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Stockton's Lady Blackhawks pick up Regional Crown

By Chris Johnson
REPORTER

The season moved into the Sectional Round for the Stockton Lady Blackhawks this week. On Friday, Feb. 9, the top seed in the Warren 1A Regional knocked off the three-seed in the Aquin Sub-Sectional Complex, Galena, 62-43. It gave Stockton its first trophy on what hopes to be one where many are collected, on the way to Redbird Arena and a possible shot at a 1A Title. They played in the 7 p.m. Sectional Semi-Final on Tuesday night against one-seed Eastland. Details of that contest are unavailable in this week's edition.

Getting to the Regional Championship meant Stockton had to deal with an area rival first. On Wednesday night, Feb. 7, the Lady Blackhawks stood against the Warren Lady Warriors.

The two-seed Lady Blackhawks grabbed the early advantage over the nine-seed Lady Warriors and held a four-point edge after the first eight minutes of play in the Warren 1A Regional Semi-Final. They were up 17-13.

The Lady Blackhawks defense was much stronger in the second. There were not a lot of shots taken by Warren and there were few looks even offered. Stockton powered it's way to a better than three-to-one scoring advantage in the second,



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The Stockton Lady Blackhawks picked up the first trophy of what the fans and team hope to be many on the way to Redbird Arena and a 1A Title.

taking the frame by a 19-6 mark and securing the halftime 17-point lead, 36-19.

Warren rebounded better in the third and caught Stockton in be-

tween defenders at times. The Lady Warriors scored 17 and held Stockton to one less. They were still down 52-36 with only the fourth to play.

Stockton settled in and made the clock-stopped shots. They scored 20 in the period and held on for the Regional Semi-Final winner, 72-48. They moved on to face Galena after that. They toppled the Lady Pirates 62-43.

In the Sectional qualifying-win, senior shooter Aspyin Stewart scored 21 points for Stockton. Teammate Emily Offenheiser chipped in 15. The Friday night, 19-point Regional Title win earned the Lady Blackhawks the Regional Crown and the right to take the trip to Aquin for the second round games.

Stockton and Eastland faced off twice during the regular season.

The Lady Blackhawks slipped past the Lady Cougars 52-48 in their Nov. 21, 2017 meeting. Ten days later Eastland exacted revenge at Stockton, 60-50.

Eastland beat Prophetstown on Friday night 48-40 to win the Sterling Newman Class 1A Regional and earn the right to move to Aquin to face Stockton in the Sectional semi-final.

A win by Stockton moved them to the Thursday, Feb. 15, Aquin 1A Sectional Championship against the winner from the Monday Sectional opener featuring the Aquin Lady Bulldogs and the East Dubuque Lady Warriors.

Schubertiade in Northwest Illinois to be held in Stockton

The second-ever Schubertiade in Northwest Illinois will be held at the newly-renovated Performance Space and Art Gallery at AMA Studio Stockton, 102 S. Main Street, Stockton, on Sunday, Feb. 25, at 3 p.m. There will be an Austrian dinner after the concert, at Stella's Restaurant, directly across the street. This celebration of the music of Franz Schubert features professional and student musicians. Please call Stella's to make reservations, (815) 947-2080. \$30 Adults, \$15 Children includes Concert, Dinner, Tax & Gratuity. Menu includes choice of Wiener Schnitzel or Austrian-style

Ghoulash, Spaetzle, vegetable, and birthday cake for Schubert.

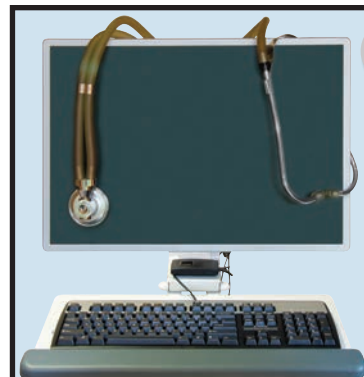
Acclaimed Soprano Lisa Nadig has been a music educator in a wide variety of settings for over 25 years. She holds Master and Bachelor of Music degrees from DePaul University School of Music in Chicago. Ms. Nadig sings professionally in a wide variety of musical styles, and teaches voice and piano for the Studio.

Nadia Wirchnianski has been playing piano professionally for many years. She holds a Master's in Piano from Northwestern University.

Jacob Underwood offers instruction in guitar, bass, violin, fiddle,

mandolin & banjo. He is an active professional performer, and skilled teacher, working in a wide variety of styles.

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Eastern Illinois University offers free summer journalism workshop for high school students

High school students can learn journalism hands-on from award-winning reporters, editors and photographers at the Illinois Press Foundation workshop at Eastern Illinois University from June 19-29.

Applications for the 11-day workshop, which is funded by the Illinois Press Foundation and EIU, will be

accepted through May 20. Eighteen students will be selected to participate in this free journalism experience.

Graduating seniors are eligible for this workshop as are those currently in their sophomore or junior years.

Held in Charleston, Ill., on the campus of Eastern Illinois University, this 11-day residential program provides

students an intimate look at journalism as a career by immersing students into approaches used by modern, digital newsrooms. The workshop introduces students to the complete process of publishing news: gathering and validating information, substantiating and using multiple sources, writing news, editing, designing, and production. In

addition, students are exposed to the concepts of news literacy and how to differentiate and establish fact from fiction in today's sometimes frenetic, rush-to-report news environment.

Students do not need journalism experience to apply.

The first week is devoted to instruction and related exercises, including news-gathering field trips. Professional journalists provide most of the instruction. Dozens of reporters, editors, publishers, photographers and other journalists have taught in the program since 1991, representing more than 50 newspapers and news organizations throughout Illinois and across the country.

Students then practice what they have learned. For two days, students are driven to newspapers, where they

work with reporters and other journalists on assignments. The remainder of the second week is devoted to producing a news website.

Students will also travel to Springfield where they will interview newsmakers and news journalists at the state capitol.

The Illinois Press Foundation has sponsored this event at Eastern Illinois University since its inception more than 25 years ago. All expenses, including housing, meals and tuition, are paid from these funds.

To be considered, students must complete an application form, which is available at EIU's department of journalism website: www.eiu.edu/~journal or by contacting workshop director Joe Gisondi at jjgisondi@eiu.edu.

BLACK HAWK RUN GOLF COURSE MEMBERSHIP LETTER

We are pleased to inform you that the 2018 Black Hawk Run Golf Course Season is right around the corner. With the help of a great community, memberships, and new customers, Black Hawk Run is able to continue to grow. John Warner & Weston Burkholder, course managers, are excited to get the 2018 Season under way.

In 2018, the golf membership prices will remain the same as last golf season. We will be hosting the annual membership meeting [Tuesday, February 27, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.](#); please join us for food and refreshments. If you know of anyone who would like to become a member, or any businesses that may like to have a corporate membership, please bring them along!

With many new additions and ideas to make the course better, it's been a success. We have made several improvements during the off season to help make your experience at the course better!

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- New Bar & Restaurant Hours
- Daily Lunch Specials & Friday/Saturday Evening Dining

The Clubhouse Restaurant and Bar will be open Friday & Saturday evenings all season long with nightly specials. Daily lunch menu will continue. We would like to encourage our customers if you'd like to have Reunions, Holiday Parties, Birthdays, Special Occasion Get-Togethers, or Business Meetings, please call Jeri Rogan, Restaurant and Bar Manager, for information.

If you would like to book golf outings, community events, fundraisers, public or private events we will be more than helpful to make these events a success. Call in advance; we have several events booked for 2018.

We would like to thank our members and customers for a successful 2017 season. With your help and support we will try to make this a great course. Please continue your support; tell your friends and family members to come join us. Our 5 year plan is in place to make every golfing experience better!

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns please contact John Warner at 815-947-3011 or 815-291-0591.
Email: john@blackhawkrungolfcourse.com.

Thank you for all of your support,
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Clarence Mitchell Library and Natural Sciences & Mathematics Division present a Science Café

Highland Community College's Clarence Mitchell Library and Natural Science & Mathematics Division are pleased to offer "A Science Café: Giant Pandas" at 10 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 16 in the Clarence Mitchell Library.

Dr. Sarah Bexell, Director of Conservation Education with the Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding in Chengdu, Sichuan China, will present the natural history, the behavior and the extinction crisis of the giant panda. A question and answer discussion will take place at

the end of the presentation.

