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## Cats Care spawns compassionate solution

By John Day  
CORRESPONDENT

River Ridge School in Hanover is the home of the Wild Cats or Cats for short. Now there is a group at River Ridge calling themselves Cats Care and although they are a recent creation, they are already working to expand. Cats Care is a group of River Ridge school teachers and staff who have come together to help the kids they teach every day. The problems that a number of kids are dealing with go well beyond the school's academic criteria.

Tammy Smith is a Special Education teacher that has been working at River Ridge since 1996. In addition to teaching, Smith is an advisor for the senior class and a River Ridge Education Association advisor. In these rolls Smith comes in contact with a great many students regarding a wide range of issues. Not very long ago Smith and a few other teachers began discussing the number of students whose families often experience financial distress. These economic issues cause a number of students to experience difficulty covering expenses for basic needs. One of those needs is personal care items such as deodorant, tooth paste, skin care and other items.

Smith said, "We often have to talk with our kids about these kinds of problems. Several faculty members quickly realized that we couldn't just go off and buy something for the kids so we decided to try and put together something more structured. Recognizing the significance of the need gave birth to the basic idea of the Cats Care.

"Originally, we put one shopping cart in the boy's locker room and one in the girl's locker room. Each cart was filled with the things that any kid may need. At the time there were 12 teachers involved in the effort and we began to notice bigger needs."

Often times in an endeavor like Cats Care two things happen. First

it becomes apparent that the need is in fact bigger than anyone had realized. The next that is likely to occur is that the need merges with ideas and things begin to take on a life of their own. Smith said, "Our original idea wasn't going to work if the program needed to be expanded. We couldn't keep putting more shopping carts in the locker rooms. But, how and where could we expand?"

"Adding to our concerns, we found that in addition to personal hygiene items, an increasing number of kids had clothing needs. With no room in the school building we approached the Hanover Park District. The administration there immediately agreed to work with us. The Park District has made arrangements for us to have a large room in their building. Now we can call this effort the Cats Care Closet.

"The Park District is providing the money for paint and repairs in this room and it's us teachers doing the labor. We've received a grant from the Dutrac Credit Union in Dubuque and we're looking at different ways of attacking this problem. In addition to providing basic hygiene items we'd like to begin acquiring gently used clothing for the kids. Having students help with the general operation of the closet is a possibility, especially if we open three or four times each month. Another option we want to explore is the idea of sharing some cooperative effort with the food pantry here in Hanover. It would certainly be a good fit."

Smith mentioned that she and others in Cats Care think that including students in the elementary school who may need help should be given consideration. Smith said, "All of these students are our kids."

For more information about Cats Care and to learn how you can help or make a donation contact the Cats at the school's main number 815-858-9005. They also have a Facebook page, Cats Care.

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## Defensive Driving Course offered

The Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau will be hosting a Defensive Driving Course on April 10 and 11 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Farm Bureau building in Elizabeth. Both days must be attended to receive certification. The registration fee of \$20 for farm bureau members or \$30 for non-members covers course materials and lunch both days.

The course is open to people 55 and older who are auto policy holders. Those completing the course are eligible for a discount on their auto insurance.

This program was developed by the National Safety Council and will be taught by safety specialist, Doug Sommer, Pekin, Illinois. The course is very informative, entertaining and relevant to today's driving environment and standards. An examination is not required to complete the course or receive certification.

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# 16th Annual Elizabeth Historical Society Trivia challenge results

Now in its sixteenth year, the Trivia Challenge gives teams of four participants the chance to compete in nine timed rounds of challenging trivia questions. Teams ranged from determined scholars with hopes of winning the trivia title to some less focused competitors, content with complimentary appetizers and a donation to a worthy cause. All proceeds from the event will be used for the Elizabeth Historical Society's ongoing operation of the Elizabeth History Museum and the restoration and operation of the Chicago Great Western Depot Museum located in Elizabeth.

Historical Society member Kevin Ertmer emceed the event, while several other members and volunteers assisted with the fundraiser. Over seventy contestants received prizes totaling over \$700 donated by tristate area businesses.

A list of categories and sample questions is provided for you to test your knowledge. If you missed out on the event, but think you could

be a contender, here is one question from each corresponding category: "Hold" Everything, Let's Duet, Horses, Olympic Sport by Gold Medalist, Classic Ads & Jingles, Roman Numeral Words, Movies: Who Played 'Em?, Decade of the Invention, and Number, Please.

- What word containing the letters "hold" is the point at which a stimulus, such as pain, has an effect?

- Give the full name of the artist/group known for performing the "other half" of the duet Islands in the Stream with Dolly Parton.

- Name The Gumby Show horse.

- In what Olympic sport did Eric Heiden win a gold medal in 1980?

- Snap! Crackle! Pop! is the advertising slogan for what product?

- Using only Roman numeral symbols, give the word defined as, not bright.

- What is the full name of the actor/actress who starred as Jerry Maguire?

- In what decade was YouTube invented?

- What is the only amendment to the U.S. Constitution which contains the word "sex"?

The answers to the sample questions are: threshold, Kenny Rogers, Pokey, speed skating, Rice Krispies, dim, Tom Cruise, 2000, and 19.

