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## Lady Panthers into Class 1A Play

By Chris Johnson  
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

The regular season is over for the Lena-Winslow Lady Panthers and now the post-season has followed for many others. On Monday, Feb. 6 the weeding-out began and the strong moved on. The Lena-Winslow Lady Panthers were one of those who helped determined who went home.

On Tuesday, Jan. 31, the Warren Lady Warriors went home following a 59-53 regular-season loss to Lena-Winslow. The Lady Panthers found confidence late and won the game from the free throw line.

Brooke Knoup hit four-of-four chances in the fourth. Madilyn Schultz connected on five-of-six. Concern was removed from the line and helped cement the win for Lena-Winslow. More of that confidence will have to be on display and the timing is perfect for it. Lena-Winslow is playing at one of its highest levels of the season and the Class 1A Tournament has just begun.

Over the past two weeks of play, wins have been more regular for the Lady Panthers and regularity is more important in the post-season. In the playoffs, everyone starts but only one of a group gets to move forward and pursue a State Title. This year, many NUIC teams are already out.

In the Class 1A Dakota Girls' Basketball Regional the five-seed Lady Panthers took on the nine-seed Orangeville Lady Broncos. The winner moved on to the round two meeting with three-seed Alden-Hebron on Tuesday, Feb. 7.

Mapping the possibilities for Lena-Winslow and understanding the action occurred earlier this week, an upset of Alden-Hebron in the second round would be required. The Lady Giants have stood strong against much larger communities with considerable talent.

Since 2017 began Alden-Hebron has only lost two games. Harvest Christian Academy defeated them to

close the regular season on Friday, Feb. 3. The loss to Luther North on Jan. 13 preceded the nine-game win streak for the three-seed. The two teams Alden-Hebron fell to carry a combined Northeastern Athletic Conference mark of 20-2.

Lena-Winslow had to win on Monday and follow it up with another on Tuesday. With the IHSA Selection Committee meeting a little over a week ago, thought was given to the Lady Panthers not making it out of the Dakota Regional Semi-Final.

If an upset occurs and Lena-Winslow defeated Alden-Hebron on Tuesday, they will move on to face, more than likely, the number two seed in the Pearl City Sectional Complex Freeport Aquin on Thursday, Feb. 9.

The Lady Bulldogs have put together a streak that has featured seven wins out of the last nine contests. A loss to NUIC-North runner-up Amboy 42-32 was preceded by another loss to NUIC-West Champion Galena, 46-26.

Freeport Aquin provides a sizable challenge in any possible Regional Championship scenario and Lena-Winslow has either locked themselves in for the shot at the Regional Crown or they are settling in on another run at the IHSA Class 1A Softball Sectionals already.

## Home Extension, Blackhawk Unit to hold February meeting

The February meeting of the Blackhawk Unit of Home Extension will be held Thursday evening, Feb. 16, at 7 p.m. at the Pearl City Library in Pearl City, Illinois. Michelle Boyer will give the lesson on "Exercises to Stay Balanced". Roll call will be "Do you exercise or workout?" Marcia Erwin and Joyce Bonnet will provide refreshments. The non perishable foods collected will



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## Celebrating 100 days

Mrs. Lorig's first grade class at Pearl City school enjoyed dressing up like they were 100 years old for the 100th day of school. They also enjoyed \$100 bill bookmarks and counting out 100 fruit loops.

## Lena American Legion Auxiliary to host pie contest and soup tasting

The American Legion Auxiliary will be holding the annual Pie Baking Contest on Saturday, Feb. 18, and Soup Tasting on Sunday, Feb. 19.

On Saturday, the American Legion Auxiliary Units of the Thirtieth District will be hosting the pie baking contest. Fruit pies should be delivered to the American Legion Home in Lena between 10 a.m. and Noon.

Pies will be judged and cash prizes will be awarded. We need ladies and gentlemen to get out their rolling pins and submit a pie for judging.

On Sunday, the Units will once

again sponsor an activity from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.. Over twenty different soups will be available for tasting and dessert for \$7.00 for adults (\$6.50 if bought in advance) and \$3 for children under 10.

Come join us for a weekend of fun. The American Legion Home is located 316 West Main Street in Lena, across from the historical water tower.

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February is Chelsea's birthday month. Wish her a happy birthday!

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**Congratulations to the Lena-Winslow FFA Chapter on their third place team finish and first place individual finish at the section Poultry CDE. Pictured are team members, Beau Linden, Grant Fiedler (first place individual in the section), Hannah Milliken, Sam Kempel, and Meagan Mader.**

## Lena-Winslow FFA Chapter scrambles to egg competition wins

Do you know the difference between a grade AA and a grade A egg? Do you know what a chicken gizzard looks like or can you correctly identify a boneless skinless split breast with rib meat? How about judge a class of four laying

hens to determine which one is the best producer? Fourteen members of the Lena-Winslow FFA Chapter can! They competed in the Section one Poultry CDE on Feb. 1 at River Ridge High School. At this competition students judged poultry prod-

ucts and were tested on their knowledge of the poultry industry with a written exam. Students were expected to grade eggs based on their interior (based on the air cell) and exterior quality (based on shape, and shell defects) as well as judge live birds. In addition students judged rings of further processed poultry like patties and nuggets to look for defects and also graded ready-to-cook carcasses. This is a great CDE for students with a poultry background as well as those who are trying out something new for the first time. One such student who was judging poultry as a newbie this year was Greenhand Grant Fiedler who placed first out of the 90 students at the contest. Lena-Winslow also had senior FFA member Brock Gobeli place ninth as an individual. We are proud of our third place finish as a team as well as our individuals who performed so well!

## College News

### Area students named to Augustana College's fall term Dean's List

Augustana College announced 986 students were named to the Dean's List for the 2016 fall term. Students who have earned this academic honor have maintained a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher on a four-point scale for courses taken during the term.

Those from this area named to the Dean's List are:

Amie Badgett of Orangeville  
Cassidy Potter of Hanover  
Rene Powers of Stockton  
Alexandra Seiple of Lena  
Founded in 1860, Augustana College is a selective four-year residential college of the liberal arts and sciences. The college is recognized for the innovative program Augie Choice, which provides each student up to \$2,000 to pursue a high-impact learning experience such as study abroad, an internship or research with a professor.

## Lena-Winslow/Orangeville Speech Team moves into post season competition

All good things must come to an end. What ended was the 2016-17 tournament season for the Le-Win/Orangeville Speech Team. But, all good things must have a beginning, too, and soon the post season begins with the Illinois High School Association (IHSA) State Series of post-season tournaments.

The Le-Win/Orangeville team certainly ended on a high note, winning nine individual medals at the Jefferson High School Speech Tournament on Saturday, Jan. 28. Winning varsity awards were Orangeville students Sierra Hildebrand and Lucas Boomgarden (Seventh place, Dramatic Duet Acting) and Justin Malone (Fourth place, Radio Speaking). The other varsity medal was captured by Lena-Winslow's Hope Enck (Third place, Impromptu). Next-In awards, given to those who finish just outside the first six placements, were won by Ella Brunner and Lilly Rowley (Fifth place, Dramatic Duet Acting), Asa Lake (Second place, Humorous Interpretation), Michael Sutter (Fifth place, Prose Reading), and Adisyn Hoff (Second place, Special Occasion Speaking). And finally, Le-Win "Super Rookie" Ashlyn Enck, a freshman, won two novice prizes, a fifth

place ribbon in Informative Speaking and a third place prize in Special Occasion Speaking.

"One of the nice things about coaching speech in Lena," remarked head coach Tom Fore, "is that the administration of our school recognizes the value of our program to the students' educational growth. Not once in 15 years have I heard one word about having to win a certain number of individual or team awards to justify our existence. That's not the way we do things, and for that I'm very appreciative. Lena-Winslow is known for its excellent sports programs, but other activities such as the Speech Team, our fine Academic Bowl team, FFA, music, drama, you name it. Our school does it well."

At the risk of using an overdone sports cliché, the proverbial "next level" for Illinois' speech teams is the State Series, which begins with the Regional Tournament at Freeport High School. Those placing in the top four of their respective categories move to the Sectional Tournament, which for the Le-Win/Orangeville team will be held at Huntley High School. And, those who finish in the top three there advance to the State Tournament, to be held at the Peoria Civic Center Feb. 17 and 18.



