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Stockton Music Department to host solo and ensemble competition

Stockton Schools will be hosting an IHSA Solo and Ensemble music contest on Saturday, March 3. There will be students from many different schools as well as students from our school competing. The department is in need of baked goods, hamburger, and monetary donations for the food stand. If you could donate two dozen cookies or bars, five lbs. of hamburger, or donate money towards the purchase of the other food items and supplies that will be needed, please let us know. Please have hamburger or money to Mrs. Crandall or Penny Duchow by February 28. The baked goods can be brought to the school and given to Mrs. Crandall on Friday, March 2, or to the high school cafeteria Friday night between 5 – 9 p.m. Hosting this takes a lot of time and commitment by the Stockton community and there are a lot of jobs that day that need to be covered. We are splitting the work shifts up into two time slots, they are: 7:30 – 12 and 11:30-finish. If you have someone performing, you can still sign up and we will have someone try to come and cover your spot for you while they are performing, so you can go see them and then return so the person can move on to cover someone else.

For questions, , please call Mrs. Crandall 815-947-3702 or Rick and Penny Duchow 815-947-3919. Thank you for your continued support.



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ACL Pinewood Derby

When the dust had settled and the smoke cleared all the entrants in Saturday's annual Apple Canyon Lake Pinewood Derby gathered for a winner's circle celebration.

Lady Blackhawks in Elite company at Sectionals

By Chris Johnson
REPORTER

The journey continued for the Stockton Lady Blackhawks thanks in part to a determined start in the Friday, Freeport Aquin Sectional Championship. The Lady Blackhawks knocked off the host Freeport Aquin Lady Bulldogs 71-65 and moved on to the Belvidere Class 1A Super Sectional for action on Monday, Feb. 19.

Only eight teams across the vast spectrum of 1A schools made it as far as Stockton did this season. Due to print restrictions it isn't known how things turned out in the Monday Elite Eight showdown with Melrose Park-Walther Christian. If the Lady Blackhawks won, they will be at Red-bird Arena, suited up and ready for action this Friday morning at 11:15 a.m.

Stockton started strong against the host Lady Bulldogs. They scored 23 points in the first eight minutes of play and then made it a 40-point tally by the half. Aquin did not fade though. The Lady Bulldogs countered the

Stockton opening volley with 13 points of its own in the first. They slipped in the second though and only added eight. Stockton was in front 40-21 at the half.

The third period was fast for both top seeds. Aquin ran, spotted, passed and shot. Stockton powered its way to 17 points and maintained the edge with a period to play and a Sectional Title on the line. The Lady Blackhawks lead was cut to 16, 57-41. Aquin was about to turn it up.

Defense frustrates great offenses and as a result, great chances open for the defending troop. The Lady Bulldogs ran for 24 points in the period and held Stockton to ten. The match was decided as time expired though, with Stockton holding on for the six-point win, 71-65. The victory gave

Stockton the Elite Eight and a shot at Melrose Park for the right to advance to Illinois State University.

The Lady Broncos made it to the Super Sectional round courtesy of a run of success through their own 2A Sectional. Melrose Park finished tied for second place in the Metro Suburban, which was won by Glenbard South with a 13-0 mark. Four of the top six teams in the Metro Suburban had more than 20 wins this year. Elgin St. Edward, which tied for second with Melrose Park with a 19-8 mark.

A win over the Broncos meant control over their quick-strike offense. They were the highest scoring team in their conference. Stockton carried that same distinction, with the exception of the Eastland Lady Cougars, who scored a little less than a point more

per night.

Stockton captured the Sectional Crown courtesy of a round of 32 opening night win over the Eastland Lady Cougars, 48-46. The Lady Blackhawks 17-point, ten-point edge after the first period helped secure the right to advance to the Sectional Title Match and a meeting with the Aquin Bulldogs.

Eastland outplayed the Lady Blackhawks from the first period on. The eleven-point deficit fell to five by the break, 22-17 and slipped even more as the fourth began. With eight minutes to play, it was a two-point match, with Stockton in front 34-32. Each team chipped in 14 in the fourth and Stockton closed the night with the right to fight for the Final Four with the 48-46 decision.

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Special Olympics 2018

On Tuesday, Feb. 6, Scales Mound High School students traveled to Chestnut Mountain to work as volunteers for the Special Olympics. Thirty-five students and two chaperones helped with the snowshoeing event as timers, starting-line assistants, and cheering spectators. Despite the cold temperatures, the students enjoyed the day and are ready to go back next year.

Pictured are the freshmen volunteers and race timers Ayla Jones, Emily Hurlburt, McKenzy Bader, Melanie Knuth, Georgia Vandigo, Taylor Korte, and Madelyn Pingel.

Hornets battle south in 1A Tournament

By Chris Johnson
REPORTER

The Scales Mound Hornets Boys' Basketball Team opened the IHSA Class 1A State Playoffs on Monday, Feb. 19 in the East Dubuque Regional. They were issued the 13-seed, the lowest in the north and were forced into a Monday start against the higher-seeded Stockton Blackhawks. Unfortunately, details of that contest are unavailable at this time.

The road is tough from the beginning for Scales Mound. With the lower starting position, in every game, the Hornets face a sizable underdog situation.

The post-season always presents

a second chance for every team though. A program, with a couple hot wins, will find itself in a Regional Championship, or better, situation.

A rough stretch, such as the one the Hornets had to work through this season, puts a team in a difficult position when the post-season starts. The 13-seed designation was issued to Scales Mound, due to its overall performance against a challenging winter schedule. The Hornets closed winter games with a mark of 1-26.

The Stockton Blackhawks picked up the seven-seed in the opening night match, even though they struggled through their own season. They closed 2017-2018 with a 3-10 NUIC-

West mark. The two teams faced off once this year and Stockton got the upper hand then.

The Blackhawks doubled-up the Hornets the first time the two teams met. On Tuesday, Jan. 9, Stockton fueled on home court advantage, took a 56-28 decision. The second time around the higher-seed still carried its scoring edge into the opening night meeting. An upset win on Monday means a lot of extra offense had to be generated by Scales Mound.

In head-to-head meetings this season, the Hornets scored just under 35 points a game. At the same time, the defense struggled to contain many of the highest-powered offenses in the West, including State-ranked East Dubuque and 20-game winners Lena-Winslow and River Ridge.

The Hornets allowed close to 50 points per night, on average, to the top three teams and the many others

'Sense and Sensibility' comes to the Highland Community College stage

Highland Community College Theatre Arts program presents "Sense and Sensibility" by Kate Hamill, adapted from the Jane Austen novel for the spring 2018 theatre production. Performance dates are Thursday, March 8, Friday, March 9, and Saturday, March 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the Ferguson Fine Arts Center Theatre, 2998 W. Pearl City Rd., Freeport, Ill.

"Sense and Sensibility" is a playful adaptation of a beloved novel that follows the misfortunes and the many fortunes of the Dashwood sisters after the death of their father. His death leaves them penniless and socially vulnerable.

