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# larhawks capture Regional Cha

By Trenten Scheidegger CORRESPONDENT

Warren-Stockton Warhawks became 2022 baseball regional champions when they beat East Dubuque last Saturday. It was another big step in what has been an incredible year for the back-to-back NUIC-West Conference champs.

Early in May, the Warhawks were awarded the one seed in the East Dubuque regional. The one seed re-

The Stockton American Le-

Memorial Day. Volunteers are nizations, as well as individu-

gion will be placing flags on

Veterans graves in the area for

at Ladies Union Cemetery at 9

The Dakota Indians came out on top of the opening regional game and the Warhawks knew their first postseason opponent.

The Indians came into the game with an overall record of just 6-9, while the Warhawks were the clear favorites at 17-7. Warren-Stock-

bye in the opening round of true as they quickly jumped regional play as they would out to a lead in the bottom face the winner of the Oran- of the first inning. The Wargeville versus Dakota game. hawks managed to score in each of the first three innings of the game, which allowed them to jump out to a 6-1

> The Warhawk pitching performance was a group effort as Alex Marsden, Brady Broshous, and Caleb Mammoser combined to hold the Indians to just five hits on

warded the Warhawks with a ton would prove that to be the day. Marsden was the winning pitcher as he struck out five in just two innings of work. Marsden allowed just three hits and one walk in the outing.

The Warhawks needed only six innings of work from their pitching staff as a big sixth inning would bring an end to the game with the ten-run mercy rule. The Warhawk offense posted five runs in the bottom of the sixth to go up 11-1, sending

will take place at Sullivan's on

On Saturday, May 21, the Warhawks were set to face off with the East Dubuque Warriors in the regional championship. Although the Warhawks would play as the home team, it was East Dubuque who had the comfort of being on their home field. The Warriors came into the game with a record of 16-10. It was the third time these teams had faced off this season as they split a pair of games back in late May. Not only would this third matchup decide the season series, but it would decide who becomes the regional champs, and who goes home.

gional championship.

Mammoser led the way at

the plate, going two for four

with a pair of runs batted in.

Drew Mensendike was also

two for four in the game,

and Cyler Cornelius was two

for four with one RBI. Blaze

Janecke also drove in a pair

of runs in the postseason

victory.

Once again, the Warhawks got off to a hot start with a pair of runs in the first inning. The runs were the work of some two-out magic as the first two Warhawk batters went down without much of a fight. The twoout rally was sparked by a walk to Marsden. At one point, the Warhawks were down to their last strike of the inning as Marsden was at the plate with an 0-2 count and two outs. The senior was able to work the count

Warren-Stockton into the re- all the way back in his favor until he took the walk, however. Mensendike followed up with a single and Brady Broshous shot a double into left to put Warren-Stockton

The Warriors would respond with a big second inning, however. Three runs in the top of the second gave us our second lead change of the day as East Dubuque took a 3-2 lead. Warren-Stockton was able to tie the game at 3-3 in the bottom of the third inning. The run came after Marsden roped a double to right field and was driven in by a Mensendike single.

The game would remain tied until the Warhawks came to the plate in the bottom of the fifth inning. With a tie game between two familiar opponents and only a few innings remaining, the excitement began to build. It was the Warhawks who thrived in the moment as the offense exploded for five runs in what would be the game-deciding inning.

A leadoff error had the Warhawks in business. One out later, Owen Logemann singled to left to drive a run in for the third lead change of the game. The Warhawks then worked some more twoout magic as they brought in four runs with two outs in the bottom of the fifth. Four consecutive singles by Cornelius, Janecke, Ian Broshous, and Austin Chumbler brought the runs in.

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Weekend in Stockton a.m. on Friday, May 27. Flags rial Day weekend are "Poppy will also be placed in Holy Days" on Friday and Saturday. Cross Cemetery. Clubs, orga-

requested. If able to help, meet als, are welcome to assist. Other activities for Memo-

Members will be at local businesses passing out Poppies to raise money for disabled Veterans. The Brat Fry fundraiser

Saturday. A Memorial Day service will be held Monday, May 30 at the High School Gymnasium at 10 a.m. All are welcome to attend.



