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Bigger and better Warren Pumpkin Festival moves to Jo Daviess County Fairgrounds

By John Day
CORRESPONDENT

The pumpkin takes its name from the Greek word Pepon which means large melon. The pumpkin is the cultivar of the squash plant and it has become a symbol of the autumn harvest and Halloween as well, here in America. Across the United States autumn brings about the time-honored traditions of harvest festivals that date back to ancient times. In many towns, large or small, the harvest celebrations have been given the name, Pumpkin Festival, in honor of the large, round orange melon.

One of the best Pumpkin Festivals is right here in Warren. The Warren event has been a tradition for years. During the three days of festivities thousands of people, area residents and tourists, come to the town that is on the old Stage Coach Trail.

This year the event will be held at the Jo Daviess County Fairgrounds located on High Road in Warren where on Sept. 21, 22, and 23, as many 40 vendors will be offering art, crafts, and foods in the Exhibition Building. Among the many favorites returning from years past will be corn dogs, cheese curds and donuts. The Lions Club will be offering their pork chop dinner on Sunday afternoon. A perennial favorite returning

this year is the stew made by Robert and Marsha Ernst. The Ernsts' Famous Mulligan Stew will be available once again.

Roland Hays made Mulligan Stew for Warren's annual Pumpkin Festival for eighteen years. It all started simple enough; a relative's wedding resulted in a request for something unusual to serve a large crowd at the reception, and Hays stepped up to the plate with a great stew recipe

The family and friends at the wedding loved the stew. They told Hays that he should make it for the upcoming fall festival held annually in Warren. When he sold over five hundred bowls the first day, he knew he was on to something, and the rest is Warren history.

Every year Hays put together his secret recipe, and stood out on the street during Pumpkin Fest weekend in Warren selling his stew. Eventually, age began to catch up with the stew master, and when he ran a classified ad looking for a replacement, Rob and Marsha Ernst applied for and took the position. Today, they prepare the traditional stew, and folks come to Pumpkin Fest to taste their specialty.

"We were not sure how it would all turn out," said Rob. "We just called Roland. He told us he would

help us with the stew for the first three years, and if we were comfortable, we could take it over."

The Ernsts modestly served stew for twelve years before adding the word Famous to his Mulligan Stew banner. Ernst said, "I've been serving my stew at the Pumpkin Festival for 29 years now. Every year the festival seems to get better with an even larger turnout. I like to think my stew is special. I start out with sixty-five pounds of chuck roast and one hundred fifty pounds of potatoes. Corn, onions, celery, carrots and stewed tomatoes go into the mix as well. I have a few secrets that make it as good as it is."

The Ernsts say they try to improve their stew a little every year.

"It is a lot of work, but it is fun to see folks that we haven't seen since last year," Marsha said.

On Saturday, Sept. 22, there will be an ATV/Garden tractor pull. Saturday will also feature the Pumpkin Smash Derby. The Derby is an automobile race on an oval track. During the race, as drivers jockey for position, a bit of shoving and bumping with cars is permitted. Later, on the same track there will be a School Bus Enduro. The Enduro is a demolition derby for school buses that demands considerable skill and courage. On Sunday, Sept. 23, there will be an antique tractor pull.

As in years past, there will be a parade, a carnival as well as a beer tent and an auction. Live entertainment will be provided by different bands. Entry to the festival and parking are free. There is a minimal charge for Grand Stand seating for the entertainment and some of the events. While in Warren for the Pumpkin

Festival visitors may wish to meander through the downtown area of Warren and stop in any of the village's businesses.

Warren is located on Illinois Route

78 approximately 13 miles north of U.S. Route 20. For more information contact the Warren Chamber of Commerce through its Facebook page.



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Apple River Sesquicentennial celebration

Abigail and Jasmine Byrne bring the egg toss competition segment of the Apple River Sesquicentennial Kids Games to an art form.

Apple Canyon Lake Ice Cream Social & Craft Fair

Artisans and crafters are invited to the heart of Jo Daviess County for the 40th Annual Ice Cream Social & Arts and Craft Fair at Apple Canyon Lake on Sunday, Sept. 2, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Apple Canyon Lake Clubhouse, 14A157 Canyon Club Drive, Apple River, IL.

The Apple Canyon Lake Ice Cream Social and Craft Fair has been an annual tradition for decades and Association members, and the public alike, look forward to this event each

year which features barbecue, grilled all-beef hot dogs, chips, a large selection of delicious pies and desserts, and ice cream.

Booth space is available indoors and out. The craft fair and ice cream social goes on rain or shine. Your free-standing canopy is welcome provided there are no stakes.

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The temperatures were through the roof, but the chefs didn't seem to notice during the annual Northwest Illinois BBQ Festival.



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Fall into Stockton

When the heat became too much to bear during the festival, folks sought relief in the seating tent out front of the Stockton Heritage Museum.



Large crowds and hot temps are the perfect combination for a Lemon Shakeup at the annual Fall into Stockton celebration.



Members of Stockton Cub Scout Den 31 built their soapbox derby vehicles to race and race they did during the Fall into Stockton Festival.

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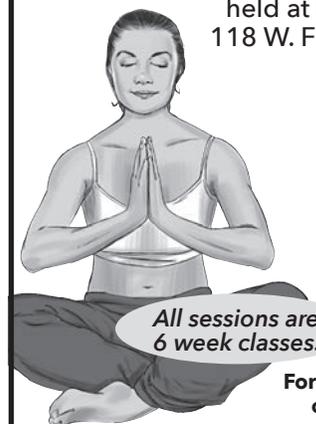
The car show featured in the 2018 Fall into Stockton festival drew large crowds of curious auto aficionados.

Jo Daviess County SWCD Fish Sale

The Jo Daviess County Soil and Water Conservation District is now accepting orders for the Fall Fish Sale and will continue to take orders through Sept. 14. Delivery is planned for Monday, Sept. 24, at 8 a.m. at the Elizabeth Community Building. We are offering Hybrid Sunfish, Bluegill, Redear Sunfish, Hybrid Redear, Largemouth Bass, Channel Catfish, and Fathead Minnows. Please note that Grass Carp must be ordered by Sept. 7. If you wish to order fish call our office at 815-858-3418 ext. 3 or email mindy.pratt@il.nacdn.net.

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Senior Chair Yoga

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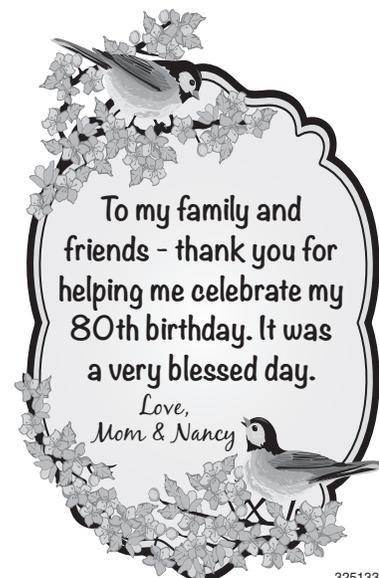
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FROM LENA'S KITCHEN



The not so skinny cook

Summer is back with a vengeance. School has started, so there has to be some really hot days. Hopefully fall will be a real season; it is one of my favorite times of the year. Labor Day signals the end of summer, and we will be able to check that off the list. The recipes this week are still wrapping up summer.

