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State's best ready for challenge of season

By Chris Johnson
REPORTER

The Lena-Winslow Panthers defeated the coop of Pec-Durand Rivermen 44-8 on Friday night to move to 8-0 on the season and just one win away from a perfect season.

There is a big problem though. They are going to have to earn that perfect mark by beating a team that is playing for an upper-bracket, "home-field advantage" possible post-season placement, this Friday night.

If Dakota beats Lena-Winslow in the week nine, regular season finale, they will be NUIC-Northwest Champion. The Panthers would fall to 8-1 and have to share the conference title with their vanquishers. Both teams would be 8-1. They would probably have even more company on the first-place pedestal. The defending State Champion Forreston Cardinals have a good chance to close their own season down with a Friday night win and move to 8-1 on the year.

The Panthers did not wait for the Durand Homecoming celebration buzz to quiet in the crowd before they started showing why they were the number one team in the State. A 16-point, time-controlling opening quarter set up a second period where the Panthers found ways to do even more. At the half, Lena-Winslow was in front 38-0.

Time ticked away into the third as the visitors pushed across another score and put into effect, the running clock. The 44-0 third quarter advantage would be all the offense Lena-Winslow would need.

Durand-Pecatonia scored eight points against the possible top seed in the upcoming Class 1A Tournament in the fourth quarter in their week eight game. For an expansion team going against one that could be a future playoff-influencer that is a reason to celebrate.

The IHSA Class 1A State Tournament begins next Friday night and

history is very much behind Lena-Winslow for a strong push into the post-season. They have won in the NUIC and winning in the Northwest generally means, you are either going to be the State Champion or be a big reason the State Champion is who he is. If it's the quarter or semi-final round, they probably had to take you out, before they got to Champaign themselves.

Lena-Winslow is a serious team with a lot of talent and they have beaten great teams this year. They will be favored, slightly, in this Friday night's match with Dakota. There is a lot on the line for both competitors.

The Panthers are already ranked number one in the State and share talk-time with teams from St. Joseph-Ogden, Tuscola, Argenta-Oreana and Ottawa Marquette as possible Class 1A Champions this season. Most of those "other champions" also enter week nine with a perfect 8-0 record and a lot on the line, but they didn't play in the Northwest this year.



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Stop, drop, and roll

Volunteers from the Lena Fire Department shared fire safety rules with students from Lena-Winslow Elementary School on Oct. 6 and 7. Students were reminded of the importance of "Stop, Drop, and Roll", and were able to experience the reality of a fire through the Smoke House. Firemen sent each student off with homework for their family, reminding them of the importance of having a family plan including a safe location for everyone in the advent of a fire or other disaster.

Orangeville Broncos back in playoff mode

By Chris Johnson
REPORTER

With five wins, courtesy of a 7-6 overtime decision over Northwest member East Dubuque in their week eight game, it appears the Orangeville Broncos are heading to the Class 1A State Tournament. A loss would have meant a do-or-die situation this week, when they face the 6-2 Upstate-leading Stockton Blackhawks.

If Orangeville entered week nine with a 4-4 mark, they would have known that a loss to the playoff-bound Blackhawks would have guaranteed the end of the season. Instead, they are 5-3 and the playoff points seem to indicate Orangeville already has enough earned to get in. That takes a lot of pressure off. The

Broncos work with 35 playoff points heading into the Friday night regular season closer. They were ranked 28 out of 32 prospective playoff-bound schools before the overtime win over East Dubuque in week eight.

Orangeville won't win the Upstate this season. A best case scenario has the Broncos knocking off Stockton this Friday night and issuing them their only loss in conference play. It would see the season end, still one game back in the loss column. Freeport Aquin was beaten by Stockton

this past week. They are out of the race with two losses. Milledgeville beat River Ridge 26-6. They are one game back in the Upstate. A loss by Stockton and a win by the Missiles brings forth co-NUIC-Upstate Champions this year.

With the Upstate race taking care of itself, the Orangeville focus can comfortably turn to the Class 1A State Tournament and the fact that they will be there for the first time since the 2010 season.

The week nine game against

Stockton is a perfect playoff-preview. The Blackhawks are stingy on defense. They've given up barely 100 points over the first two months of the season.

The offense has led the NUIC-Upstate most of the season. Their only losses of the season came to 2016 Class 1A Semi-Finalist and State-ranked Ottawa Marquette in week two, 25-16 and apparent 2A playoff-bound West Carroll. The Thun-

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Lena Library News

By Brittany Gaulrapp
DIRECTOR

We are finally feeling like our old selves again here at the library. Story hour has officially (finally) begun for the year and we couldn't be happier to see all of our little readers back after a long summer break. Our story hour room makeover is completed as well and it looks great with all of the fall apples and pumpkins Mrs. Kathy has put up around the room. The kids were very excited to be back as well, and were very busy these first two weeks of class. After introductions that first week the kids talked about apples and manners. Books read were Please Say Please, Ten Red Apples, and Let it Fall. The kids each made an apple paper craft and did a "count the apples" activity with M&M's. After all that the kids still had time for songs. They sang "The Apple Tree" and "Leaves on the Trees". All of the kids got an applesauce snack to finish off the day.

This last week the theme was apples and pumpkins and autumn. Books read were Clifford's First Autumn, Apples & Pumpkins, and Kitten's Autumn. Each of the kids made two fall crafts this week: pumpkins with sparkly fall leaves, and scratch off apples.

Lena-Winslow

Homecoming 2017 is online at 202TV

Make time to visit "Homecoming 2017" at <https://youtu.be/pRF1K-S2o6PQ> the latest 202TV production of the Broadcast Technology class.

They sang "The Apple Tree", "Leaves Are Falling", "Scarecrow Scarecrow" "Raking Leaves", and "Leaves on the Trees". This week the kids even had time for flannel board, which is a favorite activity around here. The kids had to help Mrs. Kathy find Leafie, Pumpkin and Wormie on the board. Going along with the apple theme, all of the kids got an apple snack again this last week.

We had a few newcomers to our adult coloring night group on Monday, which is always a welcome surprise. We meet the second Monday of the month at 5:30, join us if you can. It's a great way to relax and have good conversation. Our book discussion group will meet again on Oct. 25, at 9:30. There are always a lot of great books discussed around the table. I'm sure if you stop by you won't leave without a good book to read.

New Books: Dangerous Illusions-Irene Hannon, Sleeping Beauties-Stephen King, To Be Where You Are-Jan Karon, Winter Solstice-Elin Hilderbrand, Secrets in Death-J.D. Robb, Seeing Red-Sandra Brown, The Outfit: Blood and Ashes-Mat-



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The Lena Library story hour room makeover is completed and it looks great. The youngsters love all of the fall apples and pumpkins Children's Librarian Mrs. Kathy has put up around the room.

thew Mayo and Don't Let Go-Harlan Coben. Call us or stop by to request your favorites. And don't forget you can go online to PrairieCat to view our collection online and manage your materials right from your home.

Area 4-H club makes a difference

By Dawson Stach
REPORTER

The Davis Rockets 4-H club held their Pack-A-Sack collection this year to benefit the Davis Faith Community Church Care Center. The 4-Her's dropped off bags on doorsteps with instructions telling local residents that donations would be picked up the following Monday. "We collected over 890 pounds of food and paper products!" said club leader Bonnie Campbell. "Thank you for all the generosity of Davis and Rock City residents."

McConnell Area Historical Society to host spaghetti supper

Join us for a Spaghetti Supper on Saturday, Oct. 21, from 4-8 p.m. at the McConnell UMC Hall located at 211 N. Hulbert Rd. in McConnell. Served will be spaghetti with meat sauce and or meat ball, garlic bread, salad, lemonade, coffee and desserts.

Tickets are available from any historical society member or at the door that evening. Prices are: \$7 for spaghetti with meat sauce, \$8 to include meat ball. Kids under age 10: \$5.

Proceeds will benefit the workings of the historical society and museum building upkeep and maintenance.

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Spring 2018 Dance Concert

Speaker event on large predators returning to the Midwest

On Saturday, Nov. 11, from 1 to 5 p.m., at the Woodbine Bend Golf Course restaurant,

The Jo Daviess Conservation Foundation (JDCF), Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR), and the Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau invite the public to "The Return of Large Predators to the Midwest." This seminar will provide research-based information about basic biology, identification, status in the Midwest and expectations for the future of wolves, cougars, and black bears.