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The Stockton American Legion invites everyone to honor and celebrate our Veterans this Memorial Day weekend. Flags will be placed on graves and in cemeteries, and fundraisers will be held to support disabled Veterans. All are welcome to volun-

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#### Wednesday, May 25, 2022

# PINION





# Letter to the editor

Today, as I sat resting in my living-room, just watching TV, a knock came to my door. An attractive young woman was there passing out information on a new Republican candidate for our District #89 State Representative. The lady introduced herself as Victoria Onorato, the candidate, herself! She was going, in person, around the District to meet the people and let us get to know who she is.

I invited her to join me

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on my deck so I could get to know her a bit. We had a nice, and interesting conversation about her concerns and reasons for seeking this position. I wouldn't try to tell you who to vote for to represent our District, but I would suggest that you learn more about her, her goals, her convictions, her strengths and her experience as a retired 25 year veteran of the Chicago Police Department.

I ask you; how many

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politicians are moved enough to actually reach out to meet the people they want to represent? Victoria said she would be happy to come to a gathering of citizens here in Apple River, to meet them and answer any questions we may have of her, should I want to set that up.

Those of you who may remember me from my columns in the Flash and the

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#### Slices of life

# Of smoothies and kayaks

I wanted a kayak. It was a simple request I repeated repeatedly. I talked about how we would go kayaking this summer on the lake. We'd have a blast making family memories while building our triceps and getting a tan. I communicated as clearly as I could, in English, which is the language they speak. I wanted a kavak. They got me a blender.

There was a reason for their actions. They like smoothies. And, despite the allure of a sleek kayak cutting through the cool, clear water, it was a distant vision. In my climate zone, you can't kayak in the winter. You have to wait until summer. Smoothies are available all times of the year—for those with the machinery to make them. Months of waiting for warm weather or immediate gratification: the choice was obvious.

To their credit, they didn't get me any ordinary blender. They purchased one with a motor capable of powering a rocket to the moon. This thing doesn't blend food. It pulverizes cells; turns them



PERTLER Columnist

inside out and supercharges the nutritional value like no blender ever dreamt of doing. Well, that, and it makes smoothies.

I appreciated my supersonic blender, I really did. But you know how it is with some gifts that aren't kayaks. They sit in the living room for one week, then two, until we sort of become oblivious to their being there at all.

My boys were dying to make smoothies, of course, but they didn't dare remove my megatron blender from its packaging. They left that privilege to me. They can be surprisingly considerate to the needs of others in the most unexpected ways-sometimes.

The box sat unopened because (it wasn't a kayak) and I've never been much of a smoothie kind of gal. I like a little crunch in my food. But,

somewhere between weeks two and three, I got tired of stepping over my non-kayak, missile blender and carried the bad boy into the kitchen.

My kids reacted with a one-word exclamation: "Smoothies!"

We revved up our rocket and shot out frozen, ice cream laden, calorie-laden smoothies like nobody's business. The kids were happy. I took a look at the literature in the box, which offered healthy smoothie recipes containing a small amount of fruits accompanied by lots of vegetables only a guy like Popeye could love.

Call me crazy, but I decided to give it a try.

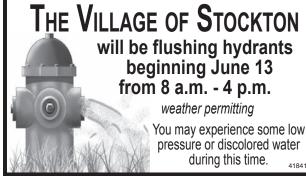
I threw in leafy greens by the handful and added minimal fruit and water. I hit the switch and watched the cyclonic action take my normal food and transform it into a nutrition explosion. I poured the mixture into a glass and was worried. Then I took a taste.

It wasn't half bad. Surprisingly good, in fact. I didn't mind drinking it one bit and have blended similar concoctions every day since. I'm having a blast while becoming the epitome of health. (Or so I like to think.)

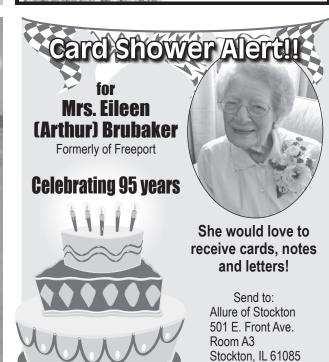
My birthday is approaching and because of the thoughtful gift of the atomic blender, I'm looking forward to being in better shape this year than last There's just one birthday gift I can think of that might further enhance my new dietary routine: a method of exercise.

You know, like the kind you can get with a kayak.

Jill Pertler is an awardwinning syndicated columnist, published playwright and author. She invites readers to follow the Slices of Life page on Facebook. This is a classic column originally published in









brother Delbert.