Dr. Bexell is a Freeport native who brings a wealth of experience and information from her experience with research and education in conservation education in China.

The event is free and open to all audiences. The Clarence Mitchell Library is located on the second floor of the Marvin-Burt Liberal Arts Center at Highland Community College, 2998 W. Pearl City Road, Freeport, Ill. For more information, contact Laura Watson at 815-599-3456 or laura.watson@highland.edu.

Farm Bureau offers Defensive Driving Course

The Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau will be hosting a Defensive Driving Course on April 10 and 11 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Farm Bureau building in Elizabeth. Both days must be attended to receive certification. The registration fee of \$20 for farm bureau members or \$30 for non-members, covers course materials and lunch both days.

The course is open to people 55 and older who are auto policy holders. Those completing the course are eligible for a discount on their auto insurance.

This program was developed by the National Safety Council and will be taught by safety specialist, Doug Sommer, Pekin, Illinois. The course is very informative, entertaining and relevant to today's driving environment and standards. An examination is not required to complete the course or receive certification.

Reservations are required and class size is limited. Call the Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau® at 815-858-2235 to make your reservation or for more information.



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Warren Spelling Bee

Two representatives from each grade four through eight entered the final rounds of the Warren School Spelling Bee with high hopes.

Warren Geography Bee

Warren Geography Bee winner Teagan Sabinson received a certificate and a medal at the school competition. There were 10 competitors—two per grade level. They competed in a seven round classroom bee, and the top two scorers/grade levels then competed in our school bee. Michael Neff will serve as alternate. Teagan took a 70 question state test the following day. It was electronic and went to the state preliminary competition. The state chooses the top 100 test scores and those students travel to Springfield to the state competition, and then the state winner competes in Washington DC at a national competition that is hosted by Alex Trebek and nationally televised. They top national competition prize is a \$50,000 scholarship and a trip (usually, but not always to the Galapagos Islands). There are other state and national prizes.



When the dust settled Reese Raisbeck, Makayla Hammer, and Kyla Williams emerged as victorious in the Warren Spelling Bee and Raisbeck will represent the school in the regional competition.



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PUBLIC NOTICE

The February Stockton CUSD #206 Board of Education Meeting will be Monday, February 19, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the High School Library.

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Warren Servant Leaders

Members of the Warren High School Servant Leadership Chapter staged a blood drive in conjunction with the Red Cross last week. The chapter is gearing up for its March 3, volleyball tournament benefiting CRPS patients Jaycee Bennett and Brynn Fry.

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VIEWPOINT

Early success of Invest in Kids welcomed

With more than \$45 million in donations and thousands of applications already having been submitted, the state's new Invest in Kids program is off to a great start.

"Thanks to our state's new tax-credit scholarship program, more parents will have greater school choices for their children," said Gov. Bruce Rauner before he toured Jordan Catholic School in Rock Island. "Invest in Kids will open so many doors of opportunity for students to enroll in schools that best suit their needs."

The visit corresponded with Cath-

olic Schools Week, which concludes Saturday, Feb. 3, and was part of the governor's post State of the State tour.

More than 205,000 students attended 892 registered nonpublic schools in Illinois in the 2016-17 school year, according to Illinois State Board of Education data. Jordan Catholic School Principal Jacob Smithers said 385 students presently are enrolled in the pre-K-8 school on 24th Street in Rock Island, and he looks forward to welcoming more as parents begin to access the newly generated scholarship funding.

"Clearly, the need is there for parents to have a choice," Smithers said. "It's not always feasible to have that choice ... due to whatever their economic or financial status may be.

"This opportunity is beneficial for everyone involved, both in and out of the school," he continued. "It's good for the communities themselves."

Invest in Kids, which offers an income tax credit equal to 75 percent of approved contributions, attracted more than \$36 million in its first day early last month, and totaled just over \$45.4 million this week. The money will be funneled through scholar-

ship-granting organizations — one of which fielded more than 11,000 applications on its first day — and offers students in low- to middle-income families the opportunity to attend non-public schools.

Rep. Dan Swanson, R-Alpha, also attended the Rock Island school tour.

"I was proud to support the Invest in Kids Scholarship program because of the increased opportunity this program provides to children who may not otherwise get assistance for their education," Swanson said. "The selection process must be honest and fair, but I believe this will provide

great opportunity to boost a lot of kids and working families in need of a helping hand throughout Illinois."

Rauner said seeing the Invest in Kids program enacted has been a highlight for his administration.

"When we give our students the tools they need to succeed, all of Illinois reaps the benefits," he said. "Our new program brings more opportunities to communities and students in Illinois where they are needed most."

For more information regarding the Invest in Kids program and how to donate please visit https://mytax.illinois.gov/_/

Durbin and Duckworth demand answers on reports of CFPB'S stalled investigation into Equifax breach

U.S. Senators Dick Durbin (D-IL) and Tammy Duckworth (D-IL) joined Brian Schatz (D-HI) and a group of 28 senators in demanding answers on reports that, under the Trump administration, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) has halted its investigation into how credit reporting agency Equifax failed to protect the personal data of over 145 million Americans. More than 5.45 million Illinois residents

were affected by the breach.

"We are deeply troubled by recent news reports that, under Director Mulvaney's leadership, the CFPB has stopped its investigation into the Equifax breach," the senators wrote. "The CFPB is currently the only federal agency with supervisory authority over the largest consumer reporting agencies. Consumer reporting agencies and the data they collect play a central role in consumers' ac-

cess to credit and the fair and competitive pricing of that credit. Therefore, the CFPB has a clear duty to supervise consumer reporting agencies, investigate how this breach has or will harm consumers, and bring enforcement actions as necessary."

According to reports, CFPB has not issued any subpoenas, sought testimony from key executives at Equifax, or proceeded with on-site examinations.

The Equifax breach exposed data that included customers' names, Social Security numbers, birthdates, addresses, driver's license numbers, and, for some consumers, credit card numbers. This data could easily be used by criminals to steal people's identity or commit fraud. The impact on consumers whose data has been stolen is potentially devastating. As a result of identity theft and fraud, customers face the risk of having

debt accrued in their name. They could suffer long-lasting damage to their credit, which could lead to them being denied loans, mortgages, employment, or even rental housing. To resolve the damage done by this data breach, they will likely spend months, if not years, trying to correct resulting errors and problems with their financial records.

Joining Durbin, Duckworth and Schatz on the letter to Office of Management and Budget Director Mick Mulvaney and CFPB Acting Director Leandra English are U.S. Senators Bob Menendez (D-NJ), Elizabeth Warren (D-MA), Sherrod Brown (D-OH), Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH), Jon Tester (D-MT), Chris Van Hollen (D-MD), Tom Udall (D-NM), Heidi Heitkamp (D-ND), Catherine Cortez Masto (D-NV), Jeff Merkley (D-OR), Jack Reed (D-RI), Ed Markey (D-MA), Joe Donnelly (D-IN), Tina Smith (MN), Tammy Baldwin (D-WI), Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY), Gary Peters (D-MI), Patty Murray (D-WA), Bernie Sanders (I-VT), Richard Blumenthal (D-CT), Angus King (I-ME), Ron Wyden (D-OR), Maggie Hassan (D-NH), Dianne Feinstein (D-CA), Mark Warner (D-VA), Amy Klobuchar (D-MN), Debbie Stabenow (D-MI), Chris Murphy (D-CT), and Doug Jones (D-AL).

Bustos and Bost introduce bipartisan bill to create a new tool to help farmers conserve their land

The Conservation Assistance Loan Act will help more farmers plant and manage cover crops to improve the soil health and yield of their farms.

Congresswoman Cheri Bustos (IL-17) and Congressman Mike Bost (IL-12) introduced a bipartisan bill that would create a Conservation

Assistance Loan program, modeled after the existing Marketing Assistance Loan, which would offer loan rates that better reflect current market conditions, bolster the loan rate for new and beginning farmers and provide a new incentive to help interested farmers voluntarily adopt

practices like cover crops to improve soil health.

"The Conservation Assistance Loan Act would create a new tool to help Illinois farmers improve soil health and reduce nutrient runoff while still putting the best food on your table," Congresswoman Cheri Bustos said. "Farmers are stewards of the land — it is where they live, work, and raise their family. Most farmers I talk to want to use cover crops and take other steps to be more sustainable and improve soil health, but face challenges that can make it tough to get started. The Conservation Assistance Loan Act would help them overcome these challenges and improve both their operation and land."

