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Stephenson County Flag Retirement Ceremony

On Monday, June 10 the Orangeville American Legion Post 720 hosted the annual Stephenson County Flag Retirement Ceremony at the Orangeville Village Hall. At this annual event, faded, frayed and unserviceable U. S. flags are properly, and respectfully, retired and destroyed.



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Obituaries

WILLIAM HOLLAND

William (Bill) Egnathaus Holland, 99 years old, born June 1, 1925 son of Herman and Anna (Gruber) Holland passed on June 7, 2024. Bill was born on his maternal grandparent's farm, on Snipe Hollow Road, Elizabeth, IL. All of Bill's nine siblings were born in the plantation style house built by his grandparents Egnathaus and Mary Gruber. Bill was named after his grandfather Egnathaus, and also had his very strong work ethic.

Bill attended Mount and Morley country school, Elizabeth, IL where he graduated and received his 8th grade certificate. His love of farming was born within his blood line. As an eager teenager he always wanted to be outdoors. He was also a part of the four eldest Holland children that killed rattlesnakes and sold the meat to a restaurant in Chicago, IL to help feed the family.

Bill was drafted into the



United States Army on Feb. 28, 1951, in Chicago, IL. He was stationed at Ft. Devens, Mass in the Artillery section.

Later he was stationed in Camp Edwards Army base. During his tour of duty in the army he was a jeep driver for the brass. Upon finishing his tour, he was promoted to Corporal. On Feb. 27, 1953, Bill received his honorable discharge.

Returning home Bill went back to the career he loved most, farming. He loved farming so much that he went into business with his good friend Stanley Fisher. Bill also worked at the Stockton hardware store for 45 years retiring from there when he was 60 years old. At age 90 years old he retired from farming and cash rented the farm. He married at 59 years old to Dorothy (Posey) Collin on July 7, 1984. Dorothy had three sons and one daughter. He had a ready-made family when he married Dorothy.

Bill always wanted to stay busy, that was his secret to living so long. He worked for

Stanley Fisher and Don Brudi doing trenching work until his mid-80s.

He was loved by his family. At age 98 he and Dorothy, age 97, moved to Park View Nursing Home in Freeport. The received great care at Park View.

Everyone will remember Bill for his dry sense of humor. We all know he was laughing inside with his little grin. Bill is survived by his wife Dorothy, stepsons Ken (Jill), Gene (Anju), and Vern Collin. Bill was preceded in death by his parents; grandparents; stepdaughter, Janet Stocker; step-daughter-in-law, Sandy Schneider; his siblings, Frank, Herman, Lewis, Andrew, and Leroy. Sisters, Anna McKibben, Marie Kempert, Susan Vandervate, and Margrite Holland.

A celebration of life with Military Honors will be held at the Herman Funeral Home in Stockton, IL on June 27 at 3:30 p.m. There will be a visitation beginning at 2 p.m. Any great stories concerning Bill will be most welcome during the celebration. A memorial fund has been established for Friends Forever Humane Society in Freeport, IL. Condolences may be shared with his family at www.hermannfuneralhome.com.

JAMES AURAND

James "Jim" G. Aurand, age 88 of Warren, IL passed away on Monday, June 10, 2024, at Madina Nursing Home in Durand, IL. Jim was born on December 9, 1935, to Elso and Margurite (Grabow) Aurand in Maywood, IL, the third of four boys. He was united in marriage to Carol Stacey on April 7, 1956. Shortly after they were married, Jim was drafted into the US Army, where he proudly served his country.

In 1963, Jim and Carol moved to Warren, where

they purchased the Red & White Grocery Store, which they owned and operated until 1972. Jim was the first coordinate for the Warren Ambulance Service, and he also drove school bus for the Warren School District for 20 years. He was a member of the Wickler-Copland Legion Post 464. Jim also enjoyed refinishing furniture and hunting.

Jim is survived by his wife Carol of Warren, daughter; Donna (Tom) Ernst of Apple River, son; James (Hugh Monckton) of Glenview, IL, and grandchildren; Nikita

(Chris Roginski) Ernst of Madison, WI, and Anthony (Hilary) Ernst of Bettendorf, IA. He was preceded in death by his parents, and his three brothers; Robert, Gerald, and John.

Funeral services were held at on Friday, June 14, 2024, at the Bartlett-Leamon Funeral Home in Warren, IL. Father Andrew Hernandez officiated the services. Cremation rites have been accorded. A memorial has been established in his memory. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.leamonfh.com.

Church news

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

All are invited to worship at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 118 E. Mason St. Lena, IL on Sunday, June 23 for Sunday Worship Service at 9:30 a.m. This week's gospel reading is from the Gospel Mark 4:35-41.

On Wednesday, June 26 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 after Pentecost and Holy Trinity Sunday on Sunday, June 23 at 9 a.m.

Everyone is welcome to come to St. John's to play cards and dominoes on Thursday, June 27 at 1 p.m. and dominoes in Luther Hall on Tuesday, July 2 at 9 a.m.

The next Men's Breakfast will be on Wednesday, July 3 at 7:30 a.m. at the Garden View Restaurant in Lena.

The July Grace Meal will be on Sunday, July 23. Meals can be picked up between 11 a.m. and 12 p.m. on June 16. Reservations are due in the church office by Thursday, July 18. The menu for the July meal will be brats, baked beans, potato chips, Jell-o, and a Rice Krispie treat. This meal is possible due to donations and a grant from the Foundation of Northwest Illinois.

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.

Salem United Church of Christ

All are welcome to join for a Sunday service led by Pastor Christopher Ham on Sunday, June 23, 2024, at 10 a.m. at Salem United Church of Christ, 8491 West Salem Road, Lena, IL. The Adult Sunday School will be hosted prior to service, starting at 9 a.m. on the lower level of the church. Children's Sunday School is held during church service at 10 a.m.

The Wednesday Breakfast Lunch will meet June 26 at 8 a.m. at Landmark Family Restaurant, 1 E Main Street, Freeport, IL.

If interested in participating in a fun evening of crafting, please join for Crafternoon from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. on

the third Wednesday of each month. During this time there are snacks, a brief devotional thought, and plenty of time to work on crafts individually or together. This is hosted on the lower level of Salem United Church of Christ, and all are welcome to join. For more information on any Salem related items, contact 815-369-4511 or ruth.dake@gmail.com.

