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Panthers playoff push paused for 2015

By Chris Johnson
Reporter

LENA — The 2015 season wrapped up for the Lena-Winslow Panthers on Saturday, Nov. 7, as they fell to the Orion Chargers, 14-7, in the second round of the State Football Playoffs.

The Three Rivers Conference regular season champion moves on to face number-two seed, Ottawa Marquette, in the State Class 1A Quarterfinal this weekend.

The Panthers prepare for basketball and the winter sports eason.

With a record of 10-1, a period of reflection can begin on the definition of success and failure.

In 2015, there was no equal in the NUIC-Northwest.

Lena-Winslow scored 421 points during the season. Only Dakota, with 384 points, stood close enough to be considered an equal. The Galena Pirates finished the 2015 campaign over 100 points back in the standings.

When the calendar switched to Oct. 24, as the first round of the State Playoffs loomed, the NUIC stood with seven teams prepared for battle. Now only one remains, Polo.

Lena-Winslow drove the ball well, at times and connected on the big play, on more than one occasion on Saturday.

In the end, Orion, though, found ways to keep the Panthers offense in check, helping push Lena-Winslow into their first loss of the season.

A late Lena mistake began to build the frame to assure 2015 would not be the season.

A pass attempt, as the Panthers tried to claw back into the game, with a fourth and goal from long distance waiting, was picked, taken in the back right corner of the end zone.

The Chargers defense stood their ground, helping assure they would move into this weekend's, third-round game.

The football season is over, but sports continue and the hope exists for another good run in 2016.

Arguably, the 2015 NUIC-Northwest was claimed, courtesy of three major wins, during the middle stretch of the season.

On Sept. 18, an eight-point win over Galena pushed the Pirates out of the conversation in conference championship chatter circles.

On Sept. 25, a one-point victory over Dakota, 14-13, put another notch in the doorpost for Lena-Winslow.

On Oct. 9, the defending champs, Forreston, fell prey, 40-20. After allowing a total of 34 points, while putting almost 150 on the board, in three fairly stress-free wins over 1-8 Eastland-Pearl City, 2-7 Pecatonica and 0-9 River Ridge, to open the season, It was the middle stretch that brought the crown.



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Nine members of the Lena-Winslow FFA Chapter joined more than 54,000 FFA members at the eighty-eighth national FFA Convention held in Louisville, Kentucky.

Lena-Winslow FFA Chapter members attend eighty-eighth annual national FFA convention

LENA-Nine members of the Lena-Winslow FFA Chapter attended the eighty-eighth national FFA Convention held in Louisville Kentucky Oct. 28-31. Members from across the country attended this large event, with over 54,000 registered members attending this year alone. Participation by the Lena-Winslow chapter gave students the opportunity to visit the dozens of different colleges that were in the career fair area to promote their agriculture colleges and higher education programs. There were also many agriculture companies such as Ford, Caterpillar, and Carhartt there for students to visit and network with. This year's keynote speaker at the opening session was Dr. Rick Rigsby, author of the book "Lessons from a Third Grade Dropout.'

In addition to attending the convention sessions, trade show and college fair, students went to a Jake Owen concert, toured Magdalena race horse training farm (owned by Thoroughbred trainer Kenny McPeek) and toured "Old Friends," a retirement facility which is now home to many champion race horses including 1997 Kentucky Derby winner Silver Charm. On the way back home the group toured the University of Illinois campus and was given a presentation in the College of ACES (Agriculture Consumer and Environmental Sciences) library. It was a great trip and it gave the students the opportunity to see the depth of the agriculture industry and the FFA organization out of their own hometowns.



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His Angels' casted In Mighty Richland Players' 'Christmas in Song'

Mighty Richland Players Dessert Theater will be bringing in the Christmas spirit this year by showcasing local talent in, "Christmas' In Song" on November 28 and 29.

Have fun with Honey Crisp and Friends at a Hillbilly Christmas, be enlightened with Christmas in the City, be entertained with Christmas in the Movies, be delighted with a snowy Kids Christmas, and be uplifted with a Spirit-Filled

Gifted singers and musicians will include Terrie Miller, Mary Jo Frederick, Glenda Adams,

Kim McIver, Andy McIver, Brad Lehman, Amy Jo Beightol, Jake Gorge, Leah Baker, Emma June Beightol, Paula Fulton, Ken Sweitzer, Denny Hancock, 'His Angels' - Jane Hayen, Deb Noordhoff, Sandy Sweitzer and pianist Anne Lindsay.

There will only be two performances; Saturday, November 28 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday November 29 at 2 p.m. Dessert will be offered during intermission served by the cast. Tickets are now on sale; \$20 includes dessert, coffee, and Mighty Richland Players famous hot cider. Children 12 and under ticket price are \$15. Group prices are available.

The Mighty Richland Players Dessert Theater is located in the historic Masonic Lodge at 203 West High Street in Orangeville, IL. Doors will open a half hour before performance begins. Reservations preferred. For more information on the show or for ticket reservations, please call 815-819-1310, or email mightyrichlandplayers@ gmail.com. Also check out our web page at mightyrichlandplayers.com and our Mighty Richland Players Facebook page for upcoming shows and theater information.



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The Mighty Richland Players Dessert Theater will be bringing in the Christmas spirit this year by showcasing local talent in, "Christmas' In Song"

Lena-Winslow FFA members place third in Agronomy Career Development event

Section One FFA held the Agronomy Career Development Event (CDE) on November 3 at Eastland High School. Fifteen members of the Lena-

Winslow FFA Chapter competed at the event this year where students rotated through several stations. Students had to identify crop seeds, weeds, and

insects as well as judge rings of corn, silage, hay, soybeans, National Assoc. of Active and Retired Federal Employees to hold November meeting

SAVANNA — The National Matt Jones and Rose Hartman Assoc. of Active and Retired Federal Employees (NARFE) Palisades Chapter #604 will hold its monthly luncheon and meeting on Thursday November 19, at noon) at Manny's Pizza in Savanna. The program will be presented by

of Law-Jones Funeral Homes. All active and retired federal employees, spouses and spousal survivors are cordially invited to attend. If you are not on the permanent list, please call 815-273-2184 to make a reservation by November 17.

2015 was a great year for Lena athletics The win moved Fulton onto

By Chris Johnson Reporter

LENA — The Lena-Winslow varsity volleyball team saw their season come to a close, as the 2015 Class 2A Sectional Volleyball Round unfolded.

After clinching, and locking down history with a quartercentury of Volleyball Regional dominance, the Sectional Round was less kind, as the Lady Panthers fell in three sets to the Fulton Lady Steamers.

After winning their opening round match, 25-21, the Lady Panthers dropped the next two, 25-22 and 25-18.

the Super Sectional Round, as the march to Redbird Arena in Normal continues. In 2014, the Fulton Lady Steamers also

Tournament. The Sectional loss will prevent the mantle space hoisting the consecutive year's Regional Trophies, from having to be

ended the Lena-Winslow Lady

Panthers run into the State

widened, at least this year. In Class 1A, Eastland won in their Super Sectional match and will battle for the State Title beginning this Friday at 10:30 against Kewanee Wethersfield.

A win by Eastland will propel them into the title game against either Clay city or Cissna Park, with the match played on Saturday, Nov. 14.

Within a week, the basketball season begins to turn into more of a full time focus for the student-athletes at Lena-Winslow, as the winter sports season prepares to begin.

oats and wheat. Lena's top team (Morghan Scace, Meagan Mader, Maleah Linden, Megan Packard and Ana Zinke) placed third. Greenhand Maleah represented the chapter well by placing tenth overall as an indi-

First quarter 2015-2016 Pearl City Junior High and High School honor roll awards Pena, Quinn Schneider, The-

PEARL CITY -**Highest Honor Roll**

Seniors: Tori Clark, Abigayle Endress, Grace Mack, Lucas Rosenstiel, Bronte Wright Juniors: Macayla Pilson

Sophomores: Kayla Niehaus Freshmen: Riley Wright

8th Grade: Nicole Adolph, Zander Endress, Autumn Gray, Isabella Kostallari, Alayna Palmer, Jenna Robinson, Kayla Runkle

7th Grade: Molly Cropper, Caitlin Niesman

High Honor Roll

Seniors: Dillon Baldauf, Torey Ballard, Zachary Brinkmeier, Samuel Ferguson, Kylie Fransen, Zaylinn Grossenbacher, Kalli Kaney, Hayden Keltner, Jessica Koning, Dalton Lawler, Luke Lawson, Clayton Lieb, Nathan Lott, Julia Sesker, Nicole Simler

Juniors: Taylor Brudi, Shayna Drake, Moriah Fischer, resa Von Schrott Michaela Lee, Cameron Nies-7th Grade: Estrella Ayala Boop, Garrett

Sophomores: Peyton Asche, Burgundy Barklow, Jaryd Breece, Hannah Cassell, Tyra Clark, Laura Dickman, Gwen Heimerdinger, Kilynn Perdue, Siara Simons, Delanie Strohecker, Alexis Tollers, Matthew Werkheiser, Jazmin Wingert

Freshmen: Amanda Baldauf, Connor Boop, Joshua Cassell, Elizabeth Dixon, Madison Downs, Mackenzie Endress, Brooke Hass, Addison Keltner, Jarod Kempel, Caitlyn Krell, Zachariah Lieb, Andrew Lorig, Lydia Lott, Drake Musser, Isabel Pena, Lucas Petersen, Amber Roach, Liana Rosenstiel, Kerstan Shippy, Braden Smargiassi, Joshua Van Cleve

8th Grade: Sydney Foulker, Hailey Johnson, Bailee Lincicum, Sydney Monks, Sarah

man, LeeAnn Schimetz, Mar-Brenner, Carter Brudi, Aliya garet Tessendorf Fischer, Macie Kaney, Caden Kuberski, Miranda Mellentine.