"I'm happy to join this bipartisan effort to ensure our farmers have every tool available to improve soil health and reduce nutrient runoff," said Bost. "Cover crops, along with cutting edge technology, benefit the environment, the bottom line of the farmer, and allow for this generation of agriculture producers to pass along the land in better condition than when they received it."

Specifically, the Conservation Assistance Loan Act would:

- Base conservation assistance loan rates on 60% of the 5-year Olympic Moving Average (5YOMA) of the Marketing Year Average (MYA)

prices.

- Bolster the loan rate to incentivize conservation or soil health best practices like cover crops.

- Offer a higher loan rate to beginning farmers to help them start their operation.

The bill is endorsed by the Illinois Farm Bureau.

Cover crops are one of the best ways to improve soil health and reduce nutrient runoff. They prevent soil erosion, cut fertilizer use, and protect water quality.

According to a recent survey of producers using cover crops from USDA's Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education Program, more than 86% of respondents reported improved soil health and reported average yield increases for corn were estimated at 2.3 bushels and 2.1 bushels for soybeans.

While an increasingly popular practice, the financial, labor and technical expertise required to plant and manage cover crops poses a major barrier to getting started. Though their benefits are well-documented, returns on the investment are not immediate as the improvements in soil health and yields take time. The Conservation Assistance Loan Act would help farmers overcome these obstacles making it easier to use cover crops and improve soil health.

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2018 election of SWCD Directors held

The Jo Daviess County Soil & Water Conservation District held their annual election of Directors on Feb. 6, at the U.S.D.A. Service Center in Elizabeth. Three directors' terms were available for the 2018 elections. Re-elected to a two-year term was Nicole Haas and Andy Hawley. Bill Holland was elected as a new Director. Nicole, Bill, and Andy will join the District Board members Beth Baranski and Steve Eden for the upcoming year beginning in March.

ON THE RECORD

Obituaries

EDNA I. MATZ

Edna I. Matz age 90, of Lena passed away on Thursday Feb. 8, 2018 at the Lena Living Center. She was born on Oct. 22, 1927 in Minnesota to Austin and Addie (Garrison) Johnson. She married George Matz on Sept. 6, 1947 in Jackson, MI and together they raised 4 children. She was a Nurse's Aide at Pine River Nursing Home in Minnesota and she worked at Micro Switch for 15 years. She was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church in Freeport. She enjoyed crocheting, doing puzzles, making afghans, and many rag rugs. She also made prayer shawls for church. Edna was a member of the Eastern Star. She was a great baker, avid reader, and enjoyed gardening with George. George and Edna also enjoyed canning.

Edna is survived by her husband of 70 years, George of Lena, children; Judy Webster of Lena, James Matz of Culpeper, VA, Donald (Carolyn) Matz of Warren, MN, and Jeffrey (Sue) Matz of Freeport, grandchildren; Jeremy (Stephanie) Matz, Melissa (Shayne) Campbell, Marcus (Kelsie) Matz, Josh (Nikki) Matz, and Kaitlyn Matz, Scott (Jill) Webster, and Aaron Webster (Kris), great grandchildren; Alyssa, Olivia, and Caleb Matz, Carter Campbell, Grayson Matz, Zachary and Kenzee Matz, Nathan, Sarah, and Emily Webster, Gary and Brandy Hunt, brothers and sisters; Carol Gealow, Esther (Dennis) Youngberg, Clifford (Shirley) Johnson, Myrthal (Bill) Brown, and Marilyn Erickson, and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and step mother Naomi, son-in-law Charles Webster, siblings Crystal, Maxine, Maynard, James and her twin sister Edvina.

A visitation and funeral services were held Feb 13, at Trinity United Methodist Church in Freeport.

Pastor Eddie Eddy performed the services

Burial will be at Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens in Freeport.

A memorial has been established in her memory.

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

JAMES F. HUMMERT

James F. Hummert, 80, passed away on Feb. 4, 2018 at Waverly Place in Stockton, IL. He was the son of John and Kathryn (Drane) born on July 14, 1937 in Chicago IL. James Married Joanne (Dasko) on July 1, 1961 at Saint Simeon Catholic Church in Bellwood, IL. James worked for the United States Postal Service for over 30 years. He started his postal career as a window clerk. He was an active member of the Postal Union, eventually becoming the president. James advanced his postal career to become a Labor Relations Specialist. He was a member of the



Knights of Columbus and the St. Joseph Catholic Church. James was very active in the church, an avid reader, a Chicago Bulls fan, spending time with his family.

James is survived by his five children; Maria (Randy) Schallau of Kalamazoo, MI, Kathleen Blakely-Beukema of Lena, Anita Prindle of Lena, Jenny (Jim) Portincaseo of Alsip, IL, and Steven Hummert of Lena, IL, 12 grandchildren; Jillian, Matthew, Joanna, Rebecca, Joey, Kate, Adam, Ryan, Joshua, Alexis, Jacob and Paige, eight great grandchildren; Sophia, Sydney, Layla, Ava, Charlie, Maisy, Madison, and Luke, one sister Kathryn and several nephews and nieces.

Preceded in death by his; wife; Joanne on Nov. 13, 2012, parents, one brother; John Hummert and one sister; Gloria Neiswanger.

A visitation and funeral service were held Feb. 10, at Leamon Funeral Home, Lena, IL.

Burial will be at St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery.

Father Andrew Skrobutt officiated the service.

In Lieu of Flowers a memorial has been established in his memory.

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

JEAN MARIE HEROLD

Jean Marie Herold, 81, of Pearl City, IL, passed away on Feb. 5, 2018. She was born on May 28, 1936 in Sturgis, South Dakota to Alfred and Ruby Gardner. Jean married William A. Herold on Dec. 12, 1954 in Sturgis, South Dakota. She was a member of the United Methodist Church in Pearl City, a member of UMW, American Legion Auxillary, and a life member of FFA Alumni.

Survivors include her Husband, William Herold; Son, William (Linda) Herold; Daughter, Diane (Rory) Bardell; Grandchildren, Great-Grandchildren, Sisters, Sally (Jerry) Huffman and Ruby Huck.

Jean is preceded in death by her parents, daughter Christine, and son Steven.

A visitation and funeral service were held Feb. 10, 2018 at the United Methodist Church in Pearl City, with Pastor Matthew Smith officiating. Burial will

be at Highland Cemetery in Pearl City. A memorial has been established in her memory.

MARLENE M. DAVIS

Marlene M. Davis age 83, of Orangeville went home to be with the Lord on Feb. 7, 2018 at Pleasant View Nursing Home. She was born on Feb. 15, 1934 at her home in Orangeville to Loral and Marion (Ezard) Stites. She married Roscoe Davis on Feb. 5, 1955 in Ft. Wayne, IN and together they raised four children. She was a CNA for 30 years at the Monroe Clinic Birthing Center where she had the joy of giving her grandchildren their first baths. She was a member of the Orangeville United Methodist Church, Home Extension, and United Methodist Church Women and was the Church Secretary. Marlene was a fabulous cook and enjoyed crocheting. She loved dancing especially square dancing, fox trotting, waltzing and the polka. They spent their 40th wedding anniversary in Hawaii and she enjoyed spending time with her family and attending her grandchildren's sporting events.

She is survived by her husband of 63 years Roscoe of Orangeville, Children; Brian (Rosalie) Davis of Harlingen, TX, Mark (Mary Richel) Davis of Orangeville and Lisa (Todd) Flannery of Monroe, WI. Daughter-in-law Lisa Davis of Orangeville. Grandchildren; Brian (Xsenia) Davis Jr, Joe (Ashley) Davis, Rachel (Ryan) Miller, Casey (Cody) Berndt, Rebecca Flannery and Jacob Flannery. 7 great grandchildren; Hailey, Lexi, Jaxsyn, Griffin, Gavin, Lylah and Camdyn Kevin. Brother Ronald Stites of Madison, WI.

She was preceded in death by her parents, son Kevin in 2016 and brother Jim Stites.

A visitation and funeral services were held Feb. 12, at the Orangeville United Methodist Church.

Officiating was Pastor Judy Sherk.

A memorial has been established in her name.