Each team of four was given six minutes to answer each category,

which consisted of ten written questions. Each correct answer netted a team one point, for a possible ninety, but a half point was deducted for every correct answer spelled incorrectly. The 2018 Trivia Challenge Top Eight follow:

First place: Ron Jenkins, Tracy Jenkins, Ben Jenkins and Meg Jenkins

Second place: Phil Crome, Ken Tucker, Sally Tucker and Jeff Werner

Third place: Mary Blair, Phylcia Blair, Mary Beth Lyvers and Brandon Wampfler

Fourth place: Emily Higgins, Mary Higgins, Pam Higgins and Barb Norman

Fifth place: James Hallendorff, Dave Hoff, Nan Hoff and Caroline Hoff

Sixth place: Jerry Brunner, Amy Brunner, Jessie Brunner and Aaron Byers

Seventh place: Ann Coppernoll, Shane Harbach, Sarah Harbach and Deb Huso

Eighth place: Breanne Ertmer, Jack Fisher, Yung Moon and Bob Petersen

All prizes awarded to contestants are gift certificates donated by local businesses.

Many thanks to the contestants, volunteers and sponsors who graciously support the Elizabeth Historical Society and the Trivia Challenge.

## River Ridge recognizes Third Quarter honors students

### River Ridge Middle School 3rd Quarter honor roll

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# Warren High School Servant Leadership donates a year of fundraiser receipts

By Tony Carton  
EDITOR

The Warren High School Servant Leadership Chapter has a strong history of community service and this year's group of juniors and seniors is no exception.

"One of the projects we've undertaken this year is a fundraising effort designed to help the families and victims of a condition known as Complex Regional Pain Syndrome or CRPS," said Warren High School Servant Leadership Mentor Mary Vincent. "Jay Cee Bennett is a senior at Warren High School and Brynn Fry is a ten year old student at River Ridge elementary school that has contracted the condition."

CRPS is a chronic pain condition that most often affects one limb (arm, leg, hand, or foot) usually after an injury. CRPS is believed to be caused by damage to, or malfunction of, the peripheral and central nervous systems. The condition is characterized by prolonged or excessive pain and changes in skin color, temperature, and/or swelling in the affected area.

Vincent said the chapter organized a volleyball tournament in the Warren High School gym on Feb. 24, to raise funds for the project.

"We operated a concession stand, sold T-shirts, and more to help the families with the expenses involved with treatment," she said.

In addition to the CRPS project Warren Servant Leadership members will work at the regional program's annual "Hearts and Hands for Hunger" OneMeal project where over the past six years, Servant Leaders representing 13 area high schools have been able to provide nearly a half million meals for children locally and around the world who are in need. The 2018 "Hearts and Hands for Hunger" OneMeal project will be held at Highland Community College the weekend of April 7.

"We also staged Chuck-a-Duck at ball games to help with our fund raising efforts," said Vincent. "That's where people buy a rubber duck and throw it at a target during half time at a ball game. We've been very fortunate this year with the winners donating the prize money back to our project. The prize came back at the first game and again at the second game when the same

person and a co-winner tied, split the money and donated back a large portion of it."

McKenzie Rowley is a senior at Warren and this is her second year with Servant Leadership.

"One of the girls affected by CRPS is a close friend and I think it's really awesome that our chapter is trying to help her family," Rowley said. "She was having a tough time lately with doctor's appointments and was struggling to recover."

She said Fry has been seeing improvement lately and they all hold high expectations for their Warren classmate to do the same over time and with treatment.

"She had a procedure last week to put in a nerve block and this week they took it out and she's been up and walking and she's playing basketball after her nerve block was taken out, so I really think it would be cool to show how much progress she's made in such a short time."

Rowley has is one of several Warren Servant Leaders with experience hosting charity volleyball tournaments.

"Several years ago my sister brought me to a volleyball tournament staged by Servant Leadership and I thought it was really cool," she said. "They had signed up a number of teams and the teams had fun costumes and it was a great time. The tournament idea had seen considerable success over the years not just in fundraising, but by bringing awareness to community issues, so this year the team thought it would



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The Warren Servant Leadership group presented checks to the families of Brynn Fry and Jay Cee Bennett on March 31st at noon in the Warren Community Building. Pictured are Anna Riedl, Rebecca Raab, Jaycee Bennett (recipient), Garrett Williams, Collin McKee.

be a great idea to host one in support of the girls and their families."

Rowley said the Servant Leadership program has taught her time management and responsibility and to dive head first into life.

"It's been a great experience especially with Mary and Martha and Megan being our mentors," said

Rowley. "They push us to do it ourselves and to be on time and to do everything right. They motivate us and building our portfolios has taught us a lot about being creative and making sure we get every little thing documented correctly, from a heading to journaling about our activities, and our different meetings."

She said her experiences with Servant Leadership will provide a path for her future.

"We are always working to exceed our goals," Rowley said. "It's fun working with friends and people we meet at regional meetings and I'm excited about what we're accomplishing as a team."

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# VIEWPOINT

## Illinois farmland values see little change

Prices being paid for high quality Illinois farmland, as well as cash rents have stayed essentially flat for the past 12 months according to the 2018 Illinois Farmland Values and Lease Trends Report released today by the Illinois Society of Professional Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers at the Illinois Land Values Conference held here. The Report is based on an annual survey of the Society's members and others allied to the industry and reflects activity from 2017.

"The news is there is isn't much new regarding land values or changes in rents being paid for farmland," says David Klein, AFM, ALC, with Soy Capital Ag Services and overall chair of the annual Land Values project sponsored by the Society. "Prices paid for Excellent quality farmland across the northern part of the state were down 1-2 percent with ranges from \$10,500 to \$11,000 per acre across the various regions of the state. That same type of land in the central part of the state was going at \$10,350 to \$11,400 per acre in the past year. This was flat-to-down 5 percent in certain areas.

"In the southern regions of the state there was really no movement at all in terms of drops or increases in prices for land. It was going from \$8,000 to \$10,885 per acre in the same areas as it was a year ago," he explained.

