get them to develop. He acknowledged that many of the girls will be patrolling new areas this season.

"A lot of our players have plenty of infield experience, but we have to move them to the outfield. So, many of them are going to have to learn a new position. There will be some adjusting."

On March 18 the Lady Wolves first game of the season was scheduled. On March 20 they suffered their first loss as they fell to NIC-10 capable Freeport, 10-0. A win over West Carroll on Tuesday, March 21, 8-1, helped push the Lady Wolves back to .500.

On Wednesday, March 22 the Lady Wolves fought into the third inning and found themselves in a position to challenge the highly thought of Lady Missiles from Milledgeville.

Things went well with a shut-out

inning to open the night. In the second Milledgeville scored its first run and held the 1-0 lead as the top of the third began.

Pearl City responded as the third inning opened. The batters were getting on and, subsequently, moved along. The Lady Wolves pushed across three runs in the visit's half of the third to jump in front, 3-1.

The Lady Missiles showed they could score quickly and powered through the home half of the third. Many focused "spot-seekers" were finding their marks. Five runs were scored. Two more were added in the bottom of the fifth and the Lady Missiles pushed ahead to an 8-3 edge with two innings to go.

Each team scored once in the sixth, but Pearl City's offense couldn't find the groove it needed. The Lady Wolves fell 9-4 and slipped to 1-2 on the early season.

Adjustments will be made by Pearl City. The team will get stronger and the win-loss record will reveal a much more favorable number soon enough. May and the Softball Playoffs are a long way away. A lot of things are going to get a lot better for Pearl City, many expect.

It is also expected that Pearl City will be one of the teams to watch this season in the NUIC. The same statistics seem to indicate that Eastland, East Dubuque and Lena-Winslow will be pretty good too.

Pearl City got its first shot at Lena-Winslow on Tuesday, March 28. The Lady Panthers return the favor and host Pearl City on Thursday, March 30 at 4:30 p.m.



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Rising to meet the challenge

Only armed with marshmallows, gum drops, foil, stirrer sticks, and toothpicks Pearl City second graders in Ms. Duncan's class had to design and create geometric shapes. In groups of three, students had to plan which shapes would be made and decide which supplies would work best. Then they set out to draw their plans in their mini STEAM journals, which stand for Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math. Children are naturally curious about creating and building things, so STEAM projects tap into that to help children learn to problem solve. After they applied what they knew to create their solids, students had to evaluate their projects by answering what went well and what they would change. Finally, the class came together to share their successes and discuss why some things just didn't work so well. Students begged to do it again. Who knew everyday items could spark this much excitement for learning?

KEEP LENA ON THE RIGHT TRACK RE-ELECT VILLAGE PRESIDENT DENNIS BERGMAN A PROVEN RECORD OF POSITIVE ACCOMPLISHMENTS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND JOBS

1. OUR TIF DISTRICTS WERE \$600,000 IN DEBT WHEN DENNIS WAS ELECTED VILLAGE PRESIDENT. UNDER HIS LEADERSHIP, THE DEBT WAS REDUCED AND NOW SURPLUS TIF FUNDS ARE FINANCING OUR TIF FAÇADE PROGRAM, OUR DOWNTOWN STREETScape PROJECT, AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS.
2. BEGAN TIF FAÇADE PROGRAM WHICH IS NOW BEING USED AS A MODEL TIF PROGRAM IN OTHER COMMUNITIES.
3. DENNIS IS A RECOGNIZED LEADER IN THE PROPER USE OF TIF FUNDS AND HAS BEEN A GUEST SPEAKER AT THE ILLINOIS TIF ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE.
4. DENNIS HELPED FORM THE LENA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, A NON FOR PROFIT ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO HELPING SMALL BUSINESSES AND PROMOTING GROWTH OF OUR BUSINESS COMMUNITY.
5. VILLAGE OF LENA RECEIVED A USDA GRANT TO ESTABLISH A LOW INTEREST REVOLVING LOAN FUND WHICH IS ADMINISTERED BY THE LENA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION. 5 LOCAL BUSINESS HAVE ALREADY RECEIVED THESE LOANS, AND MORE WILL RECEIVE HELP IN THE FUTURE.
6. DENNIS IS WORKING WITH OTHER AREA OFFICIALS TO GET AN EXTENSION FOR THE ENTERPRISE ZONE SERVING STEPHENSON AND JODAVIESS COUNTIES.
7. ESTABLISHED OTHER BUSINESS INCENTIVES FOR THOSE PROPERTIES NOT IN A TIF DISTRICT.
8. DESPITE A NATIONAL RECESSION AND SLOW RECOVERY, AND A POOR BUSINESS CLIMATE IN ILLINOIS, 16 NEW BUSINESSES HAVE LOCATED IN LENA SINCE DENNIS WAS ELECTED VILLAGE PRESIDENT.

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TCEDA hosts annual meeting and awards luncheon

Tri-County Economic Development Alliance (TCEDA) hosted its 2017 Annual Luncheon Meeting at Timmerman's on Thursday, March

16. The sold-out event included the meeting of the TCEDA board of directors, with Carmen Rossi as the guest

speaker. Awards were presented for business collaboration, nonprofit collaboration and for community collaboration.

