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## You're invited to Elizabeth's community party

A celebration 100 years in the making will take place in Elizabeth this weekend, as Elizabeth Community Fair runs Friday through Sunday, July 16 through July 18.

Community fair events are held at Terrapin Park, the community building and the ball field on the village's west side, with several thousand people expected over the weekend, according to organizer Joe Ambrosia.

Board members plan for the community fair all year, and "most volunteers simply show up on the weekend when needed for setup and to run the fair," Ambrosia said in an email. "Our chamber, fire department, police and ambulance service, as well as scouts, churches and individuals all provide support and help out."

The 100th event gets started

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A barbecue competition and public tasting are part of the tasty fun at the Elizabeth Community Fair. The festival runs Friday, July 16, through Sunday, July 18.



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Above, the FHN Jo Daviess Family Healthcare Center opened recently in Stockton. Bottom, patient services representative Teresa Tesmer, physician assistant Terri Groezinger and patient services representative Pam Staver work at the new facility.



## FHN opens new Stockton clinic

Officials at FHN are announcing the opening of the FHN Jo Daviess Family Healthcare Center at 600 N. Rush St. in Stockton.

The recently opened facility brings the latest technology to the area, FHN President and CEO Mark Gridley said in a news release.

"We're proud to make this investment in this region, and our team members are excited to provide state-of-the-art, compassionate healthcare for the residents of Jo Daviess County and surrounding communities here," Gridley said.

The building was designed to take advantage of natural light to create a comforting, healing atmosphere while offering expanded services, including all-digital imaging, the release said.

"This facility was built with patients in mind," FHN Chief Medical Officer Keith Martin

said in the release. "It allows us to offer our patients team-based care, which is a relationship-based approach to health care."

"It's more personal, and there's room to involve both primary care providers and medical specialists in each patient's team."

The building is equipped with the advanced equipment and information technology used by FHN providers, making it easier to bring in additional expertise on patients' cases when needed, the release said.

FHN providers offer care in 39 specialized areas of medicine, including cardiology, orthopedics, obstetrics and gynecology and behavioral health.

A video tour of the facility is available by going online to [www.fhn.org/jodaviess](http://www.fhn.org/jodaviess).

To reach the new clinic, call 815-947-3211.

## Illinois economy surges in first quarter

### Signs of pandemic stress still linger

By Peter Hancock  
CAPITOL NEWS ILLINOIS

The Illinois economy showed strong signs of recovery during the first quarter of

2021 as businesses continued to reopen from the pandemic and direct government payments flowed to businesses and individual consumers.

Data released from the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis showed the state's economy grew at an annual rate of 6.4 percent during the quarter as its gross domestic product —

he market value of all goods and services produced by labor and property —approached its pre-pandemic level.

That growth rate was on par with the rest of the nation and slightly ahead of the pace set by most of Illinois' surrounding states. But the state's total GDP, at just under \$770 billion annually, remained below

where it was two years earlier, before the pandemic.

BEA noted that government assistance payments, including direct economic impact payments, expanded unemployment benefits and Paycheck Protection Program loans all flowed to households and businesses during the quarter through the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, passed in December, and the American Rescue Plan Act, which passed in March.

But the agency also noted that the full impact of the pandemic could not be quantified in the state GDP numbers because the impacts were generally embedded within the data and could not be separately identified.

"I think that is substantially stimulus, which means borrowing money from China and throwing it into the Illinois economy," Illinois Chamber of Commerce President Todd Maisch said during

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# Slices of life

## Household takeover starts with an extra toothbrush

Editor's note: This "classic column" was originally published in July 2010. Jill Pertler is on vacation.



By **JILL PERTLER**  
Columnist

Something is awry around here. I believe my household slipped through a wormhole and the rules of the cosmic universe are no longer in effect.

In other words, my life is spinning out of control and reality's gone right along with it.

Something's fishy with the toothbrushes. My family possesses six sets of teeth (not counting the dog); therefore logic would dictate a total of six toothbrushes should reside in my bathroom (as the dog doesn't use the bathroom, per se).

There is no room for logic in my bathroom; it's a cramped space — except when you are talking toothbrushes. Yesterday morning, 10 of them rested

in the toothbrush cup on the edge of the sink. I'm sure, because I counted. Twice.

Ten toothbrushes and only six mouths to clean. You do the math.

It all sounds excessive, but wait; things get even more superfluous. By last night, the toothbrush tally rose to 11. Somewhere during the span of 12 hours, we grew another toothbrush.

Then things got scary. By this morning, the number of dental cleansing instruments in the cup in my bathroom in the house where six sets of teeth reside had receded back to 10.

Like me, you may be

asking, what happened to the 11th toothbrush? Did it travel somewhere — on its own? Perhaps a reconnaissance mission of some sort? Are my toothbrushes recruiting other inanimate followers? Are we talking friends ... or foes?

My theories on the matter aren't pretty. I'm not saying I'm frightened (or paranoid, for that matter), but along with the toothbrushes, other everyday items are multiplying at alarming rates.

I worry that my lone, warrior toothbrush may be sharing his knowledge with other household objects. For instance, to compound already compounding matters, I can declare with a fair amount of certainty that my laundry has learned to propagate, and I think we all know who is to blame.

As of today, the toothbrushes are fraternizing with the laundry and this may be the beginning of the end. If my toothbrushes — cleansing instruments that they are — are willing consort with the likes of dirty laundry, what's next? I am pretty sure they've made contact with the dust bunnies. If left unchecked, this toothbrush phenomenon could become a plague.

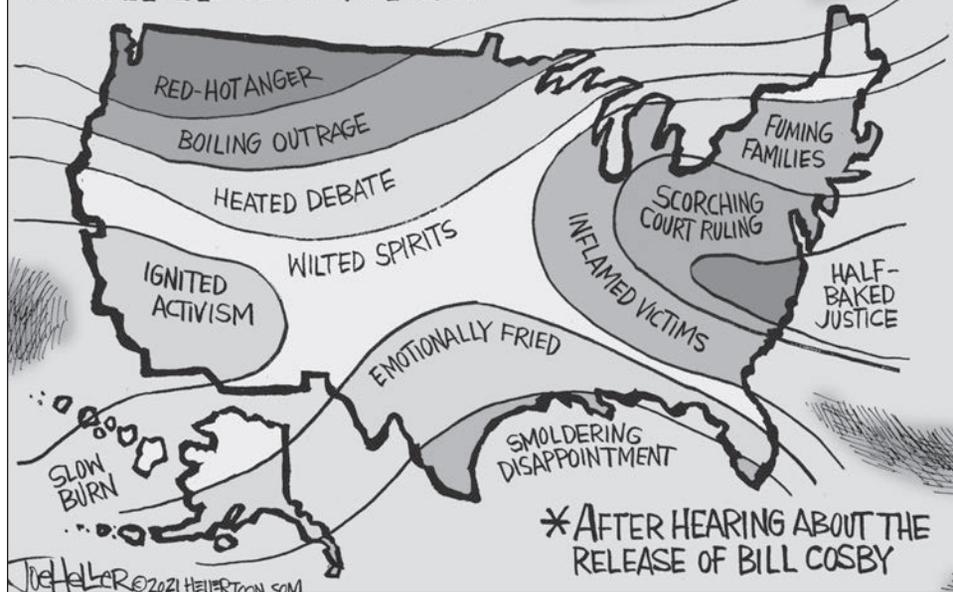
Oh sure, the toothbrushes only have one handle to stand on and they haven't yet mastered going up or down the stairs (that I know of) but what happens when they gain audience with the shoes at the back door? Or (shudder here) what if the toothbrushes make contact with the junk mail?