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**The Le-Win/Orangeville Speech Team takes time out for a photo session after the conclusion of the Jefferson High School Speech Tournament**



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### Verda Werkheiser is celebrating her 90th Birthday

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## Dr Tawfik named Citizen of the Year

Lena Lions presented Dr. Shokry Tawfik with the citizen of the year on Wednesday January 25, at their dinner meeting.



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## Pearl City School Spelling Bee Winners

Pearl City School Spelling Bee winners are: Fenixx Menefee (Alternate), Jacob Lieb (Runner-Up), and Oliver Petta (1st Place). Jacob and Oliver will represent the Pearl City Schools at the Regional Spelling Bee held at Pearl City Elementary School on February 21, 2017. Good luck Oliver and Jacob!

# 4-H Camp – change your child's life!

Registration for 4-H Camp 2017 is open! 4-H Camp '17 is set for June 12-16, 2017 at Camp Benson in Mount Carroll, IL. Sign up today to get your child in on all of the amazing fun!

4-H Camp is a five-day, four-night residential camping experience that is conducted cooperatively by University of Illinois Extension staff in Boone, DeKalb, Jo Daviess, Ogle, Stephenson and Winnebago Counties and the professional staff at Camp Benson.

Historically, parents have sent their children to 4-H Camp for a variety of reasons: to have fun, to make new friends, to develop new skills, to be physically ac-

tive and to appreciate nature. 4-H Camp is about way more than one week of fun. Sending your child to 4-H Camp will allow them to create memories they will carry with them through adulthood. 4-H camp teaches youth to make good decisions, build their self-confidence, become independent and gain the ability to work well with others. These are skills that will help youth develop into strong adult leaders. In addition, 4-H camp counselors devote much of their personal time to ensure today's campers have the same great experience they did as children.

Campers at 4-H Camp will check-in from 6-6:30 p.m. on

Monday, June 12, and check-out from 6-6:30 p.m. on Friday, June 16. During camp week, youth will engage in a variety of activities designed to challenge, educate and entertain. Two or three free-choice periods will be offered daily and will include options such as hiking, shooting sports, rock climbing, arts and crafts, tubing, kayaking, crate stacking, team building challenges, survival skills, rappelling, zip-lining, swimming, and mountain biking. Evening activities will be provided by the 4-H camp counselors from the co-sponsoring counties and include campfires, a games night and a dance. It's guaranteed to be a blast!

4-H Camp is open to ALL boys and girls, ages 8-14 by June 12. 4-H membership is not required; however all participants will be expected to comply with the same high behavior standards expected of 4-H'ers. Youth need to be interested and excited to have a week of outdoor fun, away from television and technology.

Cost is \$300 for 4-H members and \$320 for non-4-H members until March 1. After that date, the price goes up \$20. All camp fees must be paid in full by May 22. Download a camper application on-line at: <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/jsw> or you can register online at: <http://go.illinois.edu/4HSummerCamp>. You may also call the Jo Daviess County Extension at 815-858-2273; Ogle County Extension at 815-732-2191; or Stephenson County Extension at 815-235-4125. Slots for boys and girls cabins will be filled on a first come, first serve basis.

## Illinois State Police raise funds for Special Olympics Illinois

Illinois State Police (ISP) officials from Zone 5 Investigations presented a check for \$2,000 today to Special Olympics Illinois at the Law Enforcement Torch Run Kick Off Conference in Bloomington.

ISP Zone 5 Agents hosted the 45<sup>th</sup> Livingston County Law Enforcement Golf Outing last fall along with officers from Dwight P.D., Pontiac P.D., and Livingston County Sheriff's Department to raise funds in support Special Olympics Illinois.

Special Olympics Illinois instills pride and confidence in young athletes to help them achieve success through athletic programs and events held throughout the year.

"Illinois Special Olympics provides opportunity for young people to compete in a variety of athletic events. These events strengthen our communities by helping others develop their character and build lasting friendships," said ISP First Deputy Director Chad Peterson. "The Illinois State Police is committed in their support of Special Olympics, and we encourage our communities to become involved in this worthwhile cause."

The Illinois Law Enforcement Torch Run is the single largest year-round fundraiser to benefit Special Olympics Illinois having raised over \$4 million in 2016. The annual relay raises funds and awareness for the young athletes of Special Olympics Illinois. The Law Enforcement Torch Run continues to raise funds for Special Olympics athletes. For more information visit <https://www.soill.org/>



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## A night at the movies

Lena-Winslow students recently enjoyed the movie "The Secret Life of Pets", sponsored by the PTO. These students enjoyed the photo booth, hamming it up with the characters provided.

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## Illinois Attorney General cautions consumers about costly refund anticipation products and tax-related identity theft

As tax season gets underway, Attorney General Lisa Madigan today urged Illinois taxpayers to avoid applying for expensive refund anticipation products that deplete as much as a thousand dollars from their eventual tax refund.

Madigan issued advice for Illinois residents in light of a recent

announcement by the IRS that as a way to reduce identity theft and tax-related fraud, it is delaying tax refunds until February 15 for more than 40 million low-income families claiming the earned income tax credit and the child tax credit.

As a result, Madigan's office expects more taxpayers will be en-

ticed by tax preparers to apply for "instant cash advances." These are a new kind of short-term loan that typically provides taxpayers with between \$500 and \$1,000 of the eventual tax refund upfront. Tax preparers often deceptively market these advances as "interest free" but the loans carry interest rates over 100 percent in most cases. Tax preparers offer refund anticipation loans via checks and temporary debit cards as a way for consumers to receive an instant cash deposit based on their anticipated tax refund instead of waiting to receive their full tax refund from the IRS. But this advance payment comes at a very high cost.

"When tax preparers promise an instant refund, they are really giving you an expensive, short-term loan that will reduce the amount of your eventual tax refund by as much as a thousand dollars," Madigan said. "Be skeptical of these

high-priced, short-term loans."

In addition to tax refund anticipation products, Madigan said consumers should be aware of tax-related identity theft. Complaints to Madigan's office have shown that for some consumers, even simply consulting with a company offering tax refund anticipation products leads to problems. Consumers have reported instances of companies filing a tax return in their name but without their authorization based on information the consumer provided in an initial consultation.

Madigan offered tips for consumers to avoid becoming the victim of tax-related identity theft:

Do not open or reply to any emails claiming to be from the IRS that contain a request for personal information. Contact the IRS directly to find out if the solicitation is legitimate.

Report any suspicious IRS paper

mail correspondence to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration at 1 (800) 366-4484.

Contact the IRS Identity Protection Specialized Unit at 1 (800) 908-4490 or visit the IRS website to report tax-related identity theft.

To report a complaint involving a tax refund anticipation product, contact Madigan's Consumer Fraud hotlines:

1-800-386-5438 (Chicago)  
1-800-243-0618 (Springfield)  
1-800-243-0607 (Carbondale)

Consumers looking for help preparing and filing their taxes free of charge should contact the Center for Economic Progress, a trusted provider of tax and financial assistance for low-income and working families, at 312-252-0280 or visit their website.

## New TCEDA Board Member provides experience and expertise

The Tri-County Economic Development Alliance (TCEDA) is pleased to welcome Bob Tschiggfrie to the TCEDA Board. Tschiggfrie brings a wealth of experience to help build economic opportunity and prosperity in Northwest Illinois.

Tschiggfrie is the plant manager at East Dubuque Nitrogen Fertilizers and has 40 years of chemical manufacturing experience. He has served on the Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA) in Jo Daviess County and has also served as chairman on the Board of Directors for the Jo Daviess County Local Emergency Planning Commission. Tschiggfrie holds an Illinois Professional Emergency Manager accreditation along with a Certificate of Achievement from the Federal Emergency Management Agency. He is a veteran of the United States Airforce, serving from 1970-1974.

Lisa McCarthy, Executive Director of TCEDA, notes that, "The experience and expertise Bob Tschiggfrie brings to the board will be especially valuable as we work to implement the workforce development program,

Talent Pipeline Management, and the new job shadows program for

high school students in our region."

Tschiggfrie joins TCEDA board members Chris Allendorf (Jo-Carroll Energy), Tracy Bauer (Midwest Medical Center),

Randy Boonstra (Fenix Manufacturing), John Cooke (Prairie Ridge Development), Michael Dittmar (Village of Elizabeth), Tim Hood (Highland Community College), William Jahnke (Upper Mississippi River Port District), Cathi Lichter (Lichter Consulting), Libby Miller (Illinois Bank & Trust), Ron Smith (Foreign Trade Zone Board), Mark Szula (International Union of Operating Engineers Local 150) and Vicky Trager (Village of Thomson), to provide economic development services in Jo Daviess, Carroll and Whiteside counties.