Rossi serves as a board member on the new Illinois Economic Development organization known as Intersect Illinois. Rossi provided the attendees with statistics about the State of Illinois' economic condition, the State's strengths in business, freight logistics, and workforce, and opportunities for improving the Illinois economy. Rossi also explained that this was his first visit to Northwest Illinois and will not be the last. He expressed how beautiful the landscape is, the friendliness of the residents, and the proximity to the Chicagoland area.

The collaboration awards were inspired by TCEDA's 2015 Conference, The Collaboration Economy. TCEDA annually recognizes persons or organizations that have had a profound impact in their communities. The award for business collaboration was awarded to Savanna Marketplace, located in Savanna, Illinois. Chris Lain and Jube Manderico accepted the award. Chris and Jube were visitors of Savanna, then eventually bought a business, created another business, and then bought a building to create a restaurant. Lain is the President of the Savanna Chamber of Commerce, he and Manderico were active in Savanna's MAPPING Your Community program and Main Street Committee. Lain is currently running for Mayor of Savanna. The award for nonprofit collabora-

tion was given to Greater Elizabeth Arts and Recreation (G.E.A.R.) in Elizabeth, Illinois. Jeremy Knauer, President of the organization, and Mark Wachter, Vice President, accepted the award. G.E.A.R. is a group of people dedicated to healthy living, with a goal to provide a variety of opportunities to everyone living in and around Elizabeth and Hanover. The organization is a nonprofit that facilitates sports and recreation for youth in the area.

The award for community collaborator was given to Wayne Raisbeck, Village President of Warren, Illinois. Wayne's commitment to the town of Warren is demonstrated by his volunteer work in the community and preserving Warren's Community Building. He organizes many events including business owner luncheons, mayor meetings, May Day celebrations, Jo Daviess County Leadership Forums, Festival of Trees and Citizens Appreciation Day.



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The TCEDA award for community collaborator was given to Wayne Raisbeck, Village President of Warren, Illinois in recognition of his commitment to the town of Warren.

Jo Daviess County Country Fair grant applications available

Jo Daviess County Country Fair Charities, Inc. will be accepting applications for grants from not-for-profit organizations till May 1. JDC-CFC is a not-for-profit organization whose purpose is to serve as a fundraising organization to facilitate and assist charitable causes throughout Jo Daviess County. The goal of the organization is to provide financial assistance to those in need. This goal

is accomplished through the awarding of grants to non-profit organizations who, in their goal to help other people in the county, express a need for financial assistance.

Since its inception, JDC-CFC has awarded over \$848,000.00 in grant money to organizations in Jo Daviess County. The money for the grants comes from the proceeds of the annual Galena Country Fair. Country

Fair is held each Columbus Day weekend at Grant Park in Galena.

Grant applications may be obtained by writing to Jo Daviess County Country Fair Charities, Inc., P.O. Box 6394, Galena, IL 61036, or accessing an application online at galenacountryfair.org. All applications must be post marked by May 1, 2017, and grants will be awarded in June, 2017.

30th Anniversary

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Becca's Closet now officially open for prom season

Becca's Closet will officially open for the homecoming season on Saturday, March 25. Becca's Closet, located at Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, 1829 N. Rockton Avenue, Rockford, will be open from 9 to 11:30

a.m. Saturdays through May 6. Good Shepherd is located three blocks north of Auburn Street, directly across from West Middle School.

The Rockford chapter of Becca's Closet serves as a boutique that col-

lects and distributes formalwear free of charge, donations are encouraged, to young women from Rockford and surrounding communities who would not otherwise be able to attend proms, homecomings, and other spe-

cial events, like winter formals. Last year, 700 dresses were given away. It is anticipated that over 100 girls will come for opening day to choose a dress. Rockford Area Lutheran Ministries, a partnership organization of area ELCA congregations, operates the chapter.

Becca's Closet regularly accepts donated dresses and accessories, including party shoes. Dresses that are clean and in good repair, plus-size, jewelry and shoes are especially appreciated.

Items can be donated at the following locations and times:

Any A-1 Drycleaners

Christ Lutheran Church, 425 Riverside Road, Belvidere, 9 a.m.-noon, M-F;

Cross and Crown Lutheran Church, 7404 Elevator Rd, Roscoe,

Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, 1829 N. Rockton Avenue, Rockford, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., M-Th;

Machesney Park Village Hall, 300 Machesney Park Road, Machesney Park, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., M-F;

The Postal Shoppe, 1643 N. Alpine Road, Rockford, 8 am-6:30 pm, M-F, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Sat;

The Postal Shoppe, 2205 S. Perryville Road, Rockford, 8 a.m.-6:30 p.m., M-F, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Sat.

Zion Lutheran Church, 1300 Pearl Street, Belvidere, 8 a.m.-4p.m., M-Th

For more information about Becca's Closet, to donate dresses and accessories to Becca's Closet, please contact Rockford Area Lutheran Ministries at 815.962.4279 RALMmail@aol.com, or <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j01W-4HOEtI&t=21s>

Becca's Closet was created by Rebecca Kirtman, a 16 year old Florida high school sophomore. Becca recognized that there were many girls in her community who were unable to attend their high school prom and homecoming dances because they could not afford to purchase appropriate attire for the events. She launched a drive to provide formalwear and accessories free of charge because of her understanding of this inequity. Becca was tragically killed in an automobile accident shortly after starting her "closet." Her friends and family continued the mission by forming a national "Becca's Closet" program, with 90 chapters to date, including the one in Rockford.