Since 2008, all three species of carnivores have been officially identified in Jo Daviess County. Some have been killed by hunters, others have been picked up by trail cameras, and on two occasions, a black bear was observed roaming the roads and countryside, including eating from a bird feeder near rural Galena.

The Jo Daviess Conservation Foundation (JDCF) is a land trust and conservation outreach organization with a mission to preserve land for

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Golf

Both Megan Gille and Tiana Timpe advanced from the Galena Regional Girl's Tournament on Wednesday Oct. 4. Gille was second overall with a score of 86 and Timpe was sixth overall with a score of 95. Gille advanced to the state finals out of the Byron Sectional with a fourth place score of 83. Timpe finished with a respectable 99.

Alex Staver was third at the Freeport Aquin Regional with a score of 79 and advanced to the Rockford Christian Life Sectional on Monday Oct. 9. Staver advanced from the sectional to the state finals with a seventh place finish and a score of 73.

Volleyball

Stockton varsity over East Dubuque: 25-16, 25-20

Stockton Fresh/Soph over East Dubuque: 25-21, 25-23

River Ridge over Pearl City: 25-20, 27-25

River Ridge Varsity over Lena-Winslow: 25-20, 25-21

Lena-Winslow Fresh/Soph over River Ridge: 25-10, 25-12

River Ridge over Warren: 25-9, 25-12

Stockton over Warren: 25-15, 25-11

Stockton Fresh/Soph over Warren: 25-15, 25-12

Football

Warren 62, South Beloit 34
Orangeville 7, East Dubuque 6
Stockton 16, Aquin 14

the benefit of people and wildlife. As such, we have become acutely aware that large predators, thought extirpated from Northwestern Illinois for more than a century, are returning to the land we protect and to that of our neighbors.

The Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR), often a first responder when conflicts arise between people and wildlife, is in process of drawing up response procedures to guide agency staff, other officials and the public when conflicts with these carnivores arise. This is in part because a consensus is emerging among experts that numbers of these carnivores will continue to increase in Northwestern Illinois, that breeding populations may eventually occur, and that the limiting factor in this process may well be human tolerance.

Keynote speakers include:

Adrian Wydeven. As a wildlife biologist with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, Adrian headed up the Wisconsin wolf recovery program from 1990 through 2013.

During that time, Wisconsin's wolf population grew from fewer than 20 to more than 900.

Michelle LaRue. Michelle is executive director of the Cougar Network and a research associate in the Department of Earth Sciences at the University of Minnesota. She leads the Cougar Network's efforts to gather and analyze confirmation data in the Eastern and Midwestern portions of North America.

Doug Dufford. Doug is program manager for the Wildlife Disease and Invasive Wildlife Program for IDNR. Doug coordinates IDNR's large carnivore surveillance and incident response.

Craig Bloomquist. Craig is a wildlife biologist for United States Department of Agriculture Wildlife Services. He works in collaboration with IDNR to confirm wolf, cougar or black bear sightings and to provide management plans to reduce human-wildlife conflicts caused by these large carnivores.

Woodbine Bend is located at 3500

E. Center Road, just south of the town of Woodbine. This speaker event is generously supported by Apple River State Bank/First Community Bank of

Galena and is free to attend. RSVP's are not required, but space may be limited and attendance will be first-come, first served.



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• Broncos (Continued from front page)

der are 5-3 this year and they look to get to six wins as they face East Dubuque this Friday night.

Orangeville, with a win over Stockton could have a claim on an opening round home game in the Class 1A Tournament. With a loss they might have to run into a team like Ottawa Marquette or Forreton in their opening round game and they will have to

do it on the road.

Stockton will host an opening round game if they defeat Orangeville on Friday. They will improve to 7-2 and take on a team with a similar mark in the opening round of the 1A Tournament. A win will probably put them directly into the path of another NUIC-familiar such as Lena-Winslow or Dakota, in the second round.

Critters of the night: come learn about owls and bats

Join the Jo Daviess Conservation Foundation on Saturday, Oct. 21, at 10 a.m. to learn about some of our nocturnal friends, owls and bats. This program, geared towards a middle school grade level, introduces the life cycle of the owl and its food and habitat. It also identifies the characteristics that make the owl a perfect predator and mem-

ber of the raptor family. Participants can dissect an owl pellet to see exactly what an owls eats. Basic information about bats will also be covered with an emphasis on how they navigate by a special system called echolocation. This free program will be held at the Belden School in the Galena Territory. RSVP's are not required.

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VIEWPOINT

Bustos introduces legislation to cut government waste with better oversight of charge cards

Congresswoman Cheri Bustos introduced the Saving Federal Dollars Through Better Use of Government Purchase and Travel Cards Act. Government purchase cards accounted for \$19 billion in goods, services, and office supplies for federal agencies, but like personal credit cards, they are vulnerable to criminals, fraudsters, and improper use by agency employees.

"Just like the credit cards in everyone's wallet, government charge cards are also vulnerable to fraud and abuse," said Congresswoman Bustos. "Taxpayers deserve to know that their hard-earned dollars

are being handled responsibly and I'm committed to fighting for them. This legislation takes a practical approach to saving federal dollars by enforcing accountability and oversight across the federal government. By cutting waste, fraud and abuse, we will make government work better for all Americans."

The bill would:
 Establish Federal-Wide Charge Card Analysis and Oversight. The legislation directs the General Services Administration (GSA) to review its existing database of charge card purchases of federal agencies for patterns of potential

misuse. Under existing law, individual agencies must establish certain types of control and oversight over charge card usage, but only the GSA has government-wide data that can reveal patterns agencies might miss on their own. Under this bill, GSA would assist agencies by conducting sophisticated, federal-wide analysis of the data for potential waste and fraud.

Help Agencies Share Information and Best Practices. Federal agencies do not routinely share information about the use and abuse of charge cards. As a result, agencies might not learn and/or establish

best practices to address spending issues. Under the bill, agencies would share with each other information about fraud schemes, high-risk sellers, and other information that might help prevent charge card abuse and fraud.

Support Strategic Sourcing. The sharing and analysis of charge card data helps agencies better leverage federal purchasing power through what is often called "strategic sourcing." This analysis helps to determine when agencies are purchasing numerous amounts of an item with purchase cards that could be bought in a more cost-effective

manner, such as with negotiated discounts.

A Senate companion bill, S. 1099, was introduced earlier this year by Senators Carper and Grassley.

The bill is supported by a diverse group of organizations, including:

- Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington
- Coalition to Reduce Spending
- FreedomWorks
- National Taxpayers Union
- Project On Government Oversight
- Taxpayers Protection Alliance

Illinois Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) deadlines set

Look to the USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) for conservation assistance on agricultural and forestland. Ivan Dozier, Illinois NRCS State Conservationist explains, "NRCS has a long history of conservation planning with agricultural producers and forestry managers. We have the technical knowledge to develop a conservation plan for your resource concerns and NRCS has conservation programs available to implement that plan."

The primary financial assistance program is the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP). EQIP provides financial and technical assistance to agricultural and forestland producers. To participate, producers can apply for EQIP throughout the year; however, Illinois NRCS has established two application deadlines for Nov. 17, 2017 and Jan. 19, 2018. Producers are encouraged to submit an application by one of the application deadlines if they are interested in

obtaining program benefits.

Over the years, producers use EQIP to successfully address natural resource issues on their farm. Some EQIP activities include installing structures to address gully erosion, improving pastureland diversity by inter-seeding, and improving soil health by increasing organic matter

with cover crops.

These conservation practices can be completed using NRCS EQIP funding pools that target grazing land operations, confined livestock operations, organic, and wildlife habitat, just to name a few. In addition to conservation practices, EQIP provides funding for the development

of plans, such as Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plans (CNMPs), Grazing Plans, Drainage Water Management Plans, and more.

Producers interested in EQIP should submit a signed application (NRCS-CPA-1200 form) to their local NRCS field office or submit one electronically through the Conserva-

tion Client Gateway. Applications submitted by Nov. 17, 2017 and Jan. 19, 2018 will be evaluated by NRCS staff for the funding period submitted.

