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## Chronic Wasting Disease stalks the woods

By Tony Carton  
EDITOR

Sportsmen across the tri-state area are taking to the woods as the 2016 deer hunting season kicks into high gear, but the hunters will not be the only ones stalking deer this year. A killer with reported genetic ties to mad-cow disease lurks in the woods and threatens to end a tradition of deer hunting in Wisconsin, Northern Illinois, and other parts of the United States.

The condition, known as Chronic Wasting Disease or CWD is not new, but it is deadly to deer, and while there is nothing directly linking the disease to humans, until more is learned, the risks cannot be ignored. Hunters are urged to practice extra caution when handling animal carcasses, and all harvested venison should be tested and proven safe before eaten.

“Jo Daviess County is well known for its plentiful deer harvest and officials throughout the area are engaging in herd management projects in the hope the sport will continue and the harvest remain safe for consumption.

“We work very closely with the IDNR,” said Apple Canyon Lake Deer Management Committee Chair Jack Finley. “And, we’ve had an archery program for seven or eight years where we have tried to keep the deer population in balance with the carrying capacity of the lake.”

Apple Canyon Lake is a 480-acre recreational lake community close located in northern Jo Daviess County IL. Its deer committee oversees multiple deer counts annually to track the facility’s deer population and the success or failure of area management programs.

“Apple Canyon Lake currently has a deer population of approximately 40-45 deer per square mile during the winter, which is almost twice the norm, and according to the IDNR the highest population of deer in Jo Daviess County,” said Finley. “Twenty per square mile is high and while there is no concrete evidence that overpopulation causes CWD, when

the disease is present overpopulation speeds the spread of the disease and that is what we are working to control.”

CWD is a serious infection and has been found recently in two deer on properties adjacent to Apple Canyon Lake. The likelihood of the disease entering its herd is a motivating factor in the IDNR decision to harvest and test 75 deer from the lakes’ herd.

“We will be shooting with archery equipment, but if we do not reach the numbers requested by the IDNR they will come in and be sharpshooting with guns,” said Finley. “We harvest and test around 40 deer annually and if we bring that number in again the IDNR will come in and shoot another 35. If we take down all 75 they are requesting they won’t shoot any, but we’ve never come close to 75.”

The lakes’ deer committee is approaching nearby landowners and asking them to help.

“If they have hunters we are asking them to remove the heads and bring them to the refrigeration units at our maintenance facility, so we will hopefully reach the numbers the IDNR needs,” Finley said.

He said if CWD is found in the harvested 75 deer the IDNR will take more animals in an attempt to reduce the herd and control the spread of the disease.

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## It’s all about having fun

It wouldn’t be a Stockton Homecoming Parade without the dozens of elementary school youngsters riding their decorated bikes and 2016 was no different from previous year.

## Charges filed in Jo Daviess County fatal hit and run crash

Jo Daviess County State’s Attorney, John D. Hay together with the Jo Daviess County Sheriff’s Office, would like to inform the public of the following information. On Sept. 29, the Jo Daviess County State’s Attorney’s Office filed a criminal information charging Cory T. Rogers of Scales Mound with two counts of Failure to Report an Accident Involving Personal Injury or Death. One charge of Failure to Report and Accident Involving Personal Injury or Death is a Class 1 Felony and the second charge is a Class 4 Felony.

These charges stem from a motor

vehicle crash that took place near the intersection of N. Pea Ridge Road and E. Stagecoach Trail just outside of Scales Mound, Illinois on Sept. 17. These charges allege that Cory Rogers knowingly failed to stop the vehicle he was driving after that vehicle was involved in an accident. The charges also allege Alex Boelk,

age 17 of Apple River, Illinois was killed as a result of this accident.

This accident is being investigated by the Jo Daviess County Sheriff’s Office, Warren Police Department, Stockton Police Department and the Illinois State Police.

The State’s Attorney’s Office would like to remind the public the

criminal charges filed against Mr. Rogers are merely accusations and allegations, and are not evidence of guilt. The defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty in a court of law. The defendant is entitled to a fair trial at which the government has the burden of proving guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.



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At approximately 5:15 p.m. on 09/23 an officer of the Stockton Police Department received a call from a complainant in reference to an attempted burglary that occurred at his residence on West High St., sometime between 9:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. The officer met with the complainant who showed him the front entry to the house which was locked with a deadbolt lock. The officer observed there were several pry marks on the door, but no entry was gained and there is nothing missing from the residence. The scene was processed for evidence. This case is under investigation by the Stockton Police Department.

At approximately 11:34 a.m. on 09/23 an officer of the Stockton Police Department received a call in reference to an elderly female

calling for help at a residence on Mathilde Street. The caller stated that they could hear a female calling for help from another apartment in the building. Upon arrival of the police, a female could be heard calling for help. Officers made entry into the apartment and found an elderly female on the floor next to an elderly male. It was learned from the female in the apartment that the male had fallen on the floor and had apparently expired. Stockton Ambulance Service was requested and confirmed that the male subject had expired. Coroner was requested to respond to the scene for the male.

At approximately 9:09 a.m. on 09/24 officers were dispatched to an address on North Pearl St., in reference to a domestic disturbance between a mother and daughter. Dispatch advised that the mother had called 911 and stated that she had been attacked by her daughter. On the arrival of officers, they met with a male subject who identified himself as the daughters' boyfriend along with the daughter. The daughter stated that her mother suddenly entered her room and dumped a TV and other items on the floor. An argument ensued over the care of the

daughters' property. The investigation by the officers showed that the mother was the aggressor and had acted in a manner that was violation of the law. The mother was placed under arrest and transported to the Police Department for processing.

On 9/25 at approximately 10:37a.m., an officer of the Stockton Police Department was dispatched to an address on South Simmons Street. On arrival, the officer met with the complainant who stated that a neighbor keeps using a ladder to climb over a fence into the complainants' yard. In addition, the offending subject stands up on the ladder and says he is looking for a woman who keeps calling for help. Upon talking with the offender it was apparent that he was in need of other medical services and was advised on services available to him. The offender was warned to stay out of the complainants' yard. No other police service was needed

On 9/25 at approximately 11:49 p.m., an Officer of the Stockton Police Department was dispatched to assist a Jo Daviess County Sheriff's Deputy whose car had struck a deer on Lyons Hill. On arrival, the Stockton Officer assisted with traffic control and assisted with the

disposal of the deer.

On 9/26 at about 1 p.m. an officer of the Stockton Police Department was dispatched to the Hartig Drug Store on Main Street, in reference to a theft. On arrival, the officer met with the manager of the store who reported that a person was observed on video surveillance as they committed a theft from the store. The store manager stated that there have been several thefts from the store in recent days, which included the same kinds of items taken. In checking the video, a subject was observed removing the stolen items from the shelf and placing them in his pocket. The subject was then observed to leave the store without for the items.

The officer then located and placed the subject under arrest for the Theft. The subject was taken to the Stockton Police Department where he was processed and charged with Retail Theft, given a Notice to Appear and released on his own recognizance.

On 9/27 at approximately 3:48 p.m., while on routine patrol, an officer of the Stockton Police Department observed a grey Chevrolet Impala stopped halfway into an alley and halfway onto private property. The vehicle's driver door was standing open, the keys were in the ignition, but no one was around the car. A check of the Illinois registration on the vehicle, showed that the owner lived in the area. The owner was located at a residence, but did not know that he had left his vehicle this way. The vehicle was moved to a safe location by a friend.

On 09/27 at approximately 6:19 p.m., the Stockton Police Department received a call in reference to a burglary at an apartment on Mathilde. Upon arrival of the officer, he met with the complainant who stated that they had been moving furniture from the apartment during the day. Victim stated that they took a break from the activity for approximately 45 minutes to go to the store. When they returned to

the apartment they observed several items of furniture missing. The victim stated that the door and sliding door of the apartment had been left unlocked. The scene was examined and processed by the officer. This case is under investigation by the Stockton Police Department.

On 9/28 at approximately 11:46 a.m., an officer of the Stockton Police Department was dispatched to check the well being of an individual who may be depressed and in a state of mind where he may hurt himself. The subject was located by police and he did in fact request assistance. The Stockton Ambulance Service was requested and the subject was taken for evaluation.

At 8:49 p.m. on 09/28, Stockton Police were dispatched to assist the Jo Daviess County Sheriff on an injury accident on Binkley Road at Mapes Road. On arrival, the officer gave immediate assistance to injured parties until the Stockton Ambulance arrived on scene. The officer then assisted with traffic control and removal of damaged vehicles.

At approximately 3:23 p.m. on 09/29 officers of the Stockton Police Department an address on South Curtiss Road as a request and follow-up from the Freeport Police Department in reference to a Theft case from Freeport involving a person suspected of stealing a silver .177 caliber revolver style air gun from Walmart in Freeport. In this theft case, the Freeport Police have surveillance photos of the offender. Upon viewing the photos, the Stockton Officers recognized the offender as a juvenile who resides in Stockton. The Stockton Police arrived at the Curtiss Road address, and found the suspected offender at home. Upon interviewing the offender, with his mother present, the offender admitted to the theft. The officers were able to recover the air pistol. In addition, officers also recovered a smart phone which was also taken during the theft. This case is still being investigated by the Freeport Police Department and the Stockton Police Department.

On 9/29 at approximately 12:40, The Stockton Police were dispatched to assist the Jo Daviess County Sheriff's Department and the Elizabeth Police Department, on a call of a possible man with a gun. On arrival, officers encountered a distraught subject who was dealing with some civil issues. Once the situation was calmed down, and some weapons were put away, some options were explored on how the subject would proceed to handle his problems. After talking with the subject and his family, the situation was resolved peacefully.

Chief Tom Sheehan of the Stockton Police Department reminds all citizens that that persons charged with violations under Illinois Statute or local ordinance are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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# Number of area mumps cases on increase

Compiled by Tony Carton  
EDITOR

With school back in session, winter on the horizon and an increase of reported cases of mumps in nearby Grant and Dubuque County schools the Illinois Department of Health is issuing information to help with recognition and treatment of the virus.

Mumps is a viral illness caused by a paramyxovirus, a member of the Rubulavirus family. The average incubation period for mumps is 16 to 18 days, with a range of 12 to 25 days.

Symptoms of mumps usually appear 14 days to 18 days of infection. They usually include fever, headache, and swelling and tenderness of one or more of the salivary glands, usually the parotid gland (located just below the front of the ear at the angle of the jaw). In mild cases the swelling may only last for three days to four days, but it may go on even up to a week or more. Approximately one-third of infected people do not exhibit symptoms. There is no specific treatment for mumps. Analgesics and

regular rinsing of the mouth are recommended to relieve symptoms.

Mumps can affect any person of any age who has not had the disease or been vaccinated against it. Mumps usually occurs in children, although older people may contract the disease. The greatest risk of infection occurs among older children. Mumps is more common during winter and spring.

The mumps virus replicates in the upper respiratory tract and spreads through direct contact with respiratory

secretions or saliva or through fomites. The risk of spreading the virus increases the longer and the closer the contact a person has with someone who has mumps. When a person is ill with mumps, he or she should avoid contact with others from the time of diagnosis until at least 5 days after the onset of parotitis by staying home from work or school and staying in a separate room if possible.

Vaccination is the best way to prevent mumps. This vaccine is included in the combination measles-mumps-rubella (MMR) and measles-mumps-rubella-varicella (MMRV) vaccines. Two doses of mumps vaccine are 88% (range 66% to 95%) effective at preventing the disease; one dose is 78% range (49% to 91%) effective. The first vaccine against mumps was licensed in the United States in 1967, and by 2005, high two-dose childhood vaccination coverage reduced disease rates by 99%. The MMR vaccine protects against currently circulating mumps strains.

Children 2 years of age and older entering a kindergarten through twelfth grade or a child care facility, a school operated program below the kindergarten level or a Head Start center in Illinois are required to show proof of immunity to mumps. Immunity can be

documented by date of vaccination, date of disease as verified by a health care provider, or laboratory evidence of mumps immunity.

In school settings, children in kindergarten through twelfth grade should have documentation of two doses of MMR vaccine, except students with medical or religious exemptions. Teachers and staff should have their immune status verified (vaccination serologic evidence of immunity, laboratory confirmation of disease, or birth before 1957). All staff should be educated on how to prevent the spread of mumps and signs and symptoms of the disease.

Exclusion of susceptible students from schools/colleges affected by a mumps outbreak (and other, unaffected schools judged by local public health authorities to be at risk for transmitting the disease) should be considered as one way to control mumps outbreaks. Once vaccinated, students can be readmitted to school. Students who have been exempted from mumps vaccination for medical, religious, or other reasons should stay home from the twelfth day after they were exposed to mumps through the twenty-fifth day after the onset of parotitis in the last person with mumps in the affected school.

## Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 9-15, promotes the importance of replacing smoke alarms every 10 years

How often should the smoke alarms in your home be replaced? If you don't know, you're not alone. A national survey conducted by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) shows that nine out of 10 Americans don't know how often smoke alarms need to be replaced. The correct answer: every 10 years.