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

NANCY LEE BOECK

Nancy Lee Boeck age 70, of Winslow passed away on Monday Feb. 5, 2018 at the Monroe Clinic Hospital

with her family by her side. She was born on Dec. 29, 1947 in Monroe, WI to LeRoy and Marguerite (Knutti) Boeck. She graduated from Lena-Winslow High School in 1965. She was employed at Advanced Transformer until her retirement. She cooked at the Riverside Inn in Winslow and was known for helping with their Friday Night Fish Fry. She enjoyed baking and spending time with friends and family. She was a member of the Winslow Historical Society and enjoyed cooking brats for the brat stand on Saturday's in Winslow and volunteered her time at Paradise Cove.



She is survived by her sister; Mary Ann (Norman "Bill") Broge of Winslow, IL, nieces and nephews; Teresa (Ric) Joranlien of Browntown, WI, Todd (Kimber) Broge of Durand, IL, great nieces and nephews; Shane (Micki) Lobdell, Cassidy (Weston) Borchert, Hunter Broge and Keagan Broge. Aunt Hattie Clark of Woodford, WI.

A visitation and memorial services were held Feb. 9, at the Winslow Funeral Home.

Cremation rites have been accorded. Officiating was Pastor Brian LeBaron.

Burial will be in Rock Lily Cemetery at a later date.

A memorial has been established in her name.

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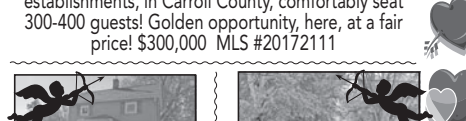
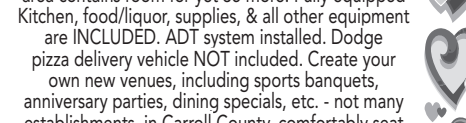
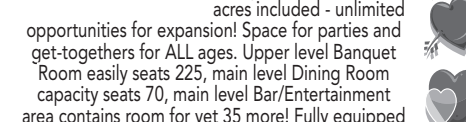
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Stockton Fire Department finds ongoing community support

By John Day
CORRESPONDENT

There was a fire in the Stockton firehouse on Feb. 25, 2015. Only a pumper could be saved which was pulled from the building and pressed into service to fight the fire. Most all other equipment, frontline trucks and supplementary vehicles were destroyed.

On Feb. 5, 2018, in an example of continuing community support, Tim Hamilton of the Spahn and Rose Lumber Company in Stockton presented Chief Bruce Marcure with a check in the amount of \$2500 at the opening of the fire departments' February meeting. Hamilton thanked Marcure and Assistant Chief Corey Logemann for their service as well as acknowledging the efforts all the fire fighters.

Chief Marcure said, "Our community has really stepped up to bring the department back. The level of generosity shown by so many has been humbling and it is greatly

appreciated.

"This fire was not just an operational set back, it affected our member's morale. Today, we're 100 percent operational and our morale is as good as ever. One hundred percent of the money donated by the community has been invested in new equipment. With the donations we've purchased a gator and a trailer to haul it. We've also acquired a new grass truck.

"The grass truck is a Dodge pickup with a crew cab that has been fitted with a 300 gallon water tank. It's used to suppress fires that have broken out in grassy pastures or dry crop fields."

Marcure, formerly the assistant chief of the department was promoted to the rank of chief upon the retirement of Randy Baysigner. Marcure believes the Stockton Fire Department will be able to provide a level of safety and security for the residents of Stockton that is second to none.



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Northwestern Illinois Community Action Agency 2018 LIHEAP, PIPP, and Weatherization Assistance Programs

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

No new PIPP applications will be taken after December 31, 2017. LIHEAP applications will be taken until May 31, 2018 or until funding is exhausted.

Effective December 1, 2017 all income eligible households may schedule an appointment to apply for assistance with their heating utilities.

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

- NICAA Main Office- Freeport • Stockton Banking Center
- Warren Township Library • Hanover Village Hall
- Citizens State Bank of Lena • East Dubuque Library
- Illinois Bank & Trust- Galena Downtown
- German-American State Bank – German Valley

Income Guidelines: To qualify, a household must have a 30 day gross income at or below 150% of the federal poverty level shown below for 30 days prior to and including the application date.

- 1 person household - \$1,508
 - 2 person household - \$2,030
 - 3 person household - \$2,553
 - 4 person household - \$3,075
- Add \$522.50 for each additional person in the household

**** The following documents will be required to apply for assistance ****

- Social Security Cards for all members of the household.
- Proof of all gross income for all household members for 30 days including the application date including pay check stubs, SSA/SSI/SSD current benefit letters, pension/retirement statements, child support, unemployment reports, TANF/AABD/Township GA assistance notices, self employment reports, and proof of zero income.
- Current heat and electric bills issued.
- Medical Card from Illinois Department of Human Services.
- Copy of current lease or rent receipt.
- Proof of homeownership, tax bill or title (for mobile home), is required for weatherization assistance.

Monroe Clinic and Hospital Foundation welcomes new director

Monroe Clinic & Hospital Foundation is pleased to welcome Jane Sybers as its new executive director. Sybers, a Monticello resident, has already demonstrated her passion for the Foundation's mission, having served on its board since 2016.

During her 20 years as owner of The Dining Room, a beloved, award-winning restaurant in Monticello, Sybers won the Green County Entrepreneurial Spirit Award.

"Successfully running a small business that was dependent on excellent performance and strong community relationships, has helped me

build the skill sets that will also be necessary for my role as an effective Foundation Director," said Sybers. "And as a Foundation board member, I understand the relationship we have with the mission of ministry not only to patients but to the community."

She has a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Wisconsin. For 18 years, she has served the Green County Food Pantry as a volunteer driver.

As Executive Director of Monroe Clinic & Hospital Foundation, Sybers is responsible for its overall operation and daily management. She

serves as liaison between the community and the Foundation while providing leadership to its Board of Directors.



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Jane Sybers is the new Monroe Clinic and Hospital Foundation Executive Director.

Jo Daviess SWCD opens annual fish sale

The Jo Daviess County Soil and Water Conservation District is now accepting orders for the Spring Fish Sale and will continue to take orders through April 13th. Delivery is planned for Monday, April 23, 2018 at 8 a.m. at the Elizabeth Community Building. We are offering Hybrid Sunfish, Bluegill, Redear Sunfish, Hybrid Redear, Largemouth Bass, Channel Catfish, Albino Catfish, and Fathead Minnows. Please note that Grass Carp must be ordered by April 4. If you wish to order fish call our office at 815-858-3418 ext. 3 or write to the Jo Daviess SWCD, P.O. Box 502, Elizabeth, IL 61028.



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Change to senior citizen income limit for assessment freeze

By Tom Walsh
WINNEBAGO COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ASSESSMENTS

A new law concerning the Senior Citizen Assessment Freeze Exemption (Senior Freeze) came into effect for the 2018 tax year, payable in 2019. The new law changes the maximum total household income eligible to qualify for the exemption from \$55,000 to \$65,000. The \$55,000 limit is still in effect for the 2017 tax year, payable in 2018, and earlier years.

This exemption is available to senior citizens (age 65 years and older) who own and occupy their home

as their principal dwelling place and meet the new income requirements.

The past several years the Winnebago County Supervisor of Assessments has sent renewal applications only to the people who qualified for the freeze the prior year. For 2018, the office is making an extra effort to make sure all seniors who might be eligible for the freeze under the new income limit receive notification of the new limit and the proper form to apply. The freeze applications will be sent to all senior citizens who are currently receiving the Senior Citizen Homestead Exemption, whether or not they have

applied or qualified for the Senior Citizens Assessment Freeze Homestead Exemption (PTAX-340) in the past.

Please contact your County Supervisor of Assessments Office for additional information.

The Senior Freeze applications will be sent in early to mid-March.

Farm Bureau to host estate planning session

It's never too early to learn about getting your personal and financial affairs in order. The Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau will be hosting, Rick Morgan, Senior Financial Security Consultant from COUNTRY Financial on Tuesday, March 20, 1:30 p.m. for a free, member seminar on farm estate planning, farm continuation, the new tax bill and how it impacts estate planning. Rick has more than 35 years of experience as a trust officer and has been involved in estate, retirement, business, farm continuation and personal financial planning. Questions, call the Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau at 815-858-2235.

