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100 Women Who Care donate to Freeport Area Church Cooperative

Congratulations to Freeport Area Church Cooperative on being the recipient of this quarter's donations. Last week we presented members' donations to Dean Wright, Executive Director of FACC, totaling \$12,900! Every year the Freeport Area

Church Cooperative serves over 3,000 adults and 1,700 children through its food pantry. Though the number of families served through the food pantry has been fairly steady over the past several years, food donations from the community (that

the pantry heavily relies upon to fight food insecurity) has been on the decline. Last year, FACC received almost \$11,000 less in food donations than in 2016. This year looks as though the pantry will again fail to raise enough food donations to

adequately serve those in need. In addition to fighting food insecurity in the greater Freeport area, FACC's food pantry also strives to be a source for quality food which includes healthy alternatives for families and fresh produce.

In addressing declining food donations, while at the same time improving the quality of food available at FACC's food pantry, FACC will become a member of the Northern Illinois Food Bank, a local affiliate of the Feeding America and wholesale distributor of food items and commodities to local food pantries.

With the donation given to FACC by the 100 Women Who Care-Stephenson County members, FACC will budget at least \$1,000 per month in 2019 for the purchase of supplemental food items. These foods will not only help FACC keep its shelves full throughout the year but will help increase the overall nutritional value of the food FACC distributes to those in need in Stephenson County.

Congratulations FACC and THANK YOU for all you do for our Stephenson County community members.

Caregiver class set for Alzheimer's family members

Are you a caregiver for a family member who has Alzheimer's disease or another, related dementia? Does that person live at home? Are you looking for ways to increase your knowledge and confidence in this role? If so, a four-week class at the Senior Activity Center in Freeport is for you.

"The Savvy Caregiver" is presented by the Alzheimer's Association and designed for family caregivers of individuals with Alzheimer's who live at home, not in a residential care setting. The free sessions will meet on Thursdays, Jan. 10, 17, 24 and 31 from 5:30 to 8 p.m. at the

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Fun socks!

Le-Win Elementary students honored the late President Bush by sharing his passion to spread joy with fun socks.



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Life Skills

Morgan Zinke and Tyler Pfile are part of Ms. Jones Life Skills class at Le-Win High School. The students spent the week preparing and assortment of treats for the staff and delivered them on Monday to the staff lounges.

Thank You

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The family of Dale Browning wishes to say Thank You to everyone for their acts of kindness and patience shown to Dale during and after his illness.

Browning Family

• Class

(Continued from front page)

Senior Activity Center, 216 E. Stephenson St.

Registration is required and can be completed by calling Trinnette at 847-324-0360. Classes are limited to 12 participants so call soon.

The program is designed to equip family members and others for the caregiving role.

"The Savvy Caregiver" is presented through an Alzheimer's Disease Supportive Service Program grant from the Administration for Community Living.



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Good times

Lena Living Center residents enjoy a morning of doggies and donuts hosted by Unity Hospice.

Thank You

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Thank You to the Lena Lions for the fruit basket and delicious cookies.

Judith Browning

Thank You

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I would to Thank the Lena Lions Club and the Lena Area Church Cooperative for the delicious cookies and fresh fruit. What a wonderful way to help brighten my day during this Advent Season.

Larry Maaske

Thank You

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Thank You to the Lena Lions Club and the Lena Area Church Cooperative for the fruit and cookies. It was appreciated.

Carlos Lingel



Dream Big in 2019.

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Busy lives, easy meals and more

Having a busy life, although fulfilling, sometimes makes eating and staying healthy a challenge. Whether you are juggling a busy schedule for yourself or planning around others busy schedules, finding time to prepare and cook healthy meals, can be difficult. However, the busier our lives are, the more important it is for us to choose healthy foods.

Selecting healthy foods will not only help you manage your weight

Highland's CollegeNOW program continues to grow

The Highland Community College Board of Trustees has approved an agreement with Aquin Catholic High School to be among 10 area high schools to participate in the CollegeNOW program. The program allows high school students to take college-level classes to earn both a high school diploma from their school and an Associate Degree from Highland simultaneously.