The play is set in the late 18th-century, which at that time was a gossipy England. The play is full of humor and has a fresh female voice that adds to the emotional depth of what the sisters must endure. The play can lead the audience to examine their own reactions, which can be reason-

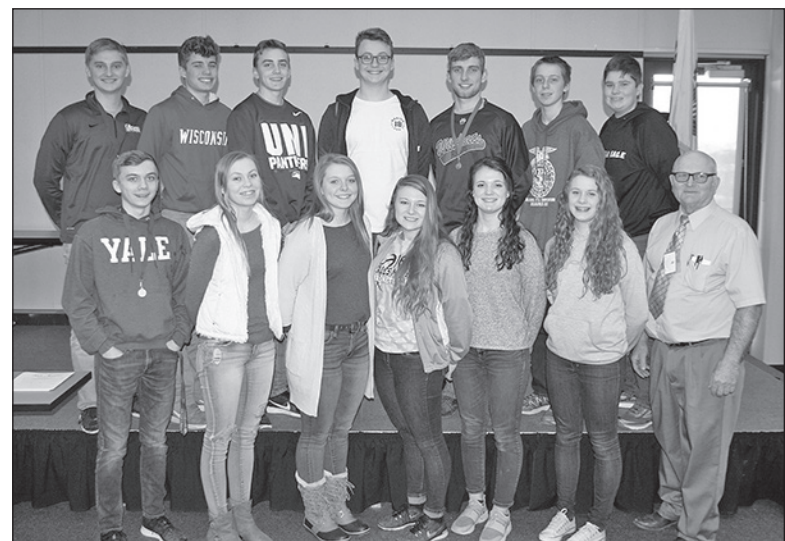
able or ridiculous as it relates to societal pressures.

The cast is comprised of 20 Highland Community College students, with original music composed by Josh Naujokas, a Highland student, who also composed and an original musical piece for the 2017 Highland production of "Midsummer Night's Dream."

"I find Kate Hamill's adaptation of Jane Austen's novel Sense and Sensibility to be lively, comedic and highly theatrical," said Laura Early, director, and theatre arts instructor. "Please come ready to laugh and enjoy a clever comedy. It is so much fun."

Linda Foat of Camelot Costumes, LLC is costume designer and the set and lights are designed by Ryan Gahm, a Highland student.

Tickets are \$10 for adults; \$8 for seniors and \$6 for students. There is a \$2 transaction fee for every ticket purchased. For reservations call 815-599-3718 or visit highland.edu.



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Nic Davis, Mickenzie Bass, Maddie Cocagne, Desaray Bordner, Julia Cogan, Eve Nottrott, Coach Keith Hesselbacher
Back Row: Isaac Stadel, Sam Townsend, Matt Davis, Marco Tomassi, Ryan Schiess, Ethan Soppe, and Collin Malin participated in the 300 Division of the WYSE regionals.

Scales Mound students move to WYSE sectional competition

The Worldwide Youth in Science and Engineering Regional was held at Highland Community College in Freeport on Thursday, Feb. 8. There were eight teams in the 300 Division. River Ridge placed first, Eastland second, and East Dubuque third. The Scales Mound Team consisted of MicKenzie Bass, Desaray Bordner, Madelyn Cocagne, Julia Cogan, Matt Davis, Nic Davis, Luc Fox, Collin Malin, Eve Nottrott, Ryan Schiess,

Ethan Soppe, Marco Tomassi, and Sam Townsend. Three students from Scales Mound High School will advance to the Sectional competition at Northern Illinois University in DeKalb on March 15, Isaac Stadel placed first in Chemistry, Nic Davis placed first in Engineering Graphics and Ryan Schiess placed second in Engineering Graphics.

Team Coach is Keith Hesselbacher.

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Terry Gnadt and son Jerry, Tracy Lapelle, and Mason Engel keep a watchful eye as George Lapelle puts the final touches on their ACL Pinewood Derby entry.



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ACL Pinewood Derby

The Sabinson and Kohl families came to the annual Apple Canyon Lake Pinewood Derby to compete and lend support to the extended family members in the races.



Noah and Liam Dinkheller, Mike Dunning, and Brady Bass check out the derby cars before casting their votes for the Best of Show vehicle. When the ballots were counted Mickayla Bass and Hunter Plach won the BOS competition.




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And the 2018 Apple Canyon Lake Pinewood Derby winners are: 1st- Brady Bass, 2nd- Owen Kohl, 3rd- Jaren Jones, 4th- Jordan Kohl, 5th- Mickenzie Bass, 6th - Mickayla Bass, and 7th- Teagan Sabinson



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Around the Northern Hills with Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau Manager Annette Eggers

Estate Planning Seminar Planned. It's never too early to learn about getting your personal and financial affairs in order. The Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau will be hosting, Rick Morgan, Senior Financial Security Consultant from COUNTRY Financial on Tuesday,

March 20, 1:30 p.m. for a free, member seminar on farm estate planning, farm continuation, the new tax bill and how it impacts estate planning. Rick has more than 35 years of experience as a trust officer and has been involved in estate, retirement, business, farm continuation and per-

sonal financial planning. Questions, call the Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau at 815-858-2235. If you plan on attending, please RSVP with our office.

Would you like to learn more about how to be a voice for agriculture? I have a perfect opportunity for you! Mark your calendars for Feb. 28 at 7 p.m. at the Farm Bureau office in Elizabeth. Our guest speaker is IFB's Linda Olson, who is in charge of "Illinois Farm Families" program which promotes conversations between farmers and consumers. She will give us some great information on how to be a better advocate for agriculture. If you are

interested in attending, please call our office at 815-858-2235 or email jdcfbmgr@blkhawk.net. Come join us for a conversation on how to talk about agriculture through common values, common language, and two-way dialogues.

The Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau Foundation has its scholarship applications available. We again have two different scholarships for those students majoring in an agricultural related field. The first scholarship is geared specifically to Highland Community College Ag students. High School Seniors or those already enrolled at HCC can apply. The second scholarship is a

general scholarship for any post-secondary school. For this scholarship, the student needs to be currently in their first year of college. This scholarship is only available to Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau members and their children.

Don't forget about the Dicamba training coming up on Feb. 23, from 10-11:30 at the Stephenson County Farm Bureau in Freeport. If you are interested in attending, please visit <https://ifca.com/Illinois-DicambaTraining> to see the complete schedule and to sign up for a session.

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Ag Fun Fact: Elevators in the Statue of Liberty use a soybean-based hydraulic fluid.



Annette Eggers

Meditation on the religion of the gun

By Reverend Armida Alexander
CORRESPONDENT

Somewhere beyond hope, and far beyond the reach of "thoughts and prayers," I struggle with rage and grief. Yet another massacre in a public school, and eighteen similar tragedies in this year alone. I cannot look at those beautiful faces of our lost children now being posted on the internet without feeling shame, rage, and unspeakable loss. What does my religious faith have to say about these crimes?

Religion is the state of being grasped by an ultimate concern, a concern which qualifies all other concerns as preliminary and which itself contains the answer to the question of a meaning of our life. -- Paul Tillich

So, one may rightly ask, what seems to be "the ultimate concern" of our fabled republic? What is the real religion of America? Is it the lives of its citizens? Is it the lives of its children? Hardly. Transcending the concern for the lives and well-being of its people is concern for the money (read "bribes") offered to law-makers to NOT pass laws restricting the sale and distribution of guns and more guns. America has become a temple dedicated to the false(?) god of money and violence, and the money-changers are doing a lively business.

Who is going to march into this temple and upset the tables stacked

with blood-money?