Janet H. Groezinger, age 63, of Stockton, IL passed away Sunday, May 15, at home surrounded by her family after a year and a half courageous battle with Sarcoma Cancer. She was born April 17, 1959, in Freeport, IL to the late Willard "Bill" and Beverly (Brininger) Nowak. She always dreamed of marrying a farmer and Janet made that a reality when she married Norman Groezinger on June 4, 1978, in Lanark, IL.

She was a 1977 graduate of Lanark High School. Janet was a member of Christ Lutheran Church in Stockton where she taught Sunday School and belonged to the Rebecca Circle. She farmed alongside her husband Norm and loved her goats. She enjoyed garden-



wife, mom, sister, friend, but her absolute favorite title was grandma to Emma and Han-

Janet is survived by her husband, Norman of Stockton; her daughter, Jennifer (Bryan) Wiebel of Altoona. IA; her son, Brian (Vikkie) of Stockton; her daughter, Angela (Brandon) Edwards of Normal, IL; her two granddaughters, Emma and Hannah Groezinger; her sisters, Barba-

ra (Sam Tucibat) Nowak and Julie (Dave) Wright; her sisters-in-law, Mary Ellyn Gibbs and Norma Jean (Jerry) Replogle; her brother-in-law, Gary (Mary Lynn) Groezinger. She was preceded in death by her parents; her stepfather, Clyde Kent: her mother-in-law and father-in-law, Margaret and Earl: and her brother-in-law. Marvin.

The funeral service was held on Wednesday, May 18, at 11:30 a.m. at Christ Lutheran Church in Stockton. There was a visitation that began at 9 a.m. Interment took place at Ladies Union Cemetery in Stockton. A memorial fund has been established. Condolences may be shared with Janet's family at www.hermannfuneralhome.

#### VIOLA MAY STRONG

Viola May Strong, age 88, passed away peacefully on Saturday, May 14, in Stockton, IL, where she resided since her husband passed away on June 5, 2003. She was born on Aug. 28, 1933, the daughter of John and Bessie (Kuhnke) Riemer. Viola married Clark Strong on June 23, 1951, at the Winneshiek Church in rural Freeport. Together they raised their 7 chil-

Viola is survived by her children Gloria Scace of Lena, IL, Alan (Charlotte) Baileyville, IL, Gary (Lori) Strong of Shannon, IL, Don-



and Leon (Darliene) Strong of Lena, IL; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and a sister Evelyn Reifsteck of Freeport, IL.

She was preceded in death by parents, stepfa-ther Leon Mickle, husband Clark, two children Dale and Sally Jo, son-in-law Chuck

Visitation was held from 10 a.m. until time of service on Friday, May 20, at the Leamon Funeral Home in Lena, IL Funeral service began at 11 a.m. on Friday, May

20, at the Leamon Funeral

Officiating was Pastor Ellis Boughton. Interment took place at the Lena Burial Park. A memorial has been established in her name.

Luncheon followed at the Stockton Park House. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.leamonfh.com

# 2022 Spring Big

Terrence Ingram, President of the Eagle Nature Foundation (ENF) conducted a Spring Big Bird Day at Apple Creek Prairie, Arboretum and Woods. He started conducting this annual bird count in the year 2016 to document the loss of birds to the agricultural sprays and the devastation that these sprays have been causing to bird life in the area, as well as the damage to insect and plant life, which is the lifeblood for the birds. Each year he has been seeing fewer and fewer birds, both in numbers and varieties.

To help the Eagle Nature Foundation raise money for

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my motivation. I care about

our people. I care about our

country. We have got to get

it back and make the future

better for our children, our

grandchildren, our great-

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their efforts to save the Bald Eagle and other endangered species, Mr. Ingram is asking for monetary pledges for the number of species he identified that day. So far, Mr. Ingram has received \$6.00 in pledges for each species seen that day. In total ENF has received donations of \$630, not considering the per species pledges.

Mr. Ingram's Big Bird Days do not just document the loss of bird life in his area. The lack of very few migrating birds indicates that those birds which are nesting further north are having problems as well. Without insect eating birds to help control insect populations, some of

grandchildren, and for future

primary election is on JUNE

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these insects will become a very real problem in the near future. Mosquitoes, gnats, locusts, and flies will be the first to get out of control. These local population outbreaks will expand and become widespread. Work must be done now to develop new non-chemical ways to grow needed crops that will allow

birds and insects to survive. For more information, call Ingram, in Apple River, IL., at 815-594-2306.

