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News

Notes

Items of interest from throughout the Union County area.

A power outage Monday afternoon left some folks in Anna in the dark for about half an hour. ***

The high temperature reached 100 degrees on June 16 in Jonesboro. ***

Independence Day activities are being planned for July 4 in area communities. The Anna Fire Department again plans to present a fireworks display at the Anna City Park. ***

A program about the alligator snapping turtle in Southern Illinois is planned at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 2, at the Barkhausen Cache River Wetlands Center near Cypress. ***

Oops: The Shawnee Wine Trail Lodging Association is seeking only about \$7,400 in local tourism funds, not the 20-plus-thousand dollars reported last year. The editor erred; it was a misreading of information which was available regarding the request. ***

The theme for this year's Cobden Peach Festival parade will be "Summer Fun." The state champion Cobden Junior High School baseball team will serve as parade marshals. ***



How far would it appear that a young woodchuck could peer, if a young woodchuck appeared and peered from alongside old U.S. Route 51 between Anna and Cobden? (continued on page 2)

Anna police: More than 250 calls require response

The Anna Police Department reported 251 calls which required a response during May.

The department's activities are highlighted in a monthly report shared by Anna Police Chief Mike Hunter.

In addition to the number of calls requiring a response, the report showed the following statistics:

Monthly Activities
Number of walk-in requests, 128. Number of traffic stops, 93. Number of crashes handled, 15. Number of vehicles impounded, 7. Number of motorists assisted, 15.
Number of criminal arrests, 19. Number of traffic citations, 53. Number of written warnings, 65.

Number of code violations cited, 3.

Number of miles patrolled, 4,151. Hours worked, 968.

Investigative Case Reports
Total cases approved, 36. Submitted for prosecution, 21. Pending investigation, 10. Cases closed, 21.

Investigator's Report
Department investigator

Bryan Watkins reported that during May, 17 criminal complaints were reported.

Of those, nine incident reports were submitted to the Union County state's attorney's office for prosecution.

A majority of the complaints during May dealt with theft and/or fraudulent activity.

One death investiga-

tion was conducted. (The investigation involved the discovery of a man's body in a dumpster in Jonesboro.)

Watkins reported that the death was determined to be accidental. The Illinois State Police and the Union County Sheriff's Office initially were called to handle the investigation, but it was determined that the death

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Weather

High of 100 degrees recorded on June 16

Summer officially arrived on Monday evening.

Summer's arrival was preceded by a late-spring high temperature which reached 100 degrees on June 16 in Jonesboro.

The period of June 14-20 was fairly dry. Only .22 of an inch of rain was recorded on June 15.

Following are temperatures for the period as recorded by weather observer Dana Cross in Jonesboro:

	H	L
Tuesday, June 14	94	70
Wednesday, June 15	95	74
Thursday, June 16	100	71
Friday, June 17	88	71
Saturday, June 18	91	66
Sunday, June 19	93	70
Monday, June 20	95	71



Flag Day ceremony

The Anna-Jonesboro Elks Lodge hosted a Flag Day ceremony on Tuesday, June 14. Members from the Veterans of Foreign Wars Carroll P. Foster Post No. 3455 in Anna folded an American flag during the ceremony. A new flag was raised to half-mast to mourn the victims of the Orlando nightclub shooting. Photo by Amber Skelton.

State's attorney reappointed to task force board

Union County State's Attorney Tyler R. Edmonds has been reappointed to the board of directors of the Southern Illinois Child Death Investigation Task Force.

Edmonds' reappointment to the board was announced on June 17.

The task force is a collaborative effort of state and local law enforcement, prosecutors, coroners, child

advocacy centers and the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services working to enhance the response to child deaths in the southern 34 counties of Illinois, including Union County.

The task force was created to provide professional resources to all disciplines involved in the investigation of child deaths and serious life-threatening injuries to children.

Task force members are available to train and assist local law enforcement in the investigation of such cases.

The board of directors is responsible for formulating and implementing major policies of the task force and appointing command and supervisory officers of the task force.

The board of directors consists of 16 members appointed to four-year terms.

After being reappointed to the board of directors, Edmonds said in a news release that "there is no greater priority than protecting our children from harm and I am honored to work on the board of Directors."

"The Child Death Investigation Task Force continues to be an invaluable resource to investigations in Union County and throughout Southern Illinois."

The task force serves the following counties: Alexander, Bond, Clay, Clinton, Crawford, Edwards, Effingham, Fayette, Franklin, Gallatin, Hamilton, Hardin, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Johnson, Lawrence, Madison, Marion, Massac, Monroe, Perry, Pope, Pulaski, Randolph, Richland, Saline, St. Clair, Union, Wabash, Washington, Wayne, White and Williamson.



Gymnasium project underway

A major gymnasium renovation project is underway at Cobden High School. The work in the school's "old" gym includes structural flooring upgrades, painting of walls, new gym flooring and graphics, and moisture barrier protection. The gym floor dates to 1950s. The legendary "Amazing Appleknockers" Cobden High School boys' basketball team played on the floor. The work is scheduled to be completed before the school year starts in the fall. Galloway Construction out of Wisconsin is the project's contractor. Baysinger Architects in Marion is the district's architectural firm. The project is slated to cost \$250,000, which will come from the Cobden School District's health life safety fund.





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A "strawberry moon" was shining in the sky over Union County Monday night.

'Strawberry moon' shines Monday night in area

A "strawberry moon" was visible in the sky over Southern Illinois on Monday night, June 20.

"Strawberry moon" is a nickname for a full moon which appears in June.

The unique display coincided with the summer solstice, which occurred at 5:34 p.m. Monday.

The CBS News website noted that the last time a "strawberry moon" occurred was in 1967 – and it won't happen again until

2062. CBS News also offered an explanation about the nickname "strawberry moon" itself:

"According to 'The Old Farmer's Almanac,' the strawberry moon was given that name by the Algonquin tribes because it occurs right at the height of the season when strawberries are harvested. Other names for this month's full moon are the 'hot moon' and the 'rose moon.'"

Blood drive set in Cobden

An American Red Cross blood drive is planned Wednesday, June 29, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Cobden.

The drive is scheduled from 2:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Donors of all blood types

are needed.

Blood donation appointments can be scheduled by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting redcrossblood.org or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

News Notes

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A Cobden School District roofing project is nearing completion.

A little bit of history: Cobden's new Junior American Legion baseball team is reported to be a first for the Union County community.

Upcoming events at the Shawnee Hills Arts Council/Anna Arts Center include a Critter Art Exhibit July 29-31, a dog show on July 30 and a performance of the play "The Weir" on July 31.

If you happen to be in Grand Tower, the Mississippi River Museum and Interpretive Center is worth a visit.

Lots of folks in Cobden are glad that a little dog found its way back home, safe and sound.

The Southern Illinoisan newspaper in Carbondale was sporting a new look on Tuesday.

Anna police

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more than likely occurred inside Anna's jurisdiction, then it was handed over to the Anna Police Department.

In less than 24 hours, the Anna Police Department was able to make a certain determination about the manner of death.

Watkins reported that two cases utilized social media, which allowed the police department to identify persons involved in open investigations.

He noted that the use of the Anna Police Department's Facebook page "is still proving itself in a positive manner."

Watkins was called to testify in front of the Union County grand jury. He was asked to give testimony in five different cases which led to indictments.

Two local people were convicted of sex crimes and sentenced to the Illinois Department of Corrections as a result of investigations conducted by the Anna Police Department.

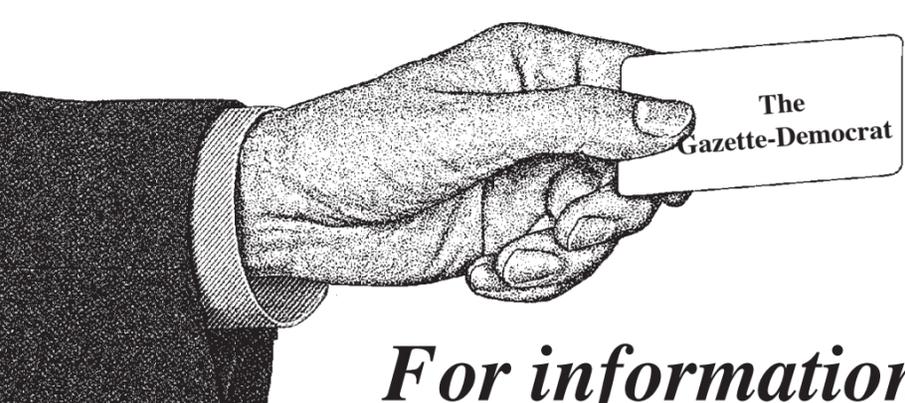
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Dongola's annual homecoming planned

Dongola's annual homecoming celebration is planned Saturday, June 25.

The homecoming is scheduled from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Dongola Park, which is located across from the school. Brent Miller will be emcee. Music will be presented by Randy Gorst.

The homecoming also will feature food, drinks, raffles, booths, kids' raffles for free and ice cream and cake. Proceeds from the homecoming go to community improvements.



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State Board of Elections notes mailing to non-registered voters

Union County Clerk Terry Bartruff reports that all election authorities were recently advised by the Illinois State Board of Elections of a mailing that has gone out from the Voter Participation Center, VPA, in Chicago to all non-registered voters in the State of Illinois.

The mailing contains a letter from the VPA and a voter registration form with the name and address of each applicable election authority for their reference should they want to register to vote.

"Since these notices are

not originating from our office, but from an outside organization, there may be a possibility that some may go out to those who are already registered to vote, those who have moved, as well as those who have passed away," the county clerk said in a news release.

"We want to let all residents in Union County who receive this mailing know that our offices will process all such voter registration forms properly completed and forwarded to our office," Bartruff said.