When it was almost time for the Passover, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple courts he found people selling cattle, sheep and doves, and others sitting at tables exchanging money. So he made a whip out of cords, and drove all from the temple courts, both sheep and cattle; he scattered the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. -- John 2:13-16

It seems to me that this paradigmatic act -- told in Matthew, Mark, Luke and John -- shows us one strategy for dealing with those who desecrate our sacred places, and is not a school a sacred place, a place set aside for the uplift, well-being and safety of children. We braid us a whip of three strands -- anger, courage, and love -- and we drive them out! Whose anger, courage, and love? All of us who have ever borne a child; loved a child, or been a child. Tillich wrote in Dynamics of Faith, "... history has shown that the most terrible crimes against love have been committed in the name of fanatically defended doctrines." Our "fanatically defended doctrine" is the one that insists that weapons must be bought and sold, without hindrance or conscience, on the open market.

Why will we need anger, courage, and love? Bertolt Brecht, in Mother Courage, remarked that it takes a

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Madigan issues alert to social media scam posing as attorney general's office

Attorney General Lisa Madigan today alerted Illinois residents to a scam using her office and name and the prospect of free money in an attempt to solicit personal information from people.

Madigan's office has received consumer complaints from people who have received solicitations from social media accounts on Facebook and Instagram that provide links to get "free money" from her office through alleged government grant funding. Madigan said these are scams designed to get personal information from people, including their social security numbers.

"My office will never send messages over social media or emails asking for your social security number or personal information," Madigan said. "If you receive a message claiming to be from me or the Illinois Attorney General's office, do not respond or click on any links and contact my office directly to report the scam."

Madigan urged anyone who has encountered this or any similar scam

to contact her Consumer Fraud Hotline:

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

Consumers can also file complaints online at Madigan's website: <http://www.illinoisattorneygeneral.gov/>

Rauner's budget would finally balance Illinois' budget

NFIB State Director Mark Grant has released the following statement in response to Gov. Bruce Rauner's proposed budget:

"It's been too long since Illinois had a balanced budget. We have a history of not paying our bills and kicking the can down the road. Governor Rauner's plan would change that. It would bring spending under control and compel Illinois to live within its means.

"Last year, the General Assembly hit us with a 32-percent income tax

increase, and they're talking about raising taxes again.

"We can't afford to keep spending money we don't have. Our members are calling on their legislators to do their constitutional duty and start with a revenue estimate. We want the General Assembly to stop playing politics and produce a balanced budget in a truly bipartisan manner."

NFIB is Illinois' leading small-business association. To learn more, visit www.NFIB.com/IL and follow @NFIB_IL on Twitter.

Congresswoman Bustos announces \$43 million in federal loans for Midwest Medical Center in Galena

Congresswoman Cheri Bustos (IL-17) announced \$43 million in federal loans from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) to Midwest Medical Center in Galena, Illinois.

The funding comes from the USDA's Office of Rural Development, and these low-interest loans allow Midwest Medical Center to continue providing high-quality health care to the community of Galena. 80 rural hospitals have closed since 2010, making access to affordable financing, like that offered by USDA, more important than ever.

The funding will also be used to construct new traffic safety infrastructure around the hospital, including a new entrance to the facility.

"Our small and rural communities need access to high-quality health care. Midwest Medical Center provides that for Galena and the surrounding area and is an important part of the local economy," said Congresswoman Cheri Bustos. "These loans allow the Center to continue to serve the community and enhance the important services they provide. Traffic safety around the hospital has long been a concern. Improvements to the nearby highway as well as the construction of a new turn lane will ensure that patients can now enter the hospital safely. I was proud to help Midwest Medical Center secure this funding and look forward to their continued service to our region."

Midwest Medical Center opened

on Dec. 5, 2007, but its only entrance is a service road. Proximity to the intersection of Highway 20 and W. Norris Lane has led to several collisions as drivers attempt to enter and exit the hospital. Improvements to Highway 20, including the addition of a designated turn lane, will prevent future traffic accidents.

The only hospital in Jo Daviess County, Midwest Medical Center has 260 employees and had 27,000 patient visits to its hospital and clinics in Fiscal Year 2017. Galena-Stauss Senior Care provided 28,000 days of care to its clients. The interest savings from these federal loans will allow Midwest Medical Center to expand its services to nearby communities.

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Obituaries

JOYCE A. POTTER

Joyce A. Potter, age 88, of Elizabeth, Illinois, passed away Monday, Feb. 12, 2018, at the Elizabeth Nursing Home. Cremation rites have been accorded. A memorial service and visitation were held Feb. 17, at the First United Methodist Church, Elizabeth. Memorials may be given in Joyce's name to the First United Methodist Church or the Elizabeth Historical Society. Family and friends are invited to share in Joyce's life at www.lawjonesfuneralhome.com.

Joyce was born on Sept. 28, 1929, the daughter of Francis and Mary (Jones) Kevern in Freeport, Illinois. She attended Elizabeth High School and graduated with the Class of 1948. On Dec. 21, 1950, Joyce married Charles Potter at the Hanover United Methodist Church. They celebrated 59 years of marriage before Charles' death in 2010.

Joyce worked at a bookkeeper for the Jo Daviess Service Company for many years. She was a member of the Elizabeth First United Methodist Church, the Elizabeth Historical Society, and the Lion's Club. Joyce enjoyed playing cards and gardening. She also was a proud D.A.R. member and delighted in researching her family's genealogy. Everywhere Joyce went she was sure to share her humor and upbeat personality. Family was everything to her and she cherished the time spent with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Joyce will be dearly missed by her two daughters, Cheryl Rife of Elizabeth, and Candis (Brad) Albrecht of Elizabeth; four grandchildren, Shean (Corey) Albrecht of Elizabeth, Jessica (Brian) Engle of Elizabeth, Trevor (Jessie) Albrecht of Salem Lakes, Wisconsin; Jerod (Kristen) Rife of Eagle River, Alaska; ten great-grandchildren, Caden and Addison Albrecht; Bryton, Avery, and Lily Engle; Otto and Iris Albrecht; Isaac, Samuel, and Elizabeth Rife; and a brother, Robert (Charlene) Kevern of Rockford, Illinois. She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles; parents, Mary and Francis; and an infant brother, Delos.



JUDITH F. BABER

Judith F. Baber, age 78 of Stockton, IL, passed away at home on Thursday, Feb. 8, 2018. She was born Feb. 18, 1939; the daughter of the late Roy and Edna (Farrey) Downs. She married James Baber on Nov. 7, 1959; he passed on June 9, 2008.

Judy loved to cook, which she did for several local restaurants including the Stockton Country Club, Village Inn and the Bottle Shed. She wall papered and painted with her sisters for several people in Stockton and several of the surrounding communities. Judy was a good bowler and played on a league with her sisters called the Sisterettes. She also enjoyed softball, golfing, gardening, canning, playing cards, crafting and dancing. She loved watching her grandchildren's sporting events.

Judy is survived by her sons, Rick of Lena, IL, Greg (Lynn) of Monmouth, IL, Todd (Kim) of Stockton, and Andy (Jodie) of Mt Horeb, WI; daughter, Sally (Tom) Priola of Rockford, IL; grandchildren, Ashley, Jarret, Jacob, Natalie, Wyatt & Kamden, Maggie & Matthew, and Willie & Ella; great grandchildren, Jace & Jett; and sisters, Joyce Zeal, Donna Feltmeyer and June Dawson all of Warren, IL. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, James; brother, Kenneth "Sonny"; and sisters, Velma Bitz, Hazel Pierce, Phyllis Schiess, Alice Brown, and Ruby Phillips.

A memorial service and visitation were held Feb. 18, at the Hermann Funeral Home in Stockton. A memorial fund has been established.



Condolences may be shared at www.hermannfuneralhome.com.