"CollegeNOW is a great program for students who want to challenge themselves and get ahead start on their college academics," said Vicki Schulz, Highland student advisor. "The program gives the students a chance to take on rigorous courses in math and science so that they are well prepared to transfer to the four-year university."

For more information on CollegeNOW, contact Vicki Schulz at vicki.schulz@highland.edu or call 815-599-3664.

but they also provide your body with key nutrients needed to keep your immune system stay strong and healthy. Staying healthy is a goal that needs to be a priority in our lives. A goal that is can be accomplished with a little planning, a lot of love and perseverance, and a desire to be the best you possible.

University of Illinois Extension Nutrition and Wellness Educator, Diane Reinhold is partnering with the Senior Resource Center to offer a fun and educational workshop with ideas on how to provide healthy meals for busy lives for all ages! The workshop, "Busy Lives, Easy Meals: Slow Cooker Cookers and More" will be held Thursday, Jan. 17, from 1 - 3 p.m. at the Senior Activity Center, 216 E. Stephenson St. Freeport, IL.

This workshop will cover the benefits of healthy eating in a fast paced world, slow cooker basics, the timing of adding ingredients, the features and designs of various cookers, and of course food safety basics. We will also be sampling recipes and sending you home with great recipes.

Preregistration is required due to limited space, please register before Monday, Jan. 14. There is a \$5 fee to cover the educational session. To register contact the University of Illinois Extension at 815-235-4125 or visit us online at go.illinois.edu/jsw.

Diane Reinhold is a University of Illinois Extension, Nutrition and Wellness Educator and registered dietitian. For more about upcoming programming on nutrition and wellness, visit go.illinois.edu/jsw or call 815-235-4125.

Affordable health screenings coming to Stockton, Illinois

Residents living in and around the Stockton, Illinois can learn about their risk for cardiovascular disease, osteoporosis, diabetes, and other chronic, serious conditions with affordable screenings by Life Line Screening. Calvary United Methodist Church will host this community event on 1/14/2019. The site is located at 315 W. Maple Avenue in Stockton.

Screenings can check for:

- The level of plaque buildup in your arteries, related to risk for heart disease, stroke and overall vascular health.
- HDL and LDL Cholesterol levels
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- Kidney and thyroid function, and more

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Highland nursing students can transition from AAS degree to BSN degree

Highland Community College nursing students have an opportunity to graduate with a Bachelor of Nursing degree from Lewis University and step into a job at FHN through an agreement with Lewis University and a partnership with FHN to have students transition from Highland's Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN), and an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree to the RN-BSN program at Lewis University in Romeoville, Ill.

For more on Highland's nursing program, visit highland.edu/academics/nursing.

Highland Youth Choir to resume rehearsals in January

The Highland Community College Youth Choir will resume rehearsals on Monday, Jan. 7, under the direction of Dagny Brandt. New members, grades kindergarten through 12 are welcome. There is no audition or registration fee. The choir rehearses on Mondays from 4:15 to 5:20 p.m. in room F-10 in the Ferguson Fine Arts Center at Highland Community College, 2998 W. Pearl City Rd., Freeport, Ill.

The HCC Children's Choir began in the early 1980s. Over the years, the choir is credited for encouraging the musical talents of hundreds of adolescents and teenagers. The Highland Youth Choir will provide an opportunity for students to practice vocal music talents as well as promote personal and social growth.

For more information contact Dagny Brandt at dagny.brandt@highland.edu or call 815-599-3490.



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If you have a resolution to be more fit in 2019, FHN's Get FiTeam Challenge is here for you!

For just \$25 each, you and three of your friends/family members will compete with other four-person teams in a 12-week program timed to help you be in better health for all of your summer activities. You'll earn points for exercise, drinking plenty of water, and eating five servings of fruits and vegetables every day. At a baseline screen, you will confirm your current height, weight, blood pressure and cholesterol level. Throughout the challenge, you will receive challenge updates, healthy recipes, and invitations to health-related events. You will also be able to take advantage of trial memberships only for Get FiTeam members at local health and fitness clubs. When all is said and done, the top teams of the competition will win great prizes!

