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Panthers climb winning streak to five games CORRESPONDENT

After dropping the first game of the season, the Lena-Winslow boys' basketball team has won five in a row. Three of their most recent wins came last week as the Panthers were busy with three matchups. On Tuesday, Dec. 13 the Panthers played their fourth game of the season as they played host to the Durand Bulldogs. At 4-3 overall, the Bulldogs came into the game riding a two-game losing streak.

The Panthers were boosted by a hot start from Gunar Lobdell. With six first quarter points, Lobdell helped Le-Win take a 10-4 lead into the second quarter. That's when Rowen Schulz caught fire from deep as he drained a trio of threes in the quarter. Lobdell added another four points as the Panthers took a 27-16 lead into halftime.

Coming out of the break, Schulz continued to attack. Schulz added another three baskets to go along with a pair of free throws, as he added eight points in the third. Jake Zeal drained a three pointer on his way to five third quarter points as well. The Panthers outscored the Bulldogs 15-7 in the third, allowing Le-Win to take a 42-23 lead into the final quarter.

With the victory practi-

were able to coast to victory. Schulz led the team in scoring with 19, while Lobdell finished with 12, and Zeal had seven. Drew Streckwald added six points of his own as the Panthers picked up the 56-31 victory.

Two days later, the Panthers were set to square off with another tough opponent in the Winnebago Indians. Winnebago brought a 3-2 record into the matchup. Things weren't going the Panthers' way in the opening quarter. Winnebago had the hot hand from deep as they drained a trio of threes in the first. While the Indians had no trouble scoring, Le-Win couldn't seem to find any luck. The Panthers scored just six first quarter points, four of which came from Lobdell baskets. Streckwald was the only other Panther to score in the quarter as he drained a pair of free

When a team is struggling to make shots and run their normal offense, they must find ways to create production. The Panthers were able to do just that in the second quarter, where they made three trips to the charity stripe. Le-Win took advantage of those opportunities as they went six for six at the line in the

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Operation Christmas Child

This year's Operation Christmas Child was a success. Throughout the week of Nov. 14, community volunteers collected 1,804 shoe boxes filled with gifts for children in need. Volunteers included Pauline Craig, Tony, Jim, and

Judy Schubert, Janice Kehl, Arazian Ilyas, Pastor Christine Salser, Angie Broshous, Alyssa McKnight, and Nancy Rice. The shoe boxes came in from Kent, Elizabeth, Lanark, Stockton, Lena, Mt. Carroll Illinois, Cascade IA, Darlington, Argyle, Browntown, Monroe, WI, and were then sent to Davis, IL for collection and processing. On Nov. 24 Judy Schubert, Janice Kehl, and Nancy Rice of Stockton volunteered all day at the Aurora processing center to prepare boxes for shipment. These shoe boxes can truly impact children, their families, and their communities in the most positive way, and it would not be possible without the assistance and support from community volunteers. Thank you to all who donated, contributed, and volunteered their time.

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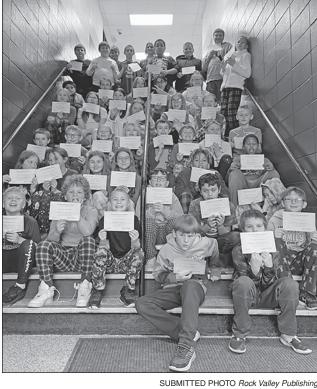


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BARBARA BEETH

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Barbara Beeth, age 89, of Stockton, IL passed away Thursday, Dec. 15, 2022, at Luther Manor in Dubuque, IA. She was born in Champaign, IL on Jan. 30, 1933, to the late Dr. Edward A. and Lucile M. (Harris) Tappan. Barbara married Wayne Beeth on May 24, 1953, in Paxton, IL. Wayne passed away on May 5, 2012.

Barbara was a member of Calvary United Methodist Church in Stockton and the Stockton Women's Club. She volunteered at the Food Pantry, was an election judge and a Sub for the Stockton School District. She was a 1951 graduate of Paxton High School. Barbara was a Girl Scout Leader for 25 years. She enjoyed cards, flowers, reading, and most of all, spending time with her family.

Barbara is survived by her daughter, Debby Mack-



ey; ner son,
Mike (Theresa Duren)
Beeth; her
grandchildren, Charity, Quentin
and Eva;
and her great

grandchildren, Dane, Heather and R.J. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; her son, Robert; her granddaughter, Kimberly Mackey; and her two sisters, Lilian and Margaret.

A funeral service will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 28, 2022, at Hermann Funeral Home in Stockton at 11 a.m. with a visitation beginning at 9 a.m. Interment will take place at Ladies Union Cemetery in Stockton. A memorial fund has been established. Condolences may be shared at www.hermannfuneralhome.

ey; her son, MARILYN J. BORSDORF

Marilyn J. Borsdorf, age 83, of Stockton, IL passed away unexpectedly on Thursday, Dec.15, 2022, surrounded by her family at OSF St. Anthony Medical Center in Rockford, IL. She was born to Raymond and Aleatha (Pierce) Kappes on May 5, 1939, at St. Francis Hospital in Freeport, IL. Marilyn married Ronald Borsdorf on Nov. 29, 1958, at Holy Cross Catholic Church in Stockton, IL. Together they raised five beautiful daughters.

She enjoyed her time as an Elementary School Crossing Guard and Recess Monitor, and many of the students would refer to her as "Mom". Her and Ron owned and operated The Lantern Restaurant in Stockton. The Blackhawk Football Team would always come in for their game day meal. Marilyn enjoyed a large variety of activities gardening, cooking, baking, ceramics,



decorating, and crafts. She would always make time for car rides, garage sales, and helping at the Corner Tap. Christmas

was her favorite time of year with all the Christmas decorations and snow. Most of all she loved her family and her dogs.

Marilyn is survived by her five daughters- Annette (Todd) Schlichting of Pearl City, Suzette (Kevin) Drane of Stockton, Patricia (Daniel) Bergman of Stockton, Debra (Douglas) Gille of Stockton, Rhonda (Brian) Brudi of Pearl City; grandchildren- Jody (Tim) Pauley, Tony (Rachel Riley) Schlichting, Michael Paisley, Michelle Paisley, Marty (Celina Earlywine) Paisley, Max Paisley, Heather (Brian) Magee, Trent (Kris-

ten Heim) Schubert, Katelyn (Mitchell Long) Gille, Megan Gille, Peyton (Madison) Brudi, Taylor (Blake) Brudi, Carter Brudi; great grandchildren- Mason, Beckett, and Fallyn Pauley, Braxton Prowant, Brandon, Jordan (Meah Helfrich), Marek, and Fischer Paisley, Alex (Brady Ploog) Johnson, Mati Paisley, Veyah Luke, Knox Magee; greatgreat grandchildren- Jersie and Jettrie Johnson, Lydia Paisley, Ryker Paisley; sister-Betty Clark; sisters-in-law- Rita Keller, and Kathleen (Gary) Magee; her beloved puppy Millie and her late Puggy, and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents Raymond and Aleatha Kappes; husband-Ronald Borsdorf; brothers- Raymond, Francis, and Wayne Kappes; sisters- Jerrine (Owen) Kuhse, Leone (Dick) Hendrickson; sister-in-law Shirley Boyer; brothers-inlaw- Roger Clark, Bobbie Borsdorf, Donald "Cy" (Mildred) Borsdorf, and Dennis Keller; grandson-Mathew Paisley.

Private family services were held at the Leamon Funeral Home in Lena, IL. Burial was held at Ladies Union Cemetery. A memorial has been established in her memory. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.leamonfh.com



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Lena-Winslow takes second, Orangeville takes third at Pearl City Holiday Tournament

By Trenten Scheidegger CORRESPONDENT

The Pearl City Wolves hosted their annual holiday tournament from Saturday, Dec. 10 to Thursday, Dec. 15. The holiday featured Orangeville, East Dubuque, Oregon, Lena-Winslow, AFC, Morrison, Warren, and, obviously, Pearl City.

Four teams stood out coming into the tournament as Le-Win, Orangeville, Warren, and Morrison each had what it took on paper to come out on top. In the end, that would prove to be true as each of those teams would have a player on the All-Tournament Team. This year's All-Tournament team included Orangeville's Whitney Sullivan, AFC's Taylor Jahn, Oregon's Hadley Lutz, Morrison's Camryn Veltrop, Lena-Winslow's Grace Groezinger, and Warren's Elaina

Pearl City had a rough go of things as they went 1-3 overall. Their best performance of the tournament came on Wednesday, Dec. 14 when they faced off with the East Dubuque Warriors. Both the Warriors and Wolves had gone 0-3 up to that point of the tournament. The Wolves found themselves trailing early in the game as East Dubuque jumped out to a 16-10 lead. In the second quarter, Brea Musser found a way to attack the Warrior defense as she went five-for-six at the free throw line. Ava Bremmer and Fallyn Endress each added two points in the second

Dubuque took a 28-19 lead into the halftime break.

The Wolves came out strong in the second half. Specifically, it was Musser who took over as she put up 12 points in the third quarter alone. Endress added three points in the third as the Wolves managed to outscore the Warriors 16-10. That set things up for an exciting finish as the Wolves trailed 38-35 heading into the fourth.

In the fourth, it was Endress who stepped up to the occasion as she dropped 11 points after having just nine in the first three quarters combined. Endress went five of seven at the free throw line in the fourth as she helped the Wolves complete the comeback. The big second half wound up giving the Wolves a 50-46 victory as they improved their record to 5-10 on the year. Musser led the Wolves in scoring with 23, while Endress finished with 20. The duo combined for 86 percent of the Wolves' offense. The Wolves' next game is Wednesday, Dec. 21 as they play host to Galena.

Orangeville had an impressive showing in pool play. The Broncos managed to go 2-1 through their first three games as they put themselves in a position to play for a third-place finish in the tournament. The Broncos found themselves paired up with the Warren Warriors for said third place game.

and Fallyn Endress each added two points in the second quarter as the Wolves tried to Things were fairly even through the first quarter as the Broncos took an 8-6 lead

into the second. Orangeville found production from all over in the second as five different Broncos scored in the quarter. Laney Cahoon drilled a three, while Sullivan and Nadalee Doyle each sunk baskets as the Broncos outscored the Warriors 10-4. The big quarter helped Orangeville take an 18-10 lead into the break.