For more information about TCEDA and economic development efforts in northwest Illinois, visit [www.tceda-nwil.org](http://www.tceda-nwil.org).



Bob Tschiggfrie

## U of I Extension to host Hunter Safety Clinic

Do you have a passion for Shooting Sports? Whether you're into shotgun, rifle or archery, we have a clinic for you! University of Illinois Extension-Stephenson County and the Stephenson County 4-H Program is sponsoring a Hunter Safety Clinic for all youth ages 8-18 (as of 09/01/16). Join us on Saturday, Feb. 25, from 10 a.m. to Noon to learn the principles of shooting, safe and responsible use of firearms and bows, marksmanship and much

more. The clinic will be taught by a certified hunter safety instructor and participants will also get to shoot a compound bow at targets. To register, contact the Extension office at 815-235-4125 or you can register online at <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/jsw>. The cost is \$10 per person and the Clinic will be held at Indian Trail Archers located at 107 E. Spring St. in Freeport. Space is limited, so early registration is encouraged.

## Stephenson County Soil & Water Conservation District elects directors

The Stephenson County Soil & Water Conservation District held their annual election of Directors on Feb. 2, at the U.S.D.A. Service Center in Freeport. Two directors' terms were available for the 2017 elections. Re-elected to a two year term

were current board members Barb Klinger and Jim Hutchison.

Barb and Jim will join the District Board Members Ross Bremmer, Chad Alderks and Seth Wenzel for the upcoming year beginning in March.

## From the offices of IL US Representative Jan Schakowsky

President Trump's Muslim ban is immoral, unconstitutional, and dangerous to our national security. Since it was ordered, the ban has been rebuked by thousands of protesters across the country, Democratic lawmakers, experts in law and national security, and now a Republican-appointed federal district court judge. I am very pleased that this hold has been ordered, and hope that it will allow the many men, women, and children previously affected by this order to reach our nation of immigrants. Although this is a great step toward undoing this unconstitutional order, our work is not done yet. I am committed to keeping America's doors open, and will continue to work hard to make sure this cruel and un-American Executive Order is permanently rescinded in its entirety.

## From the offices of United States Senator Dick Durbin

Fellow Illinoisan, Last week, President Trump announced a new executive order that bans refugees and targets Muslims. This unlawful order is un-American, undermines our national security, and is causing mass chaos and tearing families apart at airports across the United States and around the world.

Faced with the humanitarian crisis of our time, the United States cannot turn its back on children fleeing persecution, genocide, and terror. During the Holocaust we failed to fulfill to our duty to humanity. We cannot allow mindless fear to lead us into another regretful chapter in our history.

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# ON THE RECORD

## Births

### Reese Hartman

Scott and Nichole Hartman of Shannon, Ill. are the parents of a daughter Reese Marie Hartman born Saturday Jan. 28, 2017 at FHN Memorial Hospital, Freeport, Ill. Reese has a sister Paige Hartman, 3 and a brother Brock Hartman, 19 months. Grandparents are Darrell and Rhona Woodley of Lena, Ill. and Robert and Bryclynn Hartman of Mt. Carroll, Ill. Great grandmother is Irma Wallock of Freeport.

### Michael Hammer

Charity Ann and Mitchell Joseph Hammer of Shannon, Ill. are the parents of a son Michael Joseph Hammer born Thursday Feb. 2, 2017 at FHN Memorial Hospital, Freeport, Ill. Michael has two brothers Mitchell William Hammer, 9 and Mathew James Hammer, 6. Grandparents are Joseph and Mary Hammer of Shannon, Cevin Brenner of Freeport and Kathleen Baudler of Winslow, Ill. Great grandmother is Marilyn Hammer of Shannon.

### Everly Rose Honerbaum

Scott and Christine Honerbaum of Elizabeth, Ill. are the parents of a daughter Everly Rose Honerbaum born Thursday Jan. 26, 2017 at FHN Memorial Hospital, Freeport, Ill. Everly has a brother Orion James Honerbaum, 2 1/2. Grandparents are Mary and Thomas Frey of Galena, Ill. and James and Wanda Honerbaum of Hanover, Ill. Great grand-

parents are Norma and Ronald Robbe of Michigan and Joe and Carol Honerbaum of Hanover.

### Maddox Rylen Schubert



Maddox Rylen Schubert was born on Friday, Jan. 27, 2017 at the Monroe Clinic Hospital in Monroe, WI. He is the son of proud parents Mick and Tiffany Schubert of Kent, IL. He was 8 lbs 7 oz and 21 in long. Maddox was welcomed home by his brother, Kayden (13), and sisters Ashlyn (10) and Janika (3). Maternal grandparents are Deb & Dave Parker and Kevin & Suzette Drane, all of Stockton, IL. Paternal grandparents are Cheryl Arand of Pearl City, IL and Steve & Lisa Schubert

## Obituary

### ROBERT B. HELLER

Robert B. Heller, 85 of Lena passed on Monday Jan. 30, 2017 at the Monroe Hospital. He was born on May 18, 1931 to Reynold and Ella (Siegel) Heller in Jo Daviess County, IL. He graduated from East Dubuque High School in 1949. He married Verlea M. Bahr on April 15, 1951 at the Schapville Presbyterian Church. He served our County in the United States Navy. He lived and breathed farming all his life.

Heller is survived by 5 children; Cindy Drye of Lena, IL, Tim (Madonna) Heller of East Dubuque, IL, Anthony (Mary Beth) Heller of Alexandria, VA, Julie Jiles of Elgin, IL and Tom Heller of Kent, IL, Brother; Foster Heller of Stockton, IL and sis-

ter; Joyce Meyer of West Bend, WI, 10 grandchildren; Krista (Matt Hunter) Karnatz of Tucson, AZ, Matthew, David and Jane Heller of VA, Berin (Katie) Jackson of Freeport, IL, Cyril Jackson of OH, Jennifer Jiles of Elgin, IL, Jon Heller of Stockton, IL, Jacob Heller of Freeport, IL and Lexie McIntosh of Freeport, IL. 3 great grandchildren; Brayden and Harper Jackson of Freeport, IL, Jacob Hunter of Tucson, AZ.

He was preceded in death by his wife, parents, 4 brothers; Harold, Arnold, Lester and Clayton Heller.

Private family funeral services will be held.

The family requests no flowers.

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

## Anniversary

of Freeport, IL. Maternal great grandparents are Beverly Paisley of Stockton, IL and Donald and Marcy Paisley of Hidden Valley Lake, CA. Paternal great grandmother is Neva Schubert of Brodhead, WI

### Dre'ya Smith

Karlee Weigand and DeAndre Smith of Freeport, Ill. are the parents of a daughter Dre'ya Aniliyah Rose Smith born Thursday Jan. 26, 2017 at FHN Memorial Hospital, Freeport. Dre'ya has a sister De'leigha Smith and a brother Tristun Weigand. Grandparents are Margaret Ponce of Thornton, Ill., Robert Weigand of Stockton, Ill. and Merida and Andre Smith of Freeport.

## Lena Live Wires hold monthly meeting

Krista Keene  
CORRESPONDENT

The Lena Live Wires Jan. 9, 4-H meeting started off with games and pizza. The meeting was held at St John's Church in Lena. The meeting then started at 6 p.m. Alonah Sutter led the pledges. The roll call question was what is your favorite winter sport. There were no secretary or treasurer reports. Under old business the final enrollment date is Feb. 1. We talked about the results of the Penny Carnival. We received a gift card for turning in our dairy month activity. Under new business we talked about doing a donation for Stephenson County 4-H Foundation and decided on the amount. Also we talked about who wants to be a 4-H buddy. The next meeting is Feb. 13, at 6 p.m. We received our club awards. The snack for next month will be provided by the Altenburg family. There were no talks or demos. Hannah Pecoraro motioned to adjourn the meeting. Sam Pecoraro seconded and the motion passed. The meeting ended at 7 p.m. Reporter Krista Keene



Lynn and Robert Lyvers

## Bob and Lynn Lyvers celebrate 60th Wedding Anniversary

Robert (Bob) and Lynn (Leibfried) Lyvers of Lena are celebrating their 60th Wedding Anniversary. They were married on Feb. 23, 1957 at Salem Evangelical Reformed Church in Chicago, IL by Reverend William Siemers. Bob and Lynn have three children: Sue (Dan) Milligan of Bloomington, IL, Bob (Martha) of Lena, and Sherry (Matt) St. Eve of Belleville, IL. They also have 10 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren. Bob retired from trucking in 1994, and Lynn retired from Lena Continental Manor Nursing home in 2004. They plan to celebrate with an open house on Feb. 19, from 2-5 p.m. at Rafters Restaurant in Lena. In lieu of gifts, the couple requests a donation be made to the Lena Area Food Pantry.