The challenge kicks off on January 20, with baseline screens* being held at FHN Memorial Hospital, lower level, Globe/Deaconess Room on:

January 16, 2019	January 17, 2019	January 19, 2019
10 am-1 pm	3 pm-6 pm	8 am-11 am

*You must attend one of the scheduled baseline screens in order to have your points count. Please schedule your screen early to be sure to get the date and time that works best for your schedule. There will not be "make up" screening dates.

Get your team together and Get Fi! Register online at geffit.fhn.org. For more information call us at 1-877-6000-FHN ext. 901 or email us at geffit@fhn.org.

FROM LENA'S KITCHEN



The not so skinny cook

You probably are getting this paper on Christmas Eve Day or the Day after Christmas. In England and its Commonwealth countries, Dec. 26, is known as Boxing Day. In England it is the day that little boxes have either money or presents for the people who serve them. In America we give presents or "tips" to the people who serve us on several occasions not just the day after Christmas. Many British people say that Americans celebrate Boxing Day by looking at all the empty boxes that we opened on Christmas Day! No matter how you cut it, Christmas is celebrated on many days because this year it falls in the middle of the week. So, that being said, the recipes this week are for appetizers for New Year's Eve or Day, brunch recipes for the leftover holiday celebrations, and some just good old fashioned cooking!

The first recipe is for a good and easy cheese dip. You can make

it ahead and have it ready to go. I would make it in the oven and then put it in a small crock-pot to keep it warm. I have mentioned before that we have the best bacon at A.J's Lena Maid Meats. It is great in this recipe because it doesn't have a lot of fat and crumbles easily.

Bacon Pimiento Cheese Dip

7 slices bacon, cooked, chopped and divided
 1 pkg. (8 oz.) shredded cheddar cheese (mild)
 1 pkg. (8 oz.) shredded cheddar cheese, (sharp)
 2 jars (4 oz. each) pimientos, drained, chopped
 1 C. mayo with olive oil
 2/3 C. milk
 2 green onions, chopped
 Preheat the oven to 375. Reserve 2 tablespoons chopped bacon. Combine remaining bacon with remaining ingredients; spoon into a 2 quart casserole sprayed with cooking spray. Bake 30 to 35 minutes or until cheeses are completely melted and dip is heated through. Sprinkle with reserved bacon. Serve with pita chips

This next appetizer uses Brie cheese. We have some really good Brie cheese made in Lena. You can find good Brie cheese in many cheese markets, and of course Kolb Lena has a long reputation for making great Brie cheese. This appetizer

uses Brie and cranberries to make a tasty combination into a decadent appetizer. Flaky salt is sea salt and unlike table salt or kosher salt, it tends to have larger salt pieces. If you can't find flaky salt, use kosher salt or you could omit the salt altogether.

Cranberry Brie Bites

8 oz. round Brie Cheese
 1 sheet thawed frozen puff pastry
 24 t. cranberry sauce
 Chopped nuts
 Flaky salt
 Freeze the brie round in the freezer for 20 minutes. Lightly coat a 12-cup muffin pan with cooking spray. Roll one sheet of thawed frozen puff pastry into a 12-inch square. Cut lengthwise into 3 even strips, then cut crosswise again into 3 even strips to create 9 squares. Gently press each square into a muffin cup. Cut chilled Brie into wedges. Add 2 t. cranberry sauce to each pastry-lined muffin cup. Press in 1 wedge of Brie; top with chopped nuts. Sprinkle with flaky salt. Chill, covered, at least 30 minutes or up to 3 days. Preheat the oven to 400. Bake bits until golden brown, 18 to 20 minutes. Let stand 5 minutes, then remove from muffin cups. If desired, drizzle with additional cranberry sauce

If you are looking for some brunch recipes, the next two egg dishes will be just what you might want. The first is made in a muffin pan, hence the strange name—muffinwiches. The second is for an omelet. Both would be great for Christmas celebrations or New Year's Day. They also can be used to get rid of the leftover ham from your big meal.

