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Warren Volleyball seeks fresh start with Sadie McGowan

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The Warren Volleyball squad is looking to turn the tides and catch a fresh start for their 2019 season, with a new coach at the helm. Sadie McGowan has assumed the role of head coach for the Warriors and looks to turn things around considering the team's recent struggles in past years.

Sadie is plenty familiar with the area and has had a life full of sports competition as she grew up in Lena where she was a three-sport athlete. McGowan played volleyball, basketball, and ran track for Lena in high school. The sports didn't stop after graduation for her, however. McGowan attended Wartburg University, where she played four years of volleyball and double majored, earning a bachelor's degree in physical education health and coaching, as well as fitness management. After graduating Wartburg, Sadie moved to Texas where she earned a master's degree in Kinesiology from the University of North Texas.

During the ten years she spent in Texas, McGowan developed her

coaching skills as she coached Club volleyball for excel, and coached youth recreational volleyball. She also taught Physical Education for Collin County Community College and managed personal training studios, as she is a certified strength and training coach and personal trainer. Sadie has quite the athletic resume and after moving back home in 2017 to be closer to family, she has decided to put it to use once again as she becomes the head coach of the Lady Warriors.

Warren Athletic Director, Joel Wild, expressed his interest in the situation, saying he is "Excited to have Sadie McGowan as our new volleyball coach, and see how she can continue to develop student athletes at Warren High School."

The high levels of excitement are mutual, as McGowan said "I'm thrilled to work with the Lady Warriors! Summer league has given me the opportunity to meet all the girls & get a sneak peek at their potential before our season begins. I have an awesome group of girls with great potential." McGowan hopes to immediately have an impact on the girls, explaining that her goal is to "help teach the Warriors more advance skills and strategies to help speed up their level of play." With her collegiate volleyball experience, who better to do this than Sadie.

McGowan has plans to improve more than just the raw skills of the Lady Warriors, however. "I will be incorporating some sport psychology techniques to help improve their mindsets. Playing as "one" and trusting each other on the court is essential." McGowan says. She also plans to make improvements to the overall athleticism of the girls, saying "This season the Lady Warriors will also be incorporating Strength & Conditioning into their regimen. I plan to help the girls significantly improve their strength, power, and quickness by incorporating weight room & agility sessions." By putting in the hard work off the court, this will immensely help to improve the Lady Warriors chances of winning when it really matters.

Personally, McGowan is happy to

be home as she said "I'm very excited to be home and have the opportunity to share my knowledge and experience with our local youth."

As said prior, McGowan believes she has a great group of talented girls who will contribute this season. McGowan listed Sydni Sigafus as the returning player to watch, as she comes back for her Junior campaign

on the Lady Warriors. McGowan also believes Brianna Anderson and Emilie Slichenmeyer will play important leadership roles for the team. Anderson will be giving it her all as 2019 will be her final season for the Lady Warriors as she is a senior, and Slichenmeyer will hope to prove herself and develop in her junior season. McGowan also says she has some

young talent she is excited to see this year in sophomore Cameron Kent, and freshman Elaina Martin.

Overall the fresh start with new faces could be exactly what the Lady Warriors need to develop a winning program in Warren. The Lady Warriors will open up their regular season on Aug. 26, when they face off with Durand.

Say yes to the dress

The Stockton FFA Chapter is hosting a homecoming/prom dress sale on Saturday, Aug. 31 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. in the Stockton Middle School Gym. How does this event work? If anyone is interested in bringing gently used dresses, you can drop them off on Friday, Aug. 23 from 4-6 p.m. or Friday, August 30th from 4-6 p.m. at the Stockton Ag Room/Shop. You set your price for the dress, and 25% of the sales goes to the Stockton FFA Chapter. Then you can come back on Saturday, August 31st from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. and shop till you drop!

If you have any questions you can contact Mrs. Trish Krug at trishkrugg@stocktonschools.com or Haley Brudi at 206.haleybrudi@stocktonschools.com. Like us on Facebook for updates: Stockton FFA Chapter.



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Fair food

Members of the Twenty-First Century 4H Club representing the villages of Stockton, Warren, Apple River, and Nora work the 4H concession stand at the fair.

Fall Festival



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609 N. Schuyler, Lena, IL
Call with questions 815-369-5351

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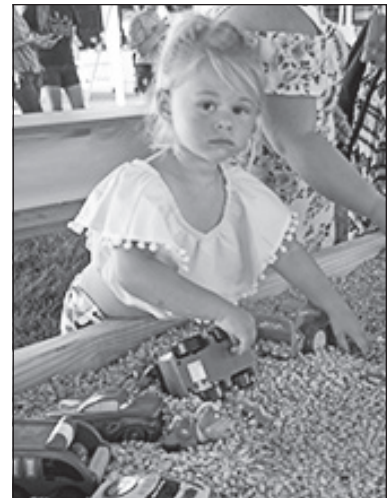
Miss Jo Daviess County Fair Emily Raab helps Kelsey with a piece of jewelry during the Tea with the Queen event.



Junior Miss Jo Daviess County Fair Samantha Petitgout works on a craft.



Jo Daviess County Fair royalty Keara and Embry Teila Thommen work on a watercolor with Charlie.



Charlie came to the Tea with the Queen event at the fair and ended up playing in the corn box.