As the official sponsor of Fire Prevention Week, NFPA is promoting this year's campaign theme, "Don't Wait - Check the Date! Replace Smoke Alarms Every 10 Years," to better educate the public about this potentially life-saving message.

"While the public generally knows

that smoke alarms play an important role in home fire safety, some smoke alarm messages are not as well understood," says Lorraine Carli, vice president of Outreach and Advocacy for NFPA. "Not knowing how often smoke alarms need to be replaced - or that they even have an expiration date - are among them."

According to Carli, that lack of awareness means some U.S. homes may have smoke alarms that have outlasted their full functionality, putting people at increased risk in the event of a home fire. NFPA statistics show that three out of five U.S. home fire deaths occur in homes with no smoke alarms or no working alarms.

### Key Survey Findings:

Half of Americans (50 percent) have three or more smoke alarms in their current home

Almost one in five Americans who have smoke alarms (19 percent) say the oldest smoke alarm they currently have in their home is 10+ years old

Nearly one in five Americans who have smoke alarms (18 percent) are not at all sure how old the oldest smoke alarm they currently have in their home is

When asked how often they should replace smoke alarms, nine in 10 Americans (90 percent) did not select the correct answer, which is once every 10 years

"Working smoke alarms reduce the risk of dying in a home fire in half," said Carli. "That's why it's so important to make sure they're working properly."

A smoke alarm's age can be determined by looking on the back or side of the smoke alarm, where the date of manufacture can be found. Smoke alarms should be replaced 10 years from that date (not the date of purchase or installation). In addition, smoke alarms should be tested monthly, and batteries should be replaced when they begin to chirp, signaling that they're running low.

Fire departments throughout the U.S. and Canada play a key role in making Fire Prevention Week an annual success by implementing the campaign in their communities; departments throughout North America will be hosting open houses and other local events throughout the week of October 9-15.

For more information on smoke alarms and this year's Fire Prevention Week campaign, visit [www.firepreventionweek.org](http://www.firepreventionweek.org).

About Fire Prevention Week  
NFPA has been the official sponsor of Fire Prevention Week since 1922. According to the National Archives and Records Administration's Library Information Center, Fire Prevention Week is the longest running public health and safety observance on record. The President of the United States has signed a proclamation declaring a national observance during that week every year since 1925. Visit [www.firepreventionweek.org](http://www.firepreventionweek.org) for more safety information.

## Volunteer Hospice of Northwest Illinois to host training classes

What do you know about Hospice? Have you ever asked these questions – How do I know when to call Hospice? Are all Hospices the same? How does Hospice help? Have you ever thought that you would be interested in working as a hospice volunteer?

These questions and more will be addressed at the Hospice Training classes scheduled to be held by Volunteer Hospice of Northwest Illinois, Inc. This training class will help answer questions and serve as training for those interested in serving as a volunteer with our organization. Our training program will give you a better understanding of the needs of someone with a terminal illness and their caregiver and also the grieving

process that people or you yourself experience. As a trained volunteer you would be qualified to work with direct client care, our bereavement program, Friendly Visitor Program, perform clerical duties in the office or help with various fundraising events.

This training program is scheduled to begin on Thursday, Oct. 13, and will be held each Thursdays through November 10, from 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m. at the Hospice office at 105 S. Main Street, Stockton. Bring a sack lunch.

Call the office at (815) 947-3260 to reserve your spot. If you would like information on our training program, but cannot attend this training as scheduled, please call to make other arrangements.

## Freeport Home Medical Equipment to host Living Well Senior Expo

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To help women stay on schedule for recommended mammogram screenings Monroe Clinic is offering "Mammo & Fresh Brew Break" stop-in screenings every Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Monroe Clinic-High-

land Women's Care, 3103 W Kunkle Blvd., Freeport, Ill.

What distinguishes this program is that no appointment or referral is needed! Patients are even invited to enjoy treats and a cup of fresh brewed coffee or tea during their visit. Through the technology of electronic medical records, screening results will be available within 48 hours on MyChart.

Women age 40 or older are encouraged to take advantage of this convenient screening opportunity. Visit [monroeclinic.org/mammo](http://monroeclinic.org/mammo) for more information.

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# VIEWPOINT

## From the Desk of State Representative Brian W. Stewart

If you've read my column or watched the news over the course of the past several months, you know that Illinois is in dire financial straits. There are too many contributing factors to count, but I try to tackle them one at a time. Last week I made brief reference to one such area that I hope to shed more light on this week. I welcome your comments and feedback, and if you would like any source or reference material, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

There is little doubt that Illinois is heading towards a fiscal cliff. When you couple unsustainable state spending with an unstable tax base, the results are never good. On top of these mounting issues, we have even more bad news: Chicago is fiscally insolvent. Why does this matter to us in Northwest Illinois? Well, if the stop-gap budget is any indication, our tax dollars will be paying for a municipality's empty promises. No, state tax dollars will not be going to bail out Freeport or Rockford, they are going to Chicago.

Chicago's fiscal standing is on even shakier ground than that of the State. This year, Chicago's budget deficit is \$137.6 million. That number is

actually a huge improvement on the billion dollar deficits that the city ran from 2010-2013. But the bad news is that this number doesn't account for Chicago's pension obligations. This is where the state is expected to step in.

The least solvent of Chicago's pension funds by far is the Chicago Teachers' Pension Fund (CTPF). I don't fault teachers for wanting to make a good wage - we all want a good paying job. But at a certain point there has to be an understanding that there just isn't enough money.

The Chicago Teachers Union (CTU) has fought for higher pay and better pensions for decades. Again, I fully support teachers being paid a fair wage, but the following numbers are truly astounding.

State law mandates that teachers pay 9.4% of their yearly salaries into their retirement fund. In Chicago, teachers pay only 2%, and the school district supposedly covers the other 7.4%.

Chicago Public Schools average a salary of just over \$78,000 a year, and after that 2% pay in, the average teacher receives a taxable income of around \$76,440. The problem is that

by the teachers only paying in 2%, and CPS is walking away from its obligation to cover the other 7.4%, a fiscal cavern that makes the Grand Canyon pale in comparison has emerged with only empty promises filling the gap.

Chicago Public Schools' complete mismanagement has serious consequences for those of us who live west of I-294, because in the end we will be left picking up the tab. When the time comes, and the time is coming soon, the State will again be asked to bail out the City of Chicago. If and when this happens, it will add billions to our state's already growing deficit. Chicago's problems are our problems.

In 2014, the average retiring pensioner received \$68,196 a year. This pension is exempt from state income taxes. So CPS teachers can work for thirty years, contribute little to their own retirement fund, and receive a good retirement. Just imagine if you are a husband and wife who are both retired teachers and earn \$68,196 a year twice over.

Right about now most of you are re-thinking your career paths, especially those of you who are teachers in the area that actually contribute a sizeable portion to your own retire-

ments. But if I were a retired CPS teacher, I would be concerned about the solvency of my pension fund. No matter which way you look at it, this is a raw deal for the State of Illinois. So what is the CTU doing to remedy the situation? Nothing. In fact, they are accelerating towards the fiscal cliff. This year, CPS teachers will strike for more concessions. As one observer put it, "I can't believe some of these people teach my kid math."

But I would be remiss to lay all the blame on the teachers union. The reality is that the city of Chicago and CPS have been complicit as well.

Beth Purvis, the state's Secretary of Education says this: "The stunning fact is that while the state provided major assistance to CPS, Chicago shirked its own duty to pay its pensions. From 1995 to 2015, the state sent CPS payments totaling approximately \$1.1 billion for pension contributions. During that same time frame, CPS skipped pension payments for 10 straight years and received General Assembly approval for three additional years of contribution reductions."

The Secretary goes on to say, "Given these conditions, it is no surprise

that CPS leader Forrest Claypool is now asking for a financial bailout for the irresponsible behavior of his predecessors, but let's not be confused. This additional allocation for CPS is not to restore equity - it's to make up for years of financial mismanagement."

Teachers want to make a good wage; I respect that. But what I can't abide by is Chicago using the rest of Illinois to pay for it. Next year, the State will pick up a minimum of \$215 million dollars of CPS pension costs. Mark my words: that is only the first drop in the bucket.

Successful businessman Anthony Hitt sums up my thoughts exactly when he said, "Keep every promise you make, and only make promises you can keep." The private sector is expected to follow through on their promises, and so should the government. At this moment, our State government - and the City of Chicago - needs to focus on not making promises we can't keep.

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## Governor Rauner urges action on bipartisan legislation to reduce recidivism

Prior to a meeting of the Illinois State Commission on Criminal Justice and Sentencing Reform, Governor Bruce Rauner, Sen. Kwame Raoul (D-Chicago) and Rep. Mary Flowers (D-Chicago) today voiced their support for the General Assembly to pass bipartisan legislation to ensure that any person being released from the Department of Corrections (DOC) or Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) has a valid state identification card upon release.

"In order to combat recidivism we need to remove some of the hurdles offenders face when they

are released from a detention facility and begin to re-integrate into society," said Governor Rauner. "In this case, it's the simple step of providing an offender with a state ID. For a newly-released offender preparing to re-enter society, the importance of having a valid form of identification cannot be overstated, as its needed to do basic things like sign a lease, get a cell phone, or open a bank account. I urge the House of Representatives to join us in helping to end the cycle of recidivism by giving former offenders another tool necessary to be successful and thrive."

SB 3368, which was approved unanimously by the Senate in April, requires the Secretary of State to issue a standard Illinois ID card, at the time of their release, to any person being released from the DOC or DJJ who present their birth certificate, social security card, and two proofs of address. For individuals without these documents, the Secretary of State will issue a limited-term, 90-day ID to released individuals who present a verified document from DOC/DJJ with their name, birth date, social security number, and

proof of address. They then have 90 days to present this ID at the Secretary of State to receive a standard issue ID.

"Providing ex-offenders with legal identification upon release is one of many innovative, commonsense proposals coming out of the bipartisan work of the Commission on Criminal Justice and Sentencing Reform," said Sen. Raoul. "Not everything we must do to drive down recidivism and reduce our prison population is as straightforward as this legislation, but this is one simple step we should

take immediately to aid in the successful re-entry of those who have paid their debts to society."

The legislation was one of the recommendations made by the Illinois State Commission on Criminal Justice and Sentencing Reform in their efforts to reduce the state's current prison population by 25 percent by 2025.

Additional information on the Illinois State Commission on Criminal Justice and Sentencing Reform can be found online at <http://www.icjia.state.il.us/cjreform2015/>

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## From the offices of US Senator Dick Durbin

Yesterday, Congress skipped town to head back to their states, leaving behind a mountain of unfinished business. And while this Republican majority has been tooting its own horn about all they've accomplished, it's their inability to solve the critical problems that is the true legacy of the 114th Congress.

The pile of unfinished business grows by the hour in Washington.

Instead of working across the aisle to find solutions and pass legislation, Senate Republicans have repeatedly engaged in political gamesmanship to avoid addressing the real issues facing our nation. Even though an overwhelming majority of Americans support commonsense gun reform like universal background checks, Senate Republicans continue to block any meaningful action to address the scourge of gun violence in our communities.

Senate Republican leaders have also refused to bring bipartisan criminal justice reform to the Senate floor. I've introduced bipartisan legislation that would reform America's criminal justice system, ensuring it is fairer and more transparent. This bill is ready to go; the most significant bipartisan reform of our criminal justice system in a generation is waiting on Senator McConnell's desk. If Senator McConnell would do his job and bring this bill to the floor of the Senate, it would pass with support from a majority of Democrats and a majority of

Republicans.

In October, the Supreme Court will begin a new term, still with only eight Justices on the bench. Despite Judge Merrick Garland's nomination to the Supreme Court almost 200 days ago, Senate Republicans continue to deny this highly qualified nominee a hearing and a vote. Their refusal to give a Supreme Court nominee a hearing is unprecedented and shameful.

And finally, seven months after President Obama requested emergency funding to combat the Zika virus, Republicans decided yesterday to drop their extreme partisan demands and provide these critical resources. While I am glad that we finally provided this funding, I remain troubled that it took so long to respond to this public health emergency, which has been particularly devastating for pregnant women and their children. More than 23,000 people in the United States and our territories are currently infected with the Zika virus, including more than 2,000 pregnant women. Had we provided the needed funding back in February when it was requested by the President, perhaps we could have prevented some of these infections.

The challenges facing America can't wait another seven weeks, they can't wait until Election Day, and they certainly can't wait until next year.

We have a job to do, and Senate Republicans need to join us to do it now.

# ON THE RECORD

## Obituaries

### DONALD E. DUNLAVEY

Donald E. Dunlavey, 79, passed away on Monday, Sept. 26, 2016 at his home in Warren, IL. He was born on June 21, 1937 to Walter William and Helen Sylvia (Gibbons) Dunlavey in Monroe, WI. Donald spent most of his younger years farming. He dug many of the graves in the Stockton area by hand and was given the nickname "Digger." When he quit farming he moved into Stockton and lived at Rainbow Ridge. He worked as a janitor for micro switch. He was a very hard worker and would do anything that was asked of him.

