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Lena Lions Club 71st Annual Fall Festival returns

The Lena Lions 71st Annual Fall Festival, known as "The Cadillac of Small-Town Festivals", will be held in downtown Lena on Sept. 9 and 10.

Free entertainment starts on Friday at 7 p.m. with The Cross Cut Band, a family friendly four-piece band out of Freeport, IL. The band plays older hits, both rock and country and has been together since the late 90's. Look forward to an evening of old music and fun with the Cross Cut Band.

The Maddmen are back by popular demand and will perform at the 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. shows on Saturday, Sept. 10.

They feature a combination of classic rock and roll, blues, classic country, and more.

A 50/50 cash raffle will be offered again this year. Tickets are available for \$10.00 each from Lion members or at the festival. The winning ticket will be drawn on Saturday, September 10 at the close of the festival. The Lena Lions will also sell raffle tickets for the 2022 Polaris UTV to be given away on Saturday at approximately 11 p.m. The tickets cost \$10.00 per ticket or 3 for \$20.00. The

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Donations requested

Linda Book and Maryna Misiewicz of the Stephenson County Veterans Assistance office stand in the Veterans Pantry located in their office. They currently need donations of shampoos, tampons, and canned goods. In the fall they will need socks and XL sweatshirts. Anyone wishing to donate can drop off supplies at the Lena American Legion home on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

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Obituaries

GAIL MAYER

Gail Mayer, 85, of Lena, Ill., passed away on July 2, 2022. She was born Nov. 15, 1936, the daughter of Ellsworth and Margaret (Di-estelmeier) Fluegel of RR Lena. She graduated from Lena High School in 1954. She married the love of her life, Ben Mayer, on Nov. 21, 1854 at the Salem United Church of Christ in Lena. They were married 66 years and were life-long residents of Lena.

Gail worked at the Federal Probation Office in Rockford for over 20 years as an administrative assistant extraordinaire. The distance between Lena and Rockford is over 80 miles there and back, so Gail traveled about 380,000 miles over that time for her job. She has served as president of the Lena Women's Club and treasurer for the Stephenson County Fair Board.

She was a leading member of the shop 'til you drop club and enjoyed playing euchre with friends. But most of all she loved traveling, golfing, and watching the Green Bay Packers with Ben, working on crossword puzzles, taking care of her lawn, and visiting her family and helping them with whatever they needed. She adored her granddaugh-



ters and great-grandchildren, who lovingly called her Gram. They were her pride and joy.

She had a firecracker personality and has been described as spunky, feisty, and stubborn, and all are absolutely true. It's also true that she was hardworking, strong, quick-witted, smart, funny, and loving. We are grateful for all the life lessons and memories she gave us.

She was preceded in death by her parents, step-mother Vera, and brother Edgar. She was also preceded in death by her husband Ben in 2020 and her son Ryan in 1981. Gail will be laid to rest next to Ben and Ryan at Chapel Hill during a private family gathering.

She will be lovingly remembered and missed by her daughter Rhonda (Don) Cozier of Madison; her granddaughters DeDe (Todd) Heid of Appleton and Kelsey-Ryan (Aaron) Pearson of Oconomowoc; and her great-grandchildren Braelyn, Gianna and Otto Mayer (Heid) and Theo and Viviana (Pearson).

CRYSTAL M. HOMEWOOD

Crystal M. Homewood, 59, of Freeport, formerly of Lena, Ill., passed away on July 10, 2022, at her home. She was born in Beaver Dam, WI on July 11, 1962.

Crystal is survived by her daughters; Laura Homewood of Freeport, Ill. and Angela (Matt) Wagner of Lena, Ill., four grandchildren; Audriana, Jozee, Ava, and Mya, and her father; Terry Williams of Beaver Dam, Wis.

KIMBERLY LYNN BAUER

Kimberly Lynn Bauer, age 59, of Stockton, Ill. passed away Thursday, July 14, 2022, at Lena Living Center after a courageous battle with cancer. She was born April 15, 1963, in Moline, Ill. to the late Truman and Kay (Hellebuyck) Meier. Kim married Jay Bauer on Aug. 2, 1986 at Christ Lutheran Church in Stockton.

Kim was a 1981 graduate of Stockton High School. She graduated from Highland Community College and went on to receive her Bachelor's Degree from Columbia University. She had worked as an art teacher for the Stockton Schools for 20 years. She also owned Artwork Studios where she hosted paint and sip parties. During the summer months she ran an art program at the Stockton Park. Kim enjoyed gardening, cooking (es-

pecially holiday meals), convertible rides with her husband, and her dogs, Piper and Luna. Most of all, Kim loved her family, especially her new granddaughter, Presley.

She is survived by her husband, Jay Bauer; her sons, Drew (fiancé Abigail), Dillon (Erin), and Austin (partner Marcie); her granddaughter, Presley; and her special Aunt Jane (Larry).

She was preceded in death by her parents and her infant brother, Thomas.

Private family services will be held. A memorial fund has been established. Condolences may be shared at www.hermannfuneralhome.com.



She was preceded in death by her mother and her sweet grandson Elijah.

Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, July 20, at the Zion Church of Freeport. A visitation will be from 10 a.m. until time of services at the church.

Pastor Steve Rios will officiate the services. A memorial has been established in her memory. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.leamonfh.com.

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LUCILLE MARY BUSKE

Lucille Mary (Meier) Buske age 84, of Warren, Ill. passed away on Thursday, July 14, 2022, at Pleasant View Nursing Home in Monroe, Wis. She was born Nov. 7, 1937, in Stephenson County, the daughter of Fred and Edith (Lott) Meier. She married LaVerne E. Buske on Oct. 27, 1956, at the Nora Community Church in Nora, Ill. Lucille has been a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Warren since 1968. She graduated from Stockton High School in 1955.