Ryan R Stockton for Village President

VISION LEADERSHIP INTEGRITY
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I am a candidate for Village of Lena President in our upcoming April 4th election. These are the values that I uphold and will put to work every day for our Community. I would like to use this opportunity to share my position on various topics affecting our Community. As well, the values and standard of leadership that I would pledge to uphold if given the privilege to serve as your Village President. Lastly, my vision for our Community in going forth.

I firmly believe that any publicly elected governing body has an absolute obligation to be fully transparent in all of their undertakings on behalf of the people whom they are elected to serve. All measures should be undertaken to fully communicate the ongoing decision making process with our electorate and ensure the Board of Trustees and Village President are easily accessible. To that end I would immediately restore the regular broadcast of all Village

Board meetings on LWTv. This was an initiative that I successfully undertook while serving previously as a Trustee. For nearly two years this practice has been suspended. As well, I will ensure the minutes of all Village Board meetings are published in our local press.

I firmly believe in full public accountability for any decisions rendered by the office of Village President and the Board of Trustees. Any decisions reached or actions undertaken must ensure the following question has been fully addressed, "Does this action represent the views and the best interest of our community and the citizens whom we were elected to represent?" The Village President has an obligation to take a leadership role in this regard and must set the standard of accountability which the public justly deserves and expects of their elected officials. Thru out the course of my professional career I have aggressively sought out leadership roles and fully embraced the accountability expected of me in doing so. To this end, I would seek to promote/encourage the same standard amongst our Village Trustees. I would seek to ensure that any/all decisions reached are done so after thoughtful, deliberate and respectful public debate with the full engagement of our residents. Thus ensuring their views are fully expressed and properly reflected in the decisions rendered by and undertaken on behalf of your elected officials. Under my leadership, decisions will not be made behind closed doors, with the intended purpose of avoiding public accountability/visibility.

I firmly believe that the Village President has the obligation to ensure that our village ordinances are clearly understood by the Village Trustees. More importantly, that the Village Ordinances are properly enforced/upheld at all times. Our Village ordinances are a mandate to the Board of Trustees to ensure the preservation and protection of our Communities assets. These assets include architectural preservation/enhancement and promoting the aesthetic beauty of our Community. I have been sadly disappointed that this has not always been the case and the best interest of our community was compromised as a result thereof, both financially and esthetically.

As a result of my significant background in economic development and understanding of TIF District financial/incentives management, I will seek to restore meaningful economic development within our community thru the use of the financial incentives as mandated by our TIF Plan and State Statutes. This will serve to promote new growth, employment opportunities and increase the tax base for all effected taxing bodies.

This is my vision with regards to the promotion/expansion of our downtown business district. I would seek out the involvement of our various community civic groups, business leaders and the Economic Development Board. Firstly, I would seek to undertake the completion of the train depot project as a Village TIF supported program with the bilateral involvement of the group who first initiated the project. From a community planning perspective, my belief is that this type of project deserves to be located in a centralized downtown location, in order to serve the maximum benefit for our Community. Thus serving to promote increased downtown traffic flow, benefiting our local businesses. Equally important is that this type of project has the potential to serve as a catalyst to promote further unique redevelopment of our downtown business district.

As your elected representatives, we must respect and honor the dedicated commitment of our forefathers and the legacy with which they have entrusted us. I pledge to preserve, protect and enhance this legacy so that future generations have the same privilege of our generation in raising their families in such a wonderful Community.

I will appreciate and welcome questions any citizen has on my vision for our Community, my position on topics and solutions I will implement.

Please email me @ rstoc1959@aol.com or phone me @ 815-369-4657.

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From the desk of Illinois State Representative Brian W. Stewart

Everyone loves a positive news story. We are excited to hear when a company announces that it is expanding in our area. Even better, we love to hear that a company is leaving another state and setting up shop in Illinois, though I must admit, as of late we've heard more about businesses leaving our state than entering.

We can point to any number of reasons as to why companies have chosen to pack up and leave Illinois for another state: cumbersome regulations, the burden of worker's compensation, high property taxes, or even the state budget stalemate – just to name a few. The one thing that is certain is that we don't want businesses leaving Illinois. All that leads us to the question: what are we doing to stop businesses from crossing the border?

If we can agree on the obvious premise that Illinois can't compete with other states' lack of red tape and favorable tax climate, then we can see that a mechanism to keep jobs in our state is necessary. For that reason, the Economic Development for a Growing Economy (Edge) Tax Credit Act is imperative if we want to minimize the damage that Iowa, Indiana and Wisconsin are doing to our local economy. In fact, all three of those states also have a version of Edge to lure businesses away from Illinois.

I think of the Edge program as being our last line of defense against a constant onslaught of neighboring states who are poaching our businesses left and right. And if you don't think other states are actively working on recruiting Illinois businesses, then look no further than the billboards scattered along I-94 near the Illinois-Indiana border.