He is survived by his special friend Jill Winslow of Warren, IL, sister; Mary Neuenschwander of Brodhead, WI, brother; Robert (Betty) Dunlavey of Monroe, WI, sister-in-law; Karen Dunlavey of Winslow, IL; Numerous nieces and nephews.

Donald was preceded in death by his parents, four brothers; Joseph, Francis, Walter and Chuck.

A visitation and memorial service were held Oct. 1, at the Leamon Funeral Home in Lena, IL.

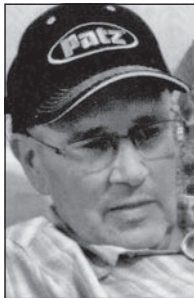
Inurnment will be at Puddledock Cemetery in Argyle, WI.

A memorial has been established in his name.

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

### KEITH BRIAN NOWAK

Keith Brian Nowak, 57, of Loran, died Thursday Sept. 29, 2016, after a hard fought battle with cancer. Keith was born Nov. 25, 1958 to Delbert and M. LuElen Nowak. He graduated from Pearl City High School in 1976. Keith married Cathy McDearmon (Johnson) in 1989. His love of farm life and mechanics lead to many years of work at Heimerdinger Farms, Freeport Park District, a self-employed welder, and Stamm Farm Systems. He was a member and trustee at the First United Methodist Church of Pearl City, and member of the Pearl City Jaycees. He was assistant scout master for Boy Scout troop 27 of Pearl City. Keith loved attending and helping at auctions, especially those of his close friend Tyler Lobdell. He most loved spending time with his grandkids and attending their activities and sporting events.



Keith is loved and will be missed by his wife Cathy McDearmon-Nowak (Johnson), his three children; Matthew McDearmon, Sarah (Robert) Kuhlemeier, and Luke McDearmon, sisters; Cindy Koester and Sara (Ralph) Lucas, numerous nieces and nephews, Father and Mother-in-law Wayne and Marilyn Johnson, and the pride of his life, his grandchildren; Alexander and Zackarey McDearmon, and Kendra and Karsen Kuhlemeier.

He was preceded in death by his parents Delbert and M. LuElen Nowak, his grandparents, and cousin Randy.

Services for Keith were held at the First United Methodist Church of Pearl City, with the visitation Oct. 2, and funeral on Oct. 3, officiated by Rev. Matthew Smith. Burial was at the Salem Cemetery of Loran. A memorial fund has been established. Online condolences and memories can be shared with the family at [www.schwarzfh.com](http://www.schwarzfh.com)

### ROSEMARY (RICKE) HELLER

Rosemary (Ricke) Heller, age 87 of Stockton, IL, passed away Saturday, Sept. 24, 2016 at the Lena Living Center in Lena, IL. She was born on Aug. 3, 1929

in Menominee, IL; the daughter of the late Herman and Susan (Bonnet) Ricke. She was educated in Menominee and graduated from East Dubuque High School in 1946. She was employed with the Telephone Co. in Dubuque as an information, long distance and trainer operator. She married Foster Heller on Oct. 1, 1949 at Nativity Church in Menominee.

In 1954 they moved to Woodbine and started in the farming business. She enjoyed the life of a farm wife. They raised their four children in that area. She was an election judge for over 20 years. She was a member of Holy Cross Catholic Church of Stockton. She was an avid reader and was a sweet natured, kind hearted lady. Rosemary was a person of strong faith and a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother. Her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren were the pride and joy of her life. She and her husband moved into Stockton in 2003 after retiring from farming.

She is survived by her husband, Foster of Stockton; son, Stan (Deanna) Heller of McFarland, WI; three daughters, Sharon (Richard) Kump of Stockton, Kathy Knauer (Patrick Breen) of Elizabeth, IL, and Donna (Grant) Offenheiser of



Derinda, IL; seven grandchildren, Melissa (Justin) Luecke of Freeport, IL, Keri Daman of Crystal Lake, IL, Matthew Kump (Vic) of San Jose, CA, Kyle Knauer of Elizabeth, Michael (Abby Strack) Offenheiser of Elizabeth, Jack and Claire Heller of McFarland, WI; five great grandchildren; brother, Clarence (Mary) Ricke of East Dubuque, and three sisters, Rosella McCarthy of Lake Villa, IL, Alverna Ricke of Lake Zurich, IL and Anna Mae (Robert) Sadler of East Dubuque, IL.

She is preceded in death by her parents; infant brother, Arnold; sisters, Rita Knautz and Celia Ricke; five half-brothers; two half-sisters; and two brothers-in-law.

The visitation and funeral service were held Sept. 29, at Holy Cross Catholic Church in Stockton. Interment took place at Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery in Stockton. In lieu of flowers, a memorial fund has been established. Condolences may be shared with her family at [www.hermannfuneralhome.com](http://www.hermannfuneralhome.com).

## Births

### NATALEY BENNETT

Shane Bennett and Megan Winslow of Warren, Ill. are the parents of a daughter Nataley Arlene Bennett born Saturday Sept. 24, 2016 at FHN Memorial Hospital, Freeport, Ill. Nataley has a sister Hailey, 5. Grandparents are Al and Diane Winslow of Gratiot, Wis. and Janet Raisbeck. Great grandmother is Donna Ostendorf.

### STELLA GRACE MARIE WILD

Jason Bennett and Kelsey Wild of Warren announce the birth of their daughter Stella Grace Marie Wild Bennett. Stella was born at 6:38 p.m. on Wednesday, June 8, 2016 at Monroe Hospital Clinic, Monroe, Wisconsin. She weighed 7 lbs. 7 oz. and measured 20 1/2 inches in length.

Stella was welcomed home by big sister Bernice (age 5) and big brother Sam (age 2 1/2). Paternal grandparents are Brad and Joanne Bennett of Tinley Park, Illinois. Maternal grandparents are Lynne Wild and the late Tom Wild, of Stockton and maternal great grandmother Betty Gallagher, also of Stockton.

## Anniversary



JoAnn and Jim Enos

## Enos celebrates 50th anniversary

Friends and neighbors of Jim and JoAnn Enos are invited to join them to celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary

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# Anniversaries



Bernice and Cletus Eden

## Eden to celebrate 50th wedding anniversary

Cletus and Bernice (Lieb) Eden of Stockton, IL are celebrating their fiftieth wedding anniversary. The couple was married on Oct. 9, 1966 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Elizabeth, IL by Pastor Gilbert Pingle.

Their children are Cheri (John) Eden-Catron of Winnebago, IL and Greg (Tamara) Eden of Reedsburg, WI

Grandchildren are Austin and Alyssa Gugliemetti of Winnebago, IL and Forrest Eden of Reedsburg, WI

The couple will be celebrating with a family party and taking a trip at a later date.



Ken and Sandy Groezinger

## Groezinger to celebrate 50th anniversary

Ken and Sandy Groezinger of Stockton, Ill. will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with an open house on Saturday Oct. 15, from 3-8 p.m. at the Elizabeth Community Building. Ken and the former Sandy Westaby were united in marriage on Oct. 15, 1966. They have three children Jane (Mike) Brown, Dean (Lynette) Groezinger and Carrie (Joe) Winter all of Elizabeth, Ill. There are nine grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

## Hello Galena! Featured artists for October: Sarah Digman and Valerie Stuermer-Walker

The featured artists for October at Hello Galena!, a local artist co-op, are Sarah Digman and Valerie Stuermer-Walker. Digman is an up-cycle artist, who creates jewelry, cards, wallets, and magnets. Stuermer-Walker is a design artist, who creates clothing and accessories.

The artists will host Meet and Greet events in the Hello Galena! shop at 121 N. Commerce Street, Galena, Ill. Everyone is invited to meet Digman on Saturday, Oct. 15, from 1-4 p.m. The Meet and Greet for Stuermer-Walker is Saturday, Oct. 22, from 1-4 p.m.

Digman's creative nature was recognized at a young age. "When I was about 6, I watched my mom and grandmother crocheting with friends," Digman shares. "I asked if they would teach me. It gave me something to keep me busy." Later on, she learned woodworking from her grandfather.

Arts and craft kits played a part in Digman's development as an artist. She requested kits for birthdays and holidays, learned from each project, and went on to adapt the processes and create her own designs. From fidgeter to fun craft maker to featured artist, Digman's creative talent produces pieces that are hard to resist. Be prepared.

Stuermer-Walker has the DNA and

education for combining craft, design elements and style to make distinctive "Wearable Art Creations," the name of her business. She describes her work, "...from conception to completion every item mixes both fun and elegant design features." Hobbies, occupations and travel destinations are used as themes for her designer jackets, vests, and watches. The new jackets for children are irresistible.

The fun comes naturally. Stuermer-Walker is surrounded by a family of artists; two brothers, Daryl and Duane, are acclaimed musicians. Creativity is in Stuermer-Walker's genes, and, as a student at St. Francis High School in Milwaukee, she was inspired by her art teacher to explore all creative outlets. The outcome is brilliant.

Hello Galena! is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization made up of more than 65 local artists. Their artwork and signature gift items are displayed at 121 N. Commerce Street, Galena, Ill. Artists staff the art-only shop during summer and autumn hours of operation from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday through Monday; Tuesdays and Wednesdays, by chance.

For more information, including a map and directions, go to [www.hellogalena.org](http://www.hellogalena.org) or call (815) 777-1448 during shop hours.



Lorna and Randall Kuhlemeier

## Kuhlemeier celebrate 50th anniversary

Randall and Lorna (Prasse) Kuhlemeier of Pearl City, Ill. will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary on Sunday Oct. 16, at Park Hills Church 2525 W Stephenson St., Freeport, Ill. from 1-4 p.m. The couple was married Oct. 16, 1966 at Salem UCC in Elroy, Ill. with the Rev. Robert Marquardt officiating. Their children are Anita (David) Evans and Amy (Don) Visel all of Lena, Ill., Tricia (Pat) Vandenburg of Freeport and Bill (Heidie) Kuhlemeier of Pearl City. They have 21 grandchildren Ben (Rose) Evans and great granddaughter, Summer, Luke and Sarah Evans, Josh (Amanda) Visel, Rachel (Caleb) Zimmerman, Isaac, Noah, Josiah, Caleb, Hannah, Rebekah and Joanna Visel, Christa, Timmy, Zeke, Katie and Micah Vandenburg and Joey, Ella, Abby and Lola Kuhlemeier. They request no gifts just your presence at their celebration.

## National Association of Active and Retired Federal Employees to hold Oct. meeting

The National Association of Civil Employees Palisades Chapter #604 was organized and chartered in 1957 and renamed NARFE (National Association of Active and Retired Federal Employees in 1982. The future will be determined at it next monthly luncheon and meeting on Oct. 20, at 12 p.m. (noon) at Manny's Pizza in Savanna, IL.

The State Federation District #2 Vice President Linda Bass, Rock Island, IL, will provide a report of the August National Convention held in Reno, Nevada. As well, she will install new officers if a successful election happens.

All active & retired NARFE members, spouses, spousal survivors are cordially invited and urged to attend and participate in this vitally important meeting.

Those not on the permanent list, please call (815) 273-2184 to make a reservation by Oct. 18.

Again, the result of this meeting will determine the future tenure of Chapter 604.

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## Benton/Scales Mound Homecoming Week 2016

During the week of Sept. 19-24, Scales Mound School joined Benton Schools in celebrating Homecoming Week through a variety of activities. There were dress up days throughout the week including Tourist Day, Whacky Wednesday, Superhero Day and School Spirit Day. The week was capped off by a variety of activities including a pep rally, 5K color run or walk, parade, tailgate party, a ceremony recognizing the high school football players and Homecoming Court, football game v. Potosi Chieftains and a Homecoming Dance. Pictured are the Homecoming Representatives from Scales Mound High School Kelsey Wienen and Jacob Winslow.



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# Iowa State University College of Agriculture and Life Sciences awards annual scholarships

The College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Iowa State University has awarded more than 2,250 scholarships to students for the 2016-17 academic year.

The college and its departments award more than \$3 million in scholarships each year. Students interested in applying for scholarships should go to <https://www.scholarships.cals.iastate.edu> for more information and deadlines.

Along with strong scholarship support for freshmen, transfer students and current undergraduate and graduate students, the college continues to attract a record number of students and maintain high placement rates for its graduates.

This fall, for the fifth year in a row, the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences experienced record enrollment. The college has 4,657 undergraduate students and 738 graduate students for a total of 5,395.

In Oct. 2015, the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Career Day attracted a record number of employers - 277 companies and organizations. The fall career day is the largest of its kind in the nation. Placement of the college's graduates has been 97 percent or higher for 19 consecutive years.

The college also:

- \* ranks as one of the top 10 agricultural colleges in the world.
- \* has nationally recognized faculty - two professors were elected in 2015 to the prestigious National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine, and since 2006, eight professors have been honored with USDA national awards for excellence in teaching food and agricultural sciences.
- \* has an Agricultural Entrepreneurship Initiative that has produced several student start-up companies, one of which earned the 2015 American Farm Bureau Federation Entrepreneur of the Year.
- \* has a study abroad program that has sent students to study on all seven continents.
- \* has award-winning student clubs that help develop global leaders, including best-in-the-nation-honored clubs and judging teams in agricultural business and turfgrass management.