The first recipe is for those who love pickled things. I had a request last fall, and didn't find a recipe. This one makes one jar, and is really easy. Save those rinds and enjoy these unique pickles. No canning is required!

Watermelon Rind Pickles

- 1 C. sugar
- 1 C. water
- ½ C. red wine vinegar
- ½ C. white wine vinegar
- 1 lemon, sliced
- 2 t. mustard seeds
- 1½ t. kosher salt
- 1 t. black peppercorns
- ½ t. crushed red pepper
- 2 whole star anise
- 4 C. peeled watermelon rind

In a medium sauce pan, bring sugar, water, both vinegars, lemon, mustard seeds, salt, peppercorns, red pepper and star anise to a boil over medium-high heat, stirring until sugar dissolves. Add watermelon rind, and simmer until tender, about 10 minutes. Remove from heat and let stand for 5 minutes.

Transfer mixture to a 1-quart glass canning jar. Seal jar and let cool to room temperature. Refrigerate at least 1 hour before serving or for up to one month.

This great and refreshing summer salad is a good way to take a winner to the last picnic of the year. It is easy to make but does require some make ahead preparation.

Perfect Summer Fruit Salad

- ½ C. packed brown sugar
- 2 t. cornstarch
- 4 oranges
- 2 lemons
- 1 t. vanilla
- 2 C. blueberries
- 2 C. chopped fresh pineapple
- 2 C. sliced strawberries
- 3 kiwi, peeled and sliced
- 1 C. Seedless grapes, halved
- Mint for garnish

Mix together brown sugar and cornstarch in a small saucepan. Zest and juice 2 oranges and the lemons. Stir in 2/3 C. orange juice and 1/3 C. lemon juice; cook, stirring over medium heat until thickened and bubbly. Continue to cook, stirring, 1 minute more. Transfer

mixture to a small bowl and stir in vanilla and ½ t. each of orange and lemon zest. Chill, covered, for at least an hour.

Peel and section remaining oranges. Put orange sections, blueberries, pineapple, strawberries, kiwi, and grapes in a very large bowl. Pour cooled sauce and gently toss to coat. Chill, covered, 3-4 hours. Top with mint for garnish.

One of my friend's husbands asked for a meatloaf recipe that was different. This one has a great flavor with the ketchup and cheese. I often top my meatloaf with bacon, but this recipe wraps the meatloaf in bacon. What is better than bacon and cheese?

Cheesy Bacon-Wrapped Meatloaf

- 2 eggs
- ½ C. bread crumbs
- ½ C. diced onion
- 3 T. ketchup
- 1 t. garlic powder
- 1 t. pepper
- ½ t. salt
- ½ t. dried oregano
- ½ t. dried basil
- 2 lb. ground beef
- 4 oz. shredded cheddar cheese (1 cup)
- 6 slices bacon

Stir together eggs, bread crumbs, 2 tablespoons ketchup, garlic powder, pepper, salt, oregano, and basil in a large bowl. Add ground beef and half of the cheese; mix well. On a jelly roll pan, fold an 18 x 36 sheet of heavy foil in half crosswise. Arrange bacon in center of foil with long sides touching. Put beef mixture crosswise onto bacon; shape beef into a loaf. Pull bacon ends up and around the loaf. Fold sides of foil twice on each side; fold in corners to form a shallow part; transfer to a baking sheet.

Preheat oven to 375. Bake for 65 to 70 minutes. Spread remaining tablespoon of ketchup on top of meatloaf; sprinkle with remaining cheese. Place meat back in oven

about 10 minutes or until meat thermometer reads 160. Let rest for 10 minutes before slicing.

For those people who are not red meat eaters, this easy chicken casserole will be a winner for you. You use a Jar of Alfredo sauce and rotisserie chicken. I don't discard the chicken as the recipe says. I boil it for chicken broth. Enjoy this easy main dish during the week.

Chicken Caprese Casserole

- 1 box (16 oz.) penne pasta, cooked according to package directions
- 1 rotisserie chicken, meat shredded, skin and bones discarded
- 2 C. mozzarella, divided
- 2 C. cherry tomatoes, halved and divided
- 1 jar (15 oz.) Alfredo sauce
- 1 C. whipping cream
- ¼ C. chopped fresh basil
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1¼ t. salt
- ½ t. pepper
- ½ t. crushed red pepper

Preheat the oven to 425. Spray a 9 x 13 baking dish with cooking spray. In a large bowl, stir together cooked pasta, chicken, ½ cups mozzarella, 1½ C. tomatoes, Alfredo sauce, cream, basil, garlic, salt and pepper, and red pepper. Pour into prepared pan. Top with remaining mozzarella and tomatoes. Bake until golden brown and bubbly, about 30 minutes. Let stand for 10 minutes before serving.

There are some great peaches out there as well as blueberries. This dessert combines both of them. Enjoy this tasty fruit dessert.

Blueberry Peach Buckle Cake:

- 4 T. unsalted butter, room temperature, plus more for dish
- 1 2/3 C. flour
- 1½ t. baking powder
- ¼ t. salt
- ¾ C sugar
- ¼ t. grated orange zest

- 1 large egg
- ½ C. milk
- 2 C. blueberries
- 1 large peach, chopped

Topping:

- ¼ C. sugar
- 2 T. packed light brown sugar
- 3 T. flour
- ¼ t. nutmeg
- Pinch of salt
- 2 T. unsalted butter, room temperature

Cake: Preheat the oven to 375. Butter an 8-inch square baking dish. Whisk the flour, baking powder, and salt in a medium bowl. Beat the butter, sugar and orange zest in a large bowl with a mixer on medium-high speed until fluffy, about 3 minutes. Beat in the egg until combined. Reduce the mixer speed to low and gradually beat in the milk—it may look curdled. Add the flour mixture and beat, scraping down the bowl occasionally, until smooth. The batter will be thick. Stir in the blueberries and peaches and spread on the batter.

Topping: mix the granulated sugar, brown sugar, flour, nutmeg and salt in a small bowl. Work in the butter with your fingers until clumpy; scatter over the batter.

Bake until the top is golden and set and a toothpick inserted into the center comes out clean, about an hour. Let cool at least 30 minutes. Serve with ice cream.

I have had Mountain Dew cake and Coca Cola cake, so why not root beer cake. I would suggest using a really good root beer in a bottle rather than a can. Bloomers is a great root beer as is IBP. Enjoy this unique tasting bundt cake.

Root Beer Bundt Cake

- 1 box white Cake mix—Betty Crocker super Moist works best
- 1¼ C. root beer room temperature
- 1/3 C. oil

3 large egg whites

Preheat the oven to 350. Spray a 12-cup bundt pan with baking spray with flour. In a large bowl, beat cake mix, root beer, oil, and egg whites in mixer for 30 seconds at low speed; increase mixer speed to medium and beat for 2 minutes, stopping to scrape sides of bowl. Spread batter into prepared pan. Tap pan on counter twice. Bake until a wooden pick inserted near the center comes out clean, about 35 minutes. Let cool in pan for 10 minutes. Remove from pan, and let cool completely on a wire rack. Serve with Root Beer Whipped Cream.