Something is awry around here. The situation started as a toothbrush takeover, and morphed into inanimate anarchy. My household is overcome by the chaos of ordinary objects and I believe the pirates of plastic will not stop there.

Beware. Their leader is a bristly sort, with a reputation as a ruthless and gruesome

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## Health officials: Vaccination helps slow virus variants

With northwest Illinois reopening mode, FHN President and CEO Mark Gridley and infection preventionist Margie Kochsmier urge those who haven't yet been vaccinated to get their shots in FHN's latest pandemic update video.

"When the nation first had vaccines, it was a 'vaccine versus virus' race," Gridley said in a news release. "Now, we're facing a 'vaccine versus variant' race."

"When the COVID-19 virus spreads, it evolves to create these new variants, like the Delta variant we've heard so much about lately,"

Kochsmier said in the release. "Getting more people vaccinated against COVID-19 gives the virus less 'room' to spread and create these variants."

All three available COVID-19 vaccines offer protection against the virus' new variants, Kochsmier said. She added that people who have already had COVID-19 must be vaccinated to be protected against the new, more contagious strains of the virus.

Area residents age 12 and older can get vaccinated through their county health department or at a retail phar-

macy, Gridley said. There is no cost for a COVID-19 vaccine.

To find a vaccination site, go online to [www.vaccines.gov](http://www.vaccines.gov).

"Get out and enjoy our area, support our local businesses, and be respectful of each other," Gridley said. "Some people are choosing to keep wearing masks and keeping their distance from others for their safety; please respect people's choices."

Go online to [www.fhn.org/coronavirus](http://www.fhn.org/coronavirus) to view the current FHN COVID-19 update video and all previous pandemic-related videos.

## Blood donations needed as cancer patients resume care

The American Red Cross and the American Cancer Society have teamed up to encourage people across the country to "Give Blood to Give Time" and help ensure loved ones have the strength and support they need as they undergo cancer treatment.

According to the American Cancer Society, many patient visits and procedures were forced to delay or cancel early in the pandemic to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. With procedures

resuming, blood donations are critical for cancer treatments.

Unfortunately, the Red Cross is seeing fewer blood and platelet donors. This downturn comes at a time when the Red Cross continues to see strong demand for blood products including platelets by hospitals, causing concern for the sufficiency of the blood supply throughout the summer.

The Red Cross has an emergency need for eligible donors to make an appoint-

ment now to give platelets to ensure critical patient needs are met. Platelets, the clotting portion of blood primarily given to cancer patients during treatment, must be transfused within five days of donation and, therefore, are always in great demand.

To make a blood donation appointment, download the American Red Cross Blood Donor app, go online to [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) or call 800-733-2767. All blood types are needed.

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# Farmers explore cover crops, soil health

By Christopher Heimerman  
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When asked what he farms on his land south of Toluca, Illinois, Bill Leigh answered with a deadpan expression. "Soil," he said.

Leigh cracked a smile and said, like most Illinois farmers, he raises corn and soybeans. But there was a lot of honesty in that joke.

Cover crops and soil health are what drew about 50 other farmers to a Nutrient Stewardship Field Day put on by the Marshall-Putnam Farm Bureau last week. It was the third of nine such events this summer being conducted by Illinois Farm Bureau and numerous partners.

Shay Foulk is a farmer and farm and ag business consultant who serves on the Marshall-Putnam Farm Bureau Board of Directors. He gave a tour of 11 cover crops he planted and curated on his father-in-law's property in the spring. The planting site is one of several that will be monitored, including frequent soil testing, during a multi-year cover crop project along the Illinois River. The crops include oats, radish, cereal rye, turnip, buckwheat, winter peas, rapeseed/canola, barley, alfalfa, triticale and wheat.

But before the crowd stepped out from under the tent provided by the IFB and into the sun, Stacy Zuber, the soil health specialist for the Illinois Natural Resources Conservation Service, showed the proof of cover crops' effectiveness is already in the pudding, ... er, soil.

In one hand, she took a chunk of soil from a conventionally tilled corn and soybean field. In the other she took a handful of soil fostered by the NRCS' tenets of soil health: maximizing living roots and biodiversity, minimizing disturbance and maximizing soil cover.

She dropped them into two massive plastic measuring tubes filled with water, and explained that the traditional soil had little to no aggregation and, as a result, crucial nutrients couldn't pass through its pores.

As she spoke, the tubes were already doing a fine job



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**Marshall-Putnam Farm Bureau President Jonathan Downey welcomes attendees to the recent field day in Magnolia, Illinois, where attendees learned about cover crops.**

explaining the difference, as the water holding the traditional soil turned a nearly opaque brown.

"This blocky mass is not good for us," she said, explaining that soil without aggregation and pores will cause pooling and form a crust on the surface, which leads to erosion and nutrient loss.

Zuber described soil as a vital, living ecosystem that sustains plants, animals and humans, thanks to its billions of bacteria, fungi and other organisms.

So how do farmers get aggregate-rich, healthy soil that results in better yields, while also taking care of Mother Earth?

"It's so important that we feed our microbes a diverse diet from our cover crops," Zuber said. "If you have corn and soybeans over two years, that's all you're getting. Cer-

tain microbes want certain foods."

Andrew Margenot, an assistant professor in the Department of Crop Sciences at the University of Illinois' College of ACES, followed Zuber's act by breaking down cover crops' three roles — pump, drill and shield — and said while some check all three boxes, some are specialists. For instance, radishes make terrific drills, as they break up soil compaction

to improve aeration and water infiltration. When Margenot brought up interseeding, such as multiple species of clover with the long-standing staple cereal rye, Steve Vogel, who owns and operates a fifth-generation no-till farm in Woodford County, said he's seen synergy in such combinations that result in better growth all around.

But Mark Read, who has retired from farming but still



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**Event attendees hear from Shay Foulk, a farm and ag business consultant, and Austin Omer, Illinois Farm Bureau associate director of natural resource policy, about the species of plants in the cover crop plot.**

manages several properties and serves as president of the Illinois Soybean Association's District 5, said an attempt to plant cover crops on cornfields using a plane was a failed project. He said he's heard from several farmers who faced the same frustration after investing their money and time.

"You only need a couple of failures before you get rid of it," Read said, adding that he's gone back to just winter cereal rye.

Margenot said anyone who wanted to further discuss cover crops, soil and water quality, nightcrawlers, pig manure could feel free to talk with him.

"These discussions are exactly what needs to be happening," Margenot added.