Scholarship awards for the 2016-2017 academic year were presented to: Matthew Carroll of Elizabeth, recipient of the Joseph Fleming Endowment Scholarship, Jacob Lawler of Kent, who was awarded the John Wesley Coles and Eda Coles Scholarship in Agriculture and Jordon Oellerich of Lena, who received the Dean's Leadership Scholars Scholarship.

## Highland Board of Trustees approves fiscal year 2017 budget

Highland Community College Trustees approved the permanent fiscal year 2017 budget on Tuesday, Sept. 27, during the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees.

The operating funds budget, which comprises instruction, student services, administration, and operations and maintenance of buildings and grounds includes \$13.6 million in revenues and \$13.8 million in expenses for fiscal year 2017 (FY17).

The new budget reflects a reduction in expenditures of approximately \$700,000 from the previous year's budget. College officials cited strategic cost reductions that took place in FY16 and in the FY17 budget building process for the decrease. The measures included a reduction in force and employee benefits; substantial savings in the College's property and liability insurance; and targeted cuts identified by administrators and other budget managers.

"The College continues to face challenges in relation to our main operating revenue sources, which are projected to fall short of expenditures by about \$272,000 next year," said Jill Janssen, vice president of administrative services. "The College will utilize the fund balance, or reserves, in the operating funds to collect this shortfall. Fund balance levels are expected to be at 19 percent of expenditures, just below the level recommended by the Illinois Community College Board of at least 20 percent of expenditures."

Janssen adds the main sources of revenue in the operating funds are student tuition and fees and local property taxes. Due to the State of Illinois' budget challenges; state funding is no longer a main source of the College's revenue, as it has been historically. In fact, state funding is expected to be only five percent of overall funding for FY17. This was also the case for FY16, as a result of the state budget impasse. For FY17, there has not been definite information about the College's state fund-

ing due to the lack of a full state budget. It is estimated that, over the course of the most recent two fiscal years, Highland's state funding will have decreased by about \$2 million due to the state's budget issues.

Highland's enrollment levels have increased over last year, which has stabilized tuition and fee revenue. District-wide assessed valuation is estimated to increase slightly for the upcoming tax year resulting in about one-half percent more property tax revenue than received in the prior year. Overall, the College is budgeting a small increase in operating revenue from FY16 actual levels.

The majority of the operating budget comprises instruction and services that directly impact students. It is estimated that the College's overall tax rate will be maintained at the current level. The state has paid the College for the unrestricted grants included in the stopgap budget which covers the first half of the fiscal year. This amounts to about 40 percent of the historical levels of state funding for Highland Community College. State funding for the remainder of the year has not been approved.

The FY17 budget also includes a Protection, Health, and Safety project that will allow for secure card access to campus buildings. This will replace the current traditional door locking system and will improve campus safety and security.

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# CHURCH NOTES

## First United Methodist Church

Pearl City First United Methodist Church, 411 S. Main St., will host worship service at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday. Pastor Matthew Smith will lead the service. Our Sunday school will begin immediately following the children's message and is now during the worship service. Our youth group, grades seven through twelve has begun meeting the second and fourth Sunday of each month from 6-8 p.m. We also have a new bible study that will be meeting every Tuesday morning at 10 a.m. On Oct. 26, please join us for a community Family Fall Festival at the church from 4-7 p.m. There will be games, crafts, prizes and refreshments. If you'd like more information about our services or events, email us at pcumc@aeroinc.net or visit our Facebook page at facebook.com/pcumcil.

## Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church will gather for worship on Oct. 9, at 118 E. Mason St. Lena, IL, at 9:30 a.m. All are invited to worship on this Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost with Holy Communion as we join in prayer, celebration, and worship on this Confirmation Sunday as we join with our Confirmands in professing our faith. Pastor Miho leads us in worship and the children's sermon. Following worship, there will be a Reception for Confirmands. All Sunday School children will gather for Sunday School Opening at 10:45 a.m. followed by learning, Bible study, prayer, and fellowship.

On Monday Oct. 10, the Parkinson's Support Group will meet at 6:30 p.m. Speaker will be: Shaneka Collier, MS—Clinical Mental Health Counselor Topic will be: "STRESS"

On Tuesday Oct. 11, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church will host the Hymn Sing at the Lena Living Center at 9:45 a.m. It will be a wonderful time of singing favorite hymns. Volunteers are welcome to come and sing along and to help residents with their hymn books.

On Wednesday Oct. 12, at 8 a.m. the Piece Corps Quilters will work together to craft quilts for Lutheran World Relief. They are always looking for more people to help tie quilts and sew. No previous quilting experience is necessary. Come join the fun and make a difference in the world!

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.

On Thursday Oct. 13, the Friendship Club will meet for a potluck dinner and entertainment with Del Heinz.

## Willow/Kent United Methodist Churches

Willow/Kent UMC will worship together Sunday Oct. 9, at Willow UMC at 9 a.m. Brenda Morris will be giving the message and all are invited and welcome. Also to stay for the fellowship following.

Sunday School is at 10:30 a.m. studying from the Holy Bible, all are invited and welcome to learn more of what the "Word" means to us.

Willow UMC is located about 7 miles SE of Stockton IL on Willow Rd.

For more information, please call (815) 601-6742.

## St. John's Lutheran Church of Pearl City presents Restored and The Church Sisters in concert

St. John's Lutheran Church will hold their Sunday morning service on Oct. 9. The service will begin at 9 a.m. and be led by Pastor Thomas Ekstrand. The Whirl Sunday School will meet at 10:15 a.m. feature the lesson, "Jesus Heals Ten." Confirmation class for seventh and eighth grade youth will also meet at 10:15 a.m. Scrip orders will be due on Sunday, Oct. 9. The Property Committee will meet at 10:15 a.m. Members of the council will be available for questions during Coffee with Council. The SPOTS Youth group (fifth and sixth grades) will meet at 11 a.m. also on Oct. 9.

St. John's Lutheran Church, Pearl, City, will now have a Saturday Evening Worship at 5:30 p.m. in our Nave/Sanctuary. The ser-

vice will be led by Pastor Ekstrand and will be about 30-35 minutes in length and will include communion and a sermon. Members and non-members alike are welcome to participate in the Saturday evening service.

The Fifth Quarter Youth (seventh and eighth grades) group will meet at 6 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 9, in the Youth and Family Center. The Genesis Youth (High School) group will meet at 7:30 p.m.

Save the date: Restored and The Church Sisters in concert at St. John's on Saturday, Oct. 29. Restored will perform at 6 p.m. and The Church Sisters at 8. No ticket sales. Doors will open at 5 p.m. with First come, first seated. A food stand will be available between shows. A free will offering

will be collected.

Restored is a group of Christians who believe it's time to get off the fence and use the gifts they've been given to help others do the same. Their sound is unique, fresh, and tells a story about being a Christian in today's world. The Lord has blessed them, and they are excited to share hope in Him. The Church Sisters: Savannah and Sarah Church is a twin sister powerhouse duo from Galax, Va. The musical heritage of the region they have grown up in rings clearly through their soulful yet dynamic combination of lead and harmony vocals that are unmatched in purity. The eclectic feel of the Church Sisters sound encompasses a wide array of musical genres: Country, Americana, Bluegrass, Roots, and Folk. This 6 piece band of versatile musicians collectively provides an experience that leaves fans astounded night after night in raw, organic, natural talent. The blood harmony of these 2 sisters backed by their talented musicians brings life to musical audiences around the world.

Vendor Fair: St. John's will host a Vendor Fair on Nov. 6, from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Interested in having a booth? Contact the church office at (815) 443-2215 or email at prsh-admin@gmail.com. The Spaghetti Luncheon will also be on Nov. 6, along with an FHN Community Flu Shot Clinic.

## Wesley United Methodist Church to host annual Big White Church auction

By Tony Carton

EDITOR

Wesley United Methodist Church is hosting it Eleventh Annual Big White Church Auction Saturday, Oct. 16, on the church grounds at 127 E Benton Ave. Stockton.

Furniture, dishes, tools and many household items will be on the auction block. Come help yourself! There will also be a number of "From the Heart" items donated by member of the church. Those items range from homemade pies, decorated cookies, refurbished furniture, specialty dog treats, wine baskets and canned goods.

The Wesley Ladies will be serving a luncheon of hot beef, chicken/dressing sandwiches, soups, salads, and desserts in the Fellowship Hall starting at 11:30 a.m. and continue

through the auction.

Don't miss the bake sale and farmers market.

If you have items you would like to donate, please call Susan Schamberger at (815) 947-3190 or Claire Timpe at (815) 947-3877 or Patti Adleman at (815) 541-8435.

Items can be picked up from your home. No item is too big or too small. Don't be a hoarder, unload those treasures and come join the fun!

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11th Annual **Fall Luncheon**  
**Wesley United Methodist Church**  
**Stockton, IL**  
**Sunday, October 16th at 11:30 a.m.**  
**Fellowship Hall**

**Featuring: Hot Beef, Chicken & Dressing**  
**Sandwiches, BBQ, Hot Dogs.**  
**Soups: Chili, Chicken Noodle and Potato**  
**Salads: Jello, Potato. Desserts Galore!**

**Serving through the Big White Church Auction.**  
**Auction start time 12:30 p.m.**  
**Run by Tipton Auction Services**

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# Scales Mound Alumni pursues her dream

When she graduated from Scales Mound Community Unit School District 211 in 2007, Alycia Lyne probably did not expect her wall of the district. As a sophomore in mural to be part of the lasting history Art 2, Alycia and Mrs. Sara Wentz collectively drew and painted the "Scales Mound Mona Lisa" on a wall that once was the home of a trophy case near the main entrance.

"The Superintendent at the time wanted to add some color to the hallway," Lyne said.

She remembers the drawing was a joint venture between her and Mrs. Wentz. They wanted to create an image that combined classic art with scenery of the community and school spirit. What emerged was a parody of the famous painting Mona Lisa.

"We added the rural background of our farming community with the letter jacket and school colors," Lyne said.

Lyne said that some of her best memories of Scales Mound Community Unit School District 211 were during her high school years.

"I liked high school because of the flexibility," she said. "We had multiple teachers and students from all grade levels in our classes. We made friends."

Currently in her fifteenth year of teaching art at Scales Mound, Mrs. Wentz remembers this mural like it was yesterday. "Alycia did a spectacular job and I'm just as proud of her efforts today as I was 9 years ago," said Wentz. "The ceiling tile murals in the art room have become an integral part of the art curriculum and students are so excited to be given the opportunity to leave behind their own artistic

legacy."

As a group, students select an artist and one of their artworks to recreate as homage. The Mona Lisa, by Leonardo da Vinci, has been acclaimed as the best known, the most visited, the most written about, the most sung about, and the most parodied work of art in the world.

Wentz recalls thinking that this particular painting deserved a special place in our school, apart from all the other masterpieces. When the wall by the office became available, it was decided that it would be the perfect spot for her.

Lyne went on to Northern Iowa Community College where she earned an Associate's degree in early childhood education and then a Bachelor's degree from the University of Dubuque in liberal studies.

She recalls that from freshmen year of high school she wanted to "develop a countywide child care facility that supported the parents in our community, one that supported parents on different shifts."

She remembered the struggle her own working parents faced when she and her brother were younger. She currently works for the Galena ARC as an early childhood education teacher and still hopes to develop the daycare she dreamed of as a student at Scales Mound High School.



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## Local clubs invite children to be new members

4-H members in this county will join the 6 million youth across the country in celebrating National 4-H Week Oct. 2-8. 4-H youth development programs provide hands-on learning activities for youth in Illinois and throughout the country. 4-H youth programs focus on leadership, citizenship and life skills.

Every county in Illinois has a 4-H program which is operated through University of Illinois Extension. 4-H club membership is open to youth aged 8 to 18. Youth 5 to 7 years of age may join the 4-H Cloverbud program.

There are several ways to participate in 4-H. Youth may join 4-H clubs, coordinated by local certified adult volunteers. Each club decides how often it meets, the location of its meetings and the activities held dur-

ing the meeting. Members may select from over 100 different project areas to study while they build leadership, teamwork, cooperation, decision-making and communication skills.

"Youth may also choose to focus on a very specific project area and join a club specifically related to that one project," said Angela Miller, 4-H Youth Program Coordinator for University of Illinois Extension. "Robotics, photography, gardening, visual arts, and nutrition, are just a few of the popular topics for special interest clubs."

One may also participate in 4-H through short term projects held during school or at after school youth organizations. Some of these popular groups teach youth about caring for

the environment, preparing for a career, making healthy choices or other priority issues which build a person's life skills.

To learn more about 4-H and enroll

your child in a local club, one may contact the Jo Daviess County Extension Office at (815) 858-2273 or visit our website at <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/jsw>.

## Le-Win High School announces homecoming week schedule

Lena-Winslow High School is announcing homecoming week as the week of Oct. 10. The theme this year is "Panthers Taking Over the Nation". The homecoming parade is Wednesday, Oct. 12 at 2:15 p.m. Later on that night at 6:30 p.m. there will be an Iron Man Volleyball game at the High School Gym, with a bonfire immediately after in the high school parking lot.