Lucille was a homemaker, army wife for two years, farmers wife for 10 years, and worked at Micro-Switch in Warren, Ill. for 26 years. She worked seasonally at Swiss Colony in Monroe, Wis., and drove school bus part-time for Thill Bus Service. Then LaVerne, Lucille, and family purchased and operated L&L Lawn Care. They also were foster parents from 1970-1984. They did a lot of traveling, camping with family and Good Sam's Club, Fishing, and dancing together. They also own a cabin on the Pecatonica River where they liked to relax, feed the ducks and birds. They would fish for Catfish and Northern by bank poles with their flat bottom and pontoon boats. Lucille also loved spending time with the families of her daughters and having get-togethers with all the grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She decorated wedding cakes for her seven children's weddings as well as cakes for other people.

She is survived by her six daughters; Melody (Tom) Grindey, Warren, Ill., Krystal (Kurt) Schlichting, Green

Bay, Wis., Melinda (Bill) Phillips, Warren, Ill., Kimberly Janicke, Warren, Ill., Melissa (Scott) Sargent, Monroe, Wis., Linda (Charles) Voegeli, Monroe Wis.; 15 grandchildren – Bill McNett, Nick (Meghan) Grindey, Chelsea (Chad) White, Justin Buske, JR (Jennifer) McNett, Chad Phillips, Austin Heller, Kathy Grindey, Harriet (Danielle) Buske, Christi (fiancé Cory) Phillips, Abbea (Parker) Haven, Julianna (Justin) Hurley, Alyssa (Justin) Hoover, Emily (Garrick) Goerke, Bobby Voegeli; 28 great-grandchildren, with one on the way, and one great-great grandson; brother-in-law Eugene Jogerst; sister-in-law Inez Meier and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband LaVerne, son Joseph, her parents, brother Edward Meier, sister Iona Mosley mother and father in-law Edwin and Lois Buske.

Funeral services were held at 12 p.m. on Monday, July 18, 2022, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Warren, Ill. A visitation was held from 10 a.m. until time of services on Monday, July 18, 2022, at the church. Rev. Janice Diesenthaler officiated the services. Cremation rites will be accorded.

A private family burial will take place at Elmwood Cemetery in Warren, Ill. at a later date. A memorial has been established in her memory. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.leamonfh.com.



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Vivian Kepner will celebrate her 98th 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 98th birthday. Please consider mailing her a card, she loves getting mail.

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Pritzker pushes for assault weapons ban, federal action

By Peter Hancock
CAPITOL NEWS ILLINOIS

In the wake of a July 4 mass shooting in Highland Park that left seven people dead and dozens more injured, Gov. JB Pritzker is calling for a ban at both the state and national levels on military-style assault rifles and high-capacity magazines.

The governor made those calls on national cable television and at the White House in recent days.

"While I support an assault weapon and high-capacity magazine ban at the state level, we urgently need federal regulation on the weapons of war and high-capacity magazines that are used only for mass murder," Pritzker said in a statement. "Illinois is not an island, and even with some of the strictest gun laws in the nation, our state is only as safe as the state with the weakest laws—many of which border Illinois."

The weapon used in the Highland Park shooting has been identified as a Smith and Wesson M&P 15, a semi-auto-

matic rifle that holds 30-round magazines of 5.56mm ammunition. The alleged shooter, Robert Crimo III, reportedly used three such magazines during his attack on a Fourth of July parade, firing off more than 80 shots in a matter of just a few minutes.

Although the letters "M&P" stand for "Military & Police," it and others like it have been widely available to civilians at sporting goods stores throughout the country.

The weapon used in Highland Park is also similar to guns used in other recent mass shootings, including the May 24 shooting at an elementary school in Uvalde, Texas, that left 19 children and two teachers dead, and the May 14 shooting at a Buffalo, New York, grocery store that killed 10 people.

All those weapons are modeled after the Colt AR-15, a semi-automatic version of a rifle originally designed for the military.

On July 11, Pritzker and Highland Park Mayor Nancy Rotering were at the White

House for an event with President Joe Biden marking the recent signing of the Safer Communities Act, the first significant federal law addressing gun violence in nearly 30 years.

"We had a number of conversations immediately after the attack in Highland Park and I've been impressed with the way they've handled things. It's been extraordinary," Biden said. "And as the three of us have discussed, we have more to do."

Later in the day, Pritzker appeared on CNN's "State of the Union," and he repeated his call for additional measures to control gun violence.

"I think that there are probably three things that need to be looked at here: One is changing some of the verbiage in the law on red flags so that something could have been filed that would have prevented the FOID card from being issued. That's one," he said. "Two is that we need to ban assault weapons, not just in the state of Illinois, but nationally. And then third, high-capacity mag-

azines." A bill pending in the General Assembly would make it a felony to buy or sell assault-style rifles and high-capacity magazines. House Bill 5522, by Rep. Maura Hirschauer, D-Batavia, would also require existing owners of such weapons to register them with the Illinois State Police, and it would prohibit those owners from selling them in-state to anyone but a federally licensed firearms dealer.

Hirschauer, a first-term lawmaker and organizer of a local chapter of Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America, introduced the bill in January, but it was never considered in a substantive committee. Since the July 4 mass shooting in Highland Park, however, 50 more lawmakers, all Democrats, have signed on as co-sponsors.

"I think that my colleagues have been moved by the tragedy in Highland Park, but also moved by the gun violence that affects the entire state, and constituents all over Illinois have been reaching out to their state representatives and state senators, telling them how important this bill is," Hirschauer said during a phone interview.

Gun rights advocates, on the other hand, argue that eliminating one type of gun from society will not address the underlying causes of gun vio-

lence. "We certainly understand the emotional response of anti-gun politicians in light of the evil and violence the world witnessed in Highland Park ... just like the equivalent of 47 Highland Park shootings that have taken place in the city of Chicago year to date," Richard Pearson, director of the Illinois State Rifle Association, said in an email. "Evil and violence do not lie in an inanimate object but in the hearts of people. At some point politicians must tackle the 'Why' of violence instead of the easy way out by trying to ban inanimate objects."