#### ROSEMARY IRENE **SCHULTZ**

Rosemary Irene Schultz, age 94, of Stockton, IL passed away Thursday, May 19, at Liberty Village in Freeport, IL. She was born April 24, 1928, in Lancaster, WI to the late Frank and Elizabeth (Rinniker) Adams. Rosemary married Morris F. Schultz, Sr. in February of 1947. Morris passed away March 15, 2007.

Rosemary was a graduate of Lancaster High School. She was a member of Holy Cross Catholic Church in Stockton. She enjoyed crocheting, sewing, especially quilts, baking

and decorating cakes, playing Chinese checkers, and playing cards, her favorite was euchre.

She is survived by her son, Stephen Schutlz of Elroy; her daughters, Charlene Boldt of Freeport, Mariam Huseman of Stockton, Katherine Schultz of Stoughton, WI and Elizabeth (Jay) Miller of Camp Douglas, WI; her grandchildren, John Schultz, Matt Schultz, Paul Wuebben, Tina Wuebben, Ryan Wuebben, Angela Garcia, Jon Meyers, Cynthia Fluegel, Christina Meyers and Theresa Singles; and her sister, Cecelia Breihan.

She was preceded in death

by her husband; her parents; two sons, Morris Jr. and Martin; two daughters, Karen and Madonna; two grandsons, Daniel and Joseph; and 10 siblings.

The funeral service will be held on Thursday, May 2022, at Holy Cross Catholic Church in Stockton at 11:00 a.m. with a visitation beginning at 10 a.m. Interment will take place at Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery in Stockton. A memorial fund has been established. Condolences may be shared at www.hermannfuneralhome.



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# Highland alum becomes first female K-9 officer for Stephenson County Sheriff's Department

Rachel Clay of Dakota wanted to become a first responder. Realizing the medical field was not her forte, she looked into the study of Criminal Justice while a student at Highland Community College.

A fall 2016 graduate of Highland, she furthered her studies at the University of Wisconsin-Platteville, where she graduated with a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice. She credits her education at Highland Community College with helping her take the path to becoming a law enforcement officer, ultimately becoming a K-9 officer as a deputy with the Stephenson County Sheriff's Department.

Clay joined the Stephenson County Sheriff's Department in 2018. Her first job was at the jail, then meeting the requirements of becoming a deputy officer on patrol. Since then, she said she loves being part of a job she yearned for, in a county she grew up in, and being able to help people.

Clay has the distinction of becoming the first female K-9

patrol officer for the sheriff's department. She and her K-9 partner, Ralf, recently completed a six-week training course in Michigan. She is now a certified sheriff deputy working on the K-9 unit. She is one of two officers working in Stephenson County on the K-9 unit.

Clay said when it comes to being a K-9 handler, it comes down to trust between dog and officer. She said she is happy to have learned the skill set to add an extra layer to her first responder career choice.

"I graduated with another skill to be part of law enforcement," Clay said. "Working a dog gets my brain going. A K-9 is like working with a person. Ralf is like a tracking machine, and essentially a work of art. Ralf and I blend well.'

"Ralf is my partner," she said. "I like having a partner, mine just happens to be a dog, and I couldn't be happier how things have worked out for me this far in my career."



Stephenson County Sheriff Deputy Rachel Clay kneels next to K-9 Officer Ralf on Thursday, April 21, 2022, at Highland Community College in Freeport. Clay is the first female K-9 officer for the Stephenson County Sheriff's Department.

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# **Highland Phi Theta** students named to All-Illinois Academic Team

College's international society Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) chapter has announced that Alena Asche of Pecatonica and Grace Fox of Lena were named to the All-Illinois Academic team during a banquet held on April 28 in Springfield, IL.

The All-Illinois Academic Team recognizes high-achieving two-year college students who demonstrate academic excellence and intellectual

their education beyond the classroom to benefit society.

Alena Asche will graduate in May from Highland with an Associate of Arts in Agriculture. She is transferring to the University of Wisconsin-Platteville to major in Agribusiness and Animal Science. Grace Fox will graduate in May with an Associate of Arts Degree in Art. She plans to take a gap year before continuing her educa-



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Alena Asche, left, and Grace Fox have been named to the All-Illinois Academic Team for Phi Theta Kappa.