Root Beer Whipped Cream

- 1 C. heavy whipping cream
- ½ C. cold root beer
- ¼ C. firmly packed light brown sugar
- ½ t. vanilla

In a medium cold bowl with cold beaters, beat all ingredients at high speed until peaks form. Serve on Root Beer Bundt cake. Garnish with pecans.

I hope you all have a great Labor Day Weekend; it is hard to believe summer will be over. I guess baseball games ending and football starting makes it really seen real. Just a reminder that the Farmer's Market is again open on Wednesday evenings—stop by for some great vegetable and fruit buys. Last week they had squash, cucumbers, peppers, onions, tomatoes, kale, green beans, broccoli, cabbage, herbs, and fruits. There is also some great home baked goodies and jams and jellies.

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Troopers remind motorists that school is back in session

Illinois State Police are reminding communities and motorists to take the necessary safety precautions in preparation for the start of the new school year.

Illinois State Police District 16 Interim Commander, Lieutenant Carl Heintz, is reminding motorists many schools are back in session. "With the school year starting, that means an increase in pedestrians, especially younger pedestrians, as well as more traffic around schools," said Lt. Heintz. As schools throughout Jo Daviess, Stephenson, Winnebago and Boone Counties open their doors for a new school year, Illinois State Police want to remind everyone that their focus should be on traveling at a safe, legal speed and eliminating distractions. Drivers should heighten their

awareness in and around school zones to help avoid a crash. District 16 troopers will be increasing their presence in school zones helping to ensure the safety of everyone present. "Troopers will be focusing on speeding; distracted driving; seat belt and child restraint violations; as well as illegal passing of stopped school buses," Lt. Heintz stated. "These violations are serious and can result in hefty fines and license suspensions."

Lt. Heintz would also like to remind parents that it is illegal for a driver under 19-years of age to operate a phone while driving, whether handheld, or hands-free, outside of an emergency situation. "New drivers have enough to worry about," stated Lt. Heintz. "Phone calls and texts are just not that important."

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Madigan calls on U.S. EPA to abandon proposed rollback of safety protections

Attorney General Madigan and 11 other state attorneys general today called on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to abandon a proposed rule that would roll back regulations that protect communities, workers, and first responders from dangerous chemical accidents.

Madigan and the other attorneys general submitted extensive comments on the EPA's proposal to rescind key provisions of 2017 amendments to its "Risk Management Program" (RMP) regulations. The "Accident Prevention Amendments" rule made critical improvements to the RMP to safeguard against explosions, fires, poisonous gas releases, and other accidents at facilities that store and use toxic chemicals.

Prior to the proposal to roll back these critical community safety protections, the EPA sought to block the

rule by delaying it by 20 months. In response, Madigan and a coalition of state attorneys general filed a lawsuit challenging the delay and, last week, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit struck down the delay, ruling that it violated the federal Clean Air Act and was arbitrary and capricious. The appellate court called the regulations "life-saving protections" and stated in its opinion that the delay made, "a mockery of the statute."

"The EPA is proposing to roll back a critical safety measure for workers, first responders and the environment from very dangerous chemical accidents," Madigan said. "The EPA is ignoring the serious risk that chemical disasters pose to communities across the country."

In their comments, Madigan and the other attorneys general charge that the proposed rule would "eviscerate" the safeguards added by the

Accident Prevention Amendments rule, and represent a "step backwards in preventing and mitigating harms to public health and the environment from chemical accidents." The coalition also argues that the proposal, if adopted, would be "inconsistent with the Clean Air Act" and "arbitrary and capricious."

According to the EPA, in the last 10 years, there have been over 1,500 accidents at chemical plants, including 100 accidents in Illinois. Nationally, these accidents caused 58 deaths; 17,099 people to be injured or seek medical treatment; almost 500,000 people to be evacuated or sheltered-in-place; and over \$2 billion in property damage. High-profile incidents included those at BP Refinery in Texas in 2005 (15 people killed, 170 injured), Chevron Refinery in California in 2012 (19 workers endangered, 15,000 people sought medical treatment), Tesoro Refinery in Washington in 2010 (seven people killed), West Fertilizer Facility in Texas in 2013 (15 people killed), and Williams Olefins Plant in Louisiana in 2013 (two workers killed, many more injured).

Illinois has over 900 facilities that have prepared risk management plans pursuant to the RMP. According to the five-year accident histories for these facilities, there have been 85 accidents resulting in five deaths and 452 injuries. Outside this

Highland athletes receive Academic All-American recognition

The tradition of high quality student-athletes participating in Cougar athletic programs continued in 2017-2018. Twelve Highland Community College student-athletes were named to the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) All-American teams.

Receiving first team honors with a GPA of 4.0 are:

Matthew Pfeiffer, men's bowling, Freeport

Makenzie Robieson, volleyball and softball, Orangeville

Receiving second team honors with a GPA of 3.80-3.99 are:

Kelsey Bollon, softball, Orangeville

Receiving third team honors with a GPA of 3.60-3.79 are:

Brandon Brown, baseball, Elizabeth

Allison Weegens, volleyball, Lena
Courtney Haas, volleyball, Stockton

Brandon Brown is a repeat NJCAA Academic All American. More information can be found by visiting: www.njcaa.org/awards/student-athlete-awards or contacting the Athletic Department at 815-599-3465.

time frame, a significant release occurred on April 23, 2004 - an explosion and fire destroyed the Formosa Plastics plant in Illiopolis. The accident resulted in the deaths of five workers and serious injuries to three others. In addition, an estimated 150 people were evacuated to avoid contact with toxic fumes and smoke.

The number and severity of accidents over the last decade make clear the need to update the safety and security of the nation's chemical facilities. On Jan. 13, 2017, the Chemical Accident Safety Rule was finalized to update RMP regulations mandated by Congress in 1990 amendments to the federal Clean Air Act. The amended rules would necessitate additional safeguards in accident prevention programs to protect communities and prevent future accidents - requiring "root cause" analyses and third-party audits following accidents, as well as

analyses of safer technology and alternatives; emergency response procedures, mandating annual coordination with local first responders, annual notification drills, and periodic field exercises; and increased public access to facility chemical hazard information, in addition to public meetings within 90 days of an incident. In fact, despite the attempts by the EPA to delay and roll back the regulations, the agency published a June 2017 fact sheet that outlines the pressing need and dramatic safety benefits of the rule.

The more than 12,000 facilities covered by the regulations include chemical manufacturers, petroleum refineries, pulp and paper mills, chemical and petroleum wholesalers and terminals, wastewater treatment plants, agricultural chemical distributors, midstream gas plants, and food storage facilities with ammonia refrigeration systems.

Governor signs ag-boosting measure legalizing industrial hemp

Gov. Bruce Rauner signed the Industrial Hemp Act, Senate Bill 2298, adding Illinois to a growing number of states that permit growth of cannabis cultivated for non-drug uses such as paper- and fabric-making, biodegradable plastics, construction materials and health food.

