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Panthers climb to State championship round

By Trenten Scheidegger
SPORTSWRITER

Head coach Ric Arand and the Lena-Winslow Panthers have taken the term "hot start" to a whole new level in 2019. Often times, they have delivered a knockout blow in the first quarter of games as they can quickly run up the score and put the game out of reach. The Annawan-Wethersfield Titans found that out quickly when they faced off with the Panthers in the Class 1A State semifinals last Saturday.

It was another battle of undefeated teams as both the Panthers and Titans came in with perfect records, but only one would move on to the state championship in DeKalb. The Panthers began the game on defense, and surprisingly, the Titans moved the ball well on their opening drive and managed to get in the end zone on their opening drive. It was the first time the Panthers trailed in the first quarter this season.

While it was certainly a hot start for the Titans, they weren't prepared for what the Panthers offense was bringing to the table. On just the second play from scrimmage, Isaiah Bruce broke free up the right sideline for a sixty-yard touchdown run. It was the second time this postseason that the Panthers had scored on their second offensive play. Even in their toughest games, Le-Win has found a way to get off to a hot start. With the two-point conversion good,

they held an 8-6 lead.

They would hold the lead for the rest of the game as they quickly started to pile it on. After forcing a punt, the Panthers found themselves with great field position and quarterback, Luke Benson, was able to connect with his top target in Kade Chrisman for a 24-yard touchdown pass. Benson also threw for the two-point conversion, putting the Panthers up 16-6.

Following the opening touchdown drive for the Titans, the Panther defense flipped the switch as they began giving Annawan-Wethersfield fits. They forced another turnover on downs and Sean Ormiston quickly put Le-Win in scoring position when he ran it 58 yards to the Titan twelve-yard line. Bruce then got his second score of the game to put the Panthers up 22-6. Before you knew it, the Panthers looked to be running away in another game that was expected to be their toughest challenge of the season.

With the early sixteen-point lead, Marey Roby made a game changing play when he nabbed an interception and returned it all the way to the Titan's thirteen-yard line, giving his team a chance to blow this level four game wide open. Following the interception, Ormiston got his first score of the game with a one-yard run, and it was a big one as he put the Panthers up by three scores. Benson ran in the two-point

conversion, to give the Panthers a 30-6 lead in the first half.

The Titans were able to fight back in the second half, however. After forcing a punt on the Panthers' opening drive, the Titans ran into the end zone halfway through the third. The Titan defense continued to get stops but the Le-Win defense had the eighteen-point advantage as they held onto their 30-12 lead

into the fourth quarter.

Early on in the fourth, however, the Titans were able to score again to cut the Panther lead to just twelve points. Quickly, what seemed like a blowout victory had turned into a game that was coming down to the wire.

The Panthers' running game continued to be the difference, however. After driving the ball down the field, Orm-

iston was able to get his second score of the game to put Le-Win up 36-18 midway through the fourth. The Titans passing game seemed to find a rhythm in the fourth and they quickly responded with a touchdown pass of their own.

It didn't take long for Bruce to deliver the final dagger, as he broke free

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Carter Kleckler receives All-State honors

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Carter Kleckler has been a four year starter for the Orangeville Bronco's football team, and his high school football career has come to an end, but not without something to celebrate. Kleckler did a little bit of everything for the Broncos. Coach Jay Doyle acknowledged that saying "He is a good kid, we could stick him anywhere and even though it didn't always show up in the stats, he was the reason we were winning games. You need kids like that. I think he was one of the best defensive players

around."

Kleckler played all over the field for Orangeville, as he saw playing time at defensive back, safety, wide receiver, and running back.

Kleckler's athletic ability and extraordinary play hasn't gone unnoticed as during the Class 1A state game this Friday, he will receive a Class 1A IHSFCA All-State Team award. Congratulations to Carter for his well-deserved award. He put in the hard work throughout his football career and it came to an end with the best award a high school football player can hope for.



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Fury on ice

The Fury Hockey co-op is comprised of players from 11 surrounding schools: Beloit Memorial (host school) and Turner, Albany, Brodhead, Clinton, Janesville Craig and Parker, Lena-Winslow, Milton, Monroe, and Orangeville. Home ice for the Fury is split between Beloit, Janesville, and Monroe. The Fury look to defend their Conference and Regional titles. Last season the Fury was Badger Conference Champs, Regional Champs, and undefeated in conference play. See story and more photos on page 4.

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The folks from Auntie Em's share their famous Chillin' Chili with the cook-off crowd.



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Ed Curry Cook-off

Members of the River Ridge FFA organization brought beef chili and venison chili to the event.



Stockton FFA brought nine varieties of soup including a mac and cheese soup that quickly disappeared.



The Scales Mound FFA was well represented at the Ed Curry Soup and Chili Cookoff.

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Greenhand Quiz Bowl

On Wednesday Nov. 13th, two teams made of nine Lena-Winslow FFA Greenhands (first year members) traveled to Highland Community College in Freeport, IL to compete in the Section 1 Greenhand Quiz Bowl Tournament.

The Lena-Winslow Team of (left to right) Owen Gilbertson, Emma Kempel, Andrew Kempel, Ayden Packard, and Madison Young took 1st allowing them to represent Section 1 FFA at the state competition during the Illinois FFA State convention in June.



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Earn a Master's in Christmas music

Did you ever wonder when and where holiday music began?

Or, what the most popular Christmas Carol of all time is?

Or, which holiday song gets played

the most on the radio?

Join the Mighty Richland Players Dessert Theater at 203 W. High Street in Orangeville, Illinois, for a history of Christmas music and add to your holi-

day musical knowledge.

You'll be entertained by voices you know from the MRPDT stage: Reynold Nolan, Sandy Switzer, and Glenda Adams. Also appearing for the first time on our stage: Susan Munoz and Nick Connell. Chrystal Bostian serves as the narrator for the show. The cast will be wearing their favorite Ugly Christmas sweater and invite you to do the same. The audience will determine the best ugliest dressed each show!

You're invited for the fun, a terrific holiday dessert, and to sing along! Join us Friday and Saturday, Dec. 6 and 7 with a 7:30 p.m. curtain both nights. Sunday's matinee Dec. 8, is at 2 p.m. Doors open a half-hour before the show.

Seating is limited, so call 815-819-1310 today to reserve your seat for this show full of holiday fun.

Lena Historical Society sponsors holiday fundraisers

The Lena Historical Society is sponsoring two great fundraisers that will help make your Christmas shopping easy. They are taking orders for gift boxes containing three types of cheese (Muenster, Marble and Cheddar) from Torkelson Cheese, and a beef sausage from AJ Lena Meats. The cost of each box is \$30 and will be available Saturday, Dec. 14 from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. at the museum, 427 W. Grove, Lena in plenty of time

for Christmas giving. Orders must be placed by Nov. 30 at Cindy's Beauty Salon, or call Cindy at 815-369-4040 or Eleanor Holmes at 815-369-4304. You can also place an order by mail to LAHS, Box 620, Lena, IL, 61048 or email cjdrye107@gmail.com.

The annual calendar is available at Cindy's Beauty Salon, Engel's Jewelry, and The Lena Mercantile for only \$7 each.

•Panthers

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for another big touchdown run when he took it 53 yards to pay dirt to put the Panthers up 44-24. The Titans were able to score one last time with yet another touchdown pass, but it was too little, too late as they hot start from the Panthers was insurmountable in this one.

Thanks to the hat trick from Bruce, the pair of scores by Ormiston, and Benson's touchdown pass, the Panthers found themselves headed to state for the fourth time in ten seasons.

Le-Win will match up with their third undefeated opponent in a row as they battle the Central A & M Raiders in DeKalb, this Friday at 10 AM. The Panthers will wear their black uniforms and will be on the West sideline for the class 1A state championship. The final game for big names like Ormiston and Bruce, the Panthers will bring everything they have to let their seniors go out with a bang.

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Dairy products competition

On Tuesday Nov. 12 Lena-Winslow FFA hosted the Section 1 Dairy Products contest which consists of students identifying cheeses, dairy vs. non-dairy products, the California Mastitis Test, judging milk defects, a written test, and a team problem.

Lena-Winslow had 21 students making up 5 teams compete in the contest. Lena-Winslow took 2nd overall team and had five students finish in the top ten Individually. Andrew Kempel placed 1st, Madison Young took 4th, Conor DeZell placed 7th, Ross Stabenow took 9th, and Owen Gilbertson placed 10th. The 2nd Place team pictured (left to right) back row: Conor DeZell, Andrew Kempel, Ross Stabenow. Front row: Jenna Ransom and Owen Gilbertson.

Lena -Winslow FFA would also like to thank Werhane Trucking (Jaki Smith) and Farm First Dairy Cooperative (Pat Yeagle) for donating the cheese and dairy products for the contest which supported over 90 students.

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Alyssa Knauf scores goal assisted by sister Haley and Anika Einbeck.



Haley Knauf scores one of the three goals she put on the scoreboard against Brookfield Glacier.



The Fury is ready to take to the ice for their season opener.



Anna Malone brings it to the Brookfield Glacier.

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Fury wins big in season opener

The Fury Hockey team traveled to Brookfield Nov. 23 in their season opener. With much anticipation of the first game, the Fury played strong and didn't back down as they came home with a huge 11-1 win over Brookfield Glacier. Sara Loeke opened the game scoring with a shot from the blue line. Alyssa Knauf scored four goals in the game while her sister Haley Knauf scored three goals. Sara Nerad added a goal and two freshmen, Claudia Boehkle and Amery Stuckey, each scored their first varsity goal.

Anika Einbeck, Haley Knauf, and Sara Loeke each earned playmakers in the game. Also recording assists were Sara Nerad (2), Lexi Cooper, Anna Malone, and Sarah Edler. Goaltender Olivia Cronin stopped 12 shots while the Fury put 38 shots on goal.

The Fury will next take on Arrowhead and Brookfield in the Turkey Tourney Nov. 29-30.



Anna Malone, Anika Einbeck, and Haley Knauf celebrate a Fury goal.

ON THE RECORD

Obituaries

AUDREY M. WILCOX

Audrey M. Wilcox, 80, of Freeport, IL passed away at home, surrounded by her family on Wednesday, Nov. 20, 2019. She was born on Feb. 17, 1939 in Dubuque,



IA to Clifford and Marie (Thrum) Brinker. Audrey married T. Earl Shaw Jr. in 1957, he passed away in 1967. She then married E. Asa Wilcox in 1971, he passed away in 2018. Audrey's most important work was raising her family. Alongside her husband, she also owned and operated Asa's in Orangeville for 25 years.

Audrey was a member of the Quilt Club. She enjoyed her trip to Europe with her daughter, attending local garden shows, camping, and most importantly spending time with her family; especially her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She is survived by her children; Julie (Bill) Lambert, James (Eileen) Shaw, John (Glenda) Shaw, Joyce Lehman, Jay (Lisa) Shaw, Jean (Jenaro Ramos) Lutz, Jack (Lynn) Wilcox, Nan (Mike) Determan, Amy Johnson, and Penny (Tom) Coussens; 33 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren, with two more on the way, brothers; Gene and Dale Brinker, and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Earl in 1967, and husband Asa in 2018, and her brother Gary Brinker.

Funeral services were held Monday, Nov. 25, 2019 at the Cramer-Leamon Funeral Home in Orangeville, IL.