Lawmakers had planned to convene a special session this summer, primarily to respond to the U.S. Supreme Court's decision striking

down a constitutional right to abortion. Before the Highland Park shooting, however, those plans were put on hold and no special session has yet been scheduled.

Republican gubernatorial candidate Darren Bailey also called for a special session last week to repeal a criminal justice reform bill passed in January 2021 and convene a mental health task force consisting of "doctors, first responders, patients, home caregivers, parents, teachers, and churches."

The Pritzker campaign, in turn, blasted Bailey for voting against gun safety bills and state budgets that increased mental health funding.

The next scheduled meeting of the General Assembly is Nov. 15 when the regular fall veto session convenes.

News briefs

Volunteers needed

CONTACT's Crisis Helpline is looking for volunteers to help cover the phone lines. An informational meeting will be held to explain what it takes to become a CONTACT Volunteer on Tuesday, Aug. 16, 2022, 6 p.m. at the CONTACT Training Center, 1033 W. Empire St. Freeport, IL (next to Freeport Press). Join to find out what is involved in helping at the 24 helpline. During the training participants will become Certified in Mental Health First Aid free of charge. For more information please call Pam at 815-233-4402.

Brudi Reunion

The 97th Brudi Reunion will be held Sunday, July 31 at St. John Lutheran Church at 625 Country Ln Dr., Lena, IL. Please note the change of location.

Families are asked to bring a dish to share and their own table service. Lemonade and coffee will be furnished.

Blackhawk Unit of Home Extension meeting

The July meeting of Blackhawk Unit of Home Extension will be held Thursday, July 21, 2022, at the Pearl City Library at 1 p.m. The major lesson on Dementia and Alzhei-

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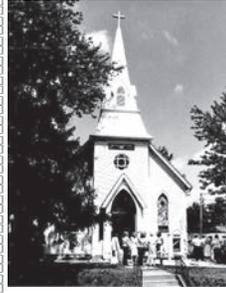
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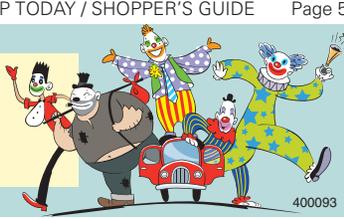
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Will County farmer Doug Yunker demonstrates tillage equipment adapted to cultivate an organic soybean crop during a recent urban-rural farm tour. Yunker admitted

40-foot swaths require more time to kill weeds compared to applying herbicides but said he also enjoys farming organically.

Tour bridges urban-rural gaps about conservation farming

By Kay Shipman
FARMWEEK

Stepping outside comfort zones and into no-till fields, prairie habitat and organic crops can break down misperceptions about farm conservation in northeast Illinois.

That was one of the goals for a Will County conservation tour on June 24 organized

by the Chicago Wilderness, a regional alliance of 250-plus organizations.

"The idea was to, first of all, let everyone see the great progress being made on farms on the collar of the Chicagoland area because I think the impression of people — whether you're a consumer or a conservationist or just

somebody in the city—there's assumptions made that the farms around Chicagoland are a danger to us," said Tim Brennan, vice president of the Farm Foundation and co-chair of the Wilderness Ag Committee that hosted the tour.

"We wanted to bring people out to show them how much innovation and inno-

native conservation practices are happening," Brennan said while organic farmer Doug Yunker demonstrated tillage equipment. "But there are also ideas that farmers have about consumers and conservationists. We wanted them (farmers) to meet these people who are extremely thoughtful and eager to learn and eager

to better understand the pressures that are on the farm.

"There's no better way to do that than face to face."

A daylong field day with four farm stops offered face-to-face conversations among representatives of 30-some organizations and government bodies as they traveled on two motor coaches.

A video and photography crew from Chicago's Field Museum even documented the farmers' practices on public and private lands. The museum is documenting regenerative agriculture and wanted to talk with "the people doing it," a photographer explained. Farmers were represented by the Will County Farm

Bureau, Soil and Water Conservation Districts and other traditional ag organizations. Those groups were joined by the Nature Foundation of Libertyville, which focuses on urban and suburban conservation; village and county governments; organizations for wildlife, birds and fish; and even representatives from Aldi.

The diverse mix of perspectives surfaced questions different from those asked on most farm field days.

When asked about their challenges and obstacles, farmer presenters spoke honestly.

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Illinois, U.S. biofuel jobs grew in 2021

By Timothy Eggert
FARMWEEK

Illinois' biofuel industry added 307 jobs in 2021, a 4.6% increase from the previous year, according to recently released federal data.

The 2022 United States Energy and Employment Report (USEER), compiled by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), found similar growth in the biofuels industry at the national level, which in 2021 added 4,332 jobs.

And that national growth is expected to continue through 2022, with jobs related to renewable diesel fuels anticipated to increase by 6.6%, biodiesel by 5.5% and corn ethanol by 4.5%, the report said.

"Amidst the unique challenges of a nation coming out of a global pandemic, America's energy sector stands out with considerable job growth across nearly all industries,"

Energy Secretary Jennifer Granholm said in a statement.

"DOE's USEER report shows that jobs critical to our clean energy transition are on the rise and poised for continued expansion thanks to the historic investments from the president's bipartisan infrastructure law," Granholm said.

Illinois' boost in total biofuel jobs over the past year—from 6,712 in 2020 to 7,019 in 2021—mostly stemmed from a rise in employment (130 jobs added) related to "other biofuels," which DOE classifies as "other fuel derived directly from living matter."

Illinois-based positions in corn ethanol (100 jobs added); other ethanol, which includes biodiesel, (41 jobs added); and woody biomass (36 jobs added) also increased from 2020 levels.