# FROM LENA'S KITCHEN



We did get a reprieve from the horribly hot July weather, and it was an enjoyable week last week. I heard people say that the crops came up in one day when it was so hot. I know a lot of people got flowers and gardens planted. Since we are perhaps officially out of winter, summer cooking has arrived. This week we have a few recipes for a Memorial Day picnic. Enjoy the weekend festivities.

#### **Asparagus and Bean** Salad

This salad is a great one for picnic, and it uses asparagus which is really delicious this time of year. You can substitute a sweet onion for the red one, but the salad won't be as color-

- 2 C. green beans, trimmed, halved lengthwise
- 8 oz. asparagus, trimmed
- 3 T. olive oil
- 2 T. lemon juice
- 2 T. finely chopped red onion

6 C. spring mix

½ C. crumbled feta

In a large pot of salted boiling water, cook beans until crisp tender, about 2 minutes; drain. Rinse under cold water; drain. Using a vegetable peeler, shave asparagus lengthwise into thin strips.

In a small bowl, whisk together oil, lemon juice, onion, salt, and pepper until blended. In a separate bowl, toss together dressing, greens, asparagus and beans. Top with feta.

#### Macaroni Coleslaw Salad

This salad is a combination of macaroni salad and coleslaw. The macaroni salad is a little bit crunchy with the coleslaw and a whole lot crunchier with the water chestnuts.

- 1 pkg. (7 oz.) macaroni
- 1 pkg. (14 oz.) coleslaw mix 2 medium onions, finely
- chopped 2 celery ribs, finely chopped 1 medium cucumber, finely
- chopped 1 medium green pepper, finely chopped
- 1 can (8 oz.) whole water chestnuts, drained and chopped

Dressing:

1½ C. Miracle Whip 1/3 C. sugar

<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> C. cider vinegar

 $\frac{1}{2}$  t. salt

<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> t. pepper

package directions; drain and rinse in cold water. Transfer to a large bowl; add the coleslaw mix, onions, celery, cucumber, green pepper, and water chestnuts. Mix lightly. In a small bowl, whisk the dressing ingredients. Pour over salad; toss to coat. Cover and refrigerate for at least an hour.

#### Slow Cooker BBQ Baked **Beans**

To start summer picnics off on the right foot, you just have to have a good baked bean dish. This recipe uses ham hocks. You can buy them at A.J.'s Lena Maid Meats. You could substitute a pound of diced ham or a combination of ham and bacon. Remember that you must soak the beans, so this recipe requires a little planning

- 1 pkg. (16 oz.) dried great northern beans
- 2 ham hocks (about ½ lb. each)

2 C. water

1 medium onion, chopped

2 t. garlic powder, divided 2 t. onion powder, divided

1 C. barbeque sauce

34 C. packed brown sugar

½ t. ground nutmeg

1/4 t. ground cloves

Hot pepper sauce to taste Rinse and sort beans; soak according to package directions. Drain and rinse beans and discard liquid. In a 4 qt. slow cooker (I spray my cooker with cooking spray for easier clean up) combine beans, ham hocks, water, and onion. 1 t. garlic powder, and 1 t. onion powder. Cook, covered, on low 8 to 9 hours or until beans are tender.

Remove ham hocks; cool slightly. Cut the meat into small cubes, discarding bones; return to slow cooker. Stir in the BBQ sauce, brown sugar, nutmeg, cloves, remaining garlic, and onion powder. Add pepper sauce if desired. Cook, covered, on high about 30 minutes or until heated through.

#### Chicken Spaghetti

This easy casserole is great for a weekday supper that you need to pull together in a hurry. You can use a rotisserie chicken or canned chicken to make it even easier. You can substitute yellow or red peppers for the green ones or add mushrooms too. Enjoy this cheesy casse-

1½ C. dry spaghetti broken into 2-inch pieces

½ C. chicken pieces

<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> C. diced pimento

<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> C. chopped green pepper

1 can mushroom soup

½ C. chicken broth

½ t. salt

½ t. pepper

13/4 C. grated cheddar cheese Preheat oven to 350. Cook and drain spaghetti. In a large mixing bowl, put in chicken, pimento, pepper, and onion. Pour in soup. Add salt, pepper, and broth. Mix in half of cheese. Place in a greased 9 x 13 baking dish. Top with remaining cheese. Bake for 45 minutes to 55 minutes.

#### **Refreshing Cupcakes**

These cupcakes are a cool way to serve dessert, and they are easy to preare. The mint makes them a great summer treat for any picnic.