Scales Mound UMC "Young at Heart" features the bluegrass band "Pleasant Hope" in June gathering

Scales Mound United Methodist Church is pleased to host the bluegrass band "Pleasant Hope" at its June Young at Heart community gathering on Tuesday, June 25 at 1:30 p.m. This Gale-na-based band is made up of three very talented siblings - Ava, Vivienne and Oliver Mai - and they enjoy sharing their mix of bluegrass, gospel and country music with churches, festivals and more.


Scales Mound UMC is located at 319 Mason St. and holds Young at Heart gatherings on the fourth Tuesday of every month at 1:30 p.m. Each month features refreshments, entertainment and speakers, and great community with one another. Anyone who is "young at heart" is invited to join us. There is no charge for this event. Please contact Pastor Libby Rutherford at rutherford.libby@gmail.com or 815-990-1428 with any questions.

Calvary Church of Stockton

Calvary Church of Stockton will have a special message on June 23. The Youth are on their Mission Trip June 18 through the 22 and will share about their trip to Western Kentucky. The public is invited to attend. The worship service is at 10 a.m. with Sunday School for adults starting at 8:45 a.m.

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The family of Elaine Holmes extends a sincere thank you to everyone for the many cards and kind expressions of sympathy.

Thank you to the staff and many friends at the Lena Living Center.

Our appreciation to Pastor Christopher Ham for his assistance and service.

Also to the Leamon's Ambulance Service and staff at the Leamon's Funeral Home.

Blessings to all.

Jeff Holmes, Greg Holmes and Chris (Jim) Peterson and families.

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Stephenson County Farm Bureau news

By Victoria Hansen

Peaches, Peaches, Peaches! We are excited to share the great news that we will again be able to offer southern Illinois peaches from Rendleman Orchard. The 25-pound box is \$43 for Farm Bureau and Members and \$48 for non-members.

In addition to the delicious fresh peaches, we will also be offering the infamous Rendleman Orchard's peach crisp mix for \$8. For county specific information regarding pickup date and order deadline please call 815-232-3186 (Stephenson) or visit www.stephensoncfb.org or 815-244-3001 (Carroll) or www.carrollcfb.org.

PPE Distribution for Dairy Farmers

Illinois Farm Bureau is assisting the Illinois Department of Public Health in providing personal protective equipment (PPE) to every dairy farm in the state of Illinois. As of June 5, 2024, no Illinois dairy cows have tested positive for H5N1, but this one-time distribution of PPE is being planned out of an abundance of caution to ensure that all Illinois dairy farm workers can be proactively protected.

PPE is being offered free of charge in a completely voluntary and confidential manner. To assist in gathering requested supplies, IFB will be collecting the information submitted by dairy farms. As stated, this is confidential and will be used only to aid in the distribution of the PPE. PPE can be requested online using this link: <https://form.jotform.com/241505515716049> or by filling out a paper copy and returning it to the CFB office. This paper document can be accessed by calling your county Farm Bureau.

Once the request has been received, the CFB and local health department will work together on distributing PPE to farms. This will vary from county to county, depending on the system which works best for you. If you have questions please reach out to the Manager, Victoria Hansen at Stephenson County Farm Bureau 815-232-3186 or Carroll County Farm Bureau at 815-244-3001.

Illinois LICA hosts free drainage workshop focused on water quality

The Illinois Land Improvement Contractors Association (ILICA) is hosting a free Drainage Workshop Series focusing on water

quality practices in three areas of the state this summer for landowners, tenants, and contractors.

The first workshop will be held at Highland Community College on Wednesday, June 26 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The single day workshop will provide information about the history and progress of the Illinois Nutrient Loss Reduction Strategy, the benefits of edge of field practices and how to identify suitable sites for installation, cost share opportunities, and wetland jurisdictional and determination information. Producers and contractors are encouraged to attend the workshop from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., which includes a free lunch and concludes with a tour of water quality practices on campus to learn about the conservation efforts, tools, and funding available to enhance water quality across the state.

The afternoon sessions (2 p.m. to 5 p.m.) will provide content on conservation drainage business opportunities, trench safety, surveying basics, and drainage pipe installation specifications for contractors, though producers are also welcome to attend these sessions. Partner organizations and agencies that will be present to share information and answer questions include IL Corn, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Stephenson Co Soil & Water Conservation District, Agricultural Drainage Management Coalition, University of IL Extension, and US Army Corps of Engineers. RSVPs requested for meal counts. For more information and to register, please visit ill-ca.net/events or call Illinois LICA at 309- 932-1230.

Carroll County Plat Books now available

The Carroll County Farm Bureau is excited to announce we now have 2024 Carroll County Plat Books for sale at our office, 811 S Clay Street, Mt. Carroll, IL. Farm Bureau members are able to purchase these books for \$35 and \$55 for non-members. Payment methods accepted include cash, check, debit and credit cards. Our summer office hours are Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. or by appointment. We are happy to set up a time to meet outside of our regular hours. For questions or to make an appointment please call 815-244-3001 or email carrollcfb@gmail.com.



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Toy Train and Tractor Show

On Friday, June 21 the Lena Living Center will host the Toy Train and Toy Antique Tractor Show. The show will feature Levi Wichman and his antique train displays and collection of antique toy tractors. Displays will be open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. All are invited to stop by for a tour.

Ag and Natural Resources Scholarship available

Individuals who are or will be studying agriculture, natural resources, or related programs with an emphasis in conservation are encouraged to apply for the R. C. Miller Scholarship. The Stephenson County 4-H and Extension Foundation is seeking individuals interested in applying for the scholarship for the 2024-2025 academic year. The chosen recipient will be awarded a \$1,000 scholarship.

To be eligible to apply, individuals must be residents

of Stephenson County and enrolled in an agriculture, natural resources or related degree program. Applicants must be accepted at their chosen college or university and be a full-time student carrying a minimum of 12 hours per semester.

The scholarship was established by R. C. Miller, a lifetime Stephenson County resident and ardent supporter of agriculture, natural resources and conservation. Miller, who died in 2007, left a legacy in the community to

support a variety of programs and efforts, especially youth and conservation causes.

To receive an application, please call the University of Illinois Extension Stephenson County Office at 815-235-4125. Completed applications are due by August 1, 2024 to the University of

IL Extension, 2998 W. Pearl City Rd, Freeport. The application can be emailed to applicants. The Stephenson County 4-H and Extension Foundation Board is responsible for selection of the scholarship winners. Past recipients may re-apply for consideration.