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Dean Polizzi, Montana Sar-

gent, Jase Sheffey, Madyson

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son, Alyssa Johnson, Brianna

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Honor Roll

Seniors:

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Werkheiser

Freshmen: Tia Clark, Jayden Kempel, Kade Knoup, Collyn Kuberski, Maxwell Polizzi, Brock Smargiassi, Ashlee Strock, Lauren Strock, 8th Grade: Taylor Camp-

bell, Isabella Dickman, Abby Ditsworth, Luke Ditsworth Bryanne Euler, Emily Grinnell, Jayden Lincicum, Michelle Simler, Jacob Wendling

7th Grade: Kylee Baker Alexis Daves, Aiden Gassman Logan Krell, Madison Lesko, Alayna McClain, Wayne McClaran, Fenixx Menefee, Alexis Ramirez, Joseph Roman, Mick Sesker

THANK YOU

A Big Thank You to my family, friends and neighbors who came to my surprise open house `held for my "100th" Birthday. Also thanks to all that sent cards. special notes, flowers and gifts. lt was a special day that I will always cherish.

God Bless You Bertha "Bert" Prasse businesses that provided special treats for our Halloween parade downtown. We appreciate everyone's support in making this a very special tradition for our pre-school and kindergarten students. We hope you all enjoyed it as much as we did and look forward to seeing everyone next year!

We would like to say a big 'Thank You' to all the

Thank You,

Mary Gerbode, principal Lena-Winslow Kindergarten and Preschool teachers and students

Highland Community Foundation recognizes distinguished alumni

FREEPORT — The Highland Community College Foundation presented its 21st annual Distinguished Alumni Awards on Thursday, October 29, at the Freeport Country Club. The distinguished alumni are nominated each fall by friends, family members and peers before the applications are reviewed by a selection committee made up of Foundation board members and Alumni Association steering committee members.

This honored distinction is reserved for individuals who exemplify community leadership, demonstrate professional achievement, and believe in the mission of community colleges and higher education. The 2015 award recipients are Amy Baker (McConnell), Jim Dole (Freeport), Steven Manson (La Crosse, Wisconsin) and Tim Myers (Rockford).

Amy Baker was born and raised in McConnell, and earned her Associate of Science Degree in May 1995. She earned an accounting degree from Illinois State University. After several years working accounting jobs in Chicago, she and her husband Ray returned to Amy's hometown to raise their three children. She is now chief financial officer and corporate treasurer at Citizens State Bank and its holding company, First



Highland Community College alumni Steven Manson, Tim Myers, Amy Baker and Jim Dole were awarded Distinguished Alumni Awards by the HCC Foundation.

Lena Corporation. She is also a graduate of Highland's Leader-

ship Institute. She is an active leader in Grace Free Church in McConnell and is an elected school board member with the Orangeville School District, where she also coaches athletic

Lena Historical Society offers "Shop Local" opportunity for the holidays

LENA — The Lena Historical Society is offering an opportunity to shop local and support the Lena Historical Society. A gift box of three (Muenster, marble and cheddar) from Torkelson Cheese and a sausage log from A.J.'s Lena Maid Meats is being offered for \$25.

Deadline to place an order is November 30. Orders may be picked up at the Lena Museum, 427 Grove St. on Saturday, December 12 from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Payment may be made at the time of pickup or included with order. Checks should be made to Lena Historical Society

Orders may be turned in at Cindy's Beauty Salon, 404 Grove St. or call 815-369-4030. You may also mail your order to: LAHA, Box 620, Lena, Illinois, 61048.

This is a great gift for your family, employees and friends. Proceeds from the sale will support the Lena Historical

Lena Living Center to hold annual bazaar

LENA — Lena Living Center will hold its' annual bazaar on Saturday, November 14 from 8-noon at the Living Center, 1010 S. Logan, Lena.

There will be several crafters selling their creations along with a "Books are Fun" vendor who has books and

other fun gift items for purchase. Many "White Elephant" items will be available. Free chair massages will be available. A raffle of door prizes will be held. Stop by and join us!

Please call 815.369.4561 if you have questions.

Jim Dole

Jim Dole graduated from Freeport High School in 1979. He then went on to serve five years in the Air Force. He returned to his hometown and completed his Associate of Science degree from Highland in 1993. He then received his Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics in 1997 from Rockford College and the attained a Master of Science in Computer Information Systems from the University of Phoenix in 2003. He is employed as an IT specialist at MacLean-

Savanna. He is also the volunteer director of the Doug Firebaugh Observatory in Freeport. He has been teaching an Introduction to Astronomy course at Highland since 2007 and added an online astronomy course in 2011. In 2013, he completed his Master of Science in Astronomy from Swinburne University in Australia.

Steven Manson

Steven Manson attended Highland from 1974-1976. He has practiced medicine at Gunderson Health System in La Crosse, Wisconsin for more Fogg Component Solutions in than 23 years. His specialty is pediatrics and serves as chair of the pediatrics department.

Since 2009, he has joined other volunteers by serving residents of Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota, recently ranked the third poorest reservation in the United States. He was awarded the Wisconsin Medical Society's 2015 Physician Citizen of the Year award and is active in talking to youth about bullying, reads to elementary school children and provides volunteer medical services to St. Clare Health Mission, a nonprofit clinic in La Crosse.

Tim Myers

Tim Myers graduated from Highland Community College in 1985, and during his time at HCC, he was a member of the men's basketball team. He continued his education at Northern Illinois University, graduating in 1988. He later earned a master's degree in Sports Management from Western Illinois University, which lead him to a position as director of tickets and group sales with the Rockford Lightning CBA basketball team. He is now general manager and sales manager at WIFR Channel 23 in Rockford. He is active in the community and serves on the board of the Rockford Area Convention and Visitors' Bureau and the Board of Directors/President's Circle of the Rockford Area Development Council, and is a member of the Media Advisory Board for Transform Rockford.

Blackhawk Unit of Home Extension to hold November meeting in Pearl City

PEARL CITY—The November meeting of Blackhawk Unit of Home Extension will meet Thursday evening, November 19 at 7 p.m. at the home of Kim Plantz, 14815 W. Blackhawk Road, Pearl City. Anita Costello will be the co-

hostess and Brenda Hass will give the lesson on "MERSA-What Is It?" The food collection this month will be taken to the Lena Food Pantry. We also will be working on our program book for the coming year. Come and join us.

Thanks to everyone who sent cards, gifts, and flowers for my 100th Birthday. Thanks also to my family who planned the open house and came to help celebrate. I enjoyed celebrating with all my family and so many friends.

Thelma Holmes Duft

PORK CHOP DINNER Saturday, November 14th 4:30 - 7:00 p.m. Chop Dinner \$10.00 "Thick Iowa Chop" 16 oz. "Mississippi Man" 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM Sponsored by Apple River Fire Dept. Page 4 - November 11, 2015 - Shopper's Guide

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Standing Firm for the Future From the Desk of State Representative Brian W. Stewart University (GSU), Northern has created many operational

STATELINE — When are you going to pass a budget? That is the number one question my office receives on a daily basis. I have spoken with many people who have been directly affected by this political process. The most vulnerable citizens in Illinois have been used as political pawns to put pressure on legislators to give up on changing Illinois for the better. People who do not have a voice are being told there is no money to help take care of their specific needs until a budget is passed.

I hear them even if they feel like they are not being heard. The legislation that is being brought forth for a vote to "help" these people and programs is a political trap set by House Speaker Madigan. If it was not a trap, then the Democrat supermajority would have already appropriated for these services. Neither Governor Rauner nor the super party controls the legislative agenda or has the power to call legislation for a vote. Even though they have a supermajority in both chambers and could end this impasse tomorrow, they choose not to.

Why? It's not because Governor Rauner wants "nonbudgetary" items passed first, which they say are budget related however the Governor has already dropped almost all issues except for a few. It's because House Speaker Madigan wants to show Governor Rauner who is in charge. Plus, Speaker Madigan is going to need a massive tax increase



Brian Stewart

REPRESENTATIVE

to help cover a portion of his budget that spends \$4 billion more than state revenues. Add another \$2 billion in spending for a delayed budget and now we are going to have to make dramatic cuts as well.

This delayed budget has had other harmful effects on Illi-Comptroller nois finances. Leslie Munger told Illinoisans two weeks ago that the State's unpaid bills, in the absence of budgeted appropriations for FY16, have reached \$6.9 billion. Based on the assumption that no significant changes will alter current trends, the State's backlog of unpaid bills will be about \$8.5 billion by December 31, 2015.

What has this done to Illinois' credit rating? Fitch Ratings, whose credit ratings are closely watched by Wall Street and the global investment community, reduced Illinois' "general obligation" (GO) bond rating from single-A-minus, the former ranking, to one notch closer to junk-bond status on Monday, October 19. The new BBB+ rating is only two notches above the lowest investment-grade rating (BBB-) and is three notches above BB+, which signals non-investmentgrade ("junk bond") status. Illinois' GO bond rating is the lowest among the 50 states.

Following Fitch's downgrade, Moody's Investor Services downgraded its ratings on Illinois bonds. Moody's downgraded Illinois outstanding \$27 billion of GO bonds to Baa1 from A3, while also lowering ratings on the state's sales-tax (Build Illinois) bonds to Baa1 from A3, and on the state's subject to appropriation bonds to Baa2 from Baa1. The outlook for all of these obligations remains negative.

Even worse, Moody's reduced credit ratings for six State universities last week. The downgrades reduced the credit ratings of, and increased the interest rates due and payable by, six Illinois universities. The affected institutions were Eastern Illinois University (EIU), Governors State

University (NIU), Northeastern Illinois University (NEIU), Southern Illinois University (SIU), and Western Illinois University (WIU). The New York-based credit rating firm attributed the decision to the budget turmoil facing Illinois.

However, some movement has been made between the four leaders. Governor Rauner will chair a public meeting with legislative leaders on Nov. 18. We should be meeting every day until we have a budget, but some progress is better than none. The meeting is expected to examine the delayed FY16 budget process. The State has continued to operate under consent decrees, court orders, continuing appropriations, and school appropriations, which problems. Recipients of State services, and providers of goods and services to the State, have all been affected by the lack of a legal budget document.

I have said from the beginning that this is going to be a fight for a better Illinois. Not everyone always agreed with President Lincoln, but he believed in what he stood for. He once stated, "Be sure you put your feet in the right place, then stand firm". I am and will always continue to stand firm for the future of Illinois.