Applicants must meet program eligibility requirements to participate in EQIP. Local NRCS staff will work with applicants to determine eligibility and help answer ranking questions. If an application is ranked high enough to be funded, local NRCS staff will work with applicants to develop a contract and an implementation schedule.

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Illinois Municipal League hosts bicentennial competition

Illinois high school and college students across the state are invited to submit a 45-60 second self-made video highlighting a fact, event, place, person or something to learn about the incredible history of Illinois. 100 winners will have their video aired and posted as part of the 100 Day Bicentennial Countdown. Each winner whose video is selected will receive two tickets to the Sunday, Dec. 3, Chicago matinee performance of the HAMILTON; the official start of the Bicentennial Celebration.

State report: Budget out of balance by \$1.7 billion

The state's fiscal year 2018 budget is out of balance by \$1.7 billion, according to a fiscal policy report released today by the Governor's Office of Management and Budget. The imbalance might have been avoided if the General Assembly had enacted \$2 billion in reforms proposed by the Rauner Administration and Republican leaders earlier this year.

The Illinois Economic and Fiscal Policy Report provides a five-year economic outlook based on the budget along with state and national

growth forecasts. The GOMB compiles the report, which is available for public view at <https://www.illinois.gov/gov/budget/Pages/PolicyReports.aspx>

In the report, GOMB Director Scott Harry asserts that with stronger economic growth accompanied by spending controls, Illinois could achieve budget surpluses and reduce its bill backlog to an estimated \$500 million by the end of fiscal year 2023.

Enacting the Rauner Administration and Republican leaders 2018

budget proposals, according to Harry, would have saved the state enough to balance this year's budget. The plan proposed savings through reforms in government group health insurance programs (\$600 million); Medicaid (\$525 million); and issuing revenue rather than general obligation bonds to pay down the state's bill backlog (\$60 million in interest this year, and \$390 million over the 12-year life of the bond).

Harry said nearly \$700 million in pension reform savings were part of the governor's plan, including a call to end the practice of near-retirement salary spiking.

"Balancing the budget and enacting reforms would let us grow the economy, control spending, pay down our debt, and invest in jobs," Harry said.

"It is time for the political leaders of our state to come together to build long-term fiscal stability so we can expand our economy," he added. "The only way to resolve our fiscal issues is to grow the economy faster than our spending."

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ON THE RECORD

Obituaries

DOROTHY D. MAASKE

Dorothy D. Maaske, 77, of Lena passed away on Saturday, Oct. 7, 2017 at her home in Lena. She was born on Aug. 4, 1940 to Russell and Alberta (Fritz) Whitaker in Sterling, IL. She graduated from Sterling High School in 1958 and graduated from Carthage College in 1962 with a bachelor's degree in education. She married Larry Maaske on July 14, 1963, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Sterling. Dorothy taught physical education in the Pearl City School District, Franklin Grove School District, and Lena-Winslow School District. On Aug. 1, 1976, she began working for Citizens State Bank in Lena, first as a teller, and later as a bookkeeper. After 30 years with the bank, she retired in February 2006. She was an active member at St. John's Lutheran Church in Lena. She was on the altar guild for many years, taught Sunday school, and helped with the annual bazaar for many years. She also volunteered at My Friend's Closet and was a bus aide for the Adult Day Center. Dorothy loved to read, work crossword puzzles, and spend time with her family.



She is survived by her husband Larry; one son, Jeffrey (Beth) Maaske of Brentwood, TN; two grandchildren Kylie Phillips and Zachery Maaske; one sister Joanne (Herb) Reed of Tavaras, FL; two brothers, Russell (Jim) Whitaker of Fort Collins, CO, and John (Cheryl) Whitaker of Sterling, IL.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Funeral services were held Oct. 13, at St. John's Lutheran Church in

Lena. A visitation was Oct. 12, at St. John's Lutheran Church.

Pastor Rick Bader performed the services.

Burial will be at Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens in Freeport, IL.

A memorial has been established in her name.

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

FRANCES D. KNAPP

Frances D. Knapp, age 85, of Mt. Carroll, Illinois, passed away Sunday, Oct. 8, 2017 at FHN Memorial Hospital, Freeport, Illinois, with her daughter Sandy at her side. A funeral service was held Oct. 12, at Law-Jones Funeral Home, Mt. Carroll. Visitation took place Oct. 11, at the funeral home. Online condolences may be left for the family at www.lawjonesfuneralhome.com.



Frances was born July 28, 1932, the daughter of Amil and Hazel (Thompson) Bork in Woodland Township, Illinois. She attended Pauls Grove Country School, Spring Grove Country School, and Mt. Carroll High School, graduating with the Class of 1950. On May 1, 1955, Frances married Raymond Knapp. They celebrated 56 years of marriage until Raymond's death in 2011.

Frances worked as a secretary for the Savanna Army Depot, and the

Mt. Carroll Farm Bureau. She enjoyed gardening, bird watching, going on walks, listening to the radio, and collecting angels, owls, and bald eagle figurines. Most of all, Frances' life revolved around her family, and she cherished spending time with them.

Frances will be dearly missed by a daughter, Sandy (Keith Brinkmeier) Allen of Pearl City, Illinois; grandchildren, Diane (Garry Mapes) Randecker of Stockton, Illinois, Marty Knapp of Savanna, Illinois, Amber (Ashley) Knapp of Casper, Wyoming, and Ashley Knapp of Casper, Wyoming; great-grandchildren, Courtney, Brittany, Alyssa, Jon Randecker and Tessa, Avery, and Rose Marie Knapp. Frances is preceded in death by her husband, Raymond; one son, Marty; one grandson, Matthew; three sisters; seven brothers, and her parents.

DONNA J. PAX

Donna J. Pax, 78, formerly of Warren, IL and has lived in Florida since 1998, passed away on Oct. 9 2017 at the Healthmark Regional Medical Center in Defuniak, FL. Donna was born on Dec. 31, 1938 to Leo and Zelma (DeGunther) Grindey in Freeport. She enjoyed her dogs, bowling, and making fabric apples.

Donna is survived by her four sons; Doug (Theresa) of Warren, Laverne (Marcia) of Lena, Kevin (Janet Lindenman) of Lena, and Steve (Jen) of Warren, grandchildren; Damon Pax, Cassi (Mike) Kriebs, Devin, Austin and Madysen Pax, step grandchildren; Crystal (Ryan) Vanderhey-

den, Larry and Michael Taylor, great grandchildren; Brody and Paxton Kriebs, step great-grandchildren; Noah, Isaiah, and Ella Vanderheyden, and Emerson Marshall, sister Twyla (Sheridan) Watson of Florida, and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and grandson Allan John (AJ) Pax.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 14, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Warren.

Visitation is until the time of services on Saturday, at the church.

Pastor Intern Bryan Odeen will perform the services.

Burial will be at Elmwood Cemetery in Warren.

A memorial has been established in her name.

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

HAROLD J. MILLER

Harold J. Miller age 87, of Elizabeth, Illinois, passed away on Saturday, Oct. 14, 2017 at Big Meadows Nursing Home in Savanna, Illinois. A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 18, at St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church in Massbach, Illinois. Burial will take place in St. John Evangelical Lutheran Cemetery in Massbach. A visitation will be held from 9:30 - 11 a.m. before the funeral service at St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church. Memorials may be given in Har-

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old's memory. Friends and family are invited to share in Harold's life at www.lawjonesfuneralhome.com.

Harold was born Dec. 12, 1928 in Woodland Township rural Elizabeth, Illinois, the son of John and Carolin (Klopf) Miller. He attended Zion Country School, through eighth grade. Harold drove a livestock truck into Chicago, Illinois for many years. He was a life-long farmer and in his younger years he farmed with his dad. On Sept. 30, 1952, Harold married the love of his life Phyllis Jean Randecker. They celebrated 56 years together.

Harold was a life-long member of

the Farm Bureau and served on the Board for 30 years, he also served on the Swiss Valley Farms Advisory Board. Harold enjoyed hunting and fishing. Harold and Jean enjoyed traveling in their motor home, playing cards with family and friends. Harold and Jean took a dance class for their 35th wedding anniversary and continued dancing for years to come. Harold will be remembered as a quiet and compassionate man.