Messages that read "Can you spell deficit? We can't" and "Envy is a sin, but moving here isn't" are unmistakably taunting Illinois residents as they drive the corridor. I will readily acknowledge that the Edge program is far from perfect. This year I introduced House Bill 3105 which would strike the portion of Edge legislation that mandates a company must show that an investment could not be made in-state without the tax credit. In my opinion, the current language makes it difficult for small businesses to prove this before a committee. Small businesses often do not have the resources to employ an army of attorneys. And though I will be the first to tell you that the Edge program could be better, I adamantly believe that it is necessary to keep Illinois competitive regionally.

Even as we debate the merits of saving jobs and keeping businesses here in our state, some lawmakers thought it would be a good idea to spend \$1.5 million on software that would translate the Illinois General Assembly website into Spanish. At first, this may not sound like a terrible idea, but that's only because you haven't heard the punchline yet.

In a classic case of the government trying to solve a problem that doesn't exist, the sad humor is that the free market already has a solution. But wait, there's more. Not only does the free market have a solution; the free



By
BRIAN STEWART
State Representative

market has a FREE solution. Google Translate is a 100% free application – and it works well.

I would like to thank my colleague Representative Keith Wheeler (R-50, Aurora) for demonstrating the effectiveness of the free technology by translating the entire text of the bill into Polish. When he was asked how difficult the software was, Rep. Wheeler (who runs an I.T. company) responded, "It just took one click."

And here's the kicker: my friends on the other side of the aisle wanted to spend \$1.5 million on translating the ILGA website into one language. Google Translate can convert text into 100 languages.

Blackhawks sports schedule on track now

By Chris Johnson
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

Weather delays aside the games are on and both the boys' baseball team and the girls' softball team at Stockton High School is ready to hit the fields full speed.

This past week of field games has been one of the busiest of the season for Stockton. Both the boys' and girls' teams have had to fight through back-to-back and on occasion, back-to-back-to-back contests. The successes

Please consider the two topics of discussion this week: tax credits that save jobs, and software that is literally a waste of money. I don't like to highlight the dysfunction in Springfield, but I do believe it is necessary that we re-focus our priorities to consider what we can do to grow Illinois both in population and job creation.

In the meantime, I would urge all of us, especially my colleagues in the General Assembly to remember that the free market is the only way to create jobs. If we support businesses that create jobs instead of coming up with more "good ideas" on how to spend more money, then perhaps we could see economic growth in Illinois. As someone once said, "There is no problem too great that the government can't make it worse."

As always, you can reach me or Sally at 815-232-0774 or e-mail us at repstewart@gmail.com. You can also visit my website at www.repbranstewart.com or on Facebook.

have been noticed.

Game play commenced with full fashion on Saturday March 18. The boys' baseball team played at Byron and they got to get two in, starting with an 11 a.m. double-header opener with the host Tigers.

Stockton got back to the games at home on Tuesday, March 21 as the team battled through the co-op of River Ridge and Scales Mound. On Thurs-

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VOTE Larry Rackow

April 4th

Waddams Township

On April 4th, it's important that you cast your vote to re-elect Larry Rackow as the Waddams Township Road Commissioner. Larry isn't seeking this position because it's a job opportunity during tough times. He wants to continue in the commitment that he made to our township and community. When times get better, and there are plenty of opportunities available, Larry will be striving to make our roads the safest in the county.

His dedication to keeping equipment in excellent condition and readiness, along with the assistance of the best people available, has earned him the endorsements of bus superintendents of two school districts. These people know how important the safety of our children and grandchildren are, and they strongly support Larry for re-election.

His experience working with township officials, school districts, sheriff's departments, state, and federal agencies has proved to be a most valuable asset for our community. The fiscal responsibility and experience in filing the reports that Larry Rackow has provided are certainly things the citizens of Waddams Township need at this time.

Whether it is your investment in vehicles and farm equipment, your love and concern for your children and grandchildren and their safety, or your interest in having the utmost in honesty, service and dedication to Waddams Township, please vote for Larry Rackow on April 4. Thank you.

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day, March 23 the Black-hawks were on the road to give the co-op squad a second shot at them, in a home-and-away series.

On Monday, March 27 the schedule lights up again for the boys' baseball team and it doesn't settle down until the second week of April unfolds.

A meeting on the road against Sterling Newman was set to open the week. The following night the Black-hawks went home to ready for East Dubuque.

There was no let up on Wednesday, March 29 as the boys' baseball team had to go back on the road for the long journey east to compete against the Winnebago Indians.

On Friday they got to go the other way and visited the Warriors upon the banks of the Mississippi. The home-and-away series with East Dubuque gave the Blackhawks a pretty good look at what it's going to take to com-

pete for a conference crown this season.

The girls' softball team opened this past week with a home match against the same co-op the boys dealt with, River Ridge/Scales Mound. They returned the favor the following night.

On Thursday March 23 the lady Blackhawks took another long journey along Route 20 as they faced down the up-and-coming Pecatonica Lady Indians.

A weekend off to enjoy school activities was followed by a Tuesday, March 28 get together with the East Dubuque Lady Warriors at home. On Wednesday, March 29 the Lady Blackhawks remained home for an NUIC meeting with Polo.

