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Dennis Paul Janicke, age 74, of Kent, IL passed away Sunday, May 21, 2023, at home. He was born in Freeport, IL on May 3, 1949, to the late Paul and Marian (Nichwander) Janicke. Dennis married Sara Yeoman on September 30, 1967, in Pearl City, IL.

He had worked for Modern Plating and Sunstrand then started his own business, Janicke Trucking. Dennis also had numerous side jobs throughout his life. He was a people person who was always making new friends and enjoyed socializing. In his spare time, Dennis liked gardening, woodworking, gambling, music, and dancing. Most of all, he loved spending time with his fam-Dennis is survived by his wife, Sara Janicke; his sons, Rick (Teresa) and Dave (Tammy); his brother,

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icke: his sisters, Sharon Kuhlemeier and Peggy (Jim) Quinn; his brotherin-law, Jim Gorham; his 6 grandchil-

dren; 6 great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; his sister, Bonnie Gorham; his sister-in-law, Janice Janicke; and his brother-in-law, Vern Kuhlemeier.

A funeral service was held on Wednesday, May 24, 2023, at Hermann Funeral Home in Pearl City at 12 p.m. with a visitation that began at 10 a.m. Interment will take place at Kent Lutheran Cemetery. A memorial fund has been established. Condolences may be shared at www. hermannfuneralhome.com.

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George L. Schaney Jr, 68, of Lena. Passed away Friday, May 26, 2023, peacefully surrounded by his loving family, in his home. Born September 13, 1954 the son of George L. (Marietta) Schaney Sr. and Elizabeth (Kenneth) Baker. He attended Hononegah Community High School in Rockton. George married Rose Marie Flickinger August

George joined the United States Marine Corps August 25, 1974. After his years of service, he later worked at Kent Cheese, and Menards for many years until he became ill in 2017. George enjoyed many outdoor activities. He was an avid fisherman and gardener. George enjoyed spending time with his wife at craft, garden, boat shows. Most of all George cherished his grandchildren.

George is survived by his wife, Rose Marie; Son, Jay (Alice) Schaney Sr. of Stockton; Daughter, Amanda (Jim) Klinefelter of Lake Carroll; Grandchildren, Eric (Shania) Schaney, Maranda Schaney Jay Jr Schaney &, Olivia Great-Grand-Klinefelter; daughter, Piper Schaney; and a great grandchild on the way. Brothers; Clifford (Wil-

ma) Merrill STEVEN W. HUGHES of Las Vegas, Corke (Debra) Schaney of Cedarville, Sisters; Lou (Jim) Forholt Webster, FL, Penny

Hauck, Laurie Rodriguez of Lincoln Nebraska. His faithful companion Livy.

He is predeceased by his parents, Father-in-law Jay B. Flickinger, Mother-in-law Ethel Flickinger.

George's family would like to extend a special thank you to Northern Illinois Hospice for providing excellent care over the past few months. They would like to extend and extra "thumbs up" to his nurse Laurie and caregivers Chemere and Paige.

Services will be held Friday, June 2, at 10:00 a.m. at Van Brocklin- Florence UMC 3582 S Bolton Rd Freeport, with Pastor Chuck Wolbers officiating. There will be a visitation on Thursday, June 1, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Walker Mortuary in Freeport, IL. Burial will be at Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens, Freeport. Condolences may be shared at www. walkermortuary.com.



Steven W. Hughes, age 76 of Lena, IL, died Saturday, May 27, 2023 at SSM Health Monroe Hospital, surrounded by his loving family. He was born February 26, 1947 in Belmont, WI; the son of William and Blodwyn (Roberts) Hughes. He was a graduate of Lena-Winslow High School. Steven married Susan "Sam" Duth at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Kent, IL on September 2, 1966.

He was proud to have served his country in the Illinois National Guard. He was a carpenter for Lena Builders for several years, then pursued a career as an insurance agent. Steve was a member of the Lena United Methodist Church. He had a passion for music and loved to sing and play guitar. He was possibly one of the biggest Gordon Lightfoot fans ever. Reading was also one of his passions. He loved visiting with his clients, many friends and "The Neighbors." Of course spending time with both his grandsons took priority over everything else.

He was preceded in death



ents; grandparents; one brother, Terry Hughes of Rock Falls; and one sister, Pamela Blomquist of Morri-

son, IL. Survivors include his wife, Susan "Sam" Hughes of Lena; two children, Scott (Sonya) Hughes of Shalimar, FL and Sarah (Michael) Eveland of Stockton, IL; two grandsons, Mitchell Eveland of Lena, IL and Nicholas Eveland of Stockton, IL; one brother, Bob (Suzette) Hughes of Janesville, WI; two sisters, Diana Williams of Plano, TX and Kris (Lyle) Mokros of Platteville, WI; as well as many nieces and nephews.

Special thank you to SSM Health Monroe Hospital, Leonard C. Ferguson Cancer Center and FHN Supportive Care Staffs.

Per Steve's request, there will be no visitation or service. Cremation rites will be accorded. Condolences may be shared with his family at www.walkermortuary.com.

WILLIAM BROOKS

William Robert Brooks, age 90, of Stockton, IL passed away Friday, March 17, 2023, at the VA Hospital in Madison, WI. William was born on May 10, 1932, in Fort Dodge, IA to the late William and Abby (Collins) Brooks. William married Nancy Boekholder on Nov. 17, 1962, at St. Joseph's Church in Freeport, IL.

William was a graduate of Fort Dodge High School and St. Ambrose University. He proudly served in the United States Navy. William was a member of Holy Cross Catholic Church in Stockton and the Model Airplane Club. He had worked as a Quality Control Manager for Eaton. William enjoyed reading, building model airplanes, tinkering, and

vived by his wife, Nan-Brooks; cy daughhis ters, Thea Brooks and Lisa (David) Craig;

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He is sur-

son, William Brooks; his eight grandchildren and six great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; his sister, Elaine; and his granddaughter, Haley.

A service will be held on Friday, June 2, 2023, at 10 a.m. at Holy Cross Catholic Church with a visitation at 9:30 a.m. A memorial fund has been established. Condolences may be shared at www. hermannfuneralhome.com.