Orangeville's offense kept the pressure on in the second half. Cahoon added another three pointer. Leah Baker added four points in the third quarter, while Doyle added three points of her own. Warren was unable to get anything going against Orangeville as the Broncos took third with a 44-18 victory. Doyle led the Broncos with 11 points, while Sullivan finished with 10. Both Baker and Cahoon finished with eight points as the Broncos improved to 10-3. Orangeville will be back on their home court on Wednesday, Jan. 4 when they play host to the Durand Bulldogs.

Lena-Winslow had a very impressive showing throughout the holiday tournament. Their play began with a 46-24 victory over Oregon. Le-Win went on to beat Orangeville 36-33 and East Dubuque 51-24 as they went 3-0 to start. That put the Panthers in a position to compete for the tournament championship. Their opponent for the championship game was the Morrison Phillies, who also went 3-0 through the start of the tournament.

The Panthers fell behind early in the game as the Phillies got off to a hot start. Tianna Esser and Groezinger were the only Panthers to score in the first quarter. Eventually, Le-Win went into the second trailing 11-4. The Phillies continued to find success on the offensive end

in the second quarter. The Panthers found themselves trying to keep pace again as the Phillies outscored them 13-9. Groezinger added three points in the second, Rachel Setterstrom and Molly Amendt each added baskets. Still, Le-Win found themselves trailing 24-13 at the halftime break.

The third quarter was much of the same. The Panthers struggled to find clean shots on offense, but they were able to get to the line. The Panthers were five for six from the charity stripe in the quarter. However, Le-Win found themselves outscored as the Phillies continued to put up numbers as Morrison got out to a 41-24 lead.

In the fourth quarter, the Panthers started playing like they had nothing to lose. Le-Win lifted the reigns as the Panthers started to let it go from deep. It almost

drained four three pointers in the fourth quarter alone. Setterstrom and Esser each hit threes, while Alyssa Daughenbaugh drained a pair of threes. The Panthers also went five for six at the stripe in the fourth as they tried to pull off a comeback for the championship. Ultimately, Le-Win fell just short as the Phillies held on for a 53-45 victory. Groezinger led the Panthers in scoring with 14, while Daughenbaugh finished with 10. Setterstrom was next up with nine points and Esser finished with seven.

The loss gave the Panthers the second-place finish and dropped their overall record to 11-3. The Panthers have more tournament play ahead of them as they will face off with Wethersfield on Thursday, Dec. 29 and Monmouth-Roseville on Friday, Dec. 30.



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All-Tournament team

Le-Win, Orangeville, Warren, and Morrison, all who participated at the Pearl City Holiday Tournament, each had a player on the all-tournament team. The team includes (from left to right) Elaina Martin (Warren), Whitney Sullivan (Orangeville), Camryn Veltrop (Morrison), Grace Groezinger (Le-Win), and Taylor Jahn (AFC). Not pictured is Hadley Lutz (Oregon)

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Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

All are invited to worship at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 118 E. Mason St. Lena, IL. on Sunday, Dec. 18 at 9:30 a.m. for Third Sunday of Advent. The reading will be from Matthew 1:18-25.

On Tuesday, Dec. 20 Bible Study group will meet at 11 a.m. On Wednesday, Dec. 21 Peace Corps Quilting Group will meet from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. No quilting experience necessary and all are welcome to attend.

On Saturday, Dec. 24, Good Shepherd will be at the Le-Win Food Pantry from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. There will also be a Christmas Eve Candlelight Service on the same day, starting at 7 p.m. Worship service will include hymns by the chime choir and choir.

Please contact the church

office at 815-369-5552 with Christmas Dinner at Pearl ty. Everyone is invited, espeany questions.

St. John's Lutheran Church

Join St. John's Lutheran Church in Pearl City every Sunday, at 9 a.m. for Worship, Sunday School and Communion. Worship is led by Pastor Shellie Knight. Join the fun for monthly dominoes and card games, Men's Breakfast, and Women's gatherings. St. John's also continually serves the local community with the Healthy Wolves Backpack orogram.

St. John's Lutheran Church is located at 229 S First St., Pearl City, IL.

Pearl City First United Methodist Church

the Community Join

City First United Methodist Church, 411 S Main St., on Sunday, Dec. 25 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Dine in, carry-out and delivery (within the Pearl City area) will be available. To reserve a meal please call the church at 815-443-2177. Walk-ins are also welcome.

Trinity Lutheran Church

Trinity Lutheran Church in Derinda will host Christmas in the Valley Brass Quintet on Dec. 23 at 6:30 p.m. A five-piece brass quintet performance will include festive Christmas Classics.

Trinity Church is located at 8393 S Derinda Road, Elizabeth IL. All are welcome. For directions or additional information please call 815-291-4673.

Holy Cross Church

The Annual Community Christmas Dinner will be held in Stockton on Christmas Day, Sunday, Dec. 25 at noon at Holy Cross Church. This is the 36th dinner put on by the churches and the communicially those who are not with family on Christmas day.

Deliveries to the Stockton area and carry outs will be available. Please call Elaine Schlichting at 815-947-3795 to make reservations for a delivery and give your name, address, and phone number. Reservations for those attending or picking up are appreciated but not necessary. The menu will consist of turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, dressing, green beans, raspberry jello salad, and dessert. If able to volunteer, please call Elaine.

New South Church

New South Church in Historic Downtown Galena invites the community to attend their Christmas services. Services will be offered on Saturday, Dec. 24 at 5 p.m. and on Sunday, Dec. 25 at 11 a.m.

Salem United Church of Christ

Join Salem United Church of Christ for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services. Christmas Eve church service

24 at 7 p.m. Christmas Day church service will be Sunday, Dec. 25 at 10 a.m. All are welcome at Salem United Church of Christ!

The Wednesday Breakfast Bunch will meet Wednesday, Dec. 28 at 8 a.m. at Stella's Café, 100 N Main St, Stockton, Illinois. On the first Wednesday of each month, Salem UCC hosts a Men's Night in the fellowship hall on the lower level for a time

will be held on Saturday, Dec. of visiting, playing games, and getting to know one another. On the third Wednesday of each month, Salem UCC hosts Crafternoons at the church on the lower level. Everyone is invited to bring a craft to work on while enjoying snacks, a brief devotional thought, and plenty of time to share projects with one another. For more information on these gatherings, contact salemwingsofjoy@yahoo.com.

Darlene Lloyd, age 88, of Stockton, IL passed away Thursday, Dec. 15, 2022, at Manor Court in Freeport, IL. She was born on Aug. 15, 1934, in Freeport, IL to the late Wright and Alice (Wilson) Downing. Darlene married Carson "Butch" Lloyd on Aug. 10, 1953, in Stockton. Butch passed away Oct. 31,

Darlene was a member of The Father's House Church in Lena. She graduated from Stockton High School. Darlene played the organ/piano for several years for many different occasions. She was a cook at the Stockton High owned/operated Grandma Lloyd's Restaurant and had worked for Wood's Drug Store. She enjoyed volunteering and animals.

Darlene is survived by her grandchildren, Mike (Jennifer) Lloyd, Chad (Kayla) Lloyd,



and Alexa Lloyd; her great grandchildren, Abby Lloyd and Jasmine Lloyd; and great great grand-

Becky Lloyd

children, Hazel and Harper. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; her three sons, Scott, Shawn and Shane; her grandson, Ryan; her brother, Ron Downing; and her sister, Lorraine Page.

A funeral service was held on Tuesday, Dec. 20, 2022, at Hermann Funeral Home in Stockton at 1 p.m. with a visitation that began at 11 a.m. Interment took place at Welch Hollow Cemetery. A memorial fund has been established. Condolences may be shared at www.hermannfuneralhome.







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Christmas Day Worship with Holy Communion at 9:30 a.m.

SATURDAY, DEC. 31

New Year's Eve Worship with Holy Communion at 5:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, JAN. 1

New Year's Day Worship with Holy Communion at 9:30 a.m.

You may watch any of our services on YouTube by going to either our St. John's website: www.stjohnslena.org or going to our Facebook page.

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Mrs. Biddick's 1st Grade Class Orangeville Elementary

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Thank you for everything you do. This year I would like a kitten.

Love, Bentley

Dear Santa.

Thank you for everything ou do. This year I would like

Love you Santa, Kylee

Dear Santa,

How are the reindeer? This ear I would like a PS5, magnet fishing and a phone.

From, Alex

Dear Santa,

I love you. I would like LOL dolls and pets.

Your friend, Lyric

Dear Santa.

Do you need help at the North Pole? What is your favorite cookies? I would like Nerf guns.

Your friend, Zander

Dear Santa.

year I would like a drone. From, Selena

Dear Santa.

etters To Santa

I bet it is nice having elves to help you at the North Pole. I want Lego Dinosaurs.

Your friend, Maddox

Dear Santa,

Thank you for everything you do. This year I would like a PS5 and a phone.

Love, Gage

Dear Santa,

I am so excited for Christmas! I want a phone.

Love, Gibson

Dear Santa.

Thank you for the presents you gave me last year. I want slime for Christmas.

Love, Zariah

Dear Santa.

Thank you for everything you do. This year I would like a milk truck.

Love, Zaiden

Dear Santa,

How are the elves? This How are the reindeer? This year I would like LOL dolls and new friends Love, Ellee

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the presents every year. This year I want some LOL dolls and a slide for my pool. Santa, What do you want for Christmas?

From, Souley

Dear Santa,

Thank you for everything you do. This year I would like a doll, Nintendo Switch and a toy elf.

Love, Aubriella

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the presents every year. This year I would like make-up.

Love, Braelynn

Dear Santa,

What are your elves' names? These are the gifts that I want. I would like lipstick, a LOL doll and a stuffed animal kitty.

Love, Delaney

Mrs. Bunker's Kindergarten Class Pearl City Elementary Dear Santa,

I would like a big lego set. I would also like another RC car. I hope you have a Merry Christmas! Hunter

Dear Santa,

How are the reindeer? I would like a race car and a monster truck for Christmas. I have tried being a good boy. I hope you have a very Merry Christmas! Jaxon

Dear Santa,

I have been a very good girl. I want a dinosaur and a nerf blaster for Christmas. I hope the reindeer and elves are ready for Christmas.

Amalia

Dear Santa,

I would like a Barbie doll and a Barbie playhouse. I also would like a swimming pool. I have been a very good girl.

Merry Christmas, Weslynn

Dear Santa,

How are you? I would like

a baby doll for Christmas. Thank you! Merry Christmas, Ella

Dear Santa,

How are you? I would like Hot Wheels for Christmas. I have been a very good boy this year. Merry Christmas, Paxton

Dear Santa,

I hope you are doing well. would like make-up and a race car. Can you bring my dad a dirt bike, please?