Harold is survived by his sons, Larry (Eva) Miller of Mt. Carroll, Illinois, Russell (Terrie) Miller of Savanna; two grandsons, Kurtis and Michael Miller; two step-grand-

daughters Andrea Jones, Katarina Pierce; three step-great-grandchildren. Harold was preceded in death by his parents and wife, Jean.

HELEN B. CALHOUN

Helen B. Calhoun, age 92 of Stockton, IL passed away Tuesday, Oct. 10, 2017 at the Lena Living Center. She was born Aug. 8, 1925 to the late Ira and Berneice (Rink) Wolfe. Helen married Elden Ray Calhoun on June 24, 1944. He passed away on July 23, 2010.



Helen is survived by her daughter, Barbara Edna Gohlke (husband Richard) of Whidbey Island, Washington; her grandchildren, Christina (Soltwedel) Brandmeyer (husband Brent Brandmeyer) of Kansas City, Brian Theodore Gohlke (wife Jennifer Dodds) of Whistler, BC, Canada, and Angela Gohlke Feldman (husband Ian Feldman) of Scottsdale, AZ; her great grandchildren, Jenna Soltwedel, Cole Soltwedel, Aspen Gohlke, Ada Gohlke, Emelia Gohlke and her two step great grandchildren, Cooper Brandmeyer and Piper Brandmeyer.

The funeral service will be held Saturday, Oct. 21, at 10:30 a.m. at Christ Lutheran Church in Stockton. There will be a visitation at the Hermann Funeral Home on Friday, Oct. 20, from 4 to 7 p.m. Interment will

take place at Ladies Union Cemetery. A memorial fund has been established. Condolences may be shared with Helen's family at www.hermannfuneralhome.com.

JOSEPH EUGENE UNFRIED

Joseph Eugene Unfried, age 77, of Hanover, Illinois passed away Wednesday, Oct. 11, 2017 FHN Hospital, Freeport. A Funeral Mass was held Oct. 17, at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, Hanover. Burial took place in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery, Elizabeth, Illinois. Visitation was Oct. 16, at Law-Jones Funeral Home, Hanover. Full Military Rites will be accorded. A memorial fund has been established for the family.



Joe was born Nov. 6, 1939 in McLeansboro, Illinois, the son of Joseph Leo and Frances Mary (Baumann) Unfried. He is a graduate of the McLeansboro High School, then proudly served in the United States Air Force as a Radio Operator from 1957 - 1963. Joe then went to Chicago to work in the Communications Industry. On Sept. 11, 1965, Joe married Judith Sluppick in Chicago. They raised three daughters and celebrated fifty-two years of marriage.

Joe worked many years for the Chicago Police Department as an Electronic Technician, until his re-

irement in 2004. He was a Ham Radio operator with the Call Sign of "W9ITV." Joe could fix anything electronic and loved to tinker with radios. He also enjoyed painting, photography and model building. He was a member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church. Most of all, Joe loved spending time with his family. He and Judy bought a home near Hanover in 1987, where they enjoyed being together as a family.

Joe will be dearly missed by his wife Judy of Hanover; three daughters, Margaret Anger of Hanover, Julie (Dale) Harms of Hanover, and Lucy (Joe) Brenner of Elizabeth; three grandchildren, Thomas Harms, Benjamin and Emma Brenner; a brother, Lawrence (Joann) Unfried of Belle Rive; and three sisters, Marian (Dwight) Kieffer of Belle Rive, Evalena Unfried of McLeansboro, and Pauline Unfried of Grand Rapids, Michigan. Joe is preceded in death by two sisters in infancy; and a son-in-law, Raymond Anger in 2015.

JOSEPH FRANCIS LAMM

Joseph Francis Lamm, 94 of Stockton, IL passed away Oct. 11, 2017 at Waverly Place in Stockton. Joe was born Sept. 22, 1923 in Freeport; the son of the late Frank and Clara (Ban-



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CHURCH NOTES

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church will gather for worship on Oct. 22, at Good Shepherd, 118 E. Mason St. Lena, IL, at 9:30 a.m. All are invited to worship on this Twentieth Sunday of Pentecost 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 Oct. 25, at 8 a.m. the Piece Corps Quilters will work together to craft quilts for Lutheran World Relief. They are always looking for more people to help tie quilts and sew. No previous quilting experience is necessary. Come join the fun and make a difference in the world.

The After School Program for fourth through eighth graders will meet at the Hangout downtown Lena on Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 p.m. Each day there is worship with music and a Christian message; pizza; homework help; and lots of time for all sorts of games, challenges and play. At 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Confirmation students in seventh and eighth grades will meet for learning, fun, prayer, and fellowship.

On Saturday Oct. 28, Good Shepherd members will volunteer at the Lena Food Pantry. At 4:30 p.m. on Saturday Oct. 28, the Men's Group will meet at Good Shepherd.

If you have any questions please call the church at 815-369-5552.

St. John's

You're welcome to join us at worship on Sunday, Oct. 22, at St. John's. The worship service will begin a 9 a.m. and will include the Joy Choir. The Good News Sunday School and Confirmation will meet at 10:15 a.m. The SPOTS (fifth and sixth grades) will meet at 11 a.m. in the Youth and Family Center. All those interested in joining St. John's, a new member class will be held after worship on October 22.

The Fifth Quarter Youth group (Junior High) will meet at 6 p.m. on Sundays upstairs at the Youth and Family Center. The Genesis Youth group (High School) continues to meet on Sunday evenings at 7:30 p.m. All youth groups are open to all area youth and held in the Youth and Family Center.

St. John's Youth Groups will host a Craft and Vendor Fair on Sunday, Nov. 5, from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. with their annual Spaghetti Lunch.

Contact the office below if you are interested in having booth at the craft and vendor fair. The Spaghetti Lunch will be served from 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. on Nov. 5. Tickets are available from any youth group member or at the door. St. John's will also host an FHN Flu Shot Clinic on Nov. 5, from 10 - Noon. Flu Shot Clinic Info: Adult-only clinic is \$28 (quadrivalent for adults under age 65) or \$62 (high-dose for 65+) cash or check payable to FHN. No out-of-pocket expense if you are over 65 and covered by Medicare Part B (please present Medicare card) or a Medicare HMO accepted by FHN (list available at each location - covered persons MUST present the Medicare HMO card instead of the Medicare card for billing process). No other insurance coverage can be processed. Per government regulations, no Medicaid cards can be accepted.)

The Women's Gathering will meet on Oct. 17, at St. John's at 9:45 a.m. for fellowship followed by a bible study and meeting. Everyone is welcome to stay for a Sit N' Sew and a baked potato bar lunch. The events will wrap-up at 3 p.m. Come and work on any project (your own projects or prayer shawl ministry projects) and enjoy the fellowship of others.

St. John's has embarked on a fundraiser selling 2018 calendars with an opportunity to win a \$200 drawing each week. If you are interested in purchasing a calendar for \$30, please contact the church office or any member of St. John's. Phone and email information below.

The Monday evening bible study meets at 7 p.m. in the Conference Room and will focus on the Gospel of John. The Thursday morning bible study meets at 9:30 a.m. on Thursdays in the Conference Room beginning on Sept. 24, and will focus on St. Paul's Letter to the Romans. All bible studies are open to nonmembers and members of St. John's alike. The east door will be open for easy entrance near the conference room or come in the front door and take the elevator to the lower level.

St. John's Lutheran Church is at 229 S. First Street, Pearl City, Illinois. The office phone number is 815-443-2215 (mornings). All are invited to our weekly worship services and youth to our Sunday School and youth ministries. You may also email at prshadmin@gmail.com.

Pearl City UMC to host Fall Festival

Pearl City UMC announces its Second Annual Fall Festival on Wednesday, Oct. 25, from 4-7 p.m. Come one, come all for a lot of free fun and fellowship. Like last year, we will have fun fall games (bobbing for apples, Halloween mini-golf, candy corn bowling, etc.) with new prizes, a hot dog dinner, and crafts. New this year will be bouncy houses, fire truck rides, a clown, and two, count them, two piñatas. And, of course, we'll have our PUMPKIN LAUNCHER all set up! There's no school the next day, so come out and have some fun! Pearl City UMC is located at 411 S. Main Street, Pearl City. For more information, you can call the church office at 443-2177 or email Pastor Matt at pastor@pearlcityumc.org.