EARLE M. MOOTE

Earle M. Moote, 76, of Freeport, passed away, very unexpectedly on Tuesday, Jan. 30, 2018 at Mercy Health Hospital in Rockford. He was born on Sept. 9, 1941 in Hamilton, Ontario to Milton and Margaret (Wardell) Moote. He married Janet Holl, and together they raised two sons. Earle was a dispatcher for Roadway Trucking from the early 70s until 1982. From 1982-1985, Earle owned and operated Moote Four Seasons. He began is car salesman career in 1986, starting out with Myers Ford, and ending his career as a salesman with Fairway Ford in 2003. After his retirement from car sales, Earle sold real estate for ten years. In 1992, Earle purchased the FA Read Center in Freeport where he handled the general operations. Earle enjoyed spending his free time at his tree farm around the Apple Canyon Lake.

Earle is survived by his sons; Scott Moote of Antioch, IL and Kevin (Lori) Moote of Apple River, IL, their mother; Janet Moote, grandchildren; Justin, Trevor, Joseph EO2, Grace, Chenice, and Veronica, his siblings; Gary Moote of Florida, Joyce Moote of Michigan, and Time Moote of Freeport.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his second wife Donna in 1992, and his third wife Debra in 2017.

A celebration of life will be held on Sunday February 25, 2018 from 12 till 3 p.m. at the Apple River Stagecoach Event Center.

Cremation rites have been accorded.

A memorial has been established in his memory.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.leanonfh.com.

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College News

Area students named to Drake University President's List

The following students have been named to the President's List at Drake University. From Lena, IL, McKenzie Magee and from Winslow, IL, McKenzie Temperly

This academic honor is achieved by earning a perfect 4.0 grade-point average during the Fall 2017 semester at Drake.

Drake University Students choose from over 70 majors, minors, and concentrations and 20 graduate degrees offered through six colleges and schools.

Area student named Distinguished Scholar at Rockford University

Cassidy Wybourn of Lena is a full-

Stockton Music Boosters to host Hello Dolly sneak peak

The Stockton Music Booster's are having a fundraiser at Stella's Café and Catering on Friday March 9. There are seatings at 5:30 and 7 p.m. The cost is \$25 per plate. Students will be performing songs from Solo and Ensemble and get a sneak peek at this year's Musical "Hello Dolly". RSVP to Stella's at 947-2080 by Wednesday March 7.

time student attending Rockford University and is named a Distinguished Scholar for the fall 2017 semester, earning at least a 3.75 GPA with no grades below "C" and having completed all requirements for the semester.

Rockford University is a four-year, co-educational institution founded in 1847 offering undergraduate and graduate degrees in traditional liberal arts and professional fields.

Births

Brantley Shumaker

Blake and Brittany Shumaker of Orangeville, Ill. are the parents of a son Brantley Allen James Shumaker born Friday Feb. 9, 2018 at FHN Memorial Hospital; Freeport, Ill. Grandparents are Dennis and Jena Leverton of Orangeville, Angela Shumaker of Okeechobee, Fla. And John and Karen Shumaker of Godfrey, Ill.

Emerson Young

Corey and Melissa Young of Freeport, Ill are the parents of a son Emerson Lyle Reid Young born Wednesday Feb. 7, 2018 at FHN Memorial Hospital, Freeport. Emerson has two brothers Brayden Michael, 3 and Greyson Daniel, 2. Grandparents are Dan and Becky Zueger of Davis, Ill., Roger and Deb Davis of Freeport and Tim Young & Kelly Patton of Monroe, Wis. Great grandparents are Heinz and Irma Zueger of Stockton, Ill. and Evelyn Green of Freeport.

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CHURCH NEWS

Rev. Dr. John L. Spangler to speak at St. John's Lena

Astronomy Discoveries Support Divine Creation

On Sunday, Feb. 25, at 12 noon, St. John's Lutheran Church, Lena will host a potluck dinner followed by Dr. Spangler's presentation. He will present cutting edge discoveries about the planets, sun, asteroids and comets that contradict the "Big Bang" theory and other popular ideas about our universe and its or-

igin. Dr. Spangler includes pictures and demonstrations to present information that is often ignored by academia and news media. Everyone in the community is welcome and invited to attend.

The Rev. Dr. Spangler is pastor of Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church in Roscoe, IL. Previously, he was an adjunct professor at Concordia University Wisconsin, where he taught

astronomy, astrophysics, general science, and theology. He also taught high school space and earth science and physics. Dr. Spangler was a featured speaker on Christian television regarding space and science and has made numerous presentations across the US on related topics.

St. John's Lutheran Church, Lena also invites everyone to Lent worship services on Thursday evenings at 7 p.m. Good Friday (3/30) worship service will also be at 7 p.m.

Our regular weekend worship services are on Saturday, 5:30 p.m. and Sunday 8 and 10:30 a.m.

Easter weekend there will be no Saturday service (3/31), but Easter Sunday (4/1) there will be three services at 7 a.m., 9 a.m., and 10:30 a.m.

Please join us for worship during this Holy Season. The whole St. John's family welcomes you.

For more information, please call the church office at 815-369-4035.

Check Your Heart Health with FHN Heart Month Special

Most heart attacks could be prevented with early diagnosis of risk factors for coronary artery disease (CAD). FHN is offering special pricing on two heart health tests for American Heart Month in February.

Call between Thursday, Feb. 1 and Friday, March 2 to schedule a Standard Walking Treadmill Stress Test or Calcium Scoring CT Heart Scan and pay just \$119 for the test.

"The treadmill stress test is a screening test for determining a patient's heart health when they have no known history of heart trouble," said FHN cardiologist Bhadrish Patel MD, FACC, FACP. "The patient walks on a treadmill while a specially trained registered nurse monitors how his or her heart is working with an electrocardiogram. This test helps determine your exercise capacity and the circulation to the heart, which is helpful in determining the cause of unexplained fatigue, shortness of breath, irregular heartbeats during

exercise or existing or borderline high blood pressure."

"Another simple screening test that FHN offers is a CT scan to detect plaque in the arteries," said Dr. Patel. "The test is non-invasive and is used to predict the probability of future heart problems. Like the treadmill test, it doesn't take long to complete."

For more information or to schedule an appointment, call toll-free 1-877-6000-FHN (1-877-600-0346) ext. 944. Tests must be scheduled between Feb. 1 and March 2 and performed by Friday, June 29 to qualify for the special rate. These tests should not replace consultations with your healthcare provider. If you do not have a primary healthcare provider, FHN will work with you to determine how to handle your test results when they are communicated to you. Payment for the tests is due (cash, checks and credit cards accepted) at the time of service.

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Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church will gather for worship on Feb. 25, at Good Shepherd, 118 E. Mason St. Lena, IL, at 9:30 a.m. All are invited to worship on this Second Sunday of Lent with Holy Communion. Following worship, there will be a time of fellowship. All Sunday School children will gather for Sunday School Opening at 10:45am followed by learning, Bible study, prayer, and fellowship.

On Wednesday Feb. 28, 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!

All are invited to join Good Shepherd Wednesday Feb. 28, at 12 p.m. as Lena United Methodist host an Ecumenical Lenten Lunch and devotions. The theme for the Lena Area Lenten Lunches is "Seven Signs of Jesus in the Gospel of John."

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church invites the community of all ages to join them for a Lenten Supper on Feb. 28, at 5:30 p.m. and to Lenten Worship at 6:30 p.m. The service is based on Into the Wild: A Lenten Liturgy and Intergenerational Study on Hunger by ELCA World Hunger. We will explore wilderness in our places and God who walks with us in the wild. People of every age and every walks of their lives are welcome to join.