MARITA MOORE

Marita Moore passed away Wednesday May 24, 2023. She was born Jan. 26, 1926, in Stockton, IL to the late Walter and Mary Ellen (O'Halloran) Creighton. She graduated from Stockton High School in 1943 after which she attended St. Francis School of Nursing in Freeport, IL. She married Clyde "Sandy" Moore on May 12, 1945, and was a stay-at-home mom until her youngest child started school.

Marita was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Lena, a member of Lena Woman's Club, Lena Historical Society, a 50-year member of Lena Home Extension, a member of Micro Switch/ Honeywell 25-year club, a member of the Red Hat Society, and had belonged to several card clubs. After retiring from Micro Switch/Honeywell in the purchasing dept., she worked as a home nurse/ companion at FHN, volunteered at Mother Hubbard's Cupboard working with young moms, and was a volunteer at FHN. Marita loved to entertain and was a wonderful cook and baker. Marita and Sandy enjoyed many years of traveling together. Marita took her dream trip to her ancestor's homeland in Ireland while in her 80s.

She is survived by her three children: Gary (Sharon) Moore of Freeport, La Rae (Gene) Gothard of Savanna, and Karyn (Bob) Collier of

She is also survived by her sonin-law Sam Gadola, of Hardwood Hts.; seven grandchildren;

Mark (Kathryn) Moore of Tennessee, Becky Moore of Machesney Park, Tony (Kendra) Gothard of Savanna, Tracy Madura of Bolingbrook, Robyn (Josh) Joens of Shannon, Troy Collier of Freeport, and Brian Gadola of Hardwood Hts.; 14 great-grandchildren, one great-great grandson, and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband Sandy, her daughter Roberta Gadola, sister Wilma Groom, and brothers Regis, Cecil, and Norman Creigh-

A memorial mass was held at 11a.m. on Tuesday, May 30, 2023, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Lena, Îllinois. A visitation was from 10 a.m. until time of services on Tuesday, May 30, 2023, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Lena, Illinois.

Father Peter Snieg will officiate the services. A private family burial will take place at Lena Burial Park in Lena, Illinois. A memorial fund has been established in her name. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.leamonfh. com

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Lance Lansing named Vice **President at Apple** River State Bank

Apple River State Bank as Vice President – Lending in the bank's new Darlington office, which will open soon. He will be responsible for lending relationships in Darlington. Lance has an extensive agricultural, commercial, and mortgage lending background in southwest Wisconsin.

"Lance brings strong agricultural and commercial lending experience as well as mortgage experience to Apple River State Bank, and we are very fortunate to have someone with his expertise join our team," said Joel Holland, the bank's Chief Executive Officer. "His extensive lending background will provide outstanding financial expertise to our clients in our new Darlington office."

Lance is a graduate of Lakeland College, Madison. He serves on the Wisconsin Bankers Association Ag Section Board and the Lafayette Dairy Promotion County

He currently serves as the layperson for the Fayette on several committees and the board for the church. In addition, Lance is involved on the fundraising committee for the new Platteville firehouse, volunteers for Darlington FFA alumni fundraisers and cross-country boosters' fundraisers, and distributes food bundles for Food Pantry. He coached Little League in Wiota and has been a 4-H leader and camp chaperon.

Lance's wife, Hilari, is a Paraprofessional at Darlington Elementary School, and his son, Liam, is a Junior at Darlington High School. He and his family live on a farmette north of Darlington that was originally part of his family farm.





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Thursday, June 8 • 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Friday, June 9 • 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday, June 10 • 8 a.m. - noon

Maps are available at the BOCO Gas Station on June 5



Northwest Illinois Daily Drawing May winners

The Northwest Illinois Daily announces its May winners. The Daily Drawing is a drawing for 365 daily cash prizes from Oct. 1, 2022, through Sept. 30, 2023, to those donating for a ticket. Over \$21,000 is paid out to ticket holders during the drawing year. Cash prizes vary between \$50 and \$250. A ticket may win multiple times as each ticket remains in the drawing each day for the entire year, no matter how often it may be drawn.

Sponsoring organizations from Jo Daviess, Carroll & Stephenson County include: Caring Community of Elizabeth, East Dubuque Music Boosters, Eastland Music Boosters, Galena After Prom, Galena Key Club, Hanover Alumni Association, Hanover Chamber of Commerce, Lena-Winslow Education Foundation. Foundation, Pearl City Athletic Boosters, Philanthropic Educational Organization-Chapter OH, Scales Mound Travelers, Stewards of the Upper Mississippi River Refuge, Stockton Girls Sports, Warren Athletic Boosters and West Carroll Sports Boosters.

May winners are:

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\$50 – LaVonne Eden \$50 - Daisha Boehm

\$50 – Sue Cool

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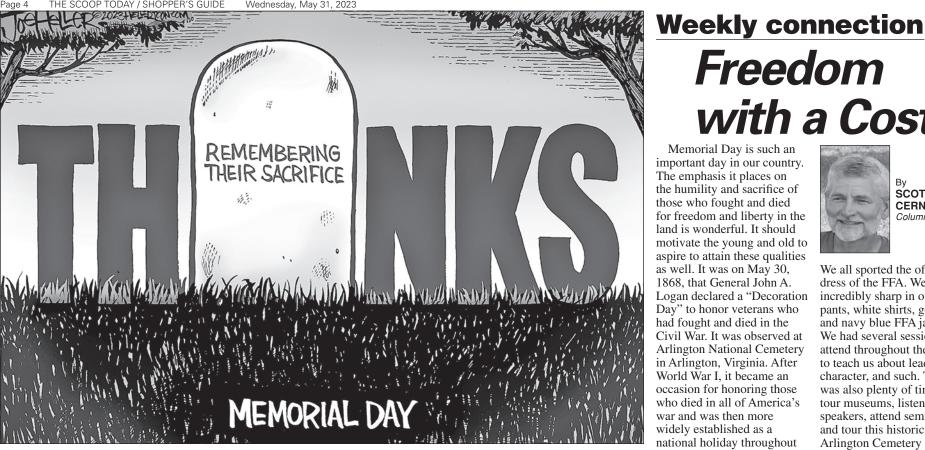
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\$50 – Elizabeth Garage



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Northwestern Illinois Community Action Agency Senior Citizens Services Golden Meals Program

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NICAA Golden Meals Program serves senior citizens in Stephenson, Jo-Daviess, Carroll and Whiteside Counties



NICAA Golden Meals delivers hot mid-day meals to persons 60 years of age and older who are homebound or are unable to make their own meals. Meals may be delivered

during a short recuperation period after discharge from the hospital or on a permanent basis.