Friday is the Homecoming football game. The F/S game starts at 5:30 p.m. and the coronation of the 2016 Homecoming King and Queen will take place between the F/S and Varsity football game. The band will be performing at halftime of the Varsity game. To conclude Homecoming Week, there will be a dance Saturday from 8 to 11 p.m. in the high school gym.

## Jo Daviess Carroll CTE Academy to host annual Craft & Vendor Extravaganza

Jo Daviess Carroll CTE Academy (formerly the AVC) students are gearing up for our third annual Craft & Vendor Extravaganza. While the event mainly consists of over 35 local artists and vendors, individual student programs will also be showcasing their talents. The Auto Body Program has been busy welding Tiki themed yard accessories, chairs, and other items to sell. The Culinary Arts Program will be serving up various breakfast options, as well as pulled pork, homemade chips, and delectable desserts throughout the day. The National Art Honor Society will have art prints

for sale and on site painting. CTE Academy students from all programs will be volunteering throughout the day to make this event possible. This year there will also be a 50/50 raffle; need not be present to win. All proceeds from program items and the raffle go directly back to student opportunities for the rest of the school year. The CTE Academy Craft & Vendor Extravaganza is located at 950 US RT 20 W in Elizabeth, IL. It will be open from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. on Oct. 8, and there is no admission fee. For additional information see our website at [www.cteacademy.net](http://www.cteacademy.net)

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## Public Notice Rush Township

This is to notify the registered voters of Rush Township that the following is a list of vacancies for the Township board of Trustees that will appear on the April 4th, 2017 Consolidated Election. All 4 year terms.

- Supervisor
- Highway Commissioner
- Town Clerk
- 4- Trustees

Candidates may obtain petition papers from the Town Clerk Ted Davenport at 9051 E. Rush Town Rd., Stockton, IL. Call 815-238-8781

Petitions must be filled out and filed with the Town Clerk between December 12, 2016 and December 19, 2016.

Ted Davenport  
Rush Township Clerk  
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est responsible bidder ("contractor") on the project shall be in accordance with the prevailing wage rate scale established by the IL Dept. of Labor for eastern Jo Daviess County. The contractor must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin or other protected class. The contractor must show proof of licensure and insurance.

No bidder may withdraw his bid after the date of the opening thereof. The District reserves the right to waive any informalities or to reject any or all bids.

**JAMES C. ARNOLD**  
JAMES C. ARNOLD  
Treasurer  
Stockton Township Park Dist.  
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## NOTICE OF PROJECT - INVITATION TO BID

The Stockton Township Park District Board of Trustees (hereinafter the "District") is seeking bids for new heating & cooling systems at the District's building at 105 W. Front Ave., Stockton, IL (the Heritage Museum "Annex").

Prospective bids should be divided into 3 parts - 1st floor, 2nd floor and total - and include appropriate (natural) gas furnaces; central air units; (exposed) spiral ductwork as needed; all wiring & piping; programmable thermostats; removal & proper disposal of any existing HVAC equipment; and satisfactory installation, testing and start-up of said new systems.

For additional information and/or to make arrangements to view and "walk through" the subject building, interested bidders should contact Ann Coppennoll by phone at (815) 947-2220 or by e-mail to stocktonmuseum@yahoo.com or the District's Treasurer, James C. Arnold, at (815) 947-3316.

The District will receive bids on this project until 5:00 PM on Wednesday, October 19, 2016. Bids should be timely delivered to the District Treasurer at 200 N. Main St., Stockton, IL 61085. All bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the District's meeting at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, October 19, 2016, at the Park House on N. Pearl St., Stockton, IL. It is anticipated that the work is to initiated and completed within 30 days of bid opening, approval & contract award.

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## Open Door Policy

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Reviewed and Updated  
September 30, 2016  
**CONNIE FOSTER**  
Connie Foster  
Nursing Home Administrator  
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## IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT JO DAVIESS COUNTY - GALENA, ILLINOIS

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON F/K/A THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE (CWALT 2005-07CB)

Plaintiff,  
-v.-  
DEBRA K. NOLL, et al  
Defendant

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NOTICE OF SALE  
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HERE-

BY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on June 13, 2016, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:30 PM on November 18, 2016, at the office of Vincent Roth Toepfer & Leinen PC, 122 1/2 N Main St, Galena, IL 61036, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

LOT TWELVE (12) OF GOLF VIEW ESTATES SECOND ADDITION, A SUBDIVISION LOCATED IN A PART OF THE NORTH HALF OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 27 NORTH, RANGE 4 EAST OF THE FOURTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, STOCKTON TOWNSHIP, JO DAVIESS COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AS SHOWN ON THE SURVEY RECORDED IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE OF JO DAVIESS COUNTY, GALENA, ILLINOIS, ON JULY 28, 1994, IN PLAN HOLD C, NO. 352. SITUATED IN JO DAVIESS COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as 3052 SULLIVAN COURT, STOCKTON, IL 61085 Property Index No. 43-17-000-253-22. The real estate is improved with a single family residence. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/ or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser

will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g) (4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales. For information, examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C., 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876 Please refer to file number 14-16-02683. THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales. CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100 BURR RIDGE, IL 60527 (630) 794-5300 E-Mail: pleadings@il.cslegal.com Attorney File No. 14-16-02683 Attorney ARDC No. 00468002 Case Number: 16 CH 00013 TJSC#: 36-7942 NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector

attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

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## APPLE RIVER - THOMPSON MTAD TRUTH IN TAXATION NOTICE

The Apple River - Thompson Multi-Township Assessment District (MTAD) Board feels that you deserve an explanation to the "Truth in Taxation" notice published elsewhere in The Scoop this week. It alerts you, the taxpayer, to a 104% increase in the MTAD portion of next year's tax bill.

Upon examination of their books at the close of fiscal year 2013-2014, the Multi-Township Assessment District was carrying a balance which exceeded the needs of the district. The MTAD Board made a decision to do their small part in providing taxpayer relief by decreasing their annual levy (the total amount of money requested from MTAD citizens paying real estate taxes) from \$25,000 down to \$12,500. The MTAD operated on the cash on hand, in addition to the extra \$12,500 last year and is doing the same this year. For example, if you had been paying \$15.00 in MTAD taxes annually, you paid approximately \$7.00 each of these two years.

The amount of MTAD tax you pay in 2016 should be comparable to that which you paid in 2013.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE PLEASANT VALLEY TOWNSHIP

Notice is hereby given that the Candidate Petitions for Pleasant Valley Township are now available from Rena Eden, Pleasant Valley Township Clerk, by calling (815) 947-3338.

The Consolidated Election will be held on April 4, 2017 for the following:

- (1) 4 year term for Township Supervisor
- (1) 4 year term for Clerk
- (1) 4 year term for Road Commissioner
- (4) 4 year term for Trustees

Completed nomination papers will be accepted beginning Monday, December 12, 2016 through Monday, December 19, 2016 at the residence of Rena Eden by appointment.

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# Rock River Archaeological Society weekend offers unique activities for children

The Rock River Archeological Society is gearing up to offer some very unique activities for children and families at their October Weekend on Oct. 8 and 9. The event will be held at the Horicon Marsh Education and Visitor Center, N7725 Highway 28, in Horicon. The hours for the event will be Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. There is no admission cost.

Activities will include: Atlatl Throwing -The Atlatl a Stone Age artifact that was used as a hunting weapon. This hunting weapon requires skill rather than

muscle power alone. It uses leverage to achieve greater velocity in dart-throwing and includes a bearing surface which allows the user to store energy during the throw. Atlatl experts will be on hand to coach and teach the use of this ancient tool.

Fire Starting is an age old activity. Children today think a fire is started with a match, but the technique of starting a fire dates back to the earliest man. There were no matches, but fires were used to cook food and provide warmth. How did they do it? Come and find out.

Corn Grinding will be demonstrated for everyone and everyone

will be offered the chance to try their hand at this activity. As soon as Native Americans became acquainted with corn it became one of the main staples in their diet. Come and see how they ground the corn to save it for another days use.

Bead Collecting is fun for all children attending the event. Beads are one type of artifact found throughout Wisconsin. Some are made of glass. Some are made of clay and others are made of shell or other materials. The children will be given a little bag that has a few starter beads in it and directions telling them what to do. Children are encouraged to

collect as many beads as they can. After they have collected their beads (which they can take home and use to make a bracelet) they return to the starting place and collect a reward. It is like a treasure hunt and very easy for children to see the big signs that say "Bead Stop" where they can collect a bead.

Horicon Marsh Explorium will be open both days and can be found by descending the large stairway in the dynamic lobby. A very small cost of \$4 for a student or \$15 for the whole family will allow admission. The incredible story of the Horicon Marsh is told in this interactive Explorium

where sight, touch, sound and smell are used to tell the story.

Many interesting sites will abound at this Archaeological Weekend where the whole family will be involved. It is guaranteed that children in attendance will be talking about their experiences at this event for years.

The Archeology Weekend event is also part of the Discover Dodge Tourism "Fall Farm & Foliage Tour" on Oct. 8. Find more information about the tour at [www.discoverdodgecounty.com](http://www.discoverdodgecounty.com). Come and spend the weekend in Dodge County!

## Discover Dodge Tourism hosts annual Dodge County Fall Farm and Foliage Tour

Come to Dodge County on Saturday, Oct. 8, for a day full of fun for the whole family! Once again, Discover Dodge Tourism is sponsoring the "Drive-It-Yourself" Dodge County Fall Farm and Foliage Tour. It will highlight various attractions and agricultural stops around Dodge County and provide the opportunity for participants to have an up-close experience of a variety of cultural, retail, historical and agricultural stops. The tour will begin with the

first stop and map pickup at the Black Oak Forge on Hwy 33 between Beaver Dam and Horicon. Drive-It-Yourself tour maps will be available at this first stop on the Saturday of the tour between the hours of 9 a.m. and noon. The tour hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Oct. 8.

This all day event is filled with fun activities for all ages. The tour will have some outstanding stops which will entice everyone's interest as well as provide an excellent chance

to take in the beautiful autumn landscape of Dodge County.

The first stop will feature a modern day blacksmith who will give demonstrations. Then participants can drive into Beaver Dam to the Seippel Homestead and Center for the Arts to enjoy patriotic artwork and demonstrations by area artists and the opportunity for children to paint a pumpkin.

The next tour stop takes you into Fox Lake to their downtown area where there are interesting shops and a brat fry at the local American Legion.

Next on the tour is the Fox Lake Historical Society's village to see the buildings and learn about the history of Fox Lake. After visiting all the stops in Fox Lake, participants will head to Tom Dooley's Apple Orchard to pick your own apples and buy other delicious treats. Their apple pies are said to be the best around!

Next on the map is Marsh Haven, a nature center located on Horicon Marsh. They will have a nature scavenger hunt to do as well as their displays at the center. If that isn't enough, the tour ends at the Rock River Archeology Living History Days event at the other end of Horicon Marsh! There you will find a drum circle, native American craft

and jewelry vendors, buck skinnors encampment, artifacts to view, food and beverages, and lots more to see and do.

While at the Living History Days, be sure to go inside the Horicon Marsh Education and Visitor Center and visit the New Explorium. If you run out of time, plan to stay the night at one of the many inns and hotels in Dodge County. There are other activities happening in Dodge County over the weekend too.

For more information about the tour and events in Dodge County go to [www.discoverdodgecounty.com](http://www.discoverdodgecounty.com).

You are guaranteed a fun day with a variety of activities! Load up your car with friends and family and enjoy the day in Dodge County, WI.

### Notice of Proposed Property Tax Increase for Apple River – Thompson Multi-Township Assessment District.

I. A public hearing to approve a proposed property tax levy increase for Apple River –Thompson Multi-Township Assessment District for 2016 will be held on October 12th, 2016 at 7:30 PM at the Apple River Township Building.

Any person desiring to appear at the public hearing and present testimony to the taxing district may contact James C. Goken, Chairman, at 2704 E. Stagecoach Trail, Apple River, IL. 61001. Phone # (815) 492-2137

II. The corporate and special purpose property taxes extended or abated for 2015 were \$12,500.00.

The proposed corporate and special purpose property taxes to be levied for 2016 are \$25,500.00. This represents a 104% increase over the previous year.

III. The property taxes extended for debt service and public building commission leases for 2015 were \$0.00

The estimated total property taxes to be levied for debt service and public building commission leases for 2016 are \$0.00. This represents a 0% increase over the previous year.

IV. The total property taxes extended or abated for 2015 were \$12,500.00.

The estimated total property taxes to be levied for 2016 are \$25,500.00. This represents a 104% increase over the previous year.

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### • Disease (Continued from front page)

"We are hoping they will not find infected animals here, but we think they would not be operating a harvest and test program on such a large scale if they did not think the disease was present," Finley said. "We are cooperating fully with the IDNR and use their expertise to see if we can maintain a robust healthy deer herd."

Jeff Horn, District Wildlife Biologist, spoke at the Apple Canyon Lake Deer Committee's orientation and safety meeting in early September and provided further information about the disease and the IDNR's

work to control it.