Baha'is of Rockford to celebrate 200th anniversary of the birth of Baha'u'llah

The Baha'is of Rockford extend a cordial invitation to you to join us in an auspicious celebration of the 200th anniversary of the birth of Baha'u'llah, Who said, "The purpose of Religion is to establish unity and concord amongst the peoples of the world." This event will take place on Saturday, Oct. 21, 7 p.m. at the Mendelssohn Performing Arts Center, 406 North Main Street in Rockford, Illinois.

This Light of Unity Festival offers artistic presentations, an evening of delicious fun, presented by the Baha'is of Rockford, including poetry, music, storytelling and drama, performed by children and adults. Persian delicacies and tea will be served following the program. That's Saturday, Oct. 21, 7 p.m. at the Mendelssohn Performing Arts Center, 406 North Main Street in Rockford, IL.

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Lena UMC to host Country Breakfast, Sweet Shoppe and Craft event

Lena United Methodist Church, 118 W. Mason St., Lena will have its annual Country Breakfast, Sweet Shoppe and Craft event on Saturday, Oct. 21, 8 a.m.-noon.

Buffet will include: Scrambled eggs, biscuits & gravy, baked French toast, sausage, ham, fruit bowl, dessert cake, cinnamon rolls and beverages: Adults \$7 and Children under 10 years \$4.

A raffle will be held in conjunction with the event. First prize: beautiful blue & white queen sized quilt, Second prize: basket of goodies from Mill Furnishings in Lena and Third prize: \$25 gift certificate for AJ's Lena Maid Meats.

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Lena Business and Professional Association calendar

Oct. 18, Lena Living Center is hosting a 'Community Supper' from 5-6 p.m. Join us in the Front Living Room/Coffee Bistro Area for a delicious meal, speaker and great company! Cost is \$1.

Oct. 19, Lena Living Center is hosting a 'Blood Pressure Screening'. This will be at Stella's Café in Stockton 10:30 a.m. Visit Marge from LLC for a BP Screen & a yummy treat!! Take care of your health and hunger in the same trip!

Oct. 20, Fluegel's Boutique & Embroidery is having 'Teacher Appreciation' from 3-6 p.m. We would like to show our appreciation to all the teachers and school staff that are playing such an important role in shaping our kiddos! Thank you for all you do.

Oct. 21 WinnPrairie Fall Vendor Fair ~ WinnPrairie is hosting a Fall Vendor Fair Saturday, Oct. 21, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Featuring a variety of Vendors including: 31 Bags, Usborne Books, Tupperware, Scentsy, Arbonne, Pampered Chef, photos by desiree, Repurposed Furniture, Stella and Dot, The Sugar Bowl, Soy Candles, LuLaRoe, Crafts, and MUCH more.. What a great way to begin your Holiday Season and begin your shopping. Come and Experience the Difference.

Oct. 24, Lena Living Center is hosting an 'Autumn Party' from 1:30-2:30pm. Celebrate Autumn with us at the Doll Apartments, our Independent Living, in the Community Room. Special Treats, Games, and Prizes.

Come join the fun and bring a friend!

Oct. 24, Lena Living Center is having a 'Nursing Career Fair' from 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. Make a difference! Attend our upcoming Nursing Career Fair and join the amazing team at Lena Living Center. We are searching for LPNs, CNAs and RNs on all shifts - both part- and full-time. We also are looking for housekeeping and kitchen staff.

The career fair will be held from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. and then again from 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. on Oct. 24th. Meet our staff, tour our facility and fill out an application on site! We offer competitive wages and a positive working environment. If you would like to make a difference in the lives of many, plan to visit us on the 24th!

Oct. 26, Lena Living Center is hosting a 'Community Lunch & Bingo' beginning at 12:45 p.m. in the Dining Area of our New Rehabilitation Wing. Doors open at 12:30 p.m. Cost is \$1. Prices are sponsored by LLC & McPherson Law Offices.

Oct.31 Beloved Church of Lena 2017 Harvest Fest ~ Come to our Annual Harvest Fest. Each year we give out lots of prizes and candy, plus there's lots to do with our inflatables.

Oct.31, Lena Lions Club Halloween Party. It starts at 6 p.m. at the Lena Community Cente. Costumes, hot dogs, and prizes for best costumes per age groups.. Join us.

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Watch the LBPA Facebook page for more events. <https://www.facebook.com/lbpa.lenabusinessandprofessionallassociation/>

Jo Daviess County Master Gardener offer Pumpkin Planter class

On Thursday, Nov. 2, from 1:30 to 3 p.m. Jo Daviess County Master Gardener Sharon Cahill will be offering a class on how to make a planter out of a small pumpkin. The class will be held at the Jo Daviess County Extension Office, 204 Vine St. Elizabeth, IL, and pre-registration is required by Friday, Oct. 27, to ensure we have enough supplies. The cost of the class will be \$10 and participants will be able to make their own pumpkin planter to take home.

Join Sharon as she shows you an alternative way to use pumpkins. She will walk you through how to make your own pumpkin planter and help you arrange flowers, grasses, and evergreens in your planter to make a beautiful fall decoration for your home.

To register or for more information on this program please visit us online at web.extension.illinois.edu/jsw or call us at 815-858-2273.

Thanks and we hope to see you on Nov. 2.

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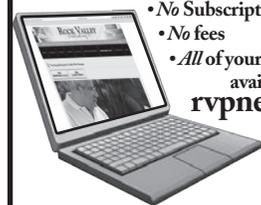
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gasser) Lamm. On Aug. 28, 1948 Joseph and Mary Ilene Hill were married at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Elizabeth.

Joe was a loving husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather. Most important were his faith, family and friends. He enjoyed farming with his wife and was very generous, always willing to help anyone in need. Joe was able to "fix" almost anything. He will be remembered as a quiet man with a twinkle in his eye and a mischievous smile on his face. He was a member of the Marriage Encounter Group, Volunteer Hospice of NW Illinois and an active 60 year member of Holy Cross Church. After retiring, Joe and his wife continued to live on the family farm.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Ilene; his three daughters, Mary Horstmeier, Linda (Mark) Winter, and Jolene Wingert (Rich Wagner); his son, Mark Lamm; his twelve grandchildren, Amber Horstmeier, Aaron (Mikki) Horstmeier, Eli (Julie) Horstmeier, Isaac Horstmeier, Marcy (Tim) Miller, Andrew (Stephanie) Winter, Brian Winter, Ethan Winter, Brent Wingert, Jacob (Megan Hanks) Wingert, Kristian (Ben) Hinrichs, and Andrea Yaeger; his 10 great grandchildren; his sister-in-law, Mary Lamm; and many nieces, nephews and special friends.

Joe was preceded in death by his parents; six brothers, Robert, Karl, William, Arthur, Louis, and Kenneth; his sister, Mary Ellen Kohlbauer; six sisters-in-law, one brother-in-law, son-in-law Lyle Wingert and grandson, Joshua Yaeger.

Visitation was at Holy Cross Church Oct. 16. The funeral service was held on Oct. 17 with the Rev. Michael Morrissey officiating. Burial will be in St. Joseph's Cemetery in Freeport. A memorial fund has been established. Condolences may be shared at www.hermannfuneral-home.com.