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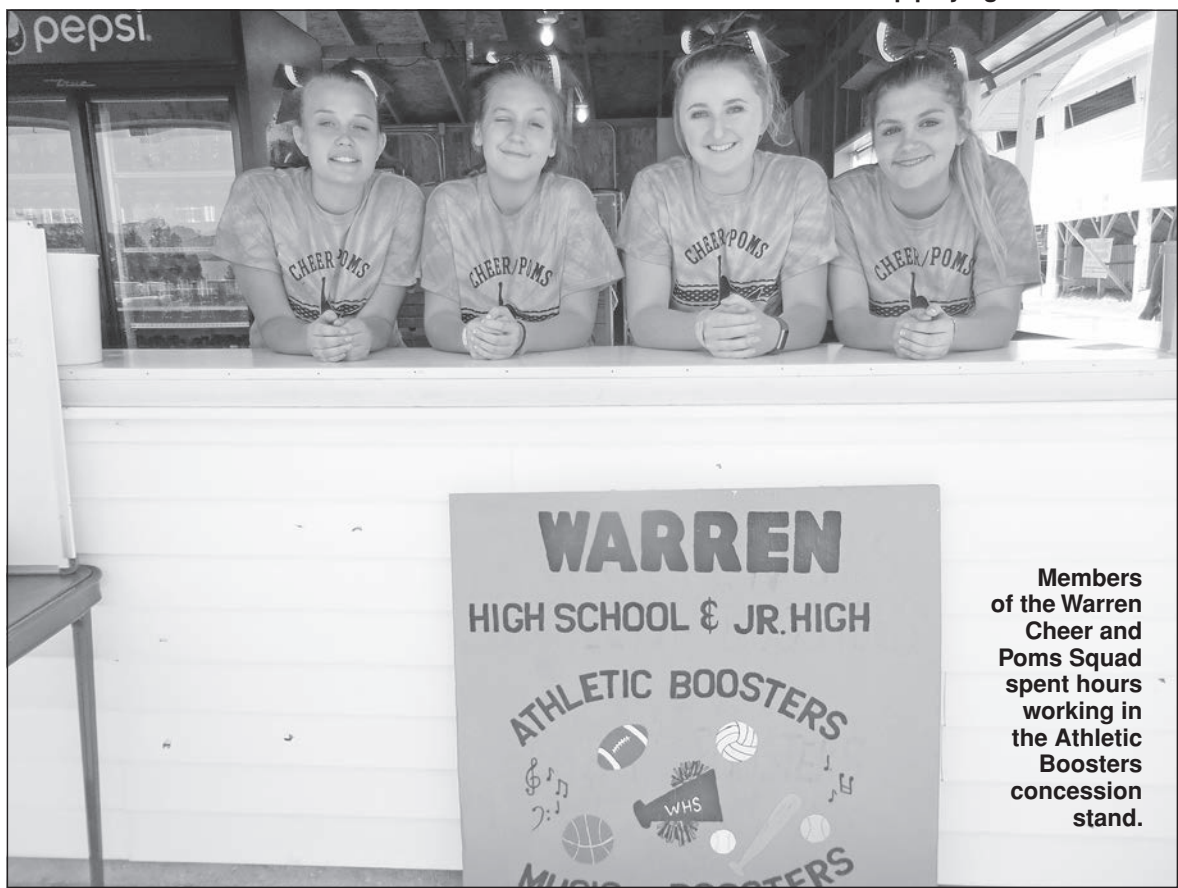
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Members of the Warren Cheer and Poms Squad spent hours working in the Athletic Boosters concession stand.

How your neck curve predicts the future

Research shows that a loss of neck curvature increases the likelihood of a disc herniation. A study also showed that appropriate correction and restoration to the neck curve produced lower rates and degrees of disc problems. For over 40 years Chiropractic BioPhysics Technique has offered the least invasive, the most researched and most effective way to restore a proper neck curvature. Chiropractic has Science, Philosophy and Art, which is what makes our office so unique in our approach to spinal correction.

Forward head posture represents one of the most significant reasons for a decrease in proper neck curvature. Sitting, texting, repetitive computer work, sedentary lifestyles, motor vehicle accidents, and other physical traumas serve as the primary culprits of forward head posture.

Each of these conditions reduce neck curve, leaving the spine weaker and more vulnerable to stress. The trauma also increases pressure on the

discs (discs) between each vertebra.

Discs operate similar to shocks on a car. They absorb the pressure of daily wear and tear. Discs are made of cartilage, water, and a gel-like substance in the center for added protection. As alignment of the spine becomes altered, the gel-like nucleus in the middle of the disc becomes slightly displaced. This forces pressure on the side of the disc and stresses the cartilage. Consistent adversity produces tears in the cartilage and forces the gel-like substance to slightly protrude or bulge through the side of the disc resulting in a disc herniation.

Herniations come in a variety of sizes. Smaller herniations tend to be referred to as more of a bulge than a herniation. Yet every herniation leaves the spine weakened and extremely vulnerable to stress and pressure.

New research shows that altered



spinal alignment, particularly reduced neck curvature, decreases disc height and increases rates of disc herniations, and disc degeneration. The degenerative process often occurs with no pain. Chiropractors and other spine specialists use expert testing and technology to check for disc space abnormalities or other problems before pain arrives. A proactive approach proves vital to long term functionality. Spinal alignment plays a vital role in the health, durability, and longevity of the spine. Chiropractors promote the importance of spinal correction and restoration without drugs or surgery.

Chiropractors comprise the only natural health providers who focus specifically on detecting and correcting spinal movement, alignment, and nervous system function. Regular chiropractic care helps improve spinal alignment and ensures better curvature, resulting in greater strength, durability, increased disc space, and less risk of disc bulges and herniations. The long-term benefit cannot be measured. Our vertebrae were designed to function best when in a specific position. Research continues to prove when the spine is altered from normal; it WILL affect your health. Every person deserves a healthy spine and future, allowing them to discover their potential.