The month of March times out with a road match at East Dubuque on Thursday, March 30, followed by a conference showdown with Galena on Friday, March 31.

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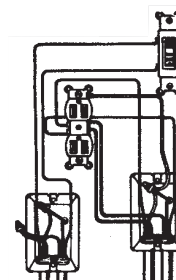
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Stockton stages a supercalifragilisticexpialidocious weekend of theatre

By Tony Carton
EDITOR

"Anything can happen," sings Mary Poppins in the musical bearing her name, and throughout its weekend long run in the Stockton High School gym, nearly everything that makes for an entertaining evening at the theatre did happen.

The Stockton Theatre Department Production of Mary Poppins had clever sets that were fancy and change often, keeping things interesting. The singing was delightful, the costumes were colorful, and the choreography was complex. The dance numbers involved fast moves, fancy footwork, and impressive coordination.

If you saw the film when you were a child, you probably thought it was about a brother and sister whose new nanny did very cool magic and took them to very cool places. Now that we're grownups, however, we realize that this musical is also about absentee parents and the resulting loneliness in their children.

What makes Mary Poppins (Mad-die Imel) suddenly appear at the Banks family home is not the cute letter little Jane (Brynn Schubert) and Michael (Austin Vincent) write to her. It's her

psychic awareness that this family is in distress, despite the huge house, pretty clothes and many servants.

To Jane and Michael, those superficial things can't take the place of an afternoon flying a kite with their Father (Preston Legel). But he is an investment banker and can't be bothered with noisy children. Their mother (Jill Harmston) was an actress who gave up her career for her family.

Although her style is unusual, Mary Poppins has a positive effect on the entire family as she takes the kids (and the audience) on captivating adventures, teaching them lessons along the way.

Many of the magic tricks from the film — and from the novel by P.L. Travers on which all of this is based — are in the Stockton show. They include Mary's magic carpetbag from which she pulls impossibly large objects; the plates that crash to the floor and then fly back on shelves or tables; and, most impressively were Mary Poppins' initial appearance from a bolt of lightning and a clap of thunder, and the dance steps and songs performed by her boyfriend Bert (Tom Eden).

All of these worked flawlessly, un-



TONY CARTON PHOTOS *Shopper's Guide*

The colorful chimney sweep dance number featured sharp choreography and inspiring choral performances during last weekend's Stockton Theatre Department musical production of Mary Poppins.

der the stage direction of Abby Weber and crew; the sound equipment and lighting performed beautifully and the scene changes were smooth and colorful.

Mary Poppins may seem like a tale for children, but there was plenty in this performance for adults to enjoy too. Mature viewers were brought back to their childhoods with numbers like "A Spoonful of Sugar," "Su-

percalifragilisticexpialidocious", and "Let's Go Fly a Kite." Really, it's hard not to sing those tunes in your head for the rest of the evening and well into the next day. Plus the tap-dancing and the cool effects were extra neat.

In the musical's setting of a century ago, the parents are preoccupied by money and politics. Today, it is electronic gadgets we can't tear our eyes away from. So, when it's time for Mr.

Banks to head out with his children and finally fly that kite, the moment truly sends our hearts soaring. The Stockton Theatre Department production of Mary Poppins is an enchanting mixture of irresistible story, unforgettable songs, breathtaking dance numbers and astonishing stagecraft. It is charming, magical, and surprising and was a perfect outing for the whole family.



Members of the Banks family prepare to fly kites during the dress rehearsal of the Stockton Theatre Department's production of Mary Poppins.

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STEPHENSON COUNTY -
FREEPORT, ILLINOIS
Illinois Housing Development
Authority
PLAINTIFF
Vs.
Jennifer K. Tanik; et. al.
DEFENDANTS

16CH 00078
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S
SALE OF REAL ESTATE
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Vs.
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DEFENDANTS

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ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION

Public Notice is hereby given that on **March 10, 2017**, 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: **Select Hardwoods** located at **14995 Hairpin Rd., Pearl City, IL 61062**.
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STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

COUNTY OF STEPHENSON
IN THE MATTER OF THE
ESTATE OF:
WILLIAM H. MATHIEU,
Deceased

CASE NO. 2017 P 25 CLAIM NOTICE

NOTICE is given of the death of WILLIAM H. MATHIEU. Letters of Office were issued on March 3, 2017 to Janis F. Mathieu, 1486 Klinger Road, Pecatonica, Illinois who is the legal representative of the estate. The attorney for the estate is Chantel R. Bielskis, 6323 E. Riverside Blvd., Rockford, Illinois 61114.

Claims against the estate may be filed on or before October 4, 2017, that date being at least six (6) months from the date of the first publication, or within three (3) months from the date

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Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Stephenson County Circuit Clerk-Probate Division at the Stephenson County Courthouse, 15 North Galena Avenue, Freeport, IL 61032, or with the estate legal representative, or both.

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Dated: March 16, 2017

/s/ Janis F. Mathieu,
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The Town Meeting for the transaction of miscellaneous business of said Town will be held at the hour of 7:30 o'clock P.M. on said day at Erin Township Garage, 2699 North Unity Road, and a Moderator having been elected, will proceed to hear and consider reports of officers and decide on such measures as may, in pursuance of law, come before the meeting; and especially to consider and decide the following: sale and purchase of equipment and Stephenson County Senior Center.