If you have any questions, please call the church at 815-369-5552.

Kent/Willow United Methodist Churches

Kent/Willow UMC will worship together Sunday Feb. 25, at Kent UMC at 9 a.m. with Pastor Chuck Wolbers; with a Special message entitled: "From Rule to Role of Christ" You all are welcome and invited to hear this. And then also to stay for the fellowship following.

Sunday School is at 10:30 a.m. studying from the Holy Bible and you are also invited to stay for this time too.

Kent UMC is located right in the town of Kent, IL. For more information, please call Pastor Chuck at 262-308-2379.

St. John's Lutheran Church

You're invited to join us at St. John's Lutheran Church, Pearl City for worship on Sunday, Feb. 25, at 9 a.m. for the second Sunday in Lent. After the worship, Sunday School and Confirmation classes will meet at 10:15 a.m.

On Fridays during Lent the Stations of the Cross will be held at Noon. Mid-week Lenten services will begin on Wednesday, Feb. 21, at 7 p.m.

Jeremy and Amy Roling, Rockford, IL, won the \$200 Calendar Raffle drawing on Feb. 14. It's not too late. St. John's is selling 2018 calendars with an opportunity to win a \$200 drawing each week. If you are interested in purchasing a calendar for \$30, please contact the church office or any member of St. John's. Phone and email information below.

The Monday Evening Bible Study (7 p.m.) and the Thursday morning Bible Study (9:30 a.m.) continue to meet. The members and non-members alike are welcome.

Need a place to hold an event in Pearl City? The main hall at St. John's is available for rent. Call the church for more information and availability.

St. John's Lutheran Church is at 229 S. First Street, Pearl City, Illinois. The office phone number is 815-443-2215 (mornings). All are invited to our weekly worship services and youth to our Sunday School and youth ministries. You may also email at prshadmin@gmail.com.

Stockton Wesley United Methodist Church

Stockton Wesley United Methodist Church will be sharing Lenten evening services with Calvary Kent and Willow United Methodist churches. Wesley's service will be Feb. 25 at 7 p.m. We will be blessed by Steve Sheffey and family sharing their musical message and worship. Everyone is welcome to come and share in this meaningful evening of music and praise.

Open prayer "Run to the Cross" is every Wednesday from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. in our sanctuary. Feel the need for quiet time and prayer, feel free to come and stay as long as you like.

Ladies book study is every Thursday at 10 a.m. and Adult Bible Study is on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. at the church.

We have an active Youth Group, call for meeting times.

Regular worship times are: Spark Sunday School at 9:30 and Worship Service at 10:45.

The church is handicap accessible and is located at the corner of Hudson and Benton Streets.

For information, please call Pastor Chuck at 262-308-2379. Also check out our Facebook page: Stockton Wesley United Methodist Church or our website: Stocktonwumc.

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Galena River Trail Run: come for the run—stay for the fun

The inaugural Galena River Trail Run will take place Saturday, May 19, on the popular Galena River Trail. The Galena River Trail is located adjacent to the old Galena Rail Depot 101 Bouthillier Street in historic and scenic Galena, IL. The Galena Junction Trail segment originates at the Galena Depot Park just below the U.S. Highway 20 Bridge. This forested trail winds south to Galena Junction and the backwaters of the Mississippi River, making for a scenic out-and-back racing course. This year's race features:

A 10K (runners only), 5K (runners and walkers), and a kids' fun run (children 12 and under).

Chip timing provided by J3Timing (10K and 5K, only).

On-line registration available until May 12, 2018.

Registration Fees:

10K-\$30, if registered by May 1, 2018
5K-\$25, if registered by May 1, 2018
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Race Day Registration available at Galena Rail Depot. 10K-\$40.00 and 5K-\$35.00.
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Finishers' ribbons for all kids participating in the Fun Run.

Package Pickup: Thursday, May 17: 3-6 p.m.; or Friday, May 18, 3-6 p.m. at Illinois Bank and Trust 971 Gear St. Galena, IL 61036.

Race day registration from 6:30-7:30 a.m., at Galena Depot Park. T-shirt not guaranteed. Registration will close promptly at 7:30 a.m.

In-person registration available at package pickup both Thursday, May 17 and Friday, May 18.

Package pickup will also be available on race day from 6:30-7:30 a.m.

Race day registration from 6:30-7:30 a.m. T-shirt not guaranteed. Registration will close promptly at 7:30 a.m.

All race proceeds will be donated to Galena Kiwanis to provide recreational parks for

the children of the community.

Fuel up on carbs Friday night before the Galena River Trail Run. Your registration will get \$3 off any pasta entrée on Friday, May 18. Kindly show a copy of your registration to receive the discount. **DON'T FORGET:** Fridays is also ½ off all bottles of wine. What could be better: Pasta and Vino!

For more info or to register www.kiwanis-clubofgalena.org

The Fun

After party at 4 p.m. at The Grape Escape 242 N. Main Street, Galena, IL.

Fine dining in historic downtown Galena. See drop down menu for area restaurants.

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Harmet receives award

Elizabeth resident and life-long advocate for the natural world, Joan Harmet, will receive the 2018 Nancy Hamill Winter Conservation Leadership Award

Pet Talk: Pets can have allergies too

With spring right around the corner, many of us are bracing ourselves for pesky allergies. Just like people, pets can suffer from allergies, too. While humans tear, cough, and sneeze their way through allergy season, pets usually deal with allergies differently.

Dr. Adam Patterson, a clinical associate professor and chief of dermatology at the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences, said every animal has a different reaction to allergies, just as people respond to allergies differently. However, most animals display itch as a hallmark sign of allergic skin disease.

"An itch may be manifested as licking, chewing, biting, rubbing, scratching, head shaking, and/or scooting," Patterson said. "Common itchy body areas include the face, ears, paws, armpits, groin, rump, and anal region. Horses may present with an itchy skin disease and/or hives."

Allergens that most commonly irritate pets include fleas, pollen, molds, mites, insects, danders, and food.

"Every pet has its own itch tolerance, which means the intensity and reason(s) for your pet's itch may not be the same as another animal," Patterson said. "Regardless of the animal, allergic patients are prone to bacterial and yeast infections that can cause skin discoloration, hair loss, pimples, scabs, and/or ear disease."

If your pet shows any sign of an allergy, it is best to contact your veterinarian so they can properly diagnose the cause of itch.

We all know how annoying allergies can be, so be sure to keep an eye on your pet this allergy season. If your pet shows any sign of an allergic skin disease, visit your veterinarian to help alleviate your pet's discomfort.

Pet Talk is a service of the College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences, Texas A&M University.

Community Foundation of Northern Illinois awards grant To Senior Resource Center

The Senior Resource Center is proud to announce that it has received a \$23,000 grant for its Information and Assistance Program from the Community Grants Program of the Community Foundation of Northern Illinois with support from the Dr. Louis & Violet Rubin Fund.

The Information and Assistance Program addresses the need for knowledge and resources that seniors, their family members, caregivers and disabled adults lack. The program bridges the gaps between needs and services by using a comprehensive resource directory plus expertise in Medicare and other benefit programs.

"Information and Assistance is a one-stop opportunity to be informed

and prepared for the challenges of aging," said Susan Lambert, Senior Resource Center executive director. "This grant from the Community Foundation of Northern Illinois increases our capacity and enables us to serve even more than the 2,400 unduplicated individuals that are currently receiving help through Information and Assistance. We are so grateful and excited for the support of the Community Foundation of Northern Illinois."