As always, you can reach me or Sally at 815/232-0774 or email us at repstewart@gmail. com. You can also visit my website at www.repbrianstewart. com or follow me on Facebook, Twitter, and Google Plus.

Lowered ratings on Illinois bonds could continue downward

By Mark Fitton Illinois News Network

SPRINGFIELD — Moody's Investor Services on October 22 downgraded its ratings on Illinois bonds. The move came just after Moody's issued a "credit negative" alert and Fitch Ratings dropped its ratings on Illinois-issued debt instruments.

Moody's downgraded Illinois' \$26.8 billion of general obligation (G.O.) bonds to Baal from A3; Illinois sales tax or Build Illinois bonds from Baa1 from A3; and the state's appropriation bonds to Baa2 from Baa1.

The outlook for all three types of bonds remains negative, Moody's said.

"The downgrades reflect weakening of the state's financial position during 2015 and our expectation that an ongoing budget stalemate will lead to further deterioration," Moody's said in its announcement. "Structural budget imbalance, accounts payable, and other fiscal metrics are back-tracking, despite a favorable economic climate, leaving the state more vulnerable to the next economic downturn, barring unexpectedly strong and swift corrective actions."

The rating agency cited three developments it said could make the rating go up:

• Implementation of a realistic plan to provide long-term

funding for pension obligations

• Progress in reducing the state's unpaid bills and adoption of legal framework to prevent renewing the build-up.

• Development of a structurally balanced and sustainable budget.

On the other hand, if the state does not address its budget problem and growing backlog of unpaid bills, the rating could be driven downward even further, according to Moody's. The same holds true should the state continue to let its unfunded pension liabilities grow.

Rauner not surprised, spokeswoman says

Republican Gov. Rauner's administration sees the report as "another confirmation that years of unbalanced budgets, deficit spending and mismanagement have damaged Illinois' fiscal health and major, structural reforms are needed to restore it," said Rauner spokeswoman Catherine Kelly. "This is more proof that instead of blocking all reforms and passing a broken budget that was \$4 billion in the hole, the supermajority in charge of the legislature should partner with the governor to enact real reforms that will grow jobs and free up more resources to balance the budget."

Democrats see things differently.

According to a spokesperson, Senate President John Cullerton (D-Chicago) joined a chorus of Republican leaders and rating agencies in asking the Governor to pass a budget plan that reverses the damage and dysfunction of the last year.

"The biggest issue facing Illinois is the state budget deficit," House Speaker Michael Madigan (D-Chicago) said in a written statement. "Two credit downgrades in less than a week have driven home that important fact. So I urge the governor, again, to put aside his agenda that Democrats and Republicans alike oppose — an agenda that will hurt middleclass and struggling families — and instead, focus on a budget that helps all Illinoisans."

Illinois is concluding its fourth month of the fiscal year without an overall budget in place as the GOP and Democrats remain at an impasse that has changed little since May. However, the state is spending at a rate said to put it on track for a \$5 billion shortfall as it funds primary and secondary education and items mandated by court order and continuing appropriation.

Last month, Moody's said it was concerned by the news that Illinois would not make its November pension-systems payment of about \$560 million. Pension checks will continue to go out, and the state will attempt to make up for the late payments in the spring.

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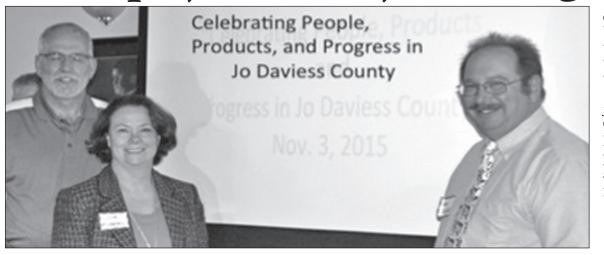
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ON THE RECORD

The League of Women Voters of Jo Daviess County host People, Products, and Progress event

League of Women Voters of Jo Daviess County and friends celebrated "People, Products, and Progress in Jo Daviess County" at Stella's in Stockton on November 3. evening's festivities included sampling the "spirits" from Blaum Bros. Distilling Co., sipping the latest vintages of Massbach Ridge Winery and enjoying a harvest buffet of locally grown and produced foods all skillfully prepared by Stella's Café and Catering. The buffet featured meats and poultry from Arnold's Farm and Greg and Janis Thoren prepared with the sauces and condiments of Galena Canning Company, Ellipsis, and Galena Garlic Co.; Brewster Cheese fondue; Ricke's Apples baked into pie and cobbler; and caramel apple dumplings from Galena's Grateful Gourmet.

presenters Three examples of Jo Daviess County progress. John Musser, Stephenson Service Company, explained the cover crop experimentation on a plot of



The League of Women Voters of Jo Daviess County hosted "Celebrating People, Products, and Progress in Jo Daviess County" on November 3, at Stella's in Stockton, the evening's presenters John Musser, Lisa McCarthy, and Ron Lawfer.

ground provided by Stockton Economic Development Allifarmer Greg Thoren and the information on yield and soil and water conservation it will provide. Ron Lawfer, Willow Valley Dairy Farm, shared how robotic milkers are insuring a future for his family's farm as a thriving and environmentally friendly dairy farm. Lisa McCarthy, Executive Director of the Tri County

ance (TCEDA), shared how the organization she leads is facing the demographic challenges of the county to retain and build existing businesses, develop a workforce, and attract new businesses.

The League of Women Voters of Jo Daviess County is one of 800 local affiliates of the national LWVUS.

LWV is a nonpartisan, political organization that encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy

through education and advo-

Voters was founded in 1920 when women won the right to vote. Membership is open to women and men

For more information about joining the LWV-Jo Daviess County, please contact Kathy Pearson at katherineap@ yahoo.com or Bonnie Cox at 815 777-9282, bonniekaycox@gmail.com.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Colbie Knaver

WINSLOW Buchanan and Charles Knaver of Winslow, Ill. are the parents of a son Colbie David Knaver born Friday October 30, 2015 at FHN Memorial Hospital, Freeport, Ill. Grandparents are Brenda Knaver of Leaf River and the late David Knaver and Jennifer Buchanan of Hanover, Ill.

Waverly Place resident Dorothy Jones celebrates ninety-ninth birthday er year of her

STOCKTON — Local resident, Dorothy Jones, celebrated her ninety-ninth birthday on November 4 at Waverly Place of Stockton.

Family and Staff joined along in singing 'Happy Birthday' to her. All enjoyed Dorothy's special birthday cake and ice cream that she so kindly shared with everyone.

Dorothy is a very treasured resident her at Waverly Place and we look forward to anoth-

Portraits of the Month



DOROTHY JONES

sonality and kind heart to celebrate yet another wonderful birth-

unique per-

Thank you Dorothy Jones for letting us be a part of your special day!

Waverly Place of Stockton, Residents and Staff

Senior Portraits

OBITUARIES

Lorraine Jogerst

SCALES MOUND — Lorraine Jogerst, 75 of Scales Mound, passed away Wednesday, November 4, 2015 at her home surrounded by her fam-

She was born November 26, 1939 in Stephenson County, the daughter of Edwin and Lois (Brocious) Buske. Lorraine attended Lena school and graduated from there in 1957. In 1958, she married the love of her life, Joseph "Gene" Jogerst. She worked at Burgess Battery as a key punch operator from 1957 to 1959. Lorraine was very active in farming with her husband Gene and son Mark. When away from the farm, she loved spending time with her grandchildren and attending their activities.

She is survived by her husband Gene; three children -Jeffrey of Stockton, Mark of Scales Mound, and Laurie (Louie) Bunker of Monroe; four grandchildren - Parris, Chloe, Caleb and Isaac; brothers and sisters-in-law – Lucille Buske of Warren, Ernest and Carol Wilbur of Lena, Bruce

and Nyla Jogerst of Freeport; numerous cousins, nieces, grandnieces, nephews and grandnephews.

Lorraine was preceded in death by her twin brothers, Laverle in infancy and Laverne on February 6, 2015.

Lorraine was a very loving and caring lady who loved spending time with family, friends and working outside. She will be fondly remembered and sadly missed by all who knew her.

Funeral services were held on Monday, November 9, at the Leamon Funeral Home in

Visitation was held on leamonfh.com.

Monday, November 9, at the Leamon Funeral Home.

Officiating was Pastor Robert

Interment took place at Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens in A luncheon was served after

the burial at the Lena American In lieu of flowers a memorial

fund has been established for

FHN Hospice. The family would like to thank FHN Hospice, Dr. Martin Cleary, Dr. Mike McFadden for

their loving care. Friends may send condolences to the family at www.

HOLIDAY HOME CRAFT & GIFT SHOW

Friday, Nov. 20 - 3:00 - 8:00 PM Saturday, Nov. 21 - 10AM - 3PM

Join Judy and Joanne and their crafter friends for the annual craft and gift show.

Held at Judy Hodgin's house:

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Questions contact: Judy 815-594-2388

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Northwest Illinois Rock Club to host annual Holiday Gem, Jewelry, Fossil and Mineral Show FREEPORT — The North- & 15th, at Highland Communistones, beads, jewelry, and gift children's area, and the ever worlds.

west Illinois Rock Club will ty College Student/Conference hold its annual Holiday Gem, Center in Freeport. Vendors Jewelry, Fossil and Mineral from the Midwest will offer an show and sale, November 14th array of fossils, minerals, gem

items perfect for holiday giving. Also featured are fascinating displays, intriguing lapidary demonstrations, a fun-filled

popular geode opening booth.

In addition, several prestigious speakers from universities and natural history museums will cover topics including: the geology of Yellowstone Park, Dinosaurs fossils from Montana, Mining and Fossils, Under Antarctic Ice, and the geology on Pluto and other icv

Show hours are from 9 a.m. 5 p.m. Saturday and 10-4 p.m. Sunday in the Student/Conference Center. A free will donation is appreciated to defray the cost of the show.

For more information call Brian Green at 815-745-2228 or email bgreen57@hotmail.