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

Did you know that you don't need to be a farmer to be a farm bureau member? Give me a call at the office and I can tell you how YOU can become a member. You will be able to take advantage of the many membership benefits that Illinois Farm Bureau and Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau has to offer!

Trip preview meeting set. We've scheduled a preview program on Aug. 14 at 7:00 p.m. for our trips to Nashville on Nov. 19-23, 2019 and to Alaska on Aug. 29 - September 7 with an additional cruise package that can be added. Jack Wideman will be here to share the images and details of this unique excursion. For full details on these trips and others that are scheduled, please visit

www.jodaviesscfb.com/trips/. If you are interested in attending this meeting, please RSVP by calling 815-858-2235 or email jdcfbmgr@blkhawk.net.

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 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.

Family Farm Signs. As we are nearing the end of summer, we all start thinking of back to school and the fall weather coming soon. There's still time to do some work around the farm and spruce things up a bit. Why not add a "This is a Family Farm" sign to your landscape. The signs are 17.5" X 23" and cost \$30. Stop by our office and pick one up.

Farm Fun Fact: August is National peach month. Everyone that ordered peaches should be enjoying those fresh Illinois peaches!

Annette Eggers named IFB Certified Manager

Annette Eggers, FBCM, has completed all requirements to receive her designation as a "Certified Manager" by the Illinois Farm Bureau®. Eggers is the manager of Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau®.

The FBCM designation recognizes county Farm Bureau managers for professional achievement and leadership.

Eggers began her Farm Bureau career in 2005 as a local hire in Jo Daviess County.

The Farm Bureau Certified Manager Program was started in 1993 and is based on service to Farm Bureau and agriculture. To receive the FBCM designation, county Farm Bureau managers must complete a series of six exams which assess expertise in finance, legal, membership, organization and structure, office administration, and public policy/issue management. Recertification is granted every five years based on continuing education and professional staff leadership.

Affordable health screenings coming to Stockton, Illinois

Residents living in and around the Stockton, Illinois can learn about their risk for cardiovascular disease, osteoporosis, diabetes, and other chronic, serious conditions with affordable screenings by Life Line Screening. Calvary United Methodist Church will host this community event on 9/10/2019. The site is located at 315 W. Maple Avenue in Stockton.

Screenings can check for:

- The level of plaque buildup in your arteries, related to risk for heart disease, stroke and overall vascular health.
- HDL and LDL Cholesterol levels
- Diabetes risk

- Bone density as a risk for possible osteoporosis
- Kidney and thyroid function, and more

Screenings are affordable, convenient and accessible for wheelchairs and those with trouble walking. Free parking is also available.

Packages start at \$149, but consultants will work with you to create a package that is right for you based on your age and risk factors. Also ask about our Wellness Gold Membership Program with allows customers to get all the screenings they need now, but pay \$19.95 a month. Call 1-877-237-1287 or visit our website at www.lifelinescreening.com. Pre-registration is required.

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Obituaries

AUDREY (JEANNIE) WADE

Audrey (Jeannie) Wade, 79 a resident of Walnut Acres in Freeport, IL passed away on Aug. 3, 2019. Her battle with heart disease and diabetes long term is now won. She can rest now and experience comfort and peace. She was born Aug. 17, 1939 to Harry and Helen (Stanley) Evans of Stockton. She graduated Stockton High School in 1957. She owned and operated Country Side Cafe in Stockton. She waitressed for 65 years attracting many customers from everywhere she worked due to her personality and social skills. She finished her waitressing career at Karen's Kitchen and Catering in Stockton. Dietary and Food was her passion by far. She was a cook at Morgan Memorial Nursing Home and Pearl City Schools. She also worked at Atwood Automotive. When her health began to fail and she could no longer work, she continued her passion by cooking for family and friends. For years, she delivered cookies and other baked goods to less fortunate people who were home bound, especially on holidays. She was a strong and loving mom, grandma, great grandma and sister. Each role she played was to the very best of her ability and with love as her heart was as big as the moon. The highlights in her life were time spent with her children,



her grand and great grandchildren, and her brothers and sisters. She enjoyed some gardening and working with her indoor plants. She resided with her son Brian and his wife and the kids when she could no longer work-being cared for by them. It was there she became a Green Bay Packers Fan! She initiated a lot of stink to all Chicago Bear fans after that.

She is survived by her 3 children; Brad, Denise and Deanna Williams, daughter-in-law Christine Williams, 5 grandchildren; Ashlee and Brandon Williams, Skylar Williams, Tina (Duane) Reed and Jacob Snook. 3 great grandchildren; Jace, Bailey and Alex Reed, many nieces and nephews. 2 sisters, Donna (Duane) Kupersmith and Rita (Ron) Magee; 2 brothers: Keith (Alice) Evans and Stan (Kris) Evans and 4 partners in crime; Gregg G., Nancy L., Charlie D. and Connie M., the residents and staff of Walnut Acres. They were a big part of her care and healing.

She was preceded in death by parents, son Brian and Sister Shirley Kunz. The loss of her son so suddenly in May 2018 was a very emotional time for her. Yet she never gave up, as she knew she would be joining him some day.

A celebration of life was held on Aug. 10, at the Zion Church in Pearl City, IL, 10082 W Sabin Church Road, Pearl City, IL. In lieu of flowers a memorial has been set up. Cards may be mailed to Denise and Deanna Williams 118 E. Roosevelt, Freeport, IL 61032. Thank you to Pastor Wayne Fischer for making this happen and supporting Audrey and her

family. Our hearts weigh heavy today without her but her spirit will go on forever. She has given us strength though all of her pain and has motivated each and every one of us in her own way implying "Never to give up". Heaven is about to receive a precious gift.