Ham Muffinwiches

1 egg, lightly beaten
 1/3 C. milk
 1 T. oil
 1/8 t. ground mustard
 1 pkg. (8 1/2 oz) corn muffin mix
 1 C. chopped fully cooked ham
 2 green onions, thinly sliced
 2 T. shredded cheddar cheese
 Preheat the oven to 400. Whisk together the egg, milk, oil and mustard. Add muffin mix; stir just until moistened. Fold in ham and green onions. Fill eight greased or paper-lined muffin cups half full.

Bake muffins until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean,

15 to 20 minutes. Immediately sprinkle with cheese. Cool 5 minutes before removing from pan to a wire rack. Serve warm.

Baked Ham and /Cheese Omelet

2 1/2 C. chopped cooked ham
 1 C. chopped red pepper
 8 egg whites
 4 large eggs
 1/3 C. milk
 3 T. chopped fresh chives
 1 t. salt
 1/2 t. pepper
 1/2 C. shredded sharp Cheddar Cheese

Garnish: chopped fresh chives and sliced avocado

Preheat the oven to 400. Spray a 9 x 13 baking dish with cooking spray. Sprinkle ham and bell pepper in an even layer in prepared dish. Bake until pepper is tender, about 10 minutes.

In a large bowl, whisk together the egg whites, eggs, milk, chives, salt and pepper. Pour mixture over ham and red pepper. Sprinkle with cheese. Bake until puffed and set, 22 to 25 minutes. Garnish with avocado, chives, and black pepper if desired.

These bars are great on a brunch table because you have a cereal like treat that uses nuts and fruit. Some people would say it is healthy, but the sweetness comes from light karo syrup. (There is nothing healthy about karo syrup; it just tastes really good.) If you really want to stretch the point, syrup is put on pancakes which are brunch treats. Maybe we should all just say it is the holidays and eat good stuff and worry later!

Trail Mix Bars

1/2 C. chopped whole almonds
 1/2 C. chopped dried cranberries
 1/2 C. dry-roasted peanuts
 1/2 C. toasted unsweetened coconut flakes
 1/3 C. dry-roasted sunflower kernels
 1/3 C. light corn syrup
 2 T. honey
 1 t. vanilla
 1/2 t. salt

Line an 8 x 8 pan with parchment and coat with nonstick spray. In a bowl, toss the almonds, cranberries,

peanuts, coconut, and sunflower kernels together. Heat the corn syrup and honey in a small saucepan over medium-high to a boil, stirring occasionally, and boil for 2 minutes.

Off the heat, stir in the vanilla and salt, and then pour over nut mixture, quickly stir until evenly coated. Press nut mixture into baking dish using the back of a measuring cup coated with nonstick spray. Chill nut mixture until it is set up. Cut into bars.

If you are looking for a different cinnamon roll, this recipe is for you. These cinnamon rolls not only taste good, but they are really pretty too.

Red Velvet Cinnamon Rolls

1 pkg. regular size red velvet cake mix
 2 1/2 to 3 C. flour
 1 pkg. (1/4 oz.) active dry yeast
 1 1/4 C. warm water (120 to 130 degrees)
 1/2 C. packed brown sugar
 1 t. cinnamon
 1/4 C. butter melted
 Icing
 2 C. powdered sugar
 2 T. butter, softened
 1 t. vanilla
 3 to 5 T. milk

Combine cake mix, 1 cup flour and yeast. Add warm water to dry ingredients and beat on medium speed for 2 minutes. Stir in enough remaining flour to form soft dough. (It will be sticky). Turn onto a lightly floured surface; knead dough gently 6-8 times. Place in a greased bowl, turning once to grease the top. Cover with plastic wrap and let rise in a warm place until doubled, about 2 hours. In another bowl, mix brown sugar and cinnamon. Punch down the dough. Turn onto a lightly floured surface; roll dough into an 18 x 10 rectangle. Brush dough with melted butter to within 1/4 inch of edges; sprinkle with sugar mixture.

Roll up jelly-roll style, starting with a long side; pinch seam to seal. Cut crosswise into 12 slices. Place in a greased 9 x 13 pan. Cover and let rise until almost doubled, about 1 hour.

Preheat the oven to 350. Bake until puffed and light brown, 15 to 20 minutes. Cool slightly. Beat powdered sugar, butter, vanilla and enough milk to reach a drizzling consistency. Drizzle icing over warm rolls. Place cut rolls on a serving platter.