"We have been advised by the State Board of Elec-

tions that this is a legitimate company operating as a non-government, nonprofit, and nonpartisan 501 (c)(3) organization," he stated.

If members of the public has any questions about this mailing, they are asked by the VPA to please contact them at their office at 27 N. Wacker Dr. No. 710, Chicago, Ill. 60606, or phone them at 877-255-6750.

The VPA indicates that if anyone wants to be removed from their mailing lists to contact them at info@thevoterparticipationcenter.org.

Plans moving forward on next phase of Anna street, sidewalk project

Plans are moving forward on the third phase of a major street and sidewalk improvement project in the downtown Anna area.

An update on the plans was shared at a regular meeting of the Anna City Council which was held on June 7. The meeting was at Anna City Hall.

City administrator Steve Guined reported that the bidding process for the two-part project is expected in July.

Sidewalk improvement construction work is slated to begin in August or

September. Street work is planned in September or October.

Work is planned along parts of South Main, Davie and Lafayette streets.

The cost of sidewalk improvements is expected to be in the range of about \$250,000. Expenses on street improvements are projected to cost about \$80,000.

The costs will be covered by state motor fuel tax funds, which the city already has on hand.

The upcoming work is

the latest part in a series of multi-year, multi-phase improvements in the downtown Anna area.

The improvements have included, and will continue to include, the creation of green areas and other beautification efforts in the downtown area of Union County's largest community.

The next phase of the improvements is planned along North Main Street. City officials hope that work can be done in 2017 or 2018.



Hospital employee retires

On June 3, Union County Hospital administration and fellow employees recognized Mary Beth Smith, LPN, on her retirement from the hospital. Smith worked at the hospital for 41 years. She began her career in 1975 and served as the director of case management for the past 15 years. Smith said she would miss her work family but plans to enjoy having more time to spend with her grand babies and family. From left are case manager Ramona Ralls and Mary Beth Smith. Photo provided.

Peach Fest pageant planned

Participants are being sought for the 2016 Cobden Peach Festival queen pageant.

The pageant will be one of the highlights of the annual Peach Festival, which is scheduled Aug. 5-6 in Cobden.

The festival is sponsored by the Cobden Lions Club.

Eligibility for the queen pageant includes being 16 to 21 years of age, being a Union County resident and never having been married.

Pageant applications are available at Phases in downtown Cobden. Applications also are available at Cobden Village Hall.

For more information about the pageant, call 893-4917 or 893-2425.



Fire destroys home in Wolf Lake

Fire destroyed a house in Wolf Lake Monday evening. Firefighters from Ware-Wolf Lake, Alto Pass and Jonesboro responded to the scene. No injuries were reported. Firefighters were continuing to work to extinguish the blaze early Tuesday morning.

IDNR News Bits

The Illinois Department of Natural Resources, IDNR, shares the following items of interest:

Firearm Deer Permit Applications

Resident and non-resident deer hunters can apply for the second lottery drawing for 2016 Illinois firearm deer and muzzleloader-only deer permits.

The deadline to apply for the second lottery is June 30.

For more information on deer hunting, check the website at www.dnr.illinois.gov/hunting/deer.

Online Dove Permits

Online applications will be accepted from resident Illinois hunters through July 1 for the first lottery for

Illinois free dove hunting permits for hunting at select state sites.

Applications may be submitted for the second lottery by resident hunters who were unsuccessful in the first lottery, residents who did not apply in the first lottery, and non-resident hunters for the second lottery drawing from July 8-21.

After the second lottery permit application deadline on July 21, hunters may apply for remaining free dove permits on a first-come, first-served basis beginning at 8 a.m. July 29 through Aug. 25.

For more information on dove hunting permit areas and free dove permits,

check the IDNR website at <http://www.dnr.illinois.gov/hunting/dove/Pages/default.aspx>.

Boat Registration

IDNR reminds boat owners in Illinois to check their three-year boat registration/decal and renew their registration if it expires on June 30.

Renewing watercraft registration can be done online through the IDNR website at www.dnr.illinois.gov or by phone by calling 1-866-867-3542.

Illinois State Parks Guide

The 2016-17 Illinois State Parks guide is available in print and online.

The Illinois State Parks guide is posted on the IDNR website in PDF format at this link: <http://www.dnr.illinois.gov/publications/documents/00000715.pdf>

Copies of the state parks guide can be ordered through the IDNR online publications page: <https://dnr.state.il.us/teachkids/order.asp>

Fall Turkey Applications

Resident Illinois hunters can apply online for permits for the Illinois fall shotgun turkey season (Oct. 22-30) at www.dnr.illinois.gov. The first lottery application deadline is July 4.

Hike App

Visitors to Starved Rock, Illinois Beach, Giant City and Pere Marquette State Parks can now take a guided hike on the parks' most popular trails by downloading a new smartphone app. Download the Prairie State Hike App for 99 cents from iTunes or Google Play.

Features of the app include a map, points of interest, audio for each stop, photographs and video.

To find state park trails, open the app and choose Illinois Department of Natural Resources from among the conservation organizations listed.

Church event supports mission work

Anna Heights Baptist Church plans to host its annual yard sale Saturday, June 25.

The event will be in the AHBC Family Life Center gym located at 100 Turner Ave. in Anna. Doors will open at 8 a.m.

No items are priced but donations will be accepted. Proceeds go to the Acts 1:8 mission program at the church.

Acts 1:8 provides scholarships and funding for teams and individuals participating in home and international missions.

Currently three AHBC members are on mission in Haiti. Another team will be on mission in Louisiana in July.

Lots of clothing and household items available.

Summer Sunday Afternoons set at PAST's Heritage House

Summer Sunday Afternoons are planned through October at the Heritage House in Jonesboro.

The Heritage House is operated by the PAST organization of Union County.

Summer Sunday Afternoons are scheduled from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. each Sunday.

Visitors will have an opportunity to tour the 1847 home, which is located at 102 S. Main St.

PAST notes that there is no charge to tour the house,

but donations are appreciated.

Heritage House also offers opportunities to do research on local history or genealogy.

The house also features the Lincoln-Douglas Museum Room, quilts and items from early Union County families.

Heritage House also is available for small group meetings, parties, reunions and other events.

For more information, call 833-8745, 697-1870 or 833-3228.

What Is The Value Of A Community Newspaper?

What is the value of a community newspaper? What does it bring to that community that no other institution can provide?

The local newspaper is a basic institution in any community, like the post office, the schools and the churches.

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Community newspapers alert members of the community to problems needing attention.

The community newspaper facilitates the exchange of ideas and opinions through its editorial page and letters to the editor.

There are so many things of value community newspapers provide: the recording of local history and helping to maintain a healthy local economy through effective advertising for local businesses are just a few areas of value.

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Backstroke event

A girls' backstroke competition was one of the many events held last Saturday at the Anna Invitational Swim Meet. The event was held at the Anna City Pool. The meet featured 180 swimmers. Seven teams from Southern Illinois and Western Kentucky competed.

Logan baseball plans to host Showcase

The John A. Logan College baseball team plans to

host its annual Showcase at the college's baseball field in Carterville on Wednesday, June 29.

Cost is \$30 for those who register in advance and \$35 on the day of the event.

Any player who is at-

tending high school is eligible to attend the Showcase. Players need to bring gloves and spikes.

Registration begins at 10:30 a.m. on the day of the event. Baseball activities begin at 11 a.m.

Players will be timed in

the 60-yard sprint. There will also be batting practice and bullpen sessions, as well as defensive evaluations.

For more information, call Volunteer assistant baseball coach Kyle Surprenant at 618-985-2828.

Parr earns MVC postseason first team honors in softball

Chandra Parr, who is a member of the University of Evansville softball team, has been selected to the 2016 Missouri Valley Conference softball first team.

The former Anna-Joneboro Community High School softball standout, who played shortstop for the Lady Wildcats, played second base for the Purple Aces.

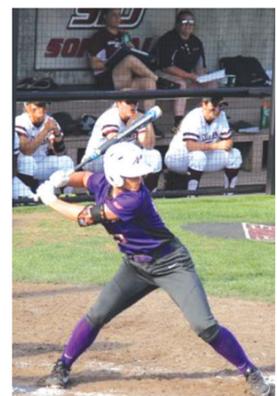
She led the team with 23 RBIs, six home runs, two triples and scoring with 24 runs.

She had the team's second highest batting average with .300 and also added 10 doubles.

Parr, who will be a senior next season, finished with a 3.6 grade point average and was an honorable mention in academics in the Missouri Valley

Conference. She is an accounting major.

The Purple Aces finished 24-26 overall and 12-14 in the conference.



Chandra Parr has earned Missouri Valley Conference postseason honors in softball. Photo provided.

Cobden Junior Legion falls to Orient, Benton

The Cobden Junior American Legion baseball team lost a pair of games in recent action.

Orient 13, Cobden 3: Cody Wieseman was 2-for-3 to lead visiting Cobden in the loss at West Frankfort Thursday, June 16.

Zane Nance was 1-for-2 for Cobden. Austin Lewey, Trevor Middleton and Bayden Ditterline were each 1-for-3.

John Russell and Cody Wieseman pitched in the loss.

Russell pitched 5 innings and allowed 7 hits to go with a walk and 8 strikeouts. Wieseman pitched the final inning and allowed 3 hits to go with 5 walks and a strikeout.

Benton 11, Cobden 8: Despite out hitting host Benton 13-7, Cobden couldn't pull out the win Tuesday, June 14.

Cobden stranded 9 runners and committed a pair of errors in the loss.

Dylan Duty was 3-for-3 with a double and 4 RBIs to lead Cobden. Josh Burgess was 3-for-4 with an RBI. Wieseman and Chandler West were each 2-for-4. Nance was 2-for-5 with an RBI. Middleton was 1-for-3 with an RBI. Ditterline added an RBI.