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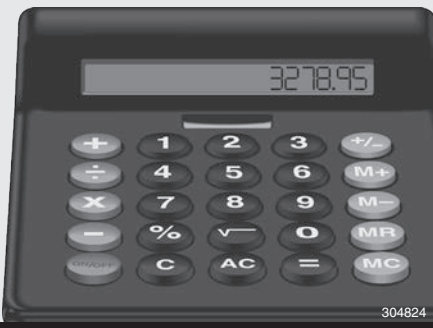


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CHURCH NEWS



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Unitarian Universalist Church of Stockton

Randy Downing (on right), from the Unitarian Universalist Church of Stockton, presents a check to Dean Wright, Executive Director of the Freeport Area Church Cooperative (FACC). Each month the UU Church donates most of the money received in its Sunday collection plate to a charitable organization of its choice; December was the FACC's turn. The UU Church of Stockton also contributes to the FACC food pantry on a regular basis, delivering a substantial number of mostly personal hygiene items. "We think the Freeport Area Church Cooperative does a wonderful job through its food pantry, housing assistance, and homeless shelter programs and are happy to help support its efforts in any way we can", said Downing. "The UU Church of Stockton plans to hold a service within the city of Freeport sometime this spring", he added, "to give those who might be interested an easy opportunity to learn more about the Unitarian Universalist faith". "In the mean time we welcome any and all to our regular Sunday services held at 10:30 a.m. at 219 N. Pearl St, in Stockton."

St. John's Lutheran Church

You're invited to join us at St. John's Lutheran Church, Pearl City for worship on Sunday, Feb. 18, at 9 a.m. The worship will include the Joy Choir. After the worship, Sunday School and Confirmation classes will meet at 10:15 a.m. The Memorial and Finance Committee and the Stewardship/Outreach committees will meet after worship. The SPLAT Youth will deliver Grace Meals at 11 a.m. and the February Grace Meal will be served at Noon.

The Fifth Quarter Youth group (Junior High) will meet from 6-7:30 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 18, 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.

The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday on Feb. 14. Imposition of Ashes with an abbreviate service will be held at Noon on Ash Wednesday with an additional full service at 7 p.m. Stations of the Cross will be held on Fridays at Noon during Lent. Mid-week Lenten services will begin on Wednesday, Feb. 21, at 7 p.m.

The Women's Gathering will meet at 9:45 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 20, at St. John's beginning with fellowship followed by a Bible Study and brief meeting. Following the bible a Sit n' Sew will be held. Soup, sandwich and dessert will be provided. Please bring a project you are working on or help with a need of the prayer shawl/quilt ministry. We have several graduate quilts to tie, labels to put on shawls, graduation tags to make or just come for some fellowship. You are welcome to come for a short time or the duration 11 until 3. Hope to see you there. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board if you are attending. You are welcome to call the church office to let them know you plan to attend.

Rose Marie Schaney, Lena, Illinois, won the \$200 Calendar drawing on Feb. 7. It's not too late. St. John's is 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 (7 p.m.) and the Thursday morning Bible Study (9:30 a.m.) continue to meet. The Members and non members alike are welcome.

Need a place to hold an event in Pearl City? The main hall at St. John's is available for rent. Call the church for more information and availability.

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.

St. John's Lena

St. John's Lutheran Church, Lena announced its Lent and Easter Worship schedule. Everyone in the community is welcome and invited to attend. The Lenten Season begins on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 14, with worship services at 7 p.m. Subsequent evening services during Lent will be held on Thursday evenings at 7 p.m. Good Friday (3/30/18) worship service will also be at 7 p.m.

Our regular weekend worship services are on Saturday, 5:30 p.m. and Sunday 8 & 10:30 a.m.

Easter weekend there will be no Saturday service (3/31/18), but Easter Sunday (4/1/18) there will be three services at 7, 9, and 10:30 a.m.

Evening Services during Lent will be based on the theme: "Not as I will, but as You will." As we consider the various aspects of that theme in our lives, we pray that we would humbly seek to do God's will in our lives. Sermon titles by date are:

- Feb. 14, God's Will and God's Promise—Abraham
- Feb. 22, God's Will and My Inadequacy—Moses
- March 1, God's Will and My Dreams—David
- March 8, God's Will and My Identity—Mary
- March 15, God's Will and My Worldview—Paul
- March 22, God's Will and My Response—Lydia
- March 29, God's Will and Joyful Service
- March 30, God's Will Is Done

Sunday Worship Services during Lent will also be built on a unified theme, "In Seven Words or Less, Share Your Faith." Each week during Lent our Sunday Lenten services we will work on crafting our own statement of faith.

- Feb. 18, The Gospel in Seven Words
- Feb. 25, Preparing to Confess
- March 4, Captivity and Freedom
- March 11, Death and Life
- March 18, Isolation and Community
- March 25, The Gospel in Your Words
- April 1, Christ is Risen

Please join us for worship during this Holy Season. The whole St. John's family welcomes you.

For more information, please call the church office at 815-369-4035.

Trinity Lutheran Church, Derinda to host Chili & Filled Noodle Supper

Trinity Lutheran Church located at 8393 Derinda Road, Elizabeth, IL will host its annual Chili & Filled Noodle Supper Feb. 18, from 4 to 7:30 p.m.

Meal includes: Chili or Filled Noodles, Ham Sandwich, salad, dessert, & beverage.

Adults—\$8, Children 5-12—\$5, 4 and under eat free

This year's proceeds will go to the church improvement fund and special project funds.

Cake Walk provided all evening proceeds going to support the Trinity Lutheran Sunday School.

McConnell UMC to host annual Soup and Sandwich Lunch

McConnell United Methodist Church will be hosting their Annual Soup and Sandwich Lunch on Sunday, Feb. 25, from Noon to 1:30 p.m. at the church located at 211 N. Hulbert Rd. in McConnell. The menu will include all-you-can-eat chili, vegetable beef soup, cheese sandwiches, celery/carrot sticks, dessert and beverage. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2 for children (5-12 yrs old). Funds made at this event are used for our new youth ministry and mission projects.



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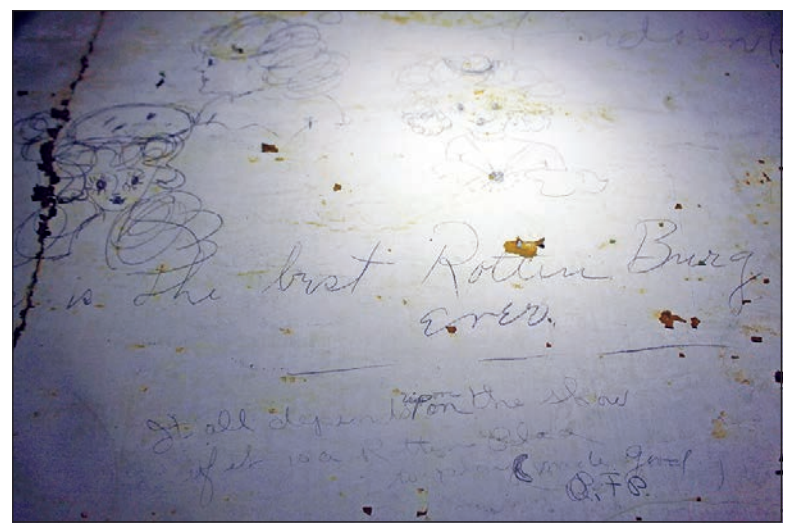
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Dale's Opera House

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The walls in the opera house dressing rooms and waiting areas were festooned with early 20th century graffiti left behind by actors. Some actors left less than kind remarks and one actor doodled a cartoon.



TONY CARTON PHOTO The Scoop Today

The time has come for Dale's Opera House to fade away and become a distant memory.



TONY CARTON PHOTO The Scoop Today

In its day, the opera house was a solid brick three story building. The face of the first floor opened into a lobby, business section, ticket booths and an entry way to the first level of theatre seating.

College News

Area student named Distinguished Scholar at Rockford University

Cassidy Wybourn of Lena is a full-time student attending Rockford University and is named a Distinguished Scholar for the fall 2017 semester, earning at least a 3.75 GPA with no grades below "C" and having completed all requirements for the semester:

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U of I Extension offers annual Joys of Gardening event

Mark your calendars for the 21st annual Joys of Gardening program offered by the University of Illinois Extension and the U of I Extension Master Gardeners. Slated for Saturday, Feb. 17, at the Highland Community College Student Conference Center, 2998 W. Pearl City Road, Freeport, the program will begin with registration at 8 a.m., keynote address at 8:25 a.m., and breakout sessions following the keynote.

Seasons on Henry's Farm and Founder of The Land Connection will give the Keynote address "The Joys and Challenges of Growing Fruits and Vegetables".