**Rhonda McPeek**

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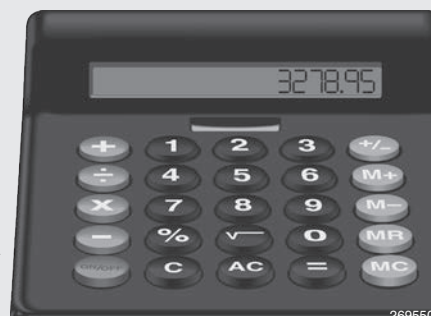
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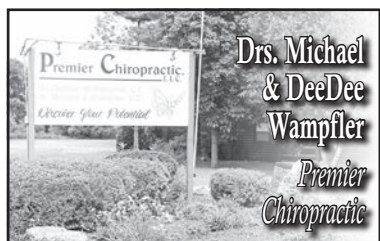


# Even minor injuries can lead to an abnormal cervical curvature

Many people can relate to having been in car accidents at some point in their lives. Whether it was a major accident or a minor one, (MVC) are no fun and can cause a variety of minor to serious injuries to those in the vehicles. These injuries are commonly and collectively referred to as 'Whiplash Injuries'. The cost of a (MVC), as well as interruption of your daily routine due to whiplash can take years to recover from.

With more distracted drivers texting and speaking on their phones, MVC's are on the rise, making for much more dangerous roadways. While we cannot control other people's behaviors, we can certainly drive more cautiously and defensively to hopefully avoid being in a car accident. Unfortunately, MVC's do happen despite our best efforts, so being prepared and having a plan in mind is key to recovering quickly and getting back on our feet again.

More serious car accidents mean more serious injuries, ranging from cuts and bruise to broken bones, brain damage, and even death. At first, less serious MVC's however, may not seem like a big deal, with victims often walking away without a scratch, believing they have escaped the crash unscathed. Others may only complain of a slight headache, neck pain, stiff or kinked neck while resorting to taking over the counter pain killers, or wearing a



neck brace to assist with their recovery – something that is far from addressing the true cause of the injury.

What most lay people (and even many physicians) don't realize is the extent to which the CERVICAL LORDOIS (curvature in your neck from the side) plays a role in both: 1) the extent of the initial injury to the occupant(s) and 2) the long term pain and suffering from whiplash injury to the occupants. Furthermore, the MVC itself will damage the cervical lordosis.

1. Concerning the extent of initial injury, researchers have found that having a good cervical curve actually prevents neck tissue damage to the sensitive cervical spine ligaments. The researchers identified that straightened cervical curves and worse yet, reversed (kyphotic) cervical curves led to more severe cervical spine tissue injuries due to more extreme forces acting on the neck during the exact same MVC circumstances. More severe injury to the person who starts with a reversed neck is more likely.

Thus, if you already have an abnormal cervical curvature prior to any MVC, it is in your best interest to rehabilitate the shape and amount of your cervical lordosis. If you do not, you're at a higher risk of having more serious injuries should you be involved in a MVC.1

2. In terms of long term pain and suffering, several research studies have identified that the patients who experience long term whiplash injuries and suffering are in fact the ones that have abnormal cervical lordosis. Straightened, S-curves, and Reversed cervical curvatures have been found to pre-dispose to the following conditions after MVC:2-6

- Neck pain and stiffness,
- Headaches,
- Arm pain,
- Thoracic outlet symptoms,
- Dizziness,
- Lack of concentration,
- Degenerative arthritis in the cervical spine,
- Disc herinations.

What many people that have been in car accidents don't realize is that a slight headache or neck pain is a true sign of a much more serious injury to your neck curve and underlying neck tissues. Spinal misalignments as a result of the sudden jolt of the MVC may show up immediately, or not become evident for a long period of time. But this doesn't mean the spine is healthy or that no injury

was sustained.

The fact is that MVC's statistically damage the shape of your cervical lordosis. Researchers from Chiropractic BioPhysics have identified that the average patient exposed to a MVC will lose 10 degrees of their cervical lordosis, develop a mid cervical kyphosis, and have increased forward head posture as a result of the MVC.7

A misaligned cervical curvature as a result of a MVC is a serious health condition. Altered neck curves will cause nerve interference – hindrance of critical nerve energy that is responsible for every function of our organs, and every movement of our limbs. Ignoring the cervical spinal misalignment can manifest into pain and discomfort, fatigue, sleep disorders, organ dysfunction, depression, and eventually disease.

What Can You Do to Improve Your Cervical Lordosis?

If you have been in a minor or major car accident, please see a corrective care chiropractor immediately for a full assessment of the health of your spine, even if you don't feel any discomfort whatsoever. A small misalignment can only get worse with time, so addressing this injury quickly can mean a faster recovery time and less health problems in the future.7-11

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## College News

### University of Dubuque Dean's List for Fall 2016

The University of Dubuque congratulates the following students on being appointed to the Fall Semester 2016 Academic Dean's List. Brandi Ernst of Apple River, Lauralee Stairs of Hanover, Dylan Hastings and Marissa Rothschild of Lena, Jenna Bennett of Nora, Dani Lee and Abigail Sesker of Pearl City, Emily Langfield, Kelsey Wright, and Kristin Wright of Stockton, and Aira Hanson of Winslow.

To be named to the dean's list, a student must earn a grade point average (GPA) of 3.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale for that semester. The University of Dubuque is a private university affiliated with Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) offering undergraduate programs in 31 areas of study; graduate programs in communication, business administration, and physician assistant studies; and theological studies.

### Upper Iowa University announces 2016 Fall Dean's List

Upper Iowa University announces the Dean's List for the 2016 Fall semester. To be honored, a student must have earned a minimum 3.50 grade point average for the semester and be enrolled as a full-time student. The honored students included: Amy Bonvillain, Sports Communication major of Elizabeth, Tori Clark, Biology major of Pearl City, Emily Frank, Conservation Mgmt major of Elizabeth, and Clayton Lieb, Business Admin major of Pearl City. Founded in 1857, Upper Iowa University is a private, not-for-profit university providing undergraduate and graduate degree programs to about 5,800 students-nationally and internationally-at its Fayette campus, 25 U.S. education centers, as well as centers in Malaysia and Hong Kong. For more information, visit [www.uiu.edu](http://www.uiu.edu).

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# FROM LENA'S KITCHEN



The not so skinny cook

January is gone, and if you are like me, you haven't a clue where it went. The ground hog did see his shadow—I think I predicted that last week—so we are in for some more winter. This year winter has been some cold weather, but mostly it has been no sun. In fact this week is supposed to have some warm weather. We will enjoy it until we get a blast of cold again. By the time the next column after this one comes out, Valentine's Day will be almost over. That means if I wanted to put any "heart day" recipes in for you, I have to do it this week. I hope you enjoy several great Valentine's Day recipes that you can make for your sweetest person or persons.

This first recipe is for a simple fruit salad with a great taste. You can use it as a side or as a dessert. If you can't find the fresh mint leaves, use a drop of mint extract in the lime juice.

## Lime and Mint Berry Salad

- 1 lime, juiced
- 1/3 C. honey
- 2 C. quartered fresh strawberries
- 2 C. fresh blueberries
- 2 C. fresh blackberries
- 1 C. fresh raspberries
- 1/4 C. fresh mint leaves, torn

In a large bowl, whisk together the lime juice and honey. Gently stir in all fruit and mint until combined. Cover and refrigerate for 1 hour before serving.

The next two recipes are for main entrees. If you are more into chicken than beef, this first Valentine recipe uses cooked chicken. The rotisserie chicken works well in this recipe. If you can't find the diced tomatoes with basil, garlic, and oregano, you can use plain diced tomatoes and add a quarter teaspoon of basil and oregano. The bow tie pasta makes it a special pasta treat. The second recipe is for beef stuffed shells. There is nothing more elegant than stuffed shells. If you want to split the recipe in half, you can. If you make the total recipe, you can freeze the shells before baking. If you add the salad and bread to either of these entrees, you have a great main meal.