The Senior Resource Center provides eight different programs or Pillars of Service from three locations in Stephenson and Jo Daviess counties. In its 40-year history, the SRC has expanded and serves thousands an-

nually. Its mission is to grow by enhancing and developing services and programs that inspire community involvement, offer support and resources, and advocate independence and well-being of all seniors and disabled adults.

The mission of the Community Foundation of Northern Illinois is to serve as a catalyst for giving in order to attract, preserve and grow an endowment for the current and future needs of the people of Northern Illinois. Since its founding in 1953, CFNIL has granted more than \$65 million for charitable purposes in the region. Learn more about CFNIL's grantmaking and commitment to endowment at www.cfnil.org.

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Kendra Robledo
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Kacy Wright

Leighton Krueger
Peter LaLond
Annastyn Larson
Dillon McIntosh
Javier Montalvo
Jessica Rood
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Jayden Hornung
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Gracie Keleher
DeeDee Larson
Lincoln Legel
Wesley Logemann
Madalyn Marcure
Hope Mulholland
Drake Offenheiser
Gracie Raab
Maecee Rice
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Lita Schmoll
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Braden Jones
Owen Logemann
Cameron Mapes
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Andrew Mensendike
Diana Montalvo
Mati Paisley
Wyatt Raab
Elijah Rice
Callie Roberts
Raeann Roberts
Kassadie Sullivan
Connor Vincent
Trace Williamson

Honors

Kyla Arnold
Dylann Broshous
Masyn Cahill
Jackson Coffey
Shirley Cook
Emma Demeter
Bryce Grube
Amber Haas
Elijah Haas
Kyle Haas
Hallie Hackworth
Ava Hess
Samuel Hille

6th Grade High Honors

Abby Chumbler
Bennett Graves
Carson McPeck
Nevaeh Peterson
Ashlyn Schubert
Leah Warner

Honors

Kristian Adleman

8th Grade

High Honors

Maria Bender
Ian Broshous
Joseph Brudi
Matthew Cook
Jenna Haas
Caleb Mammoser
Morgan McPeck
Kayden Schubert

Honors

Austin Chumbler
Ashton Davis
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Stockton spelling bee

The winners of the 2018 Stockton Middle School Spelling Bee are: 1st place Maria Bender, 2nd place Kayden Schubert, and 3rd place (alternate) Veyah Luke. They will move on to the Regional Spelling Bee in Pearl City on Feb. 20.

7th Grade High Honors

Morgan Blair
Dawson Broshous
Katherine Crome
Madeline Harbach
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Dustin Oppold
Ryley Schultz
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Honors

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Dayton Julius
Olivia Keeffer
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David Lancaster
Griffin Luke
Parker Luke
Emily Paul
Jace Phillips
Kyleigh Reusch

Senior Resource Center to host AARP Safe Driving Class

The Senior Resource Center will be holding an AARP Safe Driving Class in Hanover on Tuesday, Feb. 27. The class will be from 9 to 5 at 500 Fillmore Street, Hanover.

Please pre-register by calling 815-235-9777 or 815-777-1316. The course will provide a review of driving skills and techniques, as well as strategies and tips to help you adjust to normal age-related physical changes that may affect your driving

ability. By taking this class, you may receive a discount on your auto insurance. The cost is \$15 if you are an AARP member and \$20 if non-member. Bring a sack lunch for this all-day class.

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Pantherhawks wrestlers capture state titles

By Chris Johnson
REPORTER

The months of pre-season training and the hours spent in the weight room have led to the feeling of greatness for many members of the 2017-2018 Sectional Champion Pantherhawks Wrestling Team.

This weekend the IHSA Class 1A Wrestling Champions will be crowned and the Lena-Winslow/Stockton Pantherhawks look to finish the season in great company, as they compete at the Grossinger Motors Arena in Bloomington. The

State Finals begin on Saturday, Feb. 24 with Sectional representatives facing off, eyeing possible titles.

Many good things have already happened with Regional honors being issued to members of the Pantherhawks. Warriors up and down the weight ladder looked for steps beyond the quarterfinal level as the week began. Hopes for Rahveon Valentine, who pinned his Westchester St. Joseph opponent and Ian Kuehl were shared by Hunter Luke and Jaden Rice.

The State Wrestling Champion-

ship Tournament began over a week ago in Winnebago with the Pantherhawks working through a field consisting of wrestling stand-outs from Dakota, Byron and host Winnebago. They earned Sectional placement with their efforts and hope to move to early action Saturday in Bloomington.

Pantherhawks wrestlers face off with the best the northeastern suburbs have to offer. Aurora Christian puts their best chances on the floor with Lena-Winslow/Stockton on Tuesday, Feb. 20. Additional details

will be provided in upcoming editions of this publication.

If the Pantherhawks survive Aurora Christian in Morrison Tournament matches, they will move forward to face the champion from the Elmhurst Immaculate Conception Sectional, involving Melrose Park-Walther Christian and Chicago-Hope Academy.

The IHSA Class 1A State Wres-

ting Finals will be held following completion of the third place match, which begins at 6 p.m.

Steps taken so far have highlighted the maturity of the defending State Champions. They were 33-1 last year and declared the Best of the Class. The chance for defense of that honor began Tuesday in the Morrison Class 1A Sectional Championship.



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It was a great weekend of wrestling for the PantherHawks with three state place winners.

Ian Kuehl (285) State Champion
Rahveon Valentine (170) State Runner-Up
Hunter Luke (138) Fourth Place

•Meditation (Continued from page 4)

long anger to effect change and that most people cannot sustain anger long enough to be effective. Courage, because we must remember that the man who drove the money-changers out of the temple was killed just a few days later. And love, yes. Love for the lost children; love for the grieving parents, siblings, grandparents, and friends; love for the suffering souls whose pain urges them to murder; love for the whole human tribe that cannot long sustain

this kind of desecration and loss; love for the money-changers? That is beyond my spiritual capability at this time, but I will put them on my altar and purify my heart and try to find the words of "bravest fire" to drive them out of the most sacred place to save their souls and ours.

This has been hard to write; I know it may be hard to read. Thank you for being here to hear my lament.

Bless you all, and keep you safe.

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Warren Township Public Library selected to host Native concepts of health and illness exhibition

Warren Township Public Library has been selected in a competitive application process to host **Native Voices: Native Peoples' Concepts of Health and Illness**, a traveling exhibition to U.S. libraries.

Native Voices explores the interconnectedness of wellness, illness and cultural life for Native Americans, Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians. Stories drawn from both the past and present examine how health for Native People is tied to community, the land and spirit. Through interviews, Native People describe the impact of epidemics, federal legislation, the loss of land, and the inhibition of culture on the health of Native individuals and communities

today.

As one of 104 grant recipients selected from across the country, Warren Township Public Library will host the traveling exhibition for a six-week loan during its tour of the United States from February 2016 to June 2020. Warren Township Public Library will also receive a \$250 programming grant, virtual training and publicity materials.

Native Voices: Native Peoples' Concepts of Health and Illness was displayed at the NLM in Bethesda, Maryland, from 2011 to 2015. To learn more and view content from the exhibition, visit <http://www.nlm.nih.gov/nativevoices>.

A schedule of the exhibition and

related events at Warren Township Public Library will be available by May 1.