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

GERALD STEPHEN DORICH

Gerald Stephen Dorich, age 76, of Stockton, IL passed away Saturday, Aug. 3, 2019 at Lena Living Center. He was born on May 9, 1943 in Chicago, IL to the late Stephen and Helen (Barnes) Dorich. Gerald married Marlene Bailey on Oct 13, 2007 at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Burbank, IL.

He was a graduate of De Lasalle High School and attended the City College. Gerald served in the U.S. Army during both the Korean and Vietnam Wars as a Sergeant and Paratrooper. He then served 30 years with the Chicago Police Department. In his early years he ran track. Later in life, he enjoyed golfing, Shakespeare Theatre, music, Nascar and Indy Cars. He was a photographer and wrote a column for Nascar.

He is survived by his wife, Marlene Dorich (Barnes) of Stockton, IL; her



children, Ronald Nelson Jr. of Bridgeview, IL, John Nelson of Riverside, IL, April (James) Giertich of Toma, WI, and Ann Marie Jonkman of Bartlett, IL; and his brother, Thomas Dorich of Chico, CA.

The funeral service was held on Thursday, Aug. 8, at Hermann Funeral Home in Stockton. There was a visitation on Wednesday, Aug. 7, also at the funeral home. Interment will take place at Ladies Union Cemetery in Stockton. A memorial fund has been established. Condolences may be shared at www.hermannfuneralhome.com.

ANNE (RENA) HUDSON

Anne (Rena) Hudson completed her life on July 20, 2019 in Freeport, Illinois as the result of a prolonged illness. Anne was preceded in death by her parents, James and Clare Hudson, and brother Robert Hudson. She is survived by her son, Joshua Hudson, grandson, Gavin Hudson-Cuthbertson, sisters, Paula Dalton and Julie Compton, and nieces Brooke Haas, Brittany Robinson and Jessie Compton. Anne graduated from Stockton High School and has lived in Peca-

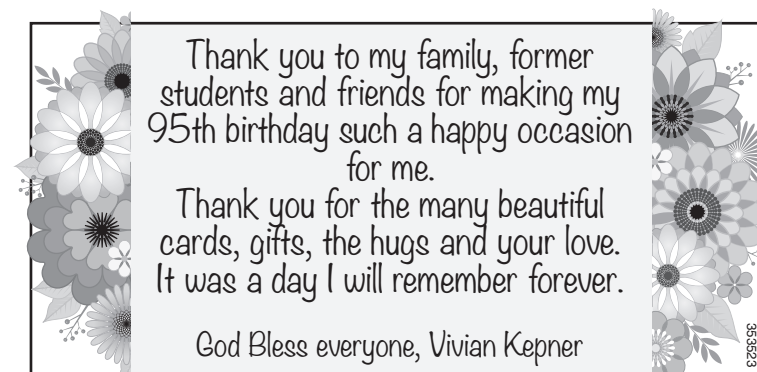
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Wursters celebrate 50 years

Marvin and Linda (Vick) Wurster were married Aug. 23, 1969 at Calvary United Methodist Church in Stockton, IL by Charles Fleck. They were blessed with three children Aaron (Stacie) Onalaska, WI, Michelle (Derek) Volling, Stockton, IL, and Brian, Elizabeth, IL. Their children have blessed them with eight grandchildren. The couple will celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Aug. 24, 2019 at the First United Methodist Church, Elizabeth, IL from 1-4. Light lunch will be served. NO GIFTS PLEASE.



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CHURCH NEWS

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

All are invited on Aug. 18, to Good Shepherd, 118 E. Mason St. Lena, IL for Blessing of the Backpacks and "Sundae Fun Day" worship service with Holy Communion. During fellowship we will celebrate Sundae Fun Day and Blessing of the Backpacks with games and ice cream after worship.

On Wednesday Aug. 21, at 8 a.m. the Piece Corps Quilters will work together to craft quilts for Lutheran World Relief. They are always looking for more people to help tie quilts and sew. No previous quilting experience is necessary. Come join the fun and make a difference in the world!

On Wednesday Aug. 21st from 5-8 p.m., Good Shepherd will be in downtown Lena with free games for all ages. There will be basketball hoop, giant JENGA, hula hoops and more. Stop by and have a fun evening.

On Saturday, Aug. 24th, Good Shepherd will be at Lena Food Pantry. The Le-Win Food Pantry opens at 8:30 a.m.

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

Salem United Church of Christ

Please join us for worship at Salem United Church of Christ, 8491 W. Salem Road, Lena, on Sunday, Aug. 18, at 9:30 a.m. Pastor Randal Nicholas' sermon will be "Grape Shatter" from Isaiah 5:1-7. Everyone is invited to Fellowship Hall after worship for "brunch" and a presentation by Kenneth Williams on his trip to Washington, D.C., with the VetsRoll organization.

The Wednesday Morning Breakfast Group will meet at Stella's, 100 N. Main Street, in Stockton on Wednesday, Aug. 21, at 8 a.m.

St. John's Lutheran Church (Pearl City)

You're welcome to join us for worship at St. John's on Sundays at 9 a.m. The Social Ministry and Memorial/Finance Committees will both meet after worship. Pastor Ekstrand will also be holding a class after worship for those interested in becoming a member of St. John's. The August Grace Meal will be held on Sunday, Aug. 18 at 11:30 a.m. The menu is fried chicken, cheesy potatoes, green beans, orange fluff salad and dessert.