NATHALIE "NAT" (REILAND) JURASEK

Nathalie "Nat" (Reiland) Jurasek died on Oct. 9, 2017 at home after a cancer diagnosis in August. She was born on Jan. 5, 1934 in Stockton, Illinois to Nicholas and Alice Mohan

Reiland. After graduation from Stockton High School, Nat moved to Rockford where eventually her parents and several siblings resided. She married John Jurasek on May 1, 1954. He preceded her in death on April 18, 1995. In her early years, she was employed at Gunita and Adams Letter Service. Many years were spent staying at home with her children before returning to work at Woodward, which she was very proud of. She felt fortunate to spend many happy fulfilling years at Woodward where she was known for her hard work, fashionable wardrobe and desire to mentor young professionals. Nat retired in 1999 anxious to be a full time grandma. She was thrilled to spend the years ahead shuttling the grandkids to hockey practice, dance class, soccer practice and anything else they felt like doing. She looked forward to school functions, camp programs, recitals and games to support her kids and grandkids. Not a fan of travel, clubs or hobbies that took her away from home, she loved cooking and sewing for her family, decorating her home (especially around the holidays), yardwork, reading, rescuing nativity sets and rosaries from rummage sales, and antiques. You could always count on her to help a family member or friend regardless of the circumstances. She taught by example-using humor (often off color) to get through life's challenges, supporting those in need and putting one foot in front of the other when the going got tough. Nat was a friend of Bill W for 41 years. She will be remembered as a compassionate, independent, brave, intelligent, stylish spirit.

Nathalie is survived by her children, John (Sara Hoecker) Jurasek, Ann Sammons, Nancy (Kevin) Talmadge and Stacey Corey; grandchildren, Holly Sammons, Nathan Talmadge, Gracie and Sam Hoecker. Predeceased by parents, Nicholas and Alice Reiland, husband, John Jurasek, siblings, Jean Reiland, Jim



and Josephine Reiland, Kathleen and Doc Prenot, Nicholas and Hilda Reiland II and Barbara Reiland; former son-in-law, Jeffrey Sammons, extended members of the Reiland and Jurasek families and dear friends she truly missed, Joe and Dorothy Bosi.

A visitation and funeral mass was Oct. 13, at St. Bernadette Catholic Church. Memorials may be made in Nat's name to Catholic Charities, 555 Colman Center Drive, PO Box 7044, Rockford, Illinois 61125. Fitzgerald Funeral Home & Crematory, Riverside Chapel, assisted the family. To express online condolences, please visit: www.fitzgeraldfh.com.

ROD DEMARANVILLE

Roderick C. "Rod" DeMaranville, age 67, of Jacksonport, Wisconsin, formerly of Stockton, IL, died on Oct. 2, 2017, at the Aurora Bay-Care Medical Center in Green Bay, Wisconsin, surrounded by his family.

Rod was born May 21, 1950 in Aurora, Nebraska to Eugene and Arlene (Ross) DeMaranville. He graduated from Aurora High School in 1968. He served in the United States Army and was deployed to Vietnam with a Field Artillery unit, from 1970-1971, and was awarded the Army Commendation Medal.

Upon returning from the war, he worked at Sperry New Holland in Grand Island, Nebr. and became journeyman-level tool and die maker. He married Janelle Ackerman of Phillips, Nebr., and had a son, Traver DeMaranville. In 1986, he pursued a college degree from the University of Nebr.-Omaha, graduating in 1990 with a Bachelor of Science in Manufacturing Engineering. He moved to Stockton, Illinois, and was employed by Tower Automotive and Dura Automotive as a Senior Manufacturing Engineer.

After formal retirement, he moved back to Aurora and started a small business. He then discovered the beauty of Door County, Wisconsin. He thoroughly enjoyed the trees, the

weather and the people. He picked up his father's tradition of locksmithing, did landscaping and handyman work. He is remembered fondly by neighbors who found him always willing to help and able to solve multiple problems.

His diversified interests and talents led him to become involved with local organizations related to art and gardening. He volunteered his time to the Jacksonport Advancement Corp., the Jacksonport Historical Society, and the Shores of Jacksonport Neighborhood Assoc. Because of his military service, Rod was an active member of the Door County Vietnam veterans group. He loved plants and nature, and was a member of the Ridges Sanctuary, a state nature area. Rod enjoyed traveling and in the

last two years took railroad trips through Canada. He also enjoyed coming back to Aurora and Stockton to visit family and friends.

Rod was preceded in death by his parents, and brother David DeMaranville. He is survived by his son, Traver DeMaranville and Traver's friend Beth Wood of Doniphan, Nebr. his brother Richard and his wife Karen DeMaranville of Indian Land, South Carolina; and his sister Barbara and her husband Jerry Bohart of Lee's Summit, Missouri; as well as uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews, cousins and host of friends.

A memorial service was Oct. 14, at 10:30 a.m. at the Higby-McQuis-

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ton Mortuary Chapel in Aurora, followed immediately by a luncheon at the Bremer Community Center. An additional service will be held in Jacksonport at a date to be determined. Memorials may be made to the family for later designation.

VIRGINIA M. WEBER

Virginia M. Weber age 97, of Mt. Carroll, Illinois, passed away on Sunday, Oct. 8, 2017 at the Good Samaritan Society in Mt. Carroll.

A visitation was Oct 12 and funeral services were held Oct. 13, at Law-Jones Funeral Home in Mt. Carroll. Burial will take place in Oak Hill Cemetery in Mt. Carroll. In lieu of flowers memorials may be given in Virginia's memory. Friends and family are invited to share in Virginia's memory at www.lawjonesfuneral-home.com.

Virginia was born on Feb. 9, 1920 in Savanna, Illinois the daughter of Thurman and Kathleen (Buckwalter)

Mowry. She married Lloyd A. Weber on Feb. 15, 1940. They celebrated 59 years together, Lloyd passed away July 18, 1999. Virginia was a homemaker and farmed with Lloyd. Being a homemaker brought joy to Virginia, while she helped raise her four children.

Virginia was a member of the United Brethren Church, Center Hill and a member of the Jacobstown Community Club. She enjoyed decorating her home for all the seasons, and took pride in taking care of her home all year round. She also loved crocheting and embroidering. Most of all, Virginia treasured the time she spent with her family.

Virginia is survived by her three children, Teresa (Don) Nowviok of Stockton, Illinois, Tom (Judy) Weber of Venice, Florida, David (Paula) Weber of Princeton, Illinois; a son-in-law, Lee Butler of Freeport, Illinois; five grandchildren, Kim (David) Lyle, Tim (Tashawna) Weber, Matthew (Arija) Weber, Amy (Timerlee) Nowviok, Angela (Eric) Johnson; 10 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandsons and many nieces and nephews. Virginia was preceded in death by her husband; a baby;

daughter, Linda; daughter, Karen Butler brother Forrest Mowry and a sister Joyce Hovorka.

STEVEN FAREL

Steven Farel, age 60 of Lena, IL, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by his family on Wednesday, Oct. 11, 2017. He was born Aug. 5, 1957 in Belvidere, IL; the son of Norman and Shirley (Tessman) Farel. He attended Belvidere High School. Steve married Trina Shacklee on Jan. 17, 1981; she passed on Dec. 4, 2010.

Steve, or "Digger" as he was known, loved and cared deeply for his family and many special friends. He will be remembered as someone who was always there to lend a hand and help anyone who needed him. He was owner/operator of an excavation/grave digging company. He was very active in the Freeport Eagles Club and was an avid pool player and enjoyed playing at home and in a league. He was an accomplished guitar player and also loved hunting, fishing, and riding his motorcycle.

He is survived by his parents, Norman and Shirley Farel; two sons, Nick (Katie) Brown of Belvidere, Steven Keith Christian Farel of Lanark; daughter Ashley Farel of Lena; 8 grandchildren Erinna, Erica, Janell, Teaghan, Alayna, Jasmin Marie, Zachary, and Karlene; brother, Norman (Cheryl) Farel, sisters, Sharon (Fred) Thomas and Pamela (Tom) Johnson all of Belvidere; several aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews; and good friends, Woody,



Cecil, and Dave. He was preceded in death by his wife, Trina; infant son, Cory Joe; and nephew, Shane Farel.

A visitation was held Oct. 16, at the Daughenbaugh Funeral Home in Dakota, IL. The memorial service was Oct. 17, also at the funeral home with Pastor Rick Bader presiding. Interment took place at Gund Cemetery. A memorial fund has been established in his name. Condolences may be shared with his family at www.walkermortuary.com.

Births

Willow Brown

Jason and Tamra Brown of Lena, Ill. are the parents of a daughter Willow Lynne Brown born Friday Oct. 6, 2017 at FHN Hospital; Freeport, Ill. Willow has a sister Alyssa Brown, 15 and a brother Carter Brown, 15. Grandparents are Lonnie Cheeney of Stockton, Ill., Tina Brinkmeier of Heyworth, Ill. Great grandparents are Loretta Cheeney of Warren, Ill. and Jim and Donna Haag of Cullom, Ill.