2 limes

1 pkg yellow cake mix (regular)

3 eggs

½ plus 2 T. white rum 1/3 C. oil

3 T. minced fresh mint

13/4 C. butter at room tem-

3½ C. powdered sugar Green food coloring Lime slices for garnish

Preheat oven to 350. Grate 2 T. zest from limes; reserve.

Line 24 muffin cups with cupcake liners. On low speed, beat cake mix, eggs, ½ C. rum, ½ C. water, oil, and mint until combined, 30 seconds; on medium beat until fluffy, for 2 minutes. Divide batter evenly among cupcake liners. Bake until toothpick inserted in centers comes out clean, 18 to 20 minutes. Let cool in pans 10 minutes. Transfer from pans to rack; let cool.

On medium speed, beat butter until light and fluffy, about 2 minutes. On low, gradually beat in powdered sugar, then reserved lime zest and remaining 2 T. rum until combined. Tint to your desired shade of green. Top with slices of lime for gar-

#### Senior Dinner Rhubarb Cake

Barb Wire sent this cake recipe that she makes often. The recipe comes from an old Lena Evangelical Free Cookbook. It was served at senior dinners

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#### A team effort

Kristian Adelman of the Stockton Warren Warhawks team had a great hand-off to Kyle Haas in the 4 x 200 relay at the Lena Meet on May 12.



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Noah Hess of the Stock-Warren Warhawks team had a photo finish for second place in the 200-meter dash.

# Hornets close out season with regional win

By Trenten Scheidegger CORRESPONDENT

The Scales Mound-River Ridge Hornet softball team recently wrapped up their 2022 season when they lost their regional matchup to the Orangeville Broncos on Tuesday, May 17. Before their season came to an end, the Hornets were able to pick up a postseason victory over the Galena Pirates, however.

On Monday, May 16, the Hornets faced off with the Pirates in the opening round of regional play. The Hornets had finished out the regular season with an overall record of 5-14, while the Pirates finished just ahead of them at 6-14. With a fairly even matchup, the Hornets were eager to pick up a postseason victory.

The Hornets were boosted by a big first inning. As the away team, SM-RR was the first team to bat and they took advantage of the opportunity by making an early statement. Emily Wurster reached base on a leadoff bunt, which was followed by a single up the middle by Millie Boden. A walk to Mickayla Bass would load the bases, but two quick outs came before the Hornets were able to score a run. Boden was then able to put her aggressive baserunning skills on display, however, as she scored the Hornets' first run on a passed ball. Sophie Buck then came through with

# Warhawks

The rally was a massive change in momentum as all the pressure quickly shifted to the East Dubuque bats. With the 8-3 lead, the Warhawks brought in the reli-

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Amie Richmond and Bass to put SM-RR up 3-0 in the first.

The Pirates were able to respond in the bottom half. A pair of runs would cut the as she pitched a complete SM-RR lead down to just one run as the first inning had the appearance of what would become an offensive shootout. Both teams would go scoreless in a quick second inning to slow the pace, however.

In the top of the third, the Hornets were able to get back in the score column as Bass reached second and stole third after a leadoff single. Bass then scored on a groundout by Richmond as SM-RR went up

They would continue building their lead in the top of the fourth as they dropped their second three-run inning of the day. A single by Wurster, followed by a Boden double to center, had the Hornets in scoring position again. Bass then singled up the middle to drive in a pair, putting the Hornets up 6-2.

SM-RR was in control the rest of the way. The Pirates would score lone runs in the bottom of the fifth and the bottom of the seventh, but it wasn't enough to keep up with the Hornet offense. SM-RR's biggest inning of the day came in the top of the seventh when they combined for three extra-base hits and six runs. Wurster and Boden both doubled in the inning, while

a line drive to left, driving in Richmond tripled to right to push the Hornets' score total to fourteen.

Bass was able to settle down after the big first inning game in the victory. In seven innings of work, Bass allowed six hits, three earned runs, and two walks while striking out four.

As a team, the Hornets combined for fourteen hits in the game. They got production from the entire lineup as four SM-RR starters had multiple hits. Wurster led the way, going four for four with two runs scored, one run batted in, and a walk. Bass was equally impressive, going two for two with three runs scored. two RBI, and two walks as she reached base four times. Boden was three for five with three runs scored and a pair of RBI, and Richmond was one for four with three runs scored and a pair of RBI. Buck went two for five with two RBI.