The St. John's Brat Stand only has a couple of dates left for the summer. Join us on Aug. 17 & 31 for a Brat or Hot Dog in downtown Pearl City at the American Legion Parking Lot from 11 a.m. 2 p.m. Thrivent has sponsored the St. John's Brat Stand.

Janet Ferguson, Pearl City, was the winner of the \$200 Calendar Raffle drawing on Aug. 4, 2019.

The Women's Gathering will host their Annual Meeting and Ladies Night Out on Tuesday, Aug. 27. Sign-up is on the bulletin board or call the church office. Come and enjoy a meal catered by Lessman's Catering a program on the "History of the Stephenson County Fair."

The Women's Gathering currently has two excursions planned. On Oct. 10, they will be driving (carpooling available) to Oregon for a Riverboat cruise and lunch. On December 2 they have planned a bus trip to Palace Theatre at Wisconsin Dells to see Blackwood Quartet and Elvis. Information and sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

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.

Friends of the Pecatonica River schedule August meeting

The Friends of the Pecatonica River Foundation will be meeting Thursday, Aug. 15, at 6:30 p.m. at The Rafter's Restaurant & Catering, 9426 W. Wagner Road, Lena, Illinois 61048. The meeting will be held in the Cafe' Dining Room with our President, Joe Ginger presiding. Great atmosphere, great food and POPCORN too!

The Friends of the Pecatonica River Foundation is a 501(c)(3) Not-for-Profit organization that is dedicated to improving all 58 miles of your Pecatonica River experience. This includes access, education, wildlife

habitat, log jam extrication and river clean-up for the human communities in Stephenson County.

Would you like to learn more? The FPRF is available to attend your organizations meeting too!

Be sure to pick-up the all new Second Edition of the Pecatonica River post card book, which is available at our meeting for \$12. Another collector book created by Joe Ginger with autographs available at our meeting. We will be discussing our Log Jam

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Christ Lutheran Church of Stockton welcomes Pastor Paul Gebo

The people of Christ Lutheran Church joyously invite you to the official installation of Rev. Paul Gebo as their pastor. The service begins at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 18, with a free community meal to follow in our Fellowship Hall. Local dignitaries and clergy will be attending, as well as clergy from the Northern Illinois Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (www.nisynod.org). Pastor Denver Bitner, assistant to Bishop Jeffrey Clem-

ents, will preside.

Pastor Paul does not look like your typical pastor. Sporting a full sleeve tattoo on his left arm (and a half sleeve on his right) and often preaching in bare feet (in the spirit of Moses before the burning bush (Exodus 3:5)), he is nonetheless a very pious man with deep love for Christ and a solid theology. He graduated from Wartburg Theological Seminary in May of this year, at the age of 57. His life in ministry

is not so much a "second career," as it is the culmination of a lifelong journey with God. He is a singer and songwriter (with an acoustic guitar adorned by cherubs!), and he has spent many years in the mountains of southwestern Colorado. Born and raised in Arlington Heights, Illinois, he is excited to be back home here in the Midwest. Pastor Paul and the whole Christ Lutheran community welcome you and look forward to meeting you.

Monroe Clinic hospice volunteer training scheduled

Monroe Clinic Hospice invites members of the community to give comfort and support to the terminally ill, and their families, by becoming a volunteer. New Hospice volunteers will join a team of 71 compassionate individuals, including 5 pets, from Wisconsin and Illinois who help patients live out their lives to the fullest.

Those interested in becoming a hospice volunteer should attend the training classes held on Sept. 5, 12, 19 and 26. Classes are from 6-8 p.m.

and are located at the St. Camillus Center, 2101 6th Street in Monroe, WI. Hospice volunteers are required to have 16 hours of training in the State of Wisconsin, which can include a combination of in-person and online training. Training is free and volunteers serve their areas of choice.

This team of neighbors helping neighbors offers support to patients and their families with programs including, but not limited to:

- Comfort Care
- We Honor Veterans
- Storykeepers
- "Paws"itive Comfort
- Caregiver Respite

Hospice care is focused on helping terminally ill patients find dignity and comfort, as well as supporting the families, during the grieving process. Monroe Clinic Hospice services are available in Green, Rock, and Lafayette counties in Wisconsin and Stephenson, Jo Daviess, and part of Winnebago counties in Illinois.

For more information, or to register, contact Nadine Whiteman, Monroe Clinic Hospice Volunteer Services Coordinator, by calling 608-324-1230 or emailing Nadine.whiteman@ssmhealth.com.

Monroe Clinic and Aster Assisted Living partner for Twist and Shout Health Fair

Monroe Clinic is collaborating with Aster Assisted Living to hold a Twist and Shout Health Fair at Aster Assisted Living, 616 8th Ave, Monroe on Thursday, Aug. 22 from 9 a.m. to noon. All area community members are invited to attend this free health fair.

A variety of Monroe Clinic providers, along with members from Green County Public Health, will offer helpful information to participants on health and wellness including:

- Ask the Pharmacist and Doctor
- Hearing and blood pressure screenings
- Fall preventions
- Nutrition as We Age
- Adult vaccinations
- Medication Safety

At this event, participants also can take dance classes, enjoy refreshments, enter to win prizes and more.

"Our two organizations have teamed up to offer an exceptional opportunity for community members," said Amanda Gerber, Aster Assisted Living Sales and Marketing Director. Rebecca Bordner, Marketing Specialist at Monroe Clinic, followed, "Monroe Clinic's staff is enthusiastic about offering free screenings and healthy lifestyle education to the community."