Illinois Farm Bureau members save by utilizing member benefits

BLOOMINGTON — Illinois Farm Bureau members proved membership has its benefits last year, saving more than \$3.8 million by utilizing member benefits offered through the organization.

"It just goes to show that those membership cards aren't getting buried in wallets and purses," said Melissa Rhode, membership and program director, Illinois Farm Bureau. "The Illinois Farm Bureau provides big savings on a host of products and services, including machinery, vehicles, healthcare purchases, travel and hotels. As members have shown this year, those savings can total in the millions of dollars.'

Companies offering savings to Illinois Farm Bureau meambers include, but are not limited to, Case IH, Ford, Caterpillar, Six Flags, Great Wolf Lodge, Choice and Wyndham Hotels, Polaris and ADT.

"Illinois Farm Bureau offers more than 30 discounts and complimentary services or products to our members only," Rhode said. "We're extremely proud to partner with these excellent companies to offer our members these discounts

on products and services they use every day."

To explore the complete list of Illinois Farm Bureau member benefits, visit www.ilfb.org and click on the 'Get Involved' tab, followed by 'Member Benefits.' To join the Illinois Farm Bureau, contact your local county Farm Bureau, or visit the Illinois Farm Bureau website at www.ilfb.org.

The Illinois Farm Bureau is a member of the American Farm Bureau Federation, a national organization of farmers and ranchers. Founded in 1916, IFB is a non-profit, membership organization directed by farmers who join through their county Farm Bureau. IFB has a total membership of more than 400,000 and a voting membership of more than 82,000. IFB represents three out of four Illinois farmers.

National Assoc. of Active and Retired Federal Employees to hold November meeting

SAVANNA — The National Assoc. of Active and Retired Federal Employees (NARFE) Palisades Chapter #604 will hold its monthly luncheon and meeting on Thursday November 19, at noon) at Manny's Pizza in Savanna. The program will be presented by Matt Jones and Rose Hartman of Law-Jones Funeral Homes. All active and retired federal employees, spouses and spousal survivors are cordially invited to attend. If you are not on the permanent list, please call 815-273-2184 to make a reservation by November 17.



Live Wires plan for next year

Lena Live Wires.Christan Sutter, Michael Sutter, Casey Crain, Sam Pecoraro, Garret Sutter, Andrea Sutter, Hannah Pecoraro, Krista Keene, Nathan Crain, and Della Crain held an October meeting to plan activities for the upcoming 4-H year

Join our "Community **Enchanted Forest"**

Individuals, organizations, churches, group or businesses can decorate a tree that represents you! Bring your artificial tree - size, color, decorations, lights - and help us create an Enchanted Forest in our front windows. Electricity will be available. All ages and groups are welcome! Decorating will begin the day after Thanksgiving and must be complete by Thursday, December 10th. Please call 815-369-4561 for details.



Annual Bazaar

Saturday, November 14 $\sim 8:00 - 12:00$ p.m. Crafts, White Elephant Items. Vendors, Books arc Fun Display, Free Chair Massages.

Community Supper

Wednesday, November $18 \sim 5:00 - 6:00$ p.m. Location: Lena Living Center All ages welcome! No cost - no obligation. Just good food and good fellowship.

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NIU and Highland sign online bachelor's degree completion pact

FREEPORT — A new agreement between Highland Community College and Northern Illinois University will make it easier for HCC automotive technology and wind turbine technician students and graduates to earn a bachelor's degree that will set them on the path to career success.

In a ceremony held on Highland's campus on Tuesday, October 27, representatives from the two institutions approved a new degree completion program that will allow HCC students to earn a Bachelor of Science in Technology degree from NIU without leaving the region.

"Postsecondary education is a powerful force for career advancement, and a skilled workforce helps the region maintain its competitive advantage," said NIU President Doug Baker. "Both NIU and Highland are committed to providing affordable access to high-quality educational opportunities and we are delighted to partner with them on this initiative, which eliminates barriers and fosters an innovative educational pathway to career success."

The agreement is aimed specifically at HCC students who have earned an associate of applied science in one of three areas — auto body repair, automotive mechanics, or wind turbine technician.

"We value our partnership with NIU in this effort to continue to provide new educational and career pathways to the residents of northwest Illinois," said Highland President Tim Hood. "This agreement is yet another example of how Highland continues to expand its partnerships with four-year institutions in order to create more options for our graduates"



Photo Credit

Thedford Jackson, Highland transfer coordinator and student advisor; Omar Ghrayeb, NIU associate dean, Outreach and Undergraduate Programs; Doug Block, HCC board chairman; Tim Hood, Highland president; Cliff Mirman, professor and chair, Department of Technology at NIU and Scott Anderson, Highland dean of Business & Technology gathered to announce a new agreement between Highland Community College and Northern Illinois University that significantly benefits Highland College students who have earned an associate of applied science in auto body repair, automotive mechanics, or wind turbine technician.

Students who earn an associate of applied science degree in those areas can complete remaining general education and all BS program prerequisites at HCC or NIU before taking their final 30 hours of technology courses with NIU, either online or at the university's DeKalb campus. Upon completion of that work, students will graduate with a bachelor of science in technology, with an emphasis in applied manufacturing technology from NIU's College of Engineering and Engineering Technology.

"This is a great program for place-bound professionals, who are working or already have their AAS degree," said Cliff Mirman, chair of the

Department of Technology at NIU's College of Engineering and Engineering Technology. "It allows students to take classes online, at their own pace, and to earn a bachelor's degree, which opens up great opportunities for career advancement."

The online component features recorded lectures by NIU faculty, the opportunity to interact with faculty and an array of online materials that enrich the learning experience, Mirman said.

Promod Vohra, dean of the engineering school at NIU, hailed the program as a boom to the Illinois economy, saying that, "Engineering technologist trained for leadership are a catalyst for innovation," said

Vohra. "We are excited about this program, and this partner-

ship, because it helps to ensure that our region will remain a vital player in the global economy."

Highland's dean of Business and Technology, Scott Anderson, explained the unique nature of the partnership. "The associate of applied science has been seen as a 'vocational degree' that simply prepared people for a life-long career in their chosen field. However, with this new partnership, the pathway to the advanced credential of a bachelor's degree is made available," said Anderson.

More information on NIU's online degree program in applied manufacturing technology is available on line at bsamt.niu.edu or by contacting Stacey Deegan (sdeegan@niu.edu) at 815.753.9943.

For information about HCC's auto body repair, automotive mechanics or wind turbine technician programs visit highland.edu or by contacting HCC Admissions at 815.599.3414

Lena-Winslow High School schedules Veteran's Day salute

LENA — The Lena-Winslow High School will be hosting the annual Veteran's Day Breakfast and Program on November 11 in the high school gymnasium all area veterans and spouses are invited to come and share breakfast with other veterans and area members which will take place in the high school cafeteria immediately before the Veteran's Day Program. The program will be a salute and musical tribute to the brave

men and women who gave the ultimate service to the people of the United States.

Please join us

8:15-9:30 a.m. - Breakfast for veterans, family members and staff (Scrambled eggs, sausage, pancakes, juice and coffee) served in high school cafeteria

10-11 a.m. - Program - Salute and musical tribute to the Veterans

6 p.m. - Fireworks (East of the Junior High School)

Polo moves into Quarterfinal Round with win over Warren

By Chris Johnson Reporter

WARREN — When the 2015 fall sports season began for Warren, they received a little extra help, in the form of student assistance from Rockford, Our Lady of the Sacred Heart.

The IHSA recognized the Rockford's school enrollment as eight. The student athletes from Our Lady of the Sacred Heart found a partner in Warren, together the two schools celebrated their first ever playoff victory, during round one of the Class 1A Tournament, on

Oct. 30, as they defeated Chicago Hope Academy, 26-20, in overtime.

With the 40-0 loss to Polo on Saturday, the separation begins as the Warriors prepare for the NUIC winter sports season and the boy's and girl's "Tip-Off Classics."

Polo remains the only team standing, representing the NUIC.

Of the remaining eight teams in the Class 1A Tournament, the Marcos as the number-four seed could appear to have to face the most difficult road, starting with 11-0 Toulon-Stark

County, who eliminated the 2014 defending State Champion Forreston Cardinals, 42-16.

If Polo defeats Stark County, they could end up having to face 12-0 Marquette in the State semi-final.

A win over Marquette, into the Class 1A Title Game at Huskie Stadium in DeKalb, could mean a showdown with 13-0 Gibson City-Melvin-Sibley or 13-0 Arcola.

If Polo runs the table, they will be the only undefeated 1A team standing in the State of Illinois when it's over, Thanksgiving week.



TRI-STATE ELITE GIRLS AAU BASKETBALL TRYOUTS!!!

Where: East Dubuque High School 200 Parklane Drive, East Dubuque, IL

When: Saturday November 21st

Grades: 6th & 7th grade from 12:00pm to 1:30,

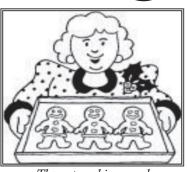
8th grade from 2:30 to 4:00pm Cost: \$15.00 (includes t-shirt)

Must pre-register by November 13th to receive a free t-shirt Register online at: tristateelitegirlsbasketball.com High school (9th-12th grade) tryouts will be in January

Contact **Brian Duster** with any questions: **563-599-9583** or *brian.duster@jrsupplyinc.com*

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The not so skinny cook

LENA-We have a cooler weekend; I don't know about the rest of you, but I really enjoyed the above average temperatures this past week. What a beautiful November so far. We are beginning to think about the holidays, and this week's recipes reflect this thinking. We will begin the next few weeks introducing some holiday recipes.

The first recipe this week is for an easy appetizer made with imitation crab. The easy part of the recipe is using crescent roll dough as a base. If you like crab, this is a great recipe for the holidays or any time. It will make a pretty appetizer plate.

Crab Appetizer Pizza

- 1 tube refrigerated crescent rolls
- 1 pkg. (8 oz.) cream cheese, softened
- 1½ C. coarsely chopped fresh spinach, divided
- I green onion, thinly sliced 1½ t. minced fresh dill or ½ t. dill weed
- 1 t. grated lemon peel, divided
- ½ t. lemon juice 1/8 t. pepper

11/4 C. chopped imitation crab-

¹/₄ C. chopped ripe olives

Unroll crescent roll dough and place on an ungreased 12-inch pizza pan. Flatten dough and seal the seams and perforations. Bake at 350 for 8-10 minutes or until lightly browned; cool.

