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## Altercation at Walmart leads to weapons arrest

On April 16, 2024, Freeport Police Officers were dispatched to a call for service at the Freeport Walmart regarding a fight that occurred inside of the store. It was also reported one of the combatants was in possession of a firearm in his

waistband. When Officers arrived on scene, they attempted to speak to 18-year-old Freeport resident, Ruben Bell. Ruben had been identified as one of the individuals involved in the fight.

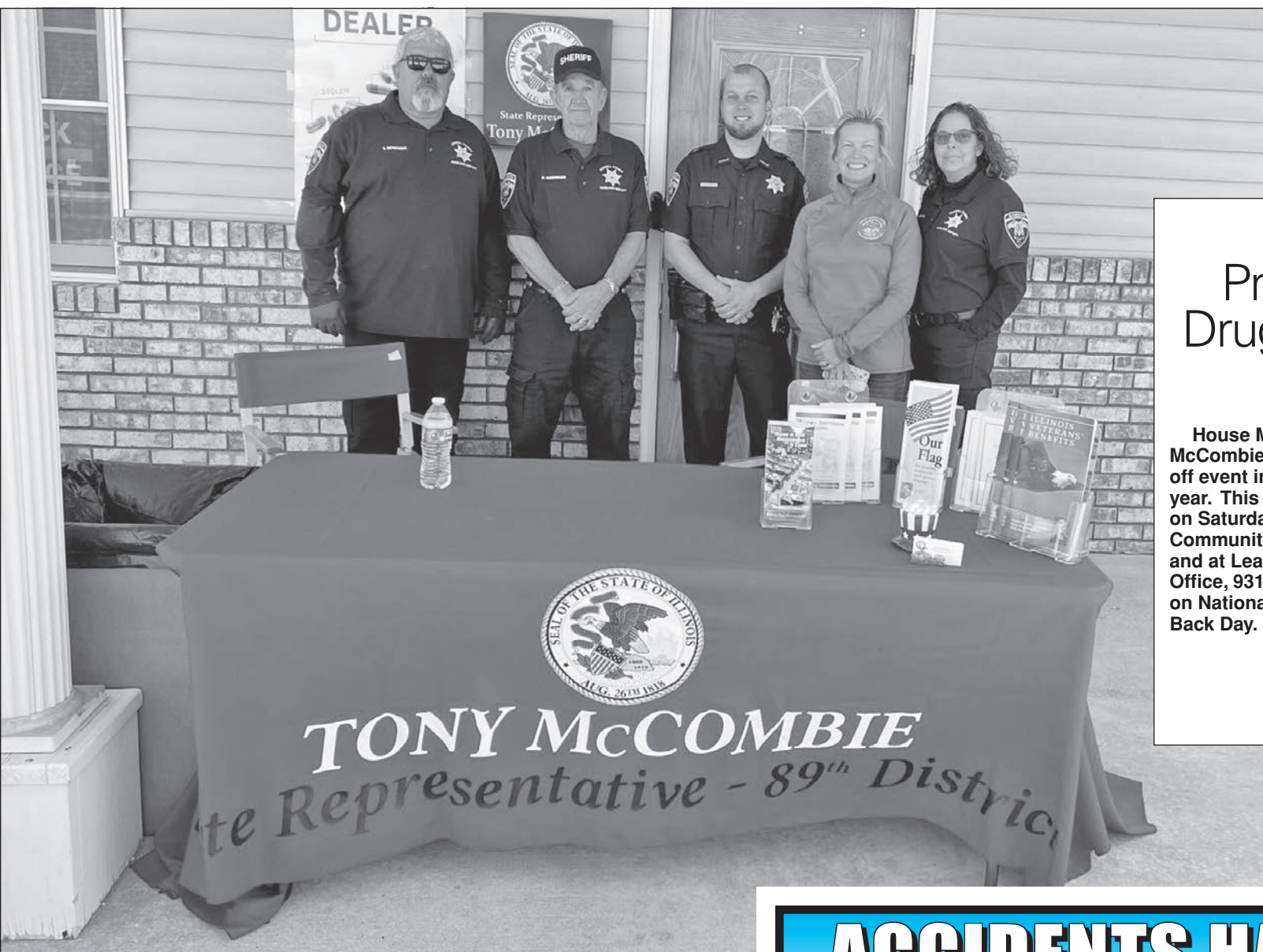
Officers attempted to in-

terview Ruben, but he began running west through the Walmart parking lot. Officers then chased Ruben and could see him holding an object in his pants as he ran. As Officers converged on Ruben, he was observed tossing a firearm

on the grass at the Chapel Hill Memorial Grounds Cemetery. Ruben was taken into custody and a loaded semi-automatic pistol with an extended magazine was recovered. The arresting Officer sustained an injury to his hand during the pursuit.

Felony charges of Aggravated Unlawful Use of a Weapon and Resisting a Peace Officer (causing an injury) were approved for Bell by the Stephenson County State's Attorney. Bell was transported to the Stephenson County Jail where

he is being held pending the outcome of a detention hearing. The public is reminded that the defendant is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair trial, at which the government has the burden of proving guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.



### National Prescription Drug Take Back Day

House Minority Leader Tony McCombie hosted a prescription drop-off event in Jo Daviess County last year. This year's event will be held on Saturday, April 27 at the Elizabeth Community Building in Elizabeth, IL and at Leader McCombie's District Office, 9317B IL Rt 84 in Savanna, IL on National Prescription Drug Take Back Day.

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# Obituaries

## JOAN HOWE

Joan Elizabeth (Cox) Howe, 84, of Lena, IL died April 16, 2024, in the comfort of her home surrounded by her family and faithful dogs. Joan was born April 30, 1939, on the family farm to Dean and Mary (Barnhizer) Cox of Polo, IL.



conversation all at the same time. She was a devoted fan of Kevin Costner and had the thrill of meeting him at his

premiere of "Open Range". When Joan wasn't busy with her many interests, she was a dedicated career woman working at First Federal of Monroe for 27 years. She enjoyed being Bank Manager and loved her many customers.

Joan was a member of Martintown Community Church and Park Hills Evangelical Free Church in Freeport serving as Sunday School teacher. In her later years she was a member of the Monroe Bible Church. She also was a Girl Scout, Betty Crocker's Homemaker of Tomorrow, and member of the D.A.R.

In her recent homebound years this determined woman printed hundreds of clippings of encouragement and sent mailings weekly to people in need of an uplifting word. Joan held a special place in her heart for great granddaughters McKenzie and Savannah, she appreciated their help caring for her these past few years.