Dated at Eleroy, this 24th day of March, 2017.

Jean M. Amendt
Town Clerk

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HCC Trustees approve tuition increase

The tuition increase is a direct result of the state of Illinois budget stalemate, according to Janssen. In each of the last two fiscal years, Highland has received more than \$1 million less in state funding than was received in fiscal year 2015 and there is currently no definitive information about the state's fiscal year 2018 budget.

"Our main sources of revenue in the operating funds are student tuition and fees, and local property taxes," said Janssen. "State funding is no longer a main source of revenue, as it has been since the inception of the Illinois Community College System. In fact, state funding is expected to be only five percent of overall funding for the current fiscal year.

According to Highland officials, the College has taken steps to reduce expenses over the past two fis-

cal years, such as limiting expenses to those that are deemed essential, reducing staffing, reducing employee benefits, and negotiating savings with vendors.

In other news, trustees approved the following:

- the rescheduling of the April 2017 Board of Trustees meeting to April 24

- part-time instructors, overload, and other assignments

- CollegeNOW agreements between Highland Community College and Dakota High School, Durand School District #322, Forreston High School, Orangeville High School, and Pecatonica School District #321

- a new Workplace Service certificate

- the first reading of a new Sexual Misconduct and Violence Policy

Tyler's Justice Center for Children to host Third Annual Men Who Cook event

Tyler's Justice Center for Children will be holding its Third Annual Men Who Cook fundraiser on Saturday, April 1, at the Freeport Masonic Temple from 5-8 p.m. Tickets may be purchased ahead of time for \$20, or \$25 at the door the night of the event. Children 12 years old and under are free! The event will include live entertainment by Carl and Dianna Cole, a cash bar, silent auction

and plenty to eat! Men Who Cook is a casual event featuring local men preparing bite-sized samples of their favorite dishes to benefit Tyler's Justice Center for Children. For more ticket information, or if you are interested in being a cook at this event, please contact Missy Lyons or Kend-

See EVENT, Page 23

- the National Intercollegiate Mutual Aid Agreement

- the appointment of Jim Phillips as Dean, Humanities Social Sciences, and Fine Arts. Phillips has served as Dean, Humanities Social Sciences, and Fine Arts since May 2016.

- proposed course fee changes/additions for Fall 2017

- a resolution to expand the Northwest Illinois Enterprise Zone (aka Freeport/Stephenson Enterprise Zone) and abate property taxes for

the Rose Ridge Housing Development

- the appointment of the auditor for fiscal year 2017

The next regular meeting of the HCC Board of Trustees will be held on Monday, April 24, at 4 p.m. in the Robert J. Rimington Board room in the Student/Conference Center. The next quarterly board retreat is scheduled for Wednesday, June 7, 2017, at 8:30 a.m. in room H-206 in the Student/Conference Center.



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There is no grocery store in Elizabeth. The last one closed some years ago. Although a new gas station with a convenience store has been built on Route 20 at the west end of town, it's only pumping gas at the moment as the store hasn't opened.

The Elizabeth Food Pantry has been open for 20 years. The pantry came into existence because of a tragic incident. When an infant passed away due to malnutrition, the attending paramedics, several elected officials, local church leaders and concerned citizens came together to start a program to prevent another such occurrence. Since then, the need for the food pantry has grown and evolved.

Norma Schwartz is a volunteer with St. Mary's Catholic Church and the food pantry. Schwartz said, "We're located in the village hall. We have a large room and a sepa-

rate room for storage. In addition to canned and packaged foods we have 3 freezers and 2 refrigerators. At present we're well stocked.

"As the need for our service has steadily grown, we began communicating with the people involved with the pantry in Hanover. Hanover purchases it goods through St. Stephens Food Bank in Dubuque. We decided to begin a partnership with St. Stephens as well.

"Since that decision was made, we've become a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Our paperwork has been approved by Illinois and we're awaiting Federal approval."

As a part of forming the 501(c)(3) non-profit the food pantry elected Schwartz as president, Andrea Young as secretary and Donna Pearce as treasurer. As for a governing board, Schwartz said, "We have 18 volunteers and each are involved in the decision making process. We meet quarterly and each volunteer has a voice. We also rely on the churches in the community for input and guidance. These volunteers, by the way, work in the food pantry on a rotating schedule."

With regard to financing, Schwartz said, "Being located in the village building means we're spared concerns about rent, upkeep and util-

ities. The village has always been caring and helpful. Many of the local residents have been generous with donations and businesses and organizations have held food drives to help restock the shelves. The Dollar General Store has helped with food drives, recently filling 3 shopping carts with groceries for us.

"We were spending upwards of one thousand dollars each month to replenish supplies. Since we've joined with St. Stephens we're averaging an expense of 18 cents a pound for groceries and our monthly expense has been cut by nearly half. This allows us to keep supplies on hand in a better way. In the month of

March, by the way, we took delivery of our first shipment of Illinois State Commodities."

The Elizabeth Food Pantry provides assistance to area residents from Scales Mound, Schapville and the River Ridge School District as well as Elizabeth. Schwartz said, "Each week we serve about 20 households. Although the number can vary, that translates to something like 60 to 80 people each week. Although the pantry is not involved in a Back Pack Program the churches in Elizabeth have begun working together to begin that program."