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10 most overplayed songs (or annoying, or both) by bands in the 'burbs

Editor's note: Previously published columns by Mike Sandrolini are being re-published periodically on the Viewpoint page. This column was originally published in 2019.

There are plenty of talented cover bands, but many of them must be sharing the same set list.

How about playing a little Wang Chung, Chaka Khan or Kajagoogoo? (Bonus points if you remember Kajagoogoo from the 1980s.) Or even Mr. Mister or Sister Sledge? Any-

thing, except for the following:

Honorable mention: **Summer of '69** (Bryan Adams 1985) - The best days of my life are whenever I don't have to hear about how the band fell apart when Jimmy quit and Jody got married.

10. "Livin' on a Prayer" (Bon Jovi 1986) - I like Bon Jovi, and the intro to their signature tune rocks. That said, the story of Tommy working on the docks and being down on his luck, while his sniveling significant other, Gina, dreams

of running away, is getting old. Perhaps Gina could use a hug, but in this case, Tommy needs to exercise some tough love. "Yo, Gina, it's time to work the diner all day and bring home your pay for love, so suck it up, buttercup."

9. "Footloose" (Kenny Loggins 1984) - "Ooh-wee, Marie ... whoa, Milo." Admittedly, I get a kick out of watching all you lovely ladies trip over yourselves as you stampede to the dance floor once that familiar guitar riff to "Footloose" commences.

8. "Summer Nights" (John Travolta and Olivia Newton-John, Grease 1978) - Hard to believe the Grease album went eight times platinum despite having two of the most overplayed songs ever recorded as part of the album.

("You're the One That I Want" being the other.)

7. "Uptown Funk" (Bruno Mars and Mark Ronson 2014) - Ahh, yes. The song that made Jackson, Mississippi famous and introduced Michelle Pfeiffer to a new generation. Someone suggested in a tweet they were going to name their first son Bruno. Since I've heard one too many parents call their sons "buddy" at Walmart ("c'mon buddy"; "let's go buddy"), hearing a parent say "c'mon Bruno" would be refreshing.

6. "Shut up and Dance" (Walk the Moon 2014) - This tune by a band called Walk the Moon makes me want to walk the plank. Shut up and play another song (puh-lease).

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Combating the fentanyl epidemic and supporting those in recovery

By U.S. Rep. Raja Krishnamoorthi



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On May 28, I joined several officials at a press conference to address the ongoing fentanyl epidemic across our state.

Since taking office in 2017, I've been proud to support legislation expanding funding for front-line health care providers and increasing the availability of naloxone. I've also secured funding for treatment centers and diversion programs right here in Chicago.

But last year, when I was selected as Ranking Member of the Select Committee on the Strategic Competition Between the United States and the Chinese Communist Party (CCP), I also dedicated myself to tackling international aspects of this crisis.

It's estimated that 97 percent of illegal fentanyl entering the U.S. comes from the People's Republic of China (PRC). That means that if we stop the flow of fentanyl and its precursors—the chemicals specifically used to make fentanyl—from the PRC, it will save lives in Illinois and across the country.

That's why my Committee spent months investigating the CCP's role in this crisis, and a few weeks ago, I released a 64-page report summarizing our findings and identifying specific policy solutions to help victims.

My investigation revealed that the CCP has not only turned a blind eye towards PRC companies that export fentanyl precursors for clearly illicit purposes, even when the U.S. has provided them with irrefutable evidence, but that it has actually been directly subsidizing the export of such chemicals. That means that CCP policy has been to provide tax breaks to encourage the production of the chemicals fueling the fentanyl epi-

dem.

In addition to supporting local efforts to address the impacts of the fentanyl epidemic, Congress has a critical role to play in cutting off the supply of these deadly drugs.

One of the top legislative recommendations from my investigation was enacting the FEND Off Fentanyl Act, which was signed into law just one week after my Committee released our report and called for the bill's passage.

This is a sanctions and anti-money laundering law that will help combat the fentanyl crisis by targeting opioid traffickers and money launderers, making fentanyl less lucrative for traffickers by making it harder to smuggle and profit from trafficking.

While an enormous amount of work remains to be done to end the fentanyl epidemic, the FEND Off Fentanyl Act is an important step forward.

Commemorating the 35th anniversary of the Tiananmen Square massacre

On June 4, I led a bipartisan commemoration for the victims of the Tiananmen Square Massacre with members of the House of Representatives as well as former Speakers Nancy Pelosi and Kevin McCarthy, as well as Chinese political dissidents.

The protests held in 1989 by Chinese students advocating for democracy, human rights, and freedom, were immortalized in the indelible image of a single, unidentified demonstrator facing down a line of 18 People's Liberation

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Commemorate the 192nd anniversary of the Battle of Apple River Fort on Saturday, Jun 29 and Sunday, June 30. Living history interpreters will bring the Fort to life with musket firings, cooking demos and more.

Battle of the Apple River Fort 192nd anniversary

This year marks the 192nd anniversary of the Battle of the Apple River Fort. In the spring of 1832, Black Hawk led over a thousand of Sauk and Fox warriors and civilians back into Illinois to try and reclaim their lands. His return caused a panic, and settlers across northwestern Illinois and southern Wisconsin began to build small forts to defend themselves—one such fort was built at the Apple River Settlement, now Elizabeth, IL.

On June 24, 1832, the Apple River Fort was attacked

by two hundred Sauk and Fox braves, led by Black Hawk himself. The Fort was defended by forty-five men, women, and children for almost an hour. In the end, the settlers lost only one man and Black Hawk, who had been raiding nearby settlers' cabins for much needed supplies, moved on.

To commemorate this anniversary, the Fort will come alive on Saturday, June 29 and Sunday, June 30. Costumed interpreters will demonstrate hearth cooking, molding lead musket balls, musket firing

demos, militia drills, and more. Mrs. Elizabeth Armstrong, who courageously rallied the women and children into action during the battle, will also make an appearance.

This event will run from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on both days. Attendance is free, but donations are appreciated and help to support the Fort's living history program and future special events. For more information visit our website www.appleriverfort.org or contact the site at info@appleriverfort.org or 815-858-2028.