A similar trend was true of cash rents being paid for the same Ex-

cellent quality farmland. "Projected rents remained relatively steady all across the state," he said. Rent prices ranged from \$295 to \$325 per acre in the northern part of the state; \$300 to \$350 per acre for the central region, and; \$160 to \$325 in the southern counties.

Klein notes the statewide average prices being paid for Excellent farmland have dropped from their peak of approximately \$12,500 per acre in 2013. "Comparatively, though, the average price paid for this same farmland in 2002, 15 years ago, was a little over \$3,400 per acre," he noted.

### Some Things Don't Change

Klein said the profile of the buyers of farmland has not changed in many years with farmers accounting for 62 percent of that group. "They know the value as well as, if not better than, anyone else and they are reinvesting into their own farm businesses. Investors, local and otherwise, are the second largest group of buyers accounting for 23 percent of the sales.

"Estate sales still lead the way as the greatest reason for a property to come on the market," he explains. Private treaty is still the most popular way of selling land (49 percent) followed by public auction (35 percent). "It's interesting to note how little this changes with time," Klein adds. "In 2003 our report indicated that private treaty accounted for 50 percent of sales and public auction was at 32

percent."

As with rent rates, prices being paid for the land are based primarily on commodity prices. "It's one of the ironies of agriculture - often the higher the soil productivity, the lower the cash return. But this also often carries with it lower risk, and improved asset price stability," he says. "Our surveyed members believe the primary factor that could cause a drop in farmland prices of more than 5 percent would be falling commodity prices because of good growing condition in the United States." He notes, however, that an increase in interest rates could also impact demand, and cause prices to drop. "Keep an eye on grain prices, interest rates, and governmental policy changes over the next 12-24 months for further direction in where the farmland market may be headed. What feels like a market that should be getting softer, may not happen because of general economic reasons. Conversely, there may be some real opportunities for investors to purchase productive land that could use some improvements during

moments of uncertainty." Klein says.

### Rent Rates Staying the Same

For Excellent quality farmland, traditional crop shares had average income of \$193 per acre, cash rent had \$230 per acre, and custom farming had \$253 per acre, says Dr. Gary Schnitkey, University of Illinois Department of Ag and Consumer Economics. Across all productivities, a straight crop share lease had the lowest returns. Cash rent and custom farming had returns near one another for the Good, Average, and Fair land classes.

There is a great deal of variability in cash rents for a given land productivity, he notes. "For example, the average cash rent for the mid 1/3 group on Excellent quality farmland is \$298 per acre. The high 1/3 of leases averaged \$317 per acre, \$19 higher than the mid 1/3 group. Similarly, the low 1/3 group averaged \$258 per acre, \$40 lower than the mid 1/3 group. From the high 1/3 group to the low 1/3 group, there is a \$59 per acre difference in average rents for Excel-

lent productivity farmland. Similar ranges exist across Good (\$53 from the high 1/3 to low 1/3 averages), Average (\$49 per acre), and Fair (\$50 per acre) productivity classes.

"Fifty-eight percent of respondents expected 2019 cash rents to remain the same as 2018 cash rents," he explains.

The complete 2018 Illinois Land Values and Lease Trends Report is available for purchase in hard-copy at [www.ispfmra.org](http://www.ispfmra.org) or [www.ispfmra.org](http://www.ispfmra.org). The 124-page document includes region-by-region farmland sales data and also features year-over-year trend lines with numbers of properties sold, sales prices and median sales price data.

The ISPFMRA is one of 37 chapters of the American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers. The Illinois chapter, now celebrating its 90th year, is the oldest and largest state organization of its kind in the United States. Members are professionals devoted to the management and appraisal of rural property and agricultural consulting.

## Congress funds rural programs

By Anna Johnson

CENTER FOR RURAL AFFAIRS

Last month, Congress passed its spending bill for this year, which funds the federal government through Sept. 30, 2018. We are glad to see that it provides support for rural America.

First, Congress provided healthy funding for conservation. Not only did lawmakers refrain from cutting farm bill conservation programs for the first time in several years, they also increased funding for Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) technical assistance, to \$874 million from last year's levels.

In addition, Congress rejected proposed cuts to Rural Development programs.

The Value-Added Producer Grant Program, which allows farmers and ranchers to diversify their income, was funded at the same level as 2017, at \$15 million.

The Rural Microentrepreneur Assistance Program (RMAP), which provides loan funds and technical

assistance to rural entrepreneurs, remains at the funding level provided in the previous farm bill, at \$2.8 million, without additional support.

The Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education Program received its highest funding level in 30 years, \$35 million. We are encouraged to see our lawmakers demonstrate support for publicly funded research in sustainable agriculture.

Finally, the Outreach and Assis-

tance for Socially Disadvantaged and Veteran Farmers and Ranchers Program, also known as the 2501 Program, received \$3 million in funding for 2018, which is in addition to the \$10 million in funding provided by the farm bill. This program allows farmers and ranchers, who are new to farm programs, access U.S. Department of Agriculture support.

