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Chatter BOX

Strides Against Hunger walk/run

Strides Against Hunger 5K & 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk & Dog Walk, a fundraiser event in Arcola to benefit the Arcola Food Pantry will be held Saturday, April 15. Look for more information next week.

New scholarship available in Arcola

Jaye Roberts will honor the life of her son, U.S. Marine Corporal Allen C. Roberts, with a new scholarship for an Arcola High School graduate seeking post secondary education at a vocational, trade or technical school. Please contact the Arcola High School guidance department for the application — due March 27th.

Class of '68 reunion

The Arcola High School Class of 1968's 55th class reunion is set for July 29 at the Kaskaskia Country Club. Please email your contact information to arcola68reunion@yahoo.com or janperrey@aol.com.

Quilter klatch

Quilters are invited to gather Friday afternoons at 1 p.m. in the Arcola Center to share their time and mutual interests with other quilters. For information contact 217-417-1388.

New office numbers

Better Newspapers Inc., which owns the Arcola Record-Herald, is consolidating offices. For news and advertising, please call our Tuscola office at 217-253-5086 or our Arthur office at 217-543-2151.

Upcoming dates

- March 22, Beginning of Ramadan
- April 1, April Fool's Day
- April 2, Palm Sunday
- April 5, Passover
- April 7, Good Friday
- April 9, Easter
- April 30, Children's Day in Arcola

The Vault Gallery to open 'Figures and Fables' show

The Vault Gallery is hosting the show opening for "Figures and Fables" on March 25 from 3-5 p.m. The show features work from Joe Nivens and Grace West. Their work on display until April 15.

"The show is a mix of things. There are a few puppets in there, a few small sculptures, metal casts and a few larger-scale puppets as well, and a small diorama piece," said Nivens.

The mixed media sculpture artist and animator said his work is all influenced by his background in animation and stop motion. He experiments with different materials and techniques. Niven's side of the gallery doesn't have one cohesive theme but is rather a retrospective of his work.

West experiments with utilizing everyday objects to discuss personal issues. Emotional words such as "shame," "forgiveness," and "acceptance" are used transparently. According to West's artist statement, the figure is rendered honestly and beautifully whilst dealing with body insecurities instigated by societal standards.



IT WAS A DARK and stormy night ... and Morgan Doud, in the role of Wadsworth, tries to determine "whodunit" during Arcola High School's production of Clue on Stage, a play based on the popular board game. See page 8 for additional photos from the play. Photo by Nancy Rairden.

City files suit over nuisance property

The Arcola City Council on Monday heard an update about two nuisance properties in town. City Administrator Bill Wagoner said the city has filed a lawsuit against the owner of 239 W. Main St. to try to force repairs or have the house razed. (The agenda stated East Main, which is a commercial area; previous Council meetings stated West Main Street.)

Wagoner said the owner has moved in some equipment and lumber but that no work appears to have been done.

The other property is a campground owned by Tuck Elder of Tuscola. Several campers have taken up permanent residence, which is not allowed by city ordinance. Previous reports stated that the property had numerous complaints regarding partying.

Wagoner said Elder is aware of the problem and is cooperating with the city. He has given eviction notices to the residents but asked the city to send a letter as well.

The property discussion was held in a police, ordinance and enforcement committee meeting. Following a closed session, the budget and finance committee met, where Wagoner recommended a \$20,000 business facade grant See CITY COUNCIL on page 2

Arcola Band students participate in LPC Conference Band Festival

Seven Arcola High School band students were chosen to participate in this year's LPC Honor Band Festival at Blue Ridge High School in Farmer City, IL. The honor band was comprised of about 60 musicians from the Lincoln Prairie Conference. The students were Eadie Budd (Flute), Reynol Oyervides (Clarinet), Julissa Galaviz (Alto Saxophone), Aaron Gaona (Trumpet), Alexander Gutierrez (Trombone), Jake Myers (Baritone), and Ryder Wilcox-Rich (Tuba).

Arcola High School Senior, Reynol Oyervides said "It is always fun to be able to work with other musicians from other schools around us and have the opportunity to perform with a much larger band." Arcola's Director of Bands, Mr. Kevin Boyle says, "the experiences that these students get from attending these festivals is extremely important to our program because the students are able to bring what they learn that day back to our program and apply it to what we are currently performing in the classroom."



LPC HONOR BAND FESTIVAL- Seven students from Arcola High School were selected to participate in the LPC Honor Band Festival at Blue Ridge High School in Farmer City. Pictured are (l-r) front row: Eadie Budd (flute), Julissa Galaviz (alto sax), Alexander Gutierrez (trombone). Back row: Aaron Gaona (trumpet), Reynol Oyervides (clarinet), Jake Myers (baritone), Ryder Wilcox-Rich (tuba). Submitted photo.

The students rehearsed from 1 p.m. until about 5:30 p.m. where the students were directed by

Professor David Boggs (Director of Athletic Bands) from Eastern Illinois University. A performance

was then given for administrators, parents, and community members at 7 p.m. Submitted photo.



Meet the SBL cardiology team at the SBL Heart Center. We are pleased to bring these great minds together to care for the cardiovascular needs in our community.

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- Interventional Cardiologist
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