Ditterline, West and Middleton pitched in the loss, combining to scatter 7 hits to go with 9 walks and 4 strikeouts.

Cobden, 2-3, is scheduled to play at home Friday against Benton (with 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. start times) and at 2 p.m. Sunday at home against Christopher.

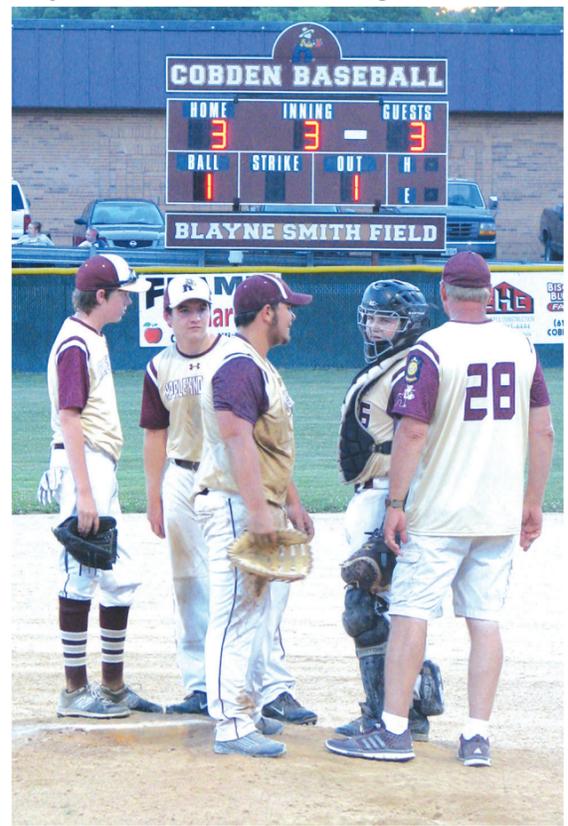
Scramble set

A two-man senior scramble event is scheduled Thursday, June 30, at the Union County Country Club golf course in Anna.

A shotgun start is scheduled for 10 a.m. For more information call the golf pro shop at 833-7912.

Cobden Junior Legion team plays Monday night

The Cobden Junior American Legion team hosted Giant City/Crab Orchard in a game which was played Monday night. The game was played at Blayne Smith Field at Cobden High School.



Cobden coach Dana Pearson confers with his players during the third inning of Monday night's game.



Cobden was at bat and had a runner on second when this picture was taken.



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'Little Shop of Horrors,' 'Mad Stone' planned at Anna Arts Center

The Shawnee Hills Arts Council/Anna Arts Center in Anna has announced its fall season of shows.

Tickets for each performance are \$15 or \$25 for a season pass.

"Little Shop of Horrors"

"Little Shop of Horrors" is the award winning musical by Alen Menken and Howard Ashman first opened off-Broadway in 1982.

It opened on Broadway in 2003. It is set in a skid-row florist shop. The style of music is early 1960's rock and roll with a doo wop flavor.

The cast of "Little Shop of Horrors" is set and rehearsals are underway.

The show is scheduled to be performed at 7 p.m. on Sept. 16-17 and at 2 p.m. on Sept. 18.

The cast for "Little Shop of Horrors" follows:

Cody Acklin, who directed "Peter Pan" and "Snow Queen," is directing the current production.

Elise Wheaton of Anna is playing the lead female role of Audrey.

Joey Johnson is playing the leading male role of Seymour Krelborn. Joey is a veteran actor and director at the Anna Arts Center.

The "girl group" of singers will be brought to life by Morgan Bunch as Chiffon, Becky Potter as Ronette, and doubled as Crystal, Caroline Hansen, and Sarah Gentry.

Audrey II, the plant, will be voiced by Samantha Borsch.

Other roles are Becky Potter as the sadistic dentist Orin Schiavello, Kevin Thomas as Mr. Muchnik who owns the flower shop, and Pete Housman as a

downtown hobo, and other voices.

Joshua Bernstein is playing multiple roles.

The street urchins are Jadden Brimm, Sara Gentry, Caroline Hansen, Mya Laster and John Bird.

"Mad Stone"

"Mad Stone" is a play about the extremely valuable mad stone that cured hundreds of cases of snake, spider and rabid animal bites.

The play will feature people in Southern Illinois who were cured of their potentially lethal wounds.

Auditions for the show are scheduled Aug. 9-10 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Anna Arts Center.

Rehearsals are set to begin July 6 and the set will be under construction soon. The play is scheduled to be performed Oct. 14-16.

For more information call Lee's cell at 1-904-625-1109 or email vabchlee@gmail.com.



Peekaboo...
A squirrel peeked around a utility pole one evening recently in Union County.

USDA notes nomination period underway for FSA committees

The U.S. Department of Agriculture, USDA, reports that the nomination period for farmers and ranchers to serve on local Farm Service Agency, FSA, county committees began Wednesday, June 15.

To be eligible to serve on a FSA county committee, a person must participate or cooperate in an FSA administered program, be eligible to vote in a county committee election and reside in the local administrative area where they are nominated.

Farmers and ranchers may nominate themselves or others. Organizations representing minorities and women also may nominate candidates.

To become a candidate, an eligible individual must sign an FSA-669A nomination form.

The form and other information about FSA county committee elections are available at www.fsa.usda.gov/elections.

The 2016 nomination forms must be postmarked

Charities warned about donation scam

Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan has alerted charities in the state about a sophisticated email scam offering organizations large and unsolicited

donations from a man who claims to be carrying out the final wishes of his deceased mother.

Madigan's office has been notified by several Illinois charities that were suspicious of a potential scam after engaging in lengthy and believable email conversations with a supposed donor.

The charities did not fall victim to the scam, but passed along information in an effort to warn others.

Madigan's office understands the scam to be centered on a donor who identifies himself as "Rob Whitlock" of Great Britain. He promises to donate

Crab Orchard Future Champs golf event set

Young golfers are invited to participate in an upcoming area event.

The Crab Orchard Golf Club near Carterville plans to host the 39th annual Future Champs Junior Tournament Monday, June 27.

The registration cost is \$30. Eighteen-year-old players must not have attended college or turn 19 before Sept. 1, 2016.

Tee time is scheduled for 7:30 a.m. For more information, call the club at 618-985-2321.

Partridge steps down as Cobden baseball coach

Cobden High School baseball coach Craig Partridge announced this week that he is stepping down.

"At the Cobden school board meeting last night, I stepped down as baseball

coach," Partridge stated in an email.

The Cobden School District Board of Education met in regular session Monday night, June 20.

Partridge said that he plans to continued as athletic director and to teach for one more year.

He has been coach of the Cobden High School baseball team for four years.

During his tenure as head coach, the team compiled a record of 122-47.

Cobden won a state title in 2015, a super-sectional championship, a section title and three regional championships. Cobden also won two conference titles.

"We had four all-state players in the last three years," Partridge noted.

Men's golf scramble results

A men's golf scramble was played June 15 at the Union County Country Club in Anna.

Results from the scramble follow:

First: Gene Adams, Dale Pender, Phil Stein, Joe Wendling.

Second: Jim Harris, Adam Kelley, Dickie Reynolds, Mark Willmann.

Third: Steve Hoffman, Craig Partridge, Johnny Schneider, Jason Stegle.

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Each camper gets to select two sports for specialized training sessions. Offered are: Baseball, Basketball, Soccer, Softball, Cheerleading, Football, Volleyball, Track and Field.

Registration forms for the Power Camps are distributed through area schools, by mail to previous campers, and through Power Camp sponsors throughout Southern Illinois. You may also register online at sifca.org

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Lence family reunion set

A Lence family reunion is planned Sunday, June 26, in the parish hall at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Cobden.

The reunion is scheduled to begin at noon. The parish hall is located at 101 Centennial St.

Lence, Sadlier, Sitter, Stroehlein and Hankla family members, and all of their relations are invited.

Those who plan to attend are asked to bring a dish to share and "any other pertinent accessories."

Reunion organizers added: "If you have won a trophy this year, or any success, bring them to share."

For more information, contact Jack Hankla at 618-534-7324 or Janet Lence at 709-297-5131.

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DONGOLA POLICE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL: Joey Ferguson.



UNION COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL: From left: Deputy Tim Goodman, detective Asa Busby, sergeant Robbie McGee, detective Bart Hileman, deputy Steve Stearns, sergeant Jeff Stroehlein, deputy Josh Schildknecht, administrative assistant Rachel Tally, sheriff Scott Harvel, deputy Kyle McDaniel, deputy Eric Ralls, corporal Brian Hill, deputy Skylar Benefield, deputy Jeremy Moss, deputy Lance Meisenheimer. Not pictured: Deputy Larry Clover, deputy Mike Dammerman, deputy David Waun, deputy Anthony Pena, deputy Michael Turner.



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UNION COUNTY AMBULANCE PERSONNEL: From left: Director Grant Capel, Cassandra Binkley, Levite Biddle, Josh Trammel, Greg Brown, Mike Akers, Jessica Roberts, Cody McMahan, Katie McIntyre, Jess Dawley, Tom Banks, Jay Lopez, Todd Harris, Roy Walker, Andy Rhoades, assistant director Jaime Watkins, Carrell O'Daniell, Mark Cerney, Jen Snell.



ANNA FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL: From left, firefighters Josh Trammel, Brad Vaughn, Adam Kelly, Chris Clark, captain Rich Elliott, chief Gary Rider, assistant chief Bill Jackson, firefighters Brandon Craig, Corey Pitts, Braden Rider, Scott Bennett. Not Pictured: Firefighter Jeremy Pollard, chaplain Bob Richardson, firefighters Matt Lasley, Todd Harris, Mike Dammerman, Jess Dawley, Darren Brown, Mike Akers.