Visitation was Monday, Nov. 25, 2019 at the Cramer-Leamon Funeral Home in Orangeville, IL.

Pastor Tim Wauchope performed the services.

Burial will be at Sunset Acres in Orangeville.

A memorial has been established in her memory.

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

PAUL LEROY RITTER

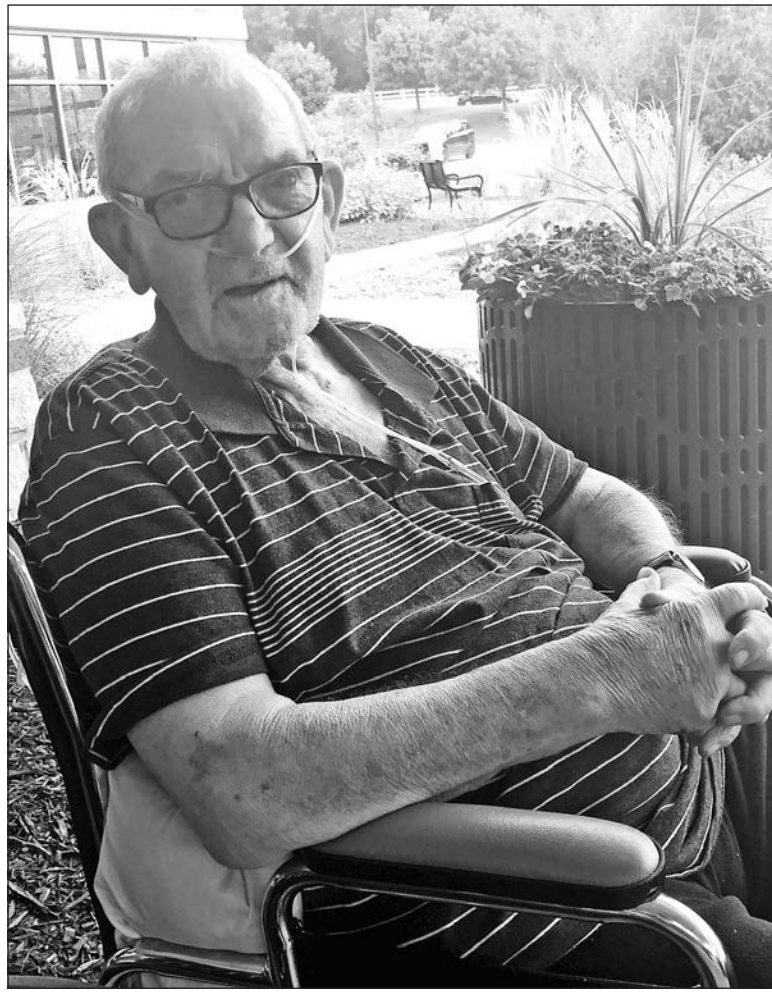
Paul LeRoy Ritter 94 of Warren, passed away Sunday, Nov. 17, 2019 at Wm. S. Middleton Memorial Veterans Hospital in Madison. He was born Jan. 31, 1925 in Milwaukee to the late William and Lena Ritter. He first married June Schultz and later married Alice Sterkowicz. Surviving are his children, Faith (Ray) Tibe of Altoona, Iowa, Jack (Linda) Ritter of Normal, IL, David Ritter of Bonita Springs, Florida, and Martha (Missy) (Daniel) Johnson of Chandler, AZ; four grandchildren and several great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother William, son Danny Ritter, grandson Owen Tibe and granddaughter Ash-

ley Ritter.

Paul proudly served in the US Merchant Marines in WWII. He was a cabinet maker and wood worker, as well as owner operator of the former Stagecoach Bar. He loved antiques, woodworking, carpentry, reading, his Susie border collies, coins, fishing, and he loved his town of Warren.

Cremation rites have been ac-

corded. There will be no service or visitation. A celebration of life will be held at a later date. Memorial donations in Paul's name may be sent to: Wm. S. Middleton Memorial Veterans Hospital, Community Relations (135), 2500 Overlook Terrace, Madison, WI 53705. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.leanonfh.com.



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Happy Birthday!

Happy 90th Birthday to Melvin Kempel on Dec. 2! Birthday wishes can be sent to: Melvin Kempel, 1010 S Logan Street, Lena IL 61048.



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Torvin Ascher Degner, father Tyler (Hailey) Degner, Rockford, IL, grandmother Amanda (Todd) Degner, Pecatonica, IL, great-grandmother Pat (Brian) Maurer, Lena, IL, great-great grandmother Jane Leeman, Freeport, IL.

Northwestern Illinois Community Action Agency (NICAA) Senior Citizens Services Golden Meals Program

**NICAA Golden Meals Program serves senior citizens in
Stephenson, JoDaviess, Carroll, and Whiteside Counties.**

NICAA Golden Meals delivers hot mid-day meals to persons 60 years of age and older who are homebound and are unable to make their own meals or are unable to attend a congregate site. Hot meals are delivered Monday through Thursday with a cold tray for Friday and frozen meals for the weekend.

The Golden Meals menus provide one-third of the USDA recommended daily allowances for senior citizens and are approved by a registered dietitian. Each meal included 3 ounces of protein, two ½ cup servings of fruits or vegetables, bread, and milk.

Congregate meal sites are located at:

- 524 West Stephenson St. in Freeport,
- Mest Manor at 525 3rd St. in Savanna,
- Dew Drop Inn at 104 Main St. in Rock City.

Meals are served from 11:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Monday through Friday.

A confidential donation of \$3.00 per meal is requested. No one will be denied service due to their inability to donate.

For more information or to begin home-delivered meal service, call the NICAA Golden Meals office at 815-232-8896.

The Northwestern Illinois Community Action Agency Senior Citizens' Services Golden Meals Program is funded in part with Title III-C Older Americans Act funds received through the Illinois Department on Aging and the Northwestern Illinois Area Agency on Aging.

NICAA golden Meals does not discriminate in admission to programs or treatment of employment in programs in compliance with the Illinois Human Rights Act, the U.S. Civil Rights Act, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, the Age Discrimination Act and Age Discrimination in Employment Act, and the U.S. and Illinois Constitutions.

Northwestern Illinois Community Action Agency PY20 LIHEAP, PIPP and Weatherization Assistance Programs

Northwestern Illinois Community Action Agency has funding from the Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity (DCEO) to assist residents of Jo Daviess and Stephenson Counties with home heating utility costs (gas, propane, electric) through the Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), Percentage of Income Payment Plan (PIPP) and Weatherization Programs.

LIHEAP clients with ComEd and/or Nicor Gas as utility providers may have the option of choosing between the traditional Direct Vendor (DVP) one-time payment or the Percentage of Income Payment Plan (PIPP). The choices will be explained to clients during their application visit. PIPP applications will be taken until Dec. 31, 2019 or until funding is exhausted. LIHEAP applications will be taken until May 31, 2020 or until funding is exhausted.

Beginning Monday, Oct. 1, 2019, income eligible seniors (age 60 and older) and people receiving disability benefits may call to schedule an appointment to apply for assistance.

Starting Nov. 1, 2019, income eligible households without home energy service (are disconnected or have a disconnect notice from their primary and/or secondary heating utility) and families with children age 5 and under may also call to schedule an appointment to apply.

Starting Dec. 2, 2019, all other income eligible households may call to schedule an appointment to apply.

Eligible households may call 800-883-1111 or 815-232-3141 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. to schedule an appointment to apply for assistance at one of the following locations.

NICAA Main Office- Freeport • Stockton Banking Center
Warren Township Library • Hanover Village Hall
Citizens State Bank of Lena • East Dubuque Library
Illinois Bank & Trust • Galena Downtown
German-American State Bank – German Valley

Income Guidelines: To qualify, a household must have a 30 day gross income at or below the level shown below for 30 days prior to and including the application date.

1 person household - \$1,561 2 person household - \$2,114
3 person household - \$2,666 4 person household - \$3,219
Add \$553 for each additional person in the household

**** The following documents will be required to apply for assistance. ****

- Social Security Cards for all members of the household. **No other document can be accepted as proof of social security number.**
- Proof of all gross income for all household members for 30 days including the application date including pay check stubs, SSA/SSI/SSD current benefit letters, pension/retirement statements, child support, unemployment reports, TANF/AABD/Township GA assistance notices, self employment reports, and proof of zero income
- Complete current heat and electric bills **and** disconnect notices you may have received.
- Medical Card from Illinois Department of Human Services
- Copy of current lease or rent receipt
- Proof of Homeownership (Title for Mobile Homes) and tax bill are required for weatherization assistance.

PY 20 LIHEAP Emergency Furnace Program

An Emergency Furnace Assistance Program is available for LIHEAP households of Stephenson and Jo Daviess Counties who are **homeowners** and whose **existing** heating systems are not functioning or have been red-tagged by their utility.

The purpose of the LIHEAP Furnace program is to restore heat to the household and is available from October 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020 or until funds have been exhausted.

Priority periods for the LIHEAP Emergency Furnace Program are the following:

Beginning Monday, Oct. 1, 2019, income eligible seniors (age 60 and older) and people receiving disability benefits may call to schedule an appointment to apply for assistance.

Starting Nov. 1, 2019 families with children age 5 and under and households with an imminent disconnect notice may also call to schedule an appointment to apply.

Starting Dec. 2, 2019 all other low-income eligible households may apply.

To qualify for the LIHEAP Emergency Furnace Program, the household must first apply for and be approved for LIHEAP assistance.

The household must have active service with both primary and secondary heating utilities. Households and disconnected utilities are not eligible for this assistance.

In addition to LIHEAP documents, the following homeownership documentation must be provided:

1. Copy of real estate tax bill
AND
2. One or more of the following:
 - Copy of warranty deed, contract for deed, or quit claim deed (all of these must be stamped and registered with the county clerk)
 - Copy of current mortgage statement
 - Copy of the original Mobile Home title

Please call 815-232-3141 or 800-883-1111 to make an appointment for assistance.

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Calvary Church (Stockton)

Calvary Church in Stockton will be holding its annual Christ-centered Thanksgiving Eve Service on Wednesday, Nov. 27 at 7 p.m. All interested are welcome to attend. Calvary is at the corner of Rush and Maple Streets, just south of the Middle School.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 118 E. Mason St. Lena, IL, will gather for worship on Dec. 1, with Holy Communion at 9:30 a.m. Advent is a time for waiting in wonders and awe. We will light the candle of peace and put ornaments on the Christmas tree in the sanctuary during worship. Everyone is invited to the Advent Fun with cookies, hot chocolate, and activities after worship. Sunday School children will meet at 10:45a.m., and Confirmation class will meet at 11 a.m. for learning and prayers. Choir practice starts at 11 a.m., and chime/hand bell practice at 5 p.m.

On Wednesday Dec. 4, at 8 a.m. the Piece Corps Quilters will work together to craft quilts for Lutheran World Relief. Our quilts provide warmth and love to people in our community and in the world. Materials and helping hands to tie and sew quilts are always appreciated. No previous quilting experience is necessary. Come join the fun and make a difference in the world!

On Thursday Dec. 5, Hannah Circle will meet at 9 a.m. at the home of Rene' Johnson. Rene' will lead the Bible study.