The governor also signed House Bill 5749 today, easing weight-limit restrictions on state highways during harvest time, improving the competitive outlook for Illinois farmers and agricultural commodities haulers. Both measures will enhance one of the state's leading industries: farming.

"Legalizing the farming of industrial hemp just makes good sense," Rauner said. "Roughly 38 states - including our neighbors in Wisconsin, Kentucky, Indiana, Missouri and Tennessee - have allowed or are considering allowing cultivation of this crop for commercial, research or pilot programs. Our farmers should have this option as well. This new state licensure program begins that process."

"The Illinois Farm Bureau appreciates Gov. Rauner signing SB 2298 which legalizes the growing of industrial hemp by Illinois farmers," said Richard Guebert Jr., president, Illinois Farm Bureau. "Illinois Farm Bureau policy, developed by our grassroots members, has long supported the production, processing, and utilization of industrial hemp. Illinois farmers will now have new opportunities to diversify their farms by growing this versatile crop."

"We are excited that Gov. Rauner is signing into law a bill that will bring a new sustainable agriculture industry and millions of dollars in

investment and economic growth to Illinois," added Jen Walling, executive director of the Illinois Environmental Council. "Industrial hemp will bring new opportunities to Illinois farmers. We are very grateful to the elected officials and advocates that worked so long to pass the right bill for Illinois."

The Industrial Hemp Act, effective immediately, creates a state licensure program through the Department of Agriculture that enables those who desire to grow the crop to do so. The state Department of Agriculture shall establish rules for THC-level testing of industrial hemp crops.

"Today, hemp products are sold on store shelves throughout Illinois, but our farmers are not able to grow hemp in their fields," said Lt. Gov. Evelyn Sanguinetti, who chairs the Governor's Rural Affairs Council and attended today's bill signing at the State Fair in Du Quoin. "Our farmers lead the nation in corn and soybean production. In signing this bill, Gov. Rauner is providing our framers another crop for their fields and another opportunity to compete nationally."

"Gov. Rauner knows the importance of agriculture to the Illinois economy and I truly appreciate his approval of this legislation," said Rep. Tim Butler, R-Springfield, chief sponsor of SB 2298 in the House. "The production of industrial hemp has broad support among our farmers and rural families, as they know this will add another potentially significant crop that can be grown in our state. In the early 20th century, Illinois was a national leader in hemp production and I look forward to us returning to that position."

Notice of Supervisor of Assessments examination

The Department of Revenue, Springfield, Illinois has fixed Monday, September 10, 2018, as the date for an examination for the office of Supervisor of Assessments. The examination will be held in Room 303 in the Winnebago County Administration Building located at 404 Elm St., Rockford, Illinois, at 10:30 a.m.

Application forms and information may be obtained at www.wincoil.us, or by contacting the Stacy Mullins at (815) 319-4236 or smullins@wincoil.us. Individuals interested in taking the examination should contact the same by 10:00 am of the day before the examination to register.

To be eligible for election or appointment to the office of Supervisor of Assessments, an individual must

meet the eligibility criteria set forth in 35 ILCS 200/3-5 of the Property Tax Code.

The examination and facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities in compliance with state and federal laws. Persons in need of special accommodations should notify the coordinator at the time of registration.

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Obituaries

ARMIN R. GROEZINGER

Armin R. Groezinger, 78, of Shannon IL, passed away with his family by his side on Aug. 17, 2018 following a short battle with cancer. Armin, the son of Arthur and Louise (Miller) Groezinger, was born June 25, 1940 in Freeport, IL.

Armin married Joyce Helms on March 12, 1965, she passed away in 1995. He married Sandra Horstmeier on Feb. 14, 1997, whom he spent 21 of his golden years with.

Armin was baptized and faithfully attended St. John's Lutheran Church in Massbach. Later in life he became a member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Lanark and was active there until his death.

Armin attended Mt. Hope and Massbach Schools, and graduated from Stockton High School in 1958. After high school, he attended UW-Platteville, was drafted into the United States Army and Honorably Discharged. He received his Associates Degree from Highland Community College in 1985.

Growing up on the family farm, Poverty Acres, in Massbach, he decided Massbach was the place to raise his own family. He acquired the Massbach Cheese Factory and renovated it from a town gathering hall to a home in which his kids were raised. His family has great stories to tell of living in the country.

Armin held several jobs in his lifetime including Boyle Dairy Equipment, Atwoods Automotive, Leslie-Locke, E.S.Lieb Excavating, Martin Marietta, and finally retiring from Woods Equipment Company as a maintenance supervisor. Not only did Armin provide for his family, he also farmed with his dad and rented several pieces of farm ground.

Known for his ambition, desire to provide for his family, and strong work ethic, he purchased the first round baler in the area, and had a custom baling business. In addition, he remodeled homes for friends and neighbors.

Armin had a talent to be able to build and fix just about everything, and has passed his handyman and craftsmanship skills down to his son. He built his family a summer home at Lake Carroll in the early eighties where weekends were spent with family and friends.

After retirement, he became an avid John Deere Collector, and spent many days at his shed, working on

restoring his tractors, and taking the time to spend with anyone that dropped in to talk. He also enjoyed going to farm auctions and looking for the parts he needed to fix his tractors.

Armin wasn't happy if he wasn't working, so during his retirement years, he spent his falls chisel plowing for Schoeny Farms, and his winters plowing snow for Cherry Grove and Shannon townships. In the summers, he had a lawn mowing business in Shannon and Lake Carroll.

Most of all he loved spending time with his kids and grandkids. He enjoyed helping his son in his construction business. He had amazing relationships with all of his grandkids. He taught them how to drive tractors, and play euchre. He became a high school sports fan, and loved watching his grandkids compete. He never missed their FFA banquets, theatre & speech performances, concerts, spelling bees, and sporting events.

Armin is survived by his wife, Sandra, son, Daryl (Pennie) Groezinger of Stockton, daughters, Amy (Doug) Lieb of Pearl City, and DeAnne (Blake) Voss of Pearl City, Stepsons Ray (Sharon) Horstmeier, Brodhead, WI, and Chad Horstmeier, Conway, AR. Grandchildren, Drew (Stockton), Clayton, Zachariah, Jacob, Lincoln, Lucy, and Hudson (Pearl City). Step Grandsons Noah Horstmeier (Machesney Park), Tyler (Kerrie) Brugger, Monroe, WI, Ryan (Marci) Brugger, Albany, WI. Step Great Grandchildren Aubree, Kelsee, Brynlee, Morgan & Grant and brother, Marlo Groezinger of Freeport. He was preceded in death by his mother, father, wife (Joyce), and sister (Donna).

At Armin's request, a private family service will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church, Lanark. Interment will be at Stockton Ladies Union Cemetery.

A Celebration of Armin's Life will be held on Sunday, Sept. 9, at Armin's Shed (a qtr mile south of the Shannon Casey's). Please join us from 1-4 p.m. for lunch and to share

memories with Armin's family.

