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### Going Trick or Treating? Be safe

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



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## Thankful for pumpkins

Stockton's Holy Cross second grade religious education students celebrated fall by making and being thankful for pumpkins.

## Build It Grow it program takes Warren area businesses to the next level

By Tony Carton  
EDITOR

Want to start a business or grow your business to the next level? The Build It Grow it program as staged by Tri-County Economic Development Alliance combines special educational sessions and private, confidential consultations with an expert business professional.

"We've been holding Build It Grow It sessions in Warren for 10 months," said TCEDA NW Illinois Executive Director Lisa McCarthy. "The program assesses where you are with the marketing for their businesses, so they have a starting point and then we introduce them to a tool called GrowthWheel."

GrowthWheel is a visual toolbox and online platform for decision making and action planning for startup and growth companies. It helps entrepreneurs build their businesses through a simple action oriented process that stays true to the way most entrepreneurs think and work.

"Once we've worked with GrowthWheel for about five months we move to the Five Disciplines of Marketing,

undertaking one of the five disciplines each month, so that at the end of ten months we can do another assessment to see how the business has improved," McCarthy said.

The 10 months of Build It Grow It in Warren was structured to be convenient for the participants.

"They don't have to come for every education session," McCarthy said. "We also offer consulting, so we have five slots with each session, and some businesses will come for both, while some will attend for one or the other, and that's OK, depending on their schedule. So, it's convenient where they don't have to come to every session, but the businesses that get something out of the program are the ones that usually come monthly to the sessions."

The last session included completion of a 10-question survey that pro-

vides McCarthy and her team with the information they need to customize future sessions.

"The future of Build It Grow It is all about the businesses," she said. "We know from doing our surveys in Elizabeth where we got 100% that said the program is valuable to businesses in our region and all the participating businesses said they would refer the program to a friend or another business. That tells us we are doing something right, but we like to continuously improve and we find gathering feedback from our participants helps us improve."

Todd Stone sees photography as a hobby that he intends to turn into a business upon retirement. He purchased a banner size printer and said his goal is to set that up and build his business around it.

"I picked up a lot of good solid

knowledge about marketing through the Build It, Grow It sessions," said Stone. "Basically, I learned where I fit on the Marketing Triangle which is Differentiation, Quality, and Price. I will be shooting more toward the quality side and expect the other sides will follow."

Lorraine McIntyre operates Harmony Factor which empowers people to take charge of their health using stress management techniques, biofeedback systems, and education.

"I never would have put that business together without the Build It Grow It program," said McIntyre. "They've helped me to focus on those things that are beneficial to my business and it's helped me concisely state what my business is all about."

She sees marketing as the most dif-

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## Fire Prevention Week

During Fire Prevention Week the Scales Mound Fire Protection District provided the students at Scales Mound School an opportunity to learn more about fire prevention and how to properly extinguish a fire.



## Miss Merry Christmas and Jack Frost Contest accepting entries

Enter your child, age four to eight in Stockton's holiday tradition. On Dec. 1, and 2, the Stockton Chamber of Commerce is hosting the 29th annual Christmas Walk. The theme this year is Walking in a Winter Wonderland. Two lucky children, one boy and one girl, will be selected to be our Miss Merry Christmas and Little Jack Frost. They will be crowned on Friday, Dec. 1, before the tree lighting ceremony and on Saturday will help Santa and Mrs. Claus as they greet all the good little boys and girls in town. Each winner will receive a \$50 gift certificate.

A committee from the Chamber will select the finalists from all the entrants. Finalists' pictures will be published in The Scoop Today in the middle of November, along with a ballot for voting. The readers will choose the winners. Remember, you can vote as often as you like.

It's easy to enter. Just follow the instructions and give your child an opportunity to be crowned Miss Merry Christmas or Little Jack Frost.

The deadline for photo submission is Oct. 26. Provide the following information along with a photo: child's name, age, birthday, parent's name, address, and phone number. We prefer the pictures be emailed to us at stephaniemm22@yahoo.com or you may mail to Stockton Chamber of Commerce, P O Box 3, Stockton IL 61085. If you have any questions please call 815-275-0481.

Photo entry deadline is Oct. 26. Entries received after that date will not be eligible to participate.

## • Program

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ficult and labor intensive part of a business.

"Doing the actual business itself is easy," McIntyre said. "I've developed workshops. I've worked individual practice and I had just opened a second office when I began the sessions. The program has helped me clarify my mission and it's helped me to step back and look at the business as if I were a client which gave me a clearer perspective."

She said her experiences with the Build It Grow It program have resulted in her developing more workshops.

"I'm shifting directions, so the benefits to my company will probably come this following year," McIntyre said. "I'm already seeing those benefits as I start to get bookings for the workshops. This shift should actually give me more free time and I will touch more lives while making a bigger impact on the community. So I'm excited about the future at Harmony Factor."

Warren Mayor Wayne Raisbeck attended a number of the Elizabeth Build It, Grow It sessions before bringing the program to his village.

"Build It, Grow It is a wonderful thing," Raisbeck said. "I've attended all ten sessions here in Warren and it is good for our community and it is good for our businesses. We will be repeating the program in 2018."

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# Rural Development's Single Family Housing Guaranteed Loan Program is now available

Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 funding for Rural Development's Single Family Housing Guaranteed Loan Program is now available. The funding is authorized by the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2018 and Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Requirements Act, 2017 (P.L. 115-56, H.R. 601).

Requests that received Form RD 3555-18E, "Conditional Commitment for Single Family Housing Loan Guarantee" (aka Conditional Commitment), contingent upon the availability of an appropriation, will be obligated in the Agency's financial system over the next 2-3 business days. An updated Conditional Commitment will be electronically generated by the Agency to remove the "contingent upon" language. Lender receipt of the updated Conditional Commitment will signal the request has been successfully obligated by the Agency. NOTE: Closing transactions are not eligible for submission to USDA until a loan is successfully obligated.

Once the loan has closed (including loans that were closed prior to the obligation of funds by the Agency) the lender may submit their request for Loan Note Guarantee along with a closing package. For manually submitted packages, ensure the

lender certification on the Conditional Commitment is signed and dated after the Agency's obligation date (the issuance date on the updated Conditional Commitment). Lenders using the Agency's automated Lender Loan Closing (LLC) system will complete the lender certification electronically (i.e. no manual signature/date required).

Questions regarding this notice may be directed to the Single Family Housing Guaranteed Loan Division at (202) 720-1452.

## Lena American Legion Auxiliary undertakes services recognition project

The Lena American Legion Auxiliary is looking for the names and addresses of men and women from the Lena-Winslow School District who are currently serving in any branch of the Armed Forces. Please forward the information to PO Box 21, Lena, IL 61048, or email to [jamcps54@yahoo.com](mailto:jamcps54@yahoo.com), or call 815-369-4684 and leave a message. We want this information to be able to recognize and honor those serving.



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## Stockton FFA

On Thursday, Sept. 28, Stockton FFA members Kendra Scace, Nick Ege, and Stanlee Rillie competed at the Section 1 FFA Land use CDE in Scales Mound. Kendra Scace placed seventh individually, and the team finished fourth overall.

## Blackhawk Hills Regional Council to stage Annual Fall Summit

Blackhawk Hills Regional Council, northwest Illinois' Regional Planning Commission, presents "Busy Livin' or Busy Dyin'" its Fourth Annual Fall Summit, a regional development summit with a unique blend of speakers, to be held at Timber Lake Playhouse, 8215 Black Oak Road, Mt. Carroll, IL. The summit

starts at 8:15 a.m. on Oct. 27, and runs until 1:15 p.m.

"Busy Livin' and Busy Dyin'" is appropriate for any public or non-profit official, administrator, or professional staffer interested in community and economic development, transportation, job creation, entrepreneurship, and economic trends. Private individuals and businesses are also welcome to register.

The event is \$20 per person and open to the public. Registration includes breakfast and lunch.

The Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy committee will meet at 7:15 a.m. prior to the summit.

To register or for more information, please contact Blackhawk Hills Regional Council at (815) 625-3854 or visit [www.blackhawkhills.com](http://www.blackhawkhills.com).

## SHS service groups to trick-or-treat for food, eyeglasses, and pet food

Once again, the Stockton High School chapter of the Highland Community College Servant Leadership team will join forces with SHS National Honor Society and Student Council students to help several organizations in and around the Stockton community.

This year, the teams are seeking non-perishable food items to benefit the Stockton Community Food Pantry, which lost their inventory in a recent fire. Also, pet food and supplies for Safe Haven Animal Shelter, and used eyeglasses for the Stockton Lions Club.