Lauren Lurkins, director of environmental policy at Illinois Farm Bureau, was happy with the robust dialogue among presenters and attendees at the field day.

She was equally overjoyed with the turnout, considering that spring events, hampered by the COVID-19 pandemic, were restricted to 35 registrants.

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**A group heads out on a sunset tour of Casper Bluff Land & Water Reserve. The guided tours are being offered through October. Go online to [jdcf.org/events](http://jdcf.org/events) for more information.**

## Guided tours include effigy mound, river view

New guided tours at Casper Bluff Land & Water Reserve near Galena are off and running, with the next tours coming up Saturday, July 17, and Tuesday, July 20.

"We receive a lot of questions from visitors to Casper Bluff Land and Water Reserve," Jo Daviess Conservation Foundation Executive Director Steve Barg said in a news release. "So, we've created guided tours, by trained volunteers, to help answer many of these questions about this beloved place."

The foundation owns and manages the 100+ acre nature preserve.

"You and your entire family are invited to join our volunteer guides for an experiential tour of this magical place, where nature's treasures meet with history's secrets," according to the news release.

Trained guides will lead attendees to part of the Aiken Mound group, a series of Native America mounds that

were built in approximately 700-900 A.D. as part of the Effigy Mound culture and includes a rare, intact effigy mound in the shape of a Thunderbird.

Tour participants also will view the Mississippi River, hear about the many birds that can be seen during the spring and fall migrations and hike through restored prairies and oak savannas.

Tours will be given the first and/or third Saturdays and third Tuesday of each month through October. Saturday tours will begin at 9 a.m. and Tuesday tours will begin at 7 p.m. over mowed trails with rolling terrain.

The tour cost is \$10/person. RSVPs are required by going online to [www.jdcf.org/events](http://www.jdcf.org/events).

Casper Bluff is open daily dawn to dusk and is located at 870 S. Pilot Knob Road, Galena.

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# Researcher: Animal ag can be part of climate solution

By Daniel Grant  
FARMWEEK

Animal agriculture and meat consumption aren't near the threat to climate change and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions as often portrayed.

In fact, the highly publicized and often criticized gas emitted by animal ag, methane, possesses qualities that could help lead the way to climate neutrality, according to Frank Mitloehner, professor and air quality specialist in the department of animal sciences at the University of California-Davis.

"I think there are some issues around climate change not accurately portrayed," Mitloehner said. "Many feel methane is the Achilles' heel of animal ag. We're about to change the narrative."

Mitloehner discussed the subject recently in an address aimed at "Rethinking Methane" during the World Pork Expo in Des Moines, Iowa.

A key point to the professor's analysis centers on atmospheric removal of methane through a chemical reaction called oxidation.

While roughly 560 tera-

grams (trillion grams) of methane enter the atmosphere annually, the majority, or 550 teragrams, is removed via natural processes.

Meanwhile, methane has a relatively short lifespan (16 years) compared to 110 years for nitrous oxide and 1,000 years for carbon dioxide. All three greenhouse gases store solar heat when in the atmosphere.

"Methane is different than other greenhouse gases," Mitloehner said. "It's not only produced, but it's naturally destroyed. This is a fact that's often ignored."

"I'm not saying methane isn't a problem," he continued. "But, it has an atmospheric removal process you need to be aware of."

Methane is known as a flow gas due to the fact it's destroyed in the atmosphere at the same rate of emission. Carbon dioxide, by comparison, is a stock gas, meaning every time a person burns fossil fuel it remains in the atmosphere for a long period of time.

The professor also noted methane is produced through

the atmosphere and via photosynthesis of plants. So, when livestock consume plants, do they technically emit new additional carbon into the atmosphere?

"They're not producing new carbon," Mitloehner said. "It's recycled carbon (from plants) that was in the atmosphere in the form of CO<sub>2</sub> (carbon dioxide)."

"All the climate agreements want to keep warming from increasing," he noted. "If an industry keeps warming constant, it would satisfy the Paris Climate Accord. In fact, we're doing that today (in animal ag)."

Looking ahead, methane can actually help counter the effect of other GHGs.

"We should work on techniques and technologies to further reduce methane," Mitloehner said. "It will lessen the effect of other gases and help lead to climate neutrality."

California implemented aggressive emissions reduction strategies on farms and reduced GHG emissions by 2.2 million tons in the dairy sector since 2015, according to the air

quality specialist.

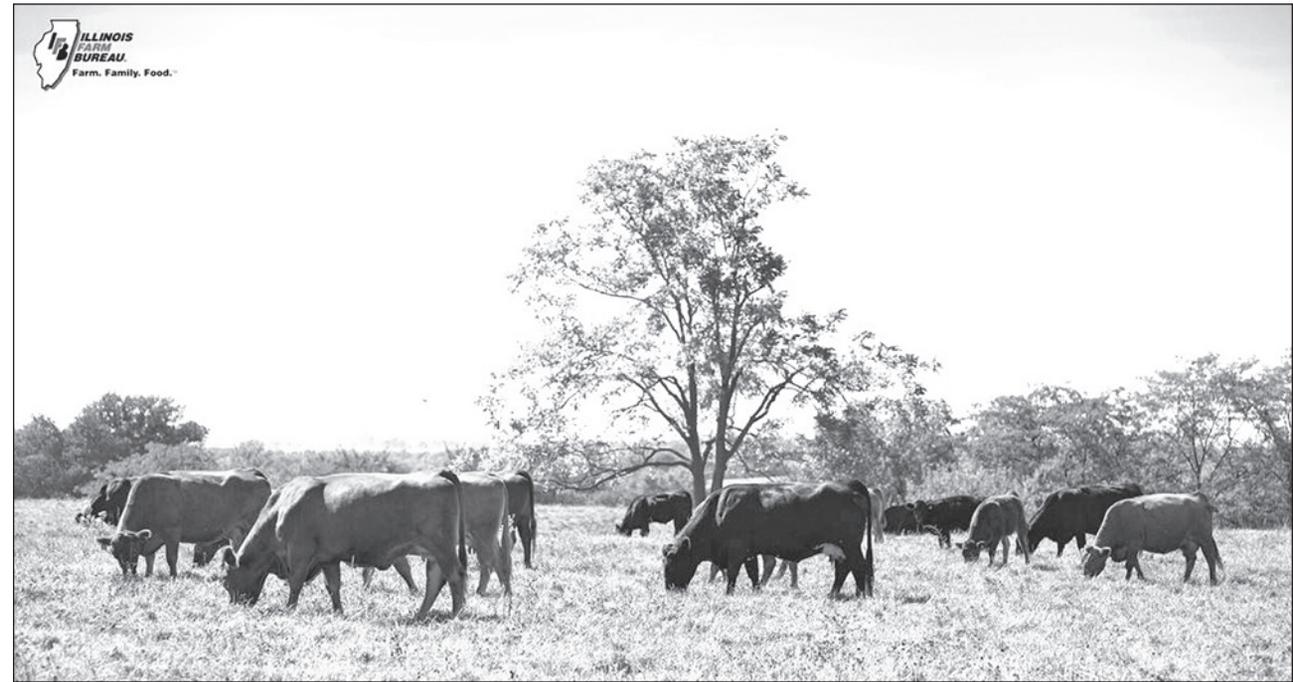
The hog industry continues on a similar path of success as it doubled pork production in the U.S. in the past 50 years while using 76 percent less land, 25 percent less water and 7 percent less energy, according to Jen Sorenson, president of the National Pork Producers Council.