Following the keynote presentation will be a series of four breakout sessions. Each breakout session will include unique garden related classes. Session 1: 21st Century Victory Gardens, Cooking with Fresh Produce, Making Succulent Terrariums, Climate Resources for Gardeners,

and Garden Plants: The Best and the Beautiful. Session 2: The Backyard Orchard, Growing with Hydroponics, Right Tool for the Job, Putting Rain to Work, Creative Container Gardens, and The Basics of Keeping Bees. Session 3: Successful Squash, Area Gardens to Visit for Free, A Gardener's Guide to Invasive Plants, Composting: Creating a Better Pile, I Love Whole Grains, and Intermediate Bee Keeping. The day will conclude with a single presentation in

Session 4: Providing for Pollinators. Local professionals, Extension Staff and U of I Extension Master Gardeners will lead each of the classes.

Joys of Gardening will again feature the popular Master Gardener Seed Giveaway. Master Gardeners have collected, cleaned, and packaged seeds from their yards and these seeds will be available to participants at no charge. In addition, a silent auc-

tion will be held to support programs offered by the University of Illinois Extension- Master Gardeners. There will be door prizes and educational displays as well.

For more information about Joys of Gardening visit web.extension.illinois.edu/jsw or call (815) 235-4125. The registration cost for the program is \$25 and includes lunch. Registration deadline is Feb. 9.

Blackhawk Unit of Home Extension schedules February meeting

The Blackhawk Unit of Home Extension will hold its regular February meeting, Thursday, Feb. 15, at 7 p.m. at the Pearl City Public Library in Pearl City, Illinois. Karen Pohl will give the lesson on "Garden Pest Identification and Control". Refreshments will be served

by Judy Shippee and Marie Boyer. We will be gifting new bride, Rachel Ferguson, with a monetary bridal shower and a favorite recipe from each member. The non-perishable food items collected this month will be given to the Pearl City Food Pantry.

'Prairie Wind' magazine now accepting submissions for 2018 edition

Submissions are now being accepted for the twenty-sixth annual Prairie Wind art and literary magazine. The Prairie Wind is a collection of original poetry, prose, visual art, and recorded music contributed by students, staff, alumni, and other members of the Highland Community College District. All writers and artists residing in the Highland District (Stephenson, Ogle, Carroll and Jo Daviess counties) may submit work to be considered for publication.

The annual magazine publishes in May.

Submission guidelines are available at www.highland.edu/community/prairiewind.asp. The deadline is Feb. 28, 2018. More information is available from the magazine's faculty advisors:

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Highland Community College, 2998 West Pearl City Road, Freeport, Ill has published the annual magazine since 1992. It is a cooperative project of the Humanities, Graphic Design, Art, and Music departments in the Division of Humanities, Social Sciences and Fine Arts. The editorial board is composed of students and volunteer community members who are guided by a team of faculty advisors.

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Pet Talk: Pets celebrate Valentine's Day every day

With Valentine's Day just around the corner, many of us can't help but look at our pets and remember the day we fell in love with them. We are fortunate to share our lives with such caring (and cute) animals, which is why we do everything we can to keep our pets happy and healthy.

However, pets do a lot for us, too. They teach us how to love unconditionally and be a good friend. They are also there to lend a comforting paw in times of need.

In the spirit of Valentine's Day, Dr. Sarah Griffin, a lecturer at the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences, described some of the ways our furry friends show us love and affection.

"Cats show affection by purring, sitting in your lap, rubbing against your leg, and following you around," Griffin said. "Sometimes, they may even gently nip or bite you."

Cat owners may also find that their

pet brings them toys; random, found objects (such as hair ties); or even a small bird or mouse. This is considered a present and is a sign that your kitty loves and cares for you.

Dogs show affection through tail wagging, licking, and playing with their owners, Griffin said. Dogs may also curl up next to you for a nap, especially after a relaxing walk. When this happens, it is common courtesy to go ahead and take a nap, too.

With all the love our pets show us, it's no surprise that they have plenty of love for other animals.

Both dogs and cats will play, cuddle, groom each other, and nap together. Though dogs and cats are sometimes portrayed as enemies, it is actually common for dogs and cats to

become cuddle-buddies and friends.

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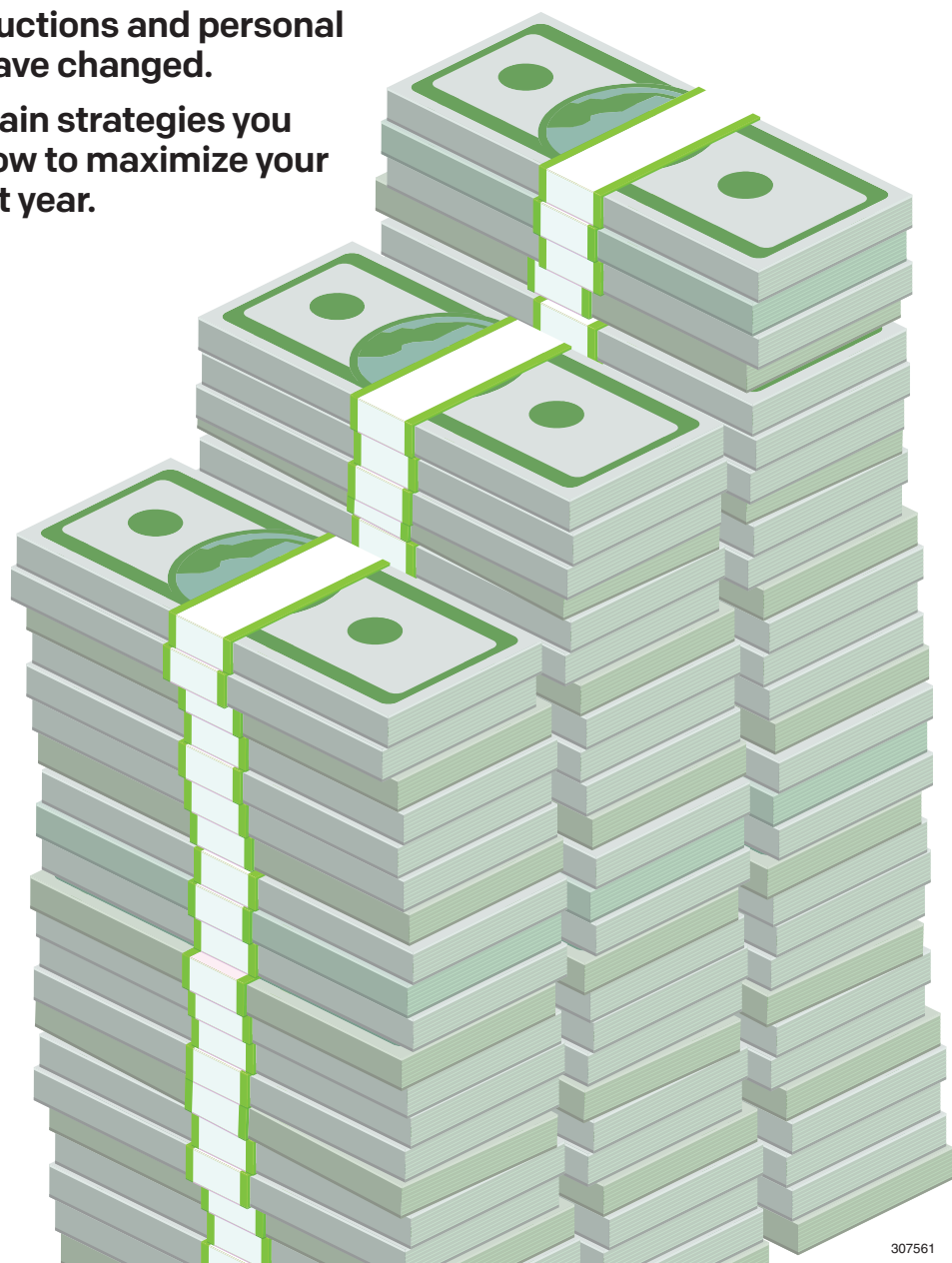
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CTE Academy Graphics students Allison Sollars and Tori Luckey helped showcase the academy during its open house. Sollars and Luckey attend River Ridge High School.



CTE Early Childhood Education Teacher Stacy Kloss explains the benefits of her program to one of the tour groups that attended the academy open house.