Members of the Servant Leadership and National Honor Society groups will trick-or-treat for these items during Stockton's regular trick-or-treating hours. If you would like to make a donation but will not be home at this time, there will be a box in the Stockton High School office for donations.

## CTE Academy to host spaghetti dinner

In August 2017, CTE Academy Criminal Justice Instructor Kat Speaker was diagnosed with cancer and is currently undergoing treatment. Show her some love by eating dinner with us Wednesday, Nov. 5 - 7 p.m.

Meal prepared by CTE Academy Culinary students.

Adults (12 & older) - \$10  
Children (6-11) - \$5

5yrs and younger - free  
\* to-go orders welcome

Silent Auctions items. Shirts designed by Criminal Justice and Graphics classes will be for sale. All proceeds from the evening go to Ms. Speaker to assist with her medical bills. "If you are unable to attend and would still like to make a donation, contact the CTE Academy today, 815-858-2203."



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Mr. Woodley leads the Pearl City Kindergarten students on a virtual tour using the VR Goggles

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# VIEWPOINT

## Attorney General Madigan files lawsuit against student loan debt relief scam

Attorney General Lisa Madigan today announced a lawsuit against the operators of an alleged student loan debt relief scam that took advantage of struggling student loan borrowers by charging large upfront fees for no help in reducing their debt loads.

Madigan filed suit in the Circuit Court of Cook County against two suburban Wood Dale, Illinois companies, one operating as Federal Student Loan Relief or Federal Tax Relief, and the other as Teldebt, as well as the owners of each entity. The companies charged as much as \$700 to provide document preparation services that are already available to borrowers for free. This is the ninth lawsuit Madigan has filed against student loan debt relief scammers.

Madigan's lawsuit is part of a national crackdown, "Operation Game of Loans," announced today in partnership with the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) and attorneys general from across the country. Operation

Game of Loans is the first state-federal law enforcement initiative targeting student loan debt relief scams that falsely promise to help reduce or forgive student loan debt burdens and pretend to be affiliated with the government or consumers' loan servicers. The announcement includes more than 36 actions by the FTC and the attorneys general.

"Student loan debt relief scams are successful because borrowers are not receiving the information they need to repay their loans," Madigan said. "Student loan debt relief scams rob borrowers of the money they could be using to pay down their student loan debt."

Madigan's lawsuit alleges the companies engaged in several illegal tactics, including:

They claimed to have expertise in navigating the debt relief process and adopted a government-sounding name to give the impression they are legitimate.

They used high-pressure sales tac-

tics, including claiming that the government can double interest rates on defaulted student loan debt, in order to get consumers to sign up for their purported services.

They charged as much as \$700 up-front to allegedly provide borrowers with debt relief, when, in reality, all they provided was document preparation services that are already available to borrowers for free.

In some cases, one of the companies illegally used a borrower's Federal Student Aid ID to apply for and accept different federal student loan repayment options on a consumer's behalf without their authorization.

In addition to student loan relief, one of the companies often sold useless federal tax debt relief services by claiming that the IRS can take away everything a consumer owns or pretending to actually be the IRS in calls with consumers.

In addition to today's lawsuit, Madigan's office is currently investigating over 50 other student loan

debt relief scam operations.

"Winter is coming for debt relief scams that prey on hardworking Americans struggling to pay back their student loans," said Maureen K. Ohlhausen, FTC Acting Chairman. "The FTC is proud to work with state partners to protect consumers from these scams, help them learn how to spot a scam, and let them know where to go for legitimate help."

### How to Avoid Student Loan Debt Relief Scams

To assist borrowers with information about their repayment options, Madigan created a free Student Loan Helpline at (800) 455-2456 (TTY: 1-800-964-3013). More information about loan repayment, avoiding default or to file a complaint about loan servicing can also be found on her website.

For information about how to avoid falling victim to these schemes, borrowers can also visit the FTC's website, ftc.gov/StudentLoans. For information about existing repayment

and forgiveness programs available to borrowers at no cost, visit StudentAid.gov.

Consumers should remember that only scammers promise fast loan forgiveness, and that scammers often pretend to be affiliated with the government or loan servicers. To avoid scams, consumers should never pay an upfront fee for help or share their Federal Student Aid ID with anyone.

Consumers can apply for loan deferments, forbearance, repayment, and forgiveness or discharge programs directly through the U.S. Department of Education or their loan servicer at no cost; these programs do not require the assistance of a third-party company or payment of application fees. For federal student loan repayment options, visit StudentAid.gov. For private student loans, contact the loan servicer directly.

Assistant Attorneys General Beth Deucher and Gregory W. Jones are handling the lawsuit for Madigan's Consumer Protection Division.

## Gov. Rauner urges students to consider careers in manufacturing

Gov. Bruce Rauner highlighted exciting new advanced manufacturing career opportunities with a group of over 150 students from five Chicago high schools today at a National Manufacturing Month event. The event took place at the Wilbur Wright College Humboldt Park Campus, which houses the school's vocational center.

"Manufacturing jobs have a reputation for being dirty and dangerous, but the industry continues to evolve and innovate every day, which requires a highly skilled workforce to fill these good-paying jobs," Rauner said. "Investing in our young people and giving them the resources they need to pursue careers in advanced manufacturing is one of our top pri-

orities. We must continue our work to make Illinois a more business friendly environment to create more high-quality and high-paying jobs for these bright students who will take over this critical industry."

Wilbur Wright College Humboldt Park Campus hosted the event in partnership with the Illinois Manufacturing Excellence Center (IMEC), the Chicago Metro Metal Consortium, the Cook County Bureau of Economic Development and the Greater Northwest Chicago Development Corp. The community college is part of the City Colleges of Chicago.

Students from Ombudsman High School, Austin College & Career Academy, Schurz High School,

Prosser Career Academy and Roberto Clemente Community Academy received a facility tour of the college's Vocational Center, where they were informed of the school's nine-month Advanced Manufacturing Program in computerized numerical control (CNC). They then had the opportunity to tour Winzeler Gear, WaterSaver Faucet Co., SG360°, a subsidiary of the Segerdahl Corp., Laystrom Manufacturing Co. or Freedman Seating Co. Each company provided a pre-

sentation of career pathways.

The Advanced Manufacturing Program is nationally recognized and endorsed by the Manufacturing Institute. It is accredited by The National Institute of Metalworking Skills (NIMS). In 2012, the computer numerical control (CNC) machining program placed 100 percent of its graduates into jobs paying \$40,000 a year, with the potential to jump to \$55,000 to \$65,000 in less than two years. In 2014, it is estimated more

than 22,000 job positions will be available because of Illinois' retiring workforce.

According to the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, manufacturing comprises 13 percent of Illinois' economy. More than 12,000 manufacturing firms call Illinois home, providing jobs for nearly 600,000 Illinoisans.

National Manufacturing Month continues throughout the month of October.

## Durbin, Duckworth announce \$3.4 million in HUD funding to support Central Illinois Housing and community development

U.S. Senators Dick Durbin (D-IL) and Tammy Duckworth (D-IL) today announced that Central Illinois communities will receive \$3,436,353 in federal grant funding through two programs administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). In total, Central Illinois communities were awarded \$2,679,744 through the Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) program and \$756,609 through the HOME Investment Partnerships program.

In addition to this funding, the Illinois Housing Development Authority was awarded a total of \$52,157,256: \$26,585,660 through the Community

Development Block Grants (CDBG) program, \$5,594,009 through the Emergency Shelter Grants (ESG) program, \$11,458,619 through the HOME Investment Partnerships program, \$1,355,481 through the Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) program, and \$7,163,487 through the Housing Trust Fund (HTF) program.

"This federal investment will give local development agencies across Central Illinois the ability to offer affordable housing and homeless assistance to the people who need it most," said Durbin. "I will continue fighting with Senator Duckworth for federal funding that promotes the

health and well-being of Illinois' residents."

"It's important that our public housing facilities foster safe communities for children and families," said Duckworth. "This funding – and strong oversight concerning its distribution – will help improve housing conditions for families across Central Illinois, and I'll keep working to ensure all Illinoisans have access to safe and affordable housing options."

## American Legion Auxiliary schedules November meeting

The November meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary will meet on Nov. 8, at the Lena American Legion Home at 6:30 p.m. We will be making tray favors for the hospitalized veterans. We will also be collecting snack items for the veterans. Dues will be collected. New members are always welcome. Karen Sirgany will be in charge of the social hour.