And within the state's overall fuels sector, the agri-

culture and forestry industry accounted for 3,177 jobs in 2021, a 12% decrease from 2020, the report said.

The increased 2021 employment figures across the state's biofuel industry, however, largely reflect an ongoing recovery from disruptions and shutdowns caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and supply chain issues.

They also serve as a precursor to facilities expanding their production capacity via millions in federal spending, the implementation of year-round E15 and a 20.63-billion-gallon blending mandate for 2022 under the Renewable Fuel Standard.

According to the U.S. Energy Information Administration, Illinois in 2021 had the third-largest annual ethanol production capacity (1.8 billion gallons) and the fourth-largest annual biodiesel fuel production capacity

(168 million gallons) in the country.

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crease in woody biomass production.

Positions in corn ethanol (1,086 jobs added); other biofuels (910 jobs added) and other ethanol (880 jobs added) further saw growth nationally.

The largest number of corn ethanol fuel jobs (15,818) were in the ag industry, up from 15,419 workers in 2020 and 15,589 workers in 2019, the report said. But despite that growth, overall corn ethanol jobs still haven't returned to 2019 levels.

"Corn ethanol employed

34,592 workers in 2021, up 1,086 from the 33,506 employed in 2020 (3.2%)," the report said. "It did, however, employ 34,866 workers in 2019, putting the technology's employment level 275 jobs short of its pre-COVID recession level."

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Summerset Theatre's 47th season brings musical 'Working' to the stage

Highland Community College's 47th season of Summerset Theatre will present the musical "Working." Performances will run at 7:30 p.m. on Aug. 11, 12, and 13 and at 3 p.m. on Aug. 14 at the Fine Arts Theatre in the Ferguson Fine Arts Center at 2998 W. Pearl City, Rd., Freeport, Ill.

Nominated for six Tony Awards, "Working" is based on Studs Terkel's best-selling book of firsthand accounts from American workers. Songs are by Stephen Schwartz ("Wicked" and "Godspell"), Lin-Manuel Miranda ("Hamilton") as well as

Craig Carnelia, James Taylor, Micki Grant, and other artists. Based on interviews with actual people, "Working" tells the core truths of what it means to make a living in contemporary America. Parental guidance is suggested for adult language and themes.

Members of the cast are Heath Atz, of Freeport; Brielle Bruce, of Freeport; Emma L. Cady, of Lanark; Hailley Johnson, of Pearl City; Elizabeth Lagos, of Shannon; Layla Roling, of Shannon; Rawley Schulz, of Stockton; Ben Skipor, of Freeport; and

Jacob VenHuizen, of Apple River.

Tickets are on sale at \$17 for adults, \$14 for seniors, and \$10 for students. Visit highland.edu/box office or call 815-599-3718. Tickets also will be available for purchase for a half-hour before each performance at the box office in the lobby.

Church news

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

All are invited to worship at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 118 E. Mason St. Lena, IL on Sunday, July 24, 2022, at 9:30 a.m. for the Sixth Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service. This is communion Sunday. The reading will be from Luke Luke 11:1-13. On Tuesday, July 26, Bible Study group will meet at 10 a.m. On Wednesday, July 27, Peace Corps Quilting group will meet from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. On Saturday, July 30, Men's Group is hosting a Workday to do cleaning around the church building at 1 p.m.

Volunteers are needed for Back-to-School Family Fun Day on Saturday, Aug. 6, 1pm-4pm). If interested, please contact the church office at 815-369-5552. All the services will be recorded and be available on church's Facebook page and website. If you have any questions, please contact the church office at 815-369-5552.

Scales Mound "Young at Heart" features the Peace Seekers Music Group in July gathering

Scales Mound United Methodist Church at 319 Mason St. holds Young at Heart gatherings on the fourth Tuesday of every month at 1:30 p.m. Each month there will be refreshments, entertainment, speakers, and social activities. On July 26 the event will feature a singalong with the Peace Seekers, a local group of energetic and talented musicians and vocalists. Anyone who is "young at heart"

is invited to join. There is no charge for this event. Please contact Pastor Libby Rutherford at 815-990-1428 with any questions.

"Feelings Fitness" for Kids at Apple River UMC

Apple River United Methodist church is once again hosting "Feelings Fitness"- a teacher-designed, creative way for kids express their feelings, positive and negative, and integrate them into everyday life. Each day will be centered around a new theme, with a bible story, kids' literature, and an innovative art project, including discussion throughout. Each participant will have their own journal that they can add to each day.

This event will take place July 25 to 28, Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., at Apple River UMC, 102 E Baldwin in Apple River. All kids aged 4-14 are welcome, and a snack is included.

There is no charge for this event. Please contact Pastor Libby Rutherford at rutherford.libby@gmail.com or call / text 815-990-1428 with any questions.

Salem United Church of Christ

All are welcome to join Salem United Church of Christ, 8491 West Salem Road, on Sunday, July 24, 2022, at 10 a.m. Pastor Christopher Ham has been welcomed as the official pastor and all are invited to experience his service.

The Wednesday Breakfast Bunch will be meeting Wednesday, July 27, 2022, at 8 a.m. at Stella's Café, 100 N Main St, Stockton, Illinois. All are welcome to join. In addition, mark your calendar for the Salem UCC annual Shrimp Boil on Sunday, Aug. 7, 2022. The service will begin at 10 a.m., followed by a shrimp boil lunch at 11 a.m. Come enjoy good food and good company.

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Planned Parenthood announces Illinois-Wisconsin partnership in Waukegan

By Peter Hancock
CAPITOL NEWS ILLINOIS

Planned Parenthood affiliates in Illinois and Wisconsin said July 14 they have formed a partnership to expand services at an abortion clinic in Waukegan to help serve residents of Wisconsin, where abortion services are now banned.