Talking about trends and the future for the Elizabeth Pantry, Schwartz

said, "The numbers of people in need keep edging upwards. We're seeing more senior citizens and we're looking at the possibility of being open more hours and possibly additional days each month. An option might be opening for a few hours on Saturdays or a weekday evening. It seems that some people have trouble getting here to Elizabeth because of transportation. Others who need help even though they may have a job have difficulty getting here with our hours being limited."

The Elizabeth Food Pantry is open from ten to noon every Monday. They are located at 310 West Street in Elizabeth.

• REAL ESTATE •

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE
15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
STEPHENSON COUNTY -
FREEPORT, ILLINOIS

Illinois Housing Development Authority
PLAINTIFF

Vs.
Jennifer K. Tanik; et. al.

DEFENDANTS

16CH 00078

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF

REAL ESTATE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 11/29/2016, the Sheriff of Stephenson County, Illinois will on 4/27/17 at the hour of 9:30AM at Stephenson County Courthouse 15 North Galena Avenue 1st Floor, West door of courthouse Freeport, IL 61032, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of Stephenson and State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

PIN 18-19-05-104-020
Improved with Residential
COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 1527 S. Float Avenue
Freeport, IL 61032

Sale terms: 10% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the auction; The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated 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, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. 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.

If the property is a condominium and the foreclosure takes place after 1/1/2007, purchasers other than the mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).

If the property is located in a common interest community, purchasers other than mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after Confirmation of the sale. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.

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 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.

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 14-16-09770.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE
15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
STEPHENSON COUNTY -
FREEPORT, ILLINOIS

Dubuque Bank and Trust

PLAINTIFF

Vs.

Cody Sullivan; et. al.

DEFENDANTS

16CH 00077

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF

REAL ESTATE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 2/7/2017, the Sheriff of Stephenson County, Illinois will on 4/27/17 at the hour of 9:30AM at Stephenson County Courthouse 15 North Galena Avenue 1st Floor, West door of courthouse Freeport, IL 61032, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of Stephenson and State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

PIN 15-10-01-327-014
Improved with Single Family Home
COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 76 Del-

burne Drive
Davis, IL 61019
Sale terms: 10% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the auction; The balance, including the Ju-

dicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated 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, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. 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.

If the property is a condominium and the foreclosure takes place after 1/1/2007, purchasers other than the mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).

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If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after Confirmation of the sale. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.

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.

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ra Mosley at Tyler's Justice Center at 815-947-6030.

Tyler's Justice Center for Children is a 501 (c) 3, non-profit Child Advocacy Center, which provides specialized services to child victims of sexual and/or serious physical abuse. The Center provides forensic interview services, crisis counseling, intervention, community education, follow-up advocacy services, and referrals for specialized sexual exams and licensed therapy. All services are provided at no cost to the children and families we serve. With contin-

ued state budget concerns, finding secure funding has been difficult. Fundraising has become imperative for survival and Tyler's must rely on fundraising and community donations to continue providing our specialized services at no cost. Last year, Tyler's Justice Center for Children served 173 new clients, provided 88 victim sensitive interviews and 22 referrals for specialized medical exams. The Center serves Carroll, Jo Daviess, and Stephenson Counties and is a recipient of the Northwest Illinois Chapter of United Way.

Thirteen FHN physicians named to America's Top Doctors® list

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Surgeon Rafael Castro, MD, FACS, WCC

*Urologist David Cheng, MD, FACS

Infectious Disease Specialist Robert Geller, MD, MS, FACP, FIDSA
Allergy, Asthma and Immunology Specialist Timothy Jessen, MD

*Nephrologist Farhan Khan, MD

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Cardiologist Bhadresh Patel, MD, FACC, FACP

Family Medicine Physician Jeffrey Schleich, MD

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Northwest Illinois Daily Drawing March winners

Twelve participating organizations from JoDaviess, Carroll & Stephenson County sponsor the Northwest Illinois Daily Drawing, a cooperative fundraiser. Daily cash prizes between \$50 and \$250 are awarded for 365 days from October 1, 2016 – September 30, 2017 to those donating for a ticket. A ticket can win multiple times throughout the year.

Sponsoring organizations include: Caring Community of Elizabeth, East Dubuque Music Boosters, Eastland Athletic Boosters, Galena ARC, Galena Music Boosters,

Hanover Alumni Association, Pearl City Athletic Boosters, River Ridge Education Association, Stockton Strong, Warren Athletic Boosters, West Carroll Sports Boosters and West Carroll Yearbook.