Good Shepherd will be at Lena's Magical Home Town Christmas Parade on Friday, Dec. 6, starting at 6 p.m.

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

Lena United Methodist Church

Season of Advent – Our Advent worship series will follow the verses of the beloved hymn, "Silent Night." This hymn has become the best-loved worship moment of many Christians. Something mystical occurs as we light our candles and sing the hope of "all is calm, all is bright" – peace and light for the world.

Come join us and celebrate the carol's message over the entire season of Advent and highlight its call for our lives that can guide us all year long. On the first Sunday, December 1st, the Advent message will be "Sleep in Peace" with scripture from Isaiah 2:1-4.

On Friday, Dec. 6, the LUMC will have their annual Chili Supper & Cookie Walk from 4:30 - 8 p.m. Come to the Lena Hometown Christmas and get your chili and cookies with us.

LUMC Church service is held at 9 a.m. with a fellowship time following. Sunday school begins at 10:30 a.m. Office #815-369-5291 – Website: www.lenaumc.org – Facebook: lena united methodist church.

Salem United Church of Christ (Lena)

Open communion and the lighting of the first Advent candle will take place during worship at Salem United Church of Christ, 8491 W. Salem Road, Lena, on Sunday, Dec. 1 at 10:30 a.m. The sermon by Pastor Randal Nicholas is based on Psalm 122, and is titled "BlessU-2?" Sunday School for all ages begins at 9:30 a.m. The monthly offering for the Osterloo family will be gathered.

Bookworms Reading Group is meeting at Joy Gerbode's home on Monday, Dec. 9, at 6 p.m. for a share-a-dish meal and Christmas party and an exchange of "gift socks."

On Wednesday, Dec. 4, the Breakfast Group will meet at 8 a.m. at the Two Eagles Restaurant in Freeport at 18 E. Main St.

St. John's Lutheran Church (Pearl City)

You're welcome to join us for the first Sunday of Advent at St. John's on Sunday, Dec. 1 at 9 a.m. The Chancel Choir will sing during the worship service. Sunday School and Confirmation will meet immediately following worship. The Property Committee and the Prayer Shawl Ministry will both meet after worship. The SPLAT Youth Group will meet at 11 am on the same day. Scrip orders will be due on Dec. 1.

Join us for worship on Dec. 8, when the Joy Choir will sing Christmas Songs and play the bells. Then on Dec. 15, during the worship service, the Sunday School children will present their program, A Christ Filled Christmas.

The Women's Gathering will host their Annual Christmas Potluck on Tuesday, Dec. 10 at 6 p.m. After the potluck, everyone is welcome to enjoy Carl Cole (singer and musician) in the sanctuary with his "Sounds of Good News." A perfect way to enjoy the holiday season.

Cory & Melissa Giliam, Rochelle, were the winners of the \$200 Calendar Raffle drawing on Nov. 17, 2019.

Looking for opportunities to give to others this holiday season? The Mitten Tree collection is for mittens, hats, scarves and sweatpants/joggers. Donations may be left by the tree at St. John's anytime. All donations will be given to the Pearl City Schools. We are also collecting for four needy families in the Pearl City area. Gift cards for food purchases and gift purchases will be given with the donations. Monetary contributions may be left at the church office or in the secure drop box by the office anytime.

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.

Willow United Methodist to host an evening with Lowell & Claudia Wertz

Lowell & Claudia Wertz have been missionaries in Africa since 1980. Lowell is an ordained United

Methodist minister with a heart for evangelism. Claudia has many years experience working with African women and running a guest house facility. They live in Tanzania (East Africa), and have an exciting ministry helping the poor, assisting refugees,

providing vocational and apprenticeship training, evangelism, church construction, and also women and youth ministries. Come and Lowell and Claudia speak at Willow United Methodist Church. Dec. 4, at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

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HCE sponsors a tree at Stockton Festival of Trees

Fulfilling a goal of community service, the Jo Daviess County Home and Community Education (formerly Home Extension) units decorated a tree with mittens, hats, gloves, and socks, which will be distributed to pre-schools and food pantries in the county. HCE has for many years donated book bags and books to preschools in the county. They invite anyone who wishes to donate items to drop them

off at the Museum during open hours.

Stop by the Stockton Heritage Museum to view the mitten tree and other trees set up by businesses and service groups.

Hours at the Museum are Nov. 30 from 10-2 for Shop Small Businesses and the Christmas Walk on Dec. 7 from 10-2, in addition to Sunday Dec. 8 from 11-2. We look forward to seeing you.



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"Disney's Beauty and the Beast", part of the Colony Brands performance series, will be performed on the Colony Brands Stage at the Monroe Theatre Guild, 910 16th Avenue, Monroe.

Monroe Theatre Guild presents 'Disney's Beauty and the Beast'

Monroe Theatre Guild is pleased to present a family classic for the holidays, "Disney's Beauty and the Beast", music by Alan Menken, Lyrics by Howard Ashman and Time Rice, based on the book by Linda Woolverton. Directed by MTG Director Jackie Ceithamer, and choreographed by Ashley McKinney. Performances will be at the MTG building, Dec. 6 through 15.

The talented cast comprised of nearly 50 local actors and actresses between ages 10 to 50 sing and dance as they portray popular Disney characters. This is the classic story of

Belle, a young woman in a provincial town, and the Beast, who is really a young prince trapped under the spell of an enchantress. If the Beast can learn to love and be loved, the curse will end and he will be transformed into his former self. But time is running out. If the Beast does not learn his lesson soon, he and his household will be doomed for all eternity. "Disney's Beauty and the Beast" is a traditional family favorite featuring popular Disney songs such as "Be Our Guest", "Gaston", and the song as old as time, "Beauty and the Beast".

"Disney's Beauty and the Beast", part of the Colony Brands performance series, will be performed on the Colony Brands Stage at the Monroe Theatre Guild, 910 16th Avenue, Monroe. Performances Friday and Saturday, Dec. 6 and 7 at 7 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 8 at 2 p.m., and Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Dec. 12, 13, 14 at 7 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 15 at 2 p.m. Tickets are now on sale on the MTG website, monroetheatre.com and at the Monroe Arts Center box office Tuesdays through Fridays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information call 608-325-1111.

Salvation Army announces 2019 Christmas goal

The 2019 annual red kettle campaign began in Freeport and will be staffed by an all-volunteer fighting force. The freeport salvation army raises about 70 percent of their total operating funds during the first quarter of each fiscal year. This year's

total Christmas goal is set at 330k slightly above last year's achievements. The local unit has made several changes this year to continue to serve well into the future and needs the increase to help launch many new self-sustaining programs.



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Flag art

Gloria McLain and David Neuschwander presented their flag art to the Lena American Legion Home in Lena on Saturday, Nov. 9.

"The Salvation Army plays a vital ongoing role in building sustaining community wherever we serve" Captain Jim Brickson, "We will continue to Fight for Good in Freeport".

The Freeport Salvation Army hosts 10 Red Kettle locations in Stephenson County, one in Jo Daviess County and two in Ogle County, and represent a total of just over 2,500 hours; 664 hours are already spoken for. Monies collected in their respected counties helps to fund ongoing needs in that county.

"We are asking our community members to volunteer or make financial contributions to support your local Salvation Army's Christmas campaign. You can be part of providing for many programs and services" Cal Wescott, Advisory Board Chair. Financial support can be as easy as signing up on RegisterToRing.com, sending a check to 106 W. Exchange St., Freeport, or using iPay or Google Pay at all Red Kettle Stands. The Salvation Army is asking that the local residents consider even giving just two hours to ring the bell at any of the available locations.

Just two volunteer hours can allow the Salvation Army provide meals for a family for an entire week.

Pertussis alert for NW Illinois

An outbreak of pertussis in nearby Ogle County has health officials in Stephenson County and FHN on alert for more local pertussis cases.

Pertussis – also known as whooping cough – is a highly contagious respiratory disease that can cause serious complications – even death – particularly in babies. It spreads from person to person through coughs and sneezes, and people who are infected are contagious up to two weeks before symptoms appear.

"Pertussis is preventable with a vaccine," said FHN Infection Preventionist Margie Kochsmier MSN RN CMSRN CIC. "Babies can get their first dose of the DTap (tetanus and diphtheria and pertussis) vaccine at two months of age, but before then, it's up to the infant's family to keep him or her away from people who are infected and to seek medical attention if symptoms worsen."

"Because family members and friends can be infected and contagious before they even know they have whooping cough, we are urging everyone to make sure that they are up-to-date on their Tdap immunizations," Kochsmier said.

Whooping cough starts with symptoms much like a cold (runny nose,

low-grade fever, and a mild cough). The characteristic "whoop" intake of air after a cough doesn't develop until one to two weeks after the disease starts.

The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) recommends people of all ages be vaccinated against pertussis. Babies and children get doses at two, four, and six months, at 15-18 months, and again between the ages of four and six.

Children should receive a booster dose of Tdap at around 11 or 12 years of age, and teens and adults who didn't get a booster as a preteen should get a booster now.

To protect young babies, pregnant women should get a Tdap booster during the third trimester of each pregnancy, and those who care for babies should make sure they are up-to-date on vaccinations.

"Even if you've had whooping cough or had the Tdap vaccine as a child, you should get a booster to protect the young children in your life," Kochsmier said.

FHN has more information, including a downloadable sheet comparing the symptoms of influenza, the common cold, and pertussis, online at www.fhn.org.



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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS SUMMARY FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2019

The summary must be published in the local newspaper.

Copies of the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019 will be available for public inspection in the school district/joint agreement administrative office by December 1, annually. Individuals wanting to review this Annual Statement of Affairs should contact:

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|---|---|---------------------|---------------------|
| Lena-Winslow CUSD #202 | 401 Fremont Street, Lena, IL 61048 | 815-369-3101 | 7:30-4:00 |
| <i>School District/Joint Agreement Name</i> | <i>Address</i> | <i>Telephone</i> | <i>Office Hours</i> |

Also by **January 15, annually** the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the **Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019**, will be posted on the Illinois State Board of Education's website@ **www.isbe.net**.

SUMMARY: The following is the Annual Statement of Affairs Summary that is required to be published by the school district/joint agreement for the past fiscal year.