## Italian Chicken and Pasta Bake

- 1 box (16 oz.) bow tie pasta
- 1/4 C. butter
- 1 C. chopped onion
- 4 cloves, garlic, minced
- 1/4 C. flour
- 1 C. milk
- 2 cans (14.5 oz.) cans diced toma-

- toes with basil, garlic, and oregano
- 1 can (15 oz.) can tomato sauce
- 3 C. chopped cooked chicken
- 4 C. shredded mozzarella cheese, divided

- 1 1/2 t. salt
  - 1 t. pepper
  - 1/2 t. sugar
- Preheat oven to 350. Prepare pasta according to package directions, and keep warm. Spray a 9 x 13 inch baking dish with cooking spray.

In a large skillet, melt butter over medium-high heat. Add the onion and garlic and cook, stirring occasionally, for 5-6 minutes or until onion is tender. Add the flour and cook, stirring constantly, for 2 minutes. Stir in milk, diced tomatoes, and tomato sauce, and cook for 5-6 minutes or until slightly thickened. Stir in chicken, 3 cups cheese, salt and pepper, and sugar. Stir in pasta. Spoon mixture into prepared baking dish; sprinkle with remaining 1 cup cheese.

Bake for 25-30 minutes or until hot and bubbly..

## Italian Stuffed Shells

- 1 lb. ground beef
- 1 C. chopped onion
- 1 garlic clove, minced
- 2 C. hot water
- 1 can (12 oz.) tomato paste
- 1 T. beef bouillon granules
- 1 1/2 t. dried oregano
- 1 large egg, lightly beaten
- 2 C. Cottage cheese
- 2 C. shredded mozzarella cheese, divided
- 1/2 C. grated Parmesan cheese

- 24 jumbo shell noodles, cooked and drained

In a large skillet, cook the beef, onion and garlic over medium heat, crumbling the beef, until the meat is no longer pink, drain. Stir in water, tomato paste, bouillon and oregano. Reduce the heat and simmer, uncovered, for 20 minutes.

Combine the egg, cottage cheese, 1 cup mozzarella and Parmesan cheese. Stuff the shells and cheese mixture.

Preheat the oven to 350. Arrange the shells in a greased 9 x 13 or 3 qt. baking dish. Pour the meat sauce over shells. Cover and bake for 30 minutes. Uncover and sprinkle with remaining mozzarella cheese. Bake until the cheese is melted, about 5 minutes longer.

Red Velvet cake has long been a Valentine favorite. This recipe is for the standard red velvet cake. The frosting is a little different than many of the cream cheese frostings used today. Have a great sweet treat with this beautiful cake. Put it on a footed cake stand, and you will have a treat the whole family will enjoy.

## Red Velvet Cake

- 1/2 C. butter, softened
- 1 1/2 C. sugar
- 2 large eggs, room temperature
- 2 bottles (1 oz. each) red food coloring
- 1 T. white vinegar
- 1 t. vanilla extract
- 2 3/4 C. cake flour
- 2 T. baking cocoa

- 1 t. baking soda
- 1 t. salt
- 1 C. buttermilk
- Frosting

- 1 T. cornstarch
- 1/2 C. cold water
- 2 C. butter, softened
- 2 t. vanilla extract
- 3 1/2 C. powdered sugar

Preheat the oven to 350. Cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Add the eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Beat in food coloring, vinegar and vanilla. In another bowl, whisk together flour, cocoa, baking soda and salt; add to the creamed mixture alternately with buttermilk beating well after each addition.

Pour into two greased and floured 9-inch round baking pans. Bake until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean, 20-25 minutes. Cool layers 10 minutes before removing from pans to wire racks to cool completely.

Frosting: combine the cornstarch and water in a small saucepan over medium heat. Stir until thickened, 2-3 minutes. Cool to room temperature. Beat butter and vanilla until light and fluffy. Beat in the cornstarch mixture. Gradually add the powdered sugar; beat until light and fluffy. Spread between layers and over top and sides of cake.

A new take on red velvet is using the cake mix to make cookies.

These crinkle cookies look great on a plate. Pair them with peppermint ice cream, and you have a great dessert that is light and fun.

## Red Velvet Crinkles

- 1 box red velvet cake mix
- 1/3 C. oil
- 2 large eggs
- 2 T. flour
- 1/4 t. almond or vanilla extract
- 1 C. granulated sugar
- 1 C. powdered sugar

In a large bowl, beat the cake mix, oil, eggs, and flour with a mixer at medium speed for 2 minutes. Add the extract, and beat until combined. Cover and refrigerate until firm, about 2 hours.

Preheat the oven to 350. Line baking sheets with parchment paper.

Place granulated sugar and powdered sugars in separate bowls. Scoop dough into 1-inch balls. Roll in granulated sugar to coat; roll in powdered sugar to coat. Place 2 inches apart on prepared pans.

Bake until surface of cookies is cracked and edges look dry, 10-12 minutes. Let cool on pans for 5 minutes. Remove from pans, and let cool completely on wire racks. Store in an airtight container for up to 3 days.

Every Valentine's Day has to have some candy. These easy homemade truffles will make your "sweeties" love you for their great taste. It takes a little time, but they are really

pretty simple to make. Enjoy these truffles (you could also have them on the plate with the crinkle cookies and ice cream) as they melt in your mouth.

## Cookies and Cream Truffle Bars

- 1 pkg. (15 1/2 oz.) Oreo cookies
- 1 pkg. (8 oz.) cream cheese, softened
- 1 pkg. (10 to 12 oz.) white baking chips

Sea salt crystals

Pulse the cookies in a food processor until fine crumbs form. Add the cream cheese; pulse just until blended. Refrigerate, covered, several hours until easy to handle. Shape into 1-inch balls; freeze several hours or until firm.

Microwave baking chips on high until melted; stir until smooth. Dip balls in melted chips; allow excess to drip off. Place on waxed paper. Drizzle with remaining chocolate or, if desired, decorate with salt. Refrigerate.

My church friend, Joyce, gave me this tasty way to make your coffee a chocolate treat just in time for Valentine's Day. Enjoy this peppermint chocolate coffee any time on a cold winter day.

## Peppermint Mocha

- 1 C. milk, steamed

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# CHURCH NEWS

## Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church will gather for worship Feb. 12, at 118 E. Mason St. Lena, IL, at 9:30 a.m. All are invited to worship at Good Shepherd on this Sixth Sunday of Epiphany with Holy Communion. Following worship, there will be a time of fellowship. All Sunday School children will gather for Sunday School Opening at 10:45 a.m. followed by learning, Bible study, prayer, and fellowship.

At Noon on Sunday all are invited to and International Heritage Luncheon. What is your ethnic heritage, we would like you to share your heritage food with us and come and learn about the history of the churches on Mason Street.

On Tuesday Feb. 14 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 Feb. 15, 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!

On Thursday Feb. 16, at 10:30 a.m. Pastor Miho will have Devotions at the Friendship Center.

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.

## St. John's

St. John's Lutheran Church-Pearl City continues to have Saturday evening worship services at 5:30 p.m. in the Nave. This is a 30-35 minute abbreviated worship service with readings from the weekly lessons.

On Sunday, Feb. 12, Pastor Ekstrand will lead worship on the Sixth Sunday After Epiphany. The worship service will begin at 9 a.m. After worship, the Property Committee and Outreach and Stewardship committees will meet in Luther Hall. In addition, the Memorial and Finance Committee will meet in the Conference Room. Whirl Sunday School will meet after worship on Feb. 12, and will focus on the lesson, "Life With God." Confirmation class will also meet at 10:15 a.m. The SPOTS Youth Group will meet at 11 a.m. on Sunday, Feb. 12, in the Youth and Family Center. Scrip orders are due on Feb. 12, also.

Those in fourth grade and older who have not received their First Communion are encouraged to attend First Communion Classes on Feb. 5 and 19, at 11 a.m. They will then receive their First Communion on Sunday, Feb. 26.

The Fifth Quarter (seventh and eighth grades) will meet at 6 p.m. on February 12, in the Youth and Family Center followed by Genesis (high school) youth group at 7:30 p.m.

The Women's Gathering will meet at 9:45 a.m. on Tuesday, February 21, in Luther Hall. The morning will begin with fellowship and a bible study. A Sit n' Sew will be held starting at 11 a.m. The Sit N Sew lunch will be soup, salad and dessert. All women are welcome to stay for lunch and bring a project to work on or projects will be available.