"We found the first infected deer in Illinois in 2002 near the Winnebago and Boone County lines," said Horn. "Since that time we have implemented a two pronged effort to manage the disease."

To stop the spread of the disease which is transmitted mainly through deer-to-deer contact, the state has increased hunting and testing opportunities and used an aggressive sharpshooter program in infected areas to thin the herd.

"Our efforts are very focused and our goal is to remove infected deer," said Horn.

The Illinois Department of Natural Resources is testing thousands of animals from Illinois's wild deer population. The Illinois Department of Agriculture monitors captive deer and elk herds in the state. Also, the Department of Agriculture obtains samples from captive deer and elk herds at slaughter plants.

There is no evidence CWD can be transmitted to humans. Epidemiologists with the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have found no evidence that prion-related disease in humans occurs more often in hunters and consumers of wild game than in the general population. However, ongoing public health surveillance is important to fully assess the potential risk.

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## Stockton Homecoming

Luke Huschitt, Christian Kampmeier and Aaron Dvorak representing the HCC Servant Leadership Stockton Chapter worked the registration and breakfast table during Saturday's Radio-Thon.



Members of the Stockton High School choirs performed under the direction of Vocal Director Lana Crandall during the school's homecoming festivities.



Corey Hicks and his special two-year-old friend Primrose ride in one of the Stockton Ambulances during Friday's Stockton Homecoming Parade



(Left) Amy Powers and friends operated the Stockton High School Post Prom brat stand during Saturday's Homecoming activities. The Post Prom Committee is hosting a series of fundraisers in support of the school's post prom event.

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The Stockton Class of 1966 gathered for a reunion and celebrated with a ride in the 2016 Homecoming Parade on Friday afternoon

(Right) Jashanti Nichols and Ag Advisor Jacob Snook manned the school's FFA pumpkin stand during Saturday's homecoming events. Members of the Stockton FFA will be selling pumpkins at the stand through Halloween.



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## Stockton Homecoming

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Lauren Johnson and Alyna Haas take time off from their kindergarten responsibilities to ride in one of the ambulances in the Stockton Homecoming Parade



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## Stockton Homecoming

Members of the Stockton High School Band entertain the hundreds of residents that gathered to watch Friday's Homecoming Parade.

(Right) The Stockton Elementary School teachers put on the Ritz and had slots of fun doing it during Friday's Homecoming Parade

(Below) Stockton resident and WWII veteran Robert Zwicker now 92 years young rode in the Stockton Homecoming Parade. Zwicker participated in the occupation of the Omaha Beach landing sector in Normandy.



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# What riders don't know about ATV safety could cost a life

They look like tons of fun and all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) are often used for recreation purposes. But whether you're riding an ATV on a park trail or making your way across the farm, there's much more going on during your ride than you might imagine.

University of Iowa Pediatrician and Clinical Professor of Emergency Medicine, Dr. Charles Jennissen, has studied the design and technical aspects of ATVs since losing a cousin in a fatal crash. What he's learned about the way ATV design differs from automobiles and how ATV tires operate on various terrains is something everyone – adults and children – should be aware of.

"I believe the potential danger of ATVs is underestimated by many

riders and very often by the parents of children who ride them," Jennissen says. "In focus groups we've conducted, parents often talked about how other families and their children needed to operate ATVs more safely to avoid injuries. There seems to be a widespread perception that someone else or someone else's child may be injured on an ATV. But not me, not my child."

Other studies have shown that out of 15,000 Iowa children surveyed, 78% had ridden on an ATV at least once. Of those children, 57% reported having been in some type of ATV crash.

"Frequent ATV users almost always have a crash history," Jennissen says. "Many times the crash is nothing serious. There's a rollover

or the rider is ejected after colliding with something, but nothing really bad happens. For kids, that may not always be a good thing because the lesson they often take away is not that they need to ride more safely, but that they had an ATV crash and didn't get seriously injured so they don't have to worry about operating it more safely in the future."

Guidelines for youth operating ATVs is still debated, even though the American Academy of Pediatrics has issued guidelines stating that it's not recommended that children under the age of 16 to operate an ATV.

"Most kids aren't riding ATVs with proper safety precautions," Jennissen says. "In vehicle parks, safety behaviors are often better because of park rules and riders being regulated

by Department of Natural Resources (DNR) officers. But the only ones who can enforce safety at home or on farms are parents or employers. Often, that's not being done."

One of the issues surrounding youth on ATVs is the size and power of the machines they ride. Research shows that, most of the time, children are operating adult-sized ATVs designed for riders that are 16 years of age or older. Youth-sized ATVs are limited to maximum speeds of 15mph for those 6 years and older and no greater than 30mph for models marketed for those both 10 years and 12 years and older. Almost all adult-sized ATVs operated by youth are capable of reaching speeds of 45mph or greater.

"The appropriate speed ranges of ATVs and the amount of risk from how fast operators are driving them hasn't really been effectively studied," Jennissen says. "However, in a study we did looking at University of Iowa patients, the risk of head injury was greater for those traveling more than 20 mph, and the danger even more pronounced for those going over 30 mph. No adult-sized ATVs have factory installed speed limiters, but youth-sized models do. Unfortunately, most kids are more adept at changing the limiters than adults are. It's not difficult at all for a child to adjust the limiter to a faster speed and set it back at a lower speed before parents can check it."

About 60% of all deaths related to ATVs occur on roadways, where the machines were never designed to operate. What riders are usually unaware of is the differences in an ATV and an automobile's center of gravity, the way ATVs are made to grip the terrain they're on and how the tires operate independently to grip the road.

"ATVs have a relatively high center of gravity, which makes them fairly top heavy," Jennissen says. "The narrow track of the machine makes it prone to tipping and rolling over as well. Because ATV wheels are made to grab the terrain, they can have unpredictable interactions with the roadway, leading to rollovers and unexplained crashes. If you have a small distribution in the weight of the rider, one tire can grab more than the others and quickly and inexplicably lead to a crash."

Due to their design, ATVs also require a greater turning radius than an automobile making it easy to misjudge the speed needed to safely negotiate a curve or turn.

Jennissen is disappointed that a recent trend in Iowa county legislation is to approve the recreational use of ATVs on public roadways, especially county roads. He says a lack of understanding about the design of the machines and the manufacturer's warnings that they should not be used on roads could easily lead to increased rider injury and death.

"I can understand that ATVs may need to be used on roadways at times for work purposes, but farmers should avoid using public roadways whenever they can," Jennissen says. Iowa law allows ATVs on roads for agricultural purposes but riders must possess a valid license and travel at less than 35mph. They are also required to have a fluorescent orange safety flag on the back of the ATV and drive on the road only between sunrise and sunset.

Jennissen also promotes the purchase of either yellow or orange ATVs, saying the color makes the vehicle much more visible wherever it's used.

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## Wildcats are tough to handle in NUIC Tournament

By Chris Johnson  
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

A very solid showing by the River Ridge Wildcats Golf Team led to a top-five finish at the recent NUIC Upstate shoot-out. Andrew Brown shot an 86 for River Ridge and was supported by Carter Wild's 91. James Sullivan finished with a 93 and Connor Brown totaled one stroke more at 94. As a team, River Ridge shot a 364.

Galena's 345 led the tournament as Kane Hyde and Tyler Moran both shot 83's. Evan Kruse shot a 97 for Galena.

Freeport Aquin was led by Javier Jazo. He shot a 79 for his squad. The Bulldogs totaled 357 as a team and finished with second place honors

Forreston finished the night with scores good enough for a third-place ribbon. The team total of 359 gave the Cardinals a boost, heading into the IHSA Tournament. Bryan Edlar shot a 35 on the back side and finished with a 74. Christian Groenwald shot an 88 for Forreston.

Polo finished the NUIC Tournament with a 366 and was led by Christopher Radamacher and his 84. Mack Llanas shot an 89. The Marcos claimed fourth place.

Stockton's Alex Staver had the best round of the day. His 73 led all challengers and helped guide the Black-

hawks to a team score of 376. Peyton Keeffer shot a 90 for Stockton.

East Dubuque had a team total of 379, however, the best shooter, Zach Meyer finished with a 90. Nathan Wemett had a 93 and finished second for the Warriors.

Eastland finished with a team score of 382 and was led by Jordan Selman who tallied a 90. Curt Strauss shot a 44 on the back nine for Eastland to finish with a 92.

Dakota Shot a 388 as a team total with Kyle Kleckner finishing strongest for his Indians with an 85. Nate Strang shot a 92.

Pearl City had good rounds as a team. The total of 393 included a 90 by Garrett Handsaker. Jaryd Breece carded a 96 with Logan Gassman at his heels with a 98.

Lena-Winslow finished with a 441. Only four took to the links for the Panthers in the showdown. Shawn Capp shot a 98. Andrew Scheider finished with a 111 and in second place for Lena-Winslow.

Regional sites have been set as have the Sectional fill-ins. Information on this year's IHSA Golf Championship can be found at the IHSA website, IHSA.org.

The tournament ended with Galena taking the title with a 345. West Carroll had a 348 followed by Aquin's 357, Forreston's 359 and River Ridge and their 364.

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# FROM LENA'S KITCHEN



The not so skinny cook

October has arrived! I hope we will get some nice fall weather. I love it when the trees turn to the beautiful orange and yellow. I like the crisp nights and the cooler days. Perhaps October will be a true fall month this year. I do remember that one year we had snow on the tenth of October. I don't see that happening this year, so we will dodge that bullet. I like cooking in the fall. The grocery stores will have pork specials, and a great pork roast and dressing is a treat. I also like cooking with apples. This week there are several fall recipes that I hope you will enjoy.

The first recipe uses the bounty of the season with cucumbers and red onions. It is a really pretty salad that has just a touch of sesame oil for flavor.

## Cucumber and Red Onion Salad

- 2 cucumbers, thinly sliced
- 1 C. thinly sliced red onion
- 2 T. white wine vinegar
- 1 T. white vinegar
- ¼ t. salt
- ¼ t. pepper
- ¼ t. sesame oil

Place all ingredients in a bowl; toss to combine. Refrigerate, covered, about 1 hour. Serve with a slotted spoon.

The next recipe is for a different way to eat broccoli. The use of dill on vegetables is a favorite flavor of mine. It also is less in calories than other toppings for broccoli. The cider vinegar gives this side a little bit of bite. I don't use garlic salt; I use garlic powder because of trying to stick to a lower sodium diet. I don't think it changes the taste of most things.

- Dill-Marinated Broccoli
- 1 C. canola oil

- 1 C. cider vinegar
- 2 T. snipped fresh dill
- 2 t. sugar
- 1 t. garlic salt
- 1 t. salt

6 C. fresh broccoli florets  
In a small bowl, whisk the first six ingredients until blended. Place broccoli in a large resealable plastic bag. Add marinade; seal the bag and turn to coat.

Refrigerate 4 hours or overnight. Before serving, drain the broccoli, discarding the marinade.

This next salad uses cider vinaigrette to season honey crisp apples. The cheddar chunks could be replaced by shredded cheddar or bite-size cheddar pieces. Enjoy this unique apple salad.

## Apple Salad with Cider Vinaigrette

- Vinaigrette:
- 1 t. extra virgin olive oil
  - 1 T. cider vinegar
  - 1 t. minced green onion whites
  - 1 t. sugar
  - 1 t. Dijon mustard
  - Pinch of salt

Salad:

- 1 Honey crisp apple, cored and cubed
- ½ C. halved red grapes
- ¼ C. chopped pecans, toasted
- 2 T. sliced green onions with tops
- 2 T. white cheddar chunks

Whisk together the dressing ingredients. In a large bowl, place the apples, grapes, pecans and onions. Toss together and then toss with the dressing. Add the cheese for garnish.

This easy fall casserole is tasty as it combines chicken, ham, broccoli, and Swiss cheese. It is sort of a Chicken Cordon Blue casserole. The use of the prepared jar of chicken gravy makes for an easy sauce. Enjoy this casserole that you can make the day before; it is an easy way to have dinner on the table in less than an hour.

## Swiss, Chicken, and Broccoli Casserole

- 4 small boneless skinless chicken breasts (1 lb.)
- 4 slices Deli Smoked ham
- 4 thin slices of Swiss cheese
- 3 C. broccoli florets
- 1 C. Chicken Gravy from a jar

- ½ C. sour cream
- 1 T. Grey Poupon Dijon mustard
- ½ C. butter crackers, crushed
- 1 C. instant brown rice, uncooked

Line a 9-inch square baking dish with foil, with ends of the foil extending over the slides; spray with cooking spray. Place chicken in prepared dish. Fold ham slices in half and place over the chicken. Top with cheese and broccoli.

Whisk the gravy and sour cream and mustard together until blended; pour over the broccoli.

Heat oven to 400. Bake casserole 20 minutes. Uncover the casserole and sprinkle with cracker crumbs. Bake 15 to 20 minutes until chicken is done (165 degrees). Prepare rice as directed on the package, omitting the salt. Serve the chicken casserole with the rice.

This main course recipe is another one that you can put together the night before and let the slow cooker do the work. I use the crock pot bags for an easy clean up. You do have to add the mushrooms and gravy later in the cooking process. I like to use the Amish noodles from Sullivan's; they taste a lot like homemade noodles.