"U.S. pork producers have a great story to tell," she said. "We're not done. We support incentives to further reduce emissions."

The pork industry lowered its carbon footprint by 7.7 percent in recent decades and, as of 2019, accounted for just 0.4 percent of total GHG emissions.

To learn more about Mitloehner's research on climate change and the role of animal ag, search and watch his videos on YouTube — "Rethinking Methane" and "Eating Less Meat Won't Save the Planet. Here's Why."

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**Cattle graze on an Illinois hillside. A California researcher says despite animal agriculture getting a bad rap for contributing to greenhouse gases, the majority of methane released is removed from the atmosphere through natural processes.**

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Vivian Kepner will celebrate her 97th birthday on July 20. A card shower is planned in her honor. Cards may be sent to her at 14179 E. Chelsea Rd., Lena, IL 61048.

Vivian was born in 1924 in the Town of Garden Valley on the Fieldstad farm in Jackson County, WI and is the daughter of Sever & Hulda Fieldstad.

Vivian married Hubert J. Kepner on Nov. 29, 1948; who has been deceased since Jan. 23, 2013. Vivian has 4 children, Robert (Theresa) Kepner of Lena, George (Rogene) Kepner of Lena, Dr. Barbara Kepner of Lena and Charles (Martha) Kepner of Chicago. She has 9 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. Vivian & Hubert lived on the Kepner farm in Nora Township for their married life before he passed in 2013.

Vivian will have a small gathering of family to celebrate her 97th birthday. Please consider mailing her a card, she loves getting mail.

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# Obituaries

## SCOTT M. BERGET

Scott M. Berget, age 38, of Wiota, Wisconsin, passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, July 7, 2021, in Lena, Illinois. He was born April 17, 1983, in Monroe, Wisconsin, the son of Mike and Judy (Wedig) Berget. Scott grew up in Wiota, where he farmed on Berget Family Farms and Silver Creek Family Farms, where he was co-owner. He graduated from Darlington High School in 2002. Scott took great pride in his family farm and could oftentimes be found proudly checking his crops.

Scott is survived by his parents, Mike and Judy Berget, of Wiota; the love of his life, Melissa Grindey, of Lena, and her two children, Landon and Lila; one brother, Matt



(Stacie) Berget of Wiota; two sisters, Christina (Bart) Meylor of Darlington and Meghan (Jeremy) Saunders of Gratiot, Wisconsin; his nieces and nephews whom he absolutely adored, Victoria, Ike, Lizzie and Molli Meylor, Bryce, Kylie and Easton Berget and Tinley and Jett Saunders; his maternal grandmother, Bernie Wedig-Wiegel of Darlington; and many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. He was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Wes and Ruth Berget; and his maternal grandfather, Leo Wedig.

Scott was a member of Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Darlington and the Wisconsin Corn Growers Association. When Scott wasn't working on the farm, he enjoyed spending time with his family and friends, golfing, boating and snowmobiling. Scott always had plenty of stories to tell, oftentimes making a "long story short" that lead to many laughs and smiles from all who knew him. Scott had a knack for making everyone he met feel special.

Scott's favorite humans on the planet were his nieces and nephews. He made sure each and every one of them knew how much he loved them and how proud he was of them. Scott cherished the time he spent with them, and

the rest of his family creating memories they will all cherish forever.

A visitation was held Monday, July 12, 2021, at Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Darlington. A Mass of Christian Burial was held Tuesday, July 13, 2021, at Holy Rosary Catholic Church with the Rev. JoJi Reddy and the Rev. Mike Morrisey of Holy Cross Parish in Stockton, Illinois, con-celebrating. Burial will be in Miller Cemetery in Wiota.

The Erickson Funeral Home in Darlington is serving the family. Online condolences may be expressed to the family at [www.ericksonfuneralhome.com](http://www.ericksonfuneralhome.com).

For those who prefer, a memorial fund has been established in Scott's name.

## TERRY S. HAY

Terry S. Hay, 71, of Lena passed away at his home on Saturday, July 3, 2021. He was born May 25, 1950, to John Jr. and Lusetta (Olson) Hay in Monroe, Wisconsin. Terry was a 1968 graduate of Warren High School. He married June Sedwick on Aug.

23, 1980. Terry was a dedicated and lifelong trucker who valued hard work.

Terry is survived by his son, Christopher Hay of Lakewood, Washington; granddaughter, Aurora Hay of Lakewood; sister, Sharon (Mike) Donahue of Dubuque, Iowa; three brothers, John

(Jan) Hay of New Glarus, Wisconsin, Gary (Gwen) Hay of Warren, Illinois, and Kevin (Yvonne) Hay of Warren; as well as nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, June; his parents; and his in-laws.

A visitation and funeral service were held Thursday, July

8, 2021, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Lena. The Rev. Rick Bader officiated.

Burial is at the Lena Burial Park.

A memorial has been established in his name.

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

## DIANE M. CHAMBERS

Diane M. Chambers, age 73, of Pearl City, Illinois, passed away Wednesday, July 7, 2021, at FHN Memorial Hospital in Freeport. She was born June 24, 1948, in Freeport to the late Donald and Maebelle (Eells) DeVries. Diane married Dean Chambers on April 29, 1966, in Spring Valley, Illinois.

Diane was a 1966 graduate of Pearl City High School. She had worked at Boco in Pearl City, Casey's in Shannon and for the Pearl City School District. She enjoyed showing horses and sewing. Diane loved her family and never missed her grandchildren's extra-curricular activities.

She is survived by her husband, Dean Chambers of Pearl City; her daughters, Dawn (Steven) Elliott of Freeport, Darcy (Bill) Schierloh of Lena and Dana (Mike) Pettinger of



Yukon, Nebraska; her grandchildren, Charles Elliott, Samantha Elliott, Ryan Schierloh, Lillian Schierloh, Madalyn Schierloh, Tyler Lewis, Kayleen Pettinger and Reyana Pettinger. She was preceded in death by her parents; her sister, Jo Ann Wilkin; and her infant daughter, Deanne Michelle.

A visitation was held July 12, 2021, and a funeral service was held July 13, 2021, at Hermann Funeral Home in Pearl City.

Interment will take place at Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens in Freeport. A memorial fund has been established. Condolences may be shared at [www.hermannfuneralhome.com](http://www.hermannfuneralhome.com).

## CHRISTINE DEMETER

Christine Demeter, age 56, of Appleton, Wisconsin, faithfully passed on to her heavenly healing on July 3, 2021. She was the daughter of serviceman Don Glastetter and Dorothy, and stepmother Judy. Christine graduated from Le-Win High School in 1982. Her husband of 38 years is Jim, and together they raised three sons, Nathaniel, Darrell and Austin.