## Lena Historical Society Program

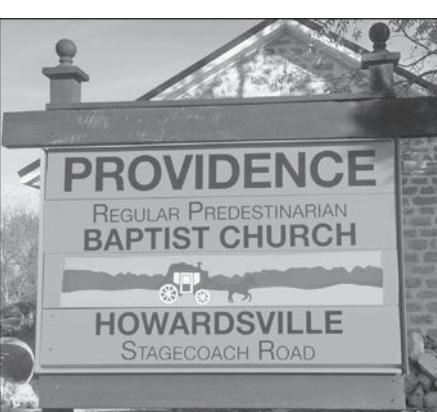
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# ON THE RECORD

## Obituaries

### DENNIS L. PANOS

Dennis L. Panos, age 62 of Winslow passed away at his home surrounded by his loved ones after a short battle with cancer on Saturday Oct. 14, 2017. He was born on May 21, 1955 in Cresco, IA to Leonard and Marcella (Phillips) Panos. He married Joy Brainard on July 29, 1978 in Decorah, IA. He worked as a truck driver for AgTech near Stockton for three years and previously he worked for Excel Dairy for 24 years as a route sales and service representative. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church. He enjoyed bowling, fishing, horseshoes and spending time with his family.

He is survived by his wife Joy of Winslow, Daughters; Donna (Justin) Linder of Lena, Rebeca Panos (Aaron Rogers) of Warren and Jennifer Panos of Winslow. five grandchildren; Hailie Panos, Tyler Linder, Catherine Altfilisch, Kaitlyn Busker and Jackson Panos. 11 sisters and brothers; Sister Joyce Ann Panos of Milwaukee, WI, Berniece (Tom) Britt of New Hampton, IA, Dave (Dolly) Panos of Decorah, IA, Leonard (Kris) Panos Jr. of Decorah, IA, Trudy (Don) Dilger of Manchester, IA, Diane (Scott) Pitzenberger of Cresco, IA, Lee (Michelle) Panoch of Cresco, IA, Larry Panoch of Cresco, IA, Kenny (Rhonda) Lucas of Pine, AZ, Jamie Lucas of Cresco, IA, Susan (Tony) Pitzenberger of Waterloo, IA.

He was preceded in death by his parents. Funeral services were held Oct. 19, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Lena. Visitation was October 18, at the Leamon Funeral Home in Lena. Officiating was Rev. Rick Bader. Burial will be in Lena Burial Park. A memorial has been established in his name.

Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.leamonfh.com](http://www.leamonfh.com).

**GENEVIEVE L. RUSSELL**



### GENEVIEVE L. RUSSELL

Genevieve L. Russell, 99 yrs old, of McConnell passed away on Oct. 15, 2017. She was born on Feb. 6, 1918, at Pleasant Valley, Jo Daviess County, IL, the oldest of eleven children born to Ernest Q. and Mary A. (Staub) Kleckner. The farm she was born on was the home of her maternal great grandparents, William and Catherine (Griffin) Farrell, who immigrated to this country from County Cork, Ireland in the 1840's.

Genevieve was baptized at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Elmvile, where she was part of the fourth generation of her family to have attended that church until it closed in the 1920's and merged with Holy Cross Church in Stockton. She attended Neutral Ridge grade school and was a 1935 graduate of Stockton High School. She married Donald F. Russell in 1937. She was a retired employee of Micro Switch. She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Lena.

Survivors include her sons: Donald D. Russell of Freeport, IL, and Roger (Ilona) Russell of Clermont, FL; one daughter: Jo Ann Holland of The Villages, FL; grandchildren: Blair Russell of Clermont, FL, Tiffany Russell of Park City, KS, Elizabeth Russell of Rockford, IL, Christopher (Debbie) Holland of Tiburon, CA, Megan Holland (Michael Jaeger) of Sausalito, CA; great-grandchildren: Connor Rybarczyk and Blake Rybarczyk of Park City, KS; Brady and Ryder Holland of Tiburon, CA, and Charlie Jaeger of Sausalito, CA; 2 sisters: Vivian Otte of Lena, and Jeanette Haas of Savanna; sister-in-law: Ruth Kleckner of Freeport; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, 6 brothers: Berl (Lore), Owen (Lillian), Robert (Shirley), Richard, Donald, and Allen (Jeanette) Kleckner; 2 sisters: Marjorie (Russell) Roberts and Gladys (Verne) West; 4 brothers-in-law: Donald Otte, Allen Haas, and Berl and Merl Russell; 4 sisters-in-law: Doris (August) Kuhse, Nina (Conrad) Schleuning, Dorothy, and Neva Russell; and several nieces and nephews.

Visitation and a scripture service were held Oct. 22, at the Schwarz Park Blvd. Chapel, 608 Street, Freeport.

### MARGERY KOCH

Margery Koch, 84, longtime Lena resident, died Oct. 13, 2017 at Clark-Lindsey Village. She was born to Martha and George Wilkinson May 7, 1933 in Lena. She graduated from Lena High School in 1951, and in September of that year

married Marvin D. Koch of Kent. They farmed west of Lena for many years.

Their two children are Laurie Geeseman, St. Joseph, IL, and Ritchie (Jacki) Koch of Woodland Park, CO. There are five grandchildren; Andrew (Lauren) Koch, Lena; Brian Koch, Chicago; Leah (Tyler) York, DeKalb; David Geeseman, Ogden, IL; and Katherine (Adam) Decker of Oshkosh, WI. There are five great-grandchildren; Aidan Cruz, Avery Koch, Graham Koch and Peighton Koch all of Lena, and Eddie Decker of Oshkosh, WI.

She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, sister and a son-in-law, Ralph Geeseman.

Margery was a 20-year member of the Lena Community Library Board, serving as secretary for many of those years. She taught piano and played for many community events. Starting in 1959, she became the organist for the two-church parish of St. John's Church, Pearl City, and St. Paul's at Kent. She also played for many years at Good Shepherd in Lena, and in 1990 became the organist of the Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer in Freeport.

Having retired from organ-playing, she became the piano accompanist for the Canticle Choir at St. John's Lutheran Church in Lena. Also, she played for all the musicals at Lena-Winslow High School from 1987 until 2006.

She wrote a newspaper column "About Pigs and Things" for the Stephenson Farmer for a number of years, at which time she and her husband were active in the Illinois Pork Producers.

At her request, there will be no funeral or other service. Memorial money is to be directed to the Lena-Winslow High School Music Department.

Galatians 5:22-23: "But the fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law."

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### MARJORIE ADELINE FRYER

Marjorie Adeline Fryer, 96, of rural Freeport, passed away on Thursday, Oct. 19, 2017 at Graceland Manor in Monroe, WI.

Marjorie was born on Oct. 4, 1921 in Buckeye Township, Stephenson County, to Richard C. and Esther (Kuehl) Reuber. She attended Orangeville rural schools. On



Dec. 23, 1941, Marjorie and Dale D.

Fryer were united in marriage in Freeport. Prior to marriage, she worked as a housemaid in Freeport. After Dale finished his World War II military obligations, they lived in the rural Orangeville area. In 1950, they moved to their farm, where they ran a dairy together for the next 25 years. She lived the role of a dairy farmer's wife and homemaker—a great cook, especially homemade pie! In 1976, they built their retirement home on the farm.

After Dale's death in 1986, Marjorie continued to live in their home. She enjoyed her large garden and yard, and growing her many varieties of flowers. Much canning was done every year from her bountiful harvests. Marjorie was a member of the Orangeville United Methodist Church and Orangeville United Methodist Women. For many years, she was a Sunday school teacher and sang in the church choir. She canned pickles for the church bazaar and helped the church quilting ladies stitch many quilts over the years. Mar-

jorie was also a member of the Orangeville Senior Citizens.

Marjorie is survived by her children, a daughter, Charlotte (Kurt) Schilling of Orangeville, a son, Dennis (Janice) Fryer of Freeport, a sister, Arlene (David) Brown of Lanark, four grandchildren, Jaclyn (Glenn) Perry of Oregon, WI, Ericka Schilling of Orangeville, Deanna (Sean) Bockstader of St. Charles, IL, Jason (Theresa) Schilling of Aurora, IL, and seven great-grandchildren, Brody and Arianna Bockstader, Margaret, Alfred, Charlotte, and Christopher Schilling, and Colin Perry.

She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, a grandson, her sister Evelyn Reuber, sister and brother-in-law Pauline and Earl Hartman, niece Susan Dash and nephew E. Duane Hartman.

Marjorie's family would like to thank the Monroe Clinic Hospice Home and Graceland Manor of Monroe for their wonderful care.