A graveside service will be held at Fairmont Cemetery in Polo, IL on Wednesday, May 15 at 11:00 a.m. Her son-in-law Pastor Joe McConkey will officiate. If so desired, memorials may be given to Green County Humane Society in Monroe, Wisconsin.

The family would like to express thanks to Kelli at Monroe SSM Health/Hospice for the loving care she showed us all. Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.leamonfh.com](http://www.leamonfh.com).

## DOROTHY MONTGOMERY

Dorothy E. Montgomery, 93, formerly of Winslow, IL passed away with family by her side on Friday, April 19, 2024, at Liberty Village in Freeport, IL. She was born on Dec. 31, 1930, in Monroe, WI to Orlo and Cora (Sef-frood) Swanson. Dorothy attended country grade school and graduated from South Wayne High School in 1948. In 1964, Dorothy started as a clerk at the Winslow Post Office and was appointed postmaster in March of 1975. Dorothy retired in November of 1992 after 28 years of service.

Dorothy is survived by her three children; Gary (Julie) Montgomery of Winslow, IL, Gail Brister of Lena, IL, and Sue Montgomery of Lena, IL, seven grandchildren; Ryan (Krista) Montgomery, Kyle (Kali) Montgomery, Autumn (Bill) Wagner, Amanda Winters, Grant (Carmen) Winters, Jennifer Brister, Laura Brister, step grandson; David Brister, 16 great grandchild-



ren, 3 step great grandchildren, one great-great grandchild, and her brother; Orville (Dorothy) Swanson.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers; Lyle and Robert, sister Marie, son-in-law Gene, and a step-grandson Derek. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, April 25, 2024, at the Leamon Funeral Home in Lena, IL. A visitation will be held from 9:30 a.m. until the time of services on Thursday, April 25, 2024, at the Leamon Funeral Home in Winslow, IL. A luncheon will follow the services at the Winslow Community Center in Winslow, IL. A memorial has been established in her memory. Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.leamonfh.com](http://www.leamonfh.com).

## HEATHER CHRISTINE BLASER

Heather C. Carolan (Blaser), cherished daughter, sister, aunt, niece, cousin and friend, passed away peacefully on April 12, 2024, at the age of 37. Heather was born to Wade and Dawn (Brinkmeier) Blaser, on Sept. 22, 1986, in Freeport, IL. She was a young, beautiful soul, taken too soon. She was a lover of all animals, namely her late bulldog, Jax and her surviving cat, Marty. She loved all things Back to the Future and Indiana Jones. She was also very fond of bumble bees, as she was her late grandpa's "P in the B". She was a fan of tattoos, colored hair, and the Packers. Most of all, she loved to just enjoy the company of her family and many friends.

Heather is survived by her loving parents; her big sister, Jessica (Matt) Lawson of



Lena; her aunt, Becky (Bob) Burton of Renton, WA; her uncle, Scott Brinkmeier, of Rockford; her uncle, Kurt (Sylvia) Blaser, of Dakota; and her beloved nieces, nephews, cousins and special friends. She was preceded in death by her paternal grandparents, Robert and Charmaine Blaser and her maternal grandparents, Dennis Brinkmeier and Carol Noto.

Heather was immensely loved and will be deeply missed by many. A celebration of her life will be held on Sunday, May 19, 2024, beginning at 1 p.m. (open house style), at the Nora Bar in Nora, IL. Please join us and share your memories amongst her friends and family.

## Illinois youth turkey hunters set new harvest record

Illinois youth turkey hunters harvested a preliminary total of 2,006 birds during the 2024 youth turkey season, breaking the previous harvest record of 1,733 set in 2020.

The dates for this year's season were March 30-31 and April 6-7. A total of 6,001 youth turkey permits were issued this year, compared to 5,283 in 2023. In 2023, a total of 1,297 turkeys were taken.

The top five counties for harvest during this year's youth season were Randolph, 71; Fayette, 66; Jefferson, 63; Marion, 62; and Pike, 54. A preliminary total of 160 wild turkeys, or 8% of this year's harvest, were taken on public land.

The following shows youth turkey season preliminary harvest figures by county with a number comparison from 2024 and 2023:

- Jo Daviess – 2024: 27, 2023: 18
- Stephenson – 2024: 18, 2023: 16

## DENNIS HAMILTON

Dennis L. Hamilton, 82, of rural Stockton, IL passed away peacefully April 9, 2024, at home with his wife by his side. Dennis was born in Waterloo, IA on September 26, 1941, to Mary E. Reynolds and Edward G. Hamilton. He grew up in Clinton, IA and Cedar Rapids, IA, graduating from Regis High School in 1959 and Loras College in 1964.

Dennis married Jane Hogan in 1967. They have one son, Daniel, born in 1983 who now lives in Fort Collins, CO.

After serving in the Air Force, Dennis earned a Master's Degree in Hospital Administration from Trinity University. He was Vice-President of Columbus Hospital in Chi-


cago, Chief Operating Officer at West Suburban Hospital in Oak Park, then President and CEO of Freeport Health Network from 1986-2005 when he retired. Golf, fly fishing, fly tying, and establishing a hardwood tree farm kept him busy in retirement.

In addition to his wife and son, Dennis is survived by two brothers; Richard (Mary Ellen) Hamilton of Salida, CO and Robert (Diane) Johnson of Cedar Rapids, IA; and two sisters, Skip Andersen of Hendersonville, NC and Mary Beth Johnson of Iowa City, IA. He is preceded in death by his father, mother and step-father, J. Theo Johnson. Condolences may be shared at [www.hermannfuneralhome.com](http://www.hermannfuneralhome.com).


## Lions Tootsie Pop Days

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# Church news

## Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

All are invited to worship at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 118 E. Mason St. Lena, IL. on Sunday, April 28, 2024. The Gospel will be from John 15:1-8.

On Wednesday, May 1 the Peace Corps Quilting group will meet from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. No quilting experience necessary and all are welcome to join. Come and tie the quilts and make difference in the world.

All the services will be recorded and be available on church's Facebook page and website. Please visit our website and (<http://goodshepherdlena.org/>) and Facebook

(<https://www.facebook.com/GSLCLenaIL>) for information. Please contact the church office at 815-369-5552 with any questions.

## St. John's Lutheran Church

St. John's Lutheran Church, Pearl City, will celebrate the fifth Sunday of Easter on Sunday, April 28. Rogation Sunday will be celebrated as well.

Everyone is welcome to come to St. John's to play cards and dominoes on Thursday, April 25 at 1 p.m. and dominoes in Luther Hall on Tuesday, May 7 at 9 a.m.