About the American Library Association

The American Library Association is the oldest and largest library association in the world, with approximately 55,000 members in academic, public, school, government and special libraries. The mission of the American Library Association is to provide leadership for the development, promotion and improvement

of library and information services and the profession of librarianship in order to enhance learning and ensure access to information for all.

About the National Library of Medicine

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tion and produces electronic information resources on a wide range of topics that are searched billions of times each year by millions of people around the globe. It also supports and conducts research, development, and training in biomedical informatics and health information technology. In addition, the Library coordinates a 6,000-member National Network of Libraries of Medicine that promotes and provides access to health information in communities across the United States.



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JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
JO DAVIESS COUNTY
IN RE: THE ESTATE OF
GERTRUDE M. KLOPF,
Deceased.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION CLAIMS

Notice is given to creditors of the death of GERTRUDE M. KLOPF, of 4401 S. Klopff Rd., Stockton, IL 61085, on January 13, 2018. Letters of Office were issued on January 25, 2018, to PAMELA KLOPF, of 4401 S. Klopff Rd., Stockton, IL 61085, and KIMBERLY BABER, of 503 N. Hudson St., Stockton, IL 61085, as Co-Executors, whose attorney is Ronald Paja, 116 S. Main St., P.O. Box 124, Stockton, IL 61085.

Claims against the Estate may be filed on or before July 15, 2018 in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court at the Jo Daviess County Courthouse, 303 N. Bench St., Galena, IL 61036, and any claim not filed on or before July 15, 2018 will be barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Co-Executors and to their attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

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Defendant

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NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on December 7, 2016, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:30 PM on March 26, 2018, 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:

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NFPA urges the public to use portable space heaters with caution

Keeping sufficiently warm during the winter months can prove challenging, particularly when frigid temperatures persist, as they have recently for much of the country. While portable space heaters can help generate heat, the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) is reminding the public that they do present potential fire hazards and must be used with caution.

Between 2011 and 2015, portable and stationary space heaters accounted for more than two of every five (43 percent) U.S. home heating fires and five out of six (85 percent) home heating fire deaths.

"Space heaters can be effective tools for providing added warmth at home, but it's critical that people follow basic precautions to ensure that they're used safely," said Lorraine Carli, vice president of NFPA's Outreach and Advocacy division.

December, January and February are the leading months for home heating fires.

The following are important home heating safety tips and recommendations:

- *Have a three-foot "kid-free zone" around open fires and space heaters.

- *Have a qualified professional install stationary space heating equipment, water heaters or central heating equipment according to the local codes and manufacturer's instructions.

- *Have heating equipment and chimneys cleaned and inspected every year by a qualified professional.

- *Always use the right kind of fuel, specified by the manufacturer, for fuel burning space heaters.

- *Make sure the fireplace has a sturdy screen to stop sparks from flying into the room. *Ashes should be cool before putting them in a metal container.

- *Install wood burning stoves following manufacturer's instructions or have a professional do the installation. All fuel-burning equipment should be vented to the outside to avoid carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning.

Install and maintain CO alarms to avoid the risk of CO poisoning. If you smell gas in your gas heater, do not light the appliance. Leave the home immediately and call your local fire department or gas company.

Stockton FFA to host line dancing classes

The Stockton FFA Chapter will be hosting line dancing classes the first four Fridays in March from 7-9 p.m. (March 2, 9, 16, 23) Classes will be held in the Stockton Middle School Gym. The event is FREE and open to the public. Ages 12 and under must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. The Stockton FFA Chapter will be providing finger food and drink. If you have any questions, please call Stockton FFA Chapter Advisor Jacob Snook at 815-947-3323.

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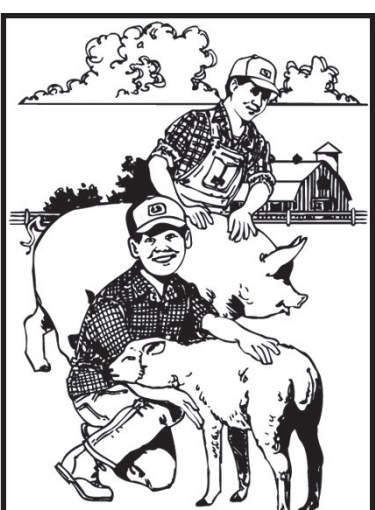


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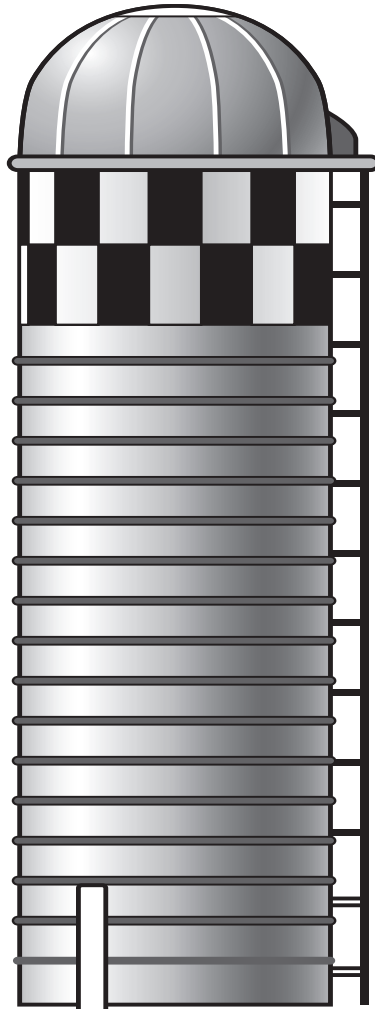
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College News

UW-Platteville awards fall semester diplomas

The University of Wisconsin-Platteville awarded diplomas to approximately 550 graduates after the fall 2017 semester.

The College of Business, Industry, Life Science and Agriculture ceremony was in the morning of Dec. 16, while students in the College of Liberal Arts and Education and the College of Engineering, Mathematics and Science graduated in the afternoon. The day marked UW-Platteville's 199th commencement ceremony.

Included among the graduates were the following local students:

Patrick Holland, Apple River, IL, Soil and Crop Science,

Alex Ertmer, Elizabeth, IL, Industrial Technology Management,

Chelsea Davis, Psychology, Robert Gerbode, Social Science Comprehensive, Taylor Wedige, Criminal Justice all of Lena,

Greta Heimerdinger, Agricultural Business and Jacquelyn Purple, Elementary Education of Pearl City,

Stephen Hawley, Agricultural Business and Zachery Sigafus, Mathematics of Stockton.

UW-Platteville's 8,400 undergraduate and graduate students may choose from 41 majors, 66 minors and 17 pre-professional programs. The Distance Education program offers two undergraduate and six graduate programs.

49th annual District Juried Art Exhibit rescheduled

Due to illness, the opening reception and award ceremony for the 49th Annual Highland Community College District Juried Art Exhibit has been rescheduled to Thursday, Feb. 22. The reception is from 4:30 to 6 p.m., with awards presented at 5:30 p.m. at the Gallery in the Ferguson Fine Arts Center. Highland apologizes for any inconvenience this may cause. Thank you for understanding.

FHN calendar of events

Feb. 24 Blood Pressure Screening

9 - 11 a.m.
Pearl City Methodist Church, 411 S. Main, Pearl City

No cost or registration required; open to the public.

Prenatal Class

9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
FHN Memorial Hospital, 1045 W. Stephenson Street, Freeport - Conference Dining Room

This class provides information about pregnancy, labor, delivery, cesarean sections and postpartum recovery. Registration is required; for more information or to register call 815-599-6221.