Shoe Drive Fundraiser

Home and Community Education (HCE), a volunteer association active in Jo Daviess County since 1924, is partnering with the 4-H and Youth Development Extension Program. Together they will be holding a Shoe Drive Fundraiser with collection points throughout Jo Daviess County in July and August.

Over 600 million shoes are disposed of in landfills nationwide each year in the United States. Shoes can take over 80 years to decompose

completely. Rather than discarding worn shoes, donated shoes are collected and sent to micro-entrepreneurs in developing nations who can sell these shoes in their local communities.

Help by collecting and donating pairs of gently worn, used and new shoes, boots, sandals, heels or athletic shoes. The fundraising goal is to receive 1,500 pairs of shoes. Collection boxes will be set out in July at area businesses and locations across Jo Daviess County. In

addition, HCE plans to have collection boxes at the HCE Booth at the Stockton Park on July 4, at the Jo Daviess County 4-H Fair July 15 through July 17 in Elizabeth, at the Elizabeth Community Fair July 19 through July 21 in Elizabeth and at the Jo Daviess County Fair in Warren Aug. 1 through Aug. 4.

Contact Barb James at Box 285 Apple River, IL 61001 with any questions. Follow HCE updates on Facebook at JoDaviess Co Home and Community Education.

Stockton 4th of July Lion's Club BBQ delivery

This year the Stockton Lion's Club is offering an option for delivery of chicken BBQ on July 4. The delivery will be limited to homes within the Stockton city limits and a limited number of meals will be delivered. There is a maximum order of five meals per address.

Pre-orders are required and must be placed by 12 p.m. on July 2 (while sup-

plies last). To order please call 815-947-3795 and leave a name, address, and phone number. Meals will be delivered starting at 10:30 a.m. on the July 4, with the intention of all meals delivered by 12p.m. Time of delivery cannot be guaranteed, but it will be between 10:30 a.m. and 12 p.m.

The meals are \$14 for a half chicken and \$10 for a

quarter chicken. The sides will be coleslaw, baked beans, and a roll and there will be no substitutes. Someone must be home to receive the order when it is dropped off, and exact payment in the form of cash or check must be provided. Tips and fireworks donations are also welcome. For more information, please follow the "Stockton 4th of July Celebration" Facebook page.



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Regardless of what caused the bacteria to enter the tooth, without intervention, the result will



By **DR. STEPHEN PETRAS**
Illinois Licensed General Dentist

be the same. The bacteria will cause inflammation and infection that will kill the nerves and blood vessels inside the tooth. The tooth will not get better on its own. An unchecked bacterial infection can form an abscess, spread to other teeth, the jaw, or the blood.

Healthy primary teeth are critical for speech development and chewing

food. They allow your child to smile and interact with confidence. Primary teeth also play the key role of saving space for permanent teeth. Therefore, when an infection spreads to the pulp, your dentist may recommend a pulpotomy to preserve the vitality and structure of a primary tooth.

A pulpotomy is a specialized procedure that is performed when the pulp infection is localized to the pulp tissues in the crown of the tooth. The diseased tissue is removed, the area is cleaned, and a medicated filling is placed to decrease inflammation, promote healing of the remaining

pulp, and prevent further infection. The area is then sealed and fitted with a stainless-steel crown, to protect the tooth and keep it healthy until the permanent one is ready to take its place. Since the nerve tissue in the

roots is retained, the tooth remains alive. The roots continue to grow and mature, which preserves the vital roles that primary teeth serve. In addition, the stainless-steel crown is not attached to the gums of the child's tooth,

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LEGAL NOTICE

ANNUAL DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT

LENA
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 Annual Water Quality Report for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2023

This report is intended to provide you with important information about your drinking water and the efforts made by the water system to provide safe drinking water.

The source of drinking water used by LENA is Ground Water.

For more information regarding this report contact:

Name: Kory Polhill

Phone: 815-369-4016

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre el agua que usted bebe. Tradúzcalo ó hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

The Village of Lena meets on the second and fourth Monday of each month at 6 p.m.

Source of Drinking Water

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which

may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.

- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.

- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.

- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.

- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the

same protection for public health.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population.

Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. We cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Source Water Information:

Source Water Name	Type of Water	Report Status	Location
WELL 2 (11872)	GW	ACTIVE	201 VERNON ST
WELL 3 (11873)	GW	ACTIVE	122 E. MAIN ST
WELL 4 (01904)	GW	ACTIVE	401 E. MAIN ST

Source Water Assessment

We want our valued customers to be informed about their water quality. If you would like to learn more, please feel welcome to attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. The source water assessment for our supply has been completed by the Illinois EPA. If you would like a copy of this information, please stop by City Hall or call our water operator at 815-369-4016. To view a summary version of the completed Source Water Assessments, including: Importance of Source Water; Susceptibility to Contamination Determination; and documentation/recommendation of Source Water Protection Efforts, you may access the Illinois EPA website at <http://www.epa.state.il.us/cgi-bin/wp/swap-fact-sheets.pl>.

Source of Water: LENA To determine Lena's susceptibility to groundwater contamination, the following documents were reviewed: a Well Site Survey, published in 1989 by the Illinois EPA, and a report entitled "Phase 2 and Phase 5 Waiver Application/Vulnerability Assessment" prepared for the Village of Lena by Fehr- Graham & Associates Engineering and Science Consultants in 1994. During the survey of Lena's source water protection area, Illinois EPA staff recorded two potential secondary sources within the minimum setback zone of well #2 and two possible problem sites within the minimum setback zone of well #3. Several other possible problem sites are located outside the minimum setback zone, but within the survey area of both wells. Based on information provided by Lena's water supply officials, the following facilities has changed their status: Lana Farmers' Exchange has been razed and the tanks removed, Stamm Farm Systems Inc. has had the tanks removed, Lena Winslow School District 312 has been changed to Dietz Apartment Building, Stewarts Motor Service has been removed, and Green Country Express is now Werhane Enterprise. The Illinois EPA does not consider the source water susceptible to contamination. This determination is based on a number of criteria including: monitoring conducted at the wells, monitoring conducted at the entry point to the distribution system, and the available hydrogeologic data on the wells. In anticipation of the U.S. EPA's proposed Ground Water Rule, the Illinois EPA has determined that this water supply is not vulnerable to viral contamination. This determination is based upon the completed evaluation of the following criteria during the Vulnerability Waiver Process: the wells are properly constructed with sound integrity and proper site conditions; a hydrogeologic barrier exists that should prevent pathogen movement; all potential routes and sanitary defects have been mitigated such that the source water is adequately protected; monitoring data did not indicate a history of disease outbreak; and a sanitary survey of the water supply did not indicate a viral contamination threat. Because the wells are constructed in a confined aquifer, that could minimize the movement of pathogens into the wells, well hydraulics were not considered to be a significant factor in the vulnerability determination. Hence, well hydraulics were not evaluated for this groundwater supply.