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## Obituaries

### MILA M. WINTER

Mila M. Winter, age 95 of Woodbine, Illinois, passed away Wednesday March 28, 2018 at the Elizabeth Nursing Home, Elizabeth, IL. A visitation and funeral service for Mila was held at Grace Bible Church of Woodbine Monday, April 2, 2018. Burial will be in the Woodbine Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Elizabeth Nursing Home (Shower room project) and FHN Hospice. Family and friends are invited to share in Mila's life at [www.lawjones-funeralhome.com](http://www.lawjones-funeralhome.com)

Mila was born on March 7, 1923 in Woodbine Township, Jo Daviess County, Illinois, the daughter of Ralph R. and Emma (Schubert) Heidenreich. She graduated from Stockton High School. She married George A. Winter on Oct. 9, 1943, in Woodbine, Illinois. Mila farmed with her husband George all her life in the Woodbine area. She was a secretary for the Federal Land Bank in Woodbine. She also sold Insurance, worked as an Assessor for Woodbine, Thompson, Apple River and Derinda Townships. Mila later cleaned houses during her retirement. Mila was a member of Grace Bible Church of Woodbine. She enjoyed doing embroidery, crocheting and flower gardening. Most of all, she cherished spending time with her family.

Mila will be dearly missed by her four sons, Robert (Karen) Winter of Elizabeth, IL, Marshall (Ardath) Winter of Woodbine, IL, Carl (Kathy) Winter of Scales Mound, IL,

Mark (Linda) Winter of Stockton, IL; and two daughters Jocelyn (William) Hayes of Woodbine, IL and Merri (Don) Berlage of Elizabeth, IL; 19 grandchildren, 36 great grandchildren. Mila is preceded in death by her husband George; two sons, Gary and Jon; brothers, Ray and Wayne; sisters, Dorothy, Ruth, and Bernice; grandchildren, Andrea, Sarah and Elly; and her parents.

### ROSELYNN Y. MARSH

Roselynn Y. Marsh, age 86 of Galena, IL, passed away on Friday, March 30, 2018 at Waverly Place in Stockton, IL. She was born on Oct. 13, 1931 in Chicago, IL; the daughter of the late Alfred and Esther Thorn. She was a 1949 graduate of Lakeview High School in Chicago. On March 11, 1970 Roselynn married James Marsh in Evanston, IL.

After retiring from McDonalds Corporate Office, she opened up a children's clothing store in Galena (Lil Britchin Post). She enjoyed flower gardening, traveling, cruises



and Walt Disney World.

She is survived by her husband, James Marsh of Galena; Son, Scott (Julie) Schroeder of Atlanta, GA; daughters, Linda (Rodney) Blane of Chandler, AZ, Yvonne (Rick) Smith of Homosassa, FL, Cindy (Gary) Wallin of Tempe, AZ, and Sharon (Randy) Pepin of Stockton, IL; seven grandchildren; and six great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and sister, Marilyn.

A visitation was held April 3, at the Hermann Funeral Home in Stockton. Condolences may be shared at [www.hermannfuneralhome.com](http://www.hermannfuneralhome.com).

### MONICA SCHUMACHER

Monica Schumacher, age 91, of Elizabeth, Illinois passed away Saturday, March 17, 2018 at the Galena Nursing Home, Galena, Illinois. A visitation was held on March 22, at the Law-Jones Funeral Home, Elizabeth and the funeral service was held March 23, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Elizabeth. Burial will be in the Elizabeth Cemetery.



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## Births

### Madeleine Leverton

Thomas and Rebecca Leverton of Lena, Ill. are the parents of a daughter Madeleine Elaine Marie Leverton born Monday March 26, 2018 at FHN Memorial Hospital, Freeport, Ill. Grandparents are Shawn and Jody Warner of Winnebago, Ill. and Robert and Diane Leverton of Lena. Great grandparents are Floyd and Joyce Stephens of Rockford, Ill.

### Jameson Cash Pickard

Jameson Cash Pickard was born Monday, March 19, 2018 at Monroe Clinic Hospital in Monroe, Wisconsin. Parents are Dustin Pickard and Angie Martin of Lena. Grandparents are Carl and Beth Pickard of Pearl City and Doug and Linda Martin of Lena. Jameson has a sister, Jade Gabel of Lena.

### Deacon Smith

Karl and Bridget Smith of Freeport, Ill are the parents of a son Deacon Everett Smith born Friday March 16, 2018 at FHN Memorial Hospital, Freeport. Grandparents are Kelly and Leslie Manthei of Freeport and Kurt and Pam Smith of Winslow, Ill. Great grandparents are Janet Piefer of Freeport and Bill and Helen Swanson of Apple River, Ill.



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Keynote speaker will be Jon Greendeer. Jon is a proud member of the Ho-Chunk Nation, a student of the Ho-

Chunk language, and traditional way of life. A musician, cyclist, woodworker, drone pilot, and bow-hunter, Jon believes in building a life around activity and the outdoors. Jon is a former President of the Ho-Chunk Nation. He currently serves as the Nation's Executive Director of Heritage Preservation.

The Jo Daviess Conservation Foundation is a local non-profit whose mission is to preserve land for the lasting well-being of people and wildlife. JDCF owns several beautiful and unique preserves that are open to the public for hiking, wildlife viewing, and picnicking. For more information about JDCF, please visit their office at 126 N Main Street, Elizabeth IL, or contact them at [www.jdcf.org](http://www.jdcf.org), or [info@jdcf.org](mailto:info@jdcf.org).

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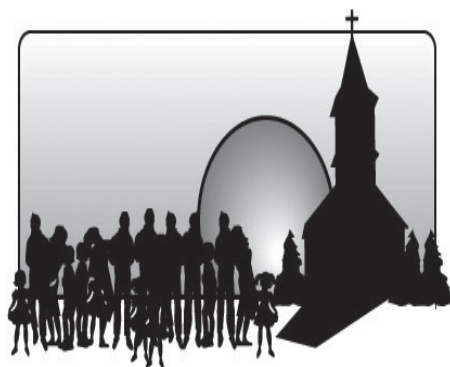
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# West wide open for Warren-Stockton athletes

By Chris Johnson  
REPORTER

A challenging closing week of March is in the books for the athletes sharing baseball duties at Warren and Stockton High Schools. Pitchers and fielders open April looking to shut down a recent 0-3 stretch.