In a small mixing bowl, beat cream cheese until smooth. Stir in 1 cup spinach, onion, dill, ½ t. lemon peel, lemon juice and pepper. Spread over the crust. Top with crab, olives and remaining spinach and lemon peel. Cut into bite-sized squares.

Are you looking for a unique side for Thanksgiving or Christmas dinner? This spinach and onion skillet vegetable is easy to make and tasty. If you can't find the pearl onions, you can use 11/2 cups of chopped onions. The pearl onions make a great looking dish. The baby spinach looks like a lot before it wilts in the pan. Enjoy this tasty way to eat a very nutritional vegetable.

Creamed Spinach and Pearl Onions

¹/₄ C. unsalted butter, cubed 1 pkg. (14.4 oz.) frozen pearl onions, thawed and drained 2 C. heavy whipping cream ½ C. grated Parmesan cheese ½ t. pepper

10 oz. fresh baby spinach

In a large skillet, heat butter over medium heat. Add pearl onions, and cook and stir for 6-8 minutes or until liquid is reduced by half.

Stir in cheese, salt and pepper. Add baby spinach; cook , covered, for 3-4 minutes or until the spinach is wilted, stirring occasionally.

Thanksgiving dinner often features cranberries in some form or another. This molded salad would make a really pretty dish for the Thanksgiving dinner. The eggnog makes it smooth as well as tasty.

Cranberry Eggnog Salad

2½ C. boiling water

- 2 pkg. 93 oz. each) cranberry or raspberry gelatin
- 1 can (14 oz.) whole-berry cranberry sauce



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1:30 - 5:30 p.m. Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

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1 can (20 oz.) crushed pineapple, undrained

2 envelopes unflavored gelatin 1½ C. eggnog

2 T. lime juice

In a large bowl, add boiling water to cranberry gelatin; stir for 2 minutes to dissolve. Refrigerate for 40-50 minutes or until slightly thickened.

In a small bowl, stir cranberry sauce to break up. Fold into gelatin mixture. Pour into an 8-cup ring mold coated with refrigerate cooking spray; 15-20 minutes longer or until set but not firm.

Drain pineapple, reserving the juice in a small saucepan. Sprinkle unflavored gelatin over pineapple juice; let stand 1 minute. In the saucepan, heat and stir over low heat until gelatin is completely dissolved. Stir in eggnog and lime juice. Refrigerate 12-15 minutes or until slightly thickened.

Fold the pineapple into the eggnog mixture. Carefully pour the gelatin in mold. Refrigerate until firm. Unmold onto a platter.

I really make great home-made macaroni and cheese, but sometimes there isn't time. Kraft makes a really creamy mac and cheese dinner (not the blue box kind, but the actual deluxe dinner). This recipe jazzes it up with a little heat. If you can't find the Mexican four cheeses, use a blend of cheeses closest to the Mexican mix. This recipe is a quick fix for a night when you don't have a lot of time for preparing dinner.

Mexican Mac and Cheese

2 pkg. (7 ¼ oz. each) Kraft Macaroni and Cheese Dinner green pepper, finely chopped ½ C. finely chopped onions ½ C. chopped fresh cilantro ¹/₄ C. chopped green olives 2 cloves garlic, minced ½ C. sour cream

1 C. Mexican-style finely shredded four cheeses, divid-

Preheat the oven to 350. Prepare the dinners in a large saucepan as directed on the package. Meanwhile, cook the peppers and onions in a skillet sprayed with cooking spray on medium-high heat for 3 minutes. Add cilantro, olives and garlic; cook and stir 5 minutes or until vegetables are tender.

Add the sour cream and half each of the vegetable mixture and the shredded cheese to prepared dinners; mix well. Spoon into a $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 quart casserole sprayed with cooking spray; top with remaining vegetable mixture and shredded cheese. Bake 10 minutes or until heated through.

Eventually we will need to warm up with soup. This tasty beef noodle soup will fill the bill. You may use stew meat instead of round steak, cutting it into small pieces. The spiral pasta makes this soup a kid favorite. Add a salad and bread, and you will have an easy supper because you can make the soup two days ahead of time.

Chunky Beef Noodle Soup

1 lb. boneless round steak, cut into ½-inch cubes

1 medium onion, chopped 2 garlic cloves, minced 1 C. chopped celery

2 T. vegetable oil 2 C. water

1 can (14 ½ oz.) diced tomatoes, undrained 1 can beef broth

1-2 t. chili powder

1 t. salt

½ t. dried oregano

1 C. uncooked spiral pasta ¹/₄ C. minced fresh parsley

In a large saucepan, cook round steak, onion, celery, and garlic in oil until the meat is browned and the onion is tender, about 5 minutes. Stir in water, tomatoes, broth and seasonings and bring to a boil.

Reduce heat and cover and simmer until meat is tender, about 11/2 hours. Stir in pasta and simmer, uncovered, until the noodles are tender, about 8 minutes. Add parsley as a garnish before serving.

This dessert cake is beautiful on a pedestal cake stand. The combination of almonds, pecans, and cashews is a great flavor. I like the little extra taste of the almond extract. If you don't want it, double the vanilla and omit the almond extract. The hardest part of the recipe is whipping the egg whites. Enjoy this tasty and beautiful dessert.

Festive Nut Cake

2 eggs, separated

1 C. unsalted butter, softened

2 C. sugar

1 t. almond extract

1 t. vanilla 3 C. flour

2 t. baking powder

1 t. cinnamon

½ t. salt ½ t. baking soda

1 C. milk

1 t. cream of tartar

1 C. slivered almonds

1½ C. cashews, chopped 1½ C. pecans, chopped

Topping:

½ C. powdered sugar

2-4 t. milk

Toasted cashews and pecans

Place the egg whites in a small bowl; let stand at room temperature for 30 minutes. Preheat oven to 325. Grease and flour a 10-inch tube pan.

In a large bowl, cream the butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Add the egg yolks, one at time, beating well after each addition. Beat in the almond extract and vanilla. In another bowl, whisk the flour, baking powder, cinnamon, salt and baking soda; add to the creamed mixture alternately with milk, beating well after each addition.

Add the cream of tartar to the egg whites; with clean beaters, beat on high speed until stiff peaks form. Fold into the batter with the almonds, cashews, and pecans.

Transfer cake batter to prepared pan. Bake 60-65 minutes or until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean. Cool in the pan 10 minutes before removing to a wire rack to cool completely.

For the glaze, in a small bowl, mix the powdered sugar and enough milk to reach the desired consistency. Drizzle over cake and if desired, sprinkle with toasted nuts.

Don't forget to watch HAR-VEY, the Le-Win High School play this coming weekend. Stop by the Le-Win Fine Arts Center on Friday or Saturday night. The play is a great comedy, and I have heard good reports. It is an inexpensive way to spend your weekend. Break a leg, Le-Win theater department. Last week we had a lot of trick

or treaters on the wet Halloween

night. I survived another year. I have been doing some kitchen renovations, so my house is a mess. When I finish this column, I will begin the wiping out of cabinets and getting ready to put things back. I am hoping to downsize and get rid of some of the many things I really don't need. We will see if I have any luck in that. Thanksgiving is only a few weeks away. If you are thinking about turkeys, Fresh Amish Turkeys for Thanksgiving & Christmas are available from A.J.'s Lena Maid Meats. Please call 815-369-4522 to place your order: We are on the hunt for some Thanksgiving recipes and some even better Christmas cookie recipes. If you have some recipes to share, you can contact us in person, by mail, or email us at From Lena's Kitchens, Shopper's Guide at 213 S. Center St. or email scoopshopper@ rvpublishing.com.

CHURCH NOTES Elizabeth St. Paul Lutheran Youth Group holds Trunk or Treat event

Lutheran Church in Elizabeth held a Trunk or Treat event which was sponsored by their Youth Group on Friday, October 30th. Seventeen congregational members and friends decorated their vehicles and handed out candy in the church parking lot. The youth group handed out full size candy bars and had a campfire for visitors to roast hot dogs and s'mores. Hot chocolate was also avail-

able to keep the trick or treaters and their parents warm on the chilly night. The youth group gave a cash prize to the best decorated vehicle/costumes and the winners were Brad, Carrie, Nathan and Wesley Haas and Jacob Hesselbacher with a Star Wars theme. They donated their winnings back to the St. Paul Youth Group. This will be a new yearly event so watch for it next year!



Seventeen congregational members and friends of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Elizabeth decorated their vehicles and handed out candy in the church parking lot on October 30.

Stockton Wesley United Methodist Church to host worship and fellowship events

ton Wesley United Methodist Church will again host Family Connections on Nov. 11 and Nov. 18 at 5:30. The evening starts with a meal prepared by volunteers and is followed by activities and learning for all ages. Everyone is welcome to come and join in and share in the fellowship .A closing is at 7 in the sanctuary.

On Nov. 15 Wesley will be 815 601 6742

celebrating 125 years of Christian faith in action and looking forward to our future .There will be a special service at 10:45 with a lunch following and a special program at 1:30 in the sanctuary .We would love to have you join us for any or all of these. If you plan to stay for the lunch please bring a salad or dessert to share.

For information please call

Regular Worship is at 10:45 and Spark Sunday School is at 9:30

Wesley is on the corner of Hudson and Benton Sts and is handicap accessible.

Our doors are open to all and we welcome all who wish to

Check us out on Face Book at Stockton Wesley United Methodist Church or on our website stocktonwumc.org.

Cedarville Emmanuel Church to host free Thanksgiving Dinner

Calvary Bazaar

Saturday November 14, 2015

9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Homemade crafts, Christmas gifts,

baked goods, candy,

produce & caramel corn.