Visitation will be on Tuesday, Oct. 24, from 5-7 p.m. at the Cramer-Leaman Funeral Home in Orangeville.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 25, at 11 a.m. at the Orangeville United Methodist Church, with Rev. Judy Sherk officiating with a visitation at 10 a.m. until time of services.

Burial will be in Grandview Cemetery.

A memorial has been established in her memory.

Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.leamonfh.com](http://www.leamonfh.com).

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# Scoop Today score board

## Volleyball

Warren over Dundee-Crown: 25-20, 25-20

Galena over Warren: 25-13, 25-11

Oregon over Lena-Winslow: 25-18, 25-17

Lena-Winslow over Fulton: 20-14, 20-13

Lena-Winslow over Stillman Valley: 20-14, 15-11

Lena Winslow over Byron: 20-7, 20-18

Stockton varsity over Lena-Winslow: 26-24, 25-21

Lena-Winslow Fresh/Soph over Stockton 25-14, 25-15

Eastland over Stockton: 25-19, 25-22

Stockton over Milledgeville: 25-15, 25-11

Stockton over Durand: 28-23, 25-17

Riverdale (Port Byron) over Stockton: 25-21, 25-23

Stockton tied Geneseo: 1-1

Oregon over Stockton: 25-19,

25-10

Pearl City over Harrisburg 26-

24, 25-22

Pearl City over West Carroll:

26-24, 25-21

Waunakee over Pearl City: 25-7, 25-14

Oswego over Pearl City: 25-16, 25-17

Plainfield Central over Pearl

City: 25-11, 25-20

Burlington Central over Pearl

City: 25-14, 25-14

Eastland over Pearl City: 25-

20, 25-14

Orangeville over Amboy: 25-

12, 25-14

Dakota over Orangeville: 25-

17, 25-11

River Ridge over Warren: 25-

9, 25-12

River Ridge over Lena-

Winslow 25-20, 25-21

Dakota over River Ridge: 21-

13, 21-19

Forreston over River Ridge:

21-15, 21-12

St Teresa (Decatur) over River

Ridge: 21-14, 21-15

River Ridge over East

Dubuque: 25-19, 25-15

East Dubuque over Warren:

25-21, 25-23

## Football

Stockton 28, Orangeville 16

Lena-Winslow: 55, Dakota 7

Eastland/Pearl City 41, Polo 7

Ashton-Franklin Center 34,

Warren 8

Mooseheart 57, River Ridge

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# Blackhawks capture upstate title

By Chris Johnson

REPORTER

The regular season is over for the Stockton Blackhawks and the time has come to turn all of the attention towards Cuba-North Fulton and the opening round of the Class 1A State Tournament.

On Friday night, Oct. 20, the Blackhawks knocked off the Orangerville Broncos 28-16 and secured their standing at the top of the NUIC-Upstate Conference. It was a solid season for the pride of Jo Daviess County and now their 7-2 mark earns them a home game this week. The Blackhawks earned the four-seed with their Upstate showing and they will host 13-seed Cuba-North Fulton.

The Wildcats play out of the Prairieland (Black) Conference. They finished in third place this season with a 6-3 record and a 3-2 conference mark. They are porous and have given up a lot of points. As a result of their 6-3 mark, they made it into the Class 1A Tournament. For Cuba-North Fulton a 5-4 mark wouldn't have done it. They didn't play a tough enough schedule. As they scored 207 points this year, the team from southwest of Peoria has given up 245.

Stockton is a lot different. They have been tested this season and were 7-0 in the Upstate. Their two losses came from out of conference, to two teams that both made the playoffs this year. The Black-

hawks fell to Ottawa-Marquette and Savanna-West Car-roll.

The Marquette Crusaders are the six-seed in the Class 1A Tournament and there is a path in front of the squad from central LaSalle County that could lead to a possible rematch with Stockton. That may not happen though. Both Marquette and Stockton have very difficult paths in front of them.

West Carroll advanced into the Class 2A State Tournament with a 6-3 record. They finished in fourth place in the NUIC-Northwest this season. They are the ten-seed and take on a strong playoff squad from Minonk in their opening round match.

It doesn't appear that Cu-

ba-North Fulton is going to be able to keep up with the Blackhawks on the offensive side of the ball, in the opening round of the State Tournament. They don't have the firepower and they did not battle through a conference as loaded as the NUIC is.

Stockton has scored nearly 50 points more than the Wildcats have this season and have given up nearly half of what they allowed. They are heavily-favored, even with only a four-seed designation.

On paper it appears that a second round showdown with five-seed Freeport Aquin could happen for Stockton, that's if the Bulldogs can cage the Fisher Bunnies in their opening round game themselves.

# Lady Hornets play host Class 1A Regional

By Chris Johnson

REPORTER

On Monday, Oct. 23, the Scales Mound Lady Hornets opened the IHSA Class 1A Girls' Volleyball State Playoffs at home. They were issued the eight seed and tipped things off as the slight favorite for the opening night match. They faced Warren, which was issued the nine-seed.

The two teams know each other well and have already met this season. Just as the regular season was beginning, on Aug. 26, Scales Mound played host to the Lady Warriors. Scales Mound came away with the 25-19 first game winner and followed it up with a 25-16 match game clincher.

On Sept. 5, the roles were re-versed, but Warren had to go to three games before coming away with the match. Scales Mound won the opener 25-22 but couldn't keep up the pace in the second game, where they fell 25-20. Warren captured game three 25-17 and claimed bragging rights for the NUIC-familiars.

On Sept. 21, the neighbors met up again and once again the Lady Hornets proved to be too much to handle as they collected the opening game winner 25-19 and got stronger in the second, where they won 25-17.

Since the opening round games will be played prior to the release of this week's edition, we can only guess at how things turned out on Monday. It does appear that Scales Mound had the slight edge, as the eight-seed seems to indicate.

A win over Warren on Monday night put Scales Mound directly in the path of the number one seed in the Sterling Newman Class 1A Sectional Complex, Durand. The Lady Bulldogs entered the final week of the season with an undefeated record.

In Invitational play at the Eastland Tournament, Durand lost its only match of the season. Stockton got them. The Lady Bulldogs started the playoffs with a 29-1-1 record and finished one win ahead of Galena for first place in the

NUIC. Durand was 14-0 this year. Galena had a recorded 13-0 mark in conference play.

The Lady Hornets road could have come to an end on Tuesday, Oct. 24, but the winner from the Regional, which Scales Mound has been asked to host, could take steps much farther than just Sterling Newman and the second round.

Other competitors in the Scales Mound Class 1A Regional includes four-seed River Ridge, which plays on Tuesday against the winner of the second game played on Monday night featuring five-seed Stockton and ten-seed East Dubuque. The winner from the Scales Mound Regional takes on the winner from the Eastland Regional, in which Ashton-Franklin Center is the highest seed, they were issued the two.

The Sterling-Newman Class 1A Sectional begins on Monday, Oct. 30, with a 5:30 p.m. first game schedule. The survivor from the Sterling Newman Sectional travels hours south to Varna for the Class 1A Super-Sectional.

# Panthers 'perfect season earns Northwest Crown

By Chris Johnson

REPORTER

History was reached on Friday night, Oct. 20, as the Lena-Winslow Panthers knocked off the Dakota Indians 55-7 and captured a perfect season and the NUIC-Northwest Title. The game nine loss gave Dakota only its second loss of the season.

Rahveon Valentine rushed for over 185 yards before he was pulled from the Friday night win. Many weapons were employed by the State of Illinois' top ranked Class 1A School. As he departed, Lena-Winslow just continued running the offense as they have all season.

2017 was a big year for Lena-Winslow. They issued the defending State Champion Forreston Cardinals their only loss of the season. Forreston and Lena-Winslow could have a chance to meet again

soon. The Class 1A State Tournament brackets were filled in on Saturday, Oct. 21. The Panthers know they are the top seed in the northern branch. They also already know a lot about the team they will be facing.

The number one seed will be home this weekend to face Toulon-Stark County. The 16-seed Rebels are a very tough opening round date; even though their 5-4 record might indicate they "limped" into the playoffs.

Stark County has been in the playoffs every year since 1996. For over 20 years they either won their conference, or gained entrance through the accumulation of

playoff points. However, when the Rebels get to the "Big Game" they didn't finish the job.

In 2008 they went on a four-game win streak after getting in with a 6-3 mark. They made it to the Championship where they lost. In 2015 they got there again and they succeeded because no team from the NUIC could knock them out prior to the Semi-Final Round. They lost in the finals.

During the same 20-year span the Panthers have visited the Class 1A State Tournament 19 times. When they made it to the Championship though, they didn't "drop the ball." They finished the task.

