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Chatter BOX

Quilters unite

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.

Arthur quilt show

A variety of quilts will be displayed at the 32nd Annual Arthur Amish Country Quilt Show Thursday through Saturday, April 27-29, at the Otto Center (2056 County Road 1800 East) just one-half mile south of Arthur.

The show will be open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday and Friday and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday. There is a small admission fee.

New 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.

Empowering girls

The Arcola Rotary Club is sponsoring a free "Empowering Girls" event from 8:15 a.m. till 2:15 p.m. Friday, April 28, at the Arcola Masonic Lodge. Girls in grades 6-12 are invited.

Family Science Night May 2

Family Science Night is 6-7 p.m. Tuesday, May 2 at Arcola Elementary School. There will be lots of fun activities for students and their families.

Art show in Arthur

The Arthur United Methodist Church is hosting a Spring Community Arts Fair from 1-6 p.m. Saturday, May 6 in the church's fellowship hall.



"ENCHANTED GARDEN" is the theme for the 2023 Arcola High School Jr.-Sr. Prom to be held on May 6th at the Kaskaskia Country Club. The coronation at 7:30 p.m. is open to the public. The dance for Arcola juniors and seniors will be from 8:00 - 11:00 p.m. Pictured are members of the senior class who were chosen for the prom court, front row, queen candidates, (l-r): Morgan Doud, Vanessa Condarco, Eva Hopkins, Rachel Sigrist, Hailey Trotter, Aaliyah Garza. King candidates in the back row are: Christian Ramos, Elian Aguilera, Braden Shonkwiler, Mitchel Myers, Reynol Oyervides, Austin Kutz. Photo by Nancy Rairden.

Myers breaks 59-year-old record in discus Girls 4x400 second at Tuscola Invite

By Mike Monahan
TUSCOLA — Last Friday at the 37th annual Tuscola Invitational boys and girls track meet Arcola's Mitchel Myers broke a record that had stood for 59 years. The senior headed to Indiana State broke Terry Miller's school record in the discus with a throw of 183-1 on his final throw.

Miler, who went on to play in the National Football League, threw 181-5 at Mattoon in 1964. Mitchel actually broke the record on his

second throw going 181-9. "I remember going into my junior year I was starting to get pretty decent throws," said Myers. "I was like, 'I wonder what the school record is' and I initially thought that will never be broken. I am sitting here now; it is really unreal."

Myers also set records in both the indoor and outdoor shot put earlier in the season.

As a team, Arcola boys placed 10th out of 16 with 28 points in

the meet won by Tuscola with 106 points. The Tuscola girls also won with 124 points and the Lady Riders placed eighth with 25 points.

The girls 4x400 relay team had the best finish among the Arcola girls as the team of Eva Hopkins, Crystal Ramirez, Ema Simpson and Kelsey Moore finished second with a season-best time of 4:31.01

Boys

Several non-track Arcola boys showed up

to cheer on Myers, who placed third in the shot put with a heave of 49-7.

The other fans watching saw Myers in the discus go back and forth with last year's state champion, Garrett Taylor of Sat Fork going 180-10. Myers was the first thrower between the two and his second throw drew some ooh's, but Taylor threw a little bit farther. Myers topped Taylor on his last throw only

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ARCOLA SENIOR Mitchel Myers gave his second and third throws at the 37th annual Tuscola Invitational two thumbs up. Myers broke a 59-year-old record by throwing the discus 181-9 and 185-1 and both broke the 1964 record set by Terry Miller who went 181-5. Submitted photo.



THIRD GRADERS from Arcola Elementary School planted trees at Fox Ridge State Park for Earth Day. Cabot in Tuscola donated 50 trees. See story and additional photos in the B Section. Submitted photo.



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT, Alan Guennewig, Ricardo Juarez and Zuri Diaz plant a tree at Fox Ridge State Park for Earth Day. Submitted photo.