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Warhawks capture Regional Championship

By Trenten Scheidegger CORRESPONDENT
The 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-
warded the Warhawks with a ton would prove that to be bye in the opening round of true as they quickly jumped regional play as they would face the winner of the Orangeville versus Dakota game. 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-
true as they quickly jumped
out to a lead in the bottom of the first inning. The Warhawks managed to score in each of the first three innings of the game, which allowed them to jump out to a 6-1 lead.

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
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

## Memorial Day Weekend in Stockton

The Stockton American Legion will be placing flags on Veterans graves in the area for Memorial Day. Volunteers are requested. If able to help, meet at Ladies Union Cemetery at 9
a.m. on Friday, May 27. Flags will also be placed in Holy Cross Cemetery. Clubs, organizations, as well as individuals, are welcome to assist.

Other activities for Memo-
rial Day weekend are "Poppy Days" on Friday and Saturday. Members will be at local businesses passing out Poppies to raise money for disabled Veterans. The Brat Fry fundraiser
will take place at Sullivan's on 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.


Warren-Stockton into the regional 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.
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.

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

## 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 up 2-0.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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## Opinion



## 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
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
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 kayak.

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

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,
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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.

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Obituaries

JANET H. GROEZINGER 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-

ing, canning, mowing and flowers. If you knew her at all, you know she excelled at all of her many titles including wife, mom, sister, friend, but her absolute favorite title was grandma to Emma and Hannah.

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 sis-ters-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. com.

2022 Spring Big Bird Day

On Saturday, May 7, 2022, 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
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

## Letter

 (CoScoop, should understand 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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And don't forget, the primary election is on JUNE 282022 this year!

Thank you for reading this - F. Jane Toepfer
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.

## Memorial Day



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na (Tom) Dahmen of Monroe, WI, Gordon Strong of Harper, IL, Tim (Rosemary) Strong of Stockton, IL, 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, stepfather Leon Mickle, husband Clark, two children Dale and Sally Jo, son-in-law Chuck

Scace, daughter-in-law Doris Strong, sister Verla, and brother Delbert.

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 Home.

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
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 26, 2022, at Holy Cross Catholic Church in Stockton at 11:00 a.m. with a visitation beginning at $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Interment will take place at Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery in Stockton. A memorial fund has been established. Condolences may be shared at www.hermannfuneralhome. com.

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

Since she was a young girl, 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

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.


Highland Phi Theta students named to AllIllinois Academic Team

Highland Community College's international society Phi Theta Kappa (PTK)
ship and service that extends
Will_Be_Zeaturing_This_Yearid 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 rigor, combined with leader-


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

# From Lena's Kitchen 



The not so skinny cook
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 a 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 colorful.
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
$1 / 4 \mathrm{t}$. salt

1/4 t. pepper
6 C. spring mix
$1 / 2$ 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:
$11 / 2$ C. Miracle Whip
1/3 C. sugar
$1 / 4$ C. cider vinegar
$1 / 2$ t. salt
$1 / 4 \mathrm{t}$. pepper

Cook macaroni according to tions. Drain and rinse beans package directions; drain and and discard liquid. In a 4 qt . rinse in cold water. Transfer to slow cooker (I spray my cooker a large bowl; add the coleslaw with cooking spray for easier mix, onions, celery, cucumber, clean up) combine beans, ham green pepper, and water chest- hocks, water, and onion. 1 t . nuts. 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

 BeansTo 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 ahead.

1 pkg. (16 oz.) dried great northern beans
2 ham hocks (about $1 / 2 \mathrm{lb}$. each)

## 2 C. water

1 medium onion, chopped
2 t . garlic powder, divided
2 t . onion powder, divided
1 C. barbeque sauce
$3 / 4$ C. packed brown sugar
$1 / 2$ t. ground nutmeg
$1 / 4 \mathrm{t}$. ground cloves
Hot pepper sauce to taste
Rinse and sort beans; soak
according to package direc-
$13 / 4$ 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
$1 / 2$ plus 2 T . white rum
1/3 C. oil
3 T. minced fresh mint
$13 / 4$ C. butter at room temperature
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, $1 / 2$ C. rum, $1 / 2$ 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 garnish.