Statement of Operations as of June 30, 2019

| | | Educational | Operations & Maintenance | Debt Services | Transportation | Municipal Retirement/Social Security | Capital Projects | Working Cash | Tort | Fire Prevention & Safety |
|--|------|------------------|--------------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| Local Sources | 1000 | 3,695,359 | 864,362 | 345,132 | 282,312 | 315,770 | 1,422 | 19,293 | 109,706 | 164,366 |
| Flow-Through Receipts/Revenues from One District to Another District | 2000 | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| State Sources | 3000 | 2,277,866 | 222,271 | 0 | 192,624 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Federal Sources | 4000 | 708,703 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Direct Receipts/Revenues | | 6,681,928 | 1,086,633 | 345,132 | 474,936 | 315,770 | 1,422 | 19,293 | 109,706 | 164,366 |
| Total Direct Disbursements/Expenditures | | 6,446,305 | 1,095,361 | 343,475 | 457,703 | 258,655 | 0 | | 99,625 | 109,658 |
| Other Sources/Uses of Funds | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Beginning Fund Balances - July 1, 2018 | | 4,160,199 | 1,244,434 | 6,857 | 865,133 | 249,389 | 52,761 | 478,102 | 133,815 | 311,622 |
| Other Changes in Fund Balances | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Ending Fund Balances June 30, 2019 | | 4,395,822 | 1,235,706 | 8,514 | 882,366 | 306,504 | 54,183 | 497,395 | 143,896 | 366,330 |

GROSS PAYMENT FOR CERTIFIED PERSONNEL

Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000: Bare, Ryan; Barrett, Erin; Bartell, Gary; Bollman, Lois; Bowles, Bonnita; Crandall, Richard; Determan, Mary; Duchow, Tiffanie A; Duncan, Tamara; Ehlbeck, Margaret; Erb, Susan; Flanagan, Terrence; Fore, Thomas; Gerbode, Joy; Hillmer, Katherine; Huber, Cara; Jacobs, Barbara; Jeffrey, JoAnne; Jogerst, Nancy Jean-Paige; Korte, Tiffanie; Kuhlmyer, Susan; Marggraf, Hannah; Masa-Myers, Zachary; Mays, Lucas; McCabe, James; Moest, Barbara; Moscato, James; Nicholas, Susan; Polhill, K.Jane; Popp, Alan; Schaller, Warren; Schneiderman, Steven; Searby, Barbara; Simler, Linda; Sleezer, Kathleen; Spencer, Michael; Spidahl, Jennifer; Stearns, Beverly; Stich, Lisa; Tresemer, Donald; Trone, Margaret; Unger, David; Urish, Christeen. **Salary Range: \$25,000 - \$39,999:** Adams, Tara; Blakely, Jessica; Blakely, Matthew; Decker, Lindsey; Feiner, Jane; Fry, Tabitha; Hasselman, Jessica; Leamon, Kimberly; Linden, Andrea; Maurer, Hannah; McMullen, Matthew; Nimtz, Bethany; Schultz, Katelyn; Spidahl, Allison; Stachowicz, Ali; Stepanek, Melissa; Stodden, Lindsay; Wagner, Karly; White, Emily; Wirtz, William. **Salary Range: \$40,000 - \$59,999:** Anderson, Rebecca; Arendt, Conor; Baldauf, Brooke; Benson, Kyle; Blakely, Mark; Bonebright, Sara; Chrisman, Holly; Daughenbaugh, Tamarah; Freedlund, Brianne; Gallagher, Joanne; Geiseman, Michael; Hahne, Ryan; Jones, Kristin; Larson, Kari; Linnemann, Katrina; March, Jason; Meador, Mary; Meyers-Matz, Stephanie; Modica, Mary; Monigold, Debra; Ortiz, Jacqueline; Parkinson, Christina; Pieper, Kelli; Raab, Katy; Richardson, Erin; Rickels, Austin; Robinson, James; Schultz, Renee; Snook, Jacob; Tiesman, Kristin; Voreis, Linda; Werhane, Nick; Woodley, Jamie. **Salary Range: 60,000 - \$89,999:** Amendt, Susan; Arand, Richard; Benson, Heather; Copus, Barbara; DeZell, Ann; Lobdell, Andy; Milder, Kevin; Milder, Kimberly; Price, Leslie; Sargent, Stacy; Smargiassi, Brenda; Smargiassi, Thomas; Stevens, Catherine; Thill, MaryBeth. **Salary Range: \$90,000 and over:** Chiles, Thomas; Kuehl, Mark.

GROSS PAYMENT FOR NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL

Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000: Albaugh, Stephanie; Amill, Patricia; Arnold, Gina; Barthel, Katherine; Bennett, Amy; Bland, Abigail; Bohnsack, William; Bonebright, Danielle; Bower, Abigail; Broge, Bonnie; Broge, Kenneth; Brookman, Kristin; Brown, Steven; Brunner, Melissa; Buss, Dennis; Carr, Hailey; Clair, John; Crothers, Thomas; Dameier, Hewitt; Dameier, Wendy; Daws, Rebecca; DeVries, Janelle; Drye, Kathleen; Duncan, Tamara; Dunlavey, Valerie; Ertmer, Kim; Everding, Paul; Ferris, Stacy; Foley, Charlene;

Fransen, Jillane; Gapinski, Susan; Gift, Jerrid; Gruhn, Staci; Harman, Delia; Hastings, Lorna; Hendrick, Jasmine; Hershey, Roberta; Hintz, Duane; Holmes, Richard; Holtz, Melissa; Hook-Winters, Lori; Huttenlocher, Dennis; Jones, Mindy; Kampmeier, Sandy; Keltner, Sandra; Knoll, Leigh Ann; Knoup, Nicholas; Koehler, Katie; Koehler, Leonard; Krogman, Darla; Krogman, Kaytlyn; Krogull, Douglas; Lehmann, Virginia; Lieb, Clayton; Lotz, Steve; Lynch, Shaun; Miller, Charity; Moscato, James; Myelle, Elizabeth; Oellerich, Curt; Ognibene, Sarah; Ormiston, Sean; Phillips, Larry; Raab, Tonya; Rahn, Gigi; Reed, Kristin; Retzlaff, Margaret; Roberts, Larry; Rose, Kenneth; Runkle, Jaclyn; Runkle, Sharon; Russell, Kay; Russell, Roger; Saavedra, Carol; Salamone, Frances; Scheider, Susan; Schierloh, Lillian; Schierloh, William; Schoeny, Tracy; Schoonhoven, Meredith; Schrader, Pamela; Schriener, Cara; Schulz, Bethany; Schulz, Riley; Schulz, Roger; Shumaker, Cynthia; Siemens, Justin; Simler, Linda; Solverson, Clara; Spidahl, Jennifer; Spinhirne, Karen; Stamm, Marlen; Staver, Jered; Staver, Katelin; Stich, Tammy; Stuckey, Makaila; Stuckey, Ryleanne; Taft, Michael; Toman, Bernard; Tootelian, Nicola; Trost, Mae; Wenger, Carol; Werhane, Adam; Werkheiser, James; Williams, Christine; Wybourn, Nick; Wybourn, Tammy; Young, Rodney. **Salary Range: \$25,000 - \$39,999:** Ackerson, Sherri; Camerer, Jordan; Crothers, Julie; Graves, William; Klaas, Kirk; Knoup, Stacey; Schierloh, Darcy; Smith, Brian; Spinhirne, Dawn; Winning, Debra; Wybourn, Doug; Wybourn, Ryan. **Salary Range: \$40,000 - \$59,999:** Reed, Duane. **Salary Range: \$60,000 and over:** Groezinger-Lieb, Amy; Hoff, David; Townsend, Gerald.

Payments over \$2,500, excluding wages and salaries.

| <u>Person, Firm, or Corporation</u> | <u>Aggregate Amount</u> |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| AAA State of Play | 5,480.00 |
| AFLAC | 11,577.74 |
| ALL AMERICAN SPORTS CORP. | 7,397.68 |
| AMAZON.COM | 40,141.20 |
| Apple Inc. | 4,276.99 |
| B Squared Concrete | 53,795.00 |
| Badger Sporting Goods | 2,511.60 |
| BENNING GROUP LLC | 11,700.00 |
| Best Rubber Mulch | 17,998.78 |
| BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD | 696,601.47 |
| Brecht's Database Solutions | 3,550.00 |
| Carroll Seating | 5,685.00 |
| CDW GOVERNMENT, INC. | 103,962.80 |
| Centerpoint Energy Services Inc | 27,537.69 |
| Civil Constructors, Inc | 11,306.00 |
| ComEd | 68,428.06 |
| Comfort 1st Insulation | 7,000.00 |
| Community Bank | 900,401.04 |

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| COMMUNITY BANK HSA | 49,813.72 |
| COUNTRY INNS & SUITES | 3,855.30 |
| Dakota CUSD 201 | 2,675.50 |
| DELTA DENTAL OF ILLINOIS | 73,966.27 |
| Discount School Supply | 10,197.57 |
| Dollamur Sports Surfaces | 9,860.06 |
| Durand Garage Door Service | 2,949.46 |
| Earthgrains Baking Companies, Inc. | 5,494.56 |
| Educational Networks | 3,600.00 |
| Edward Don & Company | 2,703.06 |
| Energy control.com | 2,608.00 |
| ENTRE COMPUTER SOLUTIONS | 54,646.04 |
| Explore Learning | 2,965.50 |
| Fischer Excavating, Inc | 19,214.52 |
| Follett School Solutions | 3,145.85 |
| FREEPORT RUG/LINOLEUM,INC | 78,328.00 |
| Frontier | 6,955.31 |
| Gallagher Bassett Services Inc | 4,476.99 |
| GILL'S FREEPORT DISPOSAL | 10,571.04 |
| GM Financial Leasing | 3,577.92 |
| Gordon Food Service Inc | 139,255.71 |
| GRAINGER | 5,676.47 |
| Hometown Trophies | 2,623.00 |
| HORACE MANN | 5,748.48 |
| ILLINOIS ASSOC SCHOOL BDS | 10,073.10 |
| Illinois Fiber Resources Group | 8,400.00 |
| ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL RETIRE | 194,698.91 |
| ING COMMON REMITTER | 78,739.00 |
| Ingram | 5,842.97 |
| Ironwood Environmental Inc | 5,880.00 |
| John Deere Financial Holland & Sons | 4,999.09 |
| Kimball Midwest | 3,597.90 |
| KURT'S POLAR AIR, INC. | 17,061.75 |
| Lakeshore Learning | 5,753.98 |
| Larson & Darby Inc | 3,005.32 |
| LENA-WIN DENTAL INS | 65,092.58 |
| LENA-WIN VISION INS | 7,528.84 |
| LENA-WINSLOW HEALTH INS | 700,842.38 |
| LE-WIN ATHLETIC BOOSTERS | 4,910.00 |
| LE-WIN DIST REVOLVING FD | 4,442.11 |
| LE-WIN ELEM ACTIVITY FUND | 3,811.57 |
| LE-WIN ESPA | 19,834.15 |
| LE-WIN H.S. ACTIVITY FUND | 9,500.67 |
| LE-WIN JR HI ACTIVITY FND | 6,667.00 |
| LE-WIN TEACHERS' ASS'N | 43,721.71 |
| L-W HS REVOLVING FUND | 22,664.79 |
| L-W JH REVOLVING FUND | 6,870.00 |
| Midland Paper | 7,511.70 |
| Midwest Flag & Pole Inc. | 3,873.75 |
| MIDWEST TRANSIT EQUIP.INC | 18,760.33 |
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| MONTICELLO SPORTS | 5,886.00 |
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Take steps to prevent respiratory illness

Northern Illinois Rockford Region – The common cold and vaccine preventable diseases such as influenza (flu), pertussis, and pneumonia, are examples of respiratory illnesses that are more common during this time of year. The nine local health departments that comprise the Northern Illinois Rockford Region want to remind residents that there are simple steps they can take to help prevent the spread of respiratory illnesses.

Take These Steps to Help Prevent Getting and Spreading Respiratory Illnesses

1. GET UP TO DATE ON YOUR VACCINES, especially the influenza (flu), Tdap/DTaP, and pneumonia vaccine.
2. WASH YOUR HANDS OFTEN with soap and warm water.
3. COVER YOUR COUGH, cough and sneeze into your upper sleeve or a tissue that you throw away.
4. CLEAN SURFACES OFTEN, increase cleaning of frequently touched surfaces.
5. STAY HOME, if you or someone in

your household is not feeling well, stay home to keep others from getting sick.