Chris blessed the lives of many people in the following communities: Lena and Stockton, Illinois, and Mon-



roe, New London and Appleton, Wisconsin. A visitation will be held starting at 11:11 a.m. Saturday, July 17, fol-

lowed by a memorial celebration service at 1:11 p.m., both at the Mill City Church, 120 N. Lake St., Neenah, Wisconsin.

Please view her complete obituary at <https://wichtmannfuneralhomes.com>.

## E. LOUISE McNETT

E. Louise McNett, age 89, of Nora, Illinois, passed away Friday, July 9, 2021, at Lena Living Center. She was born Feb. 13, 1932, in Gratiot, Wisconsin, to the late Ira and Hazel (Brown) Stevens. Louise married Robert McNett.

Louise worked at Microswitch for over 30 years. She enjoyed puzzles and talking, especially giving orders.

She is survived by her sons, Steve McNett of Janesville, Wisconsin, Mike McNett of Piney Point, Maryland, and Jeff (Janan) McNett of Warren; her daughters, Merrie (Terry) Bardell of Freeport, Robyn Franklin of Forreston and Lori Loomis of Freeport; her 12 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren and six

great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; her brother, Harold (Audrey) Stevens; her sisters, Irene (Russell) Shade and Katherine (Homer) VanMater; and her brother-in-law, Delvin (Doris) McNett.

A graveside service will be held at a later date at the Nora Cemetery. A memorial fund has been established. Louise's family would like to thank the staff at the Lena Living Center and Serenity Hospice for their loving care. Condolences may be shared at [www.hermannfuneralhome.com](http://www.hermannfuneralhome.com).

# State courts prepare to resume normal operations

CAPITOL NEWS ILLINOIS

State courts in Illinois are preparing to return to normal operations after nearly 16 months of operating under special rules brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Illinois Supreme Court recently issued two new rules that call for easing social distancing requirements and reimposing requirements for speedy trials in criminal and juvenile offender proceedings.

"It is important to note that our courts remained open during the COVID-19 pandemic and thousands of court proceedings have taken place via both in-person and virtual hearings," Chief Justice Anne Burke said in a statement. "However, conducting criminal jury trials has been

very difficult. These two orders will help our courts prepare for a return to full scale jury trials."

On March 17, 2020, a little more than a week after Gov. JB Pritzker issued the first COVID-19 disaster declaration, the Supreme Court issued a sweeping order allowing courts to suspend ordinary deadlines in both criminal and civil proceedings and conduct remote hearings, and restricting access to court-houses throughout the state.

A few days later, on March 20, the Supreme Court issued another order that said any delays in criminal proceedings that resulted from the earlier order would not count toward the requirement for a speedy trial outlined in state law, which generally says de-

endants are entitled to a trial within 120 days from the date they are taken into custody or, if they are released on bail, within 160 days from the date the defendant demands a trial.

On April 20, the court issued yet another order extending the same allowance for delays to juvenile proceedings.

Those orders came at a time when the state, and Cook County in particular, had been trying to reduce the number of people held in local jails for pretrial detention. It also came just before the Illinois Legislative Black Caucus launched its social justice reform initiative that included a proposal to phase out the use of cash bail, an initiative that was signed into law earlier this year.

Speaking at a criminal justice reform conference, Cook County State's Attorney Kimberly Foxx said that about 6,000 people were currently being held in the county's jail, down significantly from the roughly 11,000 people being held there at any given time eight years ago.

And while she did not specifically mention the pandemic rules that paused the speedy trial requirements, she said the jail population had been "significantly lower" than 6,000 at the beginning of the pandemic, "and we've seen a steady increase."

The latest order calls for returning to normal speedy trial requirements, effective

Oct. 1, which gives chief circuit judges 90 days to prepare for the delay to be lifted for both criminal and juvenile proceedings. It also provides that for defendants who were charged before March 20, all days they spent in custody or out on bail will count toward the speedy trial computation.

Another order the court issued in response to the pandemic came on May 20, 2020. It directed judges in each circuit to allow for "appropriate social distancing" in all proceedings and make attempts to reduce the number of people appearing personally for court appearances.

The court also recently amended that directive, giving chief circuit judges permission to either relax or eliminate entirely any social distancing requirements based on local conditions.

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# Economy (Continued from front page)

an interview. "But there's no substitute for basic demand in the economy. So as much as (President Joe) Biden wants to spend more and more trillions of dollars, there's no substitute for basic demand in the economy. And we're still lacking that; there's no doubt about it."

The most improved sectors of the Illinois economy were also among the hardest-hit by the pandemic — arts, entertainment and recreation, which grew at a 38.6 percent annual rate, followed by accommodation and food services, which grew at an 18.4 percent pace.

Durable goods manufacturing also showed strong improvement with a 13 percent growth rate, as did the information sector, which includes the media, which grew at a 14 percent rate.

But with the state's unemployment rate still relatively high at 7.1 percent, and the overall labor participa-

tion rate at only 62 percent, Maisch said the state's economy is still not fully recovered, and he suggested that some government policies such as enhanced unemployment benefits that are aimed at mitigating the impact of the pandemic might be making things worse.

"That extra payment that you get from unemployment, it really does impact people's behavior and their willingness to get back in the workforce," he said.

Maisch also pointed to lingering concerns among many about the safety of returning to the workplace as well as structural issues in the economy such as the inability of many people in the workforce to find affordable child care.

Speaking at an unrelated event in Decatur, however, Gov. JB Pritzker disputed the idea that enhanced unemployment benefits are incentivizing people not to go back to work.

"I think it is a Republican right-wing talking point that says that people are just choosing to be lazy, to stay home, to get the extra few hundred dollars while they can," Pritzker said.

Pritzker was speaking in Decatur to announce new policies aimed at making child care more affordable for working families so more of them will be able to return to work. That includes reducing the out-of-pocket cost of child care for those who qualify for state subsidies as well as increasing the reimbursement rate the state pays child care providers.

"We're ensuring quality child care is accessible for more people, allowing more people to return to work without worrying about where their kids will go during the day and helping Illinois' child care network rebuild after the last 16 months of our COVID-19 crisis," Pritzker said.



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## Taking their shot at state

The rookie squad from the Carroll County Longspurs trapshooting team took fourth in the Illinois state championship in Sparta recently. The team includes third- through fifth-graders. Pictured from the left in the front row are Brynn Wackerlin of Stockton, Jack George, Weston Haas of Stockton, Hannah Dinderman of Pearl City and Jack McIntyre. In the back row from left are Brock Wackerlin of Stockton and Greg Harmston of Elizabeth. Each shooter shot 200 rounds of 16-yard trap. The varsity squad tied for third with 939 out of 1,000 targets at the championship. The intermediate squad, made up of sixth- through eighth-graders, took fifth. Two other mixed squads performed well above their averages. The Carroll County Longspurs trapshooting team is sponsored by Carroll County Pheasants Forever and other area businesses and individuals. The shooters are now setting their sights on the national meet on July 14 in Marengo, Ohio.