Warren-Stockton exited March with a 9-0 loss to the Eastland Cougars. It came at the heels of a Tuesday, 2-1 loss to the conference leaders.

## Jo Daviess County 911 report traffic crash

On 03/23/18, at approximately 2:45 p.m. Jo Daviess County 911 received a report of a traffic crash with injuries, which occurred at 107 N. Washington, in Hanover, IL. Upon arrival deputies found a vehicle driven by Edith E. McIntyre, 86 of Savanna, IL, drove into a parking lot at 107 E. Washington Street, and struck an embankment located at the rear of the property. McIntyre was transported to Midwest Medical by ambulance. This incident remains under investigation.

In the Tuesday loss, the Cougars found a welcoming strike zone after securing a 1-0 advantage. The opening inning string of plays allowed the first run to cross the plate. Eastland made it hold up until they added an insurance run in the fifth.

With the score 2-0, Warren-Stockton got on the board. They plated a single run, but couldn't do much else on the offensive side and closed the inning still down one.

Each team showcased its ability to stay in control late. No additional runs would cross as the match closed with the Cougars assuring the one-run lead they had secured, would hold up.

On Thursday, March 29, the co-op met up with Eastland for the second time in two days. The Cougars managed to do what they had done in the week's opener. They scored one run in their first at bats, in the bottom of the first. The lead would remain intact until the Cougars struck again in the fifth.

As Warren-Stockton batted in the top of the sixth inning, they found themselves in a similar situation to the one they had battled through on

Tuesday. They were down 2-0, with time running out. Unfortunately, things stopped. Eastland exploded for seven runs in the home half and carried a 9-0 advantage into the final inning.

The Cougars collected the win and moved to 4-0 in the NUIC-West and 5-1 on the season. Warren-Stockton opens the week two games back in the loss column behind the Cougars, Pearl City Wolves and co-op of River Ridge and Scales Mound.

Winnable games awaited Warren-Stockton this week as they opened at Galena on Tuesday, April 3 and then followed it up with an invitation to Galena to take their game on the road for a Thursday, April 5 meeting. The week closes in a meeting with the East Dubuque Warriors, who open the month of April on their own three-game losing streak.

On Monday, April 9, a strong challenge is expected from the Orangeville Broncos, who have been invit-

ed in for a visit. The NUIC-crossover will be followed up with a Tuesday, April 10 road game at Lena-Winslow. The Panthers return the favor on Thursday, April 12.

Warren-Stockton embarks on a statistically-harder stretch of games starting in mid-April when they prepare for a home and away series with West Carroll, before setting up for a showdown with the co-conference leading Pearl City Wolves beginning Tuesday, April 24.

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# St John's to hold Mother-Daughter-Sister-Friend Banquet

We are excited to offer a Mother-Daughter-Sister-Friend Banquet this year. St. John's has not held a Mother-Daughter Banquet for many years, and we believe it is meaningful to re-institute this cherished tradition. This year's event will be a slightly new version of the classic Mother-Daughter Banquet. It is more inclusive by encouraging attendance by a sister or a close friend. The title is meant to encompass other family members, as well. Also included, of course, are grandmothers,

aunts, nieces, etc.

The Mother, Daughter, Sister, Friend Banquet is scheduled for April 14, at 10 a.m. at the church, 625 Country Lane Drive, Lena. The keynote speaker will be Stephanie Loether, who will address the theme, "Woman of God." The inspiration for Stephanie's presentation is from the Book of Proverbs, where it states in chapter 31, "Many women do noble things, but you surpass them all. Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a woman who fears the

Lord is to be praised. Honor her for all that her hands have done, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate."

Stephanie has spoken at a variety of women's conferences and retreats. She is very active in the Kettlebrook church ministries and led their Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) ministry for six years. She has traveled abroad to serve and support missionary partners in Hungary, Chad, Rwanda, Kosovo, and Montenegro. Stephanie has also spoken at Sunday gatherings

and marriage seminars. She is the mother of five children (three of her own, one adopted from the Congo and one foster child). In the midst of all this, she battled disease and is a cancer survivor. Stephanie is an amazing sister of faith.

The banquet will include Brunch prepared and served by the Board of Evangelism and friends. Special gifts will be shared with those who attend to help us remember this special event, and more importantly, to remember that we belong to Christ Jesus.

## St. John's road trip

St. John's Lutheran in Pearl City is planning a bus trip to Circa 21 at Moline on Saturday, April 14. The show is Church Basement Ladies - Rise Up O Men. The tickets are \$65.00 which include the bus trip, a meal (includes dessert, coffee, tea, tax, gratuity) and the show. The bus leaves Pearl City at 9:30 a.m. and will return at approximately 5:30 p.m. Please call Karen at 815/821-4698 if you are interested or have any questions. A limited amount of tickets are available.

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- 6:15 pm Janelle Gobeli, DPT, PT - **Show Chronic Pain Who's Boss:**  
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# Bethesda student scholastic and service scholarships

The Bethesda Auxiliary, in partnership with Bethesda Lutheran Communities, is offering \$30,000 in student scholarships for the 2018-19 school year. The scholarships are for undergraduate- or graduate-level Lutherans, including seminarians.

"We're excited to support youth who hope to put their talents and energy toward enhancing the lives of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities," said Karen Carter, president of the Bethesda Auxiliary. "Recognizing the achievements of students who have a shared interest in supporting our mission elevates us all. It's gratifying to support these students in such a direct way."