That announcement came three weeks after the U.S. Supreme Court overturned the 1973 decision in Roe v. Wade, which legalized abortion nationwide. Once the court rendered that decision, a Wisconsin law dating back to 1849 that criminalizes abortion automatically went back into effect.

"We opened the Waukegan Health Center in 2020 in

anticipation of this moment," Jennifer Welch, president and CEO of Planned Parenthood of Illinois, said during a virtual news conference. "We expected that Wisconsin would cease access to abortion care as soon as Roe fell, so we were prepared to give Wisconsin patients the care they needed."

Under the arrangement, patients can still go to one of four clinics in Wisconsin to receive care before and after the procedure. But several Wisconsin clinicians, nurses and other staff travel to the Waukegan clinic to expand capacity at that health center and other clinics in Illinois through telehealth.

Tanya Atkinson, president and CEO of Planned Parent-

hood of Wisconsin, said her organization had anticipated the overturning of Roe v. Wade for years and had been working for the past several months to build partnerships with providers in other states.

"Despite the devastating impact of this criminal abortion ban, we are grateful to have health care options for our patients right next door in Illinois," she said. "Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin is working on many fronts to provide patients with information, support, financial resources and access to abortion services and to follow-up care."

Atkinson noted that even before Roe v. Wade was overturned, Wisconsin im-

posed strict regulations on abortion.

According to the Guttmacher Institute, an organization that supports abortion rights, even after the original Roe v. Wade decision, Wisconsin imposed a number of restrictions on the procedure.

Those included a 24-hour waiting period and state-directed counseling that included information designed to discourage a patient from having an abortion, a prohibition against the use of telemedicine to administer abortion medications; and a requirement for parental consent to perform an abortion on a minor, among others.

Illinois, by contrast, imposes virtually no legal restrictions on access to abor-

tion services.

A 2019 law known as the Reproductive Health Act declares access to abortion services a "fundamental right" under Illinois law. And last year, lawmakers repealed what was known as the Parental Notice of Abortion Act, requiring parents of minors seeking abortions to be notified before the procedure could be performed.

Because of that, many Wisconsin residents seeking abortions went to out-of-state providers, including those in Illinois. But Kristen Schultz, chief strategy and operations officer at the Illinois affiliate, said that since Roe v. Wade was overturned on June 24, there has been a 10-fold increase in the number of Wis-

consin residents coming to Illinois for abortion services.

Earlier last week, Lt. Gov. Juliana Stratton testified before the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee about the increased demand for abortion services that Illinois is seeing from residents of other states where the procedure is now either banned or heavily restricted.

"We are not just an oasis of reproductive care, but an island," she said, according to her prepared remarks. "Here's what that looks like: It looks like disenfranchised yet determined patients coming from every surrounding state, but also from as far away as Tennessee, Texas, Louisiana, Alabama, and Florida."



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The not so skinny cook

We continued to have beautiful weather last week, and then it was a return to July. Hopefully the rain they have been predicting will come exactly when we need it. Gardens and flowers are flourishing. Using summer fruits and vegetables helps us prepare meals that are different. Enjoy cooking this week.

Spinach Parmesan Dip

This dip is another way to make veggies taste great. You can make it spicy or mild. Cook it with the cheeses in a slow cooker, and it is a perfect summer or anytime appetizer.

2 pkg. (10 oz.) each frozen chopped spinach, thawed

1 can (14 oz.) quartered artichoke hearts, drained and coarsely chopped

1 C. chopped onion
1 T. Dijon mustard
4 cloves garlic, minced

½ t. dried oregano, crushed
¼ t. cayenne pepper

½ C. mayonnaise or salad dressing

½ C. sour cream
¼ C. shredded parmesan cheese

¼ C. shredded Italian cheese blend

1 T. lemon juice
Vegetables cut up or pita chips

Coat a 3½ or 4 qt. slow cooker with cooking spray.

Squeeze spinach dry, reserving ½ C. spinach liquid. In slow cooker, combine spinach,

½ C. liquid and the artichoke hearts, onion, mustard, garlic, oregano, and cayenne pepper.

Cover and cook on low 2½ to 3 hours or on high 1½ hours.

Turn off cooker. Stir in the mayo, sour cream, and cheeses.

Add the lemon juice and stir in carefully. Serve with vegetables or pita chips.

Pea and Cucumber Salad

Peas are always a good summer vegetable. You can buy the frozen ones and use them in salads all summer long. Peas are paired with cucumbers for this summer salad.

¾ C. plain Greek yogurt
2 T. white wine vinegar

2 T. olive oil
½ t. red pepper flakes

1 pkg. (10 oz.) frozen peas, thawed

4 small cucumbers, sliced
¾ C. sliced radishes

½ C. chopped dill
½ C. chopped basil

Whisk together in a small bowl, yogurt, vinegar, oil and

pepper flakes, season with salt and pepper. In a large salad bowl, place the peas, cucumbers, radishes, dill, and basil. Toss together and sprinkle with dressing. Toss mixture lightly.

Cheesy Chicken Parmesan

If you like chicken parmesan at an Italian restaurant, you will like this recipe because it will cost you a lot less money and tastes great. The recipe is for two, but you can easily make it larger for a family or a crowd.

1 can (15 oz.) tomato sauce
1 t. Italian seasoning
½ t. garlic powder

1 egg
¼ C. seasoned breadcrumbs
3 T. grated Parmesan cheese

2 boneless skinless chicken breast halves (4 oz. each)

2 T. olive oil
2 slices mozzarella cheese

In a small saucepan, combine the tomato sauce, Italian seasoning, and garlic powder. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat; cover and simmer for 20 minutes. In a shallow bowl, lightly beat the egg. In another shallow bowl, combine the breadcrumbs and parmesan cheese. Dip chicken in egg; coat with crumb mixture. In a large skillet, cook chicken in oil over medium heat until a meat thermometer reads 165, about 5 minutes on each side. Top with mozzarella cheese. Cover and cook until cheese is melted. Place on serving platter and cover with tomato sauce. Sprinkle with chopped basil and Parmesan cheese. Serve with your favorite pasta.