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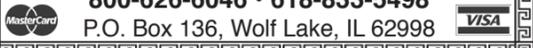
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ANNA POLICE DEPARTMENT



ANNA POLICE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL: From left: Detective Bryan Watkins, officers Nathan Smith, Tim Smith, Shawn Knupp, Jesse Spencer, Jason Leek, chief Michael Hunter.



DONGOLA FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL: Back row from left: Larry Eddleman, Greg Brown, Mark Duckworth, Roy Walker, Trevor Smith, Mark Kaufman, Dillon Duckworth, Josh Kaufman, Josh Aden, Joey Ferguson. First row from left: Nathan Aden, Jarrett Kaufman, Dixie Kaufman. Not pictured: Holdan Miller, Christina Walker.



COBDEN POLICE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL: From left: Officer Douglas Meadows, chief Bob Hale, officers Jonathan Meirndorf, Jesse Adams.



COBDEN FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL: First row from left: Austin Sellars, assistant chief Larry Hackethal, Dylan Duty, LJ Hackethal, Dane Inman. Back row from left: Keith Sutliff, chief Larry Quertermous, Jesse Spencer, Alex Sellars, Allan Brumleve, Ty Quertermous. Not pictured: Dalton Myers, Cody Cullledge, Jesse Vincente, Klay Greenwood, Theron Sweitzer.



ALTO PASS FIRE DEPARTMENT: Alto Pass firefighters were among the departments called to assist with a house fire in Wolf Lake on Monday, June 20.



Alto Pass hosted its 2016 SpringFest celebration Saturday, May 28. One of the featured events at SpringFest was a water fight involving local fire departments. Several area fire departments took part in the competition. The water fight involved utilizing hoses to spray water at a barrel which was suspended above the firefighters.

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The improvement on the property consists of a single family residence. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of Section 18.5 of the Condominium Property Act.

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For information call Sales Department at Plaintiff's Attorney, Manley Deas Kochalski, LLC, One East Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60601. (614) 220-5611. 15-032743 NOS 1696514

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF UNION- JONESBORO, ILLINOIS

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff, vs. JUDY A. LYERLA, Defendant. 15CH 29

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The Judgment amount is \$116,406.19.

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YARD SALE: Saturday, June 25, 7 a.m. to noon. 102 Kar-raker Street, Jonesboro.

YARD SALE: Friday & Saturday, June 24 & 25, 7 a.m. to ??? 750 Old Saratoga Road, Anna.

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Tract 2 and Tract 3 easements prepared by Billy J. Abernathy, Illinois Land Surveyor No. 3536, of Shawnee Survey & Consulting, Inc., Vienna, IL.)

Parcel 2, Tract 1:

A part of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 27, Township 11 South, Range 2 West of the Third Principal Meridian, more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Northeast corner of the Northwest Quarter of Section 27, Township 11 South, Range 2 West of the Third Principal Meridian; thence North 86°-07'-52" West along the North line of said Section 27 a distance of 665.80 feet to the point of beginning; thence South 4°-03'-11" West a distance of 672.31 feet; thence North 86°-08'-24" West a distance of 662.33 feet to the West line of the Northeast Quarter of the said Northwest Quarter; thence North 3°-45'-27" East along the said West line a distance of 672.42 feet to the Northwest corner of the said Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; thence South 86°-07'-52" East along the North line of said Section 27 a distance of 665.80 feet to the point of beginning; the tract containing 10.25 acres, more or less, situated in Union County, Illinois. Per survey by Charles L. Garner, Illinois Land Surveyor No. 2316, dated April 20, 1982. Excepting however half of all oil and mineral rights, and being subject to a 20 foot wide easement across the Southeast corner of the herein described tract.

Parcel 2, Tract 2: A perpetual, non-exclusive easement for roadway and all utilities, for the benefit of Tract 1 above described, being a part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest and a part of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 27, all in Township 11 South, Range 2 West of the Third Principal Meridian. Said easement being 10 feet each side of the following described centerline: Commencing at a stone found at the Southwest corner of said Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; thence N 52°-48'-49" W, 81.21 feet to the intersection of the centerline of Brown Section Road and the centerline of an existing drive, this being the Southern terminus of said easement and the point of beginning; thence along the centerline of said existing drive the following six (6) calls: Thence along a curve to the left with chord bearing N 19°-11'-12" E 106.31 feet, a radius of 130.00 feet, and an arc length of 109.52 feet to a point; thence N 03°-36'-04" W, 96.08 feet to a point; thence N 13°-27'-19" E, 199.77 feet to a point; thence N 00°-50'-17" W, 77.39 feet to a point; thence N 07°-07'-54" E, 39.44 feet to a point; thence N 15°-44'-53" E, 119.99 feet to a point in the South line of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, this being the Northern terminus of said easement. Said easement to contain 0.29 acres, more or less. Said easement being subject to the existing right-of-way of Brown Section Road and all other rights-of-way and easements, recorded or otherwise. All situated in the County of Union, State of Illinois.

Parcel 2, Tract 3: A perpetual, non-exclusive easement for roadway and all utilities, for the benefit of Tract 1 above described, being a part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 27, all in Township 11 South, Range 2 West of the Third Principal Meridian. Said easement being 10 feet each side of the following described centerline: Commencing at a stone found at the Southwest corner of said Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; thence N 52°-48'-49" W, 81.21 feet to the intersection of the centerline of Brown Section Road and the centerline of an existing drive, this being the Southern terminus of said easement and the point of beginning; thence along the centerline of said existing drive the following six (6) calls: Thence along a curve to the left with chord bearing N 19°-11'-12" E 106.31 feet, a radius of 130.00 feet, and an arc length of 109.52 feet to a point; thence N 03°-36'-04" W, 96.08 feet to a point; thence N 13°-27'-19" E, 199.77 feet to a point; thence N 00°-50'-17" W, 77.39 feet to a point; thence N 07°-07'-54" E, 39.44 feet to a point; thence N 15°-44'-53" E, 119.99 feet to a point in the South line of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, this being the Northern terminus of said easement. Said easement to contain 0.29 acres, more or less. Said easement being subject to the existing right-of-way of Brown Section Road and all other rights-of-way and easements, recorded or otherwise. All situated in the County of Union, State of Illinois.

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(Legal descriptions for Tract 2 and Tract 3 easements prepared by Billy J. Abernathy, Illinois Land Surveyor No. 3536, of Shawnee Survey & Consulting, Inc., Vienna, IL.)

Excepting therefrom the following described tract:

A parcel of land being a part of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 27, Township 11 South, Range 2 West of the Third Principal Meridian. Said parcel being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a stone found at the Southwest corner of said Quarter-Quarter section; thence N 00°-57'-32" E, 672.42 feet along the West line of said Quarter-Quarter section to an iron rod found; thence S 88°-56'-19" E, 410.41 feet to an iron rod set, this being the point of beginning; thence along new lines the following two (2) calls: Thence N 01°-15'-16" E, 345.84 feet to an iron rod set; thence S 88°-55'-47" E, 251.92 feet to an iron rod set; thence S 01°-15'-16" W, 345.80 feet to an iron rod found; thence N 88°-56'-19" W, 251.92 feet to the point of beginning. Said parcel to contain 2.00 acres, more or less. Said parcel being subject to all rights-of-way and easements, recorded or otherwise. Per plat of survey prepared by Billy J. Abernathy, Illinois Land Surveyor No. 3536, recorded June 9, 2006, in Record Book 277 at Page 118 in the Recorder's Office of Union County, Illinois.

The parcel numbers are: 07-27-05-591-B and 07-27-05-591-B1.

The common address is: 940 Brown Section Road, Cobden, Illinois 62920.

5. An identification of the mortgage sought to be foreclosed is as follows:

Name of mortgagor: Adam Schroeder.

Name and address of mortgagee: Citizens Community Bank, 9 East Main Street, P.O. Box 157, Mascoutah, Illinois 62258.

Date of mortgage: November 14, 2008.

Date of recording: November 14, 2008.

County where recorded: Union County, Illinois.

Recording document identification: Book 310, Page 253, Document Number 2008R2968.

Clerk of the Circuit Court Union County, Illinois

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 1ST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF UNION - JONESBORO, ILLINOIS

US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION; Plaintiff, vs. WESLEY E. MISAMORE; SHERIA A. VEGA AKA SHERI ANN VEGA; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS; Defendants, 14 CH 20

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty will on Wednesday, July 27, 2016, at the hour of 9:00 a.m. Lobby of the Union County Courthouse 309 West Market Street, Jonesboro, Illinois, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:

Tract 1: All that part of Lots numbered 129 and 132 in Grammer's Addition to the Town (now City) of Jonesboro, Illinois, lying East of the East right of way line of the Mobile and Ohio Railroad (now abandoned). Situated in Union County, Illinois. Tract 2: Part of the Northwest Quarter of Section 30, Township 12 South, Range 1 West of the Third Principal Meridian, City of Jonesboro, Union County, Illinois, described as follows: Commencing at the Southeast corner of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 30; thence Northerly along the East line of the said Quarter a distance of 1,078.99 feet; thence South 87 degrees 30 minutes West a distance of 2,215.12 feet to the former Easterly right of way line of the Illinois Central Gulf Railroad; thence Northeasterly along the said former right of way line on a curve to the left of radius 2,581.48 feet a distance along the arc of 121.96 feet; thence along

the said former right of way line on a curve to the left of radius 3,854.72 feet a distance along the arc of 179.24 feet to the South line of Lot 132 of Grammer's Addition to the City of Jonesboro and the point of beginning; thence continuing along the said former right of way line on a curve to the left of radius 3,854.72 feet a distance along the arc of 148.36 feet to the Southerly right of way line of Walnut Street; thence Westerly along the said Southerly right of way line a distance of 35.91 feet to the former center line of the Illinois Central Gulf Railroad; thence Southwesterly along the said former center line on a curve to the right of radius 3,819.72 feet a distance along the arc of 148.44 feet to the Westerly extension of the South line of Lot 132; thence Easterly along the said extension and along the South line of said Lot 132 a distance of 36.25 feet to the point of beginning. Situated in Union County, Illinois.