The deadline to apply is May 18, 2018, with results to be announced this summer. To download an application, go to <https://bethesdalutherancommunities.org/get-involved/scholarships/>.

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**Seminarian students:** Five \$3,000 scholarships will be awarded to a Lutheran seminarian displaying interest in service to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities in a congregational setting. The scholarship application is open to all eligible seminary students.

#### Criteria:

Be an active, communicant member of a Lutheran congregation.

Be a current college senior, accepted to begin seminary studies in the fall, or currently be classified as a first-year or second-year student at any seminary affiliated with the WELS, LCMS, ELCA, LCMC, ELS or NALC. Students going on to their internship/vicarage year do not qualify.

Have a commitment to inclusion of people with intellectual and de-

velopmental disabilities within the local parish.

**College and university students:** Five \$3,000 scholarships will be awarded to Lutheran students pursuing undergraduate degrees in any academic area that will prepare them to serve and support people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

#### Criteria:

Be an active, communicant member of a Lutheran congregation.

Be classified as a freshman, sophomore or junior at an accredited college or university.

Have a minimum overall GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.

Have a career objective in the field of intellectual and developmental disabilities.

The Bethesda Auxiliary is a nationwide organization that reaches forward in faith, word and deed by sharing the love of Jesus with people who have developmental dis-

abilities in partnership with Bethesda.

#### About Bethesda Lutheran Communities

Bethesda is a national Christian organization, providing homes and other services for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. We help people live the lives they want through more than 300 programs across the country. Learn more at [www.BethesdaLutheranCommunities.org](http://www.BethesdaLutheranCommunities.org).



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Open floor plan in the kitchen, dining & living room. There are also 3 bedrooms, 1 full & 1 half bath on the main floor. The lower level has a family room, three other rooms that could be used as an office, playroom, home exercise room, craft room or what ever you may need. There is a half bath, laundry, storage room and mechanical room. Off of the garage or outside is a seasons porch perfect for entertaining, reading or bug free meals.

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# SOS+ April Meeting to feature Abraham and Mary Todd Lincoln

SOS+ (Senior Outreach of Stockton and surrounding areas) and the Stockton Heritage Museum cordially invite all seniors and area residents to a special program "Abraham and Mary Todd Lincoln: The Long & Short of It". Spe-

## Area students earn degree

St. Cloud State University graduated more than 1,000 students during fall semester 2017. Commencement ceremonies took place Friday, December 15, 2017.

Among them are Travis Birr, Orangeville, Bachelor of Arts, Geography, and Lydia Graves, Pearl City, Bachelor of Science, Ecology and Field Biology, Magna Cum Laude

SCSU offers more than 15,000 students more than 200 undergraduate and graduate programs in business, education, fine arts and humanities, science and engineering and social sciences.

cial guess speakers Steve & Sharon Woods from Claremont NH will share stories of our 16th president. The date is Thursday, April 19, at 2 p.m. at Stockton's Calvary UM Fellowship Hall. Mark this date on your calendar; you won't want to miss this special program that will take you back in history. \*(Note, the meeting date has been changed to the 3rd Thursday to accommodate our guest speakers.)

Matching Lincoln's height and beard, Steve Wood bears enough of a resemblance to our 16th president to make heads turn even when not wearing black trousers, vest, frock coat, and stovepipe hat. Steve Wood, a graduate of the University of Maine, School of Forestry, worked for nearly thirty years with the UNH Cooperative Extension as an Extension Educator in Forest Resources, retiring at the end of 2003. He has been researching and presenting Living History programs as Abraham Lincoln since 1995.

Steve's surprising resemblance to Abraham Lincoln "His story" is Steve's interpretation of our 16th president. Sharon's background as a writer and storyteller "Her stories" include multicultural folktales and living history presentation on Mary Todd Lincoln, Sarah Josepha Hale and Betsy Phelps.

"Telling His-story (and Her-story)" have prompted them to research, write and perform original programs on 19th century American history. Steve and Sharon Wood combine their common interests in teaching, Community Theater and storytelling into living history presentations for audiences of all ages.

On April 19, Steve and Sharon will mesmerize the group, taking us back in time. The year is 1861 as Abe & Mary Todd are setting is in the Lincoln home: Steve and Sharon will present "Abraham and Mary Todd Lincoln: The Long and Short of It": Having only recently arrived in Washington, Abe and Mary Todd are seen spending some

quiet time together, reminiscing about the distinctly different paths that led each of them to Springfield, Illinois, where they met, married and began their family. Despite their different backgrounds, they shared strong political ambitions and worked together to secure Lincoln's election to the Presidency". Their story will include details of Lincoln's 1860 visit to the East Coast following his speech at Cooper Union in New York City. His original plan to visit his son Robert at school in Exeter, NH was changed to include almost a dozen speaking engagements throughout New England. After their presentation, Sharon and Steve will step out of character and answer questions from the audience.

A time of fellowship, photo taking with the Woods and refreshments will follow the program.

Both, the Stockton Heritage Museum and the SOS+ (Senior Outreach of Stockton and surrounding areas) are made up of volunteers

working together to provide interesting programs and fellowship to our residents. There is no costs to join us, and all area seniors and residents are most welcome. A free will offering is taken at each meeting which helps in providing interesting and educational programs throughout the year. Volunteers are much needed. If you would like to volunteer to help or volunteer to entertain or have a story of interest to share, please let us know. "SOS+ is in its 14th year and going strong. The Stockton Heritage Museum, located downtown Stockton, has a wealth of area history and is open to the public May through October.