Beef Tips with Tomatoes and Rice

If it is really hot, and you want a quick and easy meal, this skillet beef and tomato dinner would be a great weeknight meal. If you can't find yellow rice, use brown rice instead.

1 pint cherry or grape tomatoes
2 T. canola oil

1 lb. beef chuck roast, cut into 1-inch pieces

1 C. dry white wine
¼ C. unsalted butter
2 t. cornstarch

1 t. chopped fresh thyme
½ t. salt

½ t. pepper
1 pkg. (10 oz.) yellow rice, cooked according to package directions

Heat a 12-inch skillet over medium high heat. Add tomatoes; cook, stirring occasionally until tomato skins begin to brown, about 5 minutes. Remove tomatoes from skillet and set aside. In same skillet, heat oil over medium-high heat. Add beef in batches; cook, stirring occasionally until browned on all sides and slightly pink in center, 6 to 7 minutes. Remove beef using a slotted spoon. Reduce heat to medium. Add wine to skillet; cook, stirring frequently, until reduced by half, 5 to 7 minutes. Reduce heat to medium low. Stir in butter until melted.

In a small bowl, whisk together cornstarch and 3 T. reduced wine mixture until smooth; whisk into skillet until combined. Add beef, thyme, salt, and pepper. Simmer until thickened, 2 to 3 minutes; stir in tomatoes. Serve with rice. Garnish with thyme if desired.

Strawberry Lemon Icebox Pie

This is a great dessert for this hot weather. You make it in a cast iron skillet, but there is no baking. You do have to plan ahead because there is freezer time involved. Enjoy this refreshing summer dessert.

Crust:
3 C. finely ground butter crackers (3 sleeves)
¾ C. plus 2 T. unsalted butter, melted and divided
½ C. sugar
1 t. lemon zest

Filling:
2 T. boiling water
2 t. strawberry gelatin
1 pkg. (8 oz.) cream cheese, softened
3 T. fresh lemon juice
½ C. cold heavy whipping cream
¾ C. powdered sugar

1 C. chopped fresh strawberries
2 C. quartered fresh strawberries

1 t. lemon zest

Spray a 10-inch cast-iron skillet with baking spray with flour. Crust: in a large bowl, stir together cracker crumbs, ¾ C. melted butter, sugar, and lemon zest until moistened and well combined. Add remaining 2 T. of melted butter, if necessary. Press mixture into bottom and up sides of prepared skillet. Freeze for 15 minutes.

Filling: in a small bowl,

whisk together 2 T. boiling water and gelatin; let cool to room temperature but still pourable. In another large bowl, beat cream cheese with a mixer at medium speed until creamy. Add lemon juice; beat until combined. Add cold cream and powdered sugar; beat at high speed until fluffy, stopping to scrape sides of bowl. (Do not over beat.) Beat in gelatin mixture. Stir in chopped strawberries. Spread filling into prepared crust. Loosely cover and freeze until firm, about 6 hours. To serve, thaw pie until softened about 1 hour

in refrigerator or about 30 minutes at room temperature. Top with quartered strawberries and lemon zest. Cut pie with a sharp knife dipped into hot water and dried after each slice.

Triple-Layer Cookie Bars

I have told you before that I love bar recipes. I know I have had something like this bar cookie recipe before, but I don't think there was as much chocolate with the peanut butter. Who doesn't like chocolate? (I have a friend who

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Vs. Justin Krohmer; Melissa Reynolds; Theresa Greene; Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Gary L. Krohmer; Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants; Kipp Meyers, as Special Representative for Gary L. Krohmer (deceased)

DEFENDANTS

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NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU:

Justin Krohmer Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Gary L. Krohmer Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants

That this case has been commenced in this Court against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit:

COMMONLY KNOWN AS:

614 Dewey Ave Galena, IL 61036

and which said Mortgage was made by:

Gary L. Krohmer the Mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Quicken Loans Inc., as Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Jo Daviess County, Illinois, as Document No. 393504; and for other relief; that summons

was duly issued out of said Court against you as provided by law and that the said suit is now pending. NOW, THEREFORE, UNLESS YOU file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this case in the Office of the Clerk of this Court,

Kathy Phillips Clerk of the Circuit Court Jo Daviess County Courthouse 330 N. Bench Street Galena, IL 61036

on or before August 5, 2022, A DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY AND A JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED WITH THE PRAYER OF SAID COMPLAINT.

CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Attorneys for Plaintiff 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100 Burr Ridge, IL 60527 (630) 794-5300 DuPage # 15170 Winnebago # 531 Our File No. 14-22-02112

NOTE: This law firm is a debt collector. I3197734

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PUBLIC NOTICE VILLAGE OF STOCKTON APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE # 732 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE VILLAGE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR MAY 1, 2022 TO APRIL 30, 2023

ADOPTED BY THE

TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF STOCKTON

THE 12th DAY OF JULY, 2022

PUBLISHED IN PAMPHLET FORM BY AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF STOCKTON, JO DAVIESS COUNTY, THIS 13th DAY OF JULY, 2022

STATE OF ILLINOIS COUNTY OF JO DAVIESS

CERTIFICATE

I, STEFANIE HATLEY, certify that I am the duly appointed and acting municipal clerk of the Village of Stockton, Jo Daviess County, Illinois.

I further certify that on July 12th, 2022, the Corporate Authorities of the above municipality passed and approved Ordinance #732, entitled, "Appropriation Ordinance", which provided by its terms that it should be published in pamphlet form.

The pamphlet form of Ordinance #732, including the Ordinance and a cover sheet thereof, was prepared and a copy of the Ordinance was posted in the municipal building, commencing July 13th, 2022, and continuing for at least 10 days thereafter. Copies of the Ordinance are also available for public inspection upon request in the office of the municipal clerk.