“As you get together with friends and family, we want you to spread fun, not respiratory illness. By taking these simple steps you can help keep both yourself and others healthy,” said the regional spokeswoman, Katherine O’Toole.

For information on where to get vaccines or for additional guidance on respiratory illness, contact your local health department:

- Carroll County Health Department 815-244-8855; <http://www.ccphd.org/>
- Jo Daviess County Health Department 815-777-0263; www.jodavieess.org/health
- Lee County Health Department 815-284-3371; www.lchd.com
- Stephenson County Health Department 815-235-8271; www.co.stephenson.il.us/health/
- Whiteside County Health Department 815-772-7411; www.whiteside-health.org
- Winnebago County Health Department 815-720-4000; www.wchd.org

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Celebrating 100 years

The American Legion Family celebrated 100 years of the American Legion Auxiliary with an Open House at the Lena American Legion Home. Pictured are back row-Karen Sirgany, Rose Bruegger, Judy Oellerich; front row Riley Durling, Andrea Karnatz, Dawn Spinhirne, Marsha Tessoroff; Julia Moore, Evelyn Karnatz and Kathy Pignato.

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Meeting planned for Jo Daviess Clean Energy District

The Jo Daviess Conservation Foundation (JDCF) is convening a meeting of interested residents to learn about forming a Clean Energy District here in Jo Daviess County. The meeting will take place Thursday, Dec. 5, at 10:30 a.m., at the Woodbine Bend Golf Course and Restaurant, 3500 E. Center Road, just east of Woodbine, IL.

Who: Jo Daviess County leaders and champions interested in building an energy district which is committed to strong communities by creating equitable access (for everyone) to local and clean energy.

What: Clean Energy Districts are locally led nonprofit organizations currently defined by county lines, designed to accelerate the locally owned clean energy transition.

With: A vision to use 100% Renewable Efficient Energy by 2050

When: 12/5/2019, 10:30 a.m.

Where: Woodbine Bend Golf Course & Restaurant

Why: Because it is time to stop the drain of \$ millions in energy costs from our local economy and

face the climate change crisis. Energy Districts are stopping wealth extraction and are creating wealth retention. In Winnebago County Iowa alone, these energy generation and energy efficiency efforts have already pumped \$14,000,000 into the local economy, created or saved more than 100 jobs and reduced carbon emissions by 100,000 tons.

How: Locally led Clean Energy Districts are building and strengthening local communities by implementing a clean energy transition, engaging community members with clean energy awareness education, advocating for equitable clean energy policy and facilitating a clean energy market transformation.

Presenter: Joleen Jansen, Clean Energy Districts of Iowa - Energy District Start Up Coach. Joleen Jansen serves as the coach for new energy district startups and is the program manager for the Clayton County Energy District.

Everyone is welcome. Kindly RSVP to info@jdcf.org

Lena's Magical Home Town Christmas

This year the LBPA planning something EXCITING for our annual Christmas Walk.

Our town will celebrate "Lena's Magical Home Town Christmas." We are planning a lighted parade with a luminary walk from 6 to 8:30 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 6. The Parade will begin at 6 p.m. starting at the Village Hall, down Main Street, crossing the railroad tracks, and continuing up Railroad Street and tentatively ending at Manitou Transportation. During the parade we will have a tree lighting ceremony on the square Downtown as Santa passes by.

We are hoping all merchants will have their doors open during this time, inviting in the public with treats and beverages, (example - Coffee and cookies.)

A window decorating contest will be held in conjunction with this themed event. Judging will take place during the week of 12/2-12/6.

A Community Giving Tree will be at Fluegel's. This tree will consist of items Listed on an ornament for under privileged children, and for families in our community. Everything will be in code without names

visible. Adults may be added if we have abundant giving. Response for the giving tree last year was wonderful. All giving tree donations must be returned to Fluegels by 12/14/2019 for delivery.

Children may visit Santa at Citizens State Bank, following the Parade starting at 6:45 until 8:30 p.m., or deposit letters to Santa in his mailboxes that are located at the Citizens Bank lobby, Sweetie Me, and Down on the Farm, From Nov. 22 thru Dec. 14. Their letters will be answered by Santa! He is so excited to hear from all the children in the area!!

The Grinch and Cindy Lou Who will be at Sweetie Me's following the Parade.

The Lena United Methodist Church will be hosting a cookie walk and Chili Supper again this year.

The Lena Library is hosting a family fun night with Christmas readings.

We hope you will join us in our excitement for all the festivities we have planned.

Remember we all need to work together for the better of Lena. It's a GREAT Place to LIVE!!

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
FOR THE 15TH JUDICIAL
CIRCUIT
STEPHENSON COUNTY -
FREEPORT, ILLINOIS
PennyMac Loan Services, LLC
PLAINTIFF

Vs.
Katharine Nolan; et. al.
DEFENDANTS

16 CH 00083
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S
SALE OF REAL ESTATE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HERE-
BY GIVEN that pursuant to a
Judgment of Foreclosure and
Sale entered in the above cause
on 09/10/2019, the Sheriff of
Stephenson County, Illinois will
on December 27, 2019 at the
hour of 9:30 AM at Stephenson
County Courthouse 15 North
Galena Avenue 1st Floor, West
door of courthouse Freeport, IL
61032, or in a place otherwise
designated at the time of sale,
County of Stephenson and State
of Illinois, sell at public auction
to the highest bidder for cash, as
set forth below, the following
described real estate:

LOT 70 IN THE REPLAT
OF BLOCKS 2-3-6 AND 7 IN
FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS AD-
DITION TO THE CITY OF
FREEPORT, SITUATED IN
THE CITY OF FREEPORT IN
THE NORTHEAST QUAR-
TER OF THE NORTHEAST
QUARTER OF SECTION
1, TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH,
RANGE 7 EAST OF THE
FOURTH PRINCIPAL ME-
RIDIAN ACCORDING TO
THE PLAT THEREOF RE-
CORDED IN BOOK E OF
PAGE 70 IN STEPHENSON
COUNTY, ILLINOIS. SIT-
UATED IN THE CITY OF
FREEPORT, STEPHENSON
COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

PIN 18-18-01-230-014
Improved with Single Family
Home
COMMONLY KNOWN AS:
910 W. Hamilton Street
Freeport, IL 61032

Sale terms: 10% down of the
highest bid by certified funds

at the close of the auction; The
balance, including the Judicial
sale fee for Abandoned Resi-
dential Property Municipality
Relief Fund, which is calcu-
lated at the rate of \$1 for each
\$1,000 or fraction thereof of the
amount paid by the purchaser
not to exceed \$300, in certified
funds, is due within twenty-four
(24) hours. The subject property
is subject to general real estate
taxes, special assessments, or
special taxes levied against said
real estate and is offered for sale
without any representation as to
quality or quantity of title and
without recourse to Plaintiff and
in "AS IS" condition. The sale
is further subject to confirma-
tion by the court.

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

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

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

Upon payment in full of the
amount bid, the purchaser shall
receive a Certificate of Sale,
which will entitle the purchas-
er to a Deed to the real estate
after Confirmation of the sale.
The successful purchaser has
the sole responsibility/expense
of evicting any tenants or other
individuals presently in posses-
sion of the subject premises.

The property will NOT be
open for inspection and Plain-

tiff makes no representation as
to the condition of the property.
Prospective bidders are admon-
ished to check the Court file to
verify all information.

IF YOU ARE THE MORT-
GAGOR (HOMEOWNER),
YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO
REMAIN IN POSSESSION
FOR 30 DAYS AFTER EN-
TRY OF AN ORDER OF POS-
SESSION, IN ACCORDANCE
WITH SECTION 15-1701(C)
OF THE ILLINOIS MORT-
GAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

For information: Examine the
court file or contact Plaintiff's
attorney: Codilis & Associates,
P.C., 15W030 North Frontage
Road, Suite 100, Burr Ridge, IL
60527, (630) 794-9876. Please
refer to file number 14-16-
10927.

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STATE OF ILLINOIS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF THE FIFTEENTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
COUNTY OF STEPHENSON
TOTAL PLUMBING &
HEATING, LTD., an Illinois
corporation,
Plaintiff,
vs
CORTNEY J.
CHADWICK, BARCLAY
CONSTRUCTION, INC. an
Illinois corporation, FIFTH
THIRD MORTGAGE
COMPANY, ILLINOIS
HOUSING DEVELOPMENT
AUTHORITY, JESSIE
M. CHADWICK, and
UNKNOWN OWNERS, and
NON-RECORD
CLAIMANTS

Defendants,

CASE No. 2019 CH 12
NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HERE-
BY GIVEN that pursuant to a
Judgment of Foreclosure and
Sale entered in the above cause
on June 3, 2019, the Stephen-
son County Sheriff will at 9:30

A.M. on December 13, 2019, at
the Stephenson County Court-
house, 15 N. Galena Avenue,
Freeport, Illinois, 61032, sell at
a public sale to the highest bid-
der, as set forth below, the fol-
lowing described real estate:

Commonly known as 3840
East Winneshiek, Freeport, Il-
linois, 61032 and legally de-
scribed, to wit:

Beginning at the Southeast
comer of the Southeast Quar-
ter (1/4) of said Section 11,
Township and Range aforesaid;
thence West along the south line
of said Southeast Quarter (1/4)
150 feet to a point; thence North
183 feet to a point; thence East
150 feet to the East line of said
Southeast Quarter (114); thence
South on the East line of said
Southeast Quarter (1/4) 183
feet to the place of beginning;
EXCEPTING that part thereof
dedicated for highway purpos-
es; situated in the Town of Lan-
caster, County of Stephenson
and the State of Illinois.

Property Tax Identification
Number (P.I.N.): 07-14-11-400-
002

Sale terms: 25% down of the
highest bid by certified funds at
the close of the sale payable to
Stephenson County Sheriff. No
third party checks will be ac-
cepted. The balance, including
the judicial sale fee for the Res-
idential Property Municipality
Relief Fund, which is calculated
on residential real estate at the
rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or
fraction thereof of the amount
paid by the purchaser not to ex-
ceed \$300, in certified funds/
or wire transfer, is due within
twenty-four (24) hours. No fee
shall be paid by the mortgagee
acquiring the residential real
estate pursuant to its credit bid
at the sale or by any mortgagee,
judgment creditor, or other lien
or acquiring the residential real
estate whose rights in and to the
residential real estate arose pri-
or to the sale. The subject prop-
erty is subject to general real es-
tate taxes, special assessments,

or special taxes levied against
said real estate and is offered for
sale without any representation
as to quality or quantity of title
and without recourse to Plaintiff
and in "AS IS" condition. The
sale is further subject to confir-
mation by the court.

Upon payment in full of the
amount bid, the purchaser will
receive a Certificate of Sale that
will entitle the purchaser to a
deed to the real estate after con-
firmation of the sale.

The property will NOT be
open for inspection and plain-
tiff makes no representation as
to the condition of the property.
Prospective bidders are admon-
ished to check the court file to
verify all information.

IF YOU ARE THE HOME-
OWNER, YOU HAVE THE
RIGHT TO REMAIN IN
POSSESSION FOR SIX (6)
MONTHS AFTER THE SHER-
IFF'S SALE AND SHALL
HAVE A RIGHT TO REDEEM
THE PROPERTY WITHIN
THAT PERIOD.