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CEDARVILLE — Cedarville Emmanuel Church will host its Annual FREE Thanksgiving Dinner on Thursday, November 26 from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. This meal is for people who are alone, who are new to the area, or for those who would like a

great meal and family fellowship. The church is located at 175 N. Cedar Street in Cedarville (by the water tower). Meals will be delivered to community area shut-ins. Please call 815-563-4315 if you are in need of a delivery.

Christ Lutheran Church will be the site of the Stockton Community Blood Drive

STOCKTON — By hosting a blood drive Christ Lutheran Church is helping save lives in our community. For more information or to schedule a time-saving appointment to donate, please call RRVBC toll-free at 1-877-RRVBC-99, or call the church office at 815-947-2033. Or visit our website at www.rrvbc.org and self-schedule. Appointments will be honored. Walk-ins are welcome!

If you are at least 17 years old (16 years old with parental consent), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in general good health, you should be eligible to donate blood.

One in three people will need

blood. You never know when it might be you or someone you love who will need blood. The Rock River Valley Blood Center serves as a centralized, community blood center and is the only provider of blood products and services to FHN, Beloit Health System, Edgerton Hospital and Health Services, OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center, Rochelle Community Hospital, Rockford Health System, SwedishAmerican Health

System and SwedishAmeri-

can Medical Center-Belvidere. For more information or to make an appointment to donate blood, please call toll free 877-RRVBC-99 or find RRVBC on the web at www.

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Friday, November 20th The State Bank of Pearl City

 $9:\!00~a.m.$ - $2:\!00~p.m.$ (or until all items are sold)

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Good Shepherd Lutheran Church schedules worship and fellowship events

Lutheran Church will gather for a special Gratitude Sunday worship service at 9:30 a.m. on November 15, at 118 E. Mason St. Lena. All are invited to worship as we give thanks to God with joy and gratitude and celebrate Holy Communion. Pastor Miranda Klosterboer will share the children's message and sermon and lead worship along with Karen Niemeier who will lead on the Organ. Following worship, there will be a time of

LENA — Good Shepherd fellowship. All Sunday School Friendship Center. children will gather for Sunday School Opening at 10:45 a.m. followed by Bible learning as a small group. At noon there will a special training for all volunteers that work with children and youth on the church's Safe Child Policy. At 2:30 p.m. Good Shepherd will lead the worship service at the Lena Living Center.

> On Tuesday November 17 at 1:30 p.m. Pastor Miranda will lead devotions at the

On Wednesday November 18 at 8 a.m. the Piece Corps Quilters will work together to craft quilts for Lutheran World Relief. The Piece Corps is in need of material and fabric donations, so that they can continue their important work of helping people in need. Fabric does not need to be new; check your closets or keep an eye out at garage sales or thrift stores. Sheets work wonderfully as quilt backs. The Piece Corps is also always looking for more people to help tie quilts and sew. No previous quilting experience is necessary. Come join the fun and make a difference in the world!

The After School Program for fourth through eighth graders will meet at the Hangout downtown on Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 p.m. Each day there is worship with music and a Christian message; pizza; homework help; and lots of time for all sorts of games, challenges and play. At 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday Confirmation students in seventh and eighth grade will meet for learning, fun, prayer, and fellowship.

On Thursday November 19 Good Shepherd will host the Northern Illinois Synod Northwest conference Fall Discipleship Gathering from 6:25 p.m-8:45 p.m. A light supper will be served and the program will focus on church leadership in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

St. John's Lutheran Church of Pearl City leads healing service

PEARL CITY — November 15 Worship Service will be led by Pastor Ekstrand. Following worship, the Stewardship and Outreach committees will meet in Luther Hall. The Memorial and Finance Committees will meet in the Conference Room. Whirl Sunday School and Confirmation will meet at 10:15 a.m. All Sunday School youth are encouraged to stay after Sunday School for the Christmas Pageant practice at 11 a.m. The November Grace Meal will be served at Noon on Sunday, November 15.

The Fifth Quarter youth group (seventh and eighth grades) will meet from 6-7:30 p.m. on Sunday, November 15 upstairs in the Youth and

Family Center. The Genesis youth group will meet on the same evening at 7:30 p.m. at the Youth and Family Center.

Pastor Ekstrand will also lead a Healing Service on November 12 at 7 p.m. in the Nave. Members and non-members alike are welcome to attend this special service. During this particular service, we will be experiencing the value of praying directly over those in need of healing. You may bring a specific need forward, or you may request a general petition of healing.

Members and non-members alike are welcome to participate in two different Bible Studies at St. John's. Monday evening bible study is at 7 p.m and will begin a

new series on November 2 titled the "The Psalms". Join us on Monday evenings as we come to understand more vividly the cries and celebrations expressed through the Psalms, and how they intimately relate to our lives even today.

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and JoAnna Dillon. It also has 4 Seniors: Jessie Williams, Meagan Cosgrove, Zach Vondra, and Morgan Krupke.

Through the year, the team finds ways that they can help others. So far this year, the team has helped with a church dinner in Apple River at the Methodist Church dinner; St. Joseph's fish boil, the Memorial Service, Firemen's Chicken Barbeque, The Lion's Pancake Breakfast,

and made jars filled with cookie and soup mixes to be sold at a benefit. We have also hosted a blood drive producing 40 pints of blood to go to the Red Cross.

As a team, we are asking members of the community to help too. We have discovered a fantastic program called Operation Christmas Child. It helps give children internationally a holiday gift filled with toys and necessities. They receive a shoebox filled with a "wow" toy, school supplies, non-liquid hygienic items, and accessories such as socks; hair clips/pony tails, and flashlights. Donations for the \$7 postage per box would also be greatly appreciated as well.

If you would like to donate a box or items to go into the boxes created by the team, please drop them off at the Warren High School office by November 13. For more information about the program and what is or isn't accepted, you can visit http:// www.samaritanspurse.org/whatwe-do/operation-christmaschild/.

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Wesley United Methodist Church of Stockton to celebrate 125 years

STOCKTON — The Wesley United Methodist Church will be celebrating 125 years of Christian work on Sunday November 15.

In 1887, a group of three men including I.W. Parkinson and R.N. Batchelder were appointed to pursue the interests of Methodism in Stockton. On November 14, 1890, at the meeting of incorporation the name chosen for the new church was the First Methodist Episcopal Church in Stockton. The board members and trustees were Homer Hoyt, Jerimiah N. Sharp, Edgar R. Smith,

John H. Hocking and Frank Voght. The church joined the Morseville-Willow circuit and services were first held in Carpenter Hall.

Dr. Jeremiah Sharp donated TWO lots on the corner of Benton and Hudson for the church and Calista Moore donated a home for the parsonage on the site of the current parsonage. The current church building construction was started in 1882 by William Trude for a cost of \$6,148.42. In 1904 the league room and balcony was added, and in 1925 a basement was excavated under the



The Wesley United Methodist Church invites friends and community members to join them on November 15, for a special celebration service at

eterans in the Bible

By Sid Kemmis Lay Minister, St. John's Lutheran Church, Lena

LENA—Does the Bible talk about veterans? Certainly! Think of Joshua, David, Jonathon and many others. One you might have forgotten is Gideon. His name is pretty well known, but it's because of the Bibles placed in hotel nightstands by the Gideon Society. In fact, Gideon was a veteran and a true hero.

One day the angel of God came and sat down under the oak tree in Ophrah that belonged to Joash the Abiezrite, whose son Gideon was threshing wheat in the winepress, out of sight of the Midianites. The angel of God appeared to him and said, "God is with you, O almighty warrior!" (Judges 6:11-12, The Message)"

Like many of our veterans, Gideon was somewhat reluctant to combat enemy forces. He felt unprepared, inexperienced, and very likely fearful. "Pardon me Lord," Gideon replied, "but how can I save Israel? My clan is the weakest in Manasseh, and I am the least in my family." (Judges 6:15, NIV) The Lord promised to be with him, so next Gideon asked, "If now I have found favor in your eyes, give me a sign that it is really you talking to me." (Judges 6:17, NIV)

Gideon responded to God's call and became Israel's fourth judge. A "judge" at that time was not the same as our judges who sit in a court room, but was someone who was filled with the spirit of God and led military campaigns to defeat Israel's enemies.

God sent Gideon with 300 men to face outrageous odds an army of several thousand, with fortifications and much military experience. At first Gideon was reluctant to do it, but with God's help he led his special army to success, keeping the Israelites free from tyrthe country wanted to make him their king. His response shows his humility and faithfulness to God. "But Gideon told them, 'I will not rule over you, nor will my son rule over you. The Lord will rule over you." (Judges 8:22, NIV)

anny. When Gideon returned,

Every year on 11 November we celebrate all of our veterans who sacrificed so much to keep us free and independent. As Christians that means we have the freedom to gather and worship God openly. It means that we have a country in which we can share the Good News of Christ with others around us. The good news that God loves us so much that He was willing to suffer and die in our place so we could have the ultimate freedom—freedom from sin, death, and the devil.

entire church, adding Sunday school rooms, a social room and kitchen. Another addition was added in 1955. The church has beautiful Stained glass

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windows honoring early pioneers of the area such as Mittie Moore (mother of Homer Graves and Joseph Moore), the GAR (Grand Army of the Republic) and William Parkinson, who died at Shiloh. Also honored is Mary Sharp, first wife of Dr. Jeremiah Sharp.

Well wishes have been received by William Nicoll, pastor from 1954-58 and Rev James Fitzhugh, pastor from 1958-1966. The church was also received the first AfricanAmerican Pastor in the Northern Illinois Conference, the Rev John Ferguson (deceased). 1966-69.

Friends and community members are invited to join us on November 15, for services at 10:45 and a special celebration service at 1:30, featuring the Peace Seekers. This musical group was formed in 1969 by the late Dr. Lyle and Viola Rachuy, longtime members of Wesley United Methodist Church.