Merry Christmas, Adalyn

Dear Santa,

I would like a Nintendo Switch game. And a new game for my XBox.

Merry Christmas, River

Dear Santa,

How are the Reindeer? I would lille all the Squishies, especially a rat one. I really like them. I have been very good all year. I hope you have a Merry Christmas. Emma

Dear Santa,

How are you? I love Christmas. I would like my mom to have a new butter holder because hers broke. I want a stretchy guy like Hunters. I have been a good boy.

Merry Christmas, Mavrick

Dear Santa,

How are the Elves and Reindeer? I am sure you all have been very busy. I have been a very good girl. I would like a teddy bear for Christmas. I also would like makeup, a purse and a pretend phone. Thank you, Santa!

Merry Christmas, Charlotte

Mrs. Lawer's 1st Grade Class **Pearl City Elementary**

Dear Santa.

How do the elves make toys? How do the reindeer fly? My dad would like a popcorn machine. My mom wants Christmas earrings. Paige would like a snowcone machine. Sarah wants a Nerf gun. I would like a transformer toy. I have tried to be good all year! Thank you! Your friend, Griffin

Dear Santa,

How do elves fly? How do reindeer fly? My dad wants beef jerky. My mom would like a puppy. Graclyn wants a toy unicorn. I would like an art table. I have tried to be good all year!

Thank you! Your friend,

Dear Santa,

How does Mrs. Claus make hot chocolate? How do

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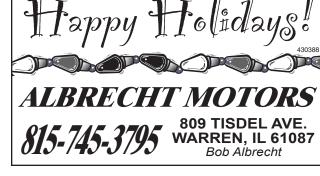
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reindeer fly? My dad wants new blue jeans. My mom would like a new head rest. Oliver wants a hoverboard. Bryce and Bryn want a makeup table. I want an art table. I have tried to be good all year! Thank you! Your friend, Camryn

Dear Santa,

How does Rudolph's nose glow? How do elves fly? My mom wants a new coffee mug. My dad would like a mixer for his eggs. Adeline wants a new craft table. Kiptin wants Pokemon cards. Kezlin wants Paw Patrol toys. I want a new guinea pig. I have tried to be good all year! Thank you! Your friend, Deklan

Dear Santa,

How do elves fly? How do the elves make a big mess? Please bring my mom makeup. My dad would like an x-box game. Mason wants a cotton candy maker. Please bring me a new card game and lights for my new room. I have tried to be good all year! Your friend, Marco

Dear Santa,

How do elves make a big mess? How do reindeer learn to fly? My mom would like a makeup table. My dad wants a blue truck. Miles wants a bunk bed. Jackson wants a truck. I would like an art

have tried to be good all year! friend, Tysen Thank you! Your friend, Ev-

Dear Santa.

How do the elves make toys? How do the reindeer fly? My mom would like more earrings. Katniss would like LOL dolls. Amber wants an Iphone. My dad would like a new hunting gun. Talia wants a new candle. I want playdough. I have tried to be good all year! Thank you! Your friend, Octavia

Dear Santa,

How does Santa carry all the toys in his bag? How do the presents in one night? How the reindeer fly? My mom would like a gift certificate to get her nails done and dad wants new work boots. Colt wants a peppa pig and Kadi and Mya want gift cards for shopping. Could you please bring me a reindeer toy? I wish you a Merry Christmas! Your friend, Oakley

Dear Santa,

How does Santa carry all the toys in his bag? How do elves make toys? My mom would like a black shirt and dad wants brown boots. Tate would like an elite trainer box and Trip wants a toy jackhammer. Could you please bring me new white headphones and a real kitten. Thank you for all of my toys. I hope you ivia table and a makeup table. I have a Happy New Year! Your

Dear Santa,

How does Rudolph's nose glow? How does Santa deliver all the presents in one night? My dad wants new work boots and Elliotte wants a big, stuffy unicorn. Could you please bring me the hot wheels ultimate garage and the monster jam garage? Ho Ho Ho! Happy New Year! Your friend, Hudson Please bring my mom a dishwasher.

Dear Santa,

How do you deliver all do reindeer fly? Please bring my mom a necklace. My dad would like a game to play. My uncle wants a new car. Yvana wants a new necklace. Please bring me a LOL doll. I tried to be good all year. Your friend, Scarlett

Dear Santa,

How do you go down the chimney? Also, how do you deliver all the presents in one night? Lacie would want a new stuffed animal horse. Aubrey would like more earrings. Mom wants a popcorn machine. My dad would like a snow cone machine and Parker wants another nerf gun. I have tried to be good all year. Thank you! Your friend, OlDear Santa,

How do the reindeer fly? How does Santa fly? Please bring my dad an ice cream maker. Mom would like decorations for my bedroom. My aunt and uncle would like new coats. Please bring me a new Minecraft game for my Nintendo. I also would like lights for my room. I have tried to be good all year. From, Johan

Mrs. Timmer's Second **Grade Class Pearl City Elementary**

Dear Santa,

How old are you? First, I have been good this year. I have been holding the door and carrying the groceries. Next, my family would like some presents. Please bring my sister a makeup set. My brother wants an art set. Then I would like a computer. Also, I would like a makeup set. Finally, have a happy New Year's. Thank you , Santa, for giving my family some presents.

Sincerely, Mariah

Dear Santa,

How do you make all those toys? First, I have been good this year because I helped people when they were hurt and helped Grandma wash the dishes. Next, could you bring Kayden pieces for his PC, Silas an Xbox game, my mom a Crock-Pot, and my dad a PlayStation? Then could you please get me an airpod Pro,

a Ken Barbie doll, and a Barbie Dream House that lights up. Last, thank you Santa for giving me my gift. I hope you have a good Christmas!

Your friend, Olivia

Dear Santa,

How are the reindeer? First, I have been good this year because I do all of my chores. Next, could you bring my dad a car, my mom a dog, Ashton a necklace, and Abby a gift card to the zoo. Then could you please bring me a baby Yoda and Legos? Last, thank you for the presents and Merry Christmas!

Love, Luke

Dear Santa.

Can you hear what we are thinking about? First, I have been good/bad because I play with my sister but I also fight with her. Next, Octavia wants a yellow unicorn. My mom wants Betty Boop things. Talia wants a game. Then, I would like a camera. Also, I want a puppy. Last, I hope that you get presents this year and have a Merry Christmas!

Your friend, Katniss

Dear Santa.

How do your reindeer fly? First, I have been good. I help carry stuff. I help babysit. Next, please bring my family candy. My sister would like a new makeup brush. Then I would like a soft blanket, slime, and a phone. Last, have a happy New Year. Thank you for bringing my family pres-

Sincerely, Briella

Dear Santa,

How old are you? Why do you wear the same clothes every time? First, I have been good this year. I don't fight with my brother. Next, my dad would like a new jigsaw. Mom wants a book to read. My brother Jeffrey wants new red shoes. Then please bring me some Hey Dude shoes. I would also like a wood building kit. Last, have a good Christmas, Santa!

From, Josh

Dear Santa,

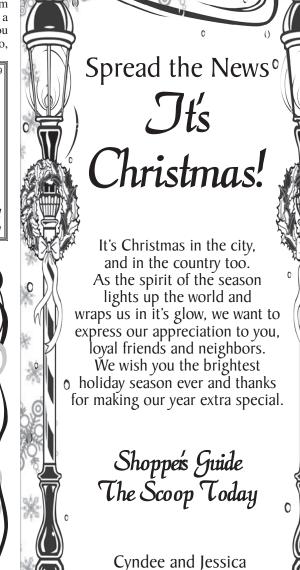
Where do the reindeer stay? First, I have been good this year because I helped

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my parents clean their room you and have a Merry Christand my little brother's room. Next, could you bring Charlie some Mickey Mouse clothes, my mom some candles, and my dad a tool box? Then could you please bring me a guitar, airpods, and a Barbie Dream House? Last, thank you Santa Claus for bringing me and my family presents. Merry Christmas!

Your friend, Lillian

Dear Santa,

What's your wife's name? First, I have been kind of good/bad because I have listened but not always and I have been disrespectful. Next, Balley wants LED lights. Jace wants a new SIM card, and Alex wants a new disc for his PS 5. Then I would like another brother and a red Ferrari for Christmas. Last, I hope you have a great Christmas! From, Ja'khy

Dear Santa, How do you know all the kids? First, I have been good this year because I helped take care of my baby brother and cleaned my other brother's room. Next, could you bring my baby brother cocomelon toys, Dylan an Xbox controller, my brother Alvaro airpods, my mom a car, and my dad a phone. Then could you bring me Aphmalu Memeow plush and the same thing but a figure not a plush? Last, thank

mas!

Your friend, Samantha

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year. I listen to my teacher. First, my mom would like a phone. Next, I would like a toy train and a book. Merry Christmas.

From, Martin

Dear Santa,

year. First, Penny wants Mickey Mouse, Minnie Mouse, Goofy, Pluto, and Donald toys. My mom would like some coffee, plates, forks, spoons, and knives. My dad wants glasses, movies, a bowl, and a smoker machine. Last, I want nine engines: Diesel 10, Splatter, Dodge, Oliver, Lady, Porter, Paxton, Ali, and Bert. From, Archer

Mrs. Merboth's First **Grade Class Pearl City Elementary**

Dear Santa,

Do elves have babies? Also, do you have pets? My mom would like a mug with gnomes on it. My dad would like a Bears football hat. Dylan wants a Batman lair with characters in it. I would like a horse rodeo set and can. I would like an Xbox and headphones. I have tried to be good all year! Thank you!

Your friend,

Dear Santa,

How do the reindeer fly? Can parents touch the elves? My mom would like a massage. My dad wants video games. Can you please bring me glass ornaments and a video game? Merry Christmas!

good all year! Thank you!

Do elves have pets? Also, do elves have babies? My mom would like a cat. Blair would also like a cat. My dad wants a cat. I would like a Barbie house. I have tried to be good all year! Thank you.

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

Do you ever get cold? What is your favorite cookie? My mom would like a robot vacuum cleaner. Alljah wants spicy chips. Could you please bring me 2 iphone 7s. Thank you for giving me these things. Happy New Year! Love,

Michelle

Dear Santa,

Do elves have babies? Do elves have parents? My mom would like an electric back massager, and dad wants more tools. Penelope would like a four-wheeler with a Kansas sign. Could you please bring me the Little Live Pets and the playhouse and a real feather with real magic? I hope you always have a good life!

