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Two nationally-recognized FFA representatives were at Hoopeston Area High School on Friday to talk to students. Pictured are, from left, Emily McCray (advisor), Dan Classen, Matt Stock (Hoopeston Area FFA president), Wes Featherstone, Ben Ravens, and Dr. Larry Case.

National FFA representatives visit Hoopeston Area ag classes

Friday afternoon, two representatives from National FFA Alumni came to the Hoopeston Area High School classes to talk with the agriculture students about pressing issues in agriculture.

One visitor was the National FFA Alumni President, Dan Classen, from West Bend, Iowa, who recently retired from a career at Pioneer Hybrid and currently works on his family's cash grain and beef cattle farm.

Also attending was Dr. Larry Case, the former Na-

tional FFA Advisor (1984-2010). Dr. Case grew up in Missouri, but currently lives in Virginia. This was the first school in the nation that had both men been in the building at the same time.

The men talked with two HAHS classes about many topics. Besides talking about current agriculture issues that they should be concerned about (global food safety, feeding a growing world, advocating for agriculture, and more), they also talked

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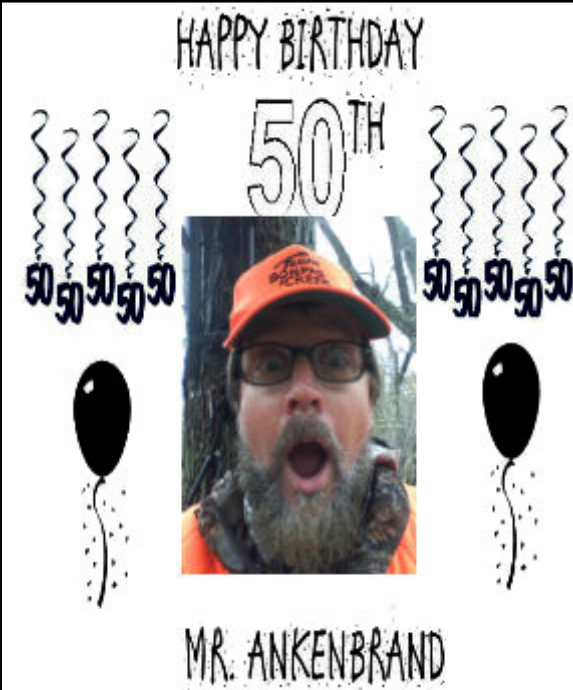
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Phases of the Moon festival merges, relocates to Arkansas after initial Danville presence

A festival that launched last year in Danville has merged and moved to Arkansas.

Phases of the Moon, held last September 11-14 at Kennekuk County Park outside of Danville, has combined with Harvest Music Festival and Wakarusa and will be held on Mulberry Mountain near Ozark Ark. This year's dates for the music and art festival, which will be called Phases of the Moon Music + Art Festival, will be October 16-18.

Officials of both festivals announced the changes Monday and Phases officials posted about the change on the event website, saying the festival will "retain its emphasis on feel-good music, awe-inspiring artwork, and a transformative festival ex-

perience."

Calling the decision "bittersweet," the press release praises Danville. "We are forever grateful for the passionate and integral support we received from the Danville community in our inaugural year," it said. "We have to stay true to our vision and look towards the long-term viability of the fest. We sincerely hope our midwest family will join us at this beautiful new site. It's gonna be worth it. We're quite certain those intangible elements of artistic magic and community will survive and flourish despite these inevitable forces of change.

Cornjerkers defeat Salt Fork for 3rd in county

Important baskets from Bryce Leigh and Nate Allison helped push the Cornjerkers to a double digit lead and eventual win over Salt Fork to claim third place in the Vermilion County Tournament Saturday.

Hoopeston Area had a strong second half in the close game that ended with the Cornjerkers ahead 49-40.

Trey Layden led scoring with 15. Nathan Michael, Logan Walder and Alex Long each contributed eight.

In previous tournament action, Hoopeston Area dropped to Westville, 25-59, on January 17, before rebounding Wednesday to defeat Oakwood, 51-50, before facing Salt Fork on Saturday.

Westville went on to win the 2015 tourney, defeating Bismarck-Henning, 57-50 at the David Palmer Civic Center in Danville.

FFA continued from other side

with students about their future careers.

They stressed the importance of putting down their cell phones, being ok with starting at the bottom of a company, and being independent when they get out of high school. After talking with the classes, they toured the agriculture facilities.

Weather

Mostly sunny today. High 37. Tonight, chance of rain. Low 32. Tomorrow, chance of rain. High 38, low 23.

Obituaries

KIETZMANN - Marie E. Kietzmann, 89, of Hoopeston, died at 11:40 a.m. Monday, Jan. 26, 2015, at Heritage Health, Hoopeston. Arrangements are pending at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston.

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Organizers had hoped the maiden festival would draw as many as 30,000 visitors to Danville last year. However, actual attendance was far less, with about 8,000 people attending.

Along with low attendance, last year's festival was plagued by two days of rain, totaling about five inches, and traffic flow issues, with restricted entrances and exits, as well as the lack of cellular service.

Blue Devils upset HA, 46-34

Cornjerker wrestlers fell to Bismarck-Henning at a home meet Thursday. Scoring was:

182 J. Noel (BH) pin 1:11 A. Riddle
195 B. Gaddis (HA) FFT
220 C. Miller (BH) pin 2:39 A. Linares
285 J. Jennings (BH) pin 5:33 G. Herron
106 D. Cartwright (BH) FFT
113 H. Tayler (BH) pin :50 J. Cropper
120 T. Garrett (HA) pin :16 A. Hagley
126 I. Simpson (HA) FFT
132 D. Makemson (BH) pin 2:29 I. Bell
138 E. Zamora (HA) FFT
145 G. Foster (BH) dec 11-3 C. Chandler
152 D. Ashby (HA) dec 9-0 N. Depuy
160 C. Coon (HA) FFT
170 W. Rockwell (BH) pin 3:50 B. Simon

This week, HA grapplers will take on Danville and Clifton Central at 5:30 p.m. Thursday. On Saturday, the team will attend the Easter Illinois Invitational, starting at 9 a.m.

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