In 2010 the Panthers were the

Best of Class. They carried an 8-1 record into late October and kept marching to the State Title in November. They were 13-1. Three years later they took it all home again as they wrapped up an 11-3 campaign and their second Class 1A State Title in four years.

Lena-Winslow should have no problem with the Rebels this week. They will score. Toulon-Stark County has a decent offense. They have scored 219 points this season, which is about two touchdowns more than they have given up this year.

The Panthers carry a scoring advantage of 416-74 and are 9-0 entering the round one game. They are the top-ranked team in the State of Illinois and have a bracket set up in front of them that seems to pave a clear path to the Class 1A Semi-Final, at least.

If that path is followed, the Panthers might have to deal with the defending State Champion in the Class 1A Final Four for the right to advance to Champaign in the Class 1A Title Game. Forreston is the three-seed in the lower bracket of the northern branch of the Class 1A State Tournament Field. If they make it to the Semi-Final, Lena-Winslow might be there waiting for them.

## Class 1A Boys Football playoff pairings

Game 4 — #12 Fisher (6-3) at #5 Freeport (Aquin) (7-2), TBA

Game 5 — #15 Orangeville (5-4)

at #2 Kewanee (Wethersfield)

[A.-Wethersfield Coop] (8-1), TBA

Game 6 — #10 Princeville (7-2) at

#7 Dakota (7-2), TBA

### Second Round

Game 17 — Winner Game 1 vs.

Winner Game 2, TBA

Game 18 — Winner Game 3 vs.

Winner Game 4, TBA

Game 19 — Winner Game 5 vs.

Winner Game 6, TBA

Dates and times of first-round games posted at IHSA.org on Monday, Oct. 23.

**First Round**

Game 1 — #16 Toulon (Stark County) (5-4) at #1 Lena (L.-Winslow) (9-0), TBA

Game 2 — #9 Abingdon (A.-Avon) (7-2) at #8 Milledgeville (7-2), TBA

Game 3 — #13 Cuba [North Fulton Coop] (6-3) at #4 Stockton (7-2), TBA

## Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church will gather for worship on Oct. 29, at Good Shepherd, 118 E. Mason St. Lena, IL, at 9:30 a.m. All are invited to worship on this Reformation Sunday 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 Nov. 1, 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 be 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 Thursday Nov. 2, Hannah Circle will meet at 9 a.m. at church in the Fellowship Hall for Bible Study. This is "Potluck".

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

## St. Paul Lutheran Church

St. Paul Lutheran Church, 411 W. Catlin St, Elizabeth IL invites the community to a special worship service commemorating the 500th Anniversary of Reformation on Sunday, Oct. 29, at 10 a.m. You will enjoy a special service with a skit performed by church members and friends from the community and specially selected music presented by the church choir.

The Reformation is summed up in a brief statement by Luther: "I must listen to the Gospel. It tells me, not what I must do, but what Jesus Christ, the Son of God, has done for me" (Commentary on the Epistle to the Galatians, Chapter 2). Because of Jesus, God turns toward humanity in love. God forgives all those who have faith in Jesus. After His death on the cross, Jesus rose from the dead. He conquered death for all those who believe in Him.

In the Reformation, Luther taught that humans don't earn God's love by trying to please Him. God's love is a free gift because of Jesus. This is the good news of the Gospel. Faith in Jesus as God's Son and our Savior gives forgiveness of sins and eternal life.

Refreshments and fellowship will follow the service in the church basement.

## Stockton Wesley United Methodist Church

Stockton Wesley United Methodist Church dates to remember:

Oct. 25, Adult Bible study at 6:30. Everyone is welcome to come and join in this experience learning more about God.

Oct. 25, from 8 a.m. until 11 a.m. is open prayer time in the sanctuary. You can come and spend time in prayer at your own time for as little or as long as you like. Our doors are open and welcome you. This time is called "Run to the Cross."

Regular worship times are Sunday school at 9:30 and Worship at 10:45. We are located at the corner of Hudson and Benton Streets and the church is handicap accessible. Check our website: [www.stocktonwumc.org](http://www.stocktonwumc.org) or look us up on Facebook.

For information please call Pastor Chuck at 262-308-2379.

Our doors are open to all who wish to enter and be welcomed.

## Willow/Kent United Methodist Church

Willow/Kent UMC will worship together Sunday Oct. 29, at 9 a.m. at Willow UMC. Pastor Chuck Wolbers will be giving the message (all based on the 'Holy Bible'). All are welcome and invited. And also 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.

Willow UMC is located about seven miles SE of Stockton, IL on Willow Rd. For more information, please call the Pastor at 262-308-2379.

## St. John's Lutheran church to hold annual bazaar

St. John's Lutheran Church, Lena, Illinois will hold their annual Bazaar and Beef & Noodle Dinner on Tuesday, Nov. 7, (Election Day) at St. John's Lutheran Church, 625 Country Lane Drive, Lena, Ill. The Bazaar opens at 8:30 a.m. Coffee and rolls will be served from 8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m. (free-will offering). Dinner serving is from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. The menu includes beef and noodles, mashed potatoes and gravy, vegetable, Jell-O salads, relishes, dinner rolls, pie, bars or Angel Food cake, coffee or milk. The cost is \$9 for adults, children 6-12 is \$4 and 5 and under is free (dine-in only). Carry outs are available by calling 815-369-4035. Call ahead for 6 or more dinners. Local delivery. There will be a drawing \$1 per ticket donation. 1st prize is a baby quilt; 2nd prize is a cross-stitched plaque. St. John's bazaar offers Homemade Noodles (limited supply), baked goods, homemade candy, Thanksgiving and Christmas items, crafts and all types of handmade items. Flu shots will be given

by FHN on Tuesday, Nov. 7, from 9 a.m. – 12 noon. The CDC guidelines will be followed regarding eligibility for the vaccine. No appointments are required. The cost of the flu shot is \$28.00 for anyone who does not have a Medicare card. They will also be doing blood pressure screenings. St. John's is a Handicapped Accessible Facility.

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## St. John's-Pearl City to Host Vendor Fair, Spaghetti Lunch and Flu Shot Clinic

You're welcome to join us on Sunday, Oct. 29, for Reformation Sunday and Confirmation Sunday worship at St. John's Lutheran Church, Pearl City. The worship service will begin at 9 a.m. and will be led by Bishop Jeffrey Clements and Pastor Tom Ekstrand. We celebrate the Confirmation of Garrett Boop, Carter Brudi, Jase Sheffey and Ella Williams. The Good News Sunday School and Confirmation will meet at 10:15 a.m.

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 Medicare cards can be accepted.)

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 September 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](mailto:prshadmin@gmail.com).

## Family Crusade coming to First Baptist Church

A very exciting event is coming to First Baptist Church in Warren: The Family Crusade. It will be held next Monday through Friday, Oct. 23 - 27, at 7 p.m. each evening. There will be contests, prizes, Bible games, blacklight stories, and all sorts of free fun. Evangelist Ed Dunlop and his friend Andy will be our special guests. If you have any questions, please call 815-745-2287. We are located at 101 W. Jefferson St. in Warren. We hope to see you there.

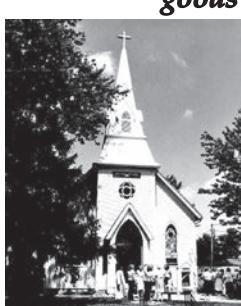
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**ROBERT "BOB"  
LEE LOCKE JR**

Robert "Bob" Lee Locke Jr. age 54, of Hanover, Illinois, passed away Friday, Oct. 13, at the Good Samaritan Society in Mt. Carroll, Illinois. A memorial visitation will be held from 4 - 7 p.m.



Tuesday, Oct. 24, at Law-Jones Funeral Home in Hanover. A memorial fund has been established in Bob's memory. Friends and family are invited to share in Bob's life at [www.lawjonesfuneralhome.com](http://www.lawjonesfuneralhome.com).

Bob was born on Aug. 31, 1963 in Decatur, Illinois, the son of Robert Lee Locke Sr. and Mary Francis Bailey. Bob attended Knoxville High School in Knoxville, Illinois, and graduated with the Class of 1981. Following high school, Bob enlisted in the United States Army from 1981

to 1984; he worked as a diesel mechanic and was stationed in Korea for a year during his enlistment. He later worked as a diesel mechanic in Colorado and spent much of his career working as a tradesman. Bob had a son, Justin Robert Locke with DeeDee Decker. He also had two daughters, Chelsie and Megan Locke with Venita Palmer. Bob was very proud of his kids.