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### Eagle Nature Foundation offers 50/50 raffle

The Eagle Nature Foundation is sponsoring a new 50/50 raffle with the tickets costing \$5 each. The raffle is open to the public for anyone who

wishes to donate to the organization.

The winner will be drawn at the foundation's 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration on Sept. 11 in Galena, but the winner need not be present to claim the

prize. Money raised through the raffle will be used to study the decline of the young bald eagle population.

To purchase raffle tickets, send a check to the Eagle Nature Foundation, 300 E. Hickory St., Apple River, IL 61001 before Sept. 11. For more information, contact foundation Executive Director Terrence N. Ingram at 815-594-2306.

### Stockton students shine at Augustana College

Kelsey King and Lauryn Schubert, both of Stockton, were among those named to the spring semester dean's list at Augustana College in Rock Island. Both are majoring in biology.

Students must maintain at least a 3.5 GPA to be included on the dean's list.

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# New law requires Illinois public schools to teach Asian American history

By Peter Hancock  
CAPITOL NEWS ILLINOIS

All public schools in Illinois will soon be required to teach a unit on Asian American history and culture as part of their social studies curriculum.

Gov. JB Pritzker on Friday signed a bill known as the Teaching Equitable Asian American Community History, or TEAACH Act, into law, making Illinois the first state to enact such a requirement.

"It's a historic moment for our state and for our nation, as we elevate Asian American voices teaching history to include those who have been historically silenced," Pritzker said during a bill signing ceremony at Niles West High School in Skokie.

The bill, House Bill 376,

was sponsored by two Asian American legislators, Rep. Jennifer Gong-Gershowitz, D-Glenview, and Sen. Ram Villivalam, D-Chicago.

Gong-Gershowitz, a third-generation Chinese American, said the bill was prompted in part by the rise of anti-Asian sentiment in the United States that arose during the pandemic.

"Like a lot of legislation, this has been a topic of conversation for a while," she said. "But it occurred to us and the TEAACH coalition and (Asian Americans) Advancing Justice Chicago that this was the best way for us to respond to the rise in anti-Asian hate and xenophobia that we have seen in the pandemic. And so the strategy to pass this legislation now was

very much motivated in part by what we saw happening in the world."

Gong-Gershowitz related her own family history from the time her grandfather came to the U.S. in the 1920s, about 40 years after Congress passed the Chinese Exclusion Act, the first major federal legislation restricting immigration. But she said she never learned about that, or about the constitutional issues surrounding the internment of Japanese Americans during World War II, until she was in law school.

"Throughout elementary, high school and college, none of this history was covered in my social studies classes," she

said. "I had no idea that these laws existed, much less how deeply they had impacted my own family. My family's history had been deliberately hidden by my grandparents, who like many other first-generation Americans, were desperate to survive and saw the discrimination that they endured as an impediment to the success of the next generation. They never talked about their struggles."

Under the new law, beginning in the 2022-'23 school year, all public elementary schools and high schools in Illinois will be required to teach one unit that focuses on the events of Asian American history from the 19th century

to the present, including the history of Asian Americans in Illinois and the Midwest, as well as the contributions Asian Americans have made toward advancing civil rights.

The law also provides that the course work will include the contributions made by individual Asian Americans in government, art, humanities and science as well as the contributions of Asian American communities to the economic, cultural, social and political development of the U.S.

It also tasks the State Board of Education with preparing and distributing instructional materials that local districts can use as guidelines as they develop their own curriculum.

That new law comes on the heels of legislation Pritzker signed earlier this year expanding the teaching of Black history in public schools, including the history of African civilization before enslavement, as well as a law Pritzker signed in 2019 requiring schools to include the contributions of LGBTQ individuals in history lessons.

Carmen Ayala, state superintendent of education, praised passage of the law and noted that the majority of Illinois students — about 53 percent, are now people of color.

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## •Fair (Continued from front page)

Friday with livestock shows and crafts/gardening judging during the day, followed by a truck pull at 7 p.m. and live music from The Sunshine Band from 9 p.m. to midnight.

On Saturday, some highlights include a parade at 11 a.m. with the theme of "celebrating 100 years of memories and traditions." The spectacle is expected to feature about a dozen floats put together by community groups, as well as antique cars, trucks and tractors, Ambrosia said.

A new route starts on Pleasant Street, goes right on Orange Street, left on South Madison Street, left on East Sycamore Street to South Ash Street and ends on West Myrtle Street.

The day also includes bingo, live music, a kiddie tractor pull, the fair queen pageant, home grown wrestling and a concert by the Zac Matthews band starting at 8 p.m. Saturday.

On Sunday, a truck pull will be featured at 1 p.m., along with a barbecue competition and tasting at 3 p.m. and hypnotist Jim Wand at 6 p.m.

Attendees can enjoy food, vendors, a kid zone area, antique tractor and farm demonstrations, a beer tent and more throughout the weekend.

For a complete details, go online to elizabethcommunityfair.com or find the event on Facebook.



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An ice cream eating contest, sponsored by Three Sisters Sweet Shoppe, will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, July 17, during the Elizabeth Community Fair. The fair is celebrating its 100th year after being postponed in 2020.

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# Summer theater features 'Jesus Christ Superstar'

Timber Lake Playhouse in Mount Carroll will continue its 60th anniversary season with the Andrew Lloyd Webber spectacle, "Jesus Christ Superstar," running Thursday, July 15, through Sunday, Aug. 1.

"Jesus Christ Superstar" is a 1970 rock opera with music by Andrew Lloyd Webber and lyrics by Tim Rice. It started as a rock opera concept album musical before making its Broadway on-stage debut in 1971.

"Because JC Superstar began as a concept album, the writers never thought it would be staged," Paul Stancato, TLP artistic director and director of "Superstar," said in a news release. "Because of this, there is room for a director to interpret it in different ways"

The musical relates the last seven days of Jesus's life as told by the apostles. "Jesus Christ Superstar" was performed live on network television in 2018, starring John Legend as Jesus.

"The TLP production will

be my first time directing this show, so in many ways, it's a dream come true for me," Stancato said.

The show features Caleb Mathura as Jesus, Roy Brown as Judas and Nissi Shalome as Mary Magdalene.

"We are all very excited to have renegotiated our contract with the Actors Equity Association," TLP Executive Director Dan Danielowski said in the release. "Our fully vaccinated patrons will be 'mask optional' in the theater."

According to Danielowski, TLP will also have the inside bar open, food will once again be allowed in the theatre and the social distancing seating restriction will be lifted.

Special events during Je-

sus Christ Superstar will include the Page to Stage Talk-back after the July 16 performance, Company Cabaret on the Lake Stage after the July 17 performance and the Deck Bar will be open for food, drink and entertainment be-

fore each weekend show. For more information, go online to timberlakeplayhouse.org or call the box office at 815-244-2035. The box office is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and until intermission on show days.

## • Slices

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the laundry behaving more tawdry than usual? If so, grab your floss, duck and run for cover. At the very least, you might want to count your toothbrushes — just to be sure.

Jill Pertler is an award-

winning syndicated columnist, published playwright, author and member of the National Society of Newspaper Columnists. Don't miss a slice; follow the Slices of Life page on Facebook.