The 14-4 victory sent the Hornets into the regional semi-final where they faced off with the 17-7 Orangeville Broncos. It was a game that was mostly dominated by the Broncos as the Hornets' 2022 season came to an end. The Hornets had just five hits on the day, making it hard to string anything together. Bass, Wurster, and Boden all went one for three on the game as Orangeville won by a score of 11-1.

#### (Continued from front page)

able Marsden to close out the game on the mound. Marsden was lights out, allowing zero hits and no runs, while striking out four in mann was two for three with two innings of relief work. one RBI, and Ian Broshous Mammoser was the winning pitcher as he started the run scored and one RBI. game on the mound. In five Marsden was one for two innings of work, Mammoser struck out six and allowed eight hits. The dual pitching performance gave the Warhawks the opportunity to wait for their offense to one RBI as the Warhawks come to life. It was the perfect recipe for Warren-Stockton as they were able to take a late lead and rely on their dominant pitching to capture the regional championship.

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Brady Broshous led the way at the plate in the 8-3 victory, going three for four with a pair of RBI. Logewas two for four with one with a pair of walks and one run scored, and Mensendike was two for four with one RBI. Cornelius was one for four with one run scored and combined for thirteen hits on the day.

Their postseason run continues with sectional play at Lena-Winslow, Wednesday,





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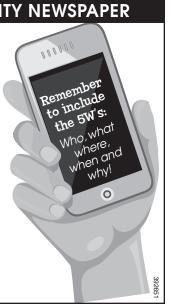
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Hayden Fox, a native of Stockton, and graduate of Stockton High School, is a member of the 2022 University of Wisconsin-Whitewater baseball team, which will make its 14th straight appearance in the NCAA Division III Tournament and host the four-team Whitewater, Wisconsin Regional starting this Friday at Prucha Field at James B. Miller Stadium. Fox, a senior at UW-Whitewater, is majoring in general business & marketing.

The top-seeded Warhawks (33-8 overall) will face No. 4 seed MSOE in their opening game Friday at 11 a.m., while No. 2 seed Aurora (Ill.) will play against No. 3 Augustana (Ill.) at 2:30 p.m. The winner of this weekend's double-elimination regional advances to the NCAA Super Regional round.

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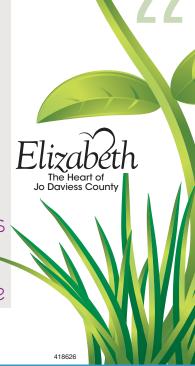
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exercise program Miles and Minutes is back for 2022. One of the best ways to stay healthy is to keep moving, and FHN is again inviting families across northwest Illinois to turn their warm-weather chores and fun into cash for their schools. Three prizes (\$2,000, \$1,000, and \$500) will be awarded in three categories.

The program begins Monday, May 30 and runs through Sunday, Aug. 28. Exercisers can join at any time during the summer. The competition is online-only and there is no charge to participate. Any-

FHN's popular summer one 12 years and older can total, schools not eligible for wish. Running totals will be participate, including student athletes. Registration and the competition rules, as well as information about how miles will be calculated to determine the winning school systems, is available at www.fhn.org/ milesandminutes.

A calculator on the website will automatically convert minutes of almost any type of physical activity into miles. This will make it easy to follow the competition. Prize categories include school system with the most average "miles" logged per participant, school system with the most "miles"

above prizes will be entered into a "sweepstakes" drawing to win one of three cash prizes.

The program normalizes miles based on the number of students in each school system to help ensure that all schools have an equal chance to win, no matter their size or how many participants they enlist. Prize money will be awarded in the fall.

Participants from any zip code can support any school system, so family members in Lena, for example, can designate their miles to the River Ridge school system if they

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Winners (to be drawn at random) in the Sweepstakes category will receive a prize of \$500, \$400, or \$300. Read more about the Sweepstakes category at the Miles and Minutes site.

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Cost Share Program (OC-CSP), which help producers and handlers cover the cost with other related expenses. Applications for OTECP and 31, 2022. The deadline to apply for both programs is Oct.

# • Kitchen (Continued from page 5)

that the church had. Marilyn Confer is the original recipe provider.