For more information on SOS+ or this special event, please feel free to call Mary Feltmeyer 815-297-5425, Nancy Rice 815-947-3683 or Shirley Toepfer 815-947-3639, Ann Coppernoll 515-290-8749. If you are in need of a ride to the church, please call. We would be more than happy to accommodate you.

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

Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau offering \$250 towards R.O.P.S. Purchase. The Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau would like to offer funds to reimburse farmers for purchasing ROPS (Rollover Protective Structures.) Fifty-five percent of farm tractors in Illinois do not have a cab or ROPS (Rollover Protection Structure.) Only 1 in 5 victims will survive a tractor rollover accident. The leading cause of farm related deaths in Illinois is tractor rollover accidents. They account for more than 30% of farm related deaths. ROPS help protect farmers and family members from being crushed in the event of a tractor turnover or rollover. Safety Chairman, Dan Robbe, states that "Safety is a priority of the farm bureau, and we would like to encourage our members to install ROPS on their tractors". Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau members who purchase a ROPS could receive a reimbursement



Annette Eggers

of \$250 towards the purchase of a ROPS (Six rebates are available). To receive the \$250, members would need to bring in their paid invoice to the Farm Bureau office in Elizabeth. Customers would be responsible for the cost, freight, and installation which are available through the dealer. If you have been thinking about putting a ROPS on one of your tractors – now is the time! For more information about this program, or to become a member of our organization, contact the Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau office at 815-858-2235 or email jdcfbmgr@blkhawk.net.

Cover Crop Field Day scheduled. Mark your calendars for Friday, April 6, at 1 p.m. to learn more about our

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## Save the Date for Spring Break Gardening

The Jo Daviess County Extension Staff along with the Jo Daviess County Master Gardeners are busy planning their annual Spring Break Gardening Day. This year the event is being held on Saturday, April 14, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. with registration beginning at 8:30 a.m. The event is being held at the CTE Academy, 950 US HWY 20 W. Elizabeth, IL. There will be a \$20 registration fee that will include refreshments, lunch and handouts. For more information or to register for this program please visit us online at [web.extension.illinois.edu/jsw](http://web.extension.illinois.edu/jsw) or call us at 815-858-2273.

This year the keynote address will be given by Brittany Demezier, Food Systems Coordinator for Iowa State University Extension and Outreach in Dubuque County, on Hydroponics. Brittany is a homegrown Iowa girl, who obtained her undergraduate degree in Ag Education from University of Wisconsin-Platteville and a Master's of Science degree in Sustainable Food Systems from Green Mountain College. She has

also worked with her own horticulture enterprise, as a Horticulturalist at Walt Disney Parks and Resorts in Orlando, Florida, and as a Hydroponic Greenhouse Specialist at FarmTek in Dyersville, Iowa. Brittany enjoys baking, going out for walks, and all things Disney! Her favorite vegetables are cauliflower and tomatoes.

Following the keynote address there will be several breakout sessions on topics that include: Home Hydroponics, Monarchs, Selecting and Preserving Culinary Herbs, Bluebirds, Soils, and Victorian Landscape Legacy. Over the lunch break the Jo Daviess County Master Gardeners will do a short session on their help desk and what information you need to provide when presenting a question for them to answer.

There will also be a silent auction taking place. Bidding will open at 8:30 and will close at 1. Silent auction items will include a monarch house, a bat house, a wren house, a purple martin house, plant stands, and more.

cover crop project. The plot is located at 1650 E. Airport Road, Stockton. Some of the topics to be covered are the benefits of a green crop in a cash crop, herbicide choices and timing of application, and see what cover crops terminated. Also, there will be tile water nitrate testing available. If you are interested, bring a small, well-marked sample of tile and surface water for nitrate testing. Please note that the samples will not be tested that day, but you will be notified of the results later. For more information, or questions contact our office at 815-858-2235.

Are you between the ages of 18 and 35 and have an interest in agriculture?

I have just the group for you....The Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau Young Leaders. We have a great group of individuals that enjoy promoting agriculture and I would love to see more people join in. The next meeting is Sunday, April 8, at 7:30 p.m. at the Farm Bureau office in Elizabeth. If you have any questions, call our office at 815.858.2235 or email [jdcfbmgr@blkhawk.net](mailto:jdcfbmgr@blkhawk.net).

Smartphone 101 class slated. Join us to on April 20, at the Elizabeth Community Building to learn about the basics of the smartphone. Ever wanted to know how to send a picture in a text message or how to control notifications. This session will teach

you the ins and outs of how to use your Android or IOS smartphone in a hands-on environment. Topics will include texting, freeing up storage on your phone, saving contacts, and more ways to make your smartphone work for you. Please bring your iTunes or Google Play account information as this will help with downloading apps and changing other settings. Two sessions will be provided: 10 a.m. class will cover iPhone phones and 1 p.m. will cover Android devices. To sign up for this class, please call our office at 815-858-2235.

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GALENA, ILLINOIS  
DITECH FINANCIAL LLC  
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-v.-  
TIMOTHY M. FURLONG,  
et al  
Defendant

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### NOTICE OF SALE

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# Holocaust Memorial Day with survivor Eva Kor

Rockford University's Forum Series is partnering with the Jewish Federation of Rockford for a 2018 Yom Hashoah Memorial Observance program on Tuesday, April 10, at 7 p.m. at the Fisher Memorial Chapel. Our featured speaker is Eva Mozes Kor, a survivor of the Holocaust, a forgiveness advocate, and a revered public speaker.