Bob enjoyed working on cars and tinkering with any engine; if you wanted it fixed he was your guy. He was a diehard Chicago Bears fan. Bob also enjoyed fishing and sitting in the garage listening to music especially his favorite band Nickelback. He loved playing and joking around with his nieces and nephews.

Bob will be dearly missed by his three children, Justin Locke of Pataluma, California, Chelsie Locke of Dubuque, Iowa, Megan Locke of Hanover; a granddaughter, Alena Rose Locke of Pataluma, California; two sisters, Cindy (Kenny) Rogers of Hanover, Tina (Jim) Conard of Monmouth, Illinois; his mother, Mary Frances (Frank) Townsend of Hanover; nieces, Jessica (Stan

Scheluning) Yenney of Savanna and Jennifer (Nick) Potaczek of Galesburg; nephew, Ande (Klarissa Truemper) Anderson of Mt. Carroll; many great nieces and nephews. Bob was preceded in death by his father, grandparents, DeeDee Decker, Venita Palmer and his trusty dog, Blue.

**ROBIN JO BAUER**


Robin Jo Bauer, age 60, a lifelong resident of Stockton, died on Friday evening, Oct. 13, when his Rhino utility vehicle turned over on him on wet pavement. Robin was born

on April 8, 1957 to Donna G. (Bauer) Dougherty and Robert H. Bauer. He was the middle of three kids. His sister Fawn lives in WA with her husband Chuck, and his brother Jay lives in Stockton with his wife Kim.

In 1997 he met the love of his life, Janet Amiling. Janet was a perfect match for Robin's quick wit and

sense of adventure.

Robin lived life with gusto. He worked hard; he played hard. He was also one of the most giving people you ever met. He always had time to help someone out.

From an early age, Robin was always taking things apart; then putting them back together...skills he would put to use the rest of his life. There was not a person he met that did not benefit from his giving nature and his ability to fix most anything.

As a kid, Robin loved sports and played baseball, football, and wrestling. Later in life sports were traded for fast cars, motorcycles and snowmobile adventures with many of his best friends. He still enjoyed hunting and supported Janet's searches for wild morels and asparagus.

Robin started his own business, Bauer's Refrigeration in 1992 which took him into businesses across Jo Daviess, Carroll, Stephenson and Dubuque Counties. He knew the gravel back roads of the area like the back of his hand. He loved the work he did and especially enjoyed interacting with the people he worked for.

Everyone, young and old, who met Robin fell in love with him. He was always smiling and was quick to give a hug. His many nieces and nephews, both blood related and not, as well as his step kids Devean and Blake are mourning the loss of their favorite, fun-loving uncle.

People were drawn to him because he was a great storyteller and could

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-Cash bar

Thursday, Nov. 9.

-Social Hour/new member registration (optional) 5:30-6:30 p.m.

-Meeting 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Organizations nominated thus far include:

Coats and Clothes: Cheerie Cregan, Jennifer Gennusa

Freeport Church of Christ: Patti Willson

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Donations from last quarter's meeting went directly to the Pearl City First United Methodist Church and totaled \$12,350 which is our largest donation yet to date. Congratulations! The funds received from the donations were used to provide money to those Pearl City residents affected by the flood in late July. The ecumenical committee of church

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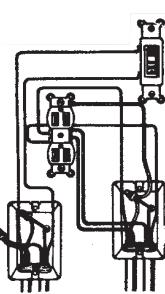
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On Monday, Oct. 16, President G. Allen Crist called the regular meeting of the River Ridge Community Unit School District #210 Board of Education to order at 6:30 p.m. Board Members G. Allen Crist, Raymie Diestelmeier, Barb Schable, Amy Finn, Diane Haring and Lisa Walters answered roll call. President Crist announced a quorum was established. Member McLane entered the meeting at 6:36 p.m. Also present: Superintendent Brad Albrecht, Principal Beau Buchs and representatives for the RREA.

Approved the October Agenda including Consent Agenda as presented. Approved the regular board meeting at 6:36 p.m. Also present: Superintendent Brad Albrecht, Principal Beau Buchs and representatives for the RREA.

Member Diestelmeier reported on the Jo Daviess-Carroll Career Technical Education Academy Oct. 2, meeting. The Construction Trades Program has 21 students enrolled. Jeff Finn, program instructor, informed the board there are three projects planned.

Approved the regular board meeting at 6:36 p.m. Also present: Superintendent Brad Albrecht, Principal Beau Buchs and representatives for the RREA.

ing and executive session minutes of Sept. 18, 2017; destruction of audio executive session minutes from Feb. 16, 2016; and Northwest Special Education Sept. 12, 2017 minutes.

Reviewed the River Ridge CUSD #210 Treasurer's Report, Investment Report, and Activity Reports. Approved River Ridge bills and payroll in the amount of \$684,223.78.

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Administrative Reports:

- Thank you to Mrs. Einsweiler for organizing the successful Homecoming week activities and dance.

- Thank you to Lisa Haas for organizing the Mobile Dentist Oct. 2.

- River Ridge appreciates the many volunteers from the Elizabeth and Hanover Fire and Ambulance Departments for observing Fire Prevention Week with the students.

- Thank you to the PTO for funding the fourth grade Lorado Taft trip.

- P.T.O. was complimented for the excellent craft fair Oct. 7 and 8, with over 3,900 guests in attendance.

Thank you to the many volunteers; P.T.O. committees, parents, students, MS football team, custodians, administrators, faculty and staff for a

job well done.

- Nov. 3 and 4, the high school students will present "School of Rock the Musical".

- National Honor Society ceremony scheduled for Nov. 7, at 6 p.m.

- Nov. 8 and 9 – Parent/Teacher Conferences

- Nov. 9 and 10 – No School

- International weekend is scheduled for Nov. 16.

- The music department was complimented on their fall concert directed by Mrs. Renee Schultz and Mr. Thomas Taylor.

- Regional Office of Education and the State Fire Marshall did a school inspection on Oct. 17

- Cabinets to display art projects

have been delivered. Thank you to Woodbine Bend for the donation.

Consideration of school board policies tabled until November meeting.

Approved Fire Life Safety 10 year study from Scott Johnson with Richard Johnson Associates. Fire Life Safety updates are estimated at \$53,400.

Approved the FY18 Seniority/Salary List as presented.

Approved maternity leave for Alaina Klippert and resignation of cafeteria employee, Mary Schnitzler.

The above information is subject for approval at the next regular meeting of the Board of Education, scheduled for Monday, Nov. 20, at 6:30 p.m.

## When art informs public policy

On Nov. 15, at 7 p.m., Galena Center for the Arts will screen "The Plow that Broke the Plains". Paired with the film, Mr. Tim Youngquist, Farmer Liaison, Iowa State University, will discuss STRIPS, Science-Based Trials of Row Crops Integrated with Prairie Strips.

"The Plow that Broke the Plains", a black & white 1936 cinematic exploration, was directed/produced by Pare Lorentz, Father of American Documentary Film. Funded through the Farm Security Administration/WPA the film, poignantly photographed is accompanied by a poetic musical score, Virgil Thompson the composer.

Horrible outcomes resulted from ill thought farm policy begun during World War 1, extending into the early 1940's: soil depletion/erosion and mass migration. 'The Plow' is the first of three Lorentz films that artistically addressed America's social and environmental crises.

STRIPS research, ten years, has demonstrated if 10% of a field is converted to Prairie Strips, nitrogen loss is reduced by 80%, phosphorous loss cut by 90%, and sediment migration decreased by 95%. "Overall, 5,353 pounds of soil per acre will be kept in the field rather than washed downstream." ([www.PrairieStrips.org](http://www.PrairieStrips.org))

For further information see: [www.GalenaCenterForTheArts.com](http://www.GalenaCenterForTheArts.com)

## Junior members of the American Legion Auxiliary schedule November meeting

The junior members of the American Legion Auxiliary will meet on Saturday, Nov. 4 at the Warren American Legion Home. Juniors can meet at the Lena American Legion Home at 9:30 and we will carpool to Warren. The Juniors will be making tray favors for veterans and Veterans Day Cards. Juniors should bring the names and addresses of five veterans if they can. Call 815-369-4684 for more details.

## TWO PROPERTIES ABSOLUTE REAL ESTATE AUCTION

Friday, November 3rd at 10:30 am  
Starting with Property #1 at Martintown &  
then going to Winslow for Property #2

RAY STAMM ESTATE - Owner

Property #1 — W8949 Babler Rd., Browntown, WI

From Winslow, Ill go north on Rt.73 that turns into Co. M in Wisconsin. Go across Pecatonica River Bridge at Martintown, first property on right & left. This property is in Section 32 of Cadiz Township, Green County, WI. It includes a 28x40 brick storage building with metal sided 10ft. Lean-to & metal & rubber roof and a 30x32 storage building that has steel roof & shingled sided. A unique property that fronts on the Pecatonica River. Would make an ideal summer getaway property. Current real estate taxes: \$92.51.