## Slow Cooker Beef Stroganoff

- 3 T. flour
- 2 t. Instant Bouillon Beef Granules
- 1 boneless beef chuck roast (3 lbs.)
- 2 t. chopped fresh thyme, divided
- ¾ lb. mushrooms, stemmed, sliced
- 1 jar (12 oz.) Mushroom gravy
- 1 pkg. (16 oz.) egg noodles, uncooked
- ¾ C. sour cream

Combine the flour and bouillon and rub onto all the sides of the roast. Place in a slow cooker that has been sprayed with cooking spray or use a crock pot disposable bag. Sprinkle with 1 teaspoon of thyme and cover with the lid. Cook on LOW for 8-9 hours or on HIGH for 4-5 hours.

Add the mushrooms to the slow cooker. Pour the gravy over the mushrooms; cook, covered on HIGH for 30 minutes or until the mushrooms are tender and gravy is thickened. Transfer the roast to the cutting board, reserving the gravy mixture in the slow cooker. Let the meat stand for 10 minutes. While meat is resting, cook the noodles as directed on the package, omitting the salt.

Slice the roast. Drain the noodles; place on serving plates. Top with meat, gravy mixture and sour cream. Sprinkle with the remaining teaspoon of thyme.

A couple of weeks ago at our

church fellowship, someone had brought in potato chip cookies. I had forgotten how good they were. I have leftover potato chips, so this recipe is one I can use them for. They are crisp and crunchy and have great flavor. Enjoy these unique cookies made from your leftover chips (the small pieces that often get tossed are great for this recipe.)

## Potato Chip Crunchies

- 2 C. unsalted butter, softened
- 1½ C. sugar
- 1 large egg
- 1 t. vanilla
- 4 C. flour
- 1 C. chopped pecans

1 C. coarsely crushed potato chips  
Preheat the oven to 350. In a large bowl, cream the butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Beat in the egg and vanilla. Gradually beat in the flour. Stir in the pecans and potato chips.

Drop dough by tablespoonfuls 1½ inch apart onto ungreased baking sheets. Flatten with a fork to create crosshatching. If desired, top cookies with additional crushed chips.

Bake 12-14 minutes or until golden brown. Remove from the pans to wire racks to cool.

This recipe is from my friend Sue's family cookbook. Sue's mom, Rowena, is a great cook. She had a note in the cookbook about this cake. She went to Algoma, Wisconsin, and she was invited for dinner at her friend's home. Her friend, Tabea, made this apple dessert. Rowena's husband, Art, was using Tabea's husband's tools to work on fixing a desk. When it was time to go, Art volunteered to give Rowena a ride home. A romance and a long and happy marriage began with this dish!. Thank you, Sue, for sharing this cookbook with me. Enjoy this great dessert during apple season.

## Apple Dessert

- 4 eggs
- 2 C. sugar
- 1 C. flour
- 2 t. baking powder
- ¼ t. salt
- 2 t. vanilla
- 3-4 large apples, diced
- ½ C. nuts

Whipped cream or ice cream  
Beat the eggs until thick and lemon colored. Add the sugar gradually and beat well. Sift together the flour, baking powder, and salt. Add this to egg and sugar mixture, beating well. Add the vanilla. Dice the apples and add with chopped nuts. Pour into a greased 9 x 13 inch pan. Bake at 475 for 40 minutes. Serve with whipped

cream or ice cream.

Football season and Homecomings are rapidly filling up this month. At the flower shop, we are making corsages and boutonnieres for the dances. One of the bad things about getting older is that several of the people I taught with now have children going to homecoming dances. Time flies, and it doesn't seem possible that they are all old enough to go to high school dances. Sometimes I forget I am getting older too! This week's Farmer's Market had great fruits and vegetables. Barb's cousin also has beautiful canned goods to sell. If you are looking for homemade things for the winter, stop by the Saturday morning market. Barb said they are hoping to go until the fifteenth of October. I will miss my Saturday morning shopping excursion. I am not sure I can face a frozen green bean in the near future because I have been so spoiled getting fresh ones!

If you have some pumpkin, squash, or apple recipes that are old standbys or new one, 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.

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The Dolly Parton's Imagination Library in the Jo Daviess County area currently has 444 kids registered and receiving books. The latest census shows approximately 1000 kids from birth to 5 living in the Jo Daviess County, which means Imagination Library has reached nearly 50% of the eligible population in six months! Thank you United Way of Northwest Illinois for help making this a success!

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The Stephenson County Fair Association will have an opening for an At-Large Seat on the Board of Directors. Interested persons should submit a statement of interest not to exceed 100 words to the Stephenson County Fair Association by mailing to SCFA,

PO Box 630, Freeport, IL 61032 or by emailing to info@stephenson-countyfair.org by Monday, Oct. 10.

The positions of President and Secretary will also be up for re-election. Interested parties do not need to submit a letter, but do need to attend the meeting and be prepared to give a brief statement. The President and Secretary positions are two-year terms. Each will be elected at the Stephenson County Fair Association Annual Meeting held on Thursday, Oct. 27, at 7 p.m. at the Stephenson County Farm Bureau.

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# Peace Seekers to be at First Presbyterian Church of Apple River Gospel Night

The First Presbyterian Church will be hosting the "Peace Seekers" at Gospel Night on Sunday, Oct 9, 7-8:30 p.m. The church is located at 210 Baldwin Street in Apple River, IL.

The "Peace Seekers" are a group of very talented people who enjoy singing and playing together.

The second portion of the evening is open mic for anyone wishing to share their talents.

A sing-a-long closes the evening. Let's fill the pews, enjoy the music and sing your favorite hymns.

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## Bagger Winners

Amber Watson, Kim Krogull (1st place), and Yasmine Solomon are the top 3 winners at the Lena Sullivan Foods Bagging Competition on 9-7-16. The 1st Place winner will compete in the Regional Bagger Contest.

(Left) On 9-20 Kim Krogull represented Lena Sullivan Foods to compete in the Regional Bagger Contest in Rochelle and received 3rd place. Pictured are Kyle Doherty (4th Place) - Winnebago, Kim Krogull (3rd Place) - Lena, Heidi Jacobson (1st place winner), and Steven Benson (2nd Place) - Stockton

# Popcorn Poppin' month - Time to conjure up fun

Compiled by Tony Carton  
EDITOR

October is National Popcorn Poppin' Month, a time to celebrate the most magical of all snack foods. It is a fitting time of year in this season of transformation when green turns to gold, gourds into glowing goblins and children into costumed characters.

The charm of popcorn lies in its unique ability to change from hard seed into a soft fluffy snack—a nifty trick and treat. But it is also a food that turns everyday life into special moments. It's a food that makes even the fullest stomach suddenly hungry by its irresistible smell. And it's naturally delicious, low in fat and calories, and economical—all magical qualities for today's healthy and budget conscious consumer.

Join the fun this month and your fellow Americans who consume some 14 billion quarts of popcorn each year. Add a dash of salt, herbs or get creative and conjure up something that'll bring smiles to everyone's face like this recipe from the Popcorn Board!

**Spooky Popcorn Spider Web**  
Ingredients  
1/4 cup butter  
8 cups mini marshmallows, divided  
1 tbsp vanilla extract  
9 cups popcorn, divided  
1 cup semisweet chocolate chips, divided  
Black string licorice  
Candy Eyes

Directions

Line round pizza pan with parchment paper; set aside. Melt butter in large saucepan set over low heat; stir in 5 cups marshmallows, stirring constantly, for 3 to 4 minutes or until completely melted. Stir in vanilla. Remove from heat. Immediately stir in 8 cups popcorn until coated. Spread onto prepared pizza pan into irregular round shape, about 1-inch thick, to resemble spider web. Refrigerate for about 15 minutes or until firm.

Meanwhile, in microwave, melt remaining marshmallows for about 20 seconds or until melted. Using spatula, string strands of melted marshmallow over popcorn spider web to create cobweb effect.

In heatproof bowl set over saucepan of hot, not boiling, water, melt 3/4 cup of the chocolate chips; let cool slightly. Pour chocolate over remaining popcorn in large bowl, folding gently to coat. Spread mixture on waxed paper-lined baking sheet, separating into 8 small clusters. Affix 2 candy eyes on each popcorn cluster. Refrigerate for 10 to 15 minutes or until set.

Melt remaining chocolate chips. Cut licorice into 1-inch lengths. Use small spoon, dab circles of chocolate onto spider web. Affix chocolate-coated popcorn onto chocolate circles. Affix licorice lengths to chocolate popcorn clusters to resemble spider legs.

Refrigerate for 15 minutes or until set. To serve, cut into smaller pieces.



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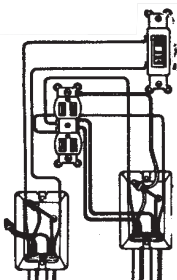
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# River Ridge Homecoming tainted by Bulldogs

By Chris Johnson  
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

Few things can be said about how the Freeport Aquin Bulldogs have performed this season. After ruining the Homecoming celebration in Hanover with a 55-8 win, the Bulldogs moved to 6-0 on the season and have assured they will not miss the playoffs this season. In 2015 the Bulldogs were 5-4. They missed making the post-season tournament by a matter of points. That issue was

eliminated this season. With a roster smaller than most other teams in the NUIC, the Bulldogs have made the most of their opportunities. The ease of schedule also helps.

As River Ridge was facing 4-2 Polo, 6-0 Stockton and 5-1 Lena-Winslow to open the season, Aquin was beating up on the teams that weren't quite at that level. 2016 opened against one-win Warren/Our Lady of the Sacred Heart. Milledgeville presented a challenge

in the week two match. The two-point Aquin win gave the Missiles their only loss of the season at the time. This past week, Milledgeville earned its second loss as they were shut out by Polo 13-0. In week three, Aquin took down winless Durand. Two-win Ashton-Franklin Center fell by almost 30 in week four and in week five, two-win Orangeville fell. With River Ridge thrown in the mix, the Bulldogs carry a 9-27 mark in its six victories this season.

The Wildcats story was a little different. After dealing with the opening schedule, River Ridge fell to Warren/Our Lady of the Sacred Heart in week four, 34-6. A loss in week five to 4-2 Milledgeville followed by the defeat by Freeport Aquin on Sept. 30 dropped River Ridge to 0-6. In those losses, the Wildcats had to deal with teams carrying an overall mark of 26-10.

River Ridge takes on Ashton-Franklin Center this Friday night.

An upset win by the Wildcats will knock AFC from holding any post-season conversations. In week eight a match with 2-4 Orangeville looms. The Broncos are in an interesting situation. With a record of 2-4, a shot at .500 legitimately exists. That would mean game nine would be for the post season. 2016 closes in Durand for River Ridge. The Bulldogs could possibly still be looking for the first win of the fall sports season in the season finale.



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The River Ridge Wildcats football team lost Friday's home conference game against Aquin Catholic by a score of 55-8.

## Stockton locked-in with sixth win

By Chris Johnson  
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

The Stockton Blackhawks secured a spot in the 2016 Class 1A State Football Playoffs, following a 54-6 win over Warren/Our Lady of the Sacred Heart on Friday night, Sept. 30. The season record improved to 6-0, which means an automatic invitation to the post-season, has been issued. The victory also assures Stockton will decide who wins the NUIC Upstate this season. A match against the conference co-leader Freeport Aquin looms in week eight though.

On Friday night the Blackhawks started strong. The offense skipped the low gears and put 14-points on the board in the opening minutes. At the end of the quarter, Stockton had 20. The idea of an upset was quickly erased from Warren/Our Lady of the Sacred Heart's game plan as the second quarter unfolded.

With 9:19 to go before the half-time break, Chad Larson followed his blocker and ran 24 yards for the touchdown score. The two-point run attempt by Aaron Dvorak came up short as Stockton pushed the lead to

26-0.

After kicking the ball away after the score and following a quick defensive stop of Warren/Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, Stockton got the ball back. On the play following, Hayden Fox connected on a 50-yard strike. A holding penalty brought it back though, as Stockton reset its offense. Looking at a third and long, Nolan Buske collected the Kramer toss and carried it 45-yards for the score. The lead was 32-0 in favor of Stockton. Fox picked up his third touchdown pass of the night with the completion. The threat of a non-stop second-half clock sat, waiting to wind down. In the second period, the Blackhawks scored 22 points. At the half, Stockton was in front 38-0.

It wouldn't take long for the offense to hit stride again in the third quarter for Stockton. With 8:18 to go in the period, Dillon Hatfield caught a pass from Fox and went the distance. The running back's number was called again on the two-point attempt. Stockton held the 46-0 lead and the game clock began to tick.

Warren would get on the board in the period, as quarterback Payton Calow piloted his team downfield. A touchdown strike cut into the Stockton edge, bringing a rise from the visiting fans in attendance. The extra-point attempt failed as Warren/Our Lady of the Sacred Heart found itself down 46-6. The Blackhawks added a score in the final period and

exited the Friday night match with the 54-6 final and 6-0 overall record.