2023 Regulated Contaminants Detected

Lead and Copper

Definitions:

Action Level Goal (ALG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. ALGs allow for a margin of safety.

Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Lead and Copper	Date Sampled	MCLG	Action Level (AL)	90th Percentile	# Sites Over AL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper	2023	1.3	1.3	0.94	0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing systems.

Water Quality Test Results

Definitions: The following tables contain scientific terms and measures, some of which may require explanation.

Avg: Regulatory compliance with some MCLs are based on running annual average of monthly samples.

Level 1 Assessment: A Level 1 assessment is a study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system.

Level 2 Assessment: A Level 2 assessment is a very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why an E. coli MCL violation has occurred and/or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system on multiple occasions.

Maximum Contaminant Level or MCL: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal or MCLG: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below

which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum residual disinfectant level or MRDL:

The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Maximum residual disinfectant level goal or MRDLG:

The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

na: not applicable.

mrem: millirems per year (a measure of radiation absorbed by the body)

ppb: micrograms per liter or parts per billion - or one ounce in 7,350,000 gallons of water.

ppm: milligrams per liter or parts per million - or one ounce in 7,350 gallons of water.

Treatment Technique or TT: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Regulated Contaminants

Disinfectants and Disinfection By-Products	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Chlorine	2023	0.9	0.66 - 1.08	MRDLG = 4	MRDL = 4	ppm	N	Water additive used to control microbes.
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	2023	2	2.36 - 2.36	No goal for the total	60	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	2023	5	5.4 - 5.4	No goal for the total	80	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Inorganic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination

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Barium	2023	0.41	0.33 - 0.41	2	2	ppm	N	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
Fluoride	2023	0.896	0.669 - 0.896	4	4.0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Iron	2023	0.55	0.49 - 0.55		1.0	ppm	N	This contaminant is not currently regulated by the USEPA. However, the state regulates. Erosion of natural deposits.
Manganese	2023	7.7	5.2 - 7.7	150	150	ppb	N	This contaminant is not currently regulated by the USEPA. However, the state regulates. Erosion of natural deposits.
Sodium	2023	10	6.1 - 10			ppb	N	Erosion from naturally occurring deposits. Used in water softener regeneration.
Radioactive Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Combined Radium 226/228	04/20/2021	2.43	1.27 - 2.43	0	5	pCi/L	N	Erosion of natural deposits.
Gross alpha excluding radon and uranium	04/20/2021	3.52	0 - 3.52	0	15	pCi/L	N	Erosion of natural deposits.

Due to favorable monitoring history, aquifer characteristics, and inventory of potential sources of contamination, our water supply was issued a vulnerability waiver renewal. VOCs are monitored once every 6 years and SOCs once every 9 years. We monitored in 2020 and had no detections.

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STATE OF ILLINOIS
IN THE CIRCUIT
COURT OF THE 15TH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
COUNTY OF
STEPHENSON

WISCONSIN BANK &
TRUST, a Division of
HTLF Bank,
Plaintiff,

vs.

DYLAN SEVERSON
a/k/a DYLAN
THOMAS SEVERSON;
BRITTNEY AUKOFER
a/k/a BRITTANY
AUKOFER a/k/a
BRITTANY MICHELLE
AUKOFER;
UNKNOWN OWNERS
and NON-RECORD
CLAIMANTS,
Defendants.

Case No. 2024 FC 20

PUBLICATION NOTICE

The requisite Affidavit for Publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants in the above-entitled cause, that the above-entitled Mortgage Foreclosure action was filed on May 23, 2024, and is now pending.

1. The names of all Plaintiffs and the Case Number are identified above.

2. The Court in which this action was brought is identified above.

3. The name of the titleholder of record is: Dylan

Severson and Brittany Aukofer.

4. A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows:

Part of the Northeast Quarter (1/4) of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 28, Township 29 North, Range 8 East of the Fourth Principal Meridian, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point on the East line of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of said Section 28, said point being North 00 degrees 37 minutes 30 seconds East, a distance of 1592.78 feet from a Railroad Spike at the Southeast corner thereof; thence North 89 degrees 06 minutes 19 seconds West, a distance of 361.48 feet to an iron rod; thence North 00 degrees 42 minutes 04 seconds West, a distance of 349.73 feet to an iron rod; thence North 89 degrees 53 minutes 13 seconds East, a distance of 215.12 feet to an iron rod; thence North 02 degrees 05 minutes 33 seconds East, a distance of 77.67 feet to an iron rod; thence North 89 degrees 32 minutes 12 seconds East, a distance of 152.51 feet to the East line of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 28; thence South 00 degrees 37 minutes 30 seconds West, along said East line, a distance of 434.65 feet to the Point of Beginning; situated in the Township of Oneco, County of Stephenson and State of Illinois.

PIN: Part of 16-04-28-400-003
(New tax code for 2023: 16-04-28-400-005)

5. A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows:

12382 North Afolkey Road, Orangeville, Illinois 61060

6. An identification of the Mortgage sought to be foreclosed is as follows:

- a. Name of Mortgagor: Dylan Severson and Brittany Aukofer
- b. Name of Mortgagee: Wisconsin Bank & Trust, a Division of HTLF Bank
- c. Date of Mortgage: May 19, 2023
- d. Date of Recording: April 2, 2024 (re-recorded April 30, 2024)
- e. County Where Recorded: Stephenson County, Illinois
- f. Recording Document Identification: Document No. 202400200384 and Document No. 202400200777

NOW THEREFORE, unless you, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants, file your Answer to the Complaint for Foreclosure in this cause or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the offices of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Stephen-

son County, 15 N. Galena Avenue, Freeport, Illinois 61032, on or before July 5, 2024 (which is the 30th day after the first publication of this notice), default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a Judgment for Foreclosure may be entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint.