RAY STAMM ESTATE & JERRY HASTINGS - Owners

## ABSOLUTE REAL ESTATE AUCTION

Property #2 — 200 Carver Street, Winslow, IL

A 25x50 Building currently occupied by the Winslow Postal Service. Cement block side walls with some vinyl, Shingled roof, Central Air. New buyers will be required to assume existing lease with the US Postal Service which expires 11-1-18. Existing lease and conditions can be available to any interested party. Current real estate taxes: \$1,665.30.

Terms: \$2,500.00 down as earnest money on each property due on auction day. Balance in cash at closing within 30 days. Buyer will be required to sign offer to purchase on each property with no contingencies. Properties are selling in "as is" condition & will be conveyed by Personal Representative's Executor's Deed with no warranties given to buyer.

Attorney Todd Schluesche, Monroe, WI 608-325-2191

For more information or showing contact:

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remember the craziest details from events years ago.

He was an amazing son, and lovingly cared for his father Bob Bauer until his death in 2009, and still continued to care daily for his mother Donna.

So many people loved this man and will miss him so much. Robin you will always have my heart ~ Janet.

A visitation was Oct. 21, at the Hermann Funeral Home. The funeral service was held Sunday, Oct. 22 at Holy Cross Catholic Church in Stockton. In lieu of flowers a memorial fund has been established. Condolences may be shared at [www.hermannfuneralhome.com](http://www.hermannfuneralhome.com).

### SHIRLEY A. KLECKNER

Shirley Ann Kleckner, age 85, of Stockton died Oct. 16, 2017 at Good Samaritan Nursing Home in Mount Carroll, IL. She was born Dec. 13, 1931 to Richard and Esther (Atz) Stafford in Freeport,



IL. After graduating from Stockton High School in 1949 she attended Cornell College in Mount Vernon, IA.

On June 24, 1951 she and Robert J. Kleckner were married at the Wesley United Methodist Church in Stockton. She worked at the Savanna Ordnance Depot and in 1953 she and her husband began farming on the family farm east of Stockton. In 1985 they moved from the farm into Stockton.

She was an avid reader and crossword enthusiast. Though small in stature, she had a large thirst for adventure which she expressed in her love of travel. She and her husband explored the world, traveling to all 50 states, 56 countries and 6 continents. They nourished this same love of travel in all their children.

Surviving are six children: Sharon (Jim) Warren of Hoschton, GA, Linda Semande of Stockton, IL, Bill Kleckner of Minneapolis, MN, Mike (Julie) Kleckner of Stockton, IL, Roger (Lynn Selby) Kleckner of Denver, CO and Anita Rutter (fianceé Moses Tillmon) of Bolingbrook, IL.

She is also survived by eight grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren: Jennifer (Mark) Gruenes and their children Anna, Jonah,

Eli, Sarah, and Simon of Minneota, MN, Shawn (Mary) McPeek and their children Donovan and Abigail of San Jose, CA, Adam (Rachel) Baker, Alisa Baker (fianceé Kasey Knight) all of Gainesville, GA, Rachel (Bryan) McPeek and their children Sarah, Paige, and Griffin, Matt Kleckner (fianceé Brittani Gemmill) and their children Emily and Ellie, Ben Kleckner all of Stockton, IL, David Kleckner of Denver, CO, and step-granddaughter Tiffany (Stephen Williams) Warren and their children Zara and Zachary of Dacula, GA. Also surviving are sisters-in-law Vivian Otte of Lena, Jeanette Haas of Savanna, Ruth Kleckner of Freeport and numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death were her husband on Aug. 28, 2011, her parents, step-grandson Michael Warren, Aunt Ruth (Atz) Salisbury, six sisters-in-law and ten brothers-in-law.

Per her request, no formal funeral will be held. Cremation rites have been accorded by Schwarz Funeral Home and a private remembrance of her life will be held at a later date. Burial will be in Ladies Union Cemetery in Stockton.

## Births

Brantley Edler

Paige Pettit and Evan Edler of Orangeville, Ill. are the parents of a son Brantley Michael Edler born Thursday Oct. 12, 2017 at FHN Memorial Hospital, Freeport, Ill. Grandparents are Brandi Young, Tim Pettit, Danny Edler and Kelly Edler all of Freeport and Julie Edler of McConnell, Ill. Great grandparents are Judy Pettit, Delanna Erickson and Helen Edler all of Freeport, Richard Pettit of Warren, Ill. and Glenn Hockman of McConnell.

## Beau Daniel Gerke

Leesa Kurth and Casey Gerke of Kent, IL are parents of a son Beau Daniel Gerke born Sunday Oct. 8, 2017 at Monroe Clinic Hospital, Monroe WI. Beau has a brother Gavyn 5. Grandparents are Wayne and Janis Kurth of Lena, IL; Pat and Michelle Gerke of Kent, IL; and Marilyn Gerke of Lena, IL. Great grandparents are Joe and Paula Gerke of Kent, IL and Charles White of Lena, IL.

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**LEGALS**

# 21st Century Learning

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During SIP Day the Scales Mound School Curriculum Committee lead a variety of activities for educators to further investigate 21st Century Learning. The staff read a variety of articles from an array of educational publications and used that information to work in small groups and in a whole group setting to define 21st Century Learning and how these concepts can improve instruction at Scales Mound School. Pictured are A.J. Bruscato, Carter Wills and Trevor Allen putting these 21st Century Learning Skills into action while working on a Science, Technology, Engineering, Art Design and Mathematics (STEAM) project.

## Scales Mound CUSD 211 BOE October meeting

The following is a summary of action taken at the Oct. 16, 2017, Scales Mound Community Unit School District #211 School Board meeting. For more information please contact Ruth Foley or Dr. Bill Caron at 815-845-2215.

**Presentations:**

During the Oct. 16, 2017 Scales Mound CUSD #211 School Board meeting, Ms. Jenny Blocker, CPA of the Benning Group, LLC, presented the annual District audit for school year 2017. She stated that the District continues to be in "Recognition" status with a 4.0 financial rating with the State. This is the highest financial rating school districts can receive. She also stated that all District accounts showed a positive fund balance at the end of the fiscal year and all restricted funds in the Education, Operation and Maintenance, and Transportation accounts were utilized in accordance to all grant requirements.

Dr. Christy Hopper presented information regarding services that the Northwest Special Education Cooperative provides Scales Mound CUSD #211 and what the procedures would be if a request were made to the District for special education services. She explained the steps that would take place prior to a student being accepted into one of the District's programs.

Mrs. Brooke Deppe presented information on the new SAT testing the district juniors since the State of Illinois changed from administering the ACT. The junior students who took the SAT in the spring of 2016 scored an equivalent to a 22 on the ACT which is at the state average. Mrs. Deppe also shared with the Board that the process of taking the SAT begins during the student's freshmen year when they take the PSAT. Each year the students participate in a form of the PSAT to prepare for taking the SAT in their junior year. The new SAT has also partnered with Khan Academy to assist students with preparing for the test.

Superintendent Bill Caron presented information on student performance on District assessments. Tri-annually students in Scales Mound CUSD #211 take the Measure of Academic Progress (MAP) to assess and monitor their progress towards meeting district and state standards. Students take the assessment three times during the school year; within two weeks of school be-

ginning, after winter break, and in early May. Based on their performance they earn a score (RIT score) and that score throughout the three testing sessions determines growth. Scales Mound students scored better from fall to spring for the past four years with average gains of 13.62 RIT points for grades one through five. At the junior high school level the average growth has been 7.69 RIT points. The District uses this information to make curricular decisions and placement decisions for students. Dr. Caron explained that the MAP test is also used as an indicator of the students' performance on the

State tests. He anticipates presenting the State Report Card to the Board at the November meeting.

Dr. Caron also presented information regarding the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) to the Board of Education. ESSA is required as part of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 and establishes procedures and criteria under which a State Education Agency (SEA) may submit a consolidated state plan for education. Illinois has set a vision, mission, goals,

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## Author visits River Ridge

River Ridge Middle School students had the wonderful opportunity to visit with Mike Mullin author of *Ashfall*. He spent the day comparing his skills of Taekwondo to writing as well as sharing his knowledge of super volcanoes. Students were engaged and thoroughly enjoyed his presentations. His energy and passion for working with students and writing are tremendous.