Attorney Thomas G. Ruud
Thomas G. Ruud & Associates
Attorney for Plaintiff
318 North 1st Street
Rockford, Illinois 61107
(815)961-9100

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you are advised that Plaintiff's
tempting to collect a debt and
any information obtained will
be used for that purpose.

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ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION

Public Notice is hereby given
that on **November 1, 2019**, a
certificate was filed in the Of-
fice of the County Clerk of Ste-
phenson County, Illinois, setting
forth the names and post-office
addresses of all persons own-
ing, conducting and transacting
the business **Our Crafty Chaos**
located at **4285 North Brown**

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LEGALS

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Road, Rock City, IL 61070.
 Dated November 1, 2019
VICIR. OTTE
 Stephenson County Clerk
 by *HEATHER BECKER*
 Deputy
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 360877

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
 THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL
 CIRCUIT
 STEPHENSON COUNTY,
 ILLINOIS
 NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE
 LLC D/B/A MR. COOPER,
 PLAINTIFF,
 VS.
 TAMMY M HERAL A/K/A
 TAMMY M STAHL;
 ROBERT W HERAL;
 EVELYN M STAHL A/K/A
 EVELYN MARIE STAHL,
 A/K/A EVELYN STAHL;
 ASSOCIATED BANK, N.A.,
 SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST
 TO FIRST FEDERAL
 CAPITAL BANK; UNKNOWN
 OWNERS AND NON-
 RECORD CLAIMANTS,
 DEFENDANTS.

2019 CH 54
 111 WEST NORTH STREET
 DAKOTA, IL 61018
 NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
 TO YOU,
 Unknown Owners and Non-
 Record Claimants
 Evelyn M Stahl a/k/a Evelyn
 Marie Stahl a/k/a Evelyn Stahl
 defendants, that this case
 has been commenced in
 this Court against you and
 other defendants, asking for
 the foreclosure of a certain
 Mortgage conveying the
 premises described as follows,
 to wit:

LOTS 3 AND 4 IN BLOCK 5
 OF THE TOWN OF DAKOTA,
 SITUATED IN THE VILLAGE
 OF DAKOTA, STEPHENSON
 COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as: 111
 West North Street Dakota, IL
 61018

and which said Mortgage was
 made by, Tammy M Heral a/k/a
 Tammy M Stahl, Robert W Her-
 al, Evelyn M Stahl a/k/a Evelyn
 Marie Stahl, a/k/a Evelyn Stahl
 Mortgagor(s), to

First Federal Capital Bank
 Mortgagee, and recorded in
 the Office of the Recorder of
 Deeds of Stephenson Coun-
 ty, Illinois, as Document No.
 200900105969; and for other
 relief.

UNLESS YOU file your an-
 swer or otherwise file your ap-
 pearance in this case, on or

before December 27, 2019, A
 JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY
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 AGAINST YOU FOR THE RE-
 LIEF ASKED IN THE COM-
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 asp](http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp), or talk to your local circuit
 clerk's office.

PURSUANT TO THE FAIR
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 TICES ACT, THE PLAINTIFF'S
 ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO
 BE A DEBT COLLECTOR AT-
 TEMPTING TO COLLECT A
 DEBT AND ANY INFORMA-
 TION WILL BE USED FOR
 THAT PURPOSE.
 McCalla Raymer Leibert
 Pierce, LLC
 Attorney for Plaintiff
 1 N. Dearborn St. Suite 1200
 Chicago, IL 60602
 Ph. (312) 346-9088
 File No. 271150-201558
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Public Notice is hereby given
 that on **November 18, 2019**, a
 certificate was filed in the Of-
 fice of the County Clerk of Jo
 Daviess County, Illinois, setting
 forth the names and post-office
 addresses of all persons, own-
 ing, conducting and transacting
 the business known as: **Deb's
 Garden Gate Floral** located
 at **501 Jackson St., Scales
 Mound, IL 61075.**

Dated November 18, 2019
ANGELA KAISER
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Lady Broncos top Milledgeville Missiles

By Trenten Scheidegger
 SPORTSWRITER

The Orangeville Broncos have
 kicked off their 2019 girls' basket-
 ball season. Following a 6-18 finish
 in 2018, the Broncos are back and
 ready to give it another go. They
 began their regular season with a
 game against the Missiles in a battle
 of the Ville's, last Tuesday.

The Broncos came out strong in
 the first quarter and didn't look back
 as they held onto their lead for the
 entire game. They more than dou-
 bled up the Missiles in the opening
 quarter as they took a 10-4 lead into
 the second. Milledgeville would
 outscore Orangeville 11-8 in the
 second, but the Broncos still held
 onto an 18-15 lead as they went into
 the break.

The Missiles continued to cut into
 the Bronco's lead in the third quar-
 ter when they outscored them once
 again, 12-11. It all came down to
 the final quarter as Orangeville held
 a slim, 30-28 lead.

The Broncos offense really caught
 fire when it mattered, having their
 best quarter of the game in clutch
 time. They put up thirteen points
 and managed to hold the Missiles to
 just seven points of their own. The
 big fourth quarter helped the Bron-
 cos capture a 43-35 victory over
 Milledgeville.

Alyssa Ostendorf was the main
 focal point of the Bronco's offense,
 as she put up nearly half their points
 with nineteen. Ostendorf also had
 five rebounds and three steals for an
 all around impressive stat line.

Grace Edler was their second
 leader with an 8-8 game as she went
 two for three from the line, giving
 her eight points to go along with her
 eight rebounds. Emily George and
 Timber Oakes both led the team in
 rebounds with nine a piece.

Since then, the Broncos lost their
 two tournament games in the Warren
 Turkey Tournament to tough teams
 out of East Dubuque and Galena.

Head coach Jay Doyle, who is in

his second year with the team, is
 hoping to get back to five-hundred
 and to build off what the team did
 last year. "We have everybody back
 from last year, which was year one
 of me having them. We got better as
 we went on and we put in the work
 in the off season, so we are stron-
 ger and more physical." Doyle said.
 He hopes that having everyone back
 will only further the team's devel-

opment that we saw at the end of
 last season.

Doyle, who used to coach junior
 high basketball, compared his hard-
 working team to that of the football
 guys, saying "Just like football, we
 want to be playing our best ball at
 the end of the year. They are a good
 group of girls; they're very easy to
 coach. We will win some games
 just because they are hard workers."



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Terri Reid's presentation

Terri Reid is a local author and has written 39 books. Her
 books use locally known areas as focal points and in one case,
 a local Pearl City resident (Mr. Ditsworth) as a character in her
 stories. Mrs. Reid, gave two separate presentations Wednes-
 day night at the Pearl City High School. Her presentations
 shared mystery writing tips as well as researching strategies
 with the students encouraging them to consider writing books
 or novels themselves.



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Pearl City FFA National Convention

Ten members of the Pearl City FFA Chapter attended the 2019 Na-
 tional FFA Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana. Back Row from left:
 Jordan Johnson, Brea Musser, Teddy IIs, Montana Sargent, Chey-
 enne Handsaker. Front row from left: Tamara Broege, Alyssa John-
 son, Addy Bremmer, Alexis Daves and Kylee Baker.

College news

Brooke Olberding named to Palmer College Dean's List

Brooke Olberding of Lena, IL, has
 been named to the summer 2019 tri-
 mester Dean's List in the Doctor of
 Chiropractic degree program at
 Palmer College of Chiropractic main
 campus in Davenport, Iowa.

Palmer College of Chiroprac-
 tic, the first and largest college in the
 chiropractic profession, has campus-
 es in

Davenport, Iowa; San Jose, Calif.;
 and Port Orange, Fla.



Chris Folmar
 Financial Advisor

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 Freeport, IL 61032
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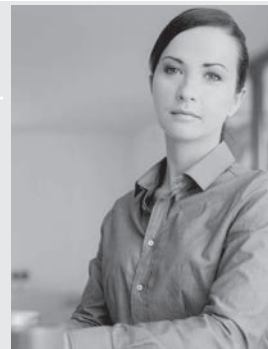
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IN*CI*DENTAL*LY Sleep Apnea and the link to your teeth

Dr. Stephen Petras
AN ILLINOIS LICENSED GENERAL
DENTIST

We all know someone who snores, so it may come as no surprise that the American Sleep Apnea Association estimates that 22 million Americans suffer from Obstructive Sleep Apnea (OSA). This deadly and frequently undiagnosed disruption in airflow through the upper airway can decrease your quality of life

with headaches, chronic exhaustion or daytime sleepiness, high blood pressure and chronic systemic health problems. OSA has also been implicated as a primary cause in some auto accidents. Further, it often leads to emotional distress and strained relationships.

Just because you snore, it does not necessarily mean that you have sleep apnea. However, loud and frequent snoring, with stops in breath-

ing that last for around 10 seconds and are often followed by snorts, gasps or choking sounds, as your body fights to resume breathing, should be reported to your dentist as part of updating your medical history. In fact, loud snoring, daytime sleepiness, high blood pressure and a body mass index (BMI) over 30 are some of the primary indicators of OSA, so note any of these, in your updated medical history. In

short, you should never decide to leave something off your medical history (for example snoring) because you believe it is not "dental" related. Your oral health both impacts and reflects your overall health in profound ways. (But that's another column.)

Along with your dental exam, your dentist will assess your risk of OSA by reviewing your medical and dental history. If your dentist thinks that you have sleep apnea, he will refer you for both a sleep study and a consult with a sleep physician. They will work together to make sure that you receive a proper diagnosis and treatment plan to address your unique health needs, share treatment progress and document results with a follow up sleep study.

Although a Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (CPAP) mask is the gold standard for treating OSA, many people cannot tolerate wearing it. Research has proven that oral dental appliances are an effective treatment option for snoring and

mouth to moderate OSA. Oral sleep devices prevent the airway from collapsing by holding the tongue in position, or by sliding the jaw forward, to maintain an open airway.

Although surgical therapies are not as effective in treating sleep apnea as CPAP and dental appliances, some patients will require adjunct surgery to reduce or remove tissues that block the airway. In severe OSA, both CPAP and dental appliances may be needed.

People with sleep apnea often breathe through their mouth. This and CPAP devices can dry out your saliva, leaving you without its anti-cavity protection and causing tooth decay. This makes regular dental visits imperative, so your dentist can evaluate and address these issues.

In addition to dental sleep devices, people with OSA may benefit from sleep positional therapy, weight loss, the use of decongestants for allergies and avoiding alcohol consumption, as alcohol relaxes your throat muscles.

Freeport Community Foundation awards grant to Timber Lake Playhouse for Fall Education Program

Timber Lake Playhouse has received a grant from the Freeport Community Foundation to fund their fall education offerings. TLP will offer three programs that use the power of creative dramatics to inspire, astonish and engage area students ages 3 through 13. The fall programs will include a literacy focus with elementary students, a character development focus with middle school students and a creative play focus with preschool students.

The Preschool Program uses creative dramatics and play to help children learn about emotions, problem solving and relating to other people. Through these experiences, children develop their imaginations and confidence while they improvise from age-appropriate stories, poems, fables, and legends. This program will be held on the TLP campus on the stage of the playhouse. Parents can find more information about this program and registration information by calling the box office at 815-244-2035 or online at www.timberlake-playhouse.org.