RENO & ZAHM LLP

BY: /s/ Ryan T. Straw
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STEPHENSON COUNTY
- FREEPORT, ILLINOIS
Carrington Mortgage
Services LLC
PLAINTIFF

Vs.
Kerri Lynn Gerke;
United States of America
- Secretary of Housing
and Urban Development;
Unknown Owners and
Nonrecord Claimants;
Sheila Gunn a/k/a Sheila

Scherrer; Kim M. Houck
a/k/a Kim M. Raab;
Unknown Heirs and
Legatees of Marcia K.
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as Special Representative
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FROM LENA'S KITCHEN



The not so skinny cook

Father's Day is behind us and so is one half of June. Summer is also here with hot weather. The recipes this week feature some good salads and skillet meals, so it is cooler cooking. Have a great week cooking!

Watermelon Cucumber Salad

There have been some great tasting watermelon in stores, and they also have been a good price. This refreshing salad is different than a green salad, so try it and see if it becomes a favorite.

Dressing

- 2 T. red wine vinegar
- 2 t. olive oil
- ¼ t. salt
- 1/8 t. pepper
- 2 T. chopped fresh flat leaf parsley

Salad

- 6 C. seedless 1-inch cubes watermelon
- 1 C. slice quartered cucumber
- 1 small thinly sliced red onion
- 1 C. crumbled feta cheese

In a small bowl, using a wire whisk, mix the vinegar, oil, salt and pepper until combined. Stir in parsley. In a large bowl, mix watermelon, cucumber, onion, and ¾ C. feta. Pour dressing over the watermelon mixture; toss gently to combine. Sprinkle salad with remaining feta cheese. Garnish with additional flat leaf parsley.

Chinese Chicken Salad

This salad is a good one for a hot summer lunch. The cabbage stays crunchy if you make it ahead. Add the chow mien noodles right before serving. I read somewhere that chow mien noodles are like croutons in a salad. I think that could be right! Note: If you don't have sesame oil, just use more canola oil. You can substitute cider vinegar for rice vinegar.

- 4 C. coarsely chopped Chinese or Napa cabbage
- 2 C. shredded red cabbage
- 2 C. shredded cooked chicken (rotisserie chicken is great for this recipe)
- 1 C. carrots, thinly sliced
- 4 green onions, chopped
- 3 T. canola oil
- 2 T. sesame oil
- 2 T. rice vinegar
- 2 T. soy sauce
- 1 t. sugar
- 1 garlic clove, minced

- 1 t. minced fresh ginger
 - ¼ t. pepper
 - 1 C. chow mien noodles
 - 2 T. sesame seeds, toasted
- In a large bowl, combine the cabbages, chicken, carrots, and onions. In a small bowl, whisk the oils, vinegar, soy sauce, sugar, garlic, ginger and pepper until combined. Pour over cabbage and chicken mixture; toss to coat. Sprinkle with noodles and sesame seeds right before serving.

Creamy Spinach Chicken Dinner

This stove top dinner is great for hot weather. It is rich in taste and easy on prep. You won't heat the kitchen up at all. Serve with a salad and bread, and you have everything ready in 30 minutes.

- 1½ C. uncooked penne pasta
- 1 lb. boneless, skinless chicken breasts, cut into

- 1-inch cubes
 - ½ C. chopped onion
 - 2 t. olive oil
 - 1 can cream of mushroom soup
 - 1 C. heavy whipping cream
 - 10 C. coarsely chopped fresh spinach
 - 2 C. shredded mozzarella cheese
 - 1/8 t. pepper
 - Parmesan cheese
- Cook pasta according to package directions. In a Dutch oven over medium heat, cook and stir chicken and onion in oil for 5 minutes or until chicken is no longer pink. Stir in cream and soup and bring to a boil over medium heat; simmer, covered for 2 minutes. Stir in spinach, cheese and pepper; cook for 1 to 2 minutes until spinach is wilted and cheese is melted. Drain pasta; add to chicken mixture and toss to coat. Sprinkle with parmesan cheese.

Shrimp Salad Rolls

If you are looking for a cool supper, this shrimp roll is easy to prepare and delicious. I find the shrimp at Aldi's to have the best price. It doesn't take long for them to thaw out. Be sure that you pat them dry and remove the tails. I also like Boston or Bibb lettuce (another name for it is butter lettuce) because it is softer for these kinds of sandwiches.

- ½ C. mayonnaise, plus more for the buns
 - 1 large celery stalk, finely chopped
 - 2 T. chopped fresh dill
 - 1 T. chopped fresh chives
 - 1 T. fresh lemon juice
 - ½ t. salt
 - 1 lb. cooked, medium shrimp, chopped
 - 4 hotdog buns
 - 4 large lettuce leaves
 - Dill for garnish
- Stir together the mayo, celery, dill, chives, lemon juice

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LEGAL NOTICES

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21 CH 28

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Ten years of tar spot: Bayer makes breakthrough in research

By Rhiannon Branch
FARMWEEK

Tar spot was first discovered in the U.S. in 2015, making this the 10th season farmers and researchers have battled the corn disease.

In the beginning, there were a lot of unknowns, Jim Donnelly, technical agronomist with DEKALB/Asgrow based in Lee County, told the RFD Radio Network.

"One thing that that we've learned and researched is that fungicides work. They work very well and especially some of the newer fungicides with multiple modes of action," Donnelly said.

Fast forward to today, Bayer researchers can artificially inoculate tar spot in field test plots, which will advance research in both crop protection and genetic tolerance.

"We need the disease in our trials so that we know which ones are good and which ones are bad and to date it's been hard to get that consistent disease level," he said.

"With this we can consistently deliver it where we want it and that essentially speeds up our ability to characterize and deliver new products to the market."

He said while there is good potential for genetic tolerance, farmers are still reliant on fungicides.

"If we find ourselves in very heavy pressure, there really isn't the level of resistance out there that we need that allows us to not have to spray."

But this development is a step in the right direction.

"I think that it will allow us to select products that are close to commercial availability and allow us to prioritize those," he said. "Then, ultimately, the long-term benefit is developing products earlier on in the pipeline, picking out that parent germplasm that's really strong and being able to work with that all the way through our pipeline so that we have even better tolerance several years out."

He said genetic tools for tar spot management are in the works. "Some of them are a lot closer than others, but there are genetic tools and better products with better tolerance that will be coming soon to the market and some very soon," he said.

Tar spot is a big deal some years, but isn't an annual problem, he said, so researchers aren't putting all their eggs in one basket.