The Golden Meals menus provide one-third of the USDA recommended daily allowances for senior citizens and are approved by a registered dietitian. Each meal includes 3 ounces of protein, two 1/2 cup servings of

fruits or vegetables, bread and milk.



Hot meals are delivered Monday through Thursday with a cold tray delivered on Thursday for Friday's meal and frozen meals for the weekend. Sack suppers are available. A suggested donation of \$3.00

per meal is requested. No one will be denied service due to their inability to donate.

To begin home-delivered meal service, call the NICAA Golden Meals office at 815-232-8896. You will be asked some questions to determine eligibility. Meals can usually be started the next day.

Golden Meals Menus are available at nicaa.org

The Northwestern Illinois Community Action Agency Senior Citizens' Services Golden Meals program is funded in part with Title III-C Older Americans Act funds received through the Illinois Department on Aging and the Northwestern Illinois Area Agency on Aging, NICAA Golden Meals does not discriminate in admission to programs or treatment of employment in programs in compliance with the Illinois Human Rights Act, the U.S. Civil Rights Act, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, the Age Discrimination Act and Age Discrimination in Employment Act, and the U.S. and Illinois Constitutions.

Letter to the editor

We would like to acknowledge the time and effort of Dennis Young in his years as manager of the Stockton Memorial Park. Dennis is heading into a well-deserved retirement. He always had the Park well-manicured, the sports fields ready for games, and the pool ready to go. He would go above and beyond

with requests for picnic tables positioned for family reunions and other gatherings, and the sidewalks were always cleared of snow. Thank you, Dennis, for your service to Stockton Memorial Park.

From the Board of Directors Stockton Heritage Museum Ann Coppernoll



Northwestern Illinois Community Action Agency (NICAA) Notification of Interest to bid on work in the Illinois Home Weatherization Assistance Program for labor and material in HVAC Mechanical and /or Architectural

The Northwestern Illinois Community Action Agency (NICAA) is accepting names of contractors interested in participating in the 2023-24 Illinois Home Weatherization Assistance Program. All contractors interested in receiving a bid package must contact NICAA at 27 South State Avenue, Suite 102, Freeport, Illinois 61032

For more information or to receive a bid package, please call the Weatherization Department at 815-232-3141 ext. 115

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Washington Leadership Conference that year. The memory is very clear in my mind. First of all, I was taking my first jet airplane ride and that in and of itself was rather breathtaking. Secondly, I had never been that far away from home before and thirdly, I was a green little farm boy getting my first experience of a major city. Upon arrival in D.C. I was met by some of the directors of the conference

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times. The first time I was

there was when I had just

finished my junior year

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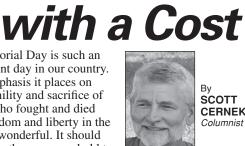
relax a little before attending

a very formal banquet given

by some of the congressmen

we had some time to get to

know our roommates and



Freedom

SCOTT **CERNEK**

We all sported the official dress of the FFA. We looked incredibly sharp in our black pants, white shirts, gold ties and navy blue FFA jackets. We had several sessions to attend throughout the week to teach us about leadership, character, and such. There was also plenty of time to tour museums, listen to speakers, attend seminars, and tour this historic city. Arlington Cemetery was definitely a highlight as I stood breathlessly watching the changing of the guards at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. The precision and authority with which these guards went about the ceremony left an immense impression on my young seventeen-year-old mind and it has never left. Later when I was chaperoning eighth students year after year on their own D.C. trips, I was able to experience the same emotion with them that I had on my first trip. It has been such a privilege to be able to experience this and I'm so thankful to have been able to go so many times over the years.

Where would we be without the sacrifice of so many of our military heroes. These men and women of valor went about their jobs with total dedication to the citizens of this great land. They sacrificed their own futures because they felt it was their honor and duty to

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Church news

Lutheran Church

John's Lutheran St. Church, Pearl City, will celebrate the first Sunday after Pentecost and Trinity Sunday on June 4. A Worship Service with Holy Communion will begin at 9 a.m. with Pastor Michelle Knight presiding.

Prayer Shawl Ministry Outreach will be Sunday, June 4 at 10 a.m. in Luther Hall. Start a shawl or quilt or work on one already started. On Tuesday, June 6 dominoes will be played in Luther Hall.

ing of dominoes and fellowship.

The Men's Breakfast Group will meet at Garden View Restaurant on June 7 at 7:30 a.m. Any men in the Pearl City and Lena area are invited to attend.

The third night of Vacation Bible School (VBS) will take place on July 2. A meal will be served from 5 to 5:20 p.m. for families to enjoy. The children will rotate through stations of Bible study, crafts, and music. Confirmation stu-

All are invited for a fun morn-dents will be helping. VBS will continue this summer on August 6. There is no charge to participate.

St. John's Lutheran Church of Pearl City is an ELCA parish and is located at 229 S. First St., in Pearl City. The church is handicapped accessible. Please call 815-443-2215 for information or with any questions.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

All are invited to worship at Good Shepherd Lutheran Lena, IL on Sunday, June 4 for Holy Trinity Sunday Worship Service. Holy Communion will be celebrated in this service. The reading will be from Matthew 28:16-20.

On Wednesday, June 7

Church, 118 E. Mason St. Peace Corps Quilting group church's Facebook page and will meet from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. No quilting experience necessary. Come and tie the quilts and make difference in the world.

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News briefs

July Raffle

The Sons of the American Legion in Lena are once again selling raffle tickets for the month of July. During July, one ticket will be drawn every day but Sunday. The July 4 winner receives \$500, Saturday winners get \$100, and weekdays winners get \$50.