(Left) Career Technical Education Academy Health Occupations Teacher Karen Koester talks health services with Liam Shelke (7) during the academy open house.



CTE Computer Networking Teacher Shane Grissinger discusses his curriculum with academy's open house visitors.

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Wildcats late season success overlooked

By Chris Johnson
REPORTER

The River Ridge Wildcats have been one of the strongest teams in the area since the calendar flip in 2018. They won nine straight down the closing stretch, haven't lost since a Jan. 6 meeting with Lena-Winslow and have taken down eleven of twelve opponents faced since December Holiday Tournament play. In the busy 1A field though, they will still have to "play-in" to see action in the Regional Semi-Final.

In most tournament brackets a team such as River Ridge would not

be required to start the post-season until the Regional Semi-Final level. They were too good during the regular season to be starting in a "play-in" capacity.

However, because the NUIC is loaded with many small schools and the games are played in the winter, the Regional design requires a team such as three-seed River Ridge to get an earlier start. Their action on Tuesday night helps fill the bracket for the Dakota Regional Semi-Final.

The only team already waiting in the second round will be the Lena-Winslow Panthers. They picked

up the two seed. The Wildcats start on Tuesday, for one reason, because of their loss to Lena-Winslow earlier this year.

River Ridge began the final week of the regular season two games off of the lead in the loss column, with an 18-6 overall mark and an 8-3 conference standing. It's a strong position, given how talented the NUIC-West has been this year. They will deal with Scales Mound on Friday, Feb. 16 to close their regular campaign and then get ready for the Tuesday, Feb. 20 opener and the challenges that the 12-seed Durand Bulldogs may provide.

The winners from the matches featuring River Ridge and Durand as well as five-seed Freeport Aquin and nine-seed Dakota on Tuesday, Feb. 20, will meet up on Wednesday, Feb. 21 in the 7:30 p.m. Dakota Regional Semi-Final. The winner in the opener between six-seed Orangeville and eight-seed Pecatonica on Monday, Feb. 19, will play in the 6 p.m. game on Wednesday against the two-seed Panthers.

The Panthers are 9-1 and lead the NUIC-West. They are 19-5 on the year and have a one game "win-advantage" over River Ridge, East Dubuque and Pearl City. All three

of those challengers have eight West wins this season.

The conference race remained intact as the final week of the regular season opened on Monday, Feb. 12. Pearl City and East Dubuque faced off at Pearl City on Monday and the Wolves still have to deal with Stockton on Friday, Feb. 16, before their season comes to a close.

NUIC-West leader Lena-Winslow played host to Eastland on Tuesday night, Feb. 13 and will close the regular season on Friday, Feb. 16 at West Carroll before they head east to Dakota for the Class 1A Regional Semi-Final next Tuesday, Feb. 20.

Wolves look for final shot at conference crown

By Chris Johnson
REPORTER

Next week the Class 1A Boys' Basketball State Playoffs begin and the Pearl City Wolves get to wait a couple days before they actually have to play. There will be a little more business that has to be handled before consideration of the post-season can truly begin. The Wolves are in the thick of the hunt for the NUIC-West Title.

A lot of things have to happen for Pearl City, before any title can be captured. The first step requires winning their remaining games and it started on Monday in a match

against one of the many teams chasing Lena-Winslow this year, East Dubuque. Details on that contest are unavailable in this week's edition of the Shopper's Guide, unfortunately.

The Wolves opened the final week of the regular season with an 8-1 NUIC-West mark. Their loss total equaled Lena-Winslow's total. The Panthers had one more conference game under their belt, giving them the slight edge with their 9-1 mark. If Lena-Winslow wins out, they'll capture the title.

On Monday, if Pearl City knocked off East Dubuque, they will be fighting Stockton for the right to be no

worse than a co-conference champion by the end of the week. If the Panthers lose once and the Wolves win out, Pearl City will claim the NUIC-West alone this year.

Pearl City entered the final week of the regular season on a hot streak. Prior to a Feb. 6 loss to the Milledgeville Missiles, the Wolves had won five straight. Since then they have run into both Lena-Winslow and East Dubuque, but they are still in the equation, based on how cramped the top half of the conference is. Five teams are within two games of the conference lead with a week to play.

The post-season begins on Monday, Feb. 19, but the Wolves won't have to suit up on opening night. They will begin the 1A Tournament at the Regional Semi-Final and they will face a team they will be favored to beat. This year's design sees seven-seed Stockton taking on 13-seed Scales Mound on Monday, Feb. 19, with the winner moving on to face the four-seed Wolves.

The top half of the East Dubuque Regional bracket features a Monday opener between ten-seed Galena

and eleven-seed Warren. The survivor from Monday will play on Tuesday, Feb. 20, against the home team and overall number one seed, East Dubuque.

The Class 1A Regional Final will be played on Friday, Feb. 23 against the last two teams standing. The numbers seem to indicate that East Dubuque and Pearl City will be on track to a Friday meeting with the winner given a pass to Sectional play at Eastland High School on Tuesday, Feb. 27.

College News

Minnesota State Mankato announces 2017 Fall Semester Dean's List

The Academic High Honor and Honor lists (Dean's lists) for the past fall semester at Minnesota State University, Mankato have been announced by Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs Marilyn Wells.

Among 3,235 students, a total of 764 students including Rachel Edler of Lena, a Junior, Honor List, Biol:

Biomedical Sciences qualified for the High Honor List by achieving a 4.0 straight "A" average, while 2471 students earned a 3.5 to 3.99 average to qualify for the Honor List.

To qualify for academic honors, undergraduate students must be enrolled for at least 12 credit hours for the semester.

Minnesota State Mankato, a comprehensive university with 14,712 students, is part of the Minnesota State system, which includes 30 colleges and seven universities.

Pearl City Park District schedules 2018 summer ball registration

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Dependent child tax credits

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Child and dependent care tax credits – Taxpayers who paid for childcare while working or looking for employment may deduct some

of those expenses based on their adjusted growth income (AGI). Dependent children must be under 13-years-old at the time of care to qualify.

Lifetime Learning credits

Taxpayers and family members may earn a tax credit of 20 percent of tuition expenses, with a maximum of \$2,000 in tax credits on the first \$10,000 of college tuition expenses. Qualifying individuals, spouses or dependents must be enrolled at an eligible educational institution and the taxpayer claiming the deduction must be responsible for paying college expenses.

Green energy tax credits

Those who bought and installed

solar energy panels (also known as photovoltaic systems) or solar water heaters for their homes in 2017 may be eligible for energy tax credits. Certain requirements must be met to qualify. For example, equipment must be used for a "qualifying property" – not including swimming pools or hot tubs. More information is available by visiting www.energystar.gov.

CPAs have the answers

Everyone's tax situation is unique. A CPA can help determine if you're taking all your entitled tax breaks. The Illinois CPA Society has a free "Find a CPA" online directory to help you locate a tax expert in your area that best meets your needs.

ComEd offers Green Region and Powering Safe Communities Grants

ComEd: Green Region and Powering Safe Communities Grants on Behalf of Marlow Colvin

ComEd is proud to once again offer the Green Region and Powering Safe Communities grants for governmental entities in our service territory. We are accepting applications until March 16. Green Region and Powering Safe Communities will award grants - up to \$10,000 - through a competitive grant-application process, with applications reviewed by Openlands and the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus.

Please share the information below with your governmental entities within your respective districts and

encourage them to apply.

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Our File Number: 50591
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF THE FIFTEENTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
JO DAVIESS COUNTY,
ILLINOIS
BELMONT BANK & TRUST
COMPANY,
Plaintiff,
v.
PALLADINETTI
PROPERTIES &
DEVELOPMENT, LLC;
APPLE CANYON LAKE
PROPERTY OWNERS
ASSOCIATION;
PATRICIA PALLADINETTI,
UNKNOWN OWNERS AND
NONRECORD CLAIMANTS,
Defendants.