•Kitchen (Continued from page 12)

and salt in a large bowl. Add the shrimp to the bowl and gently stir to combine. Heat a large skillet over medium heat, spread both sides of the buns lightly with mayo. Toast the buns in batches until golden, about 2 minutes per side. Lay the lettuce leaves inside the heated buns; fill with the shrimp salad. Sprinkle with dill. Serve with chips.

Blueberry Kuchen

Kuchen originated in Germany and Poland; it is often a cake and pie combination. It is a favorite dessert in the Midwest, and it is the official dessert of South Dakota. I had never heard of it before it appeared in one of my magazines. Some people consider it a coffee cake. It is not hard to prepare and can have many different fruits. Blueberries are pretty prevalent in grocery stores and are often on sale. Enjoy this seasonal blueberry dessert.

- 1 1/2 C. flour
 - 3/4 C. sugar
 - 2 t. baking powder
 - 1/2 t. grated lemon zest
 - 1/2 t. ground nutmeg
 - 1 1/4 t. salt
 - 2/3 C. 2% milk
 - 1/4 C. butter, melted
 - 1 egg, room temperature, beaten
 - 1 t. vanilla
 - 2 C. fresh or frozen blueberries
- Topping**
- 1/4 C. sugar
 - 1/2 C. flour
 - 1/4 C. melted butter

Preheat the oven to 350. In a bowl, combine the flour, sugar, baking powder, lemon zest, nutmeg, and salt. Add the milk, butter and vanilla. Beat for 2 minutes or until well blended. Pour into a greased 9 x 13 baking dish. Sprinkle with blueberries. In a bowl, combine sugar and flour; add butter and toss with a fork until crumbly. Sprinkle over blueberries. Bake at 350 for 40 minutes or until lightly browned. You can serve with ice cream or whipped cream.

Strawberry Lemon Crumble Bars

The title of this recipe is almost longer than the ingredients in the recipe. It is supposed to be one of the best recipes of the summer. I am not sure I agree because I love lots of summer desserts, but this one is easy. Strawberries have been plentiful this year, and many people have made jam. Try this easy bar recipe using prepared sugar cookie dough. The recipe also had a warning about not eating raw cookie dough.

- 1 roll refrigerated sugar cookie dough
- 1/4 C. flour
- 1 T. grated lemon zest
- 2 1/2 t. lemon juice from one large lemon

- 1/2 C. strawberry jam
 - 1/4 C. powdered sugar
- Preheat the oven to 350. Line an 8-inch pan with foil, extending the foil over the sides of the pan. Spray foil with cooking spray. In a medium bowl, break up cookie dough. Add flour and grated lemon peel; mix or knead until well blended. Press 1 1/4 C. of the mixture into pan. Bake 15 minutes. In a small bowl, mix jam and 1 t. lemon juice; carefully spread jam on top of bar base. Crumble remaining cookie dough mixture on jam layer. Bake 25 to 30 minutes or until cookie dough top is golden brown. Cool completely, about 1 hour and 30 minutes. In a small bowl, mix powdered sugar and 1 t. of the remaining lemon juice until smooth. If necessary for drizzling, add an additional 1/2 t. lemon juice. Using a fork, drizzle glaze on top of bars. Let stand 15 minutes. Remove from pan using foil handles. Cut into 4 rows by 4 rows.

Final Thoughts

There is a lot of action on my street. They are putting in the fountain in the triangle. If you know anything about Lena history, you know that there used to be a beautiful fountain in that triangle. Several generous families have given money to purchase a new fountain and landscape for that area. It will be a beautiful asset to the area that has the historic water tower in the background. I am excited to see it in "action" as well as the flowers and benches around it.

Another addition has been the uptown gazebo. I know people who have gone there for lunch; you can get lunch at any of the restaurants that surround it and have a great outdoor dining experience. Another addition to the downtown area is the finishing of the black wrought iron fence in the parking lot. It was started last summer, and it is now finished. I also heard the plane is off the blocks and has

wheels; it may be coming soon. The Lena Farmer's Market has been having new additions each week. Remember it is open on Saturdays in the parking lot from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. This Saturday is Taste of Lena. There is entertainment, a car show and of course, food! Music in the Parks continues; Saturday night is at the Lake, and Sunday night will be at Lions Park. I attended the first concert at the park two weeks ago. It was a great band, and the ice cream afterwards was great too.

Congratulations to the Lena Lions Club. They were chartered 75 years ago. They had a great evening of celebration for their anniversary. The display of all of their projects was absolutely fascinating. If you needed reminding of all their projects for our town and for the state and international projects, they had pictures and articles to read. The Lions Club has provided many things we all appreciate and love like

the Lena Public Library, Lions Park, scholarships for Le-Win students, Fall Festival, Christmas decorations, Candy Day Collections, donations for Historical Society projects, Village projects, and just about any other organization who needs some help. I learned they were started by the Stockton Club and in turn started the Pearl City Club and one other club. It was a great evening of food, fun, and recognition. Lee Otter was recognized as a member for 70 years. Wow, that is a lot of meetings and a lot of projects. Congratulations and thank you for all you do for all of us!

We continue to look for summer fruit and vegetable recipes, so send some favorites our way. If you find some recipes to share, you can contact us by email at scoopshopper@rvpublishing.co or by mail at From Lena's Kitchens, *The Shopper's Guide* at Rock Valley Publishing, 1102 Ann St., Delavan, WI 53115. Have a great week.

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•Epidemic (Continued from page 4)

Army tanks in defiance of the brutal oppression of the Chinese Communist Party (CCP).

People had a choice on that day: to stand with that man who stood up to power, or to stand with that tank, and the CCP's brutal crack-down and repression.

Many dissidents, including some who joined me outside our Capitol, stood with that brave man. As a result, many Chinese peo-

ple were exiled, or worse, while others chose, through action or inaction, to stand with the tanks and the CCP. Thirty-five years since have shown that the CCP's advance against the freedom of the people of China has only continued.

When Chairman Xi Jinping says he will "crack down hard on subversion and separatist activities." by those deemed as "enemy forces", he is telling the

world that the CCP will send those tanks again against anyone that stands up for freedom and democracy, declaring his own people enemies of the state.

We have seen this in Hong Kong through mass suppression, in Tibet through the mass relocation of Tibetans to "reeducation camps," and in Xinjiang through the Uyghur Genocide.