Tickets are \$10 each and are eligible to win every day. The proceeds from this raffle go to sponsoring The American Legion Baseball team, Boys State, Girls State, and other Legion programs. For tickets or more information, please call 815-369-4684 or jamcps54@yahoo.com

County American Legion Flag Retirement Ceremony

The Orangeville American Legion Post 720 will host the annual County American Legion Flag Retirement Ceremony on Monday, June 12, 2023, at 6 p.m. at the Orangeville Village Hall, 301 S. East Street, Orangeville, IL. The public is invited to attend.

Faded, frayed and unserviceable U.S. flags are properly and respectfully retired at this event. Unusable flags may be given to a Legion

geville Village official.

Lanark Public Library

The Lanark Public Library and the Friends of the Lanark Public Library are kicking off summer reading with a special program on June 9 at 10 a.m. at the Lanark Heritage Center, 106 S Broad Street. All ages are welcome to learn about the beauty of the magnificent pelican and other wildlife, presented by "Hoo" Haven Wildlife and Educational Center of Durand. This event is free and will last about one

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The Illinois Department of Transportation announced today that weather permitting, construction on the bridge carrying Illinois 73 over Cedar Creek in Stephenson County will begin Tuesday, May 30. The work zone is located

south of Winslow. Work includes deck patching, expansion joint replacement, concrete overlay installation and structure repairs. One lane of traffic with a barrier wall and signals will be utilized during the project, which is expected

to be completed in September.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. To avoid the work area. when feasible, use of alternate

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– Edward Keller Trust, Owner

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Stockton Middle School holds sixth grade Awards Ceremony

Students earning the Silver Honor Roll Award with a GPA of 3.0-3.4 are (from left to right) Brycen Drane, Zach Larson, Cadence Krueger, Jaycie Ernst, Lauren Johnson, Andria Lancaster, Jordan Lopez, Elizabeth Vanderheyden, Maranda Volling, (not pictured) Alayna Haas.



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Students earning the Gold Honor Roll Award with a GPA of 3.5-4.0 are (left to right) Karah Arnold, Vanessa Drane, Emma Groezinger, Mayci Humphrey, Allison Kline, Adaleigh Pierce, Izaak Kurth, Ryker Kurek, Peyton Weipert, Brier McPeek, Jameson Brown, (not pictured) Alex Jordan, and Danika Bergman.



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M Zoey Gardne SUBMITTED PHOTO Rock Valley Publishing Zoey Gardner receives the Louis Miele Award which

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recognizes the most improved student.

We received notification there will be no peach sales this year. The orchard that we have worked with for years lost the bulk of its crop and will not be able to fulfill outside orders. We apologize as we know many members look forward to this sale.



All Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau members should have received their personal invitation to the Farm Bureau/COUNTRY Financial/Stephenson Service Company appreciation picnic. Please be sure to RSVP by June 5 to our office at 815-858-2235 or jdcfboffice@ gmail.com so we can make sure to have plenty of food for everyone.

Pop tab collection

The Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau is asking families, school groups, churches, and other organizations to collect pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House of Iowa

Annette **Eggers**

liver the collected tabs to the Iowa City facility for its fundraising campaign. The Ronald McDon-

the farm bureau will de-

ald House Charities provide a home-away-from-home for families whose children are hospitalized and seriously ill. We think the pull tab collection is wonderful cause and know that many people from this area doctor at Iowa City. This recycling program is beneficial for everyone involved. It does not interfere with other can recycling programs and recycles a resource that might otherwise go to waste. More importantly, children and their families are being helped during their time of need.

Please drop off collected tabs in any kind of container to the Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau office Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Family Farm Signs

It's that time of year that we are all thinking of planting and sprucing things up around the farm. Why not add a "This is a Family Farm" sign to your landscape. The signs are 17.5" X 23" and cost \$30.

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Wildcats look back on 2023 seaso

CORRESPONDENT

It wasn't the picture-perfect ending the River Ridge-Scales Mound Wildcats were hoping for in their 2023 baseball season. After falling in the Regional Semifinals, the Wildcats sent off a beloved group of seniors who have led the way for a few years now. Six seniors are graduating, evenly split between the co-op, with three from River Ridge and three from Scales Mound. Maddox Knauer, Dylan Diehl, and Landis Longmore are the three from River Ridge. Charlie Wiegel, Jacob Deurr, and Isaac Heffernen are the three seniors from Scales Mound. Each individual played a significant role in the Wildcats' turnaround in 2023.

RR-SM Head Coach, Jeremy Knauer, took the time to discuss the six seniors and how they impacted the program in their final campaign. Jeremy dubbed Heffernen the "dugout leader" adding that Heffernen is "one of those kids that just kept everyone loose. Got some playing time here and there but was kind of that dugout glue piece that every team needs." On Deurr, the Wildcats' third baseman,

fensive play stating, "Deurr was phenomenal on defense, just a great defensive player. [Deurr] had his struggles on offense, but defensively he was great this season for us."

Wiegel led the way for the Scales Mound players. Jeremy referred to Wiegel as a "lights out center fielder". After his 2023 season. Wiegel was rewarded with a Second Team All-Conference selection for the NUIC-West. Wiegel was another one of those players that stood out on defense but struggled to find his way at the plate. "He's so fast, he just needs to hit the ball on the ground," Jeremy said, adding, "[Wiegel] hit a pretty significant slump once we got into conference play." Wiegel had a stretch where he went just one for 28 in the box. The senior was elite in the field, however. Wiegel wasn't charged with an error in all of 2023 as he held things down for the Wildcats out in center. 'He is phenomenal in the outfield, has a good arm, threw a couple guys out at the plate. He had a really good year for us," Jeremy added.