The May Grace Meal will

be on Sunday, May 19. Meals can be picked up between 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. on May 19. Reservations are due in the church office by Thursday, May 16. The menu will be BBQ, potato chips, green bean casserole, peaches, and cookies. This meal is possible due to donations and a grant from the Foundation of Northwest Illinois.

The Healthy Wolves group will be packing backpacks on Thursday, April 25 at 3:15 p.m. If interested in donating to this ministry, reach out to the church office for more information.

St. John's will be hosting a Wellness Screening on Saturday, May 4 from 8 a.m. to

10:30 a.m. The screenings done will include blood pressure, glucose, and cholesterol for adults (fasting is not required). It is open to the public and free of charge.

St. John's Lutheran Church of Pearl City is an ELCA parish and is located at 229 First St. in Pearl City. We are handicapped accessible. If you need to contact the pastor or church, you may call 815-443-2215 for information.

## St. Paul's Lutheran Church

St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Elizabeth will offer Super Sunday on the first Sunday of the month, immediately after

church. The program will be offered from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Participants will work on craft projects, sing and act out inspirational tunes, enjoy snacks and drinks, play games, and learn about Jesus. Attendees do not need to be a member of St. Paul or live in Elizabeth. All are invited and welcome.

No Worries band will also perform, communion will be offered, and there will be an enlightening children's service. With summer on the horizon, keep an eye out for

outdoor services.

Blessed with a beautiful morning, St. Paul Lutheran Church, Elizabeth, held its first outside service of the season at 9 a.m. Sunday, April 14. Attendees enjoyed live music by Will Mueller (guitar) and Tucker Schuler (keyboard), free coffee, children's message, and abundant sunshine. Guests are welcome to attend. Please bring a lawn chair or blanket, borrow a folding chair from inside the church, or pull up a car up to the front row.

## News briefs

### Stephenson County VA Pantry in need of donations

The current needs for the Stephenson County VA Pantry include men's and women's body wash, shampoo and conditioner, body lotion, mouthwash, laundry detergent, Kleenex, and Q-tips.

Donations can be brought to the Lena American Legion Home on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at 316 W. Main St., Lena. Donations are greatly appreciated. Please call 815-369-4684 with any questions.

### Updating Memorial Day roll call

Once again, the names of deceased veterans from the Lena area will be read at the Memorial Day service. The Lena American Legion is requesting assistance to ensure all veterans are recognized, especially those that passed away since May of 2023. Please email [jamcps54@yahoo.com](mailto:jamcps54@yahoo.com) if you lost a veteran in your life. The legion would also like to know the time and branch of their service. The veteran should have lived in Lena or been a member of the Lena American Legion.



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## St. Paul's Lutheran Church bowling outing

St. Paul's Lutheran Church members held a bowling outing at Stockton Bowling Lanes. Participants include (back rows of adults) Stephanie and Ben Lehman, Tracy and Raymie Diestelmeier, Pastor Mike and Jen Nesbit, Cindy and John Meyerhofer, Elaine and Mike Klippert, Amanda and Jake Ambrosia, (front row of kids) Aubrey and Westin Lehman, Dawson Bingham, Alivia and Anika Klippert, and Brixen, Bexley, and Brecklyn Ambrosia.

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In my opinion

Combating the CCP's role in America's fentanyl crisis

By U.S. Rep. Raja Krishnamoorthi
Last week, as Ranking Member of the Select Committee on the Strategic Competition Between the United States and the Chinese Communist Party (CCP), I helped lead a hearing examining the role the CCP has played in the fentanyl crisis that has ripped families and

communities apart. Just before the hearing, our committee released a bipartisan report detailing our investigation into how the CCP is not only allowing companies operating within the People's Republic of China (PRC) to continue to supply the world with fentanyl components, but also subsidizing them. It is estimated that 97

percent of illicit fentanyl materials come from the PRC, which contributed to the deaths of 76,000 Americans from fentanyl-laced opioid overdoses in 2022, even as there were zero fentanyl-related deaths in the PRC. Furthermore, our committee's report found that the CCP is using tax incentives to aid companies in producing

these dangerous chemicals and doing little to criminally punish those responsible. During my question line, I also revealed that the CCP has been censoring words in Chinese on PRC-based websites related to fentanyl while allowing the dangerous products to be promoted in English.

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Weekly connection
More signs of spring

My first beef calf of the spring was born last week. When I arrived at the field with hay to feed them the other morning, out of the brush jumped a beautiful little baby heifer calf jumping and dancing around like she was a princess. Each day since when I go out to check on them this little girl does a little dance for me. It's amazing how fast she is growing and getting stronger and stronger. I love that about newborn beef calves the way they jump and run around while never getting too far away from their moms. This baby's mom is a black Angus, but since she was bred to a Red Hereford, this little baby is a brownish color with a bright white face. Some beef farmers work hard to keep their breeds pure, but I like to mix them. I learned in my Beef Production class at college that when you mix the beef breeds one gets animals with hybrid vigor which helps them thrive. So right now, I have a mix of Angus, Simmental, and Hereford in my herd. You know what they say, variety is the spice of life. I have some pure black Angus, some pure red Angus, some black with white faces, and some red animals with white faces. I was told by the breeder that Herefords are good to breed to first-calf heifers because they are what one calls a calving-ease sire. Since Herefords have white-faces



By SCOTT CERNEK Columnist

and red hide, when you breed them to a black Angus cow or heifer one is going to get a brownish calf with a white face. My sheep that lambed this spring have given me a whole variety of colors as well. Some of them really caught me by surprise. Since I have mostly all white Katahdins and only a couple have black faces, I was shocked that some of the lambs were born red and white. I was really shocked when one little baby ram looked like a little Holstein calf. His entire body was black and white mixed together. I had never seen a lamb look so much like a calf. I need to make him my farm mascot. Like the beef calves, these lambs are also very fun to watch out in the pasture. Sometimes it looks like they are playing tag as they chase each other around and jump up into the air on all four legs. When they hit the ground, they dart to the right or left with uncanny speed and agility. I never thought raising a few beef and sheep would provide so much entertainment. A couple years ago when I quit dairy farming, I decided to buy back a handful of beef cows that I had sold to my nephews a couple years earlier. I had been raising a few beef on the side just for butchering, and when my little herd got to be too much, I sold them. When I bought them back, one might say I redeemed them and brought them back to my farm. Redeem means to buy back or to free from captivity by payment of ransom. In the Christian faith, we have just remembered and celebrated our redemption by Jesus during Holy Week. Jesus paid the price for our salvation on the cross and bought us back when we were lost in our sinful state. He paid the ransom in full and there is nothing we can do to earn our salvation. The work on the cross did it all. It's done, Jesus paid it all.