Things get a lot tougher this week for Stockton as it prepares to take on Milledgeville. The Missiles picked up their second loss of the season on Friday as they fell to the Polo Marcos 13-0. Stockton will have an angry hoard to deal with as it attempts to achieve its' seventh win of the season and move one step closer to an opening round home game. The Missiles picked up their second loss of the season and helped the Polo Marcos stay alive in the playoff chase. The Missiles are looking for an answer as they sit with a 4-2 mark and in danger of falling out of consideration for post-season play.

Next Friday night, Oct. 14, the NUIC Upstate could be decided. Two teams with a possible two-game lead on the rest of the field will face-off in Stockton. The Aquin Bulldogs pay a visit. The regular season comes to a close at home against Ashton-Franklin Center on Friday, Oct. 28.

Warren/Our Lady of the Sacred Heart is home this Friday night and has extended an invitation to play to Galena. The Pirates picked up their first win of the season in week six. The road portion of the 2016 season comes to an end in week eight as Warren/Our Lady of the Sacred Heart travels to Durand. The final game of the year will be against the Milledgeville Missiles at Warren.

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# Panthers remain one game out of first in NUIC Northwest

By Chris Johnson  
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

Lena-Winslow appears locked and loaded and ready for this Friday night's match against the NUIC Northwest front-running Forreton Cardinals. Following a 34-0 win over the Amboy-LaMoille Clippers on Friday, Sept. 30, the Panthers

moved to 5-1 on the season. They will challenge for the outright conference lead this weekend. Eastland-Pearl City also sits with a perfect 6-0 mark and has also already clinched a spot in the 2016 post-season, one season following a 2-7 campaign and a miss of the post-season activities. It does appear

that EPC will enter the post-season as a 2A program though. Forreton though, is a 1A powerhouse and will stand in the Panthers way this Friday night.

Since the week one, two-touchdown loss to EPC, the Panthers have not been threatened. The competition hasn't been that severe,

however. With a schedule that featured EPC at the start, the schedule softened. In week two, Lena-Winslow knocked back winless Pecatonica 42-0. They followed that up with a week three win over winless River Ridge, 58-0. In week four, Galena was winless. Lena-Winslow kept them that way with the 50-10 final. It would be in week five where the Panthers saw a threat. Dakota wasn't prepared and fell 35-0. A win over Amboy-LaMoille on Friday night, 34-0, pushed the Panthers season mark to 5-1. Defensively, the Panthers are hitting the mark. Lena-Winslow has given up 38 points this season. This Friday night's opponent, Forreton, has the potential to score that many this Friday alone. Cardinals' Head Coach Denny Diduch said neither he, nor his team had a chance to study much about this Friday night's opponent. Looking at tape and studying is some-

thing that is being done this week. History already seems to notate what Lena-Winslow will try to do.

The defensive pressures the Panthers will face this week will come from many angles. Forreton works its no-huddle offense and a beaming Diduch said he has a lot of guys that can carry the ball. Eight players are qualified runners in Forreton and can slide in at a moment's notice. That could be a headache for Lena-Winslow. If the Panthers defeat Forreton this Friday night, they will improve to 6-1 on the season. Forreton will drop to the same mark. EPC will be in control in the Northwest with games to play. A big one with conference title implications exists in week eight as EPC hosts Forreton.

Lena-Winslow will host East Dubuque in week eight and will close the season at home against the West Carroll Thunder.

## Playoff clock begins ticking for EPC

By Chris Johnson  
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

Now that a 14-6 win over the Dakota Indians is in the books, the Eastland-Pearl City Wildcats can now turn their attention away from not making the playoffs last year, to having already secured their location when the tournament begins on Friday, Oct. 28. A 2-7 mark in 2015 was not expected. Missing the playoffs was the cost associated with it. This year it's already a done deal, now the Wildcats can turn all their attention to this Friday's opponent, Amboy-LaMoille.

The Clippers are 2-4 in their inaugural season in the NUIC Northwest and will be looking at watching from the sidelines following this Friday night's contest. The odds of an upset by Amboy-LaMoille are not very strong. However, the Clippers are used to facing down stiff competition and have been accused of playing at the level of their opponents. When a conference season consisted of regular matches with former State Champions Bureau Valley, Morrison and Sterling Newman Central Catholic, the Clippers knew how to prepare. They know what they need to do this week as well. It may not happen

and a fifth loss could be waiting. The Clippers will probably find the going not as easy as they would hope.

EPC is playing for a home game in the opening round and is teetering between a Class 1A and 2A designation. When the playoffs begin, if the Wildcats are a 1A program, they will be heavily favored to go a long way, possibly even a shot at the State Title. If EPC ends up in the 2A ranks, there is a chance the outcome would be exactly the same. The odds are slightly lower at the larger school level though.

In the win over Dakota, EPC found itself in unfamiliar territory. The Wildcats were down 6-0 and the scored stayed there as the first period came to a close. In the second quarter, the roles were reversed as Dakota was shut-out. EPC got on the board courtesy of the pass. A 37-yard strike from Brighton Haverland to Skylar Fischer accounted for the tally. The kick splitting the uprights gave the Wildcats the lead. At the half, EPC was in front 7-6.

Dakota's defense played well. It played better than it has most of the season. In the third quarter neither team could make headway as they were continually stuffed at each oc-

casation. The third period came to a close with the score still favoring EPC 7-6.

Midway through the fourth quarter, Haverland struck again. His one-yard scamper for score followed by the successful extra-point kick stretched the EPC advantage to 14-6. Scoring ended for the evening as EPC moved to 6-0 on the year. Dakota dropped to 3-3 on the season, but remains very much alive in the pursuit of a playoff spot. The Indians face Pecatonica this week and are favored to pick up their fourth win. In week eight, Dakota takes on Milledgeville in its final statistical test of the regular season. In week nine, Galena, currently carrying a 1-5 mark following a 14-0 win over Pecatonica, visits Dakota.

Following this week's match against Amboy-LaMoille, the Wildcats prepare for its biggest test of the season as they take on co-conference leader Forreton.

The Cardinals, similar to the Wildcats, are 6-0. They are coming off a 62-0 shellacking of former NUIC Northwest front-runner East Dubuque. The regular season closes for EPC at East Dubuque on Friday, Oct. 21.

## Broncos effectively knock AFC from playoffs

By Chris Johnson  
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

A big win by the Orangeville Broncos on Friday, Sept. 30, 30-23, means the playoffs probably won't happen for the Ashton-Franklin Center Raiders again this year. The win improved Orangeville's season mark to 2-4. At the same time, AFC's record dropped to the identical mark. The difference is, Orangeville has to face winless Durant and winless River Ridge over the next two weeks. The Broncos have a shot to get back to .500 as they prepare for their game nine against the Polo Marcos. The dream could end there, but things can happen when the post-season is taken into consideration. The hope exists for Orangeville, even possibly not thought about weeks ago. Numbers don't lie. A 5-4 mark could get a team into the playoffs.

On Friday night, AFC scored first. Running back David Atkinson ran between the tackles and scored from five-yards out. The two-point play led to an 8-0 edge. The first quarter expired with neither team scoring.

In the second quarter, AFC was back on track as quarterback Caleb Drew hit his receiver, Joe Uphoff, which netted in a 24-yard strike. Again, the two-point try was successful as AFC grabbed the 16-6 lead.

Minutes later, as the Broncos were putting together a series of successful plays, quarterback Austin Guy found Caden Getz running away from trouble. He carried it 34-yards and put Orangeville on the board. AFC led by ten, 16-6.

As time was winding down in the second quarter, Orangeville struck again. Guy called his own number and carried it behind his blockers. The three-yard score brought Orangeville back to within two points, the extra point try failed. As the half arrived, Orangeville found itself down two points, 16-14.

In the third quarter, AFC kept pounding away. The line

was making some dents in the Orangeville front. The outside lane opened and tailback Stephen Brooke broke away. His 24-yard strike pushed the Raiders advantage back to nine points, 23-14.

Orangeville responded again. And once more it was Guy who got it done. After an exchange at the line, Guy took off from coverage. After slipping past the AFC secondary, he found himself in the end zone. The successful two-point run attempt made the game a lot more uncomfortable for the Raiders. As the third quarter came to a close, AFC held a one-point lead, 23-22.

Orangeville pounded on AFC in the final frame. The Broncos line was moving the chains and with only minutes in the period, Guy scored his third touchdown of the night. His three-yard scamper and successful two-point run gave Orangeville the 30-23 lead. They would never rescind that advantage and held on for the upset win.

Looking at numbers, Orangeville remains alive in the hunt for the playoffs. An easier schedule over the next two weeks could help the Broncos get back to the .500 mark with one game to go. Game nine will be against Polo. The Broncos will be home. The Marcos will be battling to secure their own position, with an outside shot at a home game in the opening round of the playoffs.

For Orangeville's victim on Friday night, AFC, the reality sets in. The Raiders really don't have a chance to make it to the post-season now. The schedule just doesn't look good, statistically speaking. This Friday night a game against River Ridge could help the team mark to slide up to 3-4. The fifth loss could already be waiting in week eight as the Raiders face the Polo Marcos. If the Raiders get past Polo and have won their match against River Ridge, they will be hard-pressed to try to knock Stockton back a step. The Blackhawks could be playing for a top seed in the upcoming Class 1A Football Playoffs, as they suit up for week nine.

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Commonly known as 3052 SULLIVAN COURT, STOCKTON, IL 61085 Property Index No. 43-17-000-253-22. The real estate is improved with a single family residence. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection

and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales. For information, examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C., 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876 Please refer to file number 14-16-02683. THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales. CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100 BURR RIDGE, IL 60527 (630) 794-5300 E-Mail: pleadings@il.cslegal.com Attorney File No. 14-16-02683 Attorney ARDC No. 00468002 Case Number: 16 CH 00013 TJSC#: 36-7942 NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

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# • Safety (Continued from page 19)

"It's crazy to buy a camouflage vehicle if you're using an ATV for farm work on the road or for hunting," he says. "You want to be as visible as possible anytime you're riding an ATV. Riders should also be aware that the large size of today's ATVs adds much more risk of death in a rollover because the rider isn't likely to be able to move the machine if they end up under it. They will die of asphyxiation. Use of helmets is

highly recommended and anyone using an ATV to spray should be very careful whether they're pulling a spray tank or have it loaded on the ATV. Any shift in that liquid product can quickly put the rider in a tenuous situation."

Information about ATV rider training is available online at the ATV Rider Safety Institute's website: <http://www.atvsafety.org/Rider-Training.aspx>.

# Dubuque area artist brings mythology to life

By Laurinda Woolcock-Howe  
CORRESPONDENT

Art can be simple or complex. ARRT, All River Road Talent, showcases many different types of art and artists. Take for example the artwork of Casey Folks of Mythical Ink Studio.

The name of the studio says it all. Folks uses pen and ink to create art. And, why mythical? "Mythology has always inspired me. I was fascinated by the fantastic worlds described in those writings and wanted to bring them to life," said Folks. He also likes to draw animals and has done some commission work over the past few years, "that has challenged me in that manner."

Inspiration for Folks comes in many different ways: a song, whether classical or new age; a dream; a walk in the woods on a crisp fall day; mythological stories; comics; people; or events in time. Folks' work comes from his mind. He has studied drawing in text books, anatomy books, etc. He will occasionally use a photo for reference when drawing animals. "I wouldn't want a horse to look like a dog," explains Folks.

Drawing is something Folks loves doing, and he makes time for it. He draws in his studio in his home in the wee hours of 4 a.m. before going to work. He prefers this early hour because he has more energy at that time.

What Folks considers his greatest work thus far definitely lends to the mythical. "Mjolnir Unleashed" depicts Thor, the Norse God of Thunder, holding his hammer high above his head showing his awe-inspiring power. Thor is Folk's favorite mythological character. "I wanted to do a drawing capturing the love I have for the character," Folks states.

Folks wants his art to appeal to everyone. He has discussed his art with people from teens to 80 somethings. "I am fortunate in that many people of all ages, spectrums and walks of life seem to enjoy my work," said Folks.

Drawing was something Folks started at a young age, and he started to hone his ink work in the mid 1990's. Why ink though? Folks will tell you he can't paint. "I just can't



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seem to control the medium well." He has done some work in colored pencil and graphite in the past, but prefers ink. "I love the texture I am able to create with ink, and I find its unforgiving qualities to be challenging," states Folks.

"Over the years I was inspired by artists that were etchers and artists that worked in pen and ink," said Folks. He talks of Albrecht Duer's etchings and local artist author Noah

Geisert. There is also Frank Frazetta, Franklin Booth and Berni Wrightson who worked in pen and ink. "I was in awe of the line work and found it very appealing," Folks said.

Where can the line works of Casey Folks be found? His art is shown at Hello Galena at 121 N. Commerce Street in Galena, IL, or online at <http://hellogalena.org>, or on Facebook as Casey Folks Mythical Ink Studio.

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## Steppin' out in style

Stacey Wynkoop and Melissa Oberbrecking joined Marisa Duwa at Massbach Winery on Saturday to participate in the traditional stomping of the grapes and to celebrate Duwa's Bachelorette Party.