Jeremy also spoke about the River Ridge seniors, one of

than the rest Maddox Knauer is Jeremy's son and has been one of the Wildcats' leaders on both sides of the ball for the last three years. Maddox was a First Team All-Conference selection the last two years, and he made it a three-peat with a third consecutive selection for his senior season. On Maddox, Jeremy said, "He had a little bit of a down year in some areas. Batting average was down a little bit, he hit .400 the last two years, and he was down to about .313 this season. He had a great on base percentage, which is what we preach anyways." In 116 at bats, Maddox only got out 40 times. On the mound, Maddox was just as impressive. Despite having a 4-4 pitching record, Maddox posted a 1.5 earned run average, which is fourth all time in program his-

Diehl was another solid pitcher for the Wildcats. Diehl went 7-1 on the mound in 2023 and gave the Wildcats an edge over some of their opponents. Where Maddox didn't necessarily match up well with some of the other aces in the area, Jeremy believes that Diehl was one of the best

"If we could have been a two versus a number two, I feel like we would have had the best number two guy," Jeremy said, adding, "We just couldn't get through that Dakota game, otherwise I feel we would have matched up really well." Diehl was also a First Team All-Conference selection for his play in 2023.

Finally, on Longmore, Jeremy complimented his ability to impact the game. "Initially, he just wanted to be a defensive specialist as an outfielder, but he had a good season this year. He'd be a pinch hitter, would come in and run bases for us, and would be a defensive specialist in the outfield. He gave us some depth as far as being able to make some substitutions.'

"The six seniors will be missed," Jeremy added before discussing the improvements he seen throughout the years. This class of seniors is a unique group as they were the ones who lost a season due to Covid during their freshman season. "That really hurt them," Jeremy said, explaining, "I felt like we were going to win another regional championship. We had tons of guys coming back,

everything was setup perfectly for us, and we were going to get some of our younger kids experience. That's just huge experience. This is the first group that has come through my program that never won a regional. That's always huge to get that taste of winning one as you are younger, because then you see what it's like. I feel like if we would have won one that Covid year and some of these younger kids had gotten to experience that, it would have carried over." Still, Jeremy was pleased with how the team improved, adding that they increased their win total each and every year.

Despite the loss of such an impactful group of seniors, the Wildcats have plenty to be hopeful about for the future. This year's Freshman-Sophomore squad had the best season in program history at that age group. The Junior Varsity team went 19-2 in 2023, which included a 16-game winning streak to end the season.

Jeremy is realistic about their finish. "We were lucky. We had some juniors who don't start on varsity, that we were able to play on JV to get some experience, because we are going to need them next have that luxury, so I'm also being realistic. I know we had some kids that were a little bit older than some of the kids that were playing, but you still have to go out and play," Jeremy said.

If the Wildcats want to return to a regional championship in the near future, the team needs to find a new ace pitcher. Jeremy stated, "We don't have the shutdown ace right now. We have a bunch of twos and threes on our pitching staff. So, that's something we are going to have to figure out. You can win a lot of games during the season, but when it comes to postseason, you really got to have that shutdown pitching. So, for us to get back to that regional championship contending team, we have got to find an

Jeremey is both hopeful and realistic about the future as he stated, "We don't have a ton of numbers, but the kids that we do have are pretty good. I don't know if a regional championship is in our future, down the road the next three or four years, but I know we are going to remain competitive and be in contention.'

Warhawks lead the way for NUIC-West All Conference softball team

By Trenten Scheidegger CORRESPONDENT

The Warren-Stockton Warhawks found their names all over the 2023 NUIC-West All-Conference softball team list. After finishing the season with a 6-4 conference record. the Warhawks had five players on the All-Conference team, including the conference's Most Valuable Player.

Elaina Martin dominated her way through her senior season in 2023. According to MaxPreps, Martin led the Warhawks with an exceptional batting average of .545 and 11 homeruns. Martin also had a team-leading 26 runs batted in on the season. Thanks to her play, Martin was recognized with a First Team All-Conference NUIC-West selection, as well as the MVP award. The Warhawks will have a tough time replacing Martin's production at the

Joining Martin on the First Team was Lauren Kehl, a senior pitcher who gave opposing batters fits all season long. Kehl had a big week after the end of the 2023 season. Not only was she named First Team All-Conference, but Kehl signed her letter of intent to continue her softball career at Danville Area Community College next fall.

Kehl led the way on the mound for the Warhawks over the last few years. In 2023, Kehl posted a 12-4 record with an earned run average of just 2.34. Kehl pitched nearly every inning for the Warhawks in 2023. In just over 107 innings, Kehl struck out 148 batters, walked 28, and allowed 111 hits. Kehl's

made a splash in 2023. Freshman, Adrianne Baker, finished with 24 hits and a .607 batting average, which were both team-leading numbers. Baker added 20 RBI, 10 doubles, and four triples as she came on strong as a freshman. Baker should look to take another step forward as she becomes a leader for the Warhawks next season.

Rounding out the 2023 All-Conference selections for the Warhawks was junior Addy Bohnsack who earned a Second Team selection. Bohnsack hit .288 this season with three homeruns and four-

It's important to note that many of the Warhawks' stats are unofficial with two games

Fulton, with seven.

The Scales Mound-River Ridge Hornets found a few names of their own on the list. Despite finishing just 2-8 in conference play, the Hornets had some bright spots in 2023. Junior Amie Richmond was their lone First Team All-Conference selection. Richmond led the way offensively with a team-leading .413 batting average and two homeruns. Richmond finished the year with 12 doubles and 15 RBI.

Richmond also led the team in stolen bases with 18.

The Hornets had a pair of Second Team selections. Millie Boden, a fellow junior, was one of those Second Team All-Conference selections. Boden was another one of the team's leading hitters. With a .357 average, 25 hits, and 17 RBI, Boden was consistent all season long. Boden also hit a pair of homers and stole nine bases in 2023.

Finally, Emily Wurster 2023.

also earned a Second Team All-Conference selection as a senior. Wurster was a leader for the Hornets through 2023, and her hard work translated to the field. Batting .398, Wurster led the team in hits with 23. The senior also added 14 RBI and seven doubles in her final campaign as a Hornet.