We are looking for recipes for the New Year—some appetizers, soups, and sandwiches. If you would like to share, please send them in. You can contact us in person, by mail, or email us at From Lena's Kitchens, Shopper's Guide at 213 S. Center St. or email scoopshopper@rvpublishing.com

We will be ushering in a new year, and we are hoping that everyone has a healthy and happy start and finish. It is hard to believe we are shutting the door on 2018. It has been an interesting year for politics, weather, and just plain life. We have celebrat-



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Stockton vs. Orangeville

(Right) Junior Grace Edler nabs the rebound and puts it back up good for two.

(Below) Timber Oakes finds room between the defense and hoop adding two for the Lady Broncos.



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Payton Meier gets above the defender for the side jumper.



Junior Emily George moves toward the paint.



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Freeport Salvation Army \$30,000 challenge

The fight for good has been inspired by several Freeport residents to help meet the annual Red Kettle Goal. All donations that are received into the Freeport Salvation Army kettles from Thursday thru Dec. 24th will be matched up to \$30,000. This will provide a total of \$60,000 towards the Salvation Army Christmas campaign.

"What a great blessing this is and a perfect opportunity to achieve the 2018 Red Kettle a show stopper, what an exciting community to live in." Captain Jim Brickson

The Freeport Salvation Army has set a necessary goal to help area residents in time of need and provide

vital services to those in need. Currently they need to collect close to \$55,000 to reach this benchmark as part of their 2018 Red Kettle portion of the \$225K Christmas campaign. This first time ever opportunity for Freeport and will most likely push the local unit into reaching their goal.

"It seems that the face of the local Salvation Army has changed for the good; an all-volunteer force has allowed for the community an opportunity to help come together as a team. I am amazed by the outpouring of support of Stephenson County." Captain Lee Brickson

The Salvation Army, an international movement, is an evangelical part of the universal Christian church. Its message is based on the Bible. Its ministry is motivated by the love of God. Its mission is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in His name without discrimination.

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Legion Auxiliary Juniors

The Junior members of the Lena and Warren American Legion Auxiliary decorated Christmas cookies and delivered plates of them to elderly neighbors.

Pictured from left to right are Macey Segner, Aubra Segner, Jordan Mills, Cassie Bausman and Evelyn Karnatz.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church will gather on Dec. 30, for Blue Christmas worship service at 9:30 a.m. at 118 E. Mason St. Lena, IL. Not all Christmas is cheerful and merry. We also experience loss and grief this season. Blue Christmas service offers quiet and reflective moments with scripture readings, songs and communion. Everyone is welcome. Following worship, there will be a time for fellowship with coffee and sweets.

On Wednesday Jan. 2, at 8 a.m. the Piece Corps Quilters will work together to craft quilts for Lutheran World Relief. Our quilts provide warmth and love to people in our community and in the world. Materials and helping hands to tie and sew quilts are always appreciated. No previous quilting experience is necessary. Come join the fun and make a difference in the world!

We are having a SOCK DRIVE for the Le-Win Elementary school. Bring new and comfortable socks to the church until Jan. 7.

For more information, please call the church at 815-369-5552.

Willow/Kent United Methodist Churches

The Willow/Kent United Methodist Churches will worship together Sunday, Dec. 30, at Willow UMC at 9 a.m. Pastor Chuck Wolbers will be bringing the message celebrating the coming New Year. All are invited and welcome to stay for fellowship.

Sunday School is at 10:30 a.m., also studying from the Upper Room. All are invited and welcome to this time too.