A memorial fund has been established. Condolences may be shared with Armin's family at www.hermannfuneralhome.com.

CAROLE POUZAR

Carole Pouzar, 77, of near Scales Mound, IL, passed away on Sunday, Aug. 19, 2018 at the Finley Hospital in Dubuque, IA.



She was born on July 2, 1941 in Cicero, Illinois as the second daughter of George and Anne (Gorup) Zoubek, both deceased, and the sister of Georgene.

She raised her son Tom as a single working mother and rose to management in information technology at the University of Illinois, before retiring with her second husband Richard to their tree farm in Guilford Township. She pursued organic gardening and organic living with a passion as a Master Gardener, making numerous presentations throughout Jo Daviess County.

During her life, she was an animal advocate, boxer, musician, and scuba diver, with a curiosity for science that she passed on to her son. She was an incredibly talented and creative cook and passed her love of cooking down to her granddaughter. In the words of her grandson, "She made the best breakfast and always was a fun person to be around. She always knew how to put a smile on all of our faces with her crazy sense of humor." Her daughter-in-law "was always amazed at her honesty, love of life and her ability to engage anyone and everyone in a conversation. She acted as she wished." Her generosity in providing time, information, and gifts to others was remarkable.

She is survived and will be sorely missed by her husband Richard, her

son Tom (Linda) Cervenka, and her grandchildren Caitlin Cervenka and Thomas R. Cervenka.

A private memorial service will be held at a later date for the family. Donations in memory of Carole can be made to the animal shelter of your choice.

The Miller & Steinke Funeral Home of Scales Mound is serving the family.

MARY ANN (MOKROS) MERRILL

Mary Ann (Mokros) Merrill, 85, passed away Saturday, Aug. 18, 2018 at Azura Memory Care in Monroe.



She was born to Lester and Deila (Massey) Tietjen on May 16, 1933. Mary Ann married James Mokros on Oct. 25, 1950. She and James farmed for many years in the Lena area. James passed away on Oct. 19, 1986. She then married Donald Merrill on June

10, 1989.

Mary Ann enjoyed gardening, tending to flowers and spending time with her grandchildren.

She is survived by her husband, Donald, of Sterling, IL, four children: Greg (Melody) of Freeport, IL, Dianna (Harry) Unzicker of Oregon, IL, Lyle (Kristine) of Platteville, WI, and Albert (Ann) of Lena, two step-children: Michael Merrill of Davenport, IA and Sarah Merrill (Maurice Bell) of Sterling, IL; She is also survived by twelve grandchildren and seventeen great-grandchildren.

Mary Ann was preceded in death by her husband, James, her parents, brother, Lester Tietjen and sister, Helen Franz.

A visitation was at the Leamon Funeral Home on Saturday, Aug. 25.

A funeral service was held at the Leamon Funeral in Lena on Saturday, Aug. 25.

Burial will be at Chapel Hill Memorial Garden in Freeport.

A luncheon will follow burial at the Faith United Methodist Church in Freeport.

A memorial has been established in her memory.

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Join Riverview Center at Woodbine Bend Golf Course & Restaurant for the Chipping Away at Sexual & Domestic Violence Golf Outing, featuring 18 hole, four Person, best shot, heavy appetizers, and prizes/raffles on Wednesday, Sept. 5. All proceeds will support survivors of sexual and domestic violence.

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

IFB releases the 2018 Livestock Report. Illinois Farm Bureau, along with Illinois Beef Association, Illinois Milk Producers Association and Illinois Pork Producers, released this report to show the four truths regarding livestock production in Illinois.

Truth one: Environmental issues are uncommon on Illinois Livestock

Farms

Truth Two: Illinois livestock farms are environmentally sustainable

Truth Three: Illinois livestock farms are economic engines for Illinois

Truth Four: Livestock farms create opportunities to bring the next generation back to Illinois rural communities. All these areas are backed up by

facts that were assembled to dispel the misinformation and incorrect material that is spread by many. If you would like to see a copy of this publication, you can go to:

<http://www.ilfb.org/livestocktruth>.

Farm to Table dinner scheduled. The Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau and Apple Canyon Lake are joining forces to bring to the area our first Farm to Table dinner, Saturday, Sept.

22. This joint venture is open to ACL and Farm Bureau members and the public as well. We are excited to use this opportunity to showcase our area's local producers. Tickets are available for purchase at the farm bureau office in Elizabeth or at the Apple Canyon Lake property owners club. Tickets are \$30 per person. Cocktails & hors d'oeuvres will be served at 6 p.m. and dinner at 7 p.m. There are a limited

amount of tickets available so stop in today to get yours!

The Young Leaders Committee will have their next meeting this Sunday, Sept. 2, at 8 p.m. here at the farm bureau office in Elizabeth. Anyone between the ages of 18 and 35 and has an interest in agriculture is welcome to attend. For more information, call our office at 815-858-2235.

Mark your calendars. The cover crop field day is set for Friday, Sept. 14, from Noon to 3:30 p.m.

* Date: Friday, Sept. 14

* Time: Noon - 3:30 p.m. with lunch being provided to those who pre-register by Sept. 10, Call 815-858-3418, ext 3 to RSVP

* Location: South side of Stockton on Route 78. Head south of Stockton on Route 78. The plots are on the south edge of town on the west side of the road.

* Speakers include:

Jim Isermann with the Soil Health Partnership

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Dr. Dennis Busch with UW Platteville

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NWILDD August 2018 winners

Twelve organizations plus five additional subcontracting organizations from Jo Daviess, Carroll & Stephenson County sponsor the Northwest Illinois Daily Drawing, a cooperative fundraiser.

In the Daily Drawing cash prizes between \$50 and \$250 are awarded for 365 days from October 1, 2017 - September 30, 2018 to those donating for a ticket. A ticket can win multiple times throughout the year.

Sponsoring organizations include: Caring Community of Elizabeth, East Dubuque Music Boosters, Freeport Dance Team, Galena Music Boosters, Hanover Alumni Association, Lena-Winslow Education Foundation, Pearl City Athletic Boosters, River Ridge Education Association, Stewards of the Upper Mississippi River Refuge, Stockton Strong, Warren Athletic Boosters and West Carroll Sports Boosters. Sub-contracting organizations include: Elizabeth Historical Society, Galena Elks Scholarship Committee, Hanover Chamber of Commerce, Scales Mound Travelers and Volunteer Hospice of Northwest Illinois.