With the driving message of "never give up" in mind, she has emerged through a life filled with trauma as a brilliant example of the power of the human spirit to overcome. Kor is the recipient of the 2017 Sachem

award, the highest honor in the state of Indiana.

The program also will include brief remarks from leaders of Rockford's Jewish community, a time for prayer, and a candle-lighting ceremony. All are welcome.

With the exception of Performing Arts events, the Forum Series is free of charge. Events take place on the Rockford University campus, 5050 East State Street, Rockford. Tickets are required and can be obtained by contacting the Box Office at 815-226-4100 or [boxoffice@rockford.edu](mailto:boxoffice@rockford.edu).

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Remaining installments in this spring's Forum Series include the musical "Candide" and a lecture on civic engagement in the science classroom (4/24/18). "Candide," running from April 19-21, is presented in collaboration with the Rockford Symphony Orchestra part of the "Leonard Bernstein at 100" festival. The festival is made possible by a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts, the Community Foundation of Northern Illinois and Illinois Arts Council Agency.



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**Eva Mozes Kor is a survivor of the Holocaust, forgiveness advocate, and revered public speaker.**

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## Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church will gather for worship on April 8, at Good Shepherd, 118 E. Mason St. Lena, IL, at 9:30 a.m. All are invited to worship on this Second Sunday of Easter 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.

On Monday April 9, the Parkinson Support Group will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 1:30 p.m.

On Tuesday April 10, at 9:45 a.m. Good Shepherd will meet for Hymn Sing at the Lena Living Center

On Wednesday April 11, 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! At 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday Confirmation students in seventh and eighth grade will meet for learning, fun, prayer, and fellowship.

On Thursday April 12, Friendship Club will meet at noon for a Potluck Dinner and entertainment with "Take Two."

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

## Kent/Willow UMC

Kent/Willow UMC Churches will worship together Sun. Apr. 8, at 9 a.m. at Kent UMC. Lay Speaker; Dawn Weber will bring the message; "Mysteries of the Empty Tomb" We invite you all to come and hear this message and then stay for the fellowship following.

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

Kent UMC is located right in the town of Kent IL; for more information, please call Dawn at 815-238-4269.

## St. John's Lutheran Church in Pearl City

You're invited to join us at St. John's Lutheran Church, Pearl City for worship on Sunday, April 8, at 9 a.m. for the second Sunday of Easter. After the worship, Sunday School and Confirmation students will meet at 10:15 a.m. The Property Committee will meet after worship. The SPOTS (fifth and sixth grades) Youth Group will meet on April 8, at 11 a.m.

The Fifth Quarter (seventh and eighth grades) will meet on Sunday, April 8, from 6-7:30 p.m. in the Youth and Family Center. The Genesis (high school) youth group will meet from 7:30- 9 p.m. on Sunday in the Youth and Family Center. All youth are welcome to attend.

Matt Schmitt, Freeport, IL, won the March 28, \$200 Calendar Raffle drawing.

Scrip orders are due on April 3. The April Men's Breakfast will be held at Little John's on Wednesday, April 4, at 7:30 a.m. The Christian Education Committee will meet at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 11.

Bible Studies will resume on Monday, April 9, at 7 p.m. or on Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m. Both bible studies are held in the Conference Room.

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](mailto:prshadmin@gmail.com).

## Lena United Methodist Church to hold rummage & bake sale

Lena United Methodist Church will be having its annual Rummage & Bake Sale April 12-14. If you have clean usable items, you would like to donate, bring them to our fellowship hall starting Mon. April 9 thru Wed. April 11 from 8:30-4:30. We will accept: furniture, clothing, house wares, yard-work items, toys, games, books and puzzles. Watch for our Shoppers Guide ad next week for Rummage & Bake Sale times.

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# FHN calendar of events for the week of April 7-12

**April 7**  
Blood Pressure Screening  
9 – 11 a.m.  
Gospel Outreach Food Pantry, 211  
W. Spring Street, Freeport

No cost or registration required;  
open to the public.  
**April 9**  
Parkinson's Support Group  
1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church,  
118 E. Mason Street, Lena  
Topic is fall prevention. Open to  
the public; no cost or registration re-  
quired.

Living Through Grief  
6 – 7:30 p.m.  
FHN Memorial Hospital Cafeteria  
Dining Rooms – Lower Level  
For more information, call 815-

599-7240.  
**April 10**  
Blood Pressure Screening  
10:30 a.m. – noon  
Golden Meals, 524 W. Stephenson  
Street, rear entrance, lower level,  
Freeport

No cost or registration required;  
open to the public.  
Community Health Forum: Food  
Fads & Fables  
6:30 p.m.

Freeport Public Library, 100 E.  
Douglas Street, Freeport  
Dr. Jack Herrmann will talk about  
the latest food fads, including organ-  
ic, genetically modified foods, raw  
food diets and more. Presented by  
the Stephenson County Health De-  
partment and FHN; no registration  
is necessary. Open to the public; re-  
freshments will be served.

**April 11**  
Blood Pressure Screening  
10:30 – 11:30 a.m.  
Liberty Village Estates, 2140 Na-  
vajo Drive, Freeport  
No cost or registration required;  
open to the public.

Blood Pressure Screening  
12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.  
St. John's Lutheran Church, 625  
Country Lane, Lena  
No cost or registration required;  
open to the public.

**April 12**  
Blood Pressure Screening  
10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  
Salvation Army, 106 W. Exchange  
Street, Freeport  
No cost or registration required;  
open to the public.

Prenatal Class  
5 – 9 p.m.  
FHN Memorial Hospital, 1045 W.  
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