Willow UMC is located seven miles SE of Stockton, IL on Willow RD. For more information, please call Pastor Chuck at 815-947-2541.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STEPHENSON COUNTY - FREEPORT, ILLINOIS QUICKEN LOANS INC, PLAINTIFF
vs.
STACY KING; LINDA MEIGHAN; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, DEFENDANTS

18 CH 9

Address: 830 W Hamilton St Freeport, Illinois 61032
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on July 17, 2018, I, Sheriff of Stephenson County, Illinois, will on January 17, 2019 at the hour of 9:30 AM at the Stephenson County Courthouse, 15 North Galena, Freeport, IL 61032, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of Stephenson, State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

LOTS 18 AND 19 IN BLOCK 5 OF FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS ADDITION TO THE CITY OF FREEPORT, STEPHENSON COUNTY, ILLINOIS ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED OCTOBER 4, 1911 IN BOOK D OF PLATS, PAGE 4 COMMON ADDRESS: 830 W Hamilton St, Freeport, Illinois 61032

P.I.N.: 18-18-01-230-021
 The real estate is improved with a single family residence. **THE JUDGMENT AMOUNT WAS: \$67,687.79**

Sale terms: 25% down by certified funds; the balance, by certified funds, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "as is" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after Confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection and Plaintiff makes no representations as to the condition of the property. Prospective

bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.

Pursuant to 735 ILCS 5/15-1512, the amounts of any surplus bid will be held by the sheriff until a party obtains a Court Order for its distribution, or for 60 days following the date of the entry of the order confirming sale, at which time, in the absence of an order directing payment of the surplus, it may be automatically forfeited to the State without further notice.

If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

For information: Examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: Johnson, Blumberg & Associates, LLC, 230 W. Monroe St., Chicago, IL 60606, telephone 312-541-9710. Please refer to file number IL 18 5664.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF STEPHENSON, STATE OF ILLINOIS WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS OWNER TRUSTEE OF MATAWIN VENTURES TRUST SERIES 2018-1,

Plaintiff(s), vs. ELLEN R. GORDON, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, CITY OF

FREEPORT, UNKNOWN TENANTS, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendant(s).

18 CH 65

PUBLICATION NOTICE

The requisite Affidavit for Publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to you: **ELLEN R. GORDON, NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, UNKNOWN TENANTS and UNKNOWN OWNERS, Defendants** in the above entitled suit, that said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of Stephenson County, Chancery Division, by the said Plaintiff, against you and other Defendants, praying for foreclosure of a certain Real Estate Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to wit:

LOT 15 IN BLOCK 15 OF ARCADE ADDITION TO THE CITY OF FREEPORT, SITUATED IN THE CITY OF FREEPORT, STEPHENSON COUNTY, STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Tax Number: 14-32-437-010 A/K/A 18-14-32-437-010 commonly known as 806 S 18TH AVE FREEPORT IL 61032;

and which said Real Estate Mortgage was made by JAMES C. GORDON, and recorded in the Office of the Stephenson County Recorder as Document Number 9877357; 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, the said named Defendant, file your answer to the Complaint in the said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the office of the Circuit Court of Stephenson County, located at 15 NORTH GALENA AVENUE, SECOND FLOOR, FREEPORT, IL 61032, on or before January 18, 2019, 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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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STEPHENSON COUNTY, ILLINOIS THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK, PLAINTIFF, VS. CYRUS R FURST; JACQUELINE FURST, DEFENDANTS.

18 CH 27

415-417 WEST MAIN STREET FREEPORT, IL 61032

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE ACT

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by the Court in the above entitled cause on September 25, 2018, Sheriff of Stephenson County will on February 5, 2019, in Stephenson County Courthouse 15 N. Galena Ave (West Door), Freeport, IL 61032, at 9:30 AM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of Stephenson, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment:

LOT 7 IN BLOCK 33, EXCEPT THE EAST 15 1/3 FEET THEREOF, IN THE ORIGINAL TOWN (NOW CITY) OF FREEPORT. SITUATED IN THE CITY OF FREEPORT, STEPHENSON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

TAX NO. 18-14-31-184-005
 COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 415-417 West Main Street Freeport, IL 61032

Description of Improvements: Gray asbestos cement siding, two story 4 unit apartment home, detached two car garage
 The Judgment amount was \$51,269.67.

Sale Terms: This is an "AS IS" sale for "CASH". The successful bidder must deposit 10% down by certified funds; balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. NO REFUNDS.

The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate, water bills, etc., and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to plaintiff. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

Upon payment in full of the bid amount, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information.

The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.