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Owner Occupied
Single-Family Home
9A-150 Hawthorne Drive
Apple River, IL 61001

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

The requisite Affidavit for Publication having been filed Notice is hereby given you, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants in the above entitled suit, that the said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of Jo Daviess County, Chancery Division, by the said Plaintiff against you and other Defendants, praying for the foreclosure of certain Mortgages conveying the premises described as follows, to wit:

LOT 150 IN HAWTHORNE UNIT OF BRANIGAR'S APPLE CANYON LAKE SUBDIVISION LOCATED IN A PART OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 10, A PART OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 AND PART OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 15, ALL IN TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 3, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN THOMPSON TOWNSHIP, JO DAVIESS COUNTY, ILLINOIS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE OF JO DAVIESS COUNTY, ILLINOIS ON SEPTEMBER

30, 1969 AS DOCUMENT NO. 118885 AND LOCATED IN PLAN HOLD B OF PLATS, NO/13-B, IN JO DAVIESS COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

PIN: 43-18-009-150-0000

Common Address: 9A-150 Hawthorne Drive, Apple River, IL 61001

and which said Mortgages were made by PALLADINETTI PROPERTIES & DEVELOPMENT, LLC as Mortgagor and BELMONT BANK & TRUST COMPANY as Mortgagee, and which (i) said first Mortgage was recorded on January 22, 2008 as document 339790 and modified by Modification of Mortgage recorded January 6, 2012 as document 366644; and (ii) which second Mortgage was recorded on April 28, 2016 as document 389258; all in the Office of the Jo Daviess County Recorder of Deeds;

And for other relief; that Summons was duly issued out of the said Court against you as provided by law, and that the said suit is now pending;

NOW, THEREFORE, unless you, said above named Defendants, file your Answer to the Complaint in the said suit or otherwise make your Appearance therein in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Jo Daviess County, Chancery Division, in the City of Galena, Illinois, on or before the March 2, 2018, default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a Judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint.

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STATE OF ILLINOIS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF THE 15TH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
JO DAVIESS COUNTY

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF
GERTRUDE M. KLOPF,
Deceased.

2018 P 3

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION CLAIMS

Notice is given to creditors of the death of GERTRUDE M. KLOPF, of 4401 S. Klopff Rd., Stockton, IL 61085, on January 13, 2018. Letters of Office were issued on January 25, 2018, to PAMELA KLOPF, of 4401 S. Klopff Rd., Stockton, IL 61085, and KIMBERLY BABER, of 503 N. Hudson St., Stockton, IL 61085, as Co-Executors, whose attorney is Ronald Paja, 116 S. Main St., P.O. Box 124, Stockton, IL 61085.

Claims against the Estate may be filed on or before July 15, 2018 in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court at the Jo Daviess County Courthouse, 303 N. Bench St., Galena, IL 61036, and any claim not filed on or before July 15, 2018 will be barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Co-Executors and to their attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

DATED: January 31, 2018.
PAMELA KLOPF,
Co-Executor
KIMBERLY BABER,
Co-Executor
By: *Ronald Paja*
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Eagle Nature Foundation tour bus seats available

Terrence Ingram, President of the Eagle Nature Foundation (ENF), has just announced that ENF still has seats available on each of their bus tours. This includes the Feb. 24, 4-hour Bald Eagle Bus Tours which leave from the Best Western Motel in Galena, IL at 8 a.m. on each Saturday morning. There are also seats available on the 4-day Wildlife/Historical Bus Tour to Nebraska on March 12 to 15. This tour leaves from the Ramada in Galena, IL at 8 a.m. on Monday, March 12 and returns about 6 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 15.

The cost per seat for the 4-hr Bald Eagle Tours is \$75 per adult and \$50 for children, 17 and under. The cost for the Nebraska Tour is \$895 per

person or \$845 per person dbl-occ or for groups of 4 or more the price is \$795 per person or \$745 per person dbl-occ.

More information about each tour may be found on ENF's website, eaglenature.com and a person may register and pay with PayPal for any of these tours on the website by looking at the events. All three of the tours will be led by Naturalist/Historian, Terrence Ingram who has been leading Bald Eagle Bus Tours ever since 1965.

For more information contact: Terrence N. Ingram, Exec. Director, Eagle Nature Foundation, 300 East Hickory St., Apple River, IL 61001 Phone 815-594-2306

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100 years since the Flu Pandemic of 1918

Compiled by Dr. DeeDee Wampfler D.C.

PREMIER CHIROPRACTIC

The CDC states that there is no better way to prevent the flu than to get the flu vaccine every year. Yet, a new study out of Canada estimates that this year's flu vaccine is only about 17% effective.

With the growing concern of safety and effectiveness of many vaccines, including the flu vaccine, many question this approach and instead seek out ways to support the immune system.

The spine's intimate relationship with the brain and spinal cord play an important role in better health and disease prevention. A study performed by Dr. Ronald Pero, Ph.D., chief of cancer prevention research at New York's Preventive Medicine Institute and professor of medicine at

New York University showed that people under chiropractic care for five years or more as compared to those in the general population had a 200% greater immune competence than those who had not received chiropractic care and a 400% greater immune competence than people with cancer and other serious diseases. Also important in this study was that the immune system superiority of those under chiropractic care did not appear to diminish with age. Dr. Pero stated: When applied in a clinical framework, I have never seen a group other than this chiropractic group to experience a 200% increase over the normal patients. The results were astounding and he has never seen such a positive improvement in a group

Another study, produced by the Dr. Sid Willams Research Center at Life

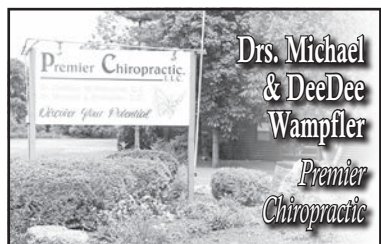
Chiropractic University took a group of HIV positive patients over a six-month period. With chiropractic adjustments, the patients had a 48% increase in the number CD4 cells (an important immune system component).

The control group that did not receive chiropractic adjustments actually experienced a decrease in CD4 cell counts by almost 8%.

The Journal of Chiropractic and Osteopathy published a study in 2010 noting the increased immune response in people who received thoracic (mid-upper back) chiropractic adjustments. Those who received spinal adjustments showed a significant increase in immunoglobulin G (IgG) and immunoglobulin M (IgM) antibodies and an increased production of interleukin 2 (IL-2) – an immunoregulatory cytokine, instrumental in the body's response to microbial infection and for the body's ability to discriminate between foreign (non-self) and self. This is showing significant increased immune response following chiropractic adjustments.

Perhaps the most recognized, wide-reaching demonstration of Chiropractic and increased immune health was during the tragic flu pandemic of 1918.

The pandemic infected almost



one third of the world's population, killing between 20 and 50 million people. More than 25 percent of the

U.S. population was affected and over a half a million Americans lost their lives to the flu – many of whom were young, healthy adults.

During this pandemic, doctors of chiropractic administered spinal ad-

justments that focused on the health and well-being of the nervous system. Medical statistics in Davenport, Iowa, detailed 4,953 cases of flu treated by 50 medical doctors that resulted in 274 deaths. In the same city, 150 chiropractors including students and faculty at the

Palmer School of Chiropractic treated 1,635 cases with only one death.

Only ¼ of 1% (0.0025 percent) of patients receiving Chiropractic adjustments died during the pandemic verses 9.2% of flu cases that received medical attention. Chiropractic patients experienced approximately 1/40th of the death rate experienced by those patients seek-

ing medical intervention.

In this same pandemic, New York health authorities showed that under chiropractic care, only 25 patients died of influenza (the flu) out of every 10,000 cases, whereas 950 died out of every 10,000 patients with the flu who sought medical treatment. Reports from Oklahoma showed that chiropractors treated 3,490 cases of influenza with only 7 deaths and there is a clear record showing that chiropractors were called in 233 cases where medical doctors had cared for the patients and had given them up for lost – the chiropractors saved all but 25.

Medical approaches may have changed in this 100-year period

since the terrible flu pandemic of 1918, but chiropractic adjustments remain the same. Doctors of chiropractic are highly trained and educated. They administer specific chiropractic adjustments to the spine in areas of misalignment to restore the balance and function of the nervous system, which controls the entire body. Chiropractic adjustments have been shown to increase a person's immune system and restore their health without drugs or surgery. It makes sense to arm your defenses with a healthy immune system through regular chiropractic care and to seek the immune boosting benefits of chiropractic care at times of sickness.

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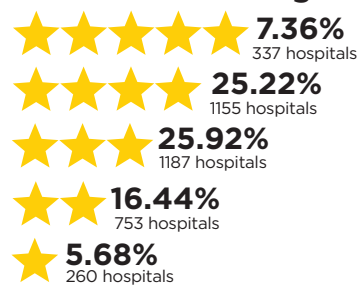
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