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- 5th . Sunday . \$50 - Laurie Zueger, Stockton
- 6th . Monday . \$50 - Illowa Music, Clinton, IA
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- 8th . Wednesday . \$50 - Shelia Schultz, Dubuque, IA

- 9th . Thursday . \$50 - Stephanie Dagle, Warren
- 10th . Friday . \$50 - Angie Roberts, Elizabeth
- 11th . Saturday . \$50 - Roger Grenoble, Nora
- 12th . Sunday . \$50 - Pat Ertmer, Galena
- 13th . Monday . \$150 - Karen Feldman, Freeport
- 14th . Tuesday . \$50 - Jeff Erbsen, Pearl City
- 15th . Wednesday . \$50 - Al Hendren, Apple River
- 16th . Thursday . \$50 - Kevin Paul, East Dubuque
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- 18th . Saturday . \$50 - Victor Hansen, Stockton
- 19th . Sunday . \$50 - Sam Stoddard, Stockton
- 20th . Monday . \$50 - Janet Carlson, Galena
- 21st . Tuesday . \$50 - Steve & Janelle Keeffer, Galena
- 22nd . Wednesday . \$50 - Paul Mangin, Clinton, IA
- 23rd . Thursday . \$50 - Becky Huttenlocher, Lena
- 24th . Friday . \$50 - Susan O'Connor, Mt Carroll
- 25th . Saturday . \$50 - Sandy Offenheiser, Elizabeth
- 26th . Sunday . \$50 - Dave Sendt, East Dubuque
- 27th . Monday . \$50 - Donna Cox-Rodriguez, Freeport
- 28th . Tuesday . \$50 - Jerry Biederman, Thomson
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- 31st . Friday . \$50 - Kim Leamon, Lena

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Wildcats claim first with season opening win

By Chris Johnson
REPORTER

Friday night's win over the Ashton-Franklin Center Raiders, 22-0, moved the River Ridge Wildcats into a very strong position. The team, with its 1-0 record, stands atop the NUIC-Upstate. They have company though.

Over the next few weeks, that situation is expected to simplify. Currently, as week two begins, it is the River Ridge Wildcats, Stockton Blackhawks and Polo Marcos taking early control in the Upstate with identical starts.

River Ridge, with its 22-0 victory, may have secured the "biggest win" of the weekend. Stockton was favored to topple the short-handed Warren Warriors, while Polo was thought to have a chance to slip past the upstart Orangeville Broncos.

Stockton won 46-6. Polo had to fight all the way through their 34-31 success story.

Running the ball helped keep both co-leaders in their game. But for the Wildcats, it was a designed shared assignment. The aerial assault found many willing recipients and secured a six-point tally. The ground was

covered, twice for scores.

This Friday night, the Wildcats open the home portion of the fall sports schedule. The Orangeville Broncos visit and hope to move back into conversation circles regarding conference chases.

River Ridge hosts Galena next Friday night, before heading north to Warren for a key, Upstate-impacting head-to-head battle in their week four game.

In week five the Stockton Blackhawks travel to Hanover for what has the potential to be a playoff-influencing occurrence.

Another current conference leader appears on the schedule in the week six match. Polo follows Stockton to Hanover.

It doesn't let up as the season winds down for the Wildcats. Aquin hosts game eight and Milledgeville could be fighting for a playoff-position when they host River Ridge to close down the regular season on Oct. 12.

Stockton's running clock win over Warren in the season opener pushed the team into the first-place tie with their neighbor River Ridge.

They will look to move to 2-0 this

week as they play host to non-conference familiar South Beloit. As the numbers are compared, it appears that as the first third of the season comes to a close, a much more serious test will arise for Stockton.

Milledgeville travels north on Sept. 7 and brings a lot of hope with it. The week three game could be one that truly impacts the race for the conference championship. At least in the early season, positioning race for Stockton.

It is quite clear that Freeport Aquin isn't going anywhere anytime soon, neither is Polo. Stockton will have plenty of time to get even stronger before they prepare to close the season on the road against two of the expected conference challengers. The Blackhawks face off against both the Marcos and Bulldogs during the final stretch.

Polo hosts the week eight affair and could be looking to lock down a home game in round one of the Class 1A Tournament. In week nine, the Bulldogs could also find themselves in a very strong position, with a win over their chief rival Blackhawks.

By then though, Aquin may have already punched its ticket to the post-season.

The final battle during the final week of the season could be one which finally determines which team of the many talented programs climb out of the Upstate and into the IHSA Class 1A Tournament, with the best chance to win.

No matter what happens, it is pretty clear that the Upstate Champion may still have to deal with their sister-conference Champion, the Northwest's best, which includes four of the last five Class 1A State Champions, if they have any designs on a march that leads to DeKalb and the 1A Title Game.

Top ranked Panthers silence 2A Thunder

By Chris Johnson
REPORTER

The champion took the field against the West Carroll Thunder on Friday, Aug. 24 and came away with the first statement win of the season. The 2017, 2A Quarterfinalist managed one score against the best team in the Class 1A world, Lena-Winslow.

Winning in the opener is something that many felt could be a bit of a challenge for the Panthers. It wasn't the easiest starting game, given how far the Thunder have grown as a program and how well the team has acclimated to power football, weekly, in the State of Illinois' best small-school conference.

Winning the NUIC has been a very good indicator of which team has the best chance to win it all at State. Four of the last five seasons, the team that survived nightly battles found a path that led to DeKalb and the State Title Game.

Just seasons back, both Forreton and Eastland-Pearl City hoisted championship trophies. The Cardinals were the 1A's best. The Wildcats ended 2A play as the top program in the State, just one game later. The NUIC-Northwest had two State Champions that time around.

West Carroll's hopes to upend the

Northwest race were halted courtesy of the 30-point loss to Lena-Winslow in the game one meeting on Friday.

The Panthers are home this Friday night to face a team that had to be beaten twice last season, before the path leading to the 1A Championship Game was cleared. Forreton is 1-0 and tied with Lena-Winslow and Pearl City-Eastland for first place in the NUIC-Northwest.

The Cardinals rolled the Rivermen in their own season opener last Friday. The second-year Pecatonica and Durand coop held ground early, before succumbing to the constant attack by the Cardinals' backs.

The 2017 1A Semi-Finalist Cardinals won by three scores, 30-6. They moved to top billing in the Northwest with the Panthers.

Pearl City-Eastland moved to the top at 1-0, with Le-Win and Forreton, after shutting down the East Dubuque offense in a 28-0 decision.

The Wildcats hope to continue the on-field success this Friday night following an appointment with the Clippers in Amboy. First place will remain in control for Pearl City-Eastland with a win. Similar success might be found as the season moves up to one-third completion on Sept. 7.

Pearl City Eastland plays host to

the Du-Pec Rivermen in the week three game and look at the chance of remaining perfect and in first as the season approaches the midway point.

With Forreton facing Lena-Winslow this Friday night, with anything other than a tie in the outcome, one team will drop from the leadership commission with its first loss of the year. Pearl City-Eastland will stay at the top with a win over Amboy.

Orangeville athletes worked this week on forgetting the season opening three-point loss to the Polo Marcos, 34-31. The comeback by the potential Upstate challenger saw a 16-0 run that led to the victory on opening night. Now the Broncos get the chance to get things back to .500 this Friday night as they host Upstate co-conference leading River Ridge.

The Wildcats shut-out Ashton-Franklin Center 22-0 to move into a first place tie with Stockton and others in the NUIC's small-school conference.

The numbers seem to indicate a little easier stretch for Orangeville beginning with its week three meeting with Galena. They follow up the match with a Sept. 14 showdown with the Warren Warriors. A chance to move to possibly 3-1 or at least 2-2 does seem to exist for the 2017 play-

off-visiting Broncos.