The elementary program is litera-

ture and reading based. TLP Teaching Artists read literary works to elementary classes and use creative drama activities to promote content understanding. The iCAN Performance Program is designed for middle school students. This works promotes social equity while supporting students' social-emotional learning

and a positive school climate. Students will collaborate with the TLP Teaching Artists to create and develop their own play based on the topic of bullying.

Schools who are interested in bringing either of these TLP programs should contact Timber Lake Playhouse at 815-244-2048.

JDCF opens Conservation Leadership Award nominations

The Jo Daviess Conservation Foundation (JDCF) is accepting nominations for the Nancy Hamill Winter Conservation Leadership Award, which will be presented at the Foundation's annual meeting in early 2020. An individual, organization, governmental entity, educational institution, or business that has demonstrated creativity and/or leadership in the preservation, restoration, or stewardship of natural areas and/or Native American cultural resources, or has a strong history of promoting an understanding of the natural world in Northwest Illinois, particularly Jo Daviess County, is eligible. Nominees may have also shown financial leadership that supports land conservation. Priority will be given to nominees with distinguished lifetime accomplishments and impact made in the service area of the Foundation. JDCF's Executive Committee seeks nominations annually beginning in November each year and uses the above criteria to make its selection.

Nominations are due by Dec. 31, 2019. Current staff and board members of JDCF are not eligible. A nomination form can be found at www.jdcf.org.

The Nancy Hamill Winter Conservation Leadership Award is named after JDCF's long-time board member and past Board President and Vice President, Nancy Hamill Winter. Formerly a Stockton resident Nancy dedicated much of her adult life to the preservation and care of natural habitats and the Native American cultural heritage of Northern Illinois. 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, or info@jdcf.org.

Mediacom offers \$60,000 in scholarships

Mediacom Communications is offering \$60,000 in scholarship support for high school seniors who plan to obtain further education. The scholarship program is in its 19th consecutive year and Mediacom's investment will award \$1,000 World Class Scholarships to 60 high school seniors.

Scholarship recipients are given the flexibility to use the financial award to support post-secondary college costs or vocational training from any accredited institution starting in the fall of 2020. Award selection is based on academic achievement and leadership.

Applications for Mediacom's World Class Scholarships are available online at: www.mediacom-worldclass.com. All high schools in Mediacom-served communities were sent informational cards ask-

ing school officials to make seniors aware of the scholarship and encourage submission of applications on or before the Feb. 15, 2020 deadline.

"As a company, Mediacom makes it a priority to give back to communities in which we do business, and one of the best ways is to invest in promising students who are our future leaders," said Mediacom Regional Vice President Steve Purcell.

Applicants do not have to be Mediacom customers but must live in areas where Mediacom provides broadband, video, phone and other digital communication services. Recipients will be selected from the 21 states where Mediacom provides service. A complete list of communities in Mediacom service areas is included with the online application. Inquiries may be sent to: scholarship@mediacomcc.com.

Energy Knowledge Workshop offered on Dec. 4

Are your energy bills higher than you expected? Would you like to learn how technology and information can help you better manage your home or business energy use? On Dec. 4, plan to join Extension Educator Jay Solomon for a fresh look at energy use and cost saving strategies. Explore how recent equipment updates by the utility companies provide new tools to access electrical energy use data. Armed with this and other resources, you will be better prepared to make smart energy decisions.

Jay will share how incorporating energy management technology into our homes and business can provide multiple benefits. In addition to cost savings, the technologies can help individuals live in at home longer and safer as they age. He will discuss how to access and use energy data from your home or business to evaluate energy cost savings opportunities. From simple changes to major home updates, the data can help you make decision with real paybacks.

The Energy Knowledge Workshop will be held Wednesday, Dec. 4, at 1 p.m. at the Freeport Public Library, 100 E. Douglas Street, Freeport. This workshop is open to the public at no charge. To register for this workshop, call the University of Illinois Extension at (815) 235-4125 or online at go.illinois.edu/jsw.

This will not be just another everyone needs new windows, doors, and weather-stripping discussion. Through increased knowledge of your home energy use, you will be able to make better decisions about physical and operational changes to reduce energy costs and safety. The workshop is part of an educational effort funded by an IL Science and Energy Innovation

Foundation grant. Register today to reserve your seat.

Pediatric First Aid, CPR Class to be held Dec. 7

Learn first aid, CPR and automated external defibrillator (AED) use specific to infants and children at a special Heartsaver® Pediatric First Aid course at FHN.

The course is open to the public and will cover first aid basics including controlling bleeding and bandaging, burns, heat- or cold-related injuries, poison emergencies, and fractures and sprains, as well as CPR and AED use, and what to do in case of choking.

The course will be offered from 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7 at FHN Memorial Hospital in Freeport. The cost is \$60, which includes the Heartsaver Pediatric First Aid CPR AED Student Workbook and a CPR certification card that is valid for 2 years.

To register online or learn more, visit www.fhn.org/communityeducation or contact the FHN Center of Innovative Learning at coil@fhn.org.



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The candidate must be a licensed school bus driver.

To Apply: Send letter of application and resume to: Transportation Director, Doug Broshous, Stockton CUSD #206, 540 N Rush Street, Stockton, Illinois 61085. Specific

Deadline to Apply: Friday December 13, 2019

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Employment Opportunity Stockton Community Unit School District #206

Position: Facilities Director

Start Date: As soon as possible

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- Maintains required records, floor plans, site plans, health life safety plans, asbestos abatement plans, pest control plans, etc.
- Certified in asbestos removal.
- Coordinate with Athletic Director on extra-curricular activities for set up and cleaning.
- Establishes and monitors schedules and procedures for the regular custodial care of the building.
- Maintain pleasant and courteous relations with the public, parents, employees, and students.
- Assists in the selection, assignment, and training of custodial staff and subs for staff when needed.
- Maintains confidentiality of information about students.
- Demonstrates a high level of personal and professional ethics.
- Cleans assigned areas daily
- Shovels and salt/sand walks, driveways, parking areas, and steps as needed. Keep entry ways to building clean.
- Coordinates with the Director of Transportation and Administration to determine if school will be held during inclement weather.
- Maintains and repairs equipment as needed. When necessary will get bids for projects or equipment replacement.
- Maintains boiler system, heating control system, and alarm systems on a regular basis.
- Oversees building cleanliness and sanitation and keeps the facility and grounds well maintained at all times.
- Supervises the summer cleaning and maintenance program.
- Maintains an inventory of custodial supplies and equipment.
- Assists Superintendent in the preparation and coordination of the facility custodial budget.
- Routinely checks the facilities to ensure they are clean, safe, and free of potentially harmful materials, equipment, and situations.
- Performs such other tasks as assigned by the Administration.
- Supports and implements the goals of the Board of Education and the Mission and Beliefs of Stockton CUSD #206.
- Reduces exposure to tort producing situations, as defined in the District Risk Management Plan.

Terms of Employment: Twelve Months

Salary: Negotiable dependent upon experience/Fringe benefits available

To Apply: Send letter of application and resume to: Superintendent Colleen Fox, Stockton CUSD #206, 540 N Rush Street, Stockton, Illinois 61085. Questions about the position may be addressed to Colleen Fox at 815-947-3391.

Deadline to Apply: Friday, December 13, 2019

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FROM LENA'S KITCHEN



The not so skinny cook

Turkey Day is upon us; it seems as if November has gone by in a flash. This week the recipes reflect some good eats for the big day. Some people have traditional things they make; other people love to try new things. Have a great time cooking for family and friends.

The first recipe is for a new and different side. The traditional corn casserole and the green bean casserole are often served. If you want a change of pace, this creamed spinach side will go well with your meal.

Creamy Sautéed Spinach

- 1 T. olive oil
- 1 small chopped onion
- 2 pkg. (10) oz. each frozen spinach, thawed and squeezed dry
- 2 minced garlic cloves
- 8 oz. cream cheese, softened
- ¼ C. milk
- ½ t. salt
- ½ t. pepper

In a large skillet, heat olive oil over medium-high heat. Add onion and cook and stir until tender, 5 to 7 minutes. Add spinach and garlic cloves; cook 2 minutes longer. Stir in cream cheese, milk, salt and pepper. Cook until cream cheese is melted.

There are many ways to make sweet potatoes starting with just baking them in their scrubbed skins to putting a gooey marshmallow topping on them. This sweet potato casserole has a little different spin in it by using granola and almonds. I have had something like this casserole with pecans but not almonds. Try this different take on plain old sweet potatoes.

Sweet Potato Casserole

- 4½ lbs. sweet potatoes, scrubbed well
- ¾ C. firmly packed brown sugar, divided
- 1 T. flour
- ¾ C. butter, melted and divided
- 2 eggs
- 1 t. salt
- 2 C. granola with nuts
- 1/3 C. sliced almonds

Preheat oven to 400. Bake sweet potatoes on a baking sheet until tender, 60 to 75 minutes. Reduce oven temperature to 375. Let potatoes cool enough to handle; peel and mash pulp. Lightly spray a 2 quart baking dish with cooking spray.

In a large bowl, whisk together ½ cup brown sugar and flour. Whisk in 2/3 cup melted butter, eggs, and salt until smooth. Stir in sweet potatoes until well combined. Spoon into prepared pan. In a medium bowl, stir together granola, almonds, remaining ¼ cup of brown sugar and remaining

¼ cup melted butter. Spoon onto casserole. Bake until bubbly, 20 to 30 minutes, covering with foil halfway through baking to prevent excess browning. Let stand 10 minutes before serving.

I had a reader ask me for the crock pot potato recipe because she doesn't want to be busy with mashing potatoes at the last minute. This recipe is a favorite; keep it around for Christmas too.

Extra Good Crock Pot Mashed Potatoes

- 5 lbs potatoes, peeled, cooked and masked
- 8 oz. cream cheese softened
- 1½ cups sour cream
- 3 t. onion or garlic salt
- 1½ t. salt
- ¼ to ½ t. pepper
- 2 T. melted butter

Combine all ingredients; pour into a greased crock pot. Cover and cook on low 5-6 hours. These potatoes may be prepared 3-4 days in advance of serving and kept in the refrigerator until ready to use. Some variations include adding 1½ C. shredded cheddar cheese before cooking, 4 green onions, thinly sliced, ½ C. shredded pepper jack, and crumbled bacon. Sprinkle with paprika before serving.

This casserole is a good one for that leftover turkey. If you don't want to use turkey, you can use chicken instead. You have all the ingredients for a meal in this casserole: meat, starch, and vegetables. Enjoy this casserole with your leftovers.

Turkey and Cranberry Dressing

- 2 pkg. (7 oz. each) Jiffy cornbread mix
- 1½ t. salt
- 1 t. chopped fresh sage or ½ t. dried sage
- ¼ t. red pepper flakes
- 2 eggs
- 1 can (14.25 oz.) cream style corn
- 1/3 C. milk
- ¼ C. unsalted butter, melted
- 3 C. shredded cooked turkey
- 1 C. frozen vegetable blend, thawed
- 1 C. dried cranberries
- 2/3 C. chopped pecans
- ½ t. orange zest

Preheat oven to 400. Spray an 11 x 8 baking dish with cooking spray. In a large bowl, whisk together muffin mix, salt, sage, red pepper; make a well in center. In a small bowl, whisk together eggs, corn, milk, and butter. Stir egg mixture into cornbread mixture just until combined. Fold in turkey, vegetable blend, cranberries, pecans, and zest. Spoon into prepared pan. Bake until golden brown and a wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean, 25 to 30 minutes. Garnish with chopped parsley.