Love,

Jasmine

Dear Santa,

How do you get to all the houses in one night? How do the elves make all the toys? My mom would like a green blanket and dad wants more tools. Jackson would like legos. Could you please bring me Little Live Pets and an Apple watch? Thank you for bringing me stuff. Merry Christmas!

Love, Clara

Dear Santa,

Do you like kids? Do you

len building blocks. William would like a shelf to put his sports gear on. Mom would like a remote-control bed frame. Dad wants a new long gun for deer hunting. Please bring me a L.O.L. camper. I would also like a shelf with bins for all my stuff and a

L.O.L. music band doll. I

have tried to be good all year.

have iPads? Please bring Al-

From,

Angelina

Dear Santa.

What is your favorite drink? Do you like summer? Please bring my mom new red lipstick. Dad wants a computer desk. Kayslee wants toy make-up. Elayna would like new make-up. Waylon would like a new teether. Please bring me a Barbie house. I would also like make-up and beds for the Barbie house. I have tried to be good all year.

From, Payton

Dear Santa,

How do reindeer fly? How do you get your magic? Please bring Natalie a new blanket. My dad wants a new truck and mom wants a new couch. Please bring me a spy. I would also like an iPad and a Miami football jersey. I tried to be good all year.

Thank you, Daatin Dear Santa,

How does the leves magic work? Do you have magic? Please bring Ben a spiderman toy and Logan would like a baby Yoda squishimal. Please bring my mom a scary book. Please bring my dad a gun for hunting. Please bring me a squishimal with a little toy squishimal and Nightmare Freddie. I tried to be good all

Thank you, William

Dear Santa,

How did you get your magic? How did you get your magic to make the reindeer fly? Please bring my mom new clothes and a blanket. My dad wants beef jerky. Aubri wants fidget toys. Hudson wants tractor toys. Please bring me clothes, dresses, and shoes. I tried to be good all

Thank you,

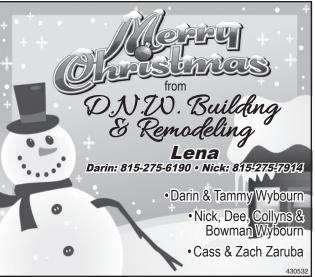
Dear Santa,

How do the reindeer fly? How do you get your magic? Please bring Eden a new library. Please bring Ivy a new brother. Please bring my mom new headphones and my dad a new tractor. I've tried to be good all year.

Your friend,

Hawkin











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Love, Braxton Dear Santa, What do you like to drink?

ar Santa, Also, what is your favor-I have been good this ite cookie? My dad wants a tool organizer. My mom wants a cat. I would like minecraft video games, ancient pokemon cards, and ex pokemon. I have tried to be Your friend,

Ben

Dear Santa,

Your friend,

Do you have an Xbox? Also, do the elves have a favorite cookie? My mom wants a tesera. My dad wants a new games. I have tried to be good all year! Thank you.

Your friend, Isaac

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Mrs. Robinson's Second **Grade Class Pearl City Elementary**

Dear Santa Claus,

First, I have been nice to my brother by getting something when he asks me. Next, my mom wants wine. My stepdad wants horror movies. Natalia wants LOL dolls. Jakob would like PS4 games. Then, I would like Rainbow High dolls. Also, I want a Gabby dollhouse with Gabby dolls. Last, how do the reindeer fly? What are your favorite kinds of cookies? Have a Happy New Year!

Love, Kamryn

Dear Santa,

First, I have been good this year because I used my manners by saying please and thank you. Next, could you bring my mom Pioneer Woman things, Micah an ABC transformer, my dad a table saw, my grandma a gift card, my grandpa camping things, and Grandma Donna a new Keurig? Then, could you please bring me LOL dolls and toys that are cats, and toys for Annie? Last, have a Happy New Year and Merry Christmas! Thank you for the presents.

Ellie

PS Please bring Austin can-

Dear Santa,

First, I have been good this year because I helped my neighbors rake leaves and shovel snow. Next, could you bring my dad some baseballs, my mom a massage, Beckett a Gorilla Tag game for his VR set, and Mason a phone? My dogs want some bacon treats and dog toys. Then, could you please bring me a mystery fidget box and a jumbo Squishmallow? Last, Merry Christmas and thank you for the presents!

Love, Fallyn

Dear Santa,

First, I have been nice to my brothers by telling them jokes. Next, my brothers Sam and Jax want Fall Guy toys. Then, I want a Minecraft toy

and Road Blocks Piggy Officer doggy plush. My sister put the rest of my list on her computer. Last, what do you look like in real life? Also, how many elves do you have? Can you come to my house first please? Have a Happy New Year!

Love, Lucas

Dear Santa,

I have been good. I clean up the house, and I do my chores. Mom would like a bowl set. I think Dad would like a remote control white Weslynn would like baby dolls. RiRi would like a whole set of horse stuff. I would like a white lab puppy and a Siamese kitten. Real animals please. Why do your reindeer fly your sleigh? How old are you, Santa? Have a Happy New Year!

Love, Lakynn

Dear Santa,

I have been bad and good. I helped my mom put up the Christmas tree. I helped put on the ornaments. I don't

always listen to my mom though. Mom would like cookies. I think Hudson would like a Monster Jam set. Macky wants a Mickey that sings, "Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes." Vivian would like a baby doll. Daddy would like a new tool set. I would like a slime kit and a big unicorn stuffy. What do your elves look like? Why do you come on Christmas Eve? Happy New Year!

Love, Elliotte

Dear Santa,

First, I have been good. I help my aunt with her baby. Next, please bring Myra Minnie Mouse toys. Cain wants Spiderman toys. Pyper would like a new doll. My mom wants a new big Christmas tree. Blaze wants a Nintendo Switch game. Dad wants a new welding hat. Mommy wants better lights for the Christmas tree. Davey wants a pet cat. Then, please bring me a snowglobe and a giraffe stuffed animal. Last, how do you make the toys? I love you, Santa!

Love, Gannon

Dear Santa,

First, I have been kind of good. When my sister bothers me, I ask her to please stop. Next, please bring Cara a snowglobe. My dad needs a new battery charger for his tools. My mom needs a cleaning helper. Alex and Zach would like a picture of our family. Then, please bring me a Nerf gun and LED lights for my bed. Last, does Mrs. Claus make you cookies for dinner? Thank you for my

Love, Colette

Dear Santa,

First, I have been trying to be good. I help my brother read books. Next, please bring Mom and Dad a new bed. Hunter would like a new movie. Lily wants craft supplies. Garrett wants a new blue R.C. car. Ryleigh wants a new dog stuffed animal. Then, please bring me a new Nerf gun and lots of Nerf darts. Last, how do you make

the toys? Have a Happy, Happy Holiday!

From, Clayton

First, I have been good this ear. I gave Lucas my yoga ball chair in class and cleaned my mom's car without being asked. Next, could you bring my sister LED light strips and Squishmallows? My mom wants a heated blanket, and my dad wants a new chainsaw, please. Then, I want Legos and a teddy bear. Last, Merry Christmas!

Love, Kami











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Wednesday, Dec. 21, 2022



Getting in the Christmas spirit

Kindergarten students at Pearl City Elementary worked hard on creating and decorating Christmas trees this week. Some students tended to get more frosting on themselves than the tree, while others taste-tested the frosting first. Pictured above is Amalia Caswell as she demonstrates her tree making abilities and shares her project.

(Top right) Pearl City Kindergarten student Charolette Maurer decorates her tree during Grinch Day at the Pearl City Elementary.

(Bottom right) River Kubatzke works hard to decorate his Christmas tree, as he tries his best to get more frosting on the tree than on himself. Decorating trees was part of the Grinch Day celebration at the Pearl City Elementary.

Pearl City Elevator Inc. announces available scholarships

Pearl City Elevator, Inc. is proud to sponsor an Agriculture First scholarship program. The company has been sponsoring the scholarship program which has been created to improve and support the agricultural industry for over 15 years. Pearl City Elevator, Inc. will award up to three \$500 scholarships to qualifying students furthering their education in an agricultural field. Any high school senior graduating in 2023, pursu-

in livestock production, crop production, or closely related agricultural field is eligible.

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Applications

Scholarship applications can be picked up at any of the following locations: Pearl City Elevator in Pearl City,

McConnell Coop in McConnell, Dakota Coop in Dakota, Warren Coop in Warren, Baileyville Coop in Baileyville, Lena Coop, Alliance Nutrition or Alliance Commodities in Lena, or by calling the Pearl City office at 1-800-851-8584. Applications can also be found online at www.pcecoops.com. Applications must be postmarked or submitted by Jan. 20, 2023.





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Five organizations awarded Community Festival of Trees Awards

A tree from Open Bible Elementary Learning Center won first place in the People's Choice category and third place from FHN's panel of judges for this year's FHN Community Festival of Trees at the Freeport Public Library. Open Bible will receive \$650 for its "Together with Jesus is a Great Place to Be" tree - \$500 for People's Choice and \$150 for the judges' category.

The judges chose "Together We Create" from the Freeport High

School National Art Honor Society as their first-place winner, netting the non-profit a \$500 prize. Pecatonica Elementary School won second place and \$300 from the judges for their tree, "Art Brings Us Together."

In the People's Choice category, the Lincoln-Douglas Fourth Grade won second place and a \$200 prize for their tree, "Together is a Great Place to Be." "United in Christ's Love" by Tri-County Christian School won third place in the

People's Choice category, garnering a

The Community Festival of Trees is on display free of charge at the Freeport Public Library (100 E. Douglas Street in Freeport) through Thursday, Dec. 22. The trees also may be viewed online on FHN's Facebook page, www.facebook.com/ FHNhealth. For more information on any of this year's Festival of Trees events, visit www.fhn.org/ festivaloftrees.

Panther wrestling earns pair of dual wins in Sterling

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The Lena-Winslow-Stockton PantherHawks have been dominating the wrestling mat in their 2022-2023 campaign. The PantherHawks return off a state championship season in 2021 and they will look to do more of the same, this

On Thursday, Dec. 15 the PantherHawks made the trip to face off with not only Sterling, but Byron as well. Sterling matched up well with the PantherHawks, leading to plenty of wrestling opportunities.

up victories by pinfall over their Sterling opponents in Griffin Luke, Henry Engel, David Prater, Karl Hubb, and Garrett Luke. Jace Phillips picked up a victory by way of a tiebreaker, Arrison Bauer picked up an 8-6 decision victory, Jared Dvorak earned a 12-3 major decision, and Eli

Nine PantherHawks in total picked up victories over their Sterling opponents Lena-Winslow-Stockton picked up a 43-24 victory.