SM-RR was also recognized with the NUIC-West Sportsmanship award for

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LEGAL NOTICES

Wednesday, May 31, 2023

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STEPHENSON COUNTY, ILLINOIS U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, PLAINTIFF,

MICAH WILSON; COURTNEY WILSON; MICAH WILSON; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS: COURTNEY WILSON;

UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, **DEFENDANTS** NO. 22 FC 18 1264 WEST STAVER STREET FREEPORT, IL

NOTICE OF SALE **PURSUANT TO** JUDGMENT OF **FORECLOSURE UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE** FORECLOSURE ACT

NOTICE IS PUBLIC **GIVEN** pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by the Court in the above entitled cause on March 9, 2023, Sheriff of Stephenson County will on 6/20/2023, in Stephenson County Courthouse 15 N. Galena Ave (West Door), Freeport, IL 61032, at 9:30am, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of Stephenson, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment:

CITY OF FREEPORT LOT 51 OF CREST-WOOD ADDITION TO THE CITY OF FREE-PORT, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN BOOK "F" OF PLATS, AT PAGE **STEPHENSON** COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

TAX NO. 18-13-36-128-

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Freeport, IL 61032 Description of Improvements: The property is a single family. The property has a one car garage. The garage is attached. The exterior is vinyl siding. The color is white. The property does not have a fence.

The property is occupied.

The Judgment amount was \$92,918.41.

Sale Terms: This is an "AS IS" sale for "CASH". The successful bidder must deposit 10% down by certified funds; balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. NO REFUNDS.

The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate, water bills, etc., and May 24, 31 & June 7, 2023) is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to plaintiff. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

Upon payment in full of the bid amount, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all infor-

The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.

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Plaintiff's attorney is not required to provide additional information other than that set forth in this notice of sale.

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NOTICE

Lena-Winslow **CUSD** #202 Board of Education in Stephenson and Jo Daviess counties announces the availability of the Amended Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022. The budget will be available for public inspection online at Le-Win. net or at the District Office, 401 Fremont Street, Lena, IL during normal school hours beginning on Thursday, May 25, 2023.

The Board of Education will hold a public hearing regarding the Amended Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023 on Wednesday, June 28, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Le-Win Junior High School library at 517 Fremont Street, Lena, Illinois.

Pete Conway Secretary **Board of Education** (Published in The Shopper's Guide May 31, 2023)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT JO DAVIESS COUNTY -GALENA, ILLINOIS U.S. Bank National Association **PLAINTIFF**

Melissa S. Turner; Joseph S. Turner; State of Illinois - Department of Revenue; Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants **DEFENDANTS**

No. 2023FC2 NOTICE BY **PUBLICATION** NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU:

Joseph S. Turner Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants

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East Dubuque, IL 61025 and which said Mortgage was made by: Melissa S. Turner

the Mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for U.S. Bank N.A., as Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Jo Daviess County, Illinois, as Document No. 312526; and for other relief; that summons was duly issued out of said Court against you as provided by law and that the said suit is now pending. NOW,

THEREFORE, UNLESS YOU file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this case in the Office of the Clerk of this Court, Kathy Phillips

Clerk of the Circuit Court

Jo Daviess County

Courthouse 330 N. Bench Street Galena, IL 61036 on or before June 23, 2023, A DEFAULT MAY BE **ENTERED AGAINST** YOU AT ANY TIME AF-TER THAT DAY AND JUDGMENT BE ENTERED IN AC-CORDANCE WITH THE PRAYER OF SAID COM-PLAINT. **CODILIS &** ASSOCIATES, P.C. Attorneys for Plaintiff 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100 Burr Ridge, IL 60527 (630) 794-5300 DuPage # 15170 Winnebago # 531 Our File No. 14-22-09717 NOTE: This law firm is a debt collector. I3220843

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Unhealthy Coping Mechanisms

Many people today are overwhelmed with stress. We all have different coping mechanisms or ways of handling stress. While you may not be aware of it, some of these coping mechanisms may be negatively affecting your health.

Persistent nail biting causes excessive wear on teeth, lacerated gums, microfractures in teeth and in severe cases, misalignment of teeth. Biting your nails puts your jaw in a protruding position which can lead to dysfunction of the joint. Germs transferred from your nails can lead to infections in your mouth. If a piece of nail cuts your gums, the infection can get in your blood. Warts on your hands can be transferred to your mouth as

Many people are not aware of the fact that they are dealing with their stress by grinding and clenching their teeth because they are doing it in their sleep. The forces generated by bruxism can be six times the forces your teeth undergo while chewing. Clenching and or grinding your teeth can lead to tooth damage, jaw pain, headaches, joint damage, arthritis in the jaw joint, receding gums, and loss of teeth. Even if you are not experiencing any pain, a dental exam may show evidence of bruxism as noted by changes in the tooth surface, cracks, and fractures. To prevent further damage from bruxism, or the grinding and clenching of teeth, your dentist may prescribe a nightguard. The type of nightguard will depend on the type of bruxism habit, contributing factors, accompanying symptoms and extent of damage. A nightguard is designed to prevent damage from involuntary bruxism while you sleep. However, your dentist may prescribe wearing it during stressful daytime activities as you work to break the habit of grinding or clenching when

It is important to be aware of biting habits and their consequences, so you do not allow them to develop into a chronic bad habit. Chronic biting can lead to irritated, inflamed, torn, or damaged oral tissues, which may allow pathogens to enter the body. Keep in mind that,



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while chronic biting can be a nervous habit initiated by stress, it can also develop because of a malocclusion or bad bite. When the teeth do not meet together it is not unusual for oral tissues to get caught in the gaps. This should be evaluated by your dentist. If your biting habit is caused by stress, you may not even be aware of how often you are doing it until it becomes painful. Biting habits are often exacerbated by certain triggers. Try to be more aware or "catch yourself" when you start to bite. Take note of when you were doing it and what was going on, so you can identify and avoid these triggers, or find an alternate coping mechanism to reduce stress.

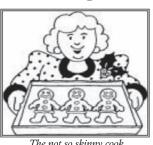
While I often recommend chewing sugarless gum if you are unable to brush your teeth after lunch at work or school, constantly chomping on gum to relieve stress can damage your temporomandibular joints (TMJ), orofacial muscles and teeth. In addition, repeatedly popping yet another new piece of gum in your mouth can lead to ingesting excessive amounts of artificial sweeteners or sugar alcohols, which can play havoc with your gut health. Do not chew gum with sugar in it as these feeds the bacteria that causes tooth decay and gum disease.