Commonly known as 301 South Pecan Street, Jonesboro, IL 62952.

P.I.N. 14-00-07-433 & 05-30-04-072-A.

The improvement on the property consists of a single family residence. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of Section 18.5 of the Condominium Property Act.

Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance within 24 hours, by certified funds. No refunds.

The property will NOT be open for inspection.

For information call Sales Department at Plaintiff's Attorney, Manley Deas Kochalski, LLC, One East Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60601. (614) 220-5611. 15-032743 NOS 1696514

PUBLIC NOTICE TREE TRIMMING ACTIVITIES IN WOLF LAKE AND NEARBY AREAS

TO THE PATRONS OF AMEREN ILLINOIS:

Please be advised that Ameren Illinois will trim trees and other vegetation in and around the town(s) of Wolf Lake, Illinois. Our qualified utility arborists will trim trees and vegetation that could interfere with electric lines that run from pole to pole and elsewhere. This work is necessary in order to minimize the likelihood of outages and safety hazards. There is no charge to you for this service.

If you have any questions about this work, please call 1-800-755-5000 or visit our website at MySafeTrees.com. You may address your concerns in the manner specified on our website. You may also call the Consumer Services Division of the Illinois Commerce Commission at 1-800-524-0795. Maps have been provided to the mayors and the county board chairpersons of the affected areas.

Sincerely,
Ameren Illinois Forestry Department
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ESTATE OF WILLIAM PAUL MORGAN, DECEASED. IN PROBATE NO. 2016-P-28

NOTICE OF DEATH INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION, AND CLAIM DATE

NOTICE IS GIVEN to creditors of the death of William Paul Morgan of Anna, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on June 21, 2016, to Paula Morgan, P.O. Box 581, Anna, Illinois 62906, as Independent

Executor, whose attorney is Elvis C. Cameron, 205B N. Main St., Anna, Illinois.

Within 42 days after the effective date of the original Order of admission, you may file a petition with the Court to require proof of the Will by testimony of the witnesses in open Court or other evidence, as provided by Section 5/6-21 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/6-21.)

You also have the right, under Section 5/8-1 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/8-1), to contest the validity of the Will by filing a petition with the Court within six (6) months after admission of the Will to probate.

The estate will be administered without Court supervision unless, under Section 5/28-4 of the Probate Act (Ill. Compiled Stat. 1992, Ch. 755, Par. 5/28-4), any interested person terminates Independent Administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the Clerk of this Court.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of this court at the Union County Courthouse, 311 W. Market St., Jonesboro, Illinois, or with the Independent Executor, or both, on or before December 23, 2016, or if mailing or delivery of a notice from the Executor is required by Section 5/18-3 of the Probate Act of the State of Illinois, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the Executor and to the attorneys within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

Dated: June 21, 2016.

PAULA MORGAN
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Obituaries

Michael Larry Kerr

Michael Larry Kerr, 71, of Marion, and formerly of Ullin, died at 12:09 p.m. Wednesday, June 15, 2016, at Heartland Regional Medical Center in Marion.

He was born on April 21, 1945, in Anna, the son of Leo and Bonnie Pfaff Kerr.

Mr. Kerr served in the U.S. Air Force. After his service he worked as a mechanic for a car dealership. He loved playing his guitar and singing. He was of the Baptist faith.

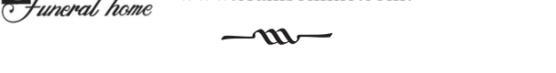
Survivors include his son, Ketih (Priscilla) Kerr of Marion; a stepson, Jason (Cynthia) Milligan of Marion; granddaughters Shyann and Leah Kerr of Marion; grandson Joseph (Keranda) Rich of Marion; step-granddaughter Kathryn Dunn of Marion; sisters Barbara Corzine of Christopher, Florine Hornback of Scottsdale, Ariz., and Jeannie (Del) Byassee of Carson City, Nev.; a brother, Dr. Dean Kerr of Chino, Calif.; nephews Jim (Yolanda) Corzine of Christopher, Ethan Byassee of Carson City, Nev., Evan Byassee of Carson City, Nev., and Joey Hornback of Scottsdale, Ariz.; a niece, Samantha Byassee of Carson City, Nev.; other relatives and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a niece, Rhonda Corzine; and a brother-in-law, Ted Hornback.

Funeral services for Mr. Kerr were Saturday, June 18 at 11 a.m. at Crain Funeral Home in Ullin, with Ronnie Gulley officiating. Interment was in Mr. Pisgah Cemetery. Military honors were accorded by area veterans and the Illinois National Guard.

Crain Funeral Home in Ullin was in charge of arrangements.

To leave online condolences, visit www.crainsonline.com.



Norma Laminack Vaughn

Norma Laminack Vaughn, 83, of Anna, died at 9:44 p.m. Sunday, June 19, 2016, at her home.

She was born on Dec. 4, 1932, in Anna, the daughter of Roy and Brooksie Howell Swafford.

She married Vernon G. Laminack on Nov. 4, 1948, in Osceola, Ark. He preceded her in death on April 17, 1991.

She is survived by her three sons, Leon (Jan) Laminack of Bourbonnais, Allen (Rita) Laminack of Lick Creek and Grover (Sheary) Laminack of Cambria; one daughter, Margie Laminack of Anna; 15 grandchildren, Lee Laminack of Bradley, Tammi Laminack of Elgin, Shannon Laminack of Lick Creek, Simon (Kasey) Laminack of Dongola, Kriste Bryson of Franklin, Ky., Kelly (Michael) Mills of Texas, Emilee (Warren) Otey of Carbondale, Jeremy (Mckenzie) Laminack of Tampa, Devin and Trent Laminack of Marion, Shawn Laminack and Ricky (Tammy) Williams, all of Anna, Shane Williams of Carbondale, Jeremy Garrison of Bourbonnais and Christy (Mike) Wright of Bradley; 18 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; two brothers and four sisters; other relatives and many friends.

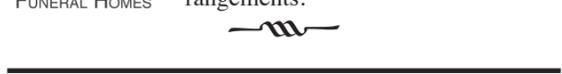
She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Vernon G. Laminack; one son, Keith; one grandson, Josh Williams; seven brothers and sisters; and her second husband, Harold Vaughn.

She was retired from the Florsheim Shoe Company. She enjoyed dancing and traveling with her husband, Vernon, and her missionary work with the Lakota Indians.

Funeral services for Mrs. Vaughn were at 1 p.m. Wednesday, June 22, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna, with Pastor Mike Miller officiating. Interment was in the Casper Cemetery near Anna.

Memorials can be made to the family. To leave online condolences for the family, visit www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com.

Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna was in charge of arrangements.



Steven V. Mainer

Steven V. Mainer, 56, died at 9:22 a.m. Wednesday, June 15, 2016, at St. Elizabeth Hospital in Belleville.

Born on Oct. 22, 1959, in St. Louis, he was the son of Lowell V. and Dorothy Lence Mainer of Godfrey.

He graduated from Alton Senior High School and Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, with a degree in mass communication.

He started his newspaper career early as a paper boy for the Alton Telegraph, where he also did his internship. After college, he worked as a reporter and copy editor for papers in Corpus Christi, Orange and Beaumont, Texas. He later moved to Belleville to work for the Belleville News Democrat as an editor.

He was an avid runner and swimmer. He loved to travel in his younger years, especially to Maine and Florida. He was baptized at the Godfrey Church of Christ at an early age.

Along with his parents, he is survived by two brothers, Mark Mainer of Alton and Michael Mainer (Caron) of St. Peters, Mo.; four nephews and two nieces; and a dear friend Donna Weeks.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Ernest and Gladys Lence of Cobden and Rosetta and Ralph Brown of Jonesboro; and a niece, Kristen Mainer.

Graveside services were at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, June 18, at St. Joseph's Cemetery in Alton. The Reverend James Lampley officiated.

Memorials can be made to the Godfrey Church of Christ, the American Heart Association, the 5A's Animal Shelter in Alton or a memorial of one's choice.

Gent Funeral Home in Alton was in charge of arrangements. Online guestbook and information can be found at www.gentfuneralhome.com.



Reynoldsville News

by Sue Eudy

Sunday dinner guests of Sue and Steve Eudy were Brian, Susan and Megan Eudy of Jackson, Mo.

Dorothy Smiddy of Reynoldsville was surprised with a birthday celebration in Collinsville over the weekend. Dorothy thought she was attending a family reunion. There was a large crowd in attendance. Her birthday is Friday, June 24. Her son and daughter-in-law, Mike and Karen Smiddy of Hamilton, Ohio, and her grandchildren, Chris Smiddy of Cape Girardeau and Danielle and James Shepard of Dexter, Mo., attended.

Mike and Karen Smiddy are visiting this week with Dorothy Smiddy.

Shirley Miller and Penny Hill enjoyed eating out Monday evening.

Dolores and Jack Reynolds of Reynoldsville and Barb and Edwin Livesay of Anna enjoyed the chicken and dumpling dinner at Immanuel Worship Center on Saturday evening.

Those enjoying Father's Day dinner at Delmonico's in Jackson, Mo., on Sunday were Jack and Dolores Reynolds, Rodney and Vicki Reynolds of Wolf Lake, Jackie and Jay Jennings, Greg, Amy and Val-

ley Reynolds, all of Reynoldsville, and Lea Reynolds of Cape Girardeau.