The PantherHawks were also set to face off with Byron at the meet. Byron didn't matchup as well, leading to six forfeit victories for Le-Win-Stockton. Mauricio Glass, Bauer, Luke, and Larson each picked up victories by pinfall over their Byron opponents. Hubb picked up a victory by way of a 15-2 major decision as well.

With all the forfeits includ-Five PantherHawks picked ed, the PantheHawks picked up the victory with a final score of 64-18. Even if you remove all the forfeits, the PantherHawks still earned the victory with a would-be final score of 28-12

On Dec. 29 and 30, the PantherHawks will be competing in Abe's Rumble in Springfield, Illinois.

in the City!

Grime news

Armed robbery: Juvenile arrests

On Dec. 13, 2022, at approximately 5:15 p.m., officers of the Freeport Police Department responded to an armed robbery call that occurred in the 500 block of W. Avon. During the investigation, officers learned that located a short time later. a 16-year-old male victim was approached by two male cers arrested the 15-yearjuveniles while walking on W. Avon St., who then demanded the victim's phone. During the robbery, the suspects had a firearm and threatened the victim. The suspects were identified and

Freeport Police offiold male juvenile and the 17-year-old male juvenile suspects. Both suspects were charged with Armed Robbery, No FOID and Aggravated Unlawful Use of a Weapon. The juveniles were a reasonable doubt.

detained and transported to the Kane County Juvenile Detention Center.

The public is reminded that the defendants are presumed innocent and are entitled to a fair trial at which the government has the burden of proving guilt beyond

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IDPH reports 86 Illinois counties are at an Elevated Community Level for COVID-19

With the holiday season under way and COVID-19 and other respiratory viruses continuing to rise across the state, the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) is urging Illinoisans to take action to protect themselves and their loved ones during the festive season.

IDPH Director Dr. Sameer Vohra is reminding the public that basic health precautions are especially important when it comes to protecting members of the family who are most vulnerable to severe outcome, including older family members and the very young. He strongly urges parents to take advantage of the newly authorized bivalent boosters for children six months and older.

According to the CDC, 86 counties in Illinois rated at an elevated level for COVID-19 by the CDC, up from 74 a week ago. Of those, the CDC reported 43 Illinois counties at a High Community Level for COVID-19, up from 29 a week ago; while 43 counties are at Medium Level, compared to 45 last week. IDPH is reporting 23,334 new confirmed and probable cases of COVID-19 in Illinois since Dec. 9, and 82 deaths.

"Illinois continues to see a dramatic rise in communities at elevated risk levels for COVID-19, including high risk," said IDPH Director Dr. Sameer Vohra. "As we prepare for holiday gatherings with our loved ones, I want to remind Illinoisians that these elevated COVID-19 community levels, along with rising flu levels, are leading to a surge of respiratory infections, increased hospitalizations and limited hospital beds. I strongly recommend all Illinoisians take preventative steps to protect themselves and their family and friends, especially those most vulnerable including young children and individuals over

"These preventative measures start with being up-todate with the COVID-19 bivalent booster that is now authorized for children as young as six months old. Getting your flu shot is very important too. Other important protective steps include COVID-19 testing, especially if visiting someone at risk for severe disease; enhanced ventilation at gatherings; and good hand hygiene. And if you are sick, stay home and consult with your provider about whether you need one of the effective treatments that are available. A high-quality mask or respirator is also recommended and will protect you from COVID-19, the flu and other respiratory viruses. Our

43 counties that are now at a high risk," said IDPH Director Dr. Sameer Vohra. "As hope is for Illinoisians across our state to have a happy and healthy holiday season."

Dr. Vohra stressed that those who test positive for COVID-19 should immediately contact their healthcare provider to discuss whether they need treatment with one of the effective antiviral medications, Paxlovid, Lagverio and Remdesivir. All of these have been found to work against the current strains of the virus.

Access to tests and treatments can be found at the following test to treat site or by contacting your provider for treatment options, within five days of feeling ill.

The IDPH is helping Illinoisans prepare for the fall and winter surge of COVID-19 cases by offering 1 million free COVID-19 rapid antigen tests to Illinois residents in all zip codes outside of Chicago through a partnership with the Rockefeller Foundation's public charity, RF Catalytic Capital and its Project ACT (Access COVID Tests) program.

Through Project ACT, the IDPH is distributing up to

one million at-home antigen tests to 200,000 Illinois households. You can request one package of five tests on a first-come-first-serve basis at the Project ACT website. The tests will be delivered to the home address.

Free or low cost COVID-19 testing locations are also available throughout the state, including in Chicago, and can be found on the IDPH website's testing locator page.

The CDC authorized two new bivalent booster vaccines on September 1 that include an mRNA component of the original strain to provide an immune response that is broadly protective against COVID-19 and an added mRNA component in common between the omicron variant BA.4 and BA.5 lineages to provide better protection against COVID-19 caused by the omicron variant.

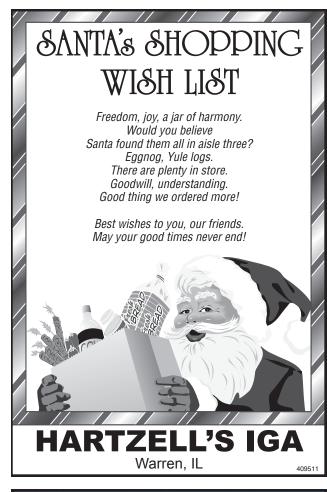
Initially, the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine, Bivalent, was authorized for use as a single booster dose in individuals 18 years of age and older and the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine, Bivalent, was authorized for use as a sin-

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gle booster dose in individuals 12 years of age and older. On Oct. 12, the CDC authorized the updated COVID-19 vaccines from Pfizer-BioNTech for children ages 5 through 11 years, and from Moderna for

children and adolescents ages 6 through 17 years.

On Dec. 9, the CDC expanded its authorization for bivalent boosters to include children aged 6 months to 5 years.





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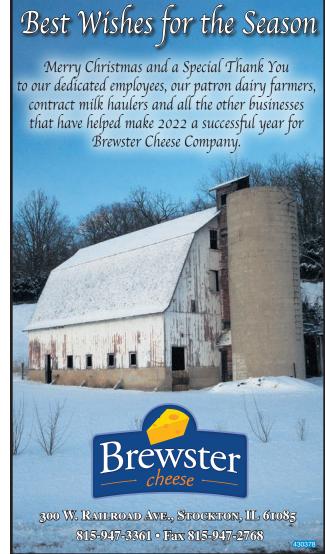


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A Second-place State finish

On Dec. 10, the Le-Win FFA took the Dairy Foods Team down to the University of Illinois for the State Dairy Foods CDE. The competition consists of a written exam, dairy vs non-dairy evaluation, milk defect evaluation, California Mastitis Testing evaluation, cheese identification, and a team problem. Students have been practicing and studying hard for this event and it paid off, as they placed second in State. Madi Schierloh also placed fourth overall as an individual. Congratulations to this great group of students. Pictured from left to right are Levi Maierhofer (Illinois State Reporter), Kegan Dezell, Hannah Pecoraro, Ava Fiedler, Mika Schoger, and Madi Schierloh.

• Panthers (Continued from front page)

quarter. Gage Dunker added a basket of his own as the Panthers were able to cut into the Indians' lead. Eventually, Winnebago took a 25-16 lead into halftime.

In the second half, it was the Le-Win defense that stood out. The Indians were held to just seven points in the third and only four points in the fourth. Meanwhile, Le-Win was able to continue fighting for baskets. The Panthers didn't make a single three pointer on the night, but it didn't matter as they managed to erase the nine-point Winnebago lead. Thanks to a strong defensive effort, the Panthers were able to protect their homecourt with a 37-36 victory. Lobdell led the team with 16, while Streckwald had

On Saturday, Dec. 17 Le-Win faced off with the Milledgeville Missiles in the Forreston Holiday Tournament. The Missiles brought a 3-6 record into the matchup, while the Panthers were looking for their fifth win. The

nine, and Schulz had six.



Panthers got off to a hot start as they took a nine point lead in the first quarter. Schulz led the way with six early points, while Lobdell added four of his own. The Panthers would take a 12-3 lead into the sec-

That's where Le-Win started to let it fly from deep as the team combined for four three pointers in the second quarter. Owen Gilbertson hit a pair of threes, while Ayden Packard and Schulz each added a three of their own. Despite not hitting a single three pointer in their prior win, the Panthers

showed they are certainly capable of getting it done from out there.

The second half became a scrappy, physical game. There were 23 total fouls called in the game, most of which came in the second half. The Panthers were decent at the line, hitting 17 of their 25 total attempts in the game. Schulz was exceptional, hitting six of his eight free throw attempts. Lobdell was also a perfect four-for-four at the line, and Streckwald went three for five. The Missiles were able to make it a close

game with a 20-point fourth quarter, but the Panthers managed to hold on for a 58-51

Schulz led the Panthers in scoring with 18 points. Lobdell was next up with eight, while Streckwald and Dunker each had seven. Gilbertson and Zeal both had six points

Le-Win's victory improved the team's record to 5-1 as their winning streak continues to grow. Le-Win will be back on their homecourt on Tuesday, Jan. 3 as they play host to the Dakota Indians.





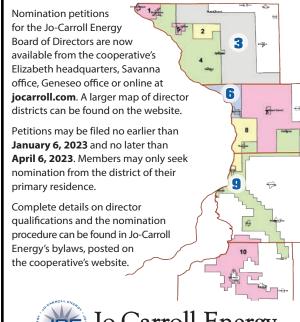
Heartwarming holiday generosity

The Christmas Spirit was more than evident as hundreds of gifts poured into the Pearl City Elementary School office this past week. The annual Pearl City Christmas Parade, area churches, Bummyfest, area individuals, the Pearl City Fire Department, and Little Johns all donated to help make Christmas dreams come true. The office floor was lined with hundreds of gifts stacked as high as three feet tall. Library media carts were filled, large boxes were stuffed with toys, and dozens of bags were loaded with gifts. The community of Pearl City has once again gone above and beyond to help those in need and to provide another great Christmas for the children of the community! The Pearl City School District would like to extend a huge thank you to everyone who donated.

A sincere thank you to everyone who remembered us in any way at Robin's passing. This means so much that you took the time to reach out to us.

> Blessings to all of you, Janice & Mike Broshous

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Slices of life

The science of happiness

Lately I've been interested in happiness—scientifically speaking, of course. That sounds counterintuitive. oxymoronic even. How can the cut and dried factualbased world of science have anything to do with something as instinctive and emotional as happiness?