In weeks five and six, it could be a rough go for Orangeville. They do have the slight advantage of playing at home when Stockton and Polo visit in back-to-back fashion beginning Sept. 21.

Meetings with Aquin Catholic and Milledgeville are also still on the schedule for Orangeville. They face both Upstate threats following action with Polo in the week six match.

Millie's quote of the week

"We showed no care for the little ones; we abandoned them. The heart-wrenching pain of these victims, which cries out to heaven, was long ignored, kept quiet or silenced, but their outcry was more powerful than all the measures meant to silence it."

Pope Francis on Pennsylvania priest abuse.

College news

Upper Iowa University Honors and Awards recipients

Upper Iowa University has announced its 2018 Scholarships and Awards Recognition Banquet recipients. The honorees, selected by the UIU Honors and Awards Committee and the University academic divisions, included the following students:

Elizabeth, IL - Emily Frank, Thomas Parker Goebel and Helen Goebel Scholarship;

Pearl City, IL - Clayton Lieb, Zecha - McCauley Scholarship;

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...at the Fifth Annual Service Partners Concert at Council Hill Station in Scales Mound. On Saturday, Sept. 8, from 2-5 p.m., enjoy the blend of rock, blues, country, Zydeco, and polka performed by popular local band, The Lonely Goats. Entry to this family-friendly event is just a suggested donation of \$5. Enjoy great food and your choice of beer and cold drinks. Bid on silent auction items from area

businesses including Stockton Service Center, Brewster Cheese, Apple Canyon Lake Golf Course, Hartzell's IGA, and Timber Lake Playhouse. Also included in the auction is a watercolor from J. Eric Anderson and many other great items! Try your luck on a 50/50 drawing. All proceeds go to support area social service agencies such as food pantries and other assistance programs. This event is sponsored by the Unitarian Universalist Church of Stockton, "where all are welcome." They extend special thanks to concert sponsors: Illinois Bank and Trust, Apple River State Bank, First Community Bank of Galena, and Council Hill Station. For family fun and feeling good for helping, come to Council Hill Station at 6521 N. Hill Rd., Scales Mound, IL. That's Saturday, the eighth of September. And bring your dancing shoes.

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Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church will gather for worship with Holy Communion on Sept. 2, at Good Shepherd, 118 E. Mason St. Lena, IL, at 9:30 a.m. Reading is from Mark 7:1-23. There will be a time for fellowship after the service. Choir rehearsal will resume at 11 a.m., and new singers are always welcome.

On Monday, Sept. 3, church office will be closed. We wish you an enjoyable Labor Day Holiday. On Wednesday Sept. 5, at 8:00am 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!

On Thursday Sept. 6, at 9 a.m., Hannah Circle will meet at the home of Rene' Johnson. This will be potluck; we will not have a hostess. We will begin a new Bible Study on "Repentance" from the Sept. 2018 copy of "Gather Magazine". Rene' will be the Bible study leader. Women of any walk in life are welcome to join.

Good Shepherd will have hospitality tent at the Lena Fall Festival on Sept. 7 and 8. Stop by for water, quilt raffle, and GIANT JENGA.

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

Lena United Methodist Church

Lena United Methodist Church has planned Sept. worship and activities with a continued strong emphasis on serving and involving the church's youth.

Rally Day will be held during regular worship Sept. 9. Teachers for grade levels will be blessed for their service for Sunday school classes which begin Sept. 16. Teachers have adopted a new curriculum with family themed Bible stories, service learning, science activities, arts and crafts and animated video storytelling. Deep Blue Shores, the curriculum, assists teachers in working in a one-room school situation suitable for various grade levels. It is aimed toward younger grade levels. High school students will continue with regular instruction as in the past.

The church added a part-time youth coordinator in the spring to assist in planning activities for young people and to share life experiences with them. Pastor Roger Bronkema, part-time minister at Warren United Methodist Church, will help the youth of LUMC plan service projects, fund raisers, and other church related activities. He said he especially wants to help the youngsters be involved in church services. Many of the planned activities are done jointly with the youth of the Warren church. Heavy emphasis is on group building, worship, discipleship, missions and outreach. Pastor Roger and Pastor Keri Rainsberger of LUMC led joint confirmation classes throughout the spring and finished this summer. Youth from both churches were confirmed as members to their respective churches.

Some church members have been busy readying a float for the Lena Lions Fall festival. Several youth volunteered their time to assist in this activity. They also enjoyed a weekend church campout at Lake Le-Aqua-Na State Park. Pastor Keri, Pastor Roger, and Roberta Rogers, Sunday school teacher, accompanied the group and shared activities with them.

Church service is held each Sunday at 9 a.m., with a fellowship time following. Sunday school begins at 10:30 a.m. Pastor Keri is planning a series of messages based on the Letter of James. James is a book that emphasizes putting faith into practice.

People wanting more information about LUMC should call the church office at 815-369-5291, or stop by the office at 118 W. Main Street, Lena. Website address is www.lenaumc.org. Information is also available on Facebook at Lena United Methodist Church. Both the Website and the Facebook page are updated regularly. Need a ride to church? Call church office weekday mornings at 815-369-5291.

Salem United Church of Christ

Open communion will be offered at the 9:30 a.m. worship service of Salem United Church of Christ at 8491 West Salem Road on Sunday, Sept. 2, at 9:30 a.m., and the monthly offering in support of the Osterloo family will be gathered. "You Tube It!", the sermon by Rev. Randal Nicholas, will be based on scripture from James 1:17-27. Breakfast for the Wednesday Morning Group will be at Country Junction in Freeport at 8 a.m. on Sept. 5.

St. John's Lutheran Church in Pearl City

You're invited to join us at Worship at St. John's on Sunday, Sept. 2. The service will be led by Pastor Ekstrand. Following worship, refreshments will be served in Luther Hall. The Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet after worship also.

Congratulations to Kim Lorig, Lena, IL, for winning the the \$200 Calendar Raffle drawing on Aug. 22.

The Men's Breakfast will be held at Little John's on Sept. 7, at 7:30 a.m. You're welcome to join the fun and play Mexican Train Dominoes on Tuesday, Sept. 6.

It's not too early to make plans for your children to attend Sunday School at St. John's this year. The Sunday School year will start on Sept. 9, with Rally Day after worship. This year's Sunday School features a new curriculum focused on Discipleship.

All those attending Confirmation this year and their parents should attend an acolyte training and confirmation informational meeting at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, Sept. 9. Confirmation classes will begin Sunday, Sept. 23 at 10:15 a.m.

Bible Studies are resuming this Fall! The Monday Evening bible study will begin on Sept. 17, at 7 p.m. and focus on "Apocalypse: Daniel and Revelation." The Thursday morning Bible Study will begin on Sept. 13, at 9:30 a.m. and focus on "The Prophet Imagination of Jeremiah." Members and non-members alike are welcome to attend the bible studies. Both bible studies are held in the Conference Room on the Lower Level. You're welcome to use the East entrance with stairs to the Lower Level or the Front/West Door and use the elevator.

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.