For more information, call Aster Assisted Living at 608-328-2339.

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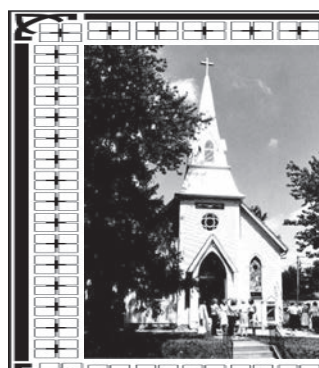
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Willow Folk Festival

The Willow UMC team of volunteers serves up some fine pie during the annual Folk Festival held on the church grounds.



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Hundreds of tents, campers, and other forms of shelter dot the campground at Willow Folk Fest 2019.



T-shirts and more are great Willow Folk Festival gifts and souvenirs.



Every experienced Willow visitor knows the best music is found in the campground.

Stockton Elementary Meet the Teacher

Stockton Elementary Meet the Teacher night will be held Monday, Aug. 19, from 5-6:30 p.m. Bring your school supplies, meet your teacher & see your new classroom! Hope to see you there!

•Obits (Continued from page 4)

tonica for the past several years. A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, Aug. 17th from noon to 4 p.m. The Celebration of Life will be held at Krape Park, Koenig Shelter in Freeport, Illinois. Koenig Shelter is near the Auditorium.

Anne (Rena) Hudson completed her life on July 20, 2019 in Free-

port, Illinois as the result of a prolonged illness. Anne was preceded in death by her parents, James and Clare Hudson, and brother Robert Hudson. She is survived by her son, Joshua Hudson, grandson, Gavin Hudson-Cuthbertson, sisters, Paula Dalton and Julie Compton, and nieces Brooke Haas, Brittany Robinson and Jessie Compton. Anne graduated from Stockton High School and has lived in Pecatonica for the past several years. A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, August 17th from noon to 4:00pm. The Celebration of Life will be held at Krape Park, Koenig Shelter in Freeport, Illinois. Koenig Shelter is near the Auditorium.

CORRECTION: One of the preschools receiving HCE book bags was earlier incorrectly identified. The school is Sunny Day Preschool.

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'Widows Walk: How My World Ended and What Happened After' book published

Jester Studios, Tomahawk, Wisconsin, in conjunction with Amazon Direct Publishing, are pleased to announce the publication of 'Widows Walk: How My World Ended And What Happened After' by Paula Baysinger Morhardt, of Stockton, Illinois. Paula, who has been writing since she was a small child, has had several poems published in small magazines and e-zines, including a poem published in the anthology Through Sun and Shower by The National Library of Poetry. This is the first book she has published. 'Widow's Walk' is about the sudden death of her husband, how she learned to cope with her world ending, and how she started to pick up the pieces afterwards. Many of Paula's poems, written during her darkest days, are included in the book, and there is a section in the back which contains only the poems from

FHN offers school physicals

To help make sure all Freeport Dist. 145 students are ready for school, FHN will offer school physicals and the Stephenson County Health Department will offer vaccinations at the upcoming Community Day at Mount Calvary Church of God in Christ in Freeport.

Freeport Dist. 145 has a new First Day Exclusion policy this year – all students must have the proper vaccinations and physicals prior to the first day of school, or they will not be allowed to attend.

FHN will offer school physicals from 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.; parents can sign an authorization form the day of the event or send along a completed form (available from Mt. Calvary).

The Stephenson County Health Department will offer the necessary vaccinations (authorization forms available from Mt. Calvary) from 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. There is a \$20 administration fee for each vaccination for those who do not qualify/are not enrolled in Medicaid.

The free Community Day event will run from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 17 at Mount Calvary Church of God in Christ, 420 Challenge Street in Freeport. There will be information and activities for the whole family, including a prayer tent, pampering for single moms and dads, games and crafts for the kids, a free lunch served at noon, and prizes and music. Limited school supplies will be given away and there will be a clothing giveaway for babies and children.

All students who attend Community Day can register to win an autographed poster and flyer of Rockford native Fred VanVleet of the NBA Champion Toronto Raptors and other Raptors merchandise.

Other participants in the event include:

Freeport Pregnancy Center
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For more information on the Community Day, call 815-232-4021.

the book as well as a section with some thoughts one year later, concerning what she has learned during the first year. All proceeds from the

sale of Widow's Walk, once all associated costs have been paid, will be donated to the Stockton Music Boosters. Paula says "My husband

loved talking about his time in Chorus and Madrigals when he was in High School, and he always thought it was very important to keep music

in the grade school. The boys and I hope that in some small way, this will help to do that. It will not be a huge amount, this will not be a best seller, but I know every bit helps. Thank you to our wonderful music teachers at Stockton Schools!" Paula welcomes readers who wish to have their book signed. You can contact her on Facebook or email her at 'Paula3MamaCat@gmail.com'. You can find Paula's book by typing in "Widow's Walk, by Paula Morhardt" on Amazon.com.

Crop Research Field Day in Freeport

Highland Community College Agriculture in partnership with University of Illinois Extension will be hosting a Crop Research Field Day on Wednesday, Sept. 4, 2019 at Highland Agriculture's research plot located at 3472 W. Loras Drive in Freeport, IL. The free event will begin at 9 a.m. and conclude 11 a.m. The public is invited to attend to learn about the research taking place at Highland as well as hear from Extension specialist throughout the state regarding 2019 crop production issues. A light breakfast is included.