Bible Studies continue to be held at St. John's in the Conference Room on Mondays at 7 p.m. and on Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. Members and non members alike are invited to join the Bible Study discussions. The East door to the Lower Level is open for your convenience.

Thank you to all those who came out for our Annual Pancake and Sausage Supper. We appreciate everyone's support.

## Willow/Kent United Methodist Churches

Willow/Kent UMC will worship together Sunday Feb. 12, at 9 a.m. at Willow UMC. Pastor Brenda Morris will be giving the message; with Mary Smital as pianist; 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 welcome and invited to this time too.

Willow UMC is located about seven miles SE of Stockton, IL on Willow Rd. For more information, please call 815-601-6742.

## Renovation at the Son Shine Center

The Son Shine Center resale store in Schapville, IL will be closed from Feb. 15, through the end of February for some minor renovations. It will re-open on Wednesday, March 1, with normal business hours, which are:

Wednesdays, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. and the last Saturday of each month, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

During the whole month of March the annual 10-cent sale will be in effect for all winter merchandise. Thank you to our customers for your continued patronage and your patience during our brief closing.

## Salem United Church of Christ in Lena hosts 'Walk to the Cross with Christ' series

Please join us at Salem United Church of Christ in Lena. We continue our series called "Walk to the Cross with Christ." We bring the Bible to life by interactively reading the book of Matthew beginning at the start of Christ's ministry to his death on the cross. Our 10:30 a.m. worship services will center on these Scriptures from chapters seven

and eight and reinforce how "Christ walks alongside us." We anticipate the Holy Spirit working in our lives and communities as God speaks to us through His Word. For more information, please call (815) 369-4511 or visit us on Facebook. We are the "Old Stone Church with the Lighted Cross" located at 8491 W. Salem Rd, Lena.

## Good Shepherd Lutheran Church of Lena to host International Heritage Luncheon

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16

Make plans to attend the International Heritage Luncheon on Feb. 12, at noon at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 118 E. Mason Street, Lena.

For more information, please call (815) 369-5552.

## Monroe Clinic Hospice support group hosts HEAL meetings

The journey through grief is difficult. Many people find it comforting to face grief with others experiencing similar challenges. To help through the journey, Monroe Clinic Hospice is holding a Hope Eternal After Loss (HEAL) grief education and support group, which provides resources and encouragement for people grieving the death of a loved one. The six-week HEAL group meets Wednesdays, 9-10:30 a.m., Feb. 15-March 22, at the St. Camillus Center, 2101 6th Street, Monroe, Wis.

The HEAL support group is free and open to adults over 18 who have experienced the death of someone

special. In this sympathetic setting helpful discussion topics include:

- The importance of information and support as we grieve
- Understanding grief as a process
- Identifying and accepting normal feelings when grieving
- Past and present losses
- Factors which complicate grief
- Coping with the stress of grief
- Remembering: memorials and anniversaries

For more information or to register, call Monroe Clinic Hospice at 608-324-1230 or 800-367-8406, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or go to the event calendar at [monroeclinic.org](http://monroeclinic.org).

## Lena Community Park District to host Family Skate Night

The Lena Community Park District invites you to Family Skate Night Saturday, Feb. 11, from 6-9 p.m. (Weather permitting) in Lion's Park at ice rink

Bring your skates and enjoy the fun!

There will be a limited amount of skates available for use at no cost.

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# Pearl City Lady Wolves possibly prepared for Pirates at state playoffs

By Chris Johnson  
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There has to be a favorable outcome to be looking forward to for the Pearl City Lady Wolves as the IHSA Class 1A State Playoffs continue this week. If seeds play out, as the IHSA Selection Committee seems to feel will occur, Pearl City will get its shot to compete for the River Ridge Regional Title on Friday, Feb. 10.

On Monday, Feb. 6 the post-season began. The Lady Wolves, who were issued the four-seed in the ten-team complex didn't have to play on Monday. Forreston and River Ridge did. The Lady Cardinals were given the nine-seed and River Ridge picked up the ten. Forreston was favored to win its opening round match. With action occurring following the submission of this edition, details are unavailable as to the outcome. It is known the winner moved on to take on one-seed Galena in the 6 p.m. game on Wednesday, Feb. 8. Pearl City's first match against eight-seed Stockton follows completion of the

early game on Wednesday.

A win secures a path to the Regional Championship in Hanover and allows the bags to be packed for a trip back home for the second round. The IHSA Class 1A Sectional will be hosted by Pearl City beginning Monday, Feb. 13. With the four-seed issuance, there is the thought that Pearl City did make it to this Friday's Regional Championship Game to take on, presumably, the top-seed and NUIC Champion Galena Lady Pirates.

In the regular-season closer against Galena on Friday, Feb. 3, Pearl City couldn't find its shot and fell 60-26. Things didn't go well and some modifications could be in order. If the Lady Wolves defeat Stockton on Wednesday, it gives them a shot at putting what they learned to action immediately. That is if the first-round contest ended favorably for the four-seed Lady Wolves.

Galena took control of the Friday night match within the first few minutes of play. The 18 points put up on

the board by the Lady Pirates pushed Pearl City into a seven-point deficit heading into the second.

Matters didn't improve much for Pearl City in the second frame as Galena ran its offense and ran Pearl City's deficit to nearly 20 at the break. By the end of 16 minutes of play, Galena held a 32-15 edge.

The hosts proceeded to put another 16 points on the board in the third quarter, effectively ending the night for the visiting Lady Wolves. After

three periods Galena was sending in replacements and letting them work with a 50-22 edge. Pearl City scored four points in the fourth quarter and fell 60-26.

Now a lot of adjustments have to be made or a similar outcome could be waiting for the four-seed Lady Wolves this Friday. They have to deal with eight-seed Stockton first. The Lady Blackhawks are on their own journey of discovery, as they enter the post season. They have been

"streaky." Stockton has lost three of their last four matches.

Going back to the beginning of January, Stockton fell to State-ranked AFC and nearly-State ranked Pecatonica. During that same stretch, Eastland gave them one too. They won three-of-four matches before that.

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## Northwestern Illinois Community Action Agency 2016-2017 LIHEAP Heating Utility Assistance Program

Northwestern Illinois Community Action Agency has funding from the Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity (DCEO) to assist residents of Jo Daviess and Stephenson Counties with home heating utility costs through the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP).

Applications are still being taken for assistance with home heating utilities for eligible households for the current program year of September 2016 - May 2017.

If you have not received assistance during the current program year, you may call 815-232-3141 or 800-883-1111 from 8:00 am to 3:30 pm Mon. - Fri. to schedule an appointment at one of the following locations.

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Warren Township Library      Hanover Village Hall  
Citizens State Bank of Lena      East Dubuque Library  
Illinois Bank & Trust-Galena Downtown

To qualify for assistance, a household must have income at or below the levels shown on the chart for 30 days including the application date. Documentation will be required to apply.

# people in Household	30 Day Gross Income
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2	\$2,003
3	\$2,520
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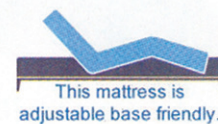
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This series provides information on treatment goals and self-monitoring. Participants will receive information about planning meals,

reading food labels, and using artificial sweeteners and learn more about low-fat products, herbs and spices. This series will also discuss managing carbohydrates, sodium, cholesterol, and fat portions. In each session, participants receive

recipes and watch cooking demonstrations.

The goal of I on Diabetes is to help you improve your diabetes care and overall wellbeing and is designed to complement the recommendations of your health care

provider and to help you and/or your loved one manage diabetes.

I on Diabetes will meet on the following Thursday evening: March 9, 23, 30, and April 6, from 5:30-8:30 p.m. in the lower level of the Lena Community Center, 497 Lions Drive, Lena, IL

Pre-registration is required to attend the I on Diabetes four part series. Registration cost is \$40 per person (includes four sessions) or \$65 per couple (with one set of handouts). To register please contact the University of Illinois Extension at (815) 235-4125 or on-line at [web.extension.illinois.edu/jsw](http://web.extension.illinois.edu/jsw).



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## •Kitchen

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T. cocoa powder  
1-2 T. peppermint syrup  
Whipped cream  
Chocolate syrup  
Crushed peppermints  
Peppermint Syrup  
1 C. sugar  
1 C. Water  
2 t. peppermint extract

Syrup: In a small saucepan, bring sugar and water to a boil. Reduce the heat to medium and stir constantly until the sugar is dissolved. Stir in the peppermint extract. Cool to room temperature and store in a glass jar in the refrigerator for up to three months.