Willow/Kent United Methodist Churches

The Willow/Kent United Methodist Churches will worship together Sunday, Sept. 2, at Kent UMC at 9 a.m. Pastor Chuck Wolbers will be bringing the message from the Holy Bible. All are invited and welcome to stay for fellowship.

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Voting assistance and voting aids in marking the ballot will be available at all polling places in Jo Daviess County for voters who are either temporarily or permanently physically incapacitated or over the age of 65 at the Nov. 6, General Elec-

tion, according to County Clerk Angela Kaiser.

"If you wish to go to the polls, but need assistance," Kaiser noted, "arrangements can be made to vote from your car once you arrive. Please call the County Clerk's Office at 815-

777-0161 no later than Monday, Nov. 5, to make these arrangements."

Voting by mail is another alternative for all voters. Applications for voting by mail are now available from the County Clerk's Office, however mailing and delivery of ballots

does not begin until Thursday, Sept. 27. All applications for voting by mail must be received in the Clerk's office by Thursday, Nov. 1.

Voting assistance is also available inside the polling place from someone who accompanies the voter or from an election judge of each political party.

Early Voting by personal appearance in the County Clerk's Office is another option for all registered voters. Anyone may come and vote in the Jo Daviess County Clerk's Office, 330 N. Bench St., Galena, between Thursday, Sept. 27, through Monday, Nov. 5, on weekdays from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. and on Saturday, Nov. 3, from 9 a.m. until 12 noon.

Tuesday, Oct. 9, is the last day that new voter registrations or name/address changes can be taken and still allow the voter to vote at the polls. "Registrations can be taken at my of-

fice between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday," Kaiser added, "and deputy registrars are located throughout the county. Registrations or changes can be made at most libraries or several other business locations."

State law does allow grace period registration and transfer of registration from Wednesday, October 10, 2018 through Tuesday, Nov. 6, 2018. Grace period registration is conducted only in the County Clerk's Office and requires the individual to vote at the time of registration. Please be prepared to show two forms of identification, with at least one having your current address.

For more information on registering to vote, voting assistance, or early voting call Kaiser's office at 815-777-0161 or write the County Clerk's Office at 330 North Bench Street, Galena 61036.

A word from Stockton's Chamber President

By Marci Schubert
PRESIDENT, STOCKTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Stockton Chamber would like to thank and congratulate Emily Bochniak for a very successful internship this summer with us. During Emily's four months, she was able to implement a vast number of goals that we as a board and she as a student and employee had agreed on. She successfully implemented this newsletter that we hope to continue with her assistance as she returns to school. She was instrumental in organizing Fall into Stockton 2018, beginning the Enjoy Stockton campaign, gave a Lunch and Learn on

social media and #hashtags, was our Facebook, contact and email guru and kept this board energized, creative and ABLE to handle the growing needs of the Stockton Chamber.

Emily will be returning to college in Chicago next week, and we wish her all the best in her senior year. She will continue to work with us for about 10 hours per week to keep the momentum going throughout 2019. We hope to have her back and continue this growth next summer. Emily will return Sept. 9, to run our newest event the Chamber golf outing which she has been instrumental in organizing and creating. Look for some fun and exciting activities to promote networking and sharing of your business with others during this event. Get signed up ASAP. <https://form.jotform.com/81425355984162>

Stockton is very lucky to have her! A special shout out to Cullen Barkau for recognizing the need when we put the word out and referring Emily

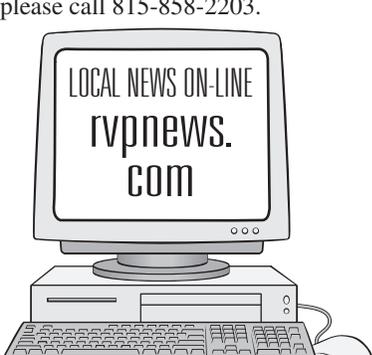
to us.

I would also like to personally thank the current 2018 Chamber Board and the group of volunteers that just recently organized and put on the Fall into Stockton event. I have heard great reviews of the event and many of our members and new businesses alike have already voiced interest in next year's date. We would like to see ALL Chamber members involved next year, whether as a sponsor, vendor, or volunteer. This event has proven its value to our community in bringing in people, business, as well as \$ (dollars) and promoting our value to neighbors, tourism and the general public. Thank you to our sponsors for 2018 who went above and beyond this year. They are speaking loudly by believing in this event and the work that a small, but mighty, group puts in to making it successful. It's a pleasure to work/volunteer AND learn with this group of entrepreneurs.

Jo Daviess Carroll Career Technical Education Academy to host open house

The Jo Daviess Carroll Career Technical Education Academy (formerly the Jo Daviess Carroll Area Vocational Center) will be hosting an open house On Sept. 6, from 3-6 p.m. Students, families, and community members are encouraged to attend. There will be appetizers prepared by the Restaurant Management & Culinary Science students, a 50/50 raffle, Program Prize drawings, and much, much more. CTE Academy Instructors will be on hand to speak with visitors and answer questions.

The Jo Daviess Carroll CTE Academy serves students from Galena, River Ridge, Scales Mound, Stockton, Warren, and West Carroll school districts. Programs include Auto Body, Automotive Technology, Computer Networking & Security, Construction Trades Technology, Cooperative Education, Early Childhood Education, Graphic Communications, Health Occupations, Law Enforcement & Criminal Justice, and Restaurant Management and Culinary Science. The CTE Academy is located at 950 US RT 20 W, Elizabeth, IL. For more information, please call 815-858-2203.



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Dated: August 6, 2018

ANGELA KAISER

County Clerk

ROBIN BUSS

Deputy Clerk

(Published in The Scoop Today Aug. 15, 22 & 29, 2018)

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NOTICE

Stockton CUSD #206 Board of Education in Jo Daviess county announces the availability of the Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018. The budget will be available for public inspection online at stocktonschools.com or at the District Office, 540 North Rush Street, Stockton, IL during normal school hours beginning on Wednesday, August 22, 2018.

The Board of Education will hold a public hearing regarding the Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019 on Monday, September 24, 2018 at 6:15 p.m. in the Stockton Middle School conference room at 500 North Rush Street, Stockton, Illinois.

Deb Gille
Secretary

Board of Education

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Elizabeth Food Basket

Gregg Loring, a member of Kavanaugh Masonic Lodge #36 of Elizabeth, IL runs the Lodge's fund-raising booth at the Elizabeth Garlic Fest to raise money for the Elizabeth Food Basket. The Elizabeth Food Basket gives food to needy residents within the River Ridge School District of Elizabeth and Hanover, IL and in the areas of Schapville and Scales Mound IL. Their area of coverage is about 200 square miles of Jo Daviess County. The Food Basket is located at the Village Hall off of Highway 20 adjacent to the Antique Mall and is open every Monday from 10 a.m. to Noon. The Masonic Lodge collected \$128 in donations for the Elizabeth Food Basket.

Affordable health screenings coming to Stockton, Illinois

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Poppy winners

Alana Miller receives her first place prize of \$50 from Department American Legion Auxiliary President Marsha Haag.

Andrea Karnatz was the chairman for this contest in Lena and was very successful in receiving posters from each grade level that was eligible to compete.