Pictured left to right. Seated author Mike Mullin. Behind author, and sixth graders: Tyson Heidenreich, Kira Easter, Lucas Holland

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND INTENTION TO ADOPT TAX LEVIES**

A *Tax Levy Ordinance* of the Stockton Fire Protection and Ambulance District, Jo Daviess County, IL, for its FY 2017/2018, has been prepared and is available for viewing in the lobbies of Citizens State Bank and Illinois Bank & Trust Co. as well as at the District Ambulance/EMS building, all in Stockton, IL.

It is the intention of the District to adopt tax levies for its corporate, ambulance, tort liability, workmen's comp. and liability insurance, and audit funds for FY 2017/2018 that do not exceed the amount(s) extended for the previous year by more than 105%.

A public hearing on the *Tax Levy Ordinance* of the District for FY 2017/2018 will be held by the District Board of Trustees at the District's Ambulance/EMS building at 113 E. Queen Ave., Stockton, IL at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, November 27, 2017.

**RONALD PAJA**  
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**NOTICE  
CANCELLATION OF  
INVITATION TO BID  
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"WILLIAMS FARM"**

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Stockton, Illinois**

THE RECENT INVITATION TO SUBMIT SEALED BIDS FOR THE "WILLIAMS FARM" CONTAINED INCOMPLETE INFORMATION AND IS THEREFORE CANCELLED.

**A CORRECTED  
INVITATION TO BID WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE FUTURE**

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND INTENTION TO ADOPT TAX LEVIES IN AMOUNTS EXCEEDING 105% OF THE EXTENSION FOR THE PRECEDING YEAR**

NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT:

A tentative *Tax Levy Ordinance* of the Stockton Township Park

District, Jo Daviess County, IL, for its Fiscal Year beginning May 1, 2017 and ending April 30, 2018, has been prepared and is conveniently available for viewing at the Park House and in the lobbies of Citizens State Bank and IL Bank & Trust, all in Stockton, IL.

It is the intention of the District to adopt a tax levy for its Corporate Fund for FY 2017/2018 that exceeds the amount extended for FY 2016/2017 by 108.377%.

It is the intention of the District to adopt a tax levy for its Social Security Withholding Fund for FY 2017/2018 that exceeds the amount extended for FY 2016/2017 by 108.290%.

It is the intention of the District to adopt a tax levy for its Recreation Fund for FY 2017/2018 that exceeds the amount extended for FY 2016/2017 by 108.362%.

It is the intention of the District to adopt a tax levy for its Tort Immunity and Liability Insurance Fund for FY 2017/2018 that exceeds the amount extended for FY 2016/2017 by 105%.

A public hearing on the *Tax Levy Ordinance* of the Stockton Township Park District for FY 2017/2018 will be held by the District's Board of Park Commissioners in the Park House at the Stockton Township Memorial Park in the Village of Stockton, IL at 6:30 P.M. on Wednesday, November 15, 2017.

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# Stockton Schools Board of Education October meeting summary

The regular meeting of the Stockton Community Unit School District #206 was called to order at 6:30 p.m. in the High School Library. Members present included Kirk Schubert, Kim Mapes, Neill Cahill, Nicole Haas, Roger Groezinger, Todd Vincent, and Deb Gille. The regular and closed session minutes and FY18 Budget Hearing minutes of Sept. 25, 2017 were approved 7-0 following a motion by Haas and second by Vincent. Bills totaling \$96,345.11 were approved for payment 7-0 following a motion by Gille and second by Cahill. The financial report was approved 7-0 following a motion by Mapes and second by Groezinger. Superintendent Gil-

liland commented on the upcoming superintendent interview schedule. In her good news report, Principal Downey congratulated Alex Staver and Megan Gille for their State Final performances and thanked FHN for their \$500 donation to the school as part of their Miles and Minutes program. In her administrative report, Mrs. Downey reported on the CPR/AED training for ninth graders, curriculum alignment training for staff, as well as numerous college and job fairs that Counselor Malone has organized for students. In his good news report, Mr. Fox congratulated the following Blackhawks of the Month: Zaidan Arand/5th grade; Nevaeh Pe-

terson/6th grade; Jackson Curtiss/7th grade; Kassadie Sullivan/8th grade. In addition, Mr. Fox reported on attending a safe schools program, thanked coaches who volunteer with the 39'er football team and youth wrestling program, and commented on a Riverview presentation on bullying prevention as well as a fundraiser held to support a local family in need. In her good news report, Principal Colleen Fox reported on the following: preschool trip to the fire station and the Dittmar Farm and Orchard, faculty participation in the Homecoming parade, the fourth grade participation in Conservation Field Day at Mississippi Palisades State Park, the kindergarten trip to Curran's Apple Orchard, and the Ned Show that students viewed in connection to Anti-Bullying Month coordinated by Social Worker Cory Walters. In addition, Mrs. Fox

reported on the staff viewing of Paper Tigers, a show that focused on poverty and its relationship to student achievement and the successful Grandparent's Day. Member Groezinger reported on the CTEA minutes.

In new business, the board took the following action:

Approved purchase of Middle School Gymnasium security cameras through Lectronics, Inc. in the amount of \$1,750 7-0 following a motion by Groezinger and second by Vincent.

Awarded the snow removal bid to Oppold Backhoe 3-2-2 following a motion by Gille and second by Groezinger. Voting yes was Cahill, Gille, and Groezinger. Voting no was Schubert and Vincent. Abstaining was Haas and Mapes.

The board voted to go into closed session under the Open Meetings Act 5

ILCS 120/2 for the purpose of appointment, employment, compensation, performance of personnel, and matters relating to students at 7 p.m. 7-0 following a motion by Haas and second by Groezinger. The board voted to return to open session at 7:44 p.m. 7-0 following a motion by Groezinger and second by Mapes.

Under continued new business, the board took the following action:

Approved appointment of Terry Serrle as substitute High School principal from March 1 – April 30, at a wage of \$31.25 per hour 7-0 following a motion by Mapes and second by Vincent.

Approved employment of Millie Graves as Middle School secretary effective Nov. 1, 2017 7-0 following a motion by Haas and second by Mapes.

The board adjourned at 7:46 p.m. following a motion by Schubert.

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and plan for enacting the requirements of ESSA. The vision states that: Illinois is a state of whole, healthy children nested in whole, healthy systems supporting communities wherein all citizens are socially and economically secure. The ESSA plan has four components, supporting schools, opportunities for educators, accountability, and a summative designation for schools. Dr. Caron explained that the accountability measures include academic indicators and student success indicators. Academic indicators are based on State test scores such as PARCC and DLM, growth, English learner proficiency, graduation rates, and science achievement. School quality/student success indicators include chronic ab-

senteeism, climate surveys (5Essentials Survey), and 9th grade on track and college and career readiness, fine arts, P-2 indicators and elementary/middle indicators. He explained that ISBE is still finalizing some of the definitions and procedures to collect data for some of these indicators prior to implementation in 2018-19. Finally, he explained that schools would receive one of four designations based on the cumulative score of the indicators. These designations are Exemplary School, Commendable School, Underperforming School, and Lowest Performing School.

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be held on Nov. 20, at 7 p.m. in the school library.

## Stockton fire requires Mutual Aid assistance

At 6:40 a.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 17, Stockton Fire was alerted by the Jo Daviess County Sheriff's Office dispatch center of a "fully engulfed structure fire" at The Red Knight tavern at 111 E Front Avenue in Stockton. The first arriving officer activated the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System requesting assistance from the Warren Fire Department, Elizabeth Fire Department, Lena Fire Department, Pearl City Fire Department, Mt. Carroll Fire Department, Stockton Ambulance, Warren Ambulance, and Elizabeth Ambulance. Assistance was also provided by Stockton Police Department, and Jo Daviess County Sheriff's Office. As Stockton Fire arrived on scene, two subjects were poised ready to jump from an upstairs window with heavy brown smoke billowing out from behind them. The

subjects were rescued with a ladder, and extinguishment operations were begun. A cat was also rescued from the upstairs. Making entry from both ends of the building, and with the help of the mutual aid departments, the stubborn fire was put out, with operations ceasing approximately 10 a.m. Due to the location being commercial, the Office of the Illinois State Fire Marshall was requested for investigation. Any questions regarding the investigation can be directed to them. No injuries to firefighters or civilians were reported. The building is believed to be structurally sound, but its contents are considered nearly a complete loss. The Stockton Fire Department and the community would like to thank all the responding agencies for their dedication and professionalism.

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