Turns out they have more in common than I originally thought. Happiness causes physiological changes within us that science is able to use to identify, quantify and even predict happy.

I've always thought of happiness as external-



JILL PERTLER Columnist

something that happens to me. Happiness comes from going to Disney World, opening presents at Christmas, saying "yes" to the dress, a brand new convertible, landing that dream job, scoring the last slice of chocolate cake, winning the lottery and so on.

While this might sound logical, external experiences and things that happen to us aren't the real source of happiness. In truth, happiness comes from within. At least that's what science says.

And who are we to argue with science?

Scientists have studied happiness and they've found it happens naturally. (Duh.) But, (here's the kicker) it can also be manufactured. Harvard psychologist, Dan Gilbert, describes "synthetic happiness." It's the happy we create when we don't get what we want.

glass as half full.

As it turns out, when we don't get what we want, the happiest among us take on a new perspective and choose to see it another way

Key word in that last sentence: choose.

Happiness is a choice. Absorb the power in that

for just a minute, because it is great. It is gigantic.

You get to choose your own happiness. How flipping awesome is that? Flippingly! Because choice is power. And the power is in your hands. No one else's. You are in charge.

Flippingly in charge. Damn grand.

From my very limited research, along with (extensive) lifetime experience, I've concluded

that happiness is a habit. As with all habits, it gets easier and more natural with practice. In contrast, the opposite is also true. Choosing a dim outlook on life can also become a habit. You can send two people to the county fair on the same day. One will see dirt and dust and crowds and long lines in front of the food trucks serving greasy food. The other will see the roller coaster, Ferris wheel and delicious corn dogs on a

Same fair. Same day. Same experiences. Different outlooks. Different outcomes.

stick.

The people in the white lab coats tell us happiness is a choice, and in that, they have a few other gems that can help us find our own Happiness Boulevard. Here's what their studies suggest:

Gratitude increases happiness. If we spend time thinking of all that we have, we commit less brain energy to all things we want or don't have. Gratitude, like happiness, is a habit. They are best friends and are often seen having coffee together on Tuesday mornings at the cute little pastry shop down the street—visibly exuding appreciation and love for one another over lattes and donuts.

Happiness can be increased by (Ready for this shocker?) engaging in activities you enjoy. Do what makes you happy and you will more likely be happy. Standing ovation for the obvious

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COUNTRY

I would like to join my entire staff in wishing everyone a very Happy Holiday season.

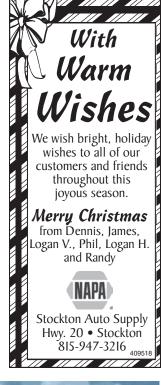


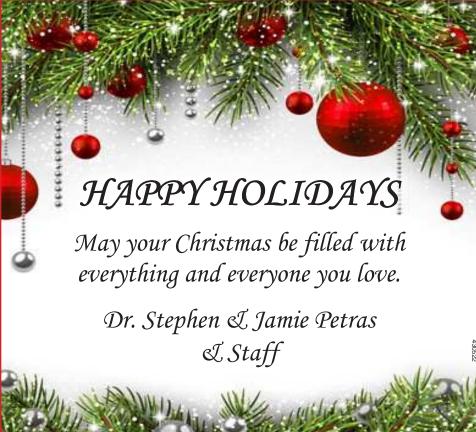
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Weekly connection

Dreams and Heaven

dreams on back-to-back nights last week. They were each quite vivid and seemed to be very real. Both dreams took place at my grandpa and grandma's old house in Indiana. The first dream involved my wife and I having bought the property which consisted of a large back yard containing their huge garden. We had just purchased the property and I was standing in the backyard with one of my brothers and we were eating these huge purple grapes from the grapevines that grew there.

The next night I dreamed that I was back again in this same house. We were having a Christian Men's Conference of some sort. There were tables and chairs set up all over the house and a bunch of the Christian men who had been a part of my life were seated there. It was amazing because sitting there were some of my uncles, my brothers, and my dad. My dad who is eighty-eight years



By SCOTT CERNEK Columnist

old today was only about thirty-five in my dream. He was strong and young and I watched him going from table to table shaking hands and talking with the other

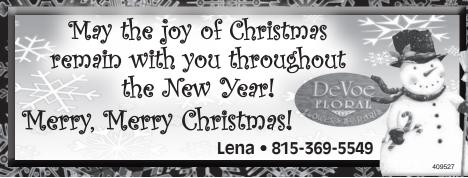
I remember that suddenly my dad announced that everyone should congregate to the back yard for the next session. As these men of God were getting up from the table and walking out the door to the back yard, two men stayed at the door to greet me. They were two of my favorite uncles who had passed away about twenty years ago. The joy on their faces and the excitement in their eyes was so real that I can still see it plainly. They both came up to me and

gave me a big greeting and a welcome. Then as we were stepping outside, I awoke.

For a long time, I have enjoyed trying to interpret different dreams that I or my family have had. This dream seems pretty obvious to me, and it has had me smiling from ear to ear for days. I believe my Grandpa and Grandma's home represented heaven because of the security and joy I always felt when I was there visiting as a young boy. I remember Grandpa used to come over to our farm and spend time all day working with us. Sometimes, since I was the youngest and could be spared from the chores at home for a night, I would get to go home with Gramps. We would go over to his beef cow pasture and feed the beef there before heading to his house to see Grandma and eat one of her great suppers. After supper we would spend a little time in the raspberry

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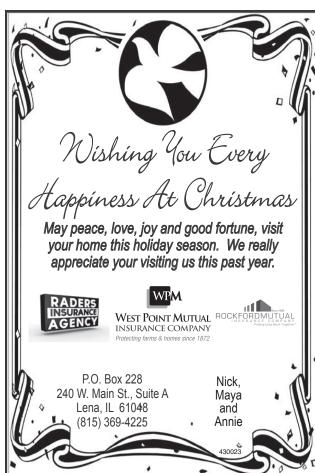












Holiday food prices remain high, but supplies remain strong

ILLINOIS FARM BUREAU PRESIDENT

Americans look forward to celebrating the simplest of gifts and gathering with family and friends around the table during the holiday season.

It is also often a time of giving thanks as Illinois farmers mark the end of another growing season.

confronted all Americans to us to pivot. Farmers continnavigate uncharted waters.

In March 2018, American farmers were dealing with market destruction because of China's trade wars. The May 2019 spring planting season reminded Midwest farmers that Mother Nature was in charge when many acres went unplanted.

The pandemic that began The past few years have in March 2020 forced all of

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pivot, adapt, and learn as we ued to grow food to feed our neighbors in rural, urban, and global communities. The curveballs contin-

ued in 2022 with high inflation, the Russian invasion of Ukraine, and uncertainty for an already fragile economy. Farmers vividly remember the role inflation played in the 1980s farm crisis. That crisis is forever etched in farmers' memories as historically high-interest rates reached 19 percent. Many farmers didn't survive the crisis. Those who did spent many years paying off the debt created by the high-interest rates.

Despite the adversity many family farms have faced over the years, 96 percent of Illinois farms are still family-owned.

I understand firsthand the role inflation has had inside our home and farming operation. Inflation running at 7 percent to 9 percent in recent months is robbing consumers (and farmers) of their buying power. Food price inflation is even higher. Other factors include supply chain disruptions and the war in Ukraine, with other countries pulling back on exports to protect domestic food supplies.

When I've been interviewed by news media over the past four years, the standard question is, "How will this impact consumers?" The

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truth is a farmer's share of the food dollar is only 7.4 cents.

Illinois shoppers participating in the 37th annual American Farm Bureau Federation's Thanksgiving Cost survey captured a statewide average price of \$65.53 for a classic Thanksgiving meal for 10 people, a 13 percent increase over the previous year's state average of \$58.15. General price inflation is a big part of the increase in cost for the meal.

It is likely those high pric-

the new year.

Food prices reflect many factors including transportation, distribution, and food company marketing costs. Rising costs for fuel, which have more than doubled, and fertilizer, which have tripled, are driving food prices up. As President Kennedy said many years ago, "Farmers are price takers and not price makers."

The food we grow is shared with our family, friends and es will continue through the neighbors. Farmers under-

remaining holidays and into stand the pain consumers are feeling at the checkout counter this holiday season.

As we give thanks again this year for our many blessings, please know farmers will strive to provide affordable food sustainably to make sure our traditions continue.

This op-ed was distributed through a cooperative project between Illinois Farm Bureau and the Illinois Press Association. For more food and farming news, visit FarmWeekNow.com.

Broadband critical to support existing rural health care

By Tammie Sloup FÄRMWEEK

Shirley Bloomfield sees an opportunity for a rural renaissance. But access to health care is vital.

The NTCA-Rural Broadband Association CEO discussed the intersection of rural health and broadband during a recent webinar organized by the National Organization

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ry throughout the year. The

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of State Offices for Rural Health. The event, titled "Collaboration Carpool: Conversations with Mission-Minded Rural Stakeholders," included multi-sector experts who discussed collaboration efforts to improve health for the nearly 61 million people living in rural America.

"I think broadband can be a really critical tool as we

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the community, all Veterans,

active military, and their fam-

ilies a merry Christmas and a

happy, healthy, and prosper-

ous New Year.

think about ways to augment, supplement, support existing health care," Bloomfield said, adding approximately 60 percent of the 7,200 federally designated health care provider shortage areas are in rural communities.

And thanks to ongoing initiatives, including the federal infrastructure bill that allocates \$65 billion for the expansion of broadband, now is the ideal time to call attention to the connection between rural health care and broadband. she said.

During the pandemic, telemedicine quickly became a critical piece of health care, with mental and behavioral health care the fastest-growing sector.

The ability to offer health care and mental health support and substance abuse support to people where they live and where they are comfortable is going to be extremely important," she said.

Along those lines, Bloomfield highlighted a grant program initiated by the Foundation for Rural Service—the Virtual Living Room. The program blends rural technology, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs resources and local support to encourage veteran use of advanced medical technologies. Virtual Living Room saves veterans travel time and costs while enabling connections to skilled physicians and other providers in the VA medical system such as telehealth and other online resources.

"The grant is used to create a safe space in a local library, community hall, a local Rotary Club, we have them set up everywhere," she said. "These aren't complicated, but they allow the ability to create that safe space, that access to care. that instantaneous service that rural Americans are looking

For more information on the program, visit: frs.org/virtuallivingroom.