1st . Wednesday . \$50 – Dena Boehm, Elizabeth
2nd . Thursday . \$50 – Susan Horn, Morrison
3rd . Friday . \$50 – Don Mathey, Thomson
4th . Saturday . \$50 – Jeff Holden, Pierre, SD
5th . Sunday . \$50 – Angie Schleicher, Elizabeth

6th . Monday . \$50 – Hesper Nowatzki, Galena
7th . Tuesday . \$50 – Andy Scott, Verona, WI
8th . Wednesday . \$50 – Jim Grommes, Hanover
9th . Thursday . \$50 – Candice Lewis, Galena
10th . Friday . \$50 – Jeff & Tina Hyde, Galena
11th . Saturday . \$50 – Judy Jackson, Galena
12th . Sunday . \$50 – Mike Tully, Lena
13th . Monday . \$50 – Cindy Bellman, Dubuque, IA

14th . Tuesday . \$50 – Tracy Diestelmeier, Elizabeth
15th . Wednesday . \$50 – Lisa Tautz, Mt. Carroll
16th . Thursday . \$50 – TJ Dietzel, East Dubuque
17th . Friday . \$150 – Wes & Sandy Offenheiser, Elizabeth
18th . Saturday . \$50 – Larry Huttenlocher, Elizabeth
19th . Sunday . \$50 – Keith Matern, Town & Country, MO
20th . Monday . \$50 – Wayne Wand, Elizabeth
21st . Tuesday . \$50 – River Ridge Education Association

22nd . Wednesday . \$50 – Chuck & Patti Jackson, Stockton
23rd . Thursday . \$50 – Jeni Pearce, Elizabeth
24th . Friday . \$50 – Ruth Knauer, Elizabeth
25th . Saturday . \$50 – Kevin Ertmer, Elizabeth
26th . Sunday . \$50 – John Scott, Stockton
27th . Monday . \$50 – Ken Whitmer, Elizabeth
28th . Tuesday . \$50 – Tammy Lee, Galena
29th . Wednesday . \$50 – Richard Pearce, Elizabeth
30th . Thursday . \$50 – Galena ARC
31st . Friday . \$50 – Jerry Stoefler, East Dubuque

March Into Savings!



Stock #279181
2014 Buick Enclave
Champagne silver metallic,
3.6L 6 cyl., auto, 44k miles.
\$25,900



Stock #6383
2014 Chevy Cruze-1 LT
Red, 1.4L 4 cyl., auto,
28k miles.
\$14,950



Stock #27514B
1988 Chevy Corvette
Silver, 5.7L 8 cyl., manual
99k miles.
\$13,990



Stock #63661
2007 Chevy Avalanche LT
Gold Mist Metallic, 5.3L 8 cyl.,
auto, 124k miles.
\$13,950



Stock #271901
2014 Chevy Cruze-1 LT
Crystal red tintcoat, 1.4L
4 cyl., auto, 43k miles.
\$12,975



Stock #6387
2014 Chevy Sonic LT
Crystal red tintcoat, 1.8L
4 cyl., auto, 30k miles.
\$11,950



Stock #63771
2010 Nissan Rogue SL
Venum red pearl, 2.5L 4 cyl.,
continuous, 152k miles.
\$8,888



Stock #63471
2008 Buick Lucerne CXL
Platinum metallic, 3.8L 6 cyl.,
auto, 81k miles.
\$8,475



Stock #26093A
2001 Ford Mustang Base
Black clearcoat, 3.8L 6 cyl.,
manual, 64k miles.
\$7,999



Stock #272071
2007 GMC Canyon SL
Blue, 2.9L 4 cyl., manual,
91k miles.
\$6,999



Stock #275092
2002 Jeep Liberty LTD
Flame red clearcoat, 3.7L 6 cyl.,
auto, 116k miles.
\$5,250



Stock #6315A
1986 Pontiac Fiero 6T
Silver, 2.8L 6 cyl., auto
56k miles.
\$3,999



Stock #270673
**2002 Ford Expedition
Eddie Bauer** Black
clearcoat, 5.4L 8cyl, auto,
152k miles.
\$3,400



Stock #370352
**2006 Dodge Grand
Caravan SXT** Red, 3.8L
6cyl., auto, 166k miles.
\$2,775



Stock #63561
2005 Dodge Stratus SXT
Silver, 2.7L 6 cyl., auto
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Bright blue, 2.2L 4 cyl.,
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There's a problem with the new chip credit cards

By Tracy Thompson
AARP

Fraud cases involving chip-enabled cards occurred at 64 percent of merchants.

Those new security chips in your credit cards aren't helping much in cutting down on credit card fraud, partly because thieves found other ways to steal and partly because not enough merchants are using the chips, according to a new report issued this week.

The report, compiled by consulting firm Javelin Strategy & Research and identity-theft-protection firm LifeLock Inc., said nearly half of credit card fraud cases involving chip-enabled cards occurred at 64 percent of merchants who haven't installed chip-enabled terminals. Overall, the number of identity theft victims rose 18 percent since 2015 — a number that represents 15.4 million people and losses totaling \$16 billion.

Still, most fraud cases occurred online, where merchants still depend on card numbers, expiration dates and security codes. "Card-not-present" fraud, where thieves simply steal your numbers instead of your actual card, affected 3.4 percent of American consumers last year, up from 2.4 percent in 2015.

The new microchips have helped cut down the creation of fake cards, in which thieves who have your numbers simply imprint them on a new piece of plastic. The chips make that kind of counterfeiting hard to do.

But as quickly as merchants find ways to control one kind of thievery, thieves invent ways to steal.

"Fraud is kind of like squeezing Jell-O," said Stephen Coggeshall, chief analytics and science officer at LifeLock. "Stop it one place, and it migrates to somewhere else."