Those helping Hunter Wilson of Cape Girardeau celebrate his 13th birthday, Sunday, June 19, at his home were Justin, Brandi and Gracie Wilson, Suzanne Cohen and Jack Donaldson, all of Cape Girardeau, Dolores and Jack Reynolds, Jackie and Jay Jennings and Valley Reynolds.

Saturday evening Brad and Lori Pender of Jonesboro and Kristin Pender from Indiana took Fred and Maxine Pender of Fair City to Walt's Pizza in Marion for Father's Day.

Sunday morning Russ and Patsy Pender of Olive Branch treated Fred and Maxine to breakfast at Cracker Barrel in Cape Girardeau for Father's Day.

Sunday evening Tony, Krista, Richard, Bailey and Toni Mae Pender of Metropolis visited with Fred and Maxine Pender.

Diane Hudgins and Donna McRaven of Dongola and Wayne and Mary McRaven of Belknap visited with Berniece and Don McRaven of Fair City.

Happy belated 54th anniversary wishes to Dolores and John Yates of Herrin Thursday, June 16.

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When Jesus was brought before Pontius Pilate, this Roman governor made every effort to learn about Jesus and why the Jews were so set against Him, but it seems that the more he questioned Jesus, the more confused he became as he declared, "I find no fault in this man" (Luke 23:4). Still, the Jews insisted that he give them Jesus. In desperation, Pilate asked, "What then shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ?" (Matt. 27:22).

All of us must decide this all-important question. You may decide to ignore Him, give Him an occasional thought, or surrender your life to Him in obedience, but it must be your decision, and one you arrive at willfully. Look at how others have regarded Jesus in the past:

- Judas Iscariot – "I have sinned in that I have betrayed the innocent blood" (Mt. 27:4).
- Demons: "Thou art the Son of God" (Mark 3:11).
- Centurion: "Truly, this was the Son of God" (Mt. 27:54).
- John the Baptizer: "Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world" (Jn. 1:29).
- Peter: "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the Living God" (Mt. 16:16).
- Paul: "I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord" (Phil. 3:8).

If you haven't been saved from sin through obedience to the Gospel, what will you do with Jesus? What is necessary to obey the Gospel? First, one must hear the message of salvation (Luke 8:12; Rom. 10:17; Eph. 1:13). Second, the lost soul must believe the gospel (Mark 16:15,16; Rom. 10:9,10). Third, the person must repent of his sins (Luke 13:3,5; Acts 2:38). Fourth, one must confess his belief that Jesus is the Son of God (Matt. 10:32,33; Rom. 10:10). Fifth, for sins to be washed away and the soul saved, one must be baptized (Acts 22:16; I Peter 3:21). Finally, one must live faithfully unto death (Rev. 2:10). Again, what will you do with Jesus?

R.W. McAlister, Minister
Anna church of Christ

Annabelle finds special new home

(Editor's note: the accompanying photograph and article were shared by Barbara Bauer for the Anna-Jonesboro Women's Club.)

When the Anna-Jonesboro Women's Club hosted the General Federation of Women's Club's 25th District Convention in March, a door prize was given.

That door prize was a basket of locally made or locally purchased items.

The centerpiece of the arrangement was a silk white hydrangea with a note that promised the "real thing," the Heritage Annabelle, to be purchased at the Annabelle Festival in June.

Barbara Bauer, project chairperson, promised visi-

tors from Northern Illinois that it could be delivered anywhere, should they win the door prize.

The AJWC District Convention door prize was won by Dorothy Hilliard of Anna.

When Dorothy was asked where she would put the outdoor plant, since she lives in an Anna Vista apartment, she quickly said, "Oh, I have the spot picked out. I know just where to plant it."

The rest of the story is that Dorothy (at age 87) has been planting, replanting and caring for the Anna Vista flower garden boxes in front of the building for quite a long time.

She even carries water from inside, since there is no water available outside the building.

She makes many trips back and forth with her pink watering can.

A look up at her second floor balcony reveals a "country garden" of potted and hanging plants. She even has a potted tomato plant.

With the help of Anna Vista's Billy Treece on the shovel, Dorothy planted her Annabelle this week as a part of her ongoing beautification project. It is front and center in an Anna Vista flower bed for all to see and enjoy.

Dorothy Hilliard received recognition recently for being a member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs for over 50 years.

Gratitude goes to her for many years of service to club projects, to her residence, and especially to her Anna community.



Special project

Pictured is Anna Vista resident Dorothy Hilliard and Anna Vista's Billy Treece as they finished planting a Heritage Annabelle hydrangea. This plant is descended from those discovered in local woodlands and transferred to early Anna gardens by the Kirkpatrick ladies. Photo provided.



Clouds over Union County

A cloudy sky could be seen over Union County early Friday morning, June 17. The picture was taken in downtown Anna.



Sunset over Cobden

Sunlight was filtering through clouds in the sky over Cobden when this picture was taken Friday evening, June 17.

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Grant funding protects Midwest imperiled species

Efforts to work together for wildlife across landscape and regional boundaries is the focus for awarding Midwest states more than \$2.2 million in grants through the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's competitive State Wildlife Grants program.

The funds help conserve and protect Species of Greatest Conservation Need, SGCN, and will be distributed to five Midwest state fish and wildlife agencies, including Illinois, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin.

Priority is given to large-scale cooperative conservation projects that implement strategies and actions to conserve species listed in approved State Wildlife Action Plans.

The grants will be matched by nearly \$1.1 million in non-federal funds provided by states and their partners for projects that help protect species and the

ecosystems on which they depend.

In one of the projects, the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources is partnering with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources for a two-state effort focusing on the rattlesnake-master borer, a rare moth that is a service candidate species.

The partners will manage and restore high-priority prairies, glades and barrens/woodlands complexes identified in the Kentucky and Illinois Wildlife Action Plans as important habitats.

A significant focus of the project will be the formation of fire strike teams, using prescribed fire to improve 5,500 acres to increase native plant diversity for the benefit of SGCN.

The agencies propose to increase relative abundance of the rattlesnake-master borer moth by 20 percent from baseline levels.

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Health educator speaks at coalition's meeting

Southern Seven Health Department health educator Amber Toler gave a presentation at The Fellowship House/Rising Up for Change Coalition's meeting.

The topic of discussion presented by Toler was on e-cigarettes. She explained what e-cigarettes were, the different parts of an e-cigarette and how they worked.

E-cigarettes are gaining popularity and are seen as a newly perceived "must have" item. Vaping stores are popping up everywhere to sell a wide variety of flavored vaping juices and products.

The most disturbing fact, she said, was that this product is targeted to the middle school and high school age population.

She said e-cigarettes are not only targeted to youth but they are not regulated by the FDA, meaning, there is no way of knowing exactly what is in the vaping juices.

Many believe that e-cigarettes are safer than conventional cigarettes. As of now, Toler said, there are no studies to support this belief. Government agencies are currently developing regulations for the products.

The Fellowship House/Rising Up for Change Coalition meets monthly with the exception of July and December.

The coalition's efforts are focused on educating students, parents and other concerned community members regarding drinking and drug abuse problems.

To learn more on how to make a difference or become involved with The Fellowship House/Rising Up for Change Coalition, call, 833-4460.

To keep updated on current events "like" them on Facebook at www.facebook.com/risingupforchange.



Anna City Pool hosts big swim meet

The Anna City Pool hosted a big swim meet last Saturday. The Blue Dolphins swim team hosted the Anna Invitational Swim Meet. Nearly 180 swimmers representing seven teams from Southern Illinois and Kentucky competed at the meet.

Leadership's 'congenital failure' key factor in state's fiscal crisis

A new study indicates Illinois' fiscal crisis stems from a "congenital failure" of leadership, along with voter unwillingness to appreciate the state's financial issues and hold lawmakers accountable.

The study, by Southern Illinois University Carbondale's Paul Simon Public Policy Institute, points to statewide elected officials, legislators and voters as all bearing responsibility for Illinois' debt crisis and government gridlock.

The report, released June 13, states that "the leadership and political courage necessary" to overcome a long-term paradox of maintaining low taxes while meeting or increasing programs and services "has not been evident in Illinois politics" over the last 15 years.

"The Climate of Opinion in Illinois 2008-2016: Roots of Gridlock," offers a comprehensive review of the institute's 10 statewide public opinion polls over the past nine years.

The study examines the continuity and change in voters' perceptions on issues including term limits, open primaries, redistricting, abortion, same-sex marriage and political party identification, and pays particular attention to the state's financial woes.

Illinois has a multi-billion dollar deficit and on July 1, will enter a second fiscal year without a formal budget.

One of the report's authors, John Jackson, a visiting professor with the institute, writes that discussions of possible widespread government shutdowns, and possible cutbacks in social service programs, K-12 and higher education, coupled with job losses, were not inevitable.

"It was not foreordained; it was not an act of God or a tragedy wrought by Mother Nature," the report states.

"The actions taken were those of public officials responsible for the operation of the government. We can learn from instances when state government did not fail, when the budgetary chips were on the line, and when political leadership and courage were exhibited."

The report, available at <http://paulsimoninstitute.siu.edu/publications/simon-review.php>, is described as a hard-hitting assessment of what Illinois faces.

"We are in a mess and it's time that people wake up to that fact," Jackson said.

The study points to Simon Polls that consistently find no majority support for reduced spending in several areas, including K-12 education, public safety, higher education, social programs for people with mental or physical disabilities, and state pensions.

Even with the budget impasse, however, there continues to be strong opposition to restoring the state's temporary income tax increase that expired in January 2015.

There is "real movement," however, to create a more progressive income tax system, and support for a graduated income tax and a millionaires' tax.