DATED at Stockton, Illinois this 13th day of July, 2022.

Stefanie Hatley Village Clerk (Published in The Scoop Today July 20, 2022)

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Kitchen (Continued from page 9)

doesn't, and I commend her ability to walk away from anything chocolate) For the chocolate lovers out there, this one is for you.

- 1 1/4 C. flour
- 2/3 C. sugar
- 1/3 C. cocoa
- 1/4 C. packed brown sugar
- 1 t. baking powder
- 1/4 t. salt
- 1/2 C. cold butter

Topping

- 2 eggs
 - 1 pkg. (7 oz.) sweetened shredded coconut
 - 1 can (14 oz.) sweetened condensed milk
 - 2 C. semisweet chocolate chips
 - 1/2 C. creamy peanut butter
- In a large bowl, combine the flour, sugar, cocoa, brown sugar, baking pow-

der, and salt. Cut in butter until crumbly. Beat in eggs. Spread in a greased 9 x 13 pan. Bake at 350 for 8 minutes. Sprinkle coconut over crust; drizzle with sweetened condensed milk. Bake 20 minutes longer or until lightly browned.

In the microwave, melt chocolate chips and peanut butter; stir until smooth.

Spread over brownies. Cool on wire rack. Cut into bars.

Final Thoughts

One of my best friends saw that I got some of those beautiful peaches they were selling in the parking lot of one of the stores in Freeport. I made my first peach pie of the season, and it really tasted good. I also got some

more garden lettuce, and it was good also. Another friend brought me black raspberry pie. It is a good thing that I get to the pool to exercise because I will gain 20 pounds in a flash. Summer baseball and softball for the young ones is winding down, and the displays of school supplies remind us that it will be soon the

start of school. We continue to seek good farm stand recipes. Remember if you have some good vegetable or fruit recipes for the season, send them our way. You can contact us in person, by mail at From Lena's Kitchens, Shopper's Guide at 240 W. Main St. or email us at scoopshopper@rvpublishing.com.



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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT JO DAVIESS COUNTY - GALENA, ILLINOIS

ROCKET MORTGAGE, LLC F/K/A QUICKEN LOANS, LLC F/K/A QUICKEN LOANS INC. Plaintiff,

-v.- JEREMY MILLER et al Defendants

2022 FC 6

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on June 9, 2022, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:30 PM on July 28, 2022, at the office of Vincent Roth Toepfer & Leinen PC, 11406 U.S. Route 20 W, Galena, IL, 61036, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 401 W MAIN ST, WARREN, IL 61087

Property Index No. 21-001-141-00

The real estate is improved with a residence.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general 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 will receive a Certificate of Sale that 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 representation as to the con-

dition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information.

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 this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

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.

You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales.

For information, examine the court file, CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Plaintiff's Attorneys, 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL, 60527 (630) 794-9876 THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION

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You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales.

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E-Mail: pleadings@il.cslegal.com Attorney File No. 14-22-01486 Attorney ARDC No. 00468002 Case Number: 2022 FC 6 TJSC#: 42-2211

NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Case # 2022 FC 6 I3197476

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT JO DAVIESS COUNTY - GALENA, ILLINOIS

FIRST NATIONAL BANK AND TRUST COMPANY Plaintiff,

-v.- PAMELA KAY ATILANO A/K/A PAMELA K. ATILANO et al Defendant

2021 CH 39

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Commonly known as 9A80 EVERGREEN DRIVE, APPLE RIVER, IL 61001

Property Index No. 43-18-009-080-00

The real estate is improved with a residence.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general 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.

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Case # 2021 CH 39 I3198178

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• Festival (Continued from front page)

second prize is a \$200 Lena Money gift certificate, and a third prize is a \$100 Lena Money gift certificate.

Skidders Amusements returns for the 62nd year with carnival rides for all ages in the downtown parking lot starting at 6 p.m. on Friday and 2 p.m. on Saturday. Merchandise Bingo and the Ham Stand, Lion's operated long-time favorites, will be in their usual places on Main Street. No pets will be allowed on the midway except for service dogs for people with disabilities.

• Tour (Continued from page 6)

Will County Farm Bureau member Doug Yunker of Yunker Organic Farm described the three-year, extensive process for acres to become certified organic. Even after certification, a farmer must record and describe each pass through an organic field, said Yunker, who began farming organically in 2018. He farms with a rotation of corn, soybeans, wheat and hay for small, square bales.

"For the three years (of transitioning to organic), you sell a crop that yields less (compared to conventional crops) for less of a price (than organic crops)," Yunker said.

Asked about support he received to learn organic farming practices, Yunker answered he leaned on a college friend who also farms organically several counties away.

"Having someone as a mentor has been the biggest part," he said. In 2021, Yunker and his father, Mark, were

awarded the Will County Forest Preserve District's first organic farm license. There will be food galore with the Lions famous "Pork Chop on a Stick", Le-Win Sports Association Food Stand, among other favorites filling their usual spots. Favorites like cotton candy, elephant ears, ice cream and soft drinks will also be available.

The theme of this year's parade is "Small Town, Big Heart". The 100+ unit parade will be stepping off from the Old School Apartments at 12 p.m. on Saturday Sept. 10. A flyover by the Freeport Pilot's Association will start the parade, taking the

same route through town as previous years. High school bands, church floats, Scout and 4-H groups, antique and classic cars, and antique tractors, along with area fire trucks will be featured. Kids are encouraged to decorate their bikes and participate in the parade. Parade entry registration starts at 9 a.m. Please, no 4-wheel drive tractors, duals, or semis. A valid driver's license will be required to drive tractor.

For parade registration and information contact Bill Crichton at 815-291-936.

foot native prairie strips along the contours to catch field run-off and add diversity. In addition, the district put in sediment-control basins.