In a pot, heat 1 cup of milk until steaming. Froth the milk with a wire whisk or an immersion blender until foamy. In your coffee cup, mix together the prepared coffee, cocoa powder and peppermint syrup. Pour the milk foam over the top of the coffee/mocha mixture and stir to incorporate. To with whipped cream, a drizzle of chocolate syrup and crushed peppermints if desired.

I hope you have a great Valentine's Day. Reminder to any men who read this column—you can never give a woman (or a girl) too much jewelry, too many flowers, or too much candy! Soon we will be celebrating President's Day. This means we are looking for some cherry recipes. If you have any, send them our way. We will also be featuring winter soups.

If you have some new or favorite recipes, you can contact us in person, by mail, or email us at [FromLena'sKitchens, Shopper's Guide](mailto:FromLena'sKitchens@Shopper'sGuide.com) at 213 S. Center St. or email [scoopshopper@rvpublishing.com](mailto:scoopshopper@rvpublishing.com). Have a great New Year's celebration



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# New dates for Annie's Project Course

Annie's Project: Managing for Today and Tomorrow will be held locally at the Jo Daviess County Extension Office, 204 Vine St., Elizabeth, IL. The program will be comprised of six sessions: Feb. 14, 16, 21, 23, and 28 with March 2 as a snow date if needed. The sessions will be held from 9 a.m. to noon. Lunch may be provided some of these sessions.

Pre-registration is required to attend Annie's Project: Managing for Today and Tomorrow. Registration cost is \$50. Registration can be completed by calling the University of Illinois Extension at (815) 858-2273, (815) 235-4125, or on line at web.extension.illinois.edu/jsw. You must register by Feb. 8, to attend the program.

Creating a transition plan to make sure a farm continues as a productive, agricultural business can be challenging. Farm women can have a key role in successful farm transitions. Managing for Today and Tomorrow, an Annie's Project course for women, is a program designed to help farm and ranch women become more involved

with the transition of their farm or ranch legacy. Managing for Today and Tomorrow was put together by a team of educators and business men and women who pooled their resources together to put forth collective resources and experiences concerning farm and ranch families to create a program focused on women's roles in succession planning, business planning, estate planning, and retirement planning.

Succession planning consists of transferring knowledge, skills, labor, management, control and ownership between generations. Successful farm and ranch transfer depends a lot on the business and financial aspects, but also in part on anticipating and preparing for unexpected events that could disrupt management and ownership succession. Openly communicating and sharing expectations and goals is critical to a successful transition. This part of the course will be taught by Extension Staff.

Business planning entails developing goals, strategies and actions that form a road map to business growth. Having a good business plan will not prevent downside risk from occurring, but it will help improve the odds of successful and satisfying outcomes. The business planning portion of the course will be taught by professionals from 1st Farm Credit Services which

serves northwest Illinois.

Estate planning includes managing an individual's asset base in one's lifetime, at death or after death. Estate planning consists of the legacy of transferring land and other assets to future generations and the settlement of estate taxes, while attempting to eliminate uncertainties over administration of the assets and to maximize the value of the estate. Estate planning will be taught by attorney David Shockey who works with many families in the area.

Retirement planning is comprised of designing an enjoyable and productive time in life. Future retirees should plan what role they envision for themselves in the farm or ranch business as well as make decisions on the location of residence, type of lifestyle, health care needs and generating the necessary income. Deb Brown from Ag and Small Business Services will be presenting on the retirement planning portion of the course.

Besides brief presentations, there will be discussions based on participant questions and follow-up activities for family members to complete at home. This is an opportunity for farm women to meet with others who share similar issues and concerns. A small class size will make it comfortable for everyone to speak up and have questions answered.

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The Dura Management Team would like to congratulate the award recipients and thank them for their many years of dedicated service.



Back Row: Kenneth Bilderback (20 yrs), Eric Hartman (25 yrs), Charles Marks (25 yrs)  
Front Row: Marna Pauley (25 yrs), Penny Patterson (45 yrs), Margaret Streicher (40 yrs)



Amber Noll (10 yrs), Dennis Phillips (25 yrs)



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Front Row: Brett Anderson (15 yrs), Patricia Shumaker (25 yrs), Melinda Hinrichs (10 yrs), Kristina Brown (10 yrs)

NOT PICTURED: Joseph Beau (45 yrs), Alan Downs (45 yrs), David Baltierra (30 yrs), Steve Arand (30 yrs), Carrie Layman (25 yrs), Michael Miller (25 yrs), Janet Amling (10 yrs), Terri Dittmar (10 yrs), D'Anne Stiegler (10 yrs), Pamela Busch (10 yrs), Leroy Siedenburgh (10 yrs)



# U of I Extension 4-H to host Science Siesta for boys

"For several years now there has been a Science Siesta aimed just for girls, but no longer is that the case for the 2017 year," said Johnna Jennings, University of Illinois Extension 4-H Youth Development Educator. "This year we will be offering a Science Siesta event just for boys in fourth-sixth grades on Friday, March 10 to Saturday, March 11, and it will be held at the Discovery Center Children's Museum in Rockford," said Jennings.

"Science Siesta for Boys will be an action-packed program that combines hands-on science, an opportunity to meet real scientists, to learn about a particular field of science and to spend an awesome night in a museum. This is our first time offering this event for just boys, and we are excited to have the opportunity," said Jennings. "Our female participants should not worry as we will still be offering Science Siesta for Girls, but that program is not sched-

uled to take place until April 21 & 22."

At Science Siesta for Boys, the participants will interact with scientists in science career fields from throughout northern Illinois. The scientists will share information about their background and involve the boys in activities much like they complete in their work every day.

Following the face-to-face interaction with the scientists, youth participate in activities based on the

"Wonderwise" curriculum developed by the University of Nebraska. This curriculum highlights the work of scientists and then translates their work into hands-on science based activities, which are fun and engaging. Participants may choose one of three workshop tracks for breakout sessions. Their choices for this year include activities from "Vet Detective", "Parasite Sleuth" and "Urban Ecologist".

This event will begin with regis-

tration at 5 p.m. on Friday, March 10 and will conclude with checkout at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 11. Yes, the boys get to spend the night in the Discovery Center. The registration fee is \$40 per participant and covers pizza, snack, breakfast, admission to the Discovery Center Children's Museum, all hands-on activities, and a t-shirt. The University of Illinois Extension is providing this program, which is open to all boys in 4th-6th grades. For additional information, as well as to register for Science Siesta for Boys, go to the University of Illinois Extension website at <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/bdo/> or call (815) 758-8194.

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# LEGALS

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STEPHENSON COUNTY - FREEPORT, ILLINOIS**  
 Stillman BancCorp, N.A.  
**PLAINTIFF**  
 Vs.  
 Brad Thompson a/k/a Bradley J. Thompson; et. al.  
**DEFENDANTS**

16 CH 00056

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE**  
**PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 11/15/2016, the Sheriff of Stephenson County, Illinois will on 3/22/17 at the hour of 9:30AM at Stephenson County Courthouse, 15 North Galena Avenue 1st Floor, West door of courthouse, Freeport, IL 61032, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of Stephenson and State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

PART OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (1/4) OF SECTION 21, PART OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER (1/4) OF SECTION 20 AND PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (1/4) OF SECTION 28, ALL IN TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST OF THE FOURTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SOUTHWEST QUARTER (1/4) OF SECTION 21; THENCE NORTH 88 DEGREES 40' 07" EAST (ASSUMED BEARING) ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SOUTHWEST QUARTER (1/4) OF SECTION 21, 438.90 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT SIX (6), AS SAID LOT IS PLATTED IN THE STEPHENSON COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE IN DEED BOOK 48, PAGE 302; THENCE SOUTH 0 DEGREES 01' 54" EAST, ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID LOT SIX (6), 2413.92 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED TRACT OF LAND; THENCE CONTINUING SOUTH 0 DEGREES 01' 54" EAST, 467.93 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 88 DEGREES 05' 15" WEST, 196.43 FEET; THENCE NORTH 20 DEGREES 15' 28" WEST, 205.74 FEET; THENCE NORTH 83 DEGREES 01' 37" WEST, 112.91 FEET; THENCE

NORTH 1 DEGREE 24' 09" WEST, 23.73 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 08' 40" WEST, 38.40 FEET; THENCE NORTH 1 DEGREE 20' 34" WEST 47.95 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 88 DEGREES 29' 25" WEST, 115.34 FEET; THENCE NORTH 1 DEGREE 38' 23" EAST, 191.81 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 08' 12" EAST, 529.35 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF STEPHENSON AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.