Illinois is one of a few states that doesn't tax retire-

ment income; and support for taxing retirement income over \$50,000 dropped from 56 to 54 percent between 2015 and 2016.

Support for expanding gambling has hovered at or slightly above 50 percent for several years.

The study points to strong actions of two former governors - Richard Ogilvie, who initiated the state's first income tax, and Jim Edgar, who worked to make a temporary tax increase permanent.

Ogilvie and Edgar are viewed as among Illinois' best governors in modern times, Jackson said.

Ogilvie and Edgar, both Republicans, worked with Democratic and Republican lawmakers and state leaders in a bipartisan approach.

Edgar and the General Assembly at that time also achieved balanced budgets with real revenues.

"You had leaders who had some courage and who understood that you have to get out front and make some hard choices, and then sell those choices to the people and make people understand what you did and why," Jackson said.

"We don't have leaders who are willing to take those chances anymore, apparently. They are failing to compromise and to understand that democracy and the legislative process require compromise; that the big decisions require support from both parties and leadership to put together the coalitions that are necessary to do the hard stuff."

Jackson said there is not enough "citizenship education" of voters, and it is important for public education and the media to do a better job.

The report states that political leadership and political courage are important, even crucial, for a successful democracy.

"Political elites must have the courage to tell the truth, and to make fact-based arguments about the hard topics such as tax and budget realities. They then must have the capacity to explain their actions to the public and defend those actions in the next election," the report states.

Voters, meanwhile, "must pay attention and respect the facts and realities, and demand empirical evidence for the claims

being made by candidates for office," the report states.

That includes paying attention between elections, as well as to political ads and political commentary on social media.

The study examined data that shows voters "bear significant responsibility" for Illinois' current situation.

"Not only did they elect the leaders responsible for this state of affairs, but their steadfast insistence on the untenable high-service/low tax status quo gave the politicians permission to drive the vehicle of state to the edge of the cliff, where it teeters today on the brink," the report states.

One evolving social issue where the study shows there was significant change is with same-sex marriage.

Support for gay marriage has risen from 29 percent in 2009 to 53 percent in 2016.

Opposition, meanwhile, decreased from 31 percent to 16 percent over the same timeframe.

Jackson also said while people identify themselves as more conservative than liberal, Illinois appears overall as more of a "blue" or Democratic-leaning state.

"But that being said, while Illinois is routinely identified as a blue state, it is clear that Republicans can win statewide elections and it is better thought of as a competitive state which only leans toward the Democratic Party," Jackson said.

Protection of assets

seminar topic

SElder Law LLC plans to host a free seminar that explains ways to avoid probate.

The seminar is set for 10 a.m. Thursday, June 30, at the Pavilion of the City of Marion, which is located behind the Illinois Star Centre Mall.

Those who attend the seminar will learn ways to protect the assets they have today and what they leave their children and grandchildren from lawsuits, Medicaid, nursing home expenses, divorce and death taxes.

The seminar is scheduled to be presented by Elder Law attorneys Tiffany H. Sievers and William Bryce Levanti. To RSVP, call 618-997-3500.

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Dr. Michael R. Jeffords honored by DAR chapter

By Dixie Terry
Dr. Michael R. Jeffords was presented a DAR certificate of recognition at the June 13 meeting of the Daniel Chapman Chapter Daughters of the American



Certificate presented
Daniel Chapman Chapter DAR conservation chairperson Martha Schwegman presented a certificate of recognition to Dr. Michael Jeffords in appreciation for his nature endeavors. Photo provided.

Revolution. Chapter conservation chairwoman Martha Schwegman made the presentation following Jeffords' nature program.

Showing his photos from around the globe, his visual program, "The Spirit of Exploration," included "African Edens," "American Edens," "Illinois Edens," and "Our Own Eden, the Cache River Wetlands."

Jeffords serves as board chairman of the Friends of the Cache River Watershed. He is the retired education/outreach director for the Illinois Natural History Survey.

He is an entomologist, a freelance photographer, author and educator, focused primarily on the issue of biodiversity.

Jeffords was the staff photographer for the Illinois

Steward Magazine, and has co-authored "Illinois Wilds," a coffee table book about the natural habitats of Illinois.

He has also authored "A Field Guide to the Prairie State" and the soon-to-be-released "A Field Guide to Illinois Butterflies."

The meeting was held at the Dixon Springs Baptist Church in Pope County.

Other special guests included John Schwegman, Brian McCreery, Susan Post, Mollie Oliver, Sue Luithle and Diane Martin.

A-JCHS announces spring semester honor roll students

Anna-Jonesboro Community High School announces spring semester honor roll students:

High Honor Roll
Samuel Acuff, Kaniasha Alston, Taylen Ashby, Shiloh Barger, Elle Basler, Brayden Benefield, Madison Bigler, Amelia Blakeley, Clair Boget, Mackenzie Boget, Mackenzie Bryant.

Madison Calhoun, Jericha Carter, Scarlett Carter, Emily Casper, MaKenzie Chaney, Zachary Clutts, Mallory Cochran, Jillian Cotton, Nicole Crawford, Ashton Curtis.

Megan Dammerman, Hunter Denny, Francesca DeRossett, Ashley Detering, Garrison Ecker, Jakob Eddleman, Jasmin Foster, Hannah Fuller, Jordan Fuller.

Jade Gillis, Dalton Goddard, Garrett Goines, Colton Goins, Zachary Griffin, Audrey Haar, Connor Hadley, Caroline Hansen, Sydney Heem, Britni Helton, Olivia Hess, Kaitlyn Holshouser, Tabitha Hughes.



Surplus vehicles, equipment sold

The Anna City Council recently approved bids for the sale of surplus vehicles and equipment. The bids were approved at a regular meeting of the city council which was held on Tuesday, June 7. Prior to the sale, the items were located behind Anna City Hall. A total of 30 bids were received. The sale generated a total of \$19,161.12. The funds were going to go to the departments from which the surplus items originated.

Cache River Days pageant seeks participants from area

Participants are being sought for the 22nd annual Cache River Days pageant. The pageant is scheduled for 6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 9, at the Leona Brust Civic Center in Ullin.

Contestants must be a resident of Pulaski, Union, Alexander, Johnson or Massac county.

Organizers of the pageant noted that only the first 12 postmarked valid entries in each category will be accepted.

Little Miss Cache River 2016 must be between the ages of 4 and 6.

Junior Miss Cache River 2016 age group is from 7 to 11.

Senior Miss Cache River 2016 must be between the ages 12 and 15.

2016 Miss Cache River pageant age ranges are 16 to 20 years old and having never been married and without children.

The entry deadline for the pageants is Aug. 12 by 4 p.m. For information regarding rules and entry forms, contact pageant director Heather Schneider at 618-845-3020 or visit www.facebook.com/CRD-Pageant.

The Cache River Days baby photo contest will be accepting applications for girls and boys newborn to 3 years old. The deadline for the baby photo contest is Aug. 31. Contact Tina Redcloud at 618-845-3612 or Millie DeWitt at 618-845-3445 for entry forms.

Those who leave a voice mail are asked to make sure to list your full name, telephone number, email address and mailing address.

Cotton receives poetry awards

Kathy Cotton of Anna recently received awards in four national poetry competitions.

Prizes were announced at the 2016 National Federation of State Poetry Societies, NFSPS, convention in Chaska, Minn.

Cotton placed first in both the Arizona State Poetry Contest and the Mildred Bass Remembrance Award and received \$200 for the third-place win in the Peace Award sponsored by The Shanti Foundation for Intercultural Understanding.

She also received the Utah State Poetry Award, first honorable mention.

Cotton is on the board of directors of the Illinois State Poetry Society and serves as ISPS facilitator of the Southern Chapter in Carbondale and editor of the Illinois Poets Newsletter.

She is also editor for the two winning manuscripts of the annual NFSPS College Undergraduate Poetry Competitions.

Southern Illinois Cretaceous Hills topic of program

The Cretaceous Hills of Southern Illinois will be the topic of a program planned Saturday, June 25, at the Barkhausen Cache River Wetlands Center near Cypress.

The free program, set for 1 p.m., will be presented by naturalist John Schwegman.

The wetlands center is located at 8885 State Route

37, 3 miles south of Cypress. For more information, call 618-657-2064.

The Cretaceous Hills are characterized by rolling hills of sand, gravel, clay and bottomlands.

Schwegman's program will be about the plants, animals and natural communities of the Cache River basin in Pope and Massac counties.



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EAST PRAIRIE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

News from First Baptist Church, Jonesboro

On Sunday, June 19, Pastor Mike's message was titled "Revived and Alive," which continued his series, "Divine Fish Food: God's Pursuit of Others and You." Worship was directed by Rev. Paul Lemon. Special music was provided by the worship choir and Kiel Lemon.

During late morning church, Lucas Tehandón was baptized and became the newest member of the Jonesboro First Baptist Church.

The church's second annual men's event is planned at 2 p.m. Saturday, June 25. Family and friends are invited to come and participate in horseshoes, corn hole, Frisbee golf and other activities.

Family members are invited. The meal will be tailgate style. Birthdays: Brooke Wright, June 20; Suzanne Carter, Eugene Kohler, June 21; Mandy Butler, Lester Dirden, Andy Walczak, June 23.

Anniversary: Gene and Mary Lou Wright, June 23, 60 years.

The schedule for worship at Jonesboro First Baptist includes three services on Sunday at 8:15 a.m., 10:35 a.m. and 6 p.m. Adult bible study/prayer meeting will be on Wednesdays from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

News from Anna Church of the Nazarene

On Sunday, June 19, the offertory for the morning service was provided by Kevin Cook.

Curt Lyerla, Logan Wiseman, Curly Ralls and Robert Smith were ushers.

The Vacation Bible School "Cave Quest" Closing was presented by the VBS children under the direction of Tiffany McBride, VBS director, and Nina Shepard, VBS music director. The enrollment for VBS was 57 children.