The research plot is in its second year of production at Highland Community College through generous sponsorships from Hinrichs' Family Farms, Stephenson Service Company, Ogle County Farm Bureau, Stephenson County Farm Bureau, and Forrester State Bank. The 15 acre

plot serves as a land lab where students gain hands on experience with crop production and research design. Topics of research this year include tar spot fungicide trials, fungicide timing trials, effect of cover crops on corn performance, nitrogen rate trials, corn population trials, an industrial hemp variety demonstration, and a cover crop species demonstration. The college intends to share the progress of this research at this event and plans to report the final data to the public at the conclusion of the growing season.

University of Illinois Extension educators Phillip Alberti, Russ Higgins, and state specialist Nathan Kleczewski will share their knowledge as part of the demonstration. Phillip Alberti is a commercial agriculture educator and will discuss northwest Illinois production con-

cerns from throughout the growing season. Crop science educator Russ Higgins will identify weed issues and control methods in corn. Nathan Kleczewski is an extension pathologist at University of Illinois and will be speaking about corn diseases and control options

The field day is free, however participants are asked to register by Friday, Aug. 30. Those interested in attending may register online at <https://go.illinois.edu/HighlandResearch-Demo> or by calling the University of Illinois Extension-Stephenson County at 815-235-4125. For additional questions, contact Phillip Alberti, Crop Science Educator with University of Illinois Extension in the College of Agricultural, Consumer, and Environmental Sciences at palberti@illinois.edu, 815-599-3644 or on Twitter (@NorthernILCrops).



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From Lena's Kitchen



The not so skinny cook

I love summer days with no humidity, but I do like an occasional shower so I don't have to get my plants watered. I guess that makes me wanting it all most of the time! Remember in May and June when we wanted the rain to stop? I guess it is human nature to always want something that isn't there (especially when we can't do anything about it!) I got my first home-grown tomato this past week, and boy was it good. So, I should be happy that things are progressing in the produce area. This week features an appetizer, a salad, two main dishes, and some yummy desserts.

If you like cheese, you will like this appetizer. I like the fact that you can use it on crackers, and it tastes just as good on fresh vegetables. The pepperoni gives it just a little zip. This would be great as a summer appetizer and a winter one too.

Hot Cheese Dip

2 C. shredded mozzarella cheese

2 C. shredded cheddar cheese
2 C. mayonnaise
1 medium onion, minced
1 can (4.5 oz) chopped green chilies, drained
½ C. sliced ripe olives
1½ oz. sliced pepperoni
Cracker and fresh vegetables

Preheat oven to 325. In a bowl, combine the first five ingredients; spread into a greased shallow pie plate. Top with olives and pepperoni. Bake until bubbly, about 25 minutes. Serve with crackers and fresh vegetables/

I like coleslaw as a salad; sometimes I get tired of lettuce salad, so a good cabbage salad helps things not get so boring. This slaw has a great poppy seed dressing. You can buy bottled dressing, or use the dressing recipe that follows. So change up your salads with this interesting poppy seed dish.

Coleslaw with Poppy Seed Dressing

4½ C. shredded cabbage (½ of a head)
4½ C. shredded carrots (6 large)
1 C. green onions, chopped
1 C. poppy seed salad dressing
¼ C. sunflower seeds
Poppy Seed Salad Dressing
1/3 C. sugar
½ C. white wine vinegar
1 t. salt
2 t. dry mustard
1 t. grated onion
1 C. oil

1 T. poppy seeds

In a blender or food processor, combine sugar, vinegar, salt, mustard and onion and process for 20 seconds. With the blender on high, gradually add oil in a slow steady stream. Remove from blender and stir in poppy seeds.

In a large bowl, combine cabbage, carrots and onions. Toss with poppy seed dressing. Refrigerate covered at least an hour. Right before serving sprinkle with sunflower seeds.

Are you looking for something to do with spaghetti that doesn't include meat sauce? This interesting main dish uses chicken with a mushroom sauce to change a rather boring dish of spaghetti. You can cook the chicken yourself, or you can do what I do and buy a rotisserie chicken. I like pasta dishes that I can cook in the oven because I don't like standing over a stove. Enjoy this different take on spaghetti.

Chicken Spaghetti

3 C. cooked chicken, shredded
1 lb. thing spaghetti, broken into 2-inch pieces
2 cans chicken broth
1 jar (4 oz.) diced pimentos, drained
1 small onion
½ C. finely diced green pepper
2 cans cream of mushroom soup
2½ C. grated cheddar cheese
1 t. Lawry's seasoned salt
1/8 t. cayenne pepper
Preheat the oven to 350. Cook

the spaghetti in water that has one bouillon cube added. Drain spaghetti and place in a large bowl. Add the cream of mushroom soup, 2 C. cheddar cheese, onion, green pepper, and pimentos. Add the seasoned salt and cayenne pepper. Add the chicken and the 2 cans of broth. Stir together well and pour the mixture into a large baking pan that has been sprayed with cooking spray. Top with the remaining ½ C. cheddar cheese. Bake for 35 to 45 minutes until bubbly

If you want something fast for a dinner dish, this skillet recipe will fill the bill. Again, you can use the rotisserie chicken instead of chicken breasts (I like dark meat, so I like to do the quick method). If it is hot, this recipe is a good one to make.