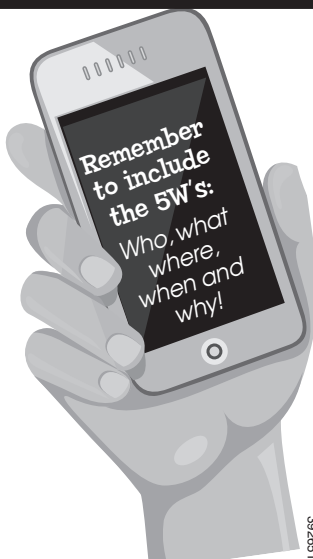
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Please drop off collected tabs in any kind of container to the Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau office Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. This recycling program is beneficial for everyone involved. It does not interfere with other can recycling 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.



By **ANNETTE EGGERS**  
Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau

## Become a member

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It's that time of year that we are all thinking of planting (okay, maybe wishing) 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.

## Farm Fun Fact

Farmers and ranchers receive only 15 cents (on average) out of every retail dollar spent on food at home and away from home. The rest goes for costs beyond the farm gate such as wages and materials for production, processing, marketing, transportation and distribution.



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## Stockton FFA plant sale

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## • Laws (Continued from page 5)

House Bill 4753, known as the Homicide Victims' Families' Rights Act, would allow people to petition law enforcement to review murder cases that have been unsolved for at least three years. Officers who worked on the case previously would not be allowed to participate in the review. The bill, sponsored by Rep. Kam Buckner, D-Chicago, passed out of a committee on a 13-2 vote on April 4 and is awaiting action in the House.

"These bills, these actions, these pieces of policies have come directly from you," Buckner told rallygoers Tuesday. "And unfortunately, they've come from the pain that many of you have endured."

Buckner is also the sponsor of House Bill 4754, which would amend the Uniform Crime Reporting Act. The bill would require law enforcement agencies to digitally publish statistics of homicides and nonfatal shootings including if the cases are cleared or closed, if an arrest was made, and if the case was submitted to their local state's attorney's office.

"Without accurate homicide statistics we can't create evidence-based solutions to our county's gun violence problem," Alicia Schemel, a volunteer with Moms Demand Action, said.

The bill cleared committee on a 10-5 vote earlier this month and is awaiting action in the House.

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# Hornets fall short to Galena, Fulton

By Trenten Scheidegger  
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The Scales Mound-River Ridge Hornets faced off with a couple of tough opponents in the Galena Pirates and the Fulton Steamers last week. The 2024 softball season hasn't been so kind to the Hornets. Although the Hornets have seen an offensive improvement in recent games, they still find themselves winless on the season. That would remain true when the Hornets fell just short against the Pirates and the Steamers.

When the Hornets faced off with the Pirates on April 19, SM-RR held an overall record of just 0-9. Meanwhile, the Pirates were 5-4. Despite their record, there is no shortage of effort when SM-RR hits the field. The Hornets were buzzing early on when they got off to a hot start against Galena.

Laiken Haas helped the Hornets get off to a quick

start from the pitcher's circle. In the top of the first, after allowing a leadoff single, Haas earned a pair of groundouts and a strikeout to end the inning. The Hornets built off Haas's momentum in the bottom half. Amie Richmond led the inning off with a single up the middle. After stealing second and advancing to third on a fielder's choice, Richmond scored the game's first run on a passed ball. With two outs, Millie Boden hit a grounder to first. An error by Galena's first baseman allowed Haas to score, putting the Hornets up 2-0.

Galena's players would settle in after the first inning, however. The Pirates went on to score runs in the second, third, and fourth innings, allowing them to take a 3-2 lead. Heading into the bottom of the fifth, the Hornets still trailed by one run. After two quick outs, a couple of defensive miscues by

Galena allowed SM-RR to tie the game. An error and a dropped third strike allowed Richmond to score the Hornets' third run.

Galena's offense would explode in the final two innings. In the sixth, the Pirates drove in a trio of runs with a single and a double. In the seventh, Galena combined for six more runs as six separate singles put the Pirates up 12-3. The Hornets were unable to erase that deficit. A pair of late runs from Richmond and Sarah Winter improved the final score, but SM-RR eventually fell 12-5.

Haas pitched five innings, allowing seven hits, five earned runs, and striking out three. Anna Wachter pitched two innings, allowing six hits, four earned runs, and striking out a pair. At the plate, SM-RR combined for just four hits. Richmond finished the day going two for four with

three runs scored. Haas was one for two with two runs scored, and Alyssa Wentz went one for two in the game.

The Hornets found themselves in a similar situation when they faced off with Fulton on Saturday, April 20. Despite the cold air, the Hornets got off to a hot start before dwindling in the later innings. SM-RR scored a pair of runs in the first inning as Boden's two-out double drove Evelyn Walters in to score. Once again, the Hornets held an early 2-0 lead.

Fulton would get those two runs back in the bottom half. In the end, the Steamers scored in all six innings of the game. The

Hornets couldn't keep pace as they eventually fell by a final score of 12-6. At the plate, Walters had an excellent game, going three for four with two runs scored. Boden led the way, going three for three with one run scored and four RBI. Unfortunately for the Hornets,

they had just seven hits as a team, meaning Walters and Boden combined for nearly all their production.

With the loss, SM-RR fell to 0-11 on the season. On April 25, the Hornets are set to play host to the West Carroll Thunder at 4:30 p.m.

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# Scheuerell captures career win 500 as Lady Broncos compete in 2024 Monroe Tournament

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The Orangeville-Aquin Broncos met up with some tough competition when they traveled to compete in this year's Monroe Softball Tournament. The Broncos played in three games as they took on Freeport, IL, Juda-Albany, WI, and Reedsburg, WI.

The Broncos stumbled out of the gates at this year's tournament. In game one, the Broncos faced off with the Freeport Pazelz, a team that had more than 10 wins coming into the tournament. Although Orangeville-Aquin got off to a good start with two runs in the top of the first, things fell apart in the bottom half.

Freeport brought a trio of runs in thanks to a pair of errors, and that proved crucial in the end. The Broncos went on

to combine for eight hits in the game, but they were unable to erase the deficit they faced for most of the game. In the end, the Broncos dropped the opening game by a score of 4-3.

Holland took the loss despite an excellent performance from the circle. In six innings, Holland allowed just one earned run on six hits and five strikeouts. At the plate, Meghan Carlisle went three for three with a pair of doubles. Anicka Kraft was two for three with two runs batted in. Addyson Wheeler went two for three in the loss.