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Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. only - McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 1 N. Dearborn St. Suite 1200, Chicago, IL 60602. Tel. No. (312) 346-9088. Please refer to file# 266300

PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Plaintiff's attorney is not required to provide additional information other than that set forth in this notice of sale. I3107833

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Illinois Extension and Jo Daviess County Master Gardeners present Spring Break Gardening

The Jo Daviess County Extension Staff along with the Jo Daviess County Master Gardeners are busy planning their annual Spring Break Gardening Day. This year the event is being held on Saturday, March 16, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. with registration beginning at 8:30 a.m. The event is being held at the CTE Academy, 950 US HWY 20 W. Elizabeth, IL. There will be a \$20 registration fee that will include refreshments, lunch

and handouts. Also, please be aware that if you choose to participate in the Hypertufa Pot or Rain Barrel breakout sessions there will be an additional fee associated with each of them to cover materials that you will go home with. For more information or to register for this program please visit us online at go.illinois.edu/jsw or call us at 815-858-2273.

This year the keynote address will be given by Peggy Doty, University

of Illinois Extension Energy and Environmental Stewardship Educator on The People and Nature Perspective. Peggy Doty specializes in environmental education as a means to relate wildlife related issues and water quality to all ages. She holds a B.S. in Zoology with a specialization in wildlife management. She also holds a M.S. in Education with a specialization in Outdoor Teacher Education in Curriculum and Instruction. Peggy is

especially interested in human reactions and relationships to wildlife who have adapted to urban environments. Peggy has been teaching environmental education for over 20 years and is passionate in regards to teaching children about their environment and helping people understand wildlife as it relates to their lives.

Following the keynote address there will be several breakout sessions on topics that include: Construction and Maintenance of Rain Barrels, Composting in the Home Garden, Hypertufa Pots, The Backyard Orchard, Seed Saving and Seed Starting, and Holistic Approach to Healthy Soils. The Jo Daviess County Master Gardeners and Master Naturalists will have a table set up where you can ask them questions you may have and learn more about what the groups do or can do for you. For more specific details on what the breakout sessions will cover please visit our website at go.illinois.edu/jsw or call us at 815-858-2273.

There will also be a silent auction taking place. Bidding will open at 8:30 and will close at 2:05. Silent auction items will include a monarch house, a bat house, plant stands, hand-made duck and turtle decoys, a hypertufa pot and much more.

•Kitchen

(Continued from page 4)

ed birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, marriages, and gatherings of friends and family. We have faced many trials and tribulations—challenges in our health, financial setbacks, and the loss of dearest family and friends. However, we now go forward into a future that I am sure will be challenging and in some ways new and exciting. Hopefully we have learned and grown. So, dear readers, it is my wish that we all have healthy and prosperous times ahead. Happy New Year from the Shopper's Guide Family and The Not So Skinny Cook.

Illinois State Police prepare for holiday travel

Illinois State Police (ISP) Director Leo P. Schmitz is reminding motorists to enjoy the holidays responsibly and take the necessary safety precautions to prevent senseless tragedies from occurring.

The ISP will be doing their part to keep Illinois roadways safe by strictly enforcing all laws, with an emphasis on the four most common causes of fatal traffic crashes. "The Fatal Four" includes: DUI, Speeding, Seat Belt, and Distracted Driving. Throughout

the holidays, the ISP will conduct extra patrols and roadside safety checks with an emphasis on removing impaired drivers from the roadways and a goal of reducing traffic crashes. ISP encourages the public to do their part to make travel safe this holiday season. If you will be attending an event where alcohol is being served, please make sure to designate a sober driver, call a taxi, or use a ride-sharing service.

"Our Troopers will be strictly enforcing all laws, with the goal of ensur-

ing safe travels for all Illinois motorists," said Illinois State Police Director Leo P. Schmitz. "We are confident voluntary compliance of Illinois traffic laws can lead to a safe and enjoyable holiday season for everyone," he concluded.

ISP also reminds motorists to drive sober, slow down, keep your eyes on the road and away from cell phones, buckle up, and "Give Them Distance" when approaching flashing lights on the shoulder.