Aria Kampmeier

Kristen Potter and Raice Kampmeier of Scioto Mills, Ill. are the parents of a daughter Aria Nicole Kampmeier born Wednesday Oct. 11, 2017 at FHN Hospital, Freeport, Ill. Aria has a brother tai Andrew Kampmeier, 6. Grandparents are Brad Kampmeier and Sandy Kampmeier both of Lena, Brian Potter and Cheryl Potter both of CT and Gretchen Potter. Great grandparents are Sandra Kampmeier of Stockton, Ill. Gerd Schneider of Livingston, MT, Fred and Carol Hooper of Freeport and Karen Schneider of MT.

The Village of Lena

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 - Pre-School Girls
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 - Best Group
 - Best Homemade Costume
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HALLOWEEN



Tuesday, October 31st

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Prizes will be awarded for the Best Costumes



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LENA RESIDENTS Last Brush Pick Up is November 6th BRUSH UP PICK UP GUIDELINES

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- Branches from trees and bushes need to be less than 6" in diameter and less than 8' long. This service is provided as a courtesy to help residents get rid of tree and bush trimmings for maintaining their landscape. If the pieces are too large for the brush chipper, they will not be picked up. No thorn brush trimmings.
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McConnell Grace Free Methodist Church to host Family Fun Festival

Come one, come all for a great evening of fall fun in McConnell! Join on Saturday, Oct. 28, from 4 to 7 p.m. downtown McConnell next to the Post Office at Grace Free Methodist Church.

We'll have trunk or treat with games, a costume contest, hayrides (scary and regular), bonfire with s'mores, pumpkin decorating, free food and lots more!

Bring the kids and have a spook-tacular time!

This is a joint ministry of Grace Free Methodist Church, McConnell United Methodist Church, Orangeville Grace Evangelical Church and Orangeville United Methodist Church.

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"Using science-based practices with EQIP is a powerful way to make changes that improve water quality and reduce soil erosion on Illinois farms," Dozier adds.

EQIP is a voluntary conservation program available for agricultural producers and forestry producers. Through EQIP, NRCS provides financial and technical assistance to install conservation practices. For information on EQIP, contact the local NRCS field office or visit www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/il/programs/financial/eqip/.

STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COUNTY OF STEPHENSON

In re the Estate of
PAUL KELLY MIKULES,
deceased

Case No. 17 P 77

CLAIM NOTICE

TO: CREDITORS AND
CLAIMANTS

1. Notice is hereby given of the death of PAUL KELLY MIKULES who died on May 9, 2017, a resident of Carlsbad, California.

2. Letters of Testamentary were issued on July 24, 2017 to the Representatives for the estate, CYNTHIA BOLLWEG and JEANNE OTA.

3. The attorney for the estate is Paul J. Huber, 226 Lake Summerset Rd., Davis, IL 61019

4. Claims against the estate may be filed with the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court at 15 N. Galena, Freeport, IL 61032 or with the Representative, or both, on or before April 11, 2018, which date is not less than 6 months from the date of the first publication of this notice and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Representative and to the attorney with 10 days after it has been filed.

Paul J. Huber, attorney for
Cynthia Bollweg and
Jeanne Ota

Name: Paul J. Huber
Attorney for: Petitioners
Address: 226 Lake Summerset Rd., Davis, Illinois 61019
Phone: (815) 248-4000
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Attorney No. 06192970

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TOWNSHIP BUDGET

Notice is hereby given that a Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Town of West Point, in the County of Stephenson, State of Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2017, and ending March 31, 2018, will be on file and conveniently available to public inspection at the home of the Town Clerk, Bill Staton, from and after 8 o'clock a.m., on October 15, 2017.

Notice is further given hereby that a public hearing on said

Budget and Appropriation Ordinance will be held at 7 o'clock p.m., on November 8, 2017, in the West Point Township Garage in this town and that final hearing and action on this ordinance will be taken at a meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the West Point Township Garage on November 8, 2017.

John Murrell, Supervisor
Bill Staton, Clerk
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297435

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TOWNSHIP BUDGET

Notice is hereby given that a Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Road Purposes of the West Point Township, in the County of Stephenson, State of Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2017, and ending March 31, 2018, will be on file and conveniently available to public inspection at the home of the Town Clerk, Bill Staton, from and after 7 o'clock a.m., on October 15, 2017.

Notice is further given hereby that a public hearing on said Budget and Appropriation Ordinance will be held at 7:30 o'clock p.m., on November 8, 2017, in the West Point Township Garage in this town and that final hearing and action on this ordinance will be taken at a meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the West Point Township Garage on November 8, 2017.

John Murrell, Supervisor
Bill Staton, Clerk
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16-080270 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STEPHENSON COUNTY, FREEPORT, ILLINOIS WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. PLAINTIFF,

-vs-

UNKNOWN HEIRS AND/
OR LEGATEES OF KATHLEEN S. NICODEMUS, DECEASED; JULIE NICODEMUS; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS

DEFENDANTS

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Public Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment en-

LEGALS

tered in the above entitled matter on September 5, 2017; David Snyders, Sheriff, 15 N. Galena, Freeport, IL 61032, will on November 16, 2017 at 9:30 AM, at Stephenson County Courthouse, 15 North Galena Avenue, Freeport, IL 61032, sell to the highest bidder for cash (ten percent (10%) at the time of sale and the balance within twenty-four (24) hours, the following described premises situated in Stephenson County, Illinois.

Said sale shall be subject to general taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate and any prior liens or 1st Mortgages. The subject property is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title or recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition.

Upon the sale being held and the purchaser tendering said bid in cash or certified funds, a receipt of Sale will be issued and/or a Certificate of Sale as required, which will entitle the purchaser to a deed upon confirmation of said sale by the Court.

Said property is legally described as follows:

LOT 9 IN BLOCK 3 OF WELTY HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION, SITUATED IN THE CITY OF FREEPORT, STEPHENSON COUNTY, ILLINOIS; ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED APRIL 23, 1931 IN BOOK E OF PLATS, PAGE 8; SITUATED IN THE CITY OF FREEPORT, COUNTY OF STEPHENSON IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.

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Permanent Index No.: 18-18-01-204-003

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The property will NOT be open for inspection prior to the sale and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property.

The judgment amount was \$54,656.82. Prospective purchasers are admonished to check the court file and title records to verify this 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.

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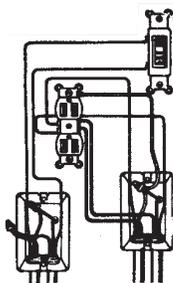
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FROM LENA'S KITCHEN



The not so skinny cook

What is the old saying? "Be careful what you wish for." We have been hoping for some rain, and we did get it. I don't imagine that those people who were in the middle of harvest are very happy right now. Anybody who had outdoor plans on Saturday would have been disappointed. Last Saturday it was a gray day; this week it is a very wet day. When we have days like this one, I like to make something special. After I send this column in, I see apples in my future! I hope you enjoy some interesting recipes that are featured this week.

The first recipe is for stuffed acorn squash. This easy side dish makes great use of acorn squash that will go with pork, beef, or chicken.

Brown Rice Stuffed Acorn Squash

- 1 C. cooked brown rice
- 1/2 C. chopped celery
- 1/2 C. chopped parsley
- 1/2 C. chopped scallions
- 1/2 C. chopped pecans
- Salt and pepper to season
- 2 small acorn squash
- Olive oil

Combine the brown rice with the chopped celery, parsley, scallions, and pecans. Halve and seed the acorn squash; brush the insides with olive oil and season with salt. Transfer the squash to a baking sheet and bake at 425 until tender, 35 to 40 minutes. Stuff with the rice mixture and dot with butter. Continue baking until crisp, about 20 minutes.

If you are in the mood for a pot-pourri of vegetables, succotash is the dish for you. A lot of times this vegetable dish is made to use up all the end of summer vegetables. This one is made with cream, so it is a bit different. If you want to substitute butter beans for the lima beans, you can. The Roma tomatoes are very meaty and make for a richer dish.