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Rehearsing for the Timber Lake Playhouse production of "Jesus Christ Superstar" are Nissi Shalome as Mary Magdalene and Caleb Mathura as Jesus in the foreground. Looking on are Darren Mangler as Pilate, Roy Brown as Judas Iscariot and Jack Hale as Peter. The production opens Thursday, July 15, in Mount Carroll.

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## Grants will fund tractor purchase, ag scholarships at community college

The Highland Community College Foundation has been awarded \$50,000 from Compeer Financial as part of \$825,000 in grants to community colleges across Illinois, Wisconsin and Minnesota. The grant will fund a John Deere 5000 Series utility tractor for the precision agronomy program in addition to two scholarships for agriculture students each year for the next five years.

"We are thrilled to be selected as a partner college with this contribution focused on growing our agriculture program

in Northwest Illinois," Jeff Reinke, foundation executive director, said in a news release. "This financial support, partnered with our leading-edge faculty and facilities, creates a lasting legacy for agriculture education in our region."

Highland Community College is one of six community colleges in Illinois receiving grant money. Many of the grants help to enhance hands-on learning offered to agriculture students.

The grant from Compeer Financial was part of the Agriculture and Rural Initiative.

In January, Compeer Financial announced the organization has committed \$1.9 million in grants and scholarships over the next five years to enhance and further develop agriculture's workforce.

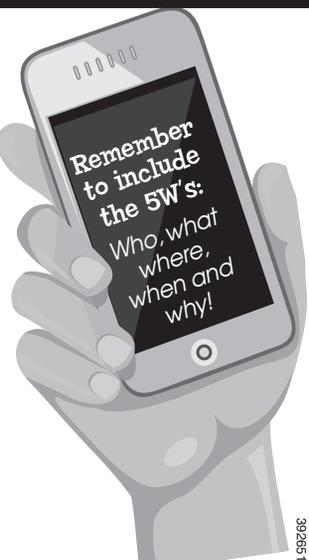
"The addition of a tractor to the agriculture program will provide students hands-on experiences utilizing precision technology in our research plots as well as a learning resource for students taking mechanical maintenance coursework," said Justin Ebert, an agriculture instructor at the college.

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# Patients with kidney disease present special case for oral health

Oral health is important for everyone, but critical for people with chronic kidney disease. CKD weakens your immune system, so even a minor infection can cause major trouble for someone with kidney disease.



By **DR. STEPHEN PETRAS**  
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As stated in previous columns, tooth decay and gum disease are considered chronic bacterial infections and chronic infections can lead to chronic inflammation. Damaged and weakened blood vessels of the kidneys makes them struggle to perform their intended functions, to filter wastes and toxins and return vitamins, amino acids, glucose, hormones and other vital substances into the bloodstream, so the consequences of poor oral health are greater in CKD patients.

Poor oral health can worsen kidney disease and kidney disease puts you at an increased risk for periodontal disease, fungal infections, stomatitis (painful swelling and sores in the mouth), bone loss in the jaw (secondary to inadequate calcium absorption), tooth loss, damage to the salivary glands and chronic bad breath (when the kidneys can no longer remove urea from the blood). Children with kidney-related bone loss are especially affected because their bones are still growing.

It is absolutely critical that you give a complete and updated medical history at each dental appointment. Medi-

cations used to treat CKD, renal failure, patients on dialysis and those who have undergone a kidney transplant must be taken into consideration when developing your unique dental treatment plan. Your dentist will work with your nephrologist (kidney specialist) to keep apprised of your current stage of disease and dialysis schedule. Dental appointments must be scheduled on non-dialysis days. You may require antibiotics before dental procedures and your nephrologist will need to monitor and possibly adjust your blood thinner regime. Do not put off dental treatment; prevention and prompt treatment of oral infections is essential for your health.

A dental exam is required when evaluating a patient for consideration as a kidney transplant recipient. All sources of infection must be addressed and teeth that cannot be salvaged must be extracted prior to being accepted as a transplant recipient. This is because the medications you will be prescribed to prevent rejection will weaken

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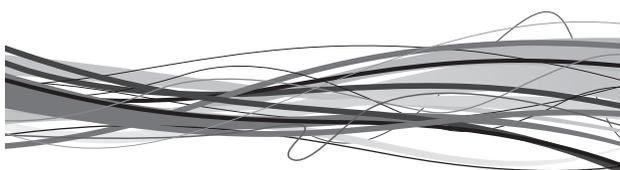
## Tutors help adult learners succeed

Highland Community College hosted a volunteer appreciation night recently to recognize the commitment of adult education tutors. Volunteers who live throughout the college district provide tutoring in math, reading, writing, or English as a second language. Volunteers tutor when it's convenient for both students and themselves — morning, afternoon or evening — and in an academic subject area they enjoy. Volunteers have the option to tutor a single student or a small group in face-to-face sessions or virtually via Zoom. The Highland Community College Volunteer Literacy Program is part of the Adult Education department and is funded by a grant from the state of Illinois. Volunteer tutors are recruited, trained and matched with eligible adults wanting to improve their math, reading, writing or English language skills.

For more information about becoming an adult education volunteer, contact Esther Mayer at 815-599-3538 or [esther.mayer@highland.edu](mailto:esther.mayer@highland.edu). To learn more about the adult education program, go to [highland.edu/adulteducation](http://highland.edu/adulteducation).

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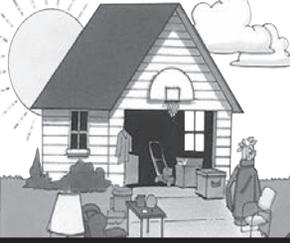
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# FROM LENA'S KITCHEN



The not so skinny cook

We got a little rain and a little cooler weather. The air conditioning got a little break, and I didn't even mind that I got soaked going from my car to my friend's car. (I didn't have to water when I came home!) It is the little things in life that keep us going.

This week's recipes are great for the summer season. Enjoy an easy and tasty appetizer, some good sides, a couple of "mains" and easy peach desserts.

## Pigs in a Blanket

These mini franks are rolled up with a dab of apricot preserves for a hint of sweetness. They make a great appetizer for any time of the year.

1/2 of 11 oz. of piecrust mix (1 1/2 C.)

24 cocktail franks

2 T. apricot preserves, melted

1 egg, beaten

1/2 C. brown mustard

Heat oven to 375. Line baking sheet with parchment paper. In a bowl, using fork, stir together piecrust mix, and 2 T. plus 2 t. cold water until mixture forms a ball of dough. On a lightly floured surface, roll out dough into a 9-by-12 rectangle; spread preserves over dough to edges. Cut dough

into 24 (3-by-1 1/2-inch strips. Place one frank on each strip; roll up overlapping dough ends slightly, then press tightly to seal.

Place prepared franks seam sides down about 2 inches apart on a baking sheet; lightly brush with beaten egg. Bake until golden brown, approximately 15 minutes. Serve with mustard for dipping.

## Broccoli Ranch Slaw

This slaw is made with broccoli rather than cabbage. It has a creamy buttermilk dressing; it easy to prep if you buy the broccoli slaw already prepared.