Creamy Chicken and Broccoli Rice Skillet

2 T. oil
1 C. chopped onions
2½ C. chicken breasts cut into bite-size pieces
1 t. pepper
1 t. garlic powder
1 C. instant white rice, uncooked
½ C. chive and onion cream cheese spread
1½ C. shredded sharp cheddar cheese, divided
1 can chicken broth
3 C. fresh broccoli, cut up
Heat oil in a large nonstick skillet on medium-high heat. Add onions; cook and stir 4 to 5 minutes or until

crisp tender. Add chicken, pepper and garlic powder; cook 4 to 5 minutes until evenly browned, stirring frequently. (If you are using cooked chicken, you can add the chicken and seasonings without browning.) Add rice, cream cheese spread and ½ cup shredded cheese; mix well. Gradually stir in chicken broth. Bring to a boil stirring constantly. Stir in broccoli, cover. Cook on medium-low heat 10 to 12 minutes or until broccoli is crisp-tender and chicken is done. Top with remaining shredded cheese; cook covered 2 to 3 minutes or until cheese is melted.

This week the Farm Bureau peaches arrived. The next two recipes involve doing something different with them. I like the slow cooker one because it is easy. The cake one makes peaches part of something that is not common. If you want to venture away from pie or cobbler, these two recipes would be great for you to try. Once again the most time consuming part of the recipe is peeling the peaches.

Slow Cooker Peach Crumble

1 T. butter, softened
6 large ripe peaches, peeled and sliced (about 6 cups)
2 T. brown sugar
1 T. lemon juice
1 T. vanilla

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•Kitchen (Continued from page 8)

Topping:
1 C. flour
¾ C. packed brown sugar
1½ t. baking powder
1 t. cinnamon
½ t. baking soda
1/8 t. salt
1 C. old fashioned oats
6 T. cold butter, cubed

Grease a 6 quart oval slow cooker with 1 T. softened butter. Toss peaches with brown sugar, lemon juice, and vanilla; spread evenly in slow cooker.

Topping: whisk together the flour, brown sugar, baking powder, cinnamon, baking soda, and salt; stir in oats. Cut in butter until crumbly;

sprinkle over peaches. Cook, covered, on low until peaches are tender, about 3 to 4 hours.

Hint: In this next recipe, an optional topping is salted caramel sauce. Smuckers makes a great salted caramel sauce. You can also use a dollop of Cool Whip on the cake.

Easy Peach Cake

7 fresh peaches, pitted and peeled and sliced

1 can (12 oz.) evaporated milk

3 eggs

1 C. sugar

3 t. cinnamon

1 white cake mix

1 C. sliced almonds or chopped

pecans

Salted Caramel Sauce (optional)

Preheat oven to 350. Grease or spray a 9 x 13 baking dish. In a large bowl, mix peaches, evaporated milk, eggs, sugar, and cinnamon until well blended. Spread peach mixture in prepared baking dish. Mixture will be very wet. Sprinkle dry cake mix evenly on top of the batter. If adding nuts, sprinkle evenly over the dry cake mix. Bake 50 minutes. Let cool. Top with salted caramel sauce if desired.

I mentioned last week that the Fire Department was going to have a celebration for their 150th Anniversary. If you had a chance to be a part of any

of their festivities, you were in for a real treat. The parade showed all of our tax dollars at work along with the fire departments of our surrounding communities. We are fortunate that we all are kept safe by these fine people. I heard from many people that the dedication was very nice and the lunch they served was great. The fireworks were some of the best I have seen, and the weather was perfect for them. Thank you Lena Volunteer Fire Department for giving our community such a neat celebration. I mentioned earlier that I had my first home grown tomato; I am looking forward to many more of them. I had the last of the green beans, and

I am hoping there were some late plantings. I did make my peach pie, and it was delicious. I love the produce from the garden and the fruits that are ripening. I know that many of you are enjoying sweet corn too. Remember to support our local Farmer's Market. We continue to look for some recipes that feature vegetables from the garden and some peaches, raspberries, and strawberries. If you have any recipes you would like to share, send them our way.

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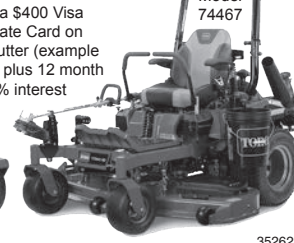
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Lazlo Marton (center) and family are the driving force behind the garlic festival staged annually in Elizabeth.



Sweet corn from Dittmar Farms added the perfect culinary experience to the Garlic Festival in Elizabeth over the weekend.



HeatherRose sports a balloon art dragon fly and lady bug made in the Bee Giggles Children's Area at the festival.



The Michael Breitbach and the Broken Rubber Band take the stage for a Sunday afternoon performance.



The folks from Tamarack Garlic Farm in Wisconsin bring an almost overwhelming selection of garlic varieties to the festival.



TONY CARTON PHOTOS *The Scoop Today*

Garlic Fest 2019

The grilled garlic kiosk is one of the more popular stops on the trek through Garlic Fest 2019.

• Meeting (Continued from page 5)

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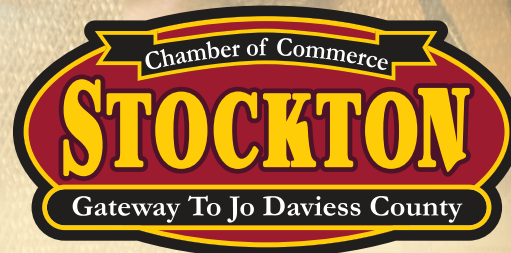
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Saturday
August 17th

10am - 4pm

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11am-12:30pm Aaron Phillips

1pm-3:30pm Back Country Roads

4pm-7pm Lexi Parr & The Rubyblonde Band

9:30 am Kick-off Parade

10-11am Crossfit Demo

Cubmobile racing

- Registration 9:30-10:30

- Race starts @ 11am

10 am-2 pm Car/Truck Show

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