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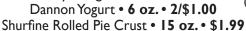


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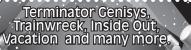
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OTHER PROPERTIES



WINSLOW -LARGE YARD with to backyard basement. access features bedrooms bath. spacious dining room, living room

n, office/toy main floor breezeway laundry. been replaced and the exterior of the home stained and trim painted upstairs bedrooms new carpet and paint 2014, kitchen and bath/laundry room remodeled 7/8 years ago. This home in the Le-Win School District



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WINSLOW -COUNTRY - PRIDE IN OWNERSHIP is 3 bedroom, bath home

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Stockton falls in Class 1A tournament

By Chris Johnson

Reporter

STOCKTON — On Saturday, Nov. 7, the Stockton Blackhawks season came to a close as they fell to the undefeated Marquette Crusaders, 21-14, in their Class 1A second round game. The weather conditions were perfect for a solid passing day

for the Blackhawks and their well-balanced air attack; however, it was also good for the Marquette defense and their talented With the game at a crucial point, late, as the Blackhawks attack

entered the Marquette red-zone, a pass was picked in the back right corner of the end zone, giving the number-two seed Crusaders the ball back and helping preserve the win.

Marquette moves on to face number-six seed Orion.

The Chargers knocked Lena-Winslow from the playoffs on Saturday, 14-7, giving the Panthers their only loss of the year.

Equipment collection began on Monday as the Blackhawks prepare to put away their autumn gear, in anticipation of the 2015-2015 boy's and girl's basketball season, which begins, a little over a week from today.

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Happy birthday Abraham 'Bram' Stoker author of Dracula

STATELINE—Sunday was the birthday of Irish writer Abraham "Bram" Stoker born in Dublin (1847). He's the author of a dozen novels, but of course he's best known for Dracula (1897). He was a sickly child, bedridden until the age of seven, and he liked to entertain himself with scary Irish folktales.

Stoker's health improved as he grew up, and he graduated from Trinity College with honors, earning a degree in mathematics. Like his father before him, he took a job as a civil servant at Dublin Castle. He also wrote theatre reviews for the Dublin Evening Mail, although they didn't pay him. He didn't mind working for free, because he loved the arts. He reviewed a production of Hamlet starring a famous English actor named Sir Henry Irving. The two became good friends, and Irving eventually hired Stoker to manage London's Lyceum Theatre. Stoker wrote letters for Irving, sometimes as many as 50 a day. He also traveled with him on his world tours.

Seeing the world inspired Stoker to write stories and novels, although he kept his job at the Lyceum for nearly 30 years. In 1890, Stoker took a holiday to the Yorkshire fishing village of Whitby. The village, with its picturesque ruined abbey, found its way into Dracula, which Stoker started writing that same year. Dracula, which is written in the form of letters and journal entries, was the result of seven years' research into Eastern European folklore and vampire stories. Stoker originally called it The Un-Dead, but changed the title at the last minute. The book received generally good reviews, but it didn't become a sensation until after Stoker's death. In his lifetime, he was much more famous for his work as the manager of the Lyceum.



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Stockton Christ Lutheran ladies sew quilts for ailing vets

By Tony Carton Editor

STOCKTON — Seven percent of veterans in our country live below the poverty line and according to a recent report from the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs that number is on the rise. In response, to the statistic a small group of folks working in support of veterans were busy behind Christ Lutheran Church in Stockton Tuesday morning loading handmade quilts into a vehicle that would soon leave on a mission to deliver as many as 20 of the blankets to the veteran's hospital in Madison.

"The ladies that do the quilting at the Lutheran church are sending 20 quilts up to Madison for the veterans that are in the hospital there," said Bonnie Bardell.

Bardell would be driving the quilts on the first leg of

their journey.
"The VFW Ladies Auxiliary from the Sixth District distribute the quilts to patients who don't have anything or maybe don't have many visitors," Bardell said. "And, those veterans are just tickled to peaches to get them."

She said the quilt project

honored veterans.

"They deserve everything they get," said Bardell.

Last year the quilt makers had extra quilts, so they called Bardell and asked if she could use them.

"I told them we have men up to the veteran's hospital in Madison that the sixth district takes care of and they would be honored to have them," Bardell said. "So we came over and loaded them up and I took them to Betty Lumbaung in Rockford who then moved them on to the hospital in Madison and they got them for Christmas last

They've decided to deliver the quilts a bit earlier this year and so they're off to Madison for Veteran's Day.

"When we took them up last year some of the patients just sat and cried," Bardell said. "They were so thrilled and just knowing that somebody handmade all the quilts made a real impression.

She said the real credit belongs to the ladies of Christ Lutheran who put countless hours into making the quilts.

We always make quilts for Lutheran World Relief," said the church' Stewardship Chair Pat Lawfer. "We sent



The quilt makers of Christ Lutheran Church in Stockton spent a busy year making more than a hundred quilts and their helpers, Pat Lawfer, Bonnie Bardell, and Shirley Toepfer were busy Tuesday morning loading a batch of the blankets to be taken to the veteran's hospital

97 quilts to that project last

month and then I called Bonnie to see if she would like some more and she asked for more than last year if we had

them.' She said they quilt every week and will make over 100 quilts this year alone.

Don't forget to use your

insurance benefits!

'We had what they needed again this year and so the quilts will be in Madison for Veteran's Day," said Lawfer. "What we do for the church relief and those veterans is out of love for them. We're just happy to do it."

Two River Ridge students earn American FFA Degree

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Pearl City Servant Leadership Team hosted a Rake and Run PEARL CITY-Members of the Pearl City Servant Leadership Team hosted a "Rake and Run," helping out in the community by raking leaves and assisting with yard clean-up. Servant Leaders shown: Elizabeth Strock, Moriah Fischer, Brooke Stephan, Kerry Strock, Nathan Lott, Bronte Wright, Kalli Kaney. Not pictured: Abby Endress, Gertrude Heimerdinger, Shayna Drake, Leeann Schimetz, Michaela Lee.





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Pearl City High School Varsity Academic Team compete in the Bergstrom Stateline Quiz Bowl

Pearl City High School Varsity Academic Team members Cameron Neisman, Austin Schnoor, Nathan Lott, Bill Werkheiser, Jacob Pacheco, (front row, left to right) Shana Drake, Gertrude Heimerdinger, Abby Endress, Alyssa Johnson, and Bronte Wright, Competed in the Bergstrom Stateline Quiz Bowl. The Stateline Quiz bowl features students from 32 local High Schools, and tests the knowledge of the participants for a chance to win scholarships from Northern Illinois University. This 30 minute game show will be shown exclusively on Channel 13 WTVO and Fox 39.

St. John's Lutheran Church of Pearl City leads healing service

PEARL CITY — The November 15 Worship Service will be led by Pastor Ekstrand. Following worship, the Stewardship and Outreach committees will meet in Luther Hall. The Memorial and Finance Committees will meet in the Conference

Room. Whirl Sunday School and Confirmation will meet at 10:15 a.m. All Sunday School youth are encouraged to stay after Sunday School for the Christmas Pageant practice at 11 a.m. The November Grace Meal will be served at Noon on Sunday, November 15.

The Fifth Quarter youth group (seventh and eighth grades) will meet from 6-7:30 p.m. on Sunday, November 15 upstairs in the Youth and Family Center. The Genesis youth group will meet on the same evening at 7:30 p.m. at the Youth and Family Center.

Pastor Ekstrand will also lead a Healing Service on November 12 at 7 p.m. in the Nave. Members and nonmembers alike are welcome to attend this special service. During this particular service, we will be experiencing the value of praying directly over those in need of healing. You may bring a specific need forward, or you may request a general petition of healing.

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SENATE WEEK IN REVIE

From the office of State Senator, Tim Bivins

SPRINGFIELD — Lawmakers will return to the State Capitol next week for a oneday session that is sure to be another in a series of meetings that haven't yielded much progress in resolving the now five-month budget impasse.

Gov. Bruce Rauner and the four legislative leaders are also scheduled to meet on Nov. 18, but expectations are not high for a quick fix to the budgetary stalemate.

In other news, a Reuters News Service report found that Illinois' low bond ratings are having a negative impact on local governments' ability to build or expand facilities; two state fiscal reports show very bleak economic results; and Illinois' harvest continues to come in at a healthy clip as farmers hope for more moisture to relieve slightly depleted water reserves.

Legislative session and leaders' meeting scheduled

November 10 and 18 are two key dates that legislative observers will be watching closely as Illinoisans await a final resolution to the state's ongoing budget impasse. Legislators return to the Capitol Nov. 10 for what would normally be a fall Veto Session, but the "continuous" session has produced a very abnormal working climate in Springfield. Senate Republicans continue their call for the state to enact a balanced budget and pass critical reforms needed to boost Illinois' economy and create more jobs.

The spring legislative session yielded few vetoed pieces of legislation and as a result, most of the legislation has been acted on, with many of Gov. Rauner's vetoes stand-

ing.
The Nov. 10 session will feature a handful of House of Representatives Committees and another full House Committee of the Whole, which will hear testimony from Illinois' higher education stakeholders. The Senate is expected to take action on some legislation.

Meanwhile, the Governor is inviting the leaders of the four legislative caucuses to discuss the best way forward for Illinois, at a meeting Nov. 18.

Senate Republican members are hoping the Democrat legislative majorities will begin to negotiate in good faith, so progress can be made on reforms needed to right the state's fiscal ship and move Illinois forward.

Reuters: Illinois fiscal woes cost local governments

Illinois' bond rating, which hovers slightly above "junk" status, is now being credited for stalling out local government work. Multiple school districts across the state are feeling the effects of Illinois' failure to follow through on promises of state construction monies. The Reuters report highlights Algonquin District 300's inability to finish its construction on the unit's new facilities.

Additionally, the region's Metra system is also having problems keeping up with their expansion and maintenance schedules because of bonding issues. The report notes that Illinois has not placed bonds for sale since May 2014, which places even more strenuous restrictions on the state's now 11-year old school construction list.

The state's fiscal woes also extend to the 2009 "Illinois Jobs Now!" construction plan, which is on schedule to leave more than \$4 billion in bonding authority on the "table."

Illinois Comptroller releases First **Ouarter Report**

Illinois Comptroller Leslie Munger's office issued its Fiscal Year 2016 First Quarter

In the report, the "general fund payables" increased by more than \$825 million versus the same quarter for the previous fiscal year. More importantly, Illinois started the new fiscal year with a checking account deficit of \$3.013 billion, which does not bode well

for the remainder of the fiscal year that ends in June.