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FROM LENA'S KITCHEN



The not so skinny cook

It turned to Christmas weather this week as we get ready for the big weekend. We will all be making last minute dishes for the holiday. This week there is an easy appetizer, a Christmas salad. two entries that don't use the traditional ham, turkey, or prime rib (they are both economical too), and two candy/ cookie recipes that are easy in case you need something quick. Have a great week of Christmas cooking!

Crab Crescents

Looking for an easy appetizer? This crab rollup is easy to prepare because it uses crescent rolls and pesto. Put it on a pretty glass plate and you have yourself a great holiday appetizer. Hint: Cub has great prepared pesto in the refrigerated section. I like the basil pesto.

1 tube refrigerated crescent rolls

3 T. prepared pesto

½ C. imitation crab meat, chopped fine

Unroll the crescent dough; separate into eight triangles. Cut each triangle in half lengthwise, forming two triangles. Spread ½ t. pesto over each triangle; place one rounded t. of crab along the wide end of each triangle. Roll up triangles from the wide ends; place point side down one inch apart on an ungreased baking sheet. Bake at 375 until golden brown, about 10 to 12 minutes. Serve

Christmas Snow Salad

This beautiful salad will grace any holiday party table elegantly. It does require some preparation. I usually have someone call me and ask me where to buy Dream Whip. I tell them to look at Sullivan's Grocery. Sometimes things are closer than we think!

2 envelopes unflavored gel-

½ C. cold water

1 can (151/4 oz.) crushed pineapple, undrained

1 envelope Dream Whip 1/3 C. mayonnaise

¹/₄ C. powdered sugar

1 jar (10 oz.) maraschino cherries, drained and shopped

1 jar (6 oz.) green maraschino cherries, drained and chopped

½ C. chopped pecans or bake, covered until beef and

Soften gelatin in ½ C. water; set aside. Drain pineapple, reserving juice; add enough water to juice to make 1 cup. In a saucepan, bring pineapple juice mixture to a boil; remove from heat, and stir softened gelatin. Chill mixture until consistency of unbeaten egg whites.

Prepare whipped topping mix according to package directions, omitting vanilla. Fold 1 C. topping into gelatin mixture (reserve remaining topping for another use). Gently fold in mayo, powdered sugar, red and green cherries, and nuts and pineapple gelatin mixture; pour into lightly greased mold. Chill until firm. Unmold on serving tray. Garnish with additional

Wintertime Braised **Beef Stew**

The weather has turned cold again, so it is time for a good hearty bowl of thick soup. This soup is better the second day, so make it on the weekend for a couple of quick weeknight meals. You can substitute peeled potatoes for the parsnips and cranberry sauce for the currant jelly. McCormick makes a great Montreal Seasoning, and it is available in most grocery stores with the spices. Crusty bread and a salad make the meal complete

2 lbs. boneless sirloin steak or chuck roast, cut into 1-inch pieces

2 T. flour

2 t. Montreal steak season-

ing 2 T. olive oil, divided shoppe 1 large onion, chopped

2 celery ribs, chopped

2 medium parsnips, peeled and cut into 1½ inch pieces

2 medium carrots, peeled and cut into 11/2 inch pieces

2 garlic cloves, minced

1 can (14½ oz.) diced tomatoes, undrained

1 C. beef broth

2 T. red currant jelly

2 bay leaves

2 fresh oregano sprigs or $\frac{1}{2}$ t. dried oregano

1 can (15 oz.) cannelloni beans, rinsed and drained

Parsley for garnish

Preheat oven to 350. Toss beef with flour and steak seasoning. In an oven-proof Dutch oven, heat 1 T. oil over medium heat. Brown beef in batches: remove with a slotted spoon. In the same pan, heat remaining oil over medium heat. Add onion, celery, parsnips, and carrots; cook and stir until onion is tender. Add garlic; cook 1 minute longer. Stir in tomatoes, broth, jelly, bay leaves, oregano, and beef; bring to a boil. Bake, covered. 1½ hours. Stir in beans:

vegetables are tender, 30-40 minutes longer. Remove bay leaves and oregano sprigs (if using). Sprinkle with parsley when serving.

Creamy Chicken and Rice Casserole

What I like about a good casserole is that everything is there-meat, rice, and vegetables. It is all in one, so you don't have to worry about having everything ready on time and at the right temp. This casserole is a great one to serve your family or guests.

2 T. unsalted butter

1 pkg fresh mushrooms, sliced

1 medium onion, chopped (about ³/₄ cup)

4 ½ C. chopped cooked chicken 2 C. chopped cooked broc-

coli florets 2 C. cooked long-grain rice 1½ C. whole milk

1¹/₄ C. sour cream

1 C. shredded carrots

1 can cream of mushroom

1 jar (4 oz.) diced pimentos, drained, well

2/3 C. shredded Parmesan cheese, divided

1/4 t. salt

1 t. pepper

1 sleeve of buttery round crackers (Ritz), about 30 crackers, crushed

¹/₄ C. melted unsalted butter

Preheat oven to 350. Spray a 9x13 pan with cooking spray. In a medium skillet, melt butter over medium heat. Add mushrooms and onion: cook until tender, three to four minutes. Transfer mushroom mixture to a large bowl. Add chicken, broccoli, rice, milk, sour cream, carrot, soup, pimentos, and 1/3 C. cheese; add salt and pepper to mixture and stir until combined. Spoon into prepared pan and cover. Bake for 30 minutes. In a small bowl, combine crushed crackers, melted butter, and remaining shredded cheese. Uncover casserole and sprinkle cracker mixture over chicken. Bake until golden brown, 10 to 15 minutes more. Let stand for zels 10 minutes before serving.

Double-Chocolate Rolo Cookies

If you are looking for a great cookie for the holiday cookie tray, this one will be a favorite right away. It uses the Rolo candies that are available at Christmas; they might be around other times, but the only time I pay attention is this time of the year. Who doesn't like the combo of chocolate, caramel, and pretzels? It is a cookie made in heaven.

½ C. butter, softened

½ C. packed brown sugar 1/3 C. sugar

1 egg, room temperature

1 t. vanilla

1 C. flour 2/3 C. baking cocoa

½ t. baking powder

½ t. baking soda

½ t. salt

1 C. (16 oz.) Rolo candies,

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½ C. coarsely crushed pret-

½ C. coarsely chopped pecans

Preheat the oven to 350. In a large bowl cream butter and sugars until light and fluffy, five to seven minutes. Beat in egg and vanilla. In another bowl, whisk flour, cocoa, baking powder, baking soda, and salt; gradually beat into creamed mixture. Stir in Rolos, pretzels, and pecans. Drop dough by 1/4 C, two inches apart onto parchment-lined baking sheets. Bake until cookies look cracked, 12 to 14 minutes. Allow cookies to cool completely on pans. Store between pieces of waxed paper in an airtight container.

Martha Washington Fudge

This recipe is reported to have come from Martha Washington's kitchen. I am

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Highland Agriculture students showcase talents at 2022 Illinois PAS Conference

Several Highland Agri- ture students to experience culture students were honored with awards at the 2022 Illinois PAS Conference on Thursday, Oct. 13 at Hancock Stadium on the campus of Illinois State University. Twenty Highland Community College Agriculture students participated in the oneday event. Students partook in several competitions with other students from across the state. Categories included employment interviews, career planning project presentations, agricultural sales presentations, agricultural teaching demonstrations, and knowledge-based exams and practicums in the areas of soil science, landscape horticulture, and equine sci-

Professional Agriculture Students (PAS) Organization is a national student organization that provides opportunities for college agricul-

individual growth, leadership, and career preparation through competition and cooperative activities.

To prepare for the 2022 Illinois PAS Conference students completed resumes, career planning projects, lesson plans, sales presentations, and study content-related materials. Their results are below.

Student placements:

- Hannah Visel (Lena) -Non-Ruminant Animal Career Planning Project, First
- Benjamin Bremmer (Pearl City) — Agribusiness Marketing/Management Career Plan, Second Place; Crop Production Employment Interview; Agricultural Sales Presentation.
- Kyley Cardoza (Freeport) — Ruminant Animal terview, Second Place. Career Planning Project, Second Place; Feed and An-

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Several Highland students attended and were honored at the 2022 Illinois PAS Conference. These students

were John Morgan, Carter Conderman, Mateo Garcia, Dylan Lewis, Carter Daws, Jase Sheffey, Sara Johnson, Cole Becker, Dylan Greenfield, Kyley Cardoza, Benjamin Bremmer, Alyssa Miller, Adriana Anderson, Brooke Ewald, Hannah Visel, Anna Johnson, Carissa Minx, Magen Busker, and Lakin Getz. Not pictured: Regan Scidmore.

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The Landscape Horticul-• Jase Sheffey (Pearl City) ture team was Carter Conderman, Dylan Lewis (Forreston), and Mateo Garcia (Hanover). Conderman finished in fifth place and Lewis was seventh.

Students and teams that finished in first or second place are eligible to compete at the National PAS Conference to be held March 15 through 18 2023, at Des Moines Area Community College in Ankeny, Iowa.

For more information on the Highland Community College Agriculture Program or the PAS Organization please contact Justin Ebert at justin.ebert@highland.eduor Monica Pierce at monica. pierce@highland.edu.

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Understand that your emotions are your choice. Even in dire circumstances, you choose how you feel. It may be bad, but it will get better and could possibly be worse. Most of our challenges won't even be on our radar a year from now, much less five years from now. Even if they will be, life won't always be the same as it is today. Ponder and remember that. Allow yourself to give it perspective even if it has to be one conscious breath at a time.

The happiest people believe in something greater than themselves. This lifts the weight of the world off of their shoulders. Perhaps we are not in control after all. Understand this and accept it. Embrace it for the gift it is.

I grew up believing "things" made me happy experiences, good fortune, other people. Turns out I was only half right. Happiness

might (sometimes) come from our environment, but most often it is already within us - waiting for us to embrace and recognize it. It is there for the taking. Go ahead, scoop up a healthy portion for yourself.

You'll be glad you did. Jill Pertler is an award-winning syndicated columnist, published playwright and author. She invites readers to follow the Slices of Life page on Facebook.