Ice is hard and brittle. This is enough to chip or crack teeth. While chewing on ice may help release some of your tension, it is wearing away your enamel and can lead to injuries to the gums. Fillings and teeth are further adversely affected by the expansion and contraction that occurs with the sudden temperature change.

Everybody reacts to stress differently. Becoming aware of what triggers your stress habit can help you to manage it. Here are some things to consider. Squeezing a stress ball helps relax clenched muscles and allows your body to release tension.

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From Lena's Kitchen



The not so skinny cook

Summer is officially here. What a beautiful weekend weather wise. We celebrated a lot of wet Memorial Days, so this one was a treat! The warm weather has been good to get things started in the fields and gardens. There have been a lot of asparagus hunters out there, so we will feature some asparagus and rhubarb recipes this week. Have a great week cooking.

Three Cheese Cauliflower Casserole

1 medium head cauliflower cut into ½ inch pieces (about 10 cups)

4 T. butter, divided

1 T. canola oil

4 oz. cream cheese, cubed

3½ C. shredded cheddar cheese, divided

1½ C. shredded mozzarella

cheese, divided 1 C. 2% milk Preheat the oven to 425. Place cauliflower on a 15 x 10 x 1 inch baking sheet. Melt 1 T. butter; drizzle over cauliflower. Add oil; toss to coat. Roast until lightly browned and tender, 20 to 25 minutes. In a saucepan, melt cream cheese and remaining butter over medium heat. Add 2 C. cheddar and 1 C. mozzarella and milk. Cook and stir until sauce begins to thicken, 1 to 2 minutes. Gently fold in cauliflower. Transfer to a greased 8-inch square baking dish. Sprinkle with remaining 1½ C. cheddar and ½ C. mozzarella. Bake, uncovered, until bubbly and cheese is melted, about 20 minutes. Let stand 10 minutes before serving.

Rhubarb Pork Chop Casserole

Since rhubarb is in season, this unique way to eat it other than for dessert is in a good main course recipe. If you pair it with the cauliflower casserole, you have a great

4 boneless pork loin chops (3/4 inch thick)

1 T. canola oil

Salt and pepper

2 T. melted butter

3 C. breadcrumbs

3 C. sliced fresh or frozen hubarb cut into 1-inch pieces

½ C. packed brown sugar

1/4 C. flour

1 t. cinnamon

In a large skillet, brown pork chops in oil; sprinkle

with salt and pepper. Remove **Topping:** and keep warm. Add butter to the drippings to melt; mix with breadcrumbs. Remove from heat. In a large bowl, combine the rhubarb, sugar, flour, and cinnamon; spoon into a greased 11 x 7 baking dish. Sprinkle crumbs over the top. Cover with foil and bake at 350 for 25 to 30 minutes. Remove foil. Arrange pork chops on top. Bake, uncovered, until heated through, 10 to 15 minutes.

Chicken and **Asparagus Bundles**

If you are looking for a special dinner entrée, this pairing of chicken and asparagus will be a showstopper. Just serve it with rice and a nice salad, and everyone will be happy.

4 boneless skinless chicken breast halves (6 oz. each)

20 fresh asparagus spears, trimmed

4½ t. olive oil

2 t. lemon juice

½ t. dried basil 1/4 t. dried thyme

¼ t. pepper

1/8 t. salt ¹/₄ C. chopped green onions

2.t. cornstarch

1 C chicken broth Preheat oven to 350. Flatten chicken breast halves to ½-inch. Wrap each around 5 asparagus spears; secure with a toothpick. Place each in a greased 9 x 13 baking dish. Combine oil, lemon juice and seasonings in a small bowl. Pour over bundles. Cover asparagus ends with foil. Cover the dish and bake for 15 minutes. Uncover and sprinkle with onions. Bake 25 to 30 minutes longer or until a thermometer reads 165 and asparagus is crisp-tender. Remove bundles to a serving platter and keep warm. In a small saucepan, combine cornstarch and broth until smooth; stir in pan juices. Bring to a boil; cook and stir until thickened, about 2 minutes. Remove toothpicks bundles. from Serve with sauce.

Apple Rhubarb Crumb Pie

It is traditional to pair rhubarb with strawberries for a pie, however, I was sent this pie that pairs rhubarb with apples. You can use Granny Smith or Braeburn apples if you can't find Fuji (or buy whatever baking apple is on sale). Enjoy this different pairing for a great dessert.

Refrigerated Pastry dough 5 C. thinly sliced peeled Fuji apples (about 5 medium)

2 C. sliced fresh or frozen rhubarb (1/2 inch thick), thawed

½ C. sugar

3 T. flour ½ t. cinnamon

1/3 C. flour 1/4 C. sugar

1/3 C. quick-cooking oats

1/8 t. salt

1/8 t. cinnamon

2 T. butter

Preheat oven to 375. Place pastry into a 9-inch pie plate. Tip: I leave pastry out for a good 15 minutes before using it. I also roll it out a little thinner before putting it in the pie plate. Flute the edges. Refrigerate while preparing the filling ingredients. In a large bowl, combine the apples and rhubarb. In a small

bowl, mix the sugar, flour, and cinnamon; add to the apple mixture and toss to coat. In a small bowl, mix the first five topping ingredients. Cut in butter until crumbly. Transfer filling to crust; sprinkle with topping. Bake 50 to 60 minutes or until topping is lightly browned and filling is bubbly. Cover edges loosely with foil during the last 20 minutes if needed to prevent over browning. Remove foil at end of cooking. Cool on a wire rack before cutting.

Rhubarb Upside Down Cupcakes

6 T. butter, melted

1 C. plus 2 T. packed brown

2 C. chopped fresh or frozen rhubarb

1 pkg. white cake mix

1 C. water

3 eggs 1/2 C. oil

1/4 t. almond extract

Preheat oven to 350. Coat 18 muffin cups with cooking spray. Spoon 1 t. melted butter into each prepared muffin cup followed by 1 T. brown

sugar and 2 T. rhubarb. Use the back of a wooden spoon to press it into an even layer. Bake until rhubarb just begins to soften, 7 to 8 minutes. Beat cake mix, water, eggs, oil, and almond extract in a large bowl with an electric mixer at low speed until moistened, about 30 seconds. Increase speed to medium and mix 2 minutes.