Overall income tax revenues are down 22 percent for individuals and 24.5 percent for corporate revenues compared to the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2015. Sales tax revenues showed a positive trend by ticking up 0.9 percent. Additionally, revenue shares from the federal government were up 9.9 percent.

Illinois has also increased spending on its Medicaid program by 74 percent during the first quarter of Fiscal Year

COGFA reports show mixed economic signals

The legislative Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability produced its October report, and the results are mixed. Illinois' economic expansion was slowed during the month and as a result, the percentage of growth in the Gross Domestic Product fell to 2 percent for the year. During the summer months, Illinois' economic output was hovering just shy of a healthy four percent.

September's economic results showed an 11.5 percent decline in home sales, but economists stressed that Illinois home sales are still strong. That's due to an uptick of 2.1 percent for the first nine months of 2015. Gas and fuel receipts are down by 19.7 percent due to the downturn in fuel prices. Conversely, it appears that Illinoisans are investing more money into higher expenditures for automobiles, furniture, and home furnishings.

Farmers welcome rainfall

Multiple days of precipitation slowed the harvesting of the last few remaining acres of corn and soybeans, though most producers were grateful for the additional moisture.

According to the United States Department of Agriculture, statewide precipitation averaged more than one inch last week. The rain had an immediate impact on soil moisture, with 62 percent of

soil now rated as adequate or surplus moisture, compared to just 41 percent the week before.

Central Illinois agricultural producers will likely keep their "eyes on the sky" as 23 counties are trying to emerge from a moderate drought and they hope area water tables are replenished.

Farmers continue to wrap up the 2015 harvest, with 93

percent of corn and bean acres now complete. During the same time in 2014, 57 percent of corn and 59 percent of soybeans had been harvested.

Many farmers are now tilling fields and waiting for soil temperatures to drop before applying fall nitrogen fertilizer. Across the state, soil temperatures ranged from 45.6 degrees in the north to 56.6 degrees in the south.



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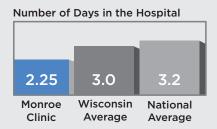


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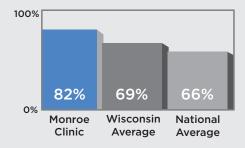




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Madigan to investigate Peoples Gas and calls for restructuring of its main replacement program

CHICAGO — Attorney General Lisa Madigan today announced her office has filed two petitions with the Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC) in response to a shocking audit report that found Peoples' Accelerated Main Replacement Program (AMRP) could cost consumers an astronomical \$8 billion, an estimate the company may have withheld from the ICC in attempting to secure approval of its recent merger with Wisconsin Energy Group.

One petition asks the ICC to investigate whether Peoples violated the Public Utilities Act by withholding the exorbitant \$8 billion cost estimate from the Commission and to impose appropriate penalties. Peoples did not reveal the existence of this estimate to the ICC during the merger proceeding or in public statements made by Peoples and Integrys executives in response to questions from the Commission earlier this year. The second petition asks the ICC to open an investigation into the restructuring of the controversial AMRP, encouraging the Commission to "start from scratch."

"This project is a disaster that raises serious questions about the safety, reliability and affordability of Peoples Gas service," Madigan said. "The shocking report from the ICC's auditors is a call to action to completely reexamine the Accelerated Main Replacement Program and immediately address whether Peoples Gas executives misled consumers."

An expert in the Attorney General's office determined that at a cost of \$8 billion, AMRP would cost every Peoples residential heating customer an average of nearly \$7,700 over the remaining life of the project. Peoples' customers already pay some of the highest natural gas rates in the Midwest.

Liberty Consulting Group's audit, dated September 30, 2015, called Peoples' AMRP a "outof-date and out-of-touch" program that should be completely restructured. Liberty was engaged by the ICC in 2013 to conduct a two-phase audit of the AMRP, after ICC Staff reported serious concerns with management of the AMRP, including a lack of cost controls.

Bureau Chief Janice Dale, Assistant Bureau Chief Karen Lusson, and Assistant Attorneys General Ron Jolly and Sameer Doshi are handling the petitions for Madigan's Public Utilities Bureau, which represents the people of Illinois on public utilities matters and advocates for adequate, efficient, reliable, environmentally safe and least-cost public utility services.

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Pearl City Library News

By Dixie Althoff
Library Director

LENA — The nice weather continues, but we know that all too soon it will come to an end. We will sure enjoy it as long as we can. If you haven't stopped in to make your "first snowfall" prediction, please get that done soon.

The annual Halloween party at the library was a success. It was a night of fun, food and prizes. We had several games set up throughout the big room downstairs:

Ring toss, Duck game, bucket toss, eyeball toss, sucker/lollipop game, "ghost poop",

Guess what's in the box, guess how many, and bowling for "ghosts". There were also some nice door prizes to sign up for. Everyone enjoyed hot dogs, chips, juice or water, and cookies upstairs either before they played the games or before they left for the evening.

The costumes were all great. It was very hard to decide on winners, because in our eyes they were all winners. We did narrow it down though. Our winners were: Nathan Gerbode as a Pharaoh, Ava Fiedler as a Roller Derby girl, Zimmerman trio: Emma, Leah, & Brooke as Three Little Kittens, Addie Blakely as Pinkalicious, Khayne Albright as a Headless Man carrying his head, Connor Karnatz as a Minecraft character, and Connor Zimmerman as little Charlie Brown.

Our door prize winners were: David Tasez, Landri Spidahl, Baleigh Nielsen, Jack Bland, Max Duncan, Sydney Duncan, and Korbin Winter. The Guess How Many

Winner was: Thor Nielsen, and the Guess What's in the Box was Connor Karnatz.

Congratulations to all of our winners! All in all it was a great time for all who came.

The after school group did not meet last week because of the Halloween Party.

This week they had fun with Bingo. There were some nice prizes left over from the party, so it was fun for all.

Even though we had the big Halloween party, Ms. Kathy still had parties for the preschoolers. Most of them wore their costumes. They played the lollipop game and dug in "ghost poop," light as air (Styrofoam pieces) to retrieve a prize. The kids all loved it! Halloween books were read and some spooky songs were sung. They were: Hooky Spooky, Friendly Ghost, and If You're a Ghost, say BOO! For a treat they all enjoyed "Frankn-Pudding" and Halloween cupcakes. What a great time!

This week they started talking about turkeys. What do they say? Gobble, gobble, gobble. A memory game on the flannel board was played to find turkey feather, leafie, and little pumpkin.

They do love the flannel board! They had sticker fun by making their own autumn sticker sheet of animals and leaves. As you have probably guessed, their theme this week was turkeys. Turkey and animal books were read and turkey and leaf songs were sung.

Book discussion met October 28th. Nice group and a good

discussion. Some of the books discussed were: War Room by Chris Fabry, Lady in Gold by Anne-Marie O'Connor, Storm Front by Jim Butcher, Come Rain or Come Shine by Jan Karon, and She Was by Alison Gaylin, Girl in the Spider Web by David Lagercrantz, Summer with my Sisters by Holly Chamberlain, and Mind Hunter by John Douglas.

Next book discussion will be November, 18th at 9:30am. Please try to join us!

New fall reads: Corrupted by Lisa Scottoline, Depraved heart by Patricia Cornwell, Playing with Fire by Tess Gerritsen, Bazaar of Bad Dreams by Stephen King, Christmas Bells by Jennifer Chiaverini, Christmas in Mustang Creek by Linda Lael Miller, The Crossing by Michael Connelly, Dashing Through the Snow by Debbie Macomber, Golem of Paris by Jonathan Kellerman, Scam by Janet Evanovitch, Sea Keeper's Daughter by Lisa Wingate, Stars of Fortune by Nora Roberts, Together for Christmas by Katherine Spencer, and Willow Brook Road by Sherryl Woods.

New Non-Fiction: Where I Am by Billy Graham, Walk in the Woods by Bill Bryson,. Rosemary: The Hidden Kennedy Daughter by Kate Clifford Larson, Guinness Book of World Records 2016, Girls of Atomic

City by Dennis Kiernan, Blessed, Blessed, Blessed by Missy Robertson, and Andy & Don by Daniel de Vise.

Kids, there were over 60 new books added to the juvenile collection. Come in and check them out!

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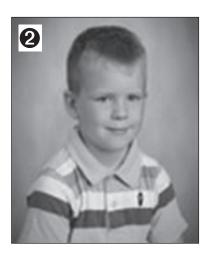
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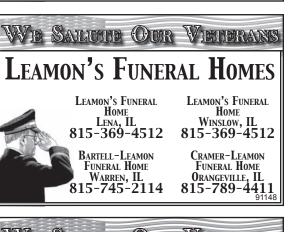


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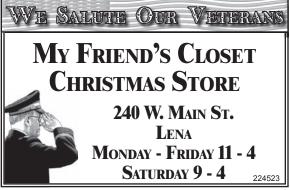


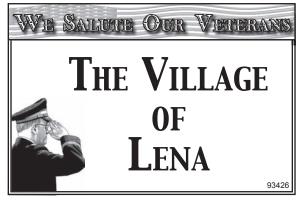














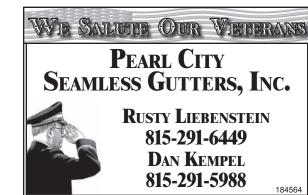












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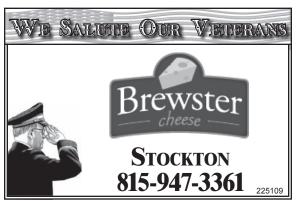
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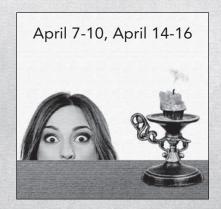
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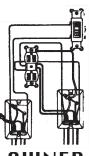
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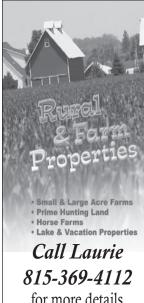
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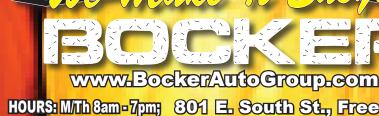




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