In game two, the Broncos took on the Juda-Albany Panthers. Last year when the Broncos and Panthers faced off, Orangeville-Aquin picked up a 6-5 victory. This year, it was the Panthers who came out on top.

Juda-Albany jumped out to

an early 3-0 lead which put the pressure on the Broncos from the start. Every inning matters, but the Panthers scored seven of their eight runs in the first and last innings. Starting and ending the game with such powerful statements helped them beat the Broncos 8-3.

Wheeler took the loss in the circle. In seven innings, Wheeler allowed four earned runs while striking out three. Kraft led the way at the plate going three for three with a triple. Wheeler was also two for three in the loss.

Fortunately for the Broncos, they managed to end the tournament on a high note. Not only did they bounce back for a third-place finish, they also earned career win number 500 for head coach Lon Scheuerell.

The Broncos took on Reedsburg in the third-place

game. The matchup quickly turned into an offensive shootout with both teams getting on the board in the first inning. When it was all said and done, both teams combined for 18 runs and 21 hits.

Although it was a game that came down to the wire, it was the Broncos who got off to a red-hot start. Six runs in the bottom of the first helped Orangeville-Aquin erase an early two-run deficit. In their next at bat, the Broncos put up two more runs, giving them an 8-2 lead.

Reedsburg's hits came in spurts. After taking the early 2-0 lead, Reedsburg put up just one run over the next three innings. Then, with their backs against the wall, Reedsburg rallied for five runs in the top of the fifth. That made it a two-run game with the Broncos holding a 10-8 lead.

Holland managed to shut things down when the team needed it. She wound up picking up the win as the Broncos held on for the 10-8 victory. In six innings, Holland allowed five earned runs off ten hits. At the plate, Wheeler continued her hot streak with a three for three performance. Megan Holder went two for four with a double and two runs batted in.

With the win, the Broncos brought home a third-place finish and a monumental moment in their head coach's career. They also improved their overall record to 13-3 on the season.

On Wednesday, April 24 Orangeville-Aquin is scheduled to play host to the Durand Bulldogs at 4:30 p.m.



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## Pearl City students are glowing

Blair Rauch and Abril Harrizon participate in Pearl City's Fourth Grade Glow Day on Friday, April 19. Students worked with partners to complete a variety of fourth grade review activities including a fraction/decimal memory game, highlighter poetry, finding text evidence in the history of glow sticks article, multiplication Jenga, and more.

## Illinois 26 repairs in Freeport began April 22

The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) announced today that weather permitting, construction on Illinois 26 in Freeport began on Monday, April 22. The work zone will be from Lamm Road to South Street on Freeport's south side. Work will

repair curbs and inlets along the road. One lane of traffic will be open in each direction during the project, which is expected to be completed by June 15.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. To avoid the work area, when feasible, use of alternate 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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# Early offense helps Lena-Winslow hold off Pearl City

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The Lena-Winslow Panthers and the Pearl City Wolves met up for the first time in this year's 2024 baseball season last week. The Panthers came into the April 17 game riding a six-game winning streak. Over the course of those six games, Le-Win outscored their opponents 76-28. After beating Galena 12-5, the Panthers improved their record to 9-4 before taking on the Wolves.

Pearl City hasn't been so fortunate. Prior to their game with Le-Win, the Wolves held an overall record of just 4-8. More often than not, the Wolves have found

themselves on the short end of a few close games. Five of their eight losses came by two runs or less. They suffered their sixth in what turned out to be a thrilling game with the Panthers.

It was Pearl City who took the game's first lead. After advancing to third on a passed ball, Lexton Endress reached home safely on a Kip Martens ground out. In the top of the second, the Wolves tacked on another when Jayden Downs crushed a homerun to left.

Le-Win came to life in the bottom of the second. Maverick Cass was hit by a pitch to lead off the inning. Cohen Weegens then singled

through the left side. Landon Grindey then singled to right, allowing Cass to score the Panthers' first run. Shortly after, Weegens scored on a fielder's choice to tie the game. With the bases loaded, Aiden Wild was hit by a pitch, driving in a third run.

The three-run second inning just set the stage for what the Panthers would do in the third. That inning was a tale of two pitchers as the Wolves and Panthers couldn't have had more polar opposite innings. In the top half, Luke Madigan rattled off three consecutive strikeouts to get Le-Win's bats back to the plate. Pearl City's pitcher Brody Voegeli strug-

gled to find the zone. After two quick strikeouts, Voegeli went on to walk three batters and hit a fourth.

The free bases set the Panthers up for a big inning. Miles Mahon drove in Lucas Fye with a single to the left side. Wild crushed a line drive up the middle for a three-run double. By the end of the third, Le-Win held a 9-2 advantage.

Pearl City worked to erase the deficit the rest of the way. In the top of the fourth, Voegeli picked himself up with an RBI single to the left side. In the sixth, Madigan had his own pitching struggles as a trio of walks gave the Wolves another oppor-

tunity. Voegeli eventually scored on a passed ball, bringing the Wolves within three.

In the top of the seventh, Will Birchen scored Pearl City's seventh run to make things interesting. That was as close as the Wolves would get as the Panthers shut things down for a 9-7 victory.

Wild led the way at the plate for Le-Win. In three at bats, Wild had two hits, one run scored, and three runs batted in. Madigan was one for two with one run scored, one RBI, and two walks. Mahon was one for four with a run scored and one RBI as well.

Pearl City was led by Martens who went two for four with two runs and one RBI. Downs was one for three with a run scored, two RBI, and a walk. Voegeli was one for four with one run scored and one RBI.

On the mound, Le-Win was led by a masterful performance. Madigan tossed six innings, allowing just four hits and striking out nine. Four defensive errors behind him led to a misleading final line.

The second game between the Panthers and Wolves, which was originally scheduled for last week, was moved to May 3 due to weather conditions.



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# FROM LENA'S KITCHEN



The not so skinny cook

Those April showers have really made lawns grow and trees to push those leaves out. We are definitely into spring cooking. Enjoy making these spring dishes this week.

## Fresh Herb Vegetable Dip

This spring appetizer is a great way to get your fresh vegetables in a way that makes eating them a little more exciting. It is easy to make because all the work for the dip is in the food processor. The real work is cutting all the veggies up.

- 1/4 C. olive oil
  - 2 T. lemon juice
  - 1 1/2 C. sour cream
  - 2 medium ripe avocados peeled and quartered and cubed
  - 2 T. chopped chives
  - 2 T. chopped fresh parsley
  - 2 T. chopped fresh basil
  - 1 T. chopped fresh tarragon
  - 1 T. chopped fresh thyme
  - 1 garlic clove, halved
  - 1/2 t. salt
  - 1/4 t. pepper
  - Fresh vegetables
- Place first 12 ingredients in a food processor; process until smooth. Refrigerate until serving. Serve with vegetables.