Creamy Skillet Succotash

- 4 t. salt, divided
- 2 C. frozen lima beans
- 2 C. fresh green beans, snipped and cut into 1 inch pieces
- 2 T. unsalted butter
- 1/2 small red onion, diced
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 2 C. fresh corn kernels
- 2 Roma tomatoes, diced
- 1/2 C. heavy whipping cream
- 1/2 t. pepper
- 1/4 C. chopped fresh parsley

Fill a large Dutch oven with 4 inches of water. Add 2 t. salt and bring to a boil over high heat. Add beans and cook for 15 minutes. Add green beans and cook until vegetables are tender, about 10 minutes

more. Drain well.

In a large skillet, melt butter over medium heat. Add the onion and cook until tender, about 3 minutes. Add garlic and cook until fragrant, about 1 minute. Stir in corn and tomatoes; cook for 5 minutes. Stir cooked beans and green beans, cream, pepper and remaining 1 teaspoon salt. Cook, stirring frequently, until heated through about 5 minutes; stir in parsley and serve immediately.

I have made strata several different ways. Sometimes I have used frozen bread as the bread base, and sometimes I have used regular bread. The use of the artisan or Italian bread gives it a more rustic flavor. Enjoy this great main dish that is both delicious and filling.

Ham and Cheese Strata

- 4 T. unsalted butter plus more for coating
- 1/4 C. flour
- 3 1/2 C. milk, divided
- 1/3 C. Dijon mustard
- 1/2 t. nutmeg
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 12-18 slices of artisan-style white or country Italian bread, about 1/2-inch thick, staled
- 1 1/2 lb. deli-sliced Virginia ham
- 12 oz. (about 4 C.) shredded Swiss cheese
- 8 eggs
- 1 t. black pepper
- Chopped fresh parsley

Lightly coat a 9 x 13 baking dish with butter. Melt 4 T. butter in a saucepan until foamy. Whisk in

flour and cook the roux for 1-2 minutes. Whisk in 2 cups of milk in a thin steady stream until completely combined, then whisk in Dijon and nutmeg; season with salt and pepper. Reduce heat to medium low, and cook the béchamel sauce until it thickens, coats the back of a spoon and leaves a trail that does not fill in, about 4-6 minutes.

Pour one fourth (about 1/2 cup) of the sauce into the bottom of the prepared baking dish, then layer with one third of the bread slices, half the ham and 1 1/3 cups of cheese and about 1/2 cup sauce over top. Repeat layering one more time, then top

with remaining bread slices and remaining 1/2 cup of sauce.

Whisk together the eggs, remaining 1 1/2 cups of milk and pepper; pour over layers in baking dish and top with remaining 1 1/3 cups of cheese. Cover the strata with plastic wrap and weigh down; chill at least 4 hours or up to overnight.

Preheat the oven to 375. Remove the strata from the refrigerator and let sit at room temperature, about 30 minutes; remove plastic wrap.

Bake strata until browned and bubbly and a thermometer inserted into

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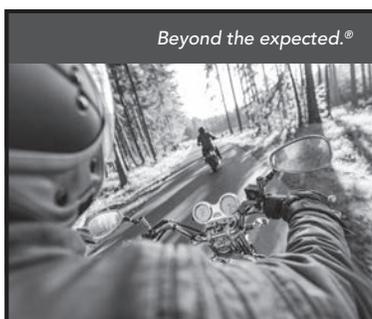
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•Kitchen (Continued from page 15)

the center registers 160, about 60-75 minutes, tenting with foil if it browns too quickly. Let strata stand 10-15 minutes before serving and garnishing with fresh parsley.

Need an easy main dish? This casserole is a good one to make in a hurry. You can substitute rotisserie chicken for the chicken breasts. You can make this dish in individual ramekins instead of a 9 x 13 pan. If you are like me, I don't have the ramekins because I would have no

place to store them. I hope that you will find this a good main dish for fall and winter.

Cheesy Chicken and Biscuit Casserole

- 3 T. unsalted butter, divided
- 1 small yellow onion, thinly sliced
- 1 pkg. mushrooms, sliced
- 2 boneless skinless chicken breasts, cubed
- 1½ t. salt
- ½ t. pepper
- 1 can (10.5 oz.) cream of chicken

soup
2 C. shredded cheddar cheese, divided
½ C. sour cream
2 T. chopped fresh parsley
1 can (10.2 oz.) canned biscuits.
Preheat the oven to 350. Spray a 9 x 13 baking dish with cooking spray; In a large skillet, melt 2 T. butter with onion over medium heat. Cook stirring occasionally, until lightly browned, about 8 minutes. Stir in mushrooms; cook until lightly browned about 3 minutes. Stir in chicken, salt, pepper, and remaining 1 tablespoon butter; cook, stirring occasionally until chicken is browned on all sides, about 3 minutes.

In a large bowl, stir together soup, 1 ½ cups cheese, sour cream, parsley, and chicken mixture until combined. Pour into baking pan. Cut each biscuit into 6 pieces; roll each piece into a ball. Top baking dish with biscuit pieces and sprinkle with remaining ½ cup of cheese.

Bake until golden brown and bubbly, about 30 minutes. Let stand for 5 minutes before serving. Garnish with parsley if desired.

This next recipe is for apple bars. We were talking the other day about the "rabbit" farm on Highway 20. Nadine made great pumpkin bars, cinnamon rolls, and the very best apple bars. This recipe tastes much like hers, but it adds some more decadence with the addition of the caramel. Enjoy these great apple bars.

Caramel Apple Crisp Bars

- 3 large Granny Smith apples, peeled, halved, and sliced ¼-inch

thick
3 large Honeycrisp apples, peeled halved, and sliced ¼-inch thick
1 C. sugar, divided
3 2/3 C. flour, divided
3½ C. plus 2/3 cup firmly packed brown sugar, divided
2 T. cornstarch
1 T. cinnamon
2½ t. salt, divided
2 t. vanilla
½ t. ground nutmeg
3 C. old-fashioned oats
1¾ C. unsalted butter, softened
1¼ t. baking soda
1 C. chopped pecans
1 bag (11 oz.) individually wrapped caramel candies, unwrapped
2 T. heavy whipping cream

In a large bowl, stir together apples and ½ cup sugar. Let stand for 30 minutes.

Preheat the oven to 350. Line a 9 x 13 baking dish with foil and then parchment paper, letting excess extend over the sides.

Drain apples, discarding liquid. Stir in 2/3 cup of flour and 2/3 cup brown sugar, cornstarch, cinnamon, 1 teaspoon salt, vanilla, and nutmeg into apples until well combined.

In a large bowl, beat oats, butter, baking soda, remaining 3 cups of flour, remaining 1½ cups brown sugar, and remaining 1½ t. salt with a mixer at medium speed until well combined and crumbly. Press 4 cups of this mixture into bottom of prepared pan; stir pecans into remaining mixture and reserve.

Bake crust for 20 minutes. Let cool for 5 minutes. Spread apple mixture

onto the hot crust and sprinkle with reserved oat mixture. Bake 40 minutes more. Remove from the oven and let cool completely in the pan on a wire rack. Refrigerate until firm, 2-3 hours.

Using excess foil and parchment as handles, remove from pan, and cut into bars. In a medium microwave safe bowl, heat caramels and cream on high in 15 second intervals, stirring between each until melted and smooth, about 1 minute. Drizzle bars with caramel, and let stand until set; about 5 minutes. Cover and refrigerate for up to 3 days.

This week is the last regular season of football and volleyball. It seems as if we were just starting those fall sports yesterday. Time flies so quickly. We said goodbye to the Farmer's Market on Wednesday night. I got my last green beans, black raspberry jam, and peanut butter cookies. I am sad to see them go. Special thanks to Barb Wire and Roger and Mary Lobdell for their beautiful produce every week. It takes a special kind of person to start plants, plant plants, and then harvest them. We would also like to thank Nikki Keltner for her work on behalf of the Farmer's Market in Lena. A lot of us are hoping to see it next spring and summer. As we coast into fall, we continue to look for recipes that feature black or red raspberries, onions, corn, zucchini, apples and tomatoes.

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