As Ranking Member of the Select Committee on the Strategic Competition Between the United States and the CCP, I organized a June 4 press conference with members of both parties not only a commemoration, but also as a call to action. We came together to send a unified message to the CCP that we would stand for freedom and democracy, joining with all those across the world ready to do the same.

Raja Krishnamoorthi represents the 8th Congressional District of Illinois.

•Songs (Continued from page 4)

5. "Brown Eyed Girl" (Van Morrison 1967)—What if you're a blue-eyed girl, a green-eyed girl, a hazel-eyed girl or a one-eyed girl? I see a discrimination lawsuit on the horizon, and the payout could equal the national debt.

4 Tennessee Whiskey (David Allen Coe 1981) - "Tennessee Whiskey" gained new popularity when Chris Stapleton and Justin Timberlake teamed up to sing it during the 2015 Country Music Association Awards. Unfortunately, they opened Pandora's box. Now, just about every band in the Chicago area insists on playing it. I don't drink, but I've been known to belly up to the bar and chug a Diet Coke before the end of the second verse.

3. "I Will Survive" (Gloria Gaynor 1978) - It's been said that hell hath no fury like a woman scorned. I beg to differ. Fellas, you don't want to get caught on any dance floor when the band cranks up the Women's National Anthem (aka, "I Will Survive"). Just

trust me on this one. Once I hear ... "First I was afraid; I was petrified," that's my cue to take cover in my safe space (the men's restroom) and curl up into the fetal position until I get the all-clear sign.

2. "Don't Stop Believin'" (Journey 1981) - Journey has produced several monster hits, yet every band believes it's their civic duty to cover this worn-out oldie. Sorry to spoil the ending for all you hopeless romantics, but "Don't Stop Believin'" has been around 40 years. If just a small-town girl, living in a lonely world, hasn't crossed paths by now with just a city boy, born and raised in south Detroit, on the midnight train going anywhere, they're never going to meet, so Please Stop Believin'.

1. "Sweet Caroline" (Neil Diamond 1969) - Friends in a social group I regularly attend ask why I'm often late for events that involve listening to bands. It's because I hold out hope that the house band will have already played argu-

ably the most annoying/overplayed song of all time by the time I arrive. So many good Neil Diamond tunes; why has this one become a cult favorite? "Sweet Caroline ... bop-bop-bop." More like "Sweet Caroline ... blah-blah-blah."

•News

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On July 8 through July 12 Calvary will hold a five-day Bible Club. Children ages 5 - 12 are welcome to attend. There will be a missionary story, song, great games, a Bible lesson and snacks. The event will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. Please call Calvary Church at 815-947-2414 or Pastor Scott Hess at 815-821-9245 to sign up.

The Calvary Youth will also be serving ice cream and the church will offer free bottled water on the church grounds on July 4. On July 6 Calvary will be hosting the Brat Stand at Sullivans.

On Aug. 10 the church will hold a "Praise in the Park" from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

News briefs

McConnell American Legion Auxiliary

The McConnell American Legion Auxiliary Meeting will be held at the McConnell Legion on June 19. Social time begins at 12:30 p.m. and the meeting begins at 1 p.m. Anyone who is interested in the Auxiliary is invited to attend.

Blackhawk Unit of Home Extension meeting

The June monthly meeting of Blackhawk Unit of Home Extension will be held Thursday, June 20, 2024, at 1 p.m. at the Pearl City Library. The major lesson, "Eating for Eye Health," will be given by Anita Costello. Roll call will be, "When Did You Start to Wear Glasses?" Raffle items will be brought by Anita Costello and Karen Pohl. These meetings are open to anyone who would like to attend.

Stephenson County VA Pantry

The current needs for the Stephenson County VA Pantry are hand soap, laundry, toothpaste, men and women's body wash, shampoo and conditioner, Kleenex, and ramen noodles. Donations can be brought to the Lena American Legion Home on Saturdays from 10a.m. to 11a.m. at 316 W. Main St., Lena. Donations are greatly appreciated. This list is immediate need, however other items will always be accepted. Please call 815-369-4684 with any questions.

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Freeport police reports

Felony weapons arrest

On June 11, 2024, Detectives with the Freeport Police Department served a search warrant at a residence in the 500 block of Cedar Creek Road in rural Freeport with the assistance of the Stephenson County Sheriff's Office. During a search of the residence, two shotguns and ammunition were located.

A felony charge of Possession of a Weapon by a Felon was approved for the resident, 45-year-old Ryan Bramer, by the Stephenson County State's Attorney. Bramer was arrested and 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.

Use of a Weapon by a Felon at the time of the warrant service. Winston was served with the warrant and complaint and left in the custody of the Stephenson County Sheriff's Office.

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Shots fired incident

On June 10, 2024, a 16-year-old juvenile male Freeport resident was taken into custody on a charge of Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm stemming from a shots fired incident that occurred on May 30, 2024 in the 200 block of W. Empire Street in Freeport.

On that date, Officers of the Freeport Police Department responded to a report of gunshots being fired in the 200 Block of W. Empire Street. Officers arrived on scene shortly after receiving the call. During the investigation, Officers learned there had been a fight at a residence between two groups of individuals earlier in the day. At approximately 7 p.m., a male juvenile suspect approached a group in front of the same residence and fired gun shots at the group who were in and around a vehicle parked in the driveway. The suspect then fled the scene in a dark colored SUV.

The juvenile male was processed and later taken to the Kane County Juvenile Detention Center where he will be detained pending further order from the court.

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First degree murder arrest

On June 11, 2024, Demetries Winston, a 35-year-old resident of Freeport, was served with a three-count felony warrant and complaint for two counts of First Degree Murder and one count of Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm stemming from homicide that occurred on January 13, 2024.

On that date at 2:26 a.m., Officers of the Freeport Police Department responded to a residence in the 1100 Block of S. Oak Avenue for a reported shooting incident. Upon arrival, Officers found an unresponsive 41-year-old male victim who had been shot. The victim was transported to the FHN Hospital by Freeport Fire Ambulance where he was pronounced dead.

Demetries Winston was incarcerated at the Stephenson County Jail for an unrelated felony charge of Unlawful

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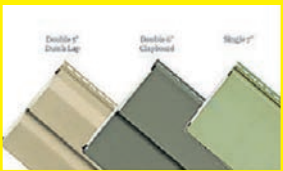
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