Walking across no-till soybean fields and a prairie strip, Michelle Blackburn, the forest preserve's agricultural specialist, pointed to accomplishments and setbacks. While eroded gullies had filled in, soil compaction in combination with intense spring rain caused some gullies to return.

"Organic is more time consuming, but I'm enjoying it," he added.

"We are trying different seed for erosion control. We are fortunate the tenant farmer is willing to work with us," she said. "Laughton (Preserve) is a success story, but it is also a work in progress."

This story was distributed through a cooperative project between Illinois Farm Bureau and the Illinois Press Association. For more food and farming news, visit FarmWeekNow.com.

FHN offering meningitis B vaccination clinics for young adults

Meningitis B is an easily transmissible disease that can strike teenagers and young adults quickly, killing as many as 1 in 10 of those affected in just 24 hours. FHN is offering two meningitis B vaccine clinics for high school seniors, recent graduates, upcoming and continuing college students at the FHN Family Healthcare Center – Burchard Hills, 1010 W. Fairway Drive in Freeport.

The meningitis B vaccine is a two-dose regimen, with the second dose to be administered four weeks after the first. The clinics for both doses will be offered on July 21 and Aug. 18, and July 28 and Aug. 25. Appointments for both doses (available from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. each clinic day) can be scheduled by calling 815-599-7755. Cost of the vaccination is dependent upon the patient's health insurance; inquire when scheduling.

University of Illinois Extension Program offers Centerpieces from the Garden

Everyone enjoys fresh cut flowers. They can make a great gift and can spruce up any room. Wouldn't it be fun to create a centerpiece of fresh cut flowers from the garden? Nikki Keltner will demonstrate how to take fresh cut flowers from the garden and make a beautiful centerpiece. Resources on cut flower care and helpful tools will be discussed along with information about what garden flowers make the best cut flowers. Following the discussion and demonstration, participants will get to make a centerpiece that they can take home with them.

Join University of Illinois Extension Program Coordinator Keltner for this hands-on program. The program will take place on Thursday, Aug. 25 at 1:30 p.m. The program is being held at the Jo Daviess County Extension Office, 204 Vine St. Elizabeth, IL 61028. There will be a \$15 fee to attend this program and pre-registration is required. To register or for more information call us at 815-858-2273 or visit us online at go.illinois.edu/jsw.

This program is part of a series that is being held. Other topics being presented are Cool

Season Vegetables on Aug. 11, Composting for the Homeowner on Sept. 8, Grapevine Wreaths on Sept. 20, and Falling into the Autumn Vegetable Garden on Oct. 13. All programs will begin at 1:30 p.m. and will be held at the Jo Daviess County Extension Office. Cost varies for each program.

If reasonable accommodation is needed to participate in this program, please call the Extension Office at 815-858-2273. Early requests are strongly encouraged to give the greatest amount of time to meet specific needs.

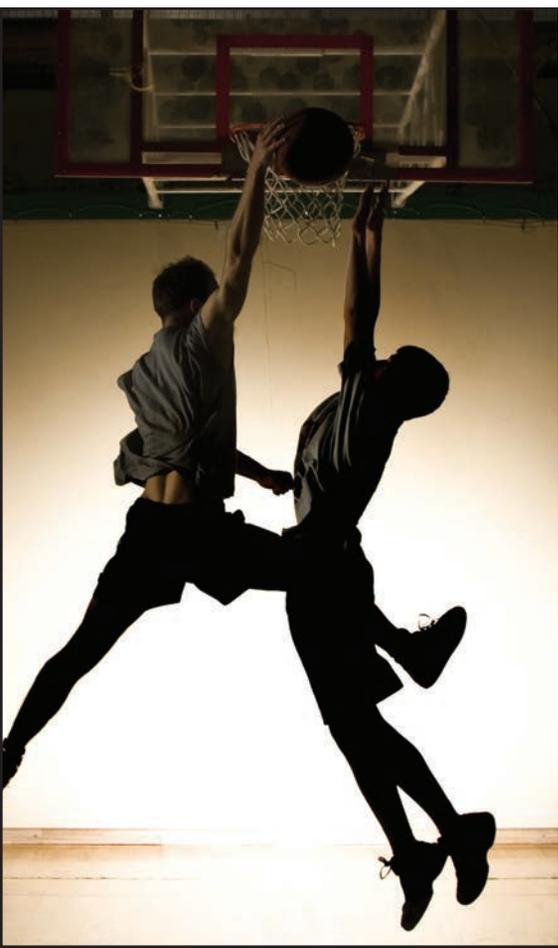
Fairy Tales come to life at Discovery Center Museum

Come in costume to Discovery Center Museum as your favorite princess, knight, villain or mythical creature on Friday, July 22 for Fairy Tale Friday. Design a castle, create a magic wand and crown, invent ogre ears, and construct a royal crest. Check

out the night sky in a special planetarium show and take in a demonstration on magic potions.

Special activities will be ongoing from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. You can even meet your favorite snow queen and her sister from 10 a.m. to 1p.m.

Cost is included with museum admission. Admission is \$10 per person with children age one and younger and members free. Fairy Tale Friday is possible thanks to support from US Bank and a grant from the Illinois Arts Council Agency.



SPORTS PHYSICALS FOR STOCKTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

Tuesday, August 2 • 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.
FHN Jo Daviess Family Healthcare Center
Call 815-947-3211 for an appointment or more information.

This sports physical meets IHSA eligibility requirements for all sports. It does NOT meet the requirement for a 9th grade school physical or for new students from out-of-state.

A portion of the Sports Physical Form must be completed and signed by a parent BEFORE the exam. If a parent does not accompany the student, a Consent for Medical Care Form must be signed and brought with the student.

IHSA exam forms and FHN Consent for Sports Physical forms can be found at www.fhn.org/areasportsphysicals.

Masks are required.

Sports Physical Cost: \$25

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