4 C. diced rhubarb

½ C. sugar

½ C. shortening 11/2 C. sugar

1 egg

2 C. flour 1 t. baking soda

1 t. cinnamon

1 C. buttermilk 1 t. vanilla

Preheat the oven to 350. Combine the rhubarb and ½ C. sugar and let stand until batter is mixed. Cream shortening and 1½ C. sugar until well blended. In a separate bowl, combine the flour, baking soda, and cinnamon. Add dry ingredients to shortening and sugar mixture alternately with the buttermilk. Add the vanilla and rhubarb mixture. Mix well. Bake in a 9 x 13 baking pan that has been sprayed with cooking spray or 2 pans (9 x 9 cake pans) sprayed with cooking spray. Bake at 350 for 1 hour

#### **Final Thoughts**

Graduations are winding down and summer sports are

starting. Memorial Day can be celebrated once again with parades and speakers. Summer will officially begin. There are people running and walking down my street again. I have pots of flowers to take to the cemetery, and lawn furniture to get out and clean up. Picnics and barbeques will be the social events of the day. I love outdoor celebrations and am ready for spending time with friends. Don't forget our beautiful parks. They are getting green and planted with flowers. The beautiful downtown planters are beginning to fill out.

We are eating well also. Asparagus and rhubarb are plentiful this year. I missed out on morels (and I think I wasn't the only one who didn't have any), but I patiently wait for the first of the garden lettuce. We are looking for early summer recipes with strawberries, peas, and rhubarb (we are still publishing them). You can contact us in person, by mail at From Lena's Kitchens, Shopper's Guide at 240 W. Main St. or email us at scoopshopper@rvpublishing.

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**REVENUE SUMMARY:** Stephenson County Treasurer \$7,078.29, State Bank Pearl City \$37.75 TOTAL **REVENUES: \$7,116.04.** 

**COMPENSATION SUMMARY:** B. Forth, L. Erbsen, D. Foust, M. Edler TOTAL COMPENSATION: \$440.00

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#### SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

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# The last Little Blackhawks of the school year

The final Little Blackhawks of the school year for the Stockton Elementary and Stockton Middle schools were celebrated last week. "Congratulations to everyone who has continued to follow the Blackhawk Way throughout the school year," district officials said.

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# **Jo Daviess Conservation** Foundation upcoming events Late-Night Mothing Party located at 870 S Pilot Knob

at Casper Bluff

The Jo Daviess Conservation Foundation is pleased to announce the first-ever mothing party to be held at Casper Bluff on Friday, June 3, from 9 p.m. to 12 a.m. The free event will be co-led by three insect enthusiasts who knowledge of moths. There will be a number and variety of moths to see.

RSVPs are not needed, and attendees are free to arrive and depart at any time during the event. There is no fee to attend, but donations are gladly accepted. Please bring a lawn chair. Casper Bluff is

Rd, Galena, Ill. Rain date is Saturday, June 4. This is a trap and release event.

#### **Dates slated for Guided Tours of Casper Bluff**

The public is invited to join trained volunteer guides for an interactive tour of the are excited to share their magical Casper Bluff Preserve, a place where nature's treasurers meet with history's secrets. Morning tours will be held on Saturdays, June 4 and 18, beginning at 9 a.m. with an evening tour scheduled for Tuesday, June 21, at 7 p.m. The cost is \$10/person. RSVPs are required at www. jdcf.org/events.

#### **Conservation Foundation** welcomes two new staff members to its team

tion Foundation is pleased to welcome two new members to the staff. Tom Clay joins in the new position of Director of Special Projects focused on grant writing and land preservation projects while Kelly Myers steps in to oversee all aspects of fundraising as Development Director.

A Jo Daviess County native, Clay graduated from Stockton High School in 1979 and from Western Illinois University in 1983. Returning home and working for JDCF is Clay's dream-come-true.

Kelly Myers brings over 25 years of experience working for nonprofit organizations in the tristate area. He has experience in fundraising



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Kelly Meyers is one of the newest staff members to join the Jo Daviess Conservation Foundation. Meyers comes from a rural background and understands the importance of conservation and stewardship of land and water.

The Jo Daviess Conserva- leadership, event planning, and planned gifts. He has also served as a capital campaign consultant for organizations like JDCF. He is excited to be associated with an organization that has such an important mission.

> JDCF's board and staff are thrilled to add such experienced members to our team and look forward to working with Clay and Meyers in the years to come.



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Tom Clay is welcomed on as a staff member of JDCF. Clay has served as **Education Division Chief** for the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Education Director for the Forest Preserve District of DuPage County, Executive Director of the Illinois Audubon Society and, most recently, as the Executive Director of the Door **County Land Trust.** 

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