Clarence Mitchell Library at HCC presents Black History Month program

Highland Community College's Clarence Mitchell Library is presenting "A Glorious Cause: The Anti-Slavery Movement in Chicago from 1838-1860" for Black History Month. The event will be held at 2 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 26, in the Clarence Mitchell Library at Highland Community College. Guest speaker LeNie Adolphson will speak about the history of the Anti-Slavery

Movement in Chicago in the antebellum era.

LeNie Adolphson is a native of Chicago and an instructor of history at Highland Community College. She received her bachelor's and master's degrees in history from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale and is pursuing her Ph.D. in history at Northern Illinois University.

Adolphson will share informa-

tion from her recent research study on this topic. The study analyzes how Chicago activists responded to national and local developments occurring in the antebellum era. It provides an in-depth examination of the Chicago Anti-Slavery Society's goals, methods, and procedures. This research contributes new knowledge to the historiography of Chicago's abolitionist past and seeks to fill the

vast gap within the existing scholarship.

The event is free and open to all audiences. The Clarence Mitchell Library is located on the second floor of the Marvin-Burt Liberal Arts Center at Highland Community College, 2998 W. Pearl City Road in Freeport, Ill. For more information, contact Laura Watson at 815-599-3456 or laura.watson@highland.edu.

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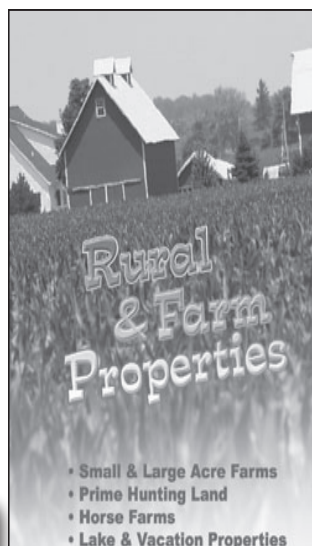
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Panthers claw path to 20 wins and playoff bye

By Chris Johnson
REPORTER

Lena-Winslow is a strong member of this year's Class 1A field of teams vying for a lot of success in the post-season. They are a two-loss conference team and "make-the-cut" when it comes to the best overall programs playing basketball in the small-school system.

The IHSA Selection Committee felt the Panthers should start the playoffs in a better position as a result. They will open the second season one step away from a Regional Title match. Their season's efforts warranted the consideration.

The Panthers were issued the two-seed in the very busy Class 1A Eastland Sectional Complex, northern branch. That means they didn't have to start the playoffs until Wednesday, Feb. 21. When they tip off it will be in the Regional Semi-Final in Dakota, one win away from a shot at the 1A Regional Crown this Friday night.

Because of the start time of this year's 1A celebration of post-season play, details on which hopeful-victim survived the opening round game on Monday, Feb. 19 in Dakota, are unavailable at this time. Six-seed and defending Regional Champion Orangeville faced eight-seed, and quick-strike capable Pecatonica in game two of the busy four-team opener. At 6 p.m., 20-game winner and conference co runner-up, three-seed River Ridge faced down twelve-seed Durand.

Lena-Winslow is qualified to move into the first round's final night, based on their pre-tournament seed. They are favored to take down either East member from the Monday match. On paper, Orangeville, which was 9-4 in the East, seems to provide the greater challenge and bigger impedance to advancing to the Dakota Regional Final on Friday, Feb. 23.

If the Panthers do manage to get past Orangeville in that scenario, they will probably have to deal with either

five-seed and ten-win NUIC-East Champion Freeport Aquin or three seed and co-20 game winner River Ridge to be able to claim the Dakota Regional Crown.

After that, the Panthers would run into the best-of-the-bunch, coming from a host of problems, that emanates in Polo. The survivor from a

collection of teams battling with 23-game winner and host Polo as well as top, overall-seed Sterling Newman moves on to Lanark to battle Lena-Winslow in the Eastland 1A Sectional Semi-Final, which will be played on Wednesday, Feb. 28.

The Sectional Championship will be played on Friday, March 2, in

Lanark. Top seed East Dubuque and four-seed Pearl City are the favored teams to battle for the East Dubuque Regional Title. In the final Sub-Sectional fill-in, State-ranked and two-seed Indian Creek, as well as three-seed Milledgeville were voted "most-likely-to-succeed", based on their post-season, pre-seeding.

Broncos begin march to defend

By Chris Johnson
REPORTER

Time is up to make any adjustments on the basketball court for the hometown Broncos. The IHSA Class 1A Boys' Basketball State Playoffs began on Monday night and Orangeville faced the reality of either winning, or having to call it quits on the winter campaign. They opened their hunt for repeat basketball honors in Dakota as they started their march into the 2018 post-season.

Orangeville is the defending Regional Champion and this year's six-seed was asked to open the "playoff games" against eight-seed Pecatonica on Monday, Feb. 19. Unfortunately, details of that contest are unavailable at this time. The Broncos were the slight favorite heading into the Monday match.

The two advancing-hopefuls faced off three times this season. Pecatonica took down Orangeville in the Forrester Holiday Invitational in late December, 2017, but wouldn't be able to do it again.

In NUIC-West play, Pecatonica fell to Orangeville by ten points, 61-51 on Jan. 12. It was even worse the final time the two teams met, as the Broncos ran away to a nearly 20-point decision, 70-52 on Feb. 1.

Since the calendar flip, the Broncos have played their best basketball of the season. Orangeville beat Amboy on Jan. 10 and then continued strong play with seven wins in eight outings, leading to a Feb. 10 showdown with regular season NUIC-East Champion Freeport Aquin. The Bulldogs won by eleven on Feb. 10, 63-52.

Following that outing, Oran-

geville ran off wins of over 30 points over Warren and half that over Ashton-Franklin Center, before running into the Marcos in the season finale. They've gotten hot at the right time and have played consistent basketball into late February. It's a positive trend, heading into "do-or-die" scenarios.

If Orangeville knocked off Pecatonica on Monday night, they had the privilege of dealing with the top team in the Eastland Sub-Sectional Complex, two-seed Lena-Winslow.

The Panthers finished the NUIC-East winter journey with a 10-2 mark. They were one of three teams sporting 20-wins or more during the regular season. Four West members scored double-digit conference win totals this year.

Lena-Winslow is favored to pull out the post-season win, in a given situation where the Broncos do advance past Monday, as they are expected to do. If the upset occurs, Orangeville will defend its 2017 Regional Crown on Friday night, against the survivor from a complex that features five-seed Freeport Aquin and three-seed River Ridge.

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Concordia University Wisconsin fall honors list

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Stockton Lady Blackhawks

The Lady Blackhawks knocked off the host Freeport Aquin Lady Bulldogs 71-65 and moved on to the Belvidere Class 1A Super Sectional.

• Battle

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playing in the NUIC. Stockton was ranked near the low-side with their approximate 38 points per game scoring average as well. However, their defense was a little stronger than the Hornets. The Blackhawks gave up around 45 points per game this year, which put them at a fairly comparable level with the post-season starting and upset-minded 13-seed Scales Mound Hornets.

The survivor from the opening night match meets up with four-seed Pearl City in the 7 p.m. game in the East Dubuque Class 1A Regional on Wednesday, Feb. 21.

On Friday, Feb. 23, the champion will be crowned with the winner from East Dubuque marching on into the "Madness" with a February closer in the Eastland Class 1A Sectional Semi-Final on Tuesday, Feb. 27.

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