## Broccoli Slaw

This salad is a crunchy version of broccoli salad. Enjoy this great side for any meal.

- Salad ingredients:**
- 4 C. broccoli florets
  - 2 C. shredded red cabbage
  - 1 small sweet onion, finely chopped
  - 1 medium carrot, shredded
  - 1/2 C. raisings
  - 1 C. coleslaw salad dressing

## Easy coleslaw salad dressing:

- 1 C. mayonnaise
- 2 T. sugar
- 2 T. cider vinegar
- 1 t. pepper
- 1/2 t. salt
- 1/4 t. dry mustard
- 1/4 t. celery seed

Dressing: In a small glass measuring cup or bowl, mix ingredients for the dressing together. In a large bowl, combine all the ingredients and toss. Refrigerate, covered, at least 2 hours before serving.

## Philly Cheesesteak Sliders

Sliders come in all forms of meat: ham, chicken, and roast beef. This slider is a take on the famous Philly Cheesesteak sandwich. Enjoy yet

another slider recipe that will feed a group.

- 2 large green peppers, sliced
- 1 large sweet onion, sliced
- 1 T. olive oil
- 2 pkg. Hawaiian sweet rolls (12 oz. each)
- 1 1/2 lbs. sliced deli roast beef
- 12 slices provolone cheese
- 3/4 C. butter
- 1 1/2 t. dried minced onion
- 1 1/2 t. Worcestershire sauce
- 1 t. garlic powder

Preheat oven to 350. In a large skillet, cook green pepper and onion in oil over medium-high heat until tender, 8 to 10 minutes. Without separating rolls, cut each package in half horizontally; arrange bottom halves in a greased 9 x 13 baking pan. Layer with roast beef, pepper mixture and cheese; replace top halves of rolls.

In a small saucepan, melt butter; add dried onion, Worcestershire sauce, and garlic powder. Pour over rolls. Cover and refrigerate 8 hours or overnight. Remove rolls from refrigerator 30 minutes before baking. Bake rolls, uncovered, 15 minutes. Cover with foil; bake until cheese is melted, 10 minutes longer.

## Ham and Potato Casserole

If you still have some of that Easter ham in the freezer, this recipe is a great way to serve it for a hearty dinner. It has just the right amount of vegetables to add great crunch and taste.

- 2 C. cubed peeled potatoes
- 1 large carrot, sliced
- 2 celery ribs, chopped
- 3 C. water
- 2 C. cubed cooked ham
- 2 T. chopped green pepper
- 2 t. chopped onion
- 7 T. butter, divided
- 3 T. flour
- 1 1/2 C. 2 % milk
- 3/4 t. salt
- 1/8 t. pepper
- 1 C. shredded cheddar cheese

Preheat oven to 375. In a saucepan, bring the potatoes, carrot, celery, and water to a boil. Reduce heat; cover and cook until tender, about 15 minutes. Drain. In a skillet, sauté ham, green pepper, and onion in 3 T. butter until tender. Add potato mixture. Transfer to a greased 1 1/2 qt. baking dish.

In a large saucepan, melt the remaining 4 T. butter; stir in flour until smooth. Gradually whisk in the milk, salt, and pepper. Bring to a boil; cook and stir for 2 minutes or until thickened. Reduce heat; add cheddar cheese and stir until melted. Pour over ham mixture. Sprinkle with breadcrumbs. Bake until heated through, 25 to 30 minutes.

## Strawberry Rhubarb Dump Cake

This dessert uses a spice cake instead of a white or yellow cake. It is easy and makes a great use of all that rhubarb that is starting to get ready to harvest.

- 4 C. chopped fresh or frozen rhubarb
- 4 C. quartered fresh strawberries
- 1/4 C. orange juice
- 1 T. sugar
- 1 t. cinnamon
- 1/4 t. ground nutmeg
- 1/4 t. ground cardamom
- 3/4 C. butter, melted and divided
- 1 pkg. spice cake mix
- whipped cream

Preheat oven to 350. In a large bowl combine rhubarb, strawberries, orange juice, sugar, cinnamon, nutmeg, and cardamom. Transfer to a greased 9 x 13 baking dish. Drizzle with 3 T. butter; sprinkle with cake

mix. Top with remaining butter. Bake until golden brown and bubbly, 45 to 55 minutes. Serve warm and top with whipped cream.

## Rhubarb-Blueberry Crumble

The usual combination is for rhubarb and strawberry baked "somethings." This recipe combines rhubarb and blueberries. Enjoy this unique fruit combination for a different dessert.

- 2/3 C. sugar
  - 2 T. cornstarch
  - 1/4 t. salt
  - 3 C. fresh blueberries
  - 3 C. sliced fresh or frozen rhubarb, thawed
- Topping:**
- 3/4 C. bisquick
  - 1/3 C. sugar
  - 1/8 t. salt
  - 1/3 C. cold unsalted butter, cubed

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF STEPHENSON, STATE OF ILLINOIS

CROSSCOUNTRY MORTGAGE, LLC, Plaintiff(s), vs. RAYMOND D. PHILPOT, UNKNOWN OWNERS, AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendant(s).

Case No. 22 FC 13

### PUBLICATION NOTICE

The requisite Affidavit for Publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to you: RAYMOND D. PHILPOT, NONRECORD CLAIMANTS and UNKNOWN OWNERS, Defendants in the above entitled suit, that said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of Stephenson County, Chancery Division, by the said Plaintiff, against you and other Defendants, praying for foreclosure of a certain Real Estate Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to wit:

LOTS 206 AND 207 IN SAXBY HEIGHTS ADDITION TO THE TOWN (NOW CITY) OF FREEPORT, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED AUGUST 16, 1910 IN BOOK C OF PLATS, PAGE 47, AND THE WESTERLY 7 FEET OF THE ADJACENT ALLEY LYING EASTERLY THEREOF. SITUATED IN STEPHENSON COUNTY IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Tax Number: 18-13-36-309-005

Commonly known as 823 S PARK BLVD FREEPORT IL 61032; and which said Real Estate Mortgage was made by RAYMOND D. PHILPOT, and recorded in the Office of the Stephenson County Recorder as Document Number 201900171928; that Summons was duly issued out of the said Court against you as provided by law, and that the said suit is now pending.