1 C. buttermilk

1/4 C. mayonnaise

1/4 C. sour cream

3 T. cider vinegar

1 T. sugar

1 t. salt

2 bags (12 oz. each) of broccoli slaw

1/2 C. parsley

1/2 Chives

1/2 C. dill

Whisk buttermilk, mayo, sour cream, vinegar and sugar in a large bowl. Add the salt to taste. Toss the dressing with broccoli slaw and parsley, chives and dill. Make sure slaw is coated. Refrigerate for at least an hour before serving.

## BLT Macaroni Salad

I get lots of questions about how to make a different kind of macaroni salad. This one is based on the BLT sandwich ingredients. The surprise at the end is adding the baby spinach.

1 pkg. (16 oz.) elbow mac-

aroni

1/2 C. mayonnaise

1/2 C. sour cream

1/4 C. chopped fresh basil

1 t. lemon zest

2 T. lemon juice

2 t. salt

1 t. minced garlic

1/2 t. pepper

1 pkg. (18 oz.) thick cut bacon, chopped, cooked

3 C. chopped tomatoes

1 pkg. (6 oz.) baby spinach

Cook macaroni per package directions. Rinse with cool water and drain well. In a large bowl, whisk together mayo, sour cream, basil, lemon zest and juice, salt and pepper until smooth; stir in macaroni, bacon and tomatoes. Cover and chill at least one hour before serving or up to overnight. Stir in spinach just before serving.

## Grilled Chicken Rosemary

This grilled chicken is flavorful and takes plain chicken breasts to the next level. It is an easy grilled recipe that can be done outside or on a grill on the stove. The advice is to watch out for flare-ups; the bacon can cause these. I have mentioned before that I use A.J.'s bacon because it doesn't have a lot of fat.

4 (6 oz.) boneless, skinless, chicken breasts

4 t. garlic powder

1/2 t. salt

1/2 t. pepper

4 sprigs fresh rosemary

4 slices bacon

Preheat the grill to medium high heat and lightly oil the grate. Season chicken with garlic powder, salt and pepper. Top breasts with rosemary sprig on each; then wrap with bacon slices. Secure bacon with a toothpick or an additional thick rosemary stem. Grill chicken, covered, about eight minutes per side, until an instant read thermometer reads 165. Keep an eye out for grill flare-ups. Remove toothpicks and rosemary sprigs before serving. Garnish with parsley.

## Stroganoff-Style Beef with Broccoli

I like beef stroganoff; I like this recipe because it has the vegetable in the recipe. Basically it uses very few dishes in the prep. The meat prep can be done ahead and fried before you are going to put the dish together. Probably the longest cooking time is the noodles. You will enjoy the hint of dill in the sour cream dressing you put on at the end.

1/2 C. sour cream

3 T. flour

1/4 t. dried dill

1 lb. boneless beef top round steak

2 T. vegetable oil

1 small onion, cut into 1/2 inch slices

1/2 t. minced garlic

3 C. dried wide noodles (6 oz.)

3 C. broccoli florets

1 can (14.5 oz.) beef broth

3 T. tomato paste

1 t. Worcestershire sauce

Black pepper to taste

In a bowl, stir together sour cream, 1 T. flour and the dill. Trim the meat. Cut meat into thin bite-size strips. In a large skillet, heat 2 T. of oil over medium-high heat. Cook meat, half at a time, in hot oil until slightly pink in the center. Remove meat from the skillet; set aside. Add the remaining 1 T. oil in the skillet; add the onion and garlic. Cook 8 to 10 minutes or until onion is tender, stirring occasionally.

Cook noodles according to the package directions, adding broccoli the last three minutes of cooking; drain. Return noodle mixture to pan; cover and keep warm. Sprinkle the remaining 2 T. flour over onion mixture in skillet; stir to coat. Add broth, tomato paste and Worcestershire sauce. Cook and stir until thickened and bubbly. Cook and stir one minute more. Return meat to skillet; heat through.

Remove from heat. Season to taste with pepper. Stir in sour cream mixture. Serve over broccoli and noodles.

## Peach Crumb Bars

If you have made Blueberry Crumb Bars, you will really like these peach crumb bars. Peaches are turning up in the grocery store, and they have been really good. Try this recipe for a great dessert or a treat to take to a picnic.

3 C. flour

1 1/2 C. sugar, divided

1 t. baking powder

1/2 t. salt

Dash of cinnamon

1 C. shortening

1 egg

1 t. vanilla

9 medium peaches, peeled and chopped

1 t. almond extract

4 t. cornstarch

Preheat oven to 375. Whisk flour, 1 cup sugar, baking powder, salt and cinnamon in a bowl; cut in shortening until crumbly. In another bowl, whisk egg and vanilla until blended; add to flour mixture, stirring with a fork until crumbly.

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## LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STEPHENSON COUNTY

15 North Galena Avenue, FREEPORT, ILLINOIS ESTATE OF Lorraine L. Marsh, DECEASED.

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# •Kitchen (Continued from page 11)

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Cool completely in pan on a wire rack. Cut into bars.

## Peach Dump Can Cake

If you don't have fresh peaches, and you need a fast dessert, this quick, simple and tasty cake is always a hit. This dessert is a cake mix-based dessert, and is prepared in less than 10 minutes from start to oven. It will make your whole house

smell great when it is baking.

- 1 can (29 oz.) sliced peaches in heavy syrup, undrained
- 1 box yellow cake mix
- ¾ C. butter sliced into 24 cuts

Preheat oven to 350. Spread peaches, with liquid, into a 9-by-13 baking dish sprayed with cooking spray. Sprinkle cake mix evenly over peaches. Place butter evenly over cake mix. Bake for 40 to 45 minutes, until golden and bubbly. Serve warm or at room temperature with ice cream.

## Final thoughts

I went to the Freeport Concert Band performance on Sunday, July 4, in the evening. If you have never been to a concert on a Sunday evening, you should try to go. It is wonderful music in a beautiful setting. The concerts are held in the Koning

Amphitheater.

The patriotic music was a great way to end the July 4 celebrations. They ended the evening (before the encore) with the 1812 Overture, complete with canons. I jumped every time they went off, even when I knew they were coming.

As the evening's performance was winding down, the beautiful lighting of the amphitheater came on. We had a discussion about the band shell and when it was built, and wouldn't you know it, The Journal Standard had a history piece last week about the theater. It was given by the Koning Family as a memorial to the Rawleigh Family in the late 1940s.

Our Lena Park District Sunday evening concerts are beginning in July also. We are

blessed with beautiful parks in our area, and hopefully our lake will be open before the year is over. Visit a park; they are free!

I hope you have a great cooking week. If you have any summer recipes, contact us in person, by mail at From Lena's Kitchens, Shopper's Guide, 240 W. Main St., Lena, IL 61048 or email us at scoopshopper@rvpublishing.com.

# •Disease (Continued from page 9)

your immune system to an even greater extent. In fact, you will not be able to have any elective dental procedures for at least six months following a kidney transplant.

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