Pour batter over rhubarb in hot muffin cups, filling each just over 3/4 full. Return to oven and bake for 18 to 20 minutes or until a toothpick

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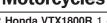
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TLP's production of GREASE is directed and choreographed by Daniel Gold with music direction by Oliver Townsend. The production features scenic design by Dan Danielowski, lighting design by Dylan Carter and sound design by Tyler Malone. Chelsey Steinmetz will return as Production Stage Manager.

Get out your leather jackets and pull on your bobby socks with Rydell High's senior class of 1959. It's a great time to come back to Timber Lake Playhouse and make lasting memories with friends and family. Information and tickets for all Timber Lake events are available online at www.timberlakeplayhouse.org or by calling the Box Office at (815) 244-2035. The Box Office is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m.

Lilac Care and Pruning course University of Illinois Ex- After the short presentation, Helpline runs throughout the

tension is offering a workshop on basic care and pruning of lilacs, just in time for homeowners to learn what to do at this time of the summer to ensure full blooms next spring. Extension Master Gardener Michael Iacomini will be presenting this program on Thursday, June 15 at 9 a.m. at the Jo Daviess County Extension Office, 204 Vine St. Elizabeth, IL 61028. There is no cost to attend but pre-registration is requested.

Iacomini will cover the basics of lilac care and the details regarding pruning them.

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strain on your shoulders.

the program will move outside where he will demonstrate proper pruning techniques. Several resources will also be provided.

To register, call the U of I Extension Office at 815-858-2273 or visit the website at go.illinois.edu/LilacCare.

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• **Bridge** (Continued from page 5)

routes should be considered. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to changed conditions and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits, refrain from using mobile devices and be alert for

workers and equipment.

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• Freedom (Continued from page 4)

defend our freedoms. We should be extremely grateful, and we are. Jesus showed the ultimate sacrifice as well when He gave His life for all mankind. He knew exactly what the cost would be, and He unwaveringly gave it all. We read in Hebrews 12:2, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

When I think of Memorial Day, I always put Jesus Christ at the top of the

week, God bless.

inserted into the center comes out clean. Cool in muffin cups for 5 minutes before inverting onto a wax paper lined cooling rack. Serve warm drizzled with any syrup. Serve with vanilla ice cream and sprinkle with cinnamon.

Final Thoughts

We certainly couldn't have had better weather to celebrate Memorial Day. It was a perfect day for parades and programs. Thank you for the opportunities we had in our area to celebrate the many people who made sacrifices for our country.

It is hard to believe that we are charging into June this week. Lots of summer happenings have begun. Swimming pools are opening, boaters and fishermen are heading to rivers and lakes, and lawn mowers are buzzing all over the place. There are some great summer traditions that have started again. The Park Ministry concerts at Hickory Hill Campgrounds at Lake-Le-Aqua-Na have started

list of those to honor. He deserves our worship because

even if all our liberty and freedom were taken away, and it's getting close to that now, Jesus would still be saying, we would still have our eternal life. Jesus said, "Come unto me all you who are weary and heavy laden, and I will give you rest for your souls." Earthly freedoms are wonderful, but eternal freedom, peace and joy for the soul are what is even

more important. Until next

• **Kitchen** (Continued from page 9)

on Saturday evening at 6:30 p.m. On June 3 the New Vocal Blend will perform. The Lena Park series will begin soon on Sunday evenings as well as Music Under the Stars at Krape Park in Freeport. Several local residents play in the Freeport Concert Band. These are all free admission, so if you are looking for some cheap quality entertainment,

drop in on these outdoor con-

There are a lot of beautiful flowers popping up all over town. Last week I said that I am looking forward to the gardens that are being planted. I think that most people have their gardens in, and we should be getting some fresh produce soon. If you have any summer vegetable or fruit recipes, we would like to see them. If you have any recipes that you would like to share with us, you can contact us in person, by mail at From Lena's Kitchens, The Shopper's Guide at 240 W. Main St. or email us at scoopshopper@ rvpublishing.com.

Incidentally

Activities like golf or voga require focus that can help take your mind off everyday stressors. In addition, stress hormone levels go down when you're active. If you work at a desk all day, get up, stretch, and walk around periodically to relieve the

neck and jaw. Outside of work, even something as simple as taking a walk, jogging with a friend, playing outside with your kids, or gardening can give you a much-needed mental health break.

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NO. 22 FC 18 1264 WEST STAVER STREET FREEPORT, IL 61032 NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDGMENT OF **FORECLOSURE** UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE

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Warhawk senior to play college softball

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Eagle Nature Foundation Magic Show

At 7 p.m. on June 20 the Eagle Nature Foundation (ENF) and the Apple River State Bank (ARSB) will be sponsoring a three-person magic show in the Apple River Event Center as a fund raiser for the Eagle Nature Foundation. The three persons are the three magicians from Jo Daviess County, who will be donating their time to help ENF raise needed funds to study the Bald Eagle, are Jim McCrea, P.T. Murphy and David Sigafus. This show was postponed from its original date this winter because of bad weather.

This will be a night of fun for the whole family. Each magician will present about an hour of his magic for everyone to enjoy. In addition be drawings for door prizes, as time show.

well as a drawing for a 50/50 Raffle. Advance tickets for the show may be purchased from the Eagle Nature Foundation office at 300 East Hickory Street, in Apple River, or from any branch of the Apple River State Bank for \$10 each. Tickets at the door will be \$15 each. Tickets for the 50/50 Raffle can be purchased from the Eagle Nature Foundation for \$5 per ticket or 12 tickets for \$50. A person does not have to be present to win the 50/50 Raffle.

Refreshments at the show will be furnished by the Apple River State Bank. There will be a 15-minute break in the show for people to relax and enjoy these refreshments. Everyone is invited to come to the magic show there will and enjoy this once in a life-