Now, therefore, unless you, the said named Defendant, file your answer to the Complaint in the said suit or otherwise make

your appearance therein, in the office of the Circuit Court of Stephenson County, located at 15 NORTH GALENA AVENUE, SECOND FLOOR, FREEPORT, IL 61032, on or before May 17, 2024, 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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STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STEPHENSON COUNTY IN PROBATE

In Re the Matter of the Estate of: DARLYNE CAMPBELL, Deceased

No. 24-PR-25

### NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION - CLAIMS

Notice is given of the death of **Darlyne Campbell**, of Winslow, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on **April 5, 2024**, to:

**Aslan A. Stouffer Cuny P.O. Box 598 Freeport, IL 61032** as Independent Executor of the Estate of **Darlyne Campbell**, whose attorney is

**Anthony V. Coon Attorney At Law 10 N. Galena Ave., Ste. 210 Freeport, Illinois 61032**

The estate will be administered without Court supervision unless, under Section 28.4 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/28-4), any interested person terminates independent administration at any time

by mailing or delivering a Petition To Terminate to the Clerk.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court at the Stephenson County Courthouse, 15 N. Galena Avenue, Freeport, Illinois 61032, or with the representative, or both, on or before **October 18, 2024**, and any claim not filed on or before said date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed. Date: April 8, 2024.

Aslan A. Stouffer Cuny Executor  
By: *Anthony V. Coon* Anthony V. Coon, Attorney At Law  
Anthony V. Coon, #6269568  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF STEPHENSON - FREEPORT, ILLINOIS

U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as trustee for LBIgloo Series IV Trust  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Jerry Moutrey; The Bank of New York Mellon FKA the Bank of New York, as Successor for the CWABS Master Trust, Revolving Home Equity Loan Asset Backed Notes, Series 2004-C; Mariah Moutrey; Kipp E. Meyers, as Special Representative of Jerry Moutrey; Michelle Moutrey; Pamela Moutrey; Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants,  
Defendants,

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF STEPHENSON - FREEPORT, ILLINOIS

U.S. Bank Trust National Association, Not In Its Individual Capacity But Solely As Owner Trustee For VRMTG Asset Trust  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
Shanin J. Solt; et al.

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US BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE OF THE LBDWELLING SERIES V TRUST; Plaintiff,

vs. TOM FIELD AKA TOM L. FIELD; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS; Defendants,

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# Warhawks sweep West Carroll in softball doubleheader

By Trenten Scheidegger  
CORRESPONDENT

The Warren-Stockton Warhawks picked up a couple of key victories when they faced off with the West Carroll Thunder in a doubleheader last week. The wins couldn't have come at a better time for the Warhawks. Prior to the doubleheader, the Warhawks suffered a four-game losing streak. Oddly enough, their last victory came against West Carroll back on April 6.

After the losing streak, the Warhawks saw their overall record drop to 3-8. They drew two games closer to .500 when they swept West Carroll on April 19.

In game one, the Warhawks had no shortage of offense. Their bats went to work quickly, putting up a pair of runs in the bottom of the first inning. In total, the Warhawks combined for 17 hits while scoring in each inning they came to bat in. It was Raiyn Daughin's single through the left side that drove in Addy Bohnsack, giving the Warhawks a 2-0 advantage. In the second, Lauren Williams doubled to left, driving in Payton Goswick for their third run. Before the in-

ning was over, Williams scored on a wild pitch, putting the Warhawks up 4-0.

Warren-Stockton's offense continued to pile it on in the third. They needed it after surrendering a trip of runs in the top half. Maddie McKee tripled to left, driving in Ireland Mensendike. Goswick followed up with an even bigger bang as she hit a two-run inside the park homer. By the end of three, the Warhawks held a 9-3 lead.

The Warhawks blew the game wide open in the fourth. A combination of some big hits and a defensive meltdown allowed Warren-Stockton to essentially put things out of reach. After Daughin took a leadoff walk, Mensendike followed up with a double to left. Then McKee hit an RBI single up the middle.

The Warhawks would bat around as Daughin eventually came back to the plate with her team leading 14-4. Daughin then doubled to center, driving in a pair. Mensendike then made it back-to-back doubles, keeping the inning alive. McKee capped the inning off with a hit to right,

which allowed Mensendike to score.

In the end, the Warhawks picked up an 18-5 victory in game one. Madalynn Perry pitched an excellent game, striking out seven and allowing one earned run in five innings. Every single Warhawk batter reached base in the game. McKee led the way, going three for four with two runs scored and three RBI. Goswick went two for four with two runs scored and three RBI. Daughin went two for two with three runs, two RBI, and two walks in the victory.

Game two was much of the same, although things did get off to a rocky start. Mensendike was in the pitcher's circle this time around, and West Carroll gave her trouble. Mensendike allowed eight earned runs on four walks and five hits before getting out of the first inning. Warren-Stockton was forced to make a pitching change, bring-

ing Perry back into pitch, while trailing the Thunder 6-5.

Mensendike was sure to pick herself up at the plate. She was nearly perfect in the game, going four for five with two runs scored and four RBI. Only Bohnsack had a better day, going five for six with four runs scored and three RBI. Perry went two for five with a run scored and three RBI. Goswick was three for four with three runs scored, two RBI, and one walk.

Perry also dominated the rest of the game from the circle. After filling in for Mensendike, Perry tossed six and one third innings, striking out 10 while allowing five hits. Perry got the win on the mound as the Warhawks picked up a 22-11 victory.

With the win, the Warhawks improved their record to 5-8 on the year. They are scheduled to travel to take on the Galena Pirates on Thursday, April 25 at 4:30 p.m.



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## Christ Lutheran Church donates to Tyler's Justice Center

Judy Brudi, Pastor Chrissy Salser, and Sandy Heller present a check to Alegra Koser, Executive Director of Tyler's Justice Center. The money donated is the proceeds from the Soup Supper held at the church. These women would like to thank all who helped make this donation possible.

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### NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING

On April 29, 2024 at 8:30 AM, a meeting conducted by the Lena-Winslow School District will take place in the District Board Room at 401 Fremont St., Lena, IL. The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss the district's plans for providing special education services to students with disabilities who attend private schools and home schools within the district for the 2024-25 school year. If you are a parent of a home-schooled student who has been or may be identified with a disability and you reside within the boundaries of Lena-Winslow School District, you are encouraged to attend. If you have further questions pertaining to this meeting, please contact Dr. Tom Chiles at (815) 668-0800.

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## Shots fired incident

On April 20, 2024, at 1:24 a.m., Officers of the Freeport Police Department responded to a report of gunshots being fired in the area of Pleasant Street and West Avenue. Shortly after receiving this call, the Freeport Police

Department received another call stating a 35-year-old male victim had driven himself to the FHN Hospital with an apparent gunshot wound.