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• **Dreams** (Continued from page 15)

patch. After we had picked some berries for Grandma's next pie, we would go in the house and Grandpa would read a little from the Bible while Grandma knitted in her wheelchair. When I got sleepy, I would crawl into Grandpa's bed and go to sleep. He would help get Grandma out of the wheelchair and into her bed before he came and crawled in with me. There was no place more secure in all the

In both dreams I was back there in that house and it was

mine. I believe that house represents heaven and those huge grapes represented heaven's bounty and all the incredible blessings we will experience there. The second dream involves another element of heaven, the joy of seeing those who knew the Lord and have gone on before us. Both dreams filled me with such peace that I still am feeling blessed by them a couple weeks later. I don't know about you but the more humanistic this world becomes the more I long for heaven. In the meantime, I

want to share with everyone who will listen or read how important it is to shut off the noise of this world and place your trust in Jesus Christ for salvation and eternal life. He is the only Savior that has ever come into the world. He has paid the price that we might be saved from the penalty of our sin. Jesus paid the price and we have been offered the gift of salvation if we believe in Him. I pray that you will answer the call and give your hart to Him today. Until next week, God bless.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT. STEPHENSON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, FIFTH THIRD

BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION., Plaintiff, LANA R. DAGEL: **UNKNOWN OWNERS** AND NON-RECORD

CLAIMANTS, Defendants, Case No. 2022FC42

publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Lana R. Dagel, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, that the said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit, Stephenson County, Illinois by the said plaintiff against you and

The requisite affidavit for

for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit: Lot 2 in Block 6 in Chas.

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E. Meyer Addition to the City of Freeport. 315 East Jefferson, Free-

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Now, therefore, less you, Lana R. Dagel, Unknown Owners Non-Record Claimants. and the said above named defendants, file your answer to the complaint in said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the office of the Clerk of the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit, Stephenson County, Illinois, on or before January 27, 2023, default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a Judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint.

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COURT OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, STEPHENSON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, FIFTH THIRD

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ASSOCIATION., Plaintiff,

BANK, NATIONAL

LAURA L. KAUFFMAN, AKA LAURA KAUFFMAN; ILLINOIS HOUSING **DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**; UNKNOWN OWNERS

CLAIMANTS, Defendants, Case No. 2022FC62

AND NON-RECORD

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follows, to-wit: Lots 7 and 8 in Block 15 in the Town of Dakota; situated in the Village of Dakota, County of Stephenson and the State of Illinois.

other defendants, praying

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Dental research continues to advance dental materials

COURT FOR THE 15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STEPHENSON COUNTY 15 North Galena Avenue, FREEPORT, ILLINOIS **ESTATE OF Daryoush** Bagheri, DECEASED. 22 PR 95

IN THE CIRCUIT

Notice is given to creditors of the death of the above named decedent. Letters of office were issued to Tchernavia Rocker, 100 Harborview Drive, Unit 207, Baltimore, Maryland 21230, as Independent Administrator, whose attorney of record is Grace Luetkemeyer, Hoogendoorn & Talbot, LLP, 122 South Michigan Avenue, Suite 1220, Chicago, Illinois 60603.

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Research and advancements in dental technology continue to provide improvements in the bioactive dental materials that I wrote about earlier this year. These new innovations work synergistically with other advances in diagnostic technologies to deliver treatment earlier, with more precision, and with greater conservation of tooth structure.

To review, bioactive or bio interactive dental materials can interact or respond to stimuli in the oral environment. Because they can react to stimuli, bioactive materials are referred to as "smart materials". Technological advances in these smart materials are enhancing their "biomimetic"



DR. STEPHEN PETRAS Illinois Licensed General Dentist

activities, or their ability to mime or replicate the structure, function, and look of natural teeth and support the body's natural defensive and restorative abilities. When stimulated, smart materials exchange ions with the surrounding tooth structure to create minerals that are necessary for strong, healthy teeth. These include calcium, fluoride, and phosphate. These ions help to remineralize and strengthen the tooth

structure. For example, although previous research has developed restorative materials that could release fluoride ions, they were only able to do so for a short time. This meant the results were not long-lasting. Similar to when you recharge a battery, newer bioactive materials get recharged to release fluoride ions when they are exposed to fluoride in toothpaste, mouthwash, etc. This promotes oral health by maintaining both the antimicrobial benefits of fluoride and promoting remineralization to resist decay.

The specific material your dentist chooses for the bioactivity it will provide depends on which area of dentistry they are being utilized in and for what

dentistry, some smart materials remineralize and strengthen the tooth structure itself. Other smart materials create a hydroxyapatite (HAP) structure on the surface of the tooth to protect it (thus mimicking the apatite calcium phosphates that are the principal inorganic components of bones and teeth). They also bolster the tooth's own natural defensive system to stop the tooth from demineralizing. Smart cement materials used in restorations can respond to temperature changes in the mouth by expanding and contracting as the natural tooth does. This prevents gaps that could cause tooth sensitivity or secondary decay. Smart ceramic crowns provide superior strength, improved

insulation, reduced plaque adhesion on their surfaces, and increased preservation of natural tooth structure.

In implant dentistry, smart materials may help to stimulate bone growth at the interface of the implant, create a direct chemical bond, and provide antimicrobial properties to prevent infections. In endodontics, smart materials have been developed that help prevent the need for, or enhance the success of, complex root canal procedures.

As research continues to improve the bioactive and biomimetic abilities of dental materials, they will serve an ever-growing role in the prevention of oral disease and the conservation and regeneration of natural

• Kitchen (Continued from page 17)

not sure that I believe that bit Stir in coconut and pecans. of info, but it makes for an interesting recipe title. Actually, Martha Washington didn't have a refrigerator, so the authenticity is doubtful!

- 1 C. butter, softened
- 4 C. powdered sugar
- 1 can (14 oz.) sweetened condensed milk
 - 1 t. vanilla
- 3 C. sweetened shredded coconut
- 2 C. chopped pecans, toasted
- 6 C. semisweet chocolate chips
- ¹/₄ C. shortening

In a large bowl, beat butter, powdered sugar, milk, and vanilla until blended.

Divide dough in half; refrigerate, covered, 1 hour.

Working with half the dough at a time, shape mixture into one-inch balls; place on waxed paper-lined baking sheets. Refrigerate 30 minutes longer. In the top of a double boiler or a metal bowl over barely simmering water, melt chocolate chips and shortening; stir until smooth. Dip balls in melted chocolate; allow excess to drip off. Return to waxed paper. Top with additional coconut if desired. Refrigerate until set.

Final Thoughts

I set as my goal this week to get my cards done and my packages mailed. I am finished with most of the cards and the packages have been sent. I attended some wonderful Christmas parties in the last week, and I gained several pounds. We finally got some snow; hopefully just enough to make it look like Christmas. It can stop now. If you have some good recipes for the new year, 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@rvpublish-

In leaving our time together today, I would share with you my traditional Christmas message that I received many years ago from a dear friend. It has certainly been true for most of us. Remember that "Every time a hand reaches out to help another...that is Christmas. Every time someone puts anger aside and strives for understanding...that is Christ-Every time people forget their differences and realize their love for each other...that is Christmas. May this Christmas bring us closer to the spirit of human understanding, closer to the blessing of peace."

May the blessings of Christmas be on all of you as we celebrate the birth of the Christ Child and the promise of eternal life. Merry Christmas from Lena's Kitchen and the not-so-skinny cook.



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Property Index No. 43-22-101-236-00

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COMPACT TRACTORS: 20' Kubota L3301 Loader Tractor, D, Orops, 4x4, Hdro, 35 Hrs, John Deere 3320 Tractor, D, 72" Deck, Hydro, 3pt, PTO, 1,487 Hrs, Kubota B7510 Mower Tractor, D, 4x4, Hydro, 3pt, PTO, 1,200 Hrs, Kubota BX2660 Loader Tractor, D, 4x4, Hydro, 60" Deck, 707 Hrs, Massey Ferguson 1145 Tractor, Orops, 4x4, 2,795 Hrs, Massey Ferguson 1250 Tractor, D, Orops, 4x4, 2,049 Hrs, 03' John Deere 4410 Loader Tractor, Orops, Hydro, 4x4, 2,317 Hrs, John Deere 4320 Loader Tractor, D, Orops, Hydro, Front Aux Hyd, 1,490 Hrs, Bobcat CT230 Loader Tractor, Orops, Hydro, 334 Hrs, Kioti LK2554 Tractor, 16' Massey Ferguson GC1715 Loader Tractor, D, Hydro, 60" Deck

FARM EQUIPMENT: 15' New Holland 260 Self Propelled Windrower, 14' Head, Lot Of Work Done To Head, Very Nice Machine Only 600 Hrs, 17' Artex SBx800 Manure Spreader, Nice, John Deere 714 11 Shank Disk Chisel, John Deere 980 32' Field Cultivator, New Holland FP240 Towable Chopper, Hay Head NH 3PN Corn Head, Very Nice One Owner Unit, Dion S55 HO Silo Blower, Meyers TSS 18' Chopper Box, (2)-Victor 20F 18' Chopper Boxes, Gehl 125 Mixer Mill, Scale, Screens, Sunflower 9412 20' 3pt Grain Drill, Krause TL6200 42' Field Finisher, Krause 4850-18 Dominator Disk Chisel, Case IH Tigermate II 30' Field Cultivator, 5 Bar Spike Harrow, Very Nice, 20' Selford BBI Cricket Fertalizer Top Dresser, New Old Stock Never Used, Kuhn GA4220TH Rotary Rake, Very Nice, 21' Kuhn GF5202THA 4 Basket Tedder, H&S BF12HC High Capacity Rake, Kicker Wheels,

VEHICLES & TRAILERS: 21' Chevy 2500 HD High Country Pick Up Truck, Loaded, 4x4, Crew Cab, Short Box 50,000 Miles, Very Clean, 19' GMC Yukon, Loades, 4x4, 70,000 Miles, Very Clean, 66' Ford Fairlane Sedan, 4 Door, Repainted, 52,000 Original Miles, 22' Mac Lander 20' Hyd Tilt Trailer, 19' Diamond C 20' Tilt Trailer, 18' Load Trail GH225102 25' Gooseneck Trailer, Tandem Dual, 18' PJ 26' Deck Over Trailer, Tri-Axle, Load Max 20' Gooseneck Trailer, Tandem Axle, 93' Timpte 42' Grain Trailer, 80' Timpte 42' Grain Trailer, 10' Neville 30' Grain Trailer, Very Nice One Owner Trailer, 07' Sterling A9500 Day Cab Semi Tractor, 291,581 Miles, 03' International 9900 Eagle Semi Tractor, Sleeper, 1,104,222 Miles, 91' Peterbilt 357 Flat Bed Truck, Tandem Axle, Pusher Axle, Rebuilt Motor @ 430,000 Miles, 95' International 4900 Dump Truck, Manual, Plow, Municipal Unit

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