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If the property is a condominium and the foreclosure takes place after 1/1/2007, purchasers other than the mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).

If the property is located in a common interest community, purchasers other than mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

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

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

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

For information: Examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: Codilis & Associates, P.C., 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100, Burr Ridge, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876. Please refer to file number 14-16-06860.

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STEPHENSON COUNTY - FREEPORT, ILLINOIS**

The Bank of New York Mellon fka The Bank of New York, as Trustee for the Certificateholders of CWALT, Inc., Alternative Loan Trust 2005-21CB, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-21CB  
**PLAINTIFF**  
 Vs.  
 Cortney Haight, as Administrator; et. al.  
**DEFENDANTS**

16 CH 00073

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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 14-16-08240.

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF STEPHENSON, ILLINOIS**  
**ESTATE OF ADDIE ELWOOD, DECEASED.**

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Notice is given to creditors of the death of the above named decedent.

Letters of office were issued to ANTHONY ELWOOD, 3800 PEAR TREE CT., COUNTRY CLUB HILLS, ILLINOIS, 60478, as Independent ADMINISTRATOR, whose attorney of record is MARNY E. KRAVENAS; MALMAN LAW, 205 WEST RANDOLPH STREET, SUITE 610, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, 60606.

The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under section 5/28-4 of the Probate Act Ill. Compiled Stat. 1992, Ch. 755, par. 5/28-4) any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the clerk.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the clerk.

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 Freeport, Illinois 61032-0785

or with the representative, or both, on or before AUGUST 8, 2017, or, if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by section 5/18-3 of the Probate Act, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

MARNY E. KRAVENAS

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# Repairing The Harm: UW Platteville students lead victim impact program

Twenty-five criminal justice and forensic investigation students from the University of Wisconsin-Platteville recently facilitated three sessions of victim impact programming for 42 inmates at Prairie du Chien Correctional Institution in Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin. The students are enrolled in the Victimology and Restorative Justice course, taught by Dr. Amy Nemmetz, assistant professor of criminal justice at UW-Platteville.

Students participating in this unique class included Taylor Nicole Wedge of Lena, IL. Restorative justice is a theory of justice that emphasizes repairing the harm caused by criminal behavior, and is accomplished through cooperative processes that include the victim, the offender, family members of the victim and the offender as well as members of the community. Through restorative justice programs, the

voices of victims can be heard and offenders take responsibility for their actions while taking steps to repair the harm they caused. Session One, Nov. 9:

At the first session, students and inmates watched two "Pay It Forward" videos and students encouraged inmates to discuss some of the people who had positively affected their lives by doing something kind for them or saying something kind to them. Inmates also shared what they hoped someone had done for their victims or victims' families to make their situations better.

Students gave inmates an overview of restorative justice then divided into small groups to test their knowledge on the topic. Next, students conducted an activity that helped illustrate the inequality of victims then led a discussion about how victims might feel during and after a crime, how victims move through the criminal justice system, how some victims are treated differently by the criminal justice system, how socioeconomic status or financial status may affect victims, and how some victims recover more quickly than others, depending on their current situation, finances, friends and family.

Next, students discussed negative repercussions that victims of domestic violence/intimate partner face and the cost of resolving problems caused by the violence. Following, students went over myths and facts about property crimes and inmates identified financial,

physical, emotional and religious/spiritual repercussions of these crimes. Next, inmates watched two videos about intimate partner violence and discussed the long-term psychological and emotional impact on the victims and how the crimes affected other members of the victims' families and the community.

Toward the end of the session, inmates completed a past/present/future activity in which they wrote down how they would describe themselves before they came to prison, the steps they are taking now to positively affect their future and what they hope to accomplish after they are released.

Session Two, Nov. 18: At the second session, students and inmates watched a video about the power of restorative justice and an unlikely friendship between Jackie Millar, a woman from Wisconsin, and Craig Sussek, who shot and critically injured Millar as he and a friend tried to steal her car. The film documented how Millar recovered from her injuries and then dedicated her life to end violence.

Following the video, the inmates split into two large groups. Each group completed a set of activities, then the groups switched.

In one group, students and inmates discussed the video and how Millar's and Sussek's actions after the crime related to restorative justice, forgiveness and healing. Students led a discussion about the three components of restorative justice - accountability, restoration and engagement - and inmates discussed whether the offenders in Millar's case took accountability and tried to repair the harm they had caused. Inmates then named a crime they had committed and explained whether they had taken responsibility for their actions and tried to repair the harm they had caused to others.

In the other group, inmates and students made fleece tie blankets together. While they made the blankets, students encouraged inmates to talk about the types of hardships victims at domestic abuse shelters experience, why children in foster care can be considered victims and why children in juvenile group homes can be considered victims of the system. When the project was finished, the inmates voted to give the 25 blankets they had made to the Platteville Police Department (to give to families and children who are involved in, or witness, a crime), Family Advocates and Grant County Social Services.

Session Three, Dec. 1: At the third session, students led activities that addressed how the inmates' actions had affected their lives and the lives of others, including those they loved, and how they could decide to view circumstances in their lives positively or negatively.

Inmates then watched "Lives Shattered by Alcohol," a video about Jacque Saburido, a young woman who had taken a break from college and travelled to the United States to study English. She had been in Texas less than a

month when she was critically injured in a car crash that changed her life forever. Her story exposes the painful consequences of a young man's decision to drink and drive.

Students and inmates discussed the video, then inmates shared how alcohol or drugs had affected their lives or the lives of those they loved. Following, the inmates discussed what they would have asked the offender or Saburido and how they would have felt if they were in Saburido's situation. Inmates then created posters or flyers that illustrated their thoughts and feelings about how drug-related (including alcohol) crimes are not victimless crimes.

Finally, the mother of a drunk driving victim, Mayda Crites, shared her son's story as well as her own personal experience with the criminal justice system and how she finds healing through restorative justice initiatives. Inmates discussed the impact that alcohol or drugs had on them and what they thought should be done to prevent situations like this from happening.

"These inmates really wanted to better themselves and learn about restorative justice and that surprised me," said Blake Demunck, a junior criminal justice major from Germantown, Wisconsin. "Some of them shared what they were in for and took full accountability for their actions, which I did not think would happen. I learned that these inmates are normal people like the rest of us, and not these monsters they are usually portrayed as by the media. They shared their side of the story and that is so important to take into account. The victim impact days will help me in my future to realize that the offenders of the crimes sometimes have had a difficult past and that could be the reason behind why they are committing these crimes. As a future police officer, it is essential to know as many details as possible about the offender and the situation as a whole. The activities we did with the inmates will be something I remember for the rest of my life."

"We've been facilitating victim impact programming as part of the class since fall 2014," said Nemmetz. "Every semester, I am anxious about how the students will respond to the project and how the inmates will feel about the program. I continue to be impressed and amazed. The students always give 110 percent and are excited to be a part of such an important program. The inmates always share willingly and engage fully; they verbalize and demonstrate their desire to take accountability for their actions by sharing what they have done and discussing the harm they have caused while also critically thinking about what steps they can take to repair that harm for corresponding primary and secondary victims of their crimes. I am grateful to Prairie du Chien Correctional staff, the inmates who openly share and our students who jump in with both feet."



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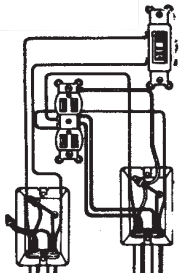
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STEPHENSON COUNTY -  
FREEPORT, ILLINOIS  
Stillman BancCorp, N.A.  
PLAINTIFF  
Vs.  
Brad Thompson a/k/a Bradley J. Thompson; et. al.  
DEFENDANTS  
16 CH 00056  
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF  
REAL ESTATE  
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN  
that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 11/15/2016, the Sheriff of Stephenson County, Illinois will on 3/22/17 at the hour of 9:30AM at Stephenson County Courthouse, 15 North Galena Avenue 1st Floor, West door of courthouse, Freeport, IL 61032, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of Stephenson and State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

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If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.  
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PLAINTIFF  
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