Another reader asked me for a non-traditional recipe for Thanksgiving. They have several people who don't like turkey, and they didn't want ham. Enter crab and spinach stuffed pasta. I think you can substitute imitation crab for the canned crab, and you can also use plain shells if you

desire. Hold the turkey and try seafood for a different celebration.

Crab and Spinach Stuffed Manicotti

- 12 manicotti shells, uncooked
- 5 T. butter, divided
- 1 small onion, chopped
- 1 pkg. (5 oz.) baby spinach leaves
- 1 T. minced garlic
- ¼ C. flour
- 3 C. milk
- ¼ t. ground nutmeg
- ¼ t. pepper
- 1 pkg. (6 oz.) shredded Parmesan cheese, divided
- 1 C. ricotta cheese
- 2 cans (6 oz. each) crabmeat, drained and flaked

Preheat oven to 375. Cook pasta as directed on package, omitting the salt. Melt 1 T. butter in large non-stick skillet on medium heat. Add onions, cook 5 to 6 minutes or until crisp tender, stirring frequently. Add spinach and garlic; cook and stir 1 to 2 minutes just until spinach is wilted. Spoon spinach mixture into medium bowl.

Melt remaining butter in same skillet. Stir in flour; cook for 2 minutes, stirring constantly. Gradually add milk, whisking constantly after each addition. Bring to boil, whisking constantly, cook and stir 5 minutes or until thickened. Remove skillet from heat. Add nutmeg, pepper and ½ cup Parmesan to white sauce; mix well.

Add ricotta to spinach mixture along with 1 cup of the cheese sauce and ½ cup of the remaining Parmesan; mix lightly. Stir in crabmeat. Spoon into resealable plastic bag. Drain pasta, rinse with cold water. Cut small piece off one bottom corner

of filled plastic bag; use to squeeze enough crab mixture into both sides of pasta shells until shells are evenly filled with crab mixture. Place in a 9 x 13 baking dish sprayed with cooking spray; top with remaining cheese sauce and then remaining Parmesan. Bake 30 to 35 minutes or until heated through. Sprinkle with 2 T. chopped fresh basil or parsley before serving.

If you would like a little different take on regular pumpkin pie, try this ginger flavored pumpkin pie for a change. It has what most of us have in our kitchen. You can make your own pie crust or use a Pillsbury prepared one.

Gingerbread Pumpkin Pie

Pastry for single crust (9 inch)

- Filling:
- 2 eggs, lightly beaten
- 1½ C. canned pumpkin
- 1 C. evaporated milk
- 2/3 C. sugar
- 1/3 C. water
- ¼ C. dark molasses
- 1 t. cinnamon
- ½ t. salt
- ½ t. ground ginger
- ¼ t. ground nutmeg
- ¼ t. ground cloves

Preheat oven to 425. On a lightly floured surface, roll the dough to a 1/8 inch thick circle. Transfer to a 9-inch pie plate. Trim crust to ½ inches beyond rim of plate, flute edge. Refrigerate while preparing filling.

In a bowl, whisk filling ingredients. Pour into crust. Bake on a lower rack, 15 minutes. Reduce oven to 350; bake until a knife inserted in the center comes out clean, 30 to 35 minutes longer. Cool on a wire rack. If

you aren't eating it in 2 hours, refrigerate. Serve with whipping cream or whipped topping.

If you want something different than pie or cake, this candy bark is a good one to make and have on hand for a lighter dessert. Save this recipe for your Christmas candy baking too!

Pistachio Cranberry Bark

- 2 C. semisweet chocolate chips
- 1 C. chopped pistachios, toasted, divided
- ¾ C. dried cranberries, divided
- 5 oz. white candy coating, melted

In a microwave safe bowl, microwave chocolate chips until melted; stir until smooth. Stir in ¾ cups pistachios and half of the cranberries; spread onto a waxed paper-lined baking sheet. Drizzle with melted candy coating. Cut through layers with a knife to swirl.

Sprinkle with the remaining pistachios and dried cranberries. Refrigerate until firm. Cut or break into pieces. Store in an airtight container in the refrigerator.

I will be trying to get my cooking done before Thursday because I hate the rush. We will see if my good intentions come to fruition. I certainly hope that you all have a great day of friends, family, and eating! With Thanksgiving behind us, the Christmas rush is on. We are looking for some good holiday recipes for salads, sides, desserts, and of course, cookies. If you have any recipes you would like to share, send them our way. You can contact us in person, by mail at From Lena's Kitchens, Shopper's Guide at 213 S. Center St. or email us at scoopshopper@rvpublishing.com.

Let's talk germs and the ways to combat them

Have you ever thought about all the things your cell phone touches each day? If you are like most people, your phone has come in contact with fingers and faces. It sits on countertops, dining room tables, or desks. It moves from the bedroom, to the bathroom, to the kitchen, to the car, to work or school, and the gym. Your cell phone is collecting a lot of germs along the way. A cell phone can carry 25,000 bacteria per square inch. That is more germs than a public toilet, the bottom of your sneakers, or a doorknob! And where phones are kept doesn't help. Sticking your phone in a pocket or purse helps bacteria multiply due to the heat from the battery. Cell phones can be dirty.

To help reduce germs, you can do two things:

* Clean your cell phone with an alcohol-free antiseptic wipe at least once a week.

* Wash your hands. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), hand washing is one of the most important steps we can take to avoid getting sick and spreading germs.

Here are five steps to proper hand washing:

- 1) Wet your hands with clean running water and apply soap.
- 2) Lather your hands by rubbing them together with soap.
- 3) Scrub all surfaces of your hands for at least 20 seconds.

4) Rinse your hands under clean running water.

5) Dry your hands using a clean towel or air dry them.

If soap and water are not available, you can use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.

Keep thousands of germs away this holiday season by cleaning your cell phone and hands!

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Panther volleyball recognizes Coach Amendt

By Trenten Scheidegger
SPORTSWRITER

Sue Amendt has donated a large amount of her time toward the Panther volleyball program and the Lena-Winslow community. Over the years she has helped to develop athletes both on and off the court in an effort to have a positive impact

on these young athletes. It just so happens that her success from off the court has been able to work itself onto the court as well, and her captains from the 2019 squad took the time to recognize her for that.

During halftime of the recent level three home football game, the captains presented coach Amendt with

a volleyball to recognize career win number 500 for Amendt. The win came back in the regular season when the LeWin Panthers participated in the Stillman Valley Tournament.

Amongst the special announcement for Coach Amendt, the All Conference awards were recently announced and there were a number of Panthers all over the list.

Madilyn Schultz was a unanimous selection for a First Team All-Conference Award. Joining her was Jaden Julius who also earned a unanimous selection for a First Team All-Conference award. Earning second team awards was the Jenna duo as Jenna Bidlingmaier and Jenna Zeal both displayed exceptional play all season long to get on the Second Team All-Conference awards. Not to be overlooked were the honorable mentions. Jordan Streckwald and Paige Sowle-Diffenderfer both competed hard all season to earn honorable mentions.

This Panther team was stacked with talent, including the exceptional coach Sue Amendt. The recognitions were well deserved from top to bottom following another successful season for Panther volleyball.

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The property will NOT be open for inspection and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.

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For information: Examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: Codilis & Associates, P.C., 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100, Burr Ridge, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876. Please refer to file number 14-16-10927.

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Monroe Clinic Inpatient Nurse, Stacie Natter, RN after receiving The Guardian of Excellence Award® with Patrick T. Ryan, CEO of Press Ganey, at the Press Ganey National Client Conference on November 18 in Orlando, FL.

Monroe Clinic receives 2019 Press Ganey Guardian of Excellence Award

Press Ganey has announced Monroe Clinic as a 2019 Guardian of Excellence Award® winner. The award recognizes top-performing health care organizations for performance in patient experience in inpatient care. This recognition stems from data gathered in the Press Ganey surveys patients complete after their visits to Monroe Clinic.

"Being in the top five percent of all inpatient care teams in the country is very impressive. This doesn't happen by accident. It requires the right people working together in a collaborative environment, the right support and leadership, and the right systems, facilities and equipment,"

shared Mike Sanders, Monroe Clinic President and CEO.

Monroe Clinic's uses Press Ganey to deliver and evaluate its patient satisfaction surveys. The feedback in those surveys is reviewed, and when applicable, applied to the patient experience here at Monroe Clinic.

"We are proud to partner with Monroe Clinic," said Patrick T. Ryan, CEO of Press Ganey. "This award is a testament to the organization's leadership in delivering patient-centered care. By achieving and sustaining this level of excellence, Monroe Clinic continues to demonstrate their commitment to advancing the overall quality of health care."

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SOS+ schedules Annual Christmas Party

On Thursday, Dec. 12, SOS+ (Senior Outreach of Stockton and surrounding areas) will gather at Calvary UM Fellowship Hall for their Annual Christmas Potluck/Sing-along Party. All seniors are invited to come and enjoy the festivities. We begin at 12 noon with our annual Pot Luck dinner followed by the a good ole fashion Christmas sing-along. Good Ole St. Nick himself may just pay a surprise visit. Topping off the day will be our favorite White Elephant gift exchange. All seniors of Stockton and local areas are invited to join our Christmas Celebration. The meeting will start at 12 noon in Stockton's Calvary's UM Fellowship Hall. All we ask you to bring is a dish to pass and a white elephant gift for the fun-filled Christmas gift exchange.

Because of the unpredictable inclement weather, there will be no SOS+ meetings in January and February of 2020. Resuming on March 12th, 2020. Watch for details as SOS+ begins its 16th year with an anniversary celebration filled with local talent; the SHS play casts will be here to give us a teaser to their upcoming play "Crazy about You" along with the singing/musical trio, Mary Berryhill, Terry O'Malley and Mary Jane Hammer in their group called "No Worries". Make sure to mark your calendar for our 16th year kickoff in March. Stay safe and warm during January and February and join us once again as we start a new year of fun, educational, musical programs come March.

SOS+ (Senior Outreach of Stockton and surrounding areas) is a volunteered ministry providing programs and fellowship to our area seniors. There is no cost to join; a free will offering is taken at each meeting which helps in providing interesting and educational programs throughout the year.

Join us for our Dec. 12, Christmas party and make sure to mark your calendars for March 12, 2020 as we begin our 16th year. More information about the Anniversary Celebration will come in the new year.

The senior outreach program (SOS+) is always looking for volunteers to help us reach out to our seniors. If you are one who would like to join the planning committee team of volunteers, share your talents or have suggestions for upcoming programs, please feel free to call Mary Feltmeyer 815-297-5425, Nancy Rice 815-947-3683 or Shirley Toepfer 815-947-3639. If you are one of our seniors who are in need of a ride to the programs, please be sure to call one of these ladies. We would be delighted to accommodate you.



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New auxiliary members

The Lena American Legion Auxiliary held initiation ceremonies for new members at its monthly meeting. Pictured are Kathy Pignato, Dawn Spinhirne and Andrea Karnatz.

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