See INCIDENT, Page 16

## McCombie supporting Rx drop-off in two counties

House Minority Leader Tony McCombie is promoting two events that will provide residents with an opportunity to safely dispose of prescription drugs. The upcoming events will be held on Saturday, April 27 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., in line with National Prescription Take Back Day, a movement backed by the federal Drug Enforcement Agency to help prevent medication misuse and opioid addiction. Event locations will be held at Leader McCombie's District Office, 9317B IL Rt 84, Savanna and at the Elizabeth Community Building (Rear Parking Area), 330 N. West Street, Elizabeth.

"This is a great opportunity to clean out your medicine cabinet and know you are safely disposing of any unused or expired medications or prescriptions," said Leader McCombie. "National Prescription Drug Take Back Day is reminder of just how dangerous misuse of medications and opioids can be. We have an opportunity to prevent tragedies through these events and promote safety in our communities."

Drug Take Back Day has been an ongoing effort to address the rising opioid epidemic, which Leader McCombie has taken a leading stand on in the General Assembly by backing a measure to combat fentanyl. While fentanyl has been a rising source of overdoses across the state and nation, her legislation that was signed into law last year would allow pharmacists and retail stores to sell potentially life-saving fentanyl test strips over the counter.

The Prescription Drop-Off events are outdoor drive-thru opportunities—residents will not have to leave their vehicles to drop off their materials. With questions about the upcoming event, contact McCombie's district office at 815-291-8989. Northwest Illinois residents looking for more opportunities for waste and recycling events can visit Jo Daviess County (jodaviesscountyil.gov) to find out more; the Jo-Carroll Solid Waste Agency coordinates special waste and recycling collections, public education, and also issues permits to solid waste haulers operating in Jo Daviess and/or Carroll Counties.

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For instance, there are distinct differences between the morphology (shape or form) of teeth from different regions of the world. The pulp and dentin of teeth also provide a reservoir of DNA. Calculus (calcified plaque) remains long after death and can reveal what plants and animals a population ate, medications



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they ingested and other aspects of their lives. We can also learn a great deal about the customs, diets, and the health of different populations by examining alterations in the teeth that are either intentional or caused by disease, environmental stress, or famine. One example of this is linear enamel hypoplasia (LEH), which are bands of deficient enamel formation caused by systemic stress.

Advances in diagnostic technologies and genetic sequencing are now providing insights into areas that archeologists could not formerly address. One

example of this is the case of an aristocratic French woman named Anne D'Alegre, whose remains were found buried in the chapel of the Château de Laval back in 1988. Although she had died in 1619, her body had been embalmed and placed in a lead coffin, which meant that her teeth were well preserved. Archaeologists who excavated the body noted that D'Alegre had a false tooth and ligatures (a medical term for a thread or wire used to tie something) on the teeth. They did not understand their purpose until the year 2023, when a researcher examined D'Alegre's jaw with a CBCT (Cone Beam Cat Scan). CBCT technology, which did not exist in 1988, creates a three-dimensional image. The scan revealed that D'Alegre not only suffered from severe periodontal disease, but she had undergone long periods of systemic stress in her lifetime.

Damage from her periodontal disease was so severe it had caused many of her teeth to become loose and the fine gold wires had been placed to keep them from falling out. One of the teeth she lost had been replaced by part of an elephant tusk. While most of the wires were strung near the gum line, some of her teeth had been pierced so that a wire could be run through them to add more stability. Not only would the

placing of these wires have been incredibly painful, but the scan revealed that the wires had to be periodically tightened. While she endured that pain, she had no way of knowing that the "solution" was making her surrounding teeth more unstable.

If we want to understand why anyone would choose to live in this much pain, we need to consider this in the context of the time and society in which Anne D'Alegre

lived. Anne D'Alegre lived through a troubled time in French history. She was a Protestant, or Huguenot, at the time of the French Wars of Religion between the Protestants and Catholics. On Sept. 1, 1583, Anne D'Alegre married Guy XIX of Laval, Count of Laval. She was only 21 when the count died in 1586. She then became known as the Dowager Countess

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US Bank Trust National Association, Not In Its Individual Capacity But Solely As Owner Trustee For VRMTG Asset Trust Plaintiff,  
vs.  
Shanin J. Solt; et. al. Defendants,

US BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE OF THE LB-DWELLING SERIES V TRUST; Plaintiff,  
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of Laval, of Montfort, of Harcourt, Baroness of Quintin, and Vitré. As a Protestant, she moved from

Harcourt to Sedan so that she could raise her son, Guy XX de Laval, in the Protestant faith. However, in 1588, King

Henri III seized her property, removed her guardianship, and gave it to Charles of Lorraine. Her son converted

to Catholicism and died in battle in Hungary at the age of 20. D'Alegre re-married but was widowed again.

There was huge pressure on aristocratic women at a time when appearance was seen as integral to value and rank in society. A pleasing smile was especially important for a socialite who had been widowed twice. Because tooth loss changes the shape of one's face and alters speech, she endured the pain of the stabilizing wires rather than the social embarrassment of being an aristocratic woman with no teeth.

Advances in technology will continue to help us understand and learn from our past. It serves as a reminder that we now have the benefit of the knowledge to prevent periodontal disease and safer, more effective treatments to avoid the pain, structural damage, and loss of teeth that D'Alegre and so many others have suffered.

# Freeport Public Library to host clean heat workshop

Join Freeport Public Library on May 2, 2024, to learn more about the clean heat campaign. A discussion will be held on how switching to electric appliances can reduce carbon footprints, lower energy costs, and protect one's health. The Clean and Healthy Buildings Act, an upcoming bill in the Illinois state legislature that would create a plan to reduce building emissions in Illinois, will also be discussed.

Reducing emissions in places of work, play, and daily life is important for and beneficial to the state's climate, as well as the individual health and finances of every Illinoisan. During the workshop participants will have the opportunity to give feedback and ask questions regarding electrification and the Clean and Healthy Buildings Act. The workshop will be held from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

# Incident (Continued from page 13)

Officers on scene at Pleasant Street and West Avenue discovered evidence that showed a firearm had been discharged in the area. The male victim was initially treated at FHN Hospital and then transported to another hospital for potentially life-threatening injuries. At this time, it is believed

this incident was not a random act of violence. The Freeport Police department is investigating the incident and is asking for anyone who has any information to contact either the Freeport Police Department at 815-235-8222, or Stateline Area Crime Stoppers at 866-TIPSNOW or through texting at Tip411.

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