## Senior Dinner Rhubarb

 CakeBarb 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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$1 / 4$ C. chopped green pepper
1 can mushroom soup
$1 / 2$ C. chicken broth
$1 / 2$ t. salt
$1 / 2 t$. pepper

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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 $4 \times 200$ relay at the Lena Meet on May 12.


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## Noah Hess of the Stock-

 ton Warren Warhawks team had a photo finish for second place in the 200-meter dash.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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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 two innings of relief work. Mammoser was the winning pitcher as he started the game on the mound. In five 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 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.

Brady Broshous led the way at the plate in the $8-3$ victory, going three for four with a pair of RBI. Logemann was two for three with one RBI, and Ian Broshous was two for four with one run scored and one RBI. Marsden was one for two 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 one RBI as the Warhawks combined for thirteen hits on the day

Their postseason run continues with sectional play at Lena-Winslow, Wednesday, May 25



Book delivery
On May 9, the JoDaviess County Illinois Association of Home and Community Education delivered handmade book bags with a children's reading book inside to the Pre-K, third and fourth grade classes of the Art \& Recreation Center in Galena and the Galena's Unit School District \#120's Pre-K classes. This event started in 1993 and continues to promote literacy as each year it works with different pre-school students within the JoDaviess County.


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Pre-kindergarten students at the Art \& Recreation Center in Galena show off their new book bags.

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## College news

## Stockton's Fox part of NCAA tournament

 bid for UWHayden 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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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-

## News briefs

Upcoming blood drive There will be a blood drive at the American Legion Hall in Warren, IL on Thursday, June 16, from 12 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. The hall is located at 811 Anson St, Warren, IL 61087.

Appointments are encouraged and can be made at red-
crossblood.org or by calling Nicole at 563-275-0597. All who come to give in June will receive a $\$ 5$ e-gift card to a merchant of choice.

## USDA accepting

 applications for 2022 organic certification cost Agricultural producers andtotal, schools not eligible for 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
wish. Running totals will be displayed on the website and reported throughout the summer, and you can keep up with what's happening on Miles and Minutes Facebook page.

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.
For more information about Miles and Minutes, visit www. fhn.org/MilesandMinutes or call FHN Marketing toll-free at $1-877-6000-\mathrm{FHN}$ (1-877-600-0346) ext. 901.

## handlers who are certified or-

 ganic, along with producers and handlers who are transitioning to organic production, can now apply for the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Organic and Transitional Education and Certification Program (OTECP)
## and Organic Certification 31.

Cost Share Program (OCCSP), which help producers and handlers cover the cost of organic certification, along with other related expenses. Applications for OTECP and OCCSP are both due October 31, 2022. The deadline to apply for both programs is Oct.

## - Kitchen <br> (Continued from page 5

that the church had. Marilyn starting. Memorial Day can Confer is the original recipe provider.

4 C. diced rhubarb
$1 / 2$ C. sugar
$1 / 2$ 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 $1 / 2 \mathrm{C}$. sugar and let stand until batter is mixed. Cream shortening and $11 / 2 \mathrm{C}$. 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 $9 \times 13$ baking pan that has been sprayed with cooking spray or 2 pans ( $9 \times 9$ 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. com.


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By
DR. STEPHEN PETRAS PETRAS
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more healthy tissue had to be removed, which made the tooth more vulnerable to fracture.

Over time biocompatible materials were developed and added to our arsenal, so dentistry could address these issues. When a material is biocompatible, it means that it can interact with living tissue without causing any adverse effects. These included dental liners and bonding adhesives that allowed us to provide restorations that visually
matched the teeth, were less prone to leakage, and did not require the removal of healthy tooth structure.

Further research resulted in the development of bioactive materials. When a material that is biocompatible is also able to chemically interact with living tissue to initiate a specific biological response, it is termed bioactive. In short, bioactive dental materials have the ability to repair and regenerate dental tissue. They do this through a variety of actions, depending on which area of dentistry they are being utilized in.

Bioactive materials in restorative dentistry allow retention without the removal of healthy tooth structure, protect against leakage and promote tooth strength and

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April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022
The undersigned, Chairperson/Treasurer of the Lo-ran-Jefferson Multi Township Assessing District, County of Stephenson, Illinois, hereby submits the following Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2021 and ending March 31, 2022.
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Deb Foust
Deb Foust
Treasurer
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## The last Little Blackhawks of the school year <br> The final Little Blackhawks of the school year for the Stockton Elementary and Stockton Middle schools were

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