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Regional Spelling Bee requests financial support

By: Aaron Mercier
REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT

The Pearl City School gymnasium will be filled with anticipation and nervous energy Feb. 19, as the top spellers from schools in Carroll, Jo Daviess, and Stephenson Counties compete in the Regional Spelling Bee. Historically, the area spelling champion and one chaperone has received an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D.C., where the winner has had the opportunity to compete in the Scripps National Spelling Bee. Aaron Mercier, Regional Superintendent of Schools, is asking for your support in continuing this time-honored tradition.

Over the past years, area employers, community service organizations, and individuals have generously donated funds, making it possible for the winner to participate in the national contest. Mercier feels strongly about the importance of continuing this tradition and is asking local communities for their

continued support. "As society becomes more and more technologically oriented, a Spelling Bee may seem old-fashioned," Mercier states. "However, a solid mastery of the English language still gives people a strong advantage in educational settings and later in employment situations."

The cost of sponsoring the Regional Spelling Bee and sending a contestant and their chaperone to Washington D.C. is approximately \$5,000. "If we all pitch in, we can make this a successful regional event. Even if our winner doesn't make it to the final rounds in the national contest, the experience itself is invaluable," says Mercier.

Individuals and businesses wishing to donate may send their contributions to the Regional Office of Education #8 - Spelling Bee Fund, 27 S. State Ave, Suite 101, Freeport IL 61032. Mercier will be happy to answer questions and can be reached at 815-599-1408. All donors will be

recognized in the Regional Spelling Bee program as well as in the area newspapers. The public is encour-

aged to attend the Regional Spelling Bee, which will be held at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 19, at the Pearl City

School small gymnasium. In case of inclement weather, a "snow date" is scheduled for Feb. 21.



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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
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UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE
FORECLOSURE ACT

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by the Court in the above entitled cause on September 25, 2018, Sheriff of Stephenson County will on February 5, 2019, in Stephenson County Courthouse 15 N. Galena Ave (West Door), Freeport, IL 61032, at 9:30 AM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of Stephenson, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment:

TAX NO. 18-14-31-184-005
COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 415-417
West Main Street
Freeport, IL 61032

Description of Improvements: Gray

asbestos cement siding, two story 4 unit apartment home, detached two car garage

The Judgment amount was \$51,269.67.

Sale Terms: This is an "AS IS" sale for "CASH". The successful bidder must deposit 10% down by certified funds; balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. NO REFUNDS.

The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate, water bills, etc., and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to plaintiff. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

Upon payment in full of the bid amount, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information.

The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.

If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

For Information: Visit our website at <http://ilforeclosuresales.mrpllc.com>.

Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. only - McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 1 N. Dearborn St. Suite 1200, Chicago, IL 60602. Tel. No. (312) 346-9088. Please refer to file# 266300

PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Plaintiff's attorney is not required to provide additional information other than that set forth in this notice of sale.

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New Illinois car seat law beginning Jan. 1, 2019

Illinois State Police (ISP) announce changes to the Child

Passenger Protection Act, which will become effective January 1, 2019.

Effective January 1, 2019, all motorists traveling on Illinois roadways will be required to secure children under the age of 2 years old in a rear facing child restraint system. We are hopeful the change in law will reduce infant injuries and fatalities if they are involved in a traffic crash.

HB4377 provides the following:

· Provides that when any person is transporting a child in this state who is under the age of 2 years old in a motor vehicle of the first division or motor vehicle of the second division weighing 9,000 pounds or less, he/she shall be responsible for properly securing the child in a rear-facing child restraint system, unless the child weighs more

than 40 pounds, is taller than 40 inches, or is traveling in vehicles weighing over 9,000 pounds.

· Parent or guardian must provide child restraints.

· Children under the age of 8 must be secured in an appropriate child restraint system.

· Every person transporting a child under the age of 8 is responsible for properly securing the child in the vehicle.

"This legislation will assist in saving the lives of young children who depend on parents and guardians every day to protect them during travel," stated ISP Director Leo P. Schmitz. "It is of the utmost importance to make sure children and adults are buckled properly at all times when traveling on Illinois roadways," added Director Schmitz.

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This holiday season we urge you to give drunk drivers the toss. Don't drink and drive and be a team player by watching out for the other guy.



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