The morning message, titled "David and Goliath," was brought by Pastor McBride, with scripture from I Samuel. He shared that "the closer you get to Jesus, the Light of the World, the more confidence you will have."

The Sunday evening service was canceled.

Birthdays: June 20, Brian Hill; Tiffany McBride, Curly Ralls, Cayden Sawyer, June 21; Richard Keely, Cathy Smith, June 22; Emily Parks, June 23; Jaida Smith, June 24; Abram Brooks, June 25.

Anniversaries: Terry and Emily Wiseman, June 21; Curly and Shirley Ralls, June 25.

The Wiseman fish fry is planned at 5 p.m. July 2.

Sunday School begins at 9:30 a.m. Worship services are Sunday at 10:35 a.m. and 6 p.m. and Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

News from Anna First Baptist Church

In the morning service, Pastor Sinks' sermon was titled "I Want To Be Like You," with scripture from Luke.

Saturday, July 2, Brian Free & Assurance will be in concert at Anna First at 7 p.m. Admission is free; an offering will be taken.

The next Soup and Serve is scheduled Monday, July 11, from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. The free meal is planned on the second Monday of every month. Soup and sandwiches will be served with tea or coffee. Everyone is welcome.



Special visit

The Mt. Moriah Lutheran Church choir members paid a visit to former choir member Mat Page in Cape Girardeau last week. Mat is living at Chateau Girardeau and was delighted to see her good friends from Anna. The choir sang for Mat, then there were a lot of hugs and visiting as the group took her out to dinner. Seated are Virginia Housman, Mat Page and Barb Bauer. Standing in the center row are Kathleen Wright, Sharon Mullins, Brenda Rendleman, Kay Rothschild and Pastor Dennis Scovill. In back: Norm Bauer, Pete Housman, Pattie Simpson and Chico Travis. Photo provided.

News from

Mt. Moriah Lutheran Church, Anna

The prayer list for healing included Craig Bass, Maddie Nichols, Mike Chase, Jean Graham, Charlene Kozora, Floy Sullivan, Jacob Wells, Glenna Tripp, Mildred Kohler, Daniel Seddon, Rena Hepburn, Shawn Knupp, Stanley Malnar, Mary Edmonds, Ivy Roach, Betty Sue Elkins, Randy Bland, Ann Shaw, Mat Page, Susan Hase, Paige Astin, Brad Rendleman, Jessi Watson, Bill Hensch, Jack Johnson, Will Eidson, Shirley Earnhart, Hadley Ashby, Linda Clark, Roger Lacy, Nancy Lyerla, Jim Mueller, Casie Thomas, Jazmyne Scoville, Urs Becker and Todd Breiner.

The families of Doris West, Paul Morgan, Eric Baker and Elbert L.

Hileman were remembered in prayer for loss of their loved one.

Both Mt. Moriah and Salem Lutheran Churches conducted congregational meetings on Sunday, June 19, and approved the pastoral call to the Rev. Mark Hasty.

The Mt. Moriah choir made a special visit on Wednesday to Mt. Moriah Church member and long-time choir member Mat Page at Chateau Girardeau. The group sang for Mat and took her out to dinner.

VBS is in progress during the week of June 20-24. Classes meet at Salem Lutheran Church in Jonesboro at 6 p.m. Everyone is welcome. The VBS Mission project is gathering

supplies and funds for Children's Medical Resource Network.

The Hands of Faith quilting group plans to meet and work from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on June 28.

Ladies Night Out is set for Tuesday, June 28, at 4:30 p.m.

Adult Bible class plans to meet at 10:15 a.m. on Sundays during the summer.

Regular Sunday worship is held at Mt. Moriah at 9 a.m. with Sunday School and adult Bible class at 10:15 a.m.

Church dinner set

Apostolic Lighthouse Church in Cobden plans to serve a quarterly supper on Friday, June 24.

Serving is planned from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

News from

Walnut Grove United Methodist Church

On Fathers Day, everyone sang "Happy Anniversary" to Shelby and J.D. Brown.

Prayers were requested for Elizabeth Corbit, Carolyn Moore and Heidi; and Tamara Lamer, Mike, Cam-

eron and Aiden Barry.

The Rev. Robert Fear's message was titled "If I am Father, Where is My Honor?" Scripture was from Malachi. He said that "to honor God our Father, who is looking down on us, fathers everywhere should be setting an example for their children and leading their families in prayer and daily life."

Gary Hartline distributed all Walnut Grove United Methodist Church t-shirts that had been ordered from Striking Designs.

The next ladies' lunch will be on Friday, July 1, at 11:30 a.m. at the Country Cupboard in Anna.

The next music night is planned for Tuesday, July 5, from 6:45 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. All types of instruments and singing talents and listeners are welcome.

Walnut Grove's Sunday service starts at 9:30 a.m. The church is located at 3195 Mountain Glen Rd., Cobden, near Route 127.

Hickam family reunion planned

A family reunion for the descendants of George and Meda Hickam is planned Sept. 24 at the Alto Pass Downtown pavilion. The reunion is scheduled to begin at noon.

Further announcements are scheduled to appear in September. Contact Janet Braun at 618-853-4040 for more information.

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Isaiah 51:1-23	Isaiah 52:1-12	Isaiah 54:1-17	Isaiah 55:1-13	Isaiah 56:1-12	Jeremiah 29:1-23	Jeremiah 30:1-24
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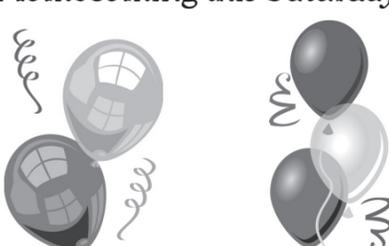
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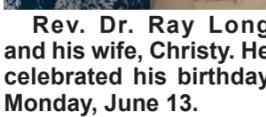
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Matt and Misty Sadler celebrated their third wedding anniversary June 15.



Xander Blunt 8th grade graduation from Mowat Middle School: Xander received several academic awards. He received the President's Education Award. He received a certificate signed by President Obama and a pin. Xander is the son of Michele and Brian Blunt and grandson of Carlena and Lloyd Thompson of Anna. Carlena spent a week in Lynn Haven and Panama City with her family and attended Xander's graduation.



Rev. Dr. Ray Long and his wife, Christy. He celebrated his birthday Monday, June 13.

Congratulations

Proud of you Janna Harner Miss Southern Illinois for winning second runner up in the Miss Illinois Pageant.

Its been a fast exciting year for Crystal Davis Miss Illinois.

Congratulations and thanks to both girls for representing our city and community.

Cates Farm Guests

Gaylon and Clara Cates were visited Sunday afternoon, June 12, by the Lockard Chapel Church Bible School children as part of their Bible School program.

Directed by Charlotte Fear their theme was Walking the Life of Jesus.

The legend of the crosses on Noah and Sidney, donkeys of Gaylon and Clara, was told to the children.

The children had a good time and Noah and Sidney loved all the attention they got from the children.

Noah and Sidney also celebrated their birthdays last week.

Little Egypt Red Hat Ladies

Thirty-one ladies met at the parish hall at the Catholic church in Cobden. The ladies of the church served a chicken and dumplings buffet style dinner.

A donation was made to Bald Knob Cross for a brick paver from Southern Illinois Red Hat groups that attended the meeting at Giant City Lodge in May.

Carol Nebughr, a member of the Bald Knob Cross Foundation was a guest, and the check was presented to her by Linda Clutts. The paver will read Red Hat Ladies, 5-18-16.

Hostesses were Brenda Lovelace and Queen Mom Joan Graves Edwards. Pat Jones sang a special.

The ladies toured the museum in Cobden and enjoyed the thrift shop. Patrick Brumleve and Judy Travelstead welcomed the Red Hat Ladies to the Union County Museum.

They enjoyed the Victorian-era hair exhibit. Some of the ladies went to the Mexican grocery store next door.

New York Trip

Kay Johnston of Jonesboro and daughter Kim of Vienna just returned from a week in New York. They enjoyed all the sights and the ferry ride.

On the way home they stopped at Hershey's Chocolate World in Hershey, Pa.

Logan Village Tours

Marie Samuel is working at Logan College His-



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torical Village Tuesday morning helping give tours of a one room school and log cabin that are not air conditioned. They have been advised to bring water to carry as lectures occur.

Father's Day Dinner

Gaylon and Clara Cates enjoyed a Father's Day dinner at Golden Corral after church Sunday.

Scout Camp

Teri Goldsberry helped with scouts Monday, June 13, through Wednesday, June 15.

Kaskaskia Cub Scout day camp was held at Pine Ridge Scout Camp on Little Grassy Lake.

Seventy-plus Cub Scouts and tagalongs ages 5-10 years old took part in swimming activities, archery and BB gun shooting, nature, CSI and crafts each day.

Cub Scout Packs from all over Southern Illinois took part and even braved the rain on Wednesday.

The theme was CSI and scouts tried to look for clues at a "crime" scene and had to figure out whodunit. A great time was had by all.

Annabelle Fest Winner

A special thanks to Natalie Linton from her business Peace Hill Embroidery and Wreathes. I won the flip flop wreath and decorative towel in the drawing at the Annabelle Fest.

VFW

Peggy Jerrell Star Karaoke will be at the VFW June 25 from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Scoter Ride

David and Terrie Isom went on a scooter ride of 113 miles last Friday. They packed a picnic lunch and on the way home stopped at the state forest and had a small picnic.

That night they went to Olmsted to eat all you can eat catfish at Lynda's Diner.

Celebrating Father's Day

Curt Ellis cooked a barbeque dinner for Bessie Mae and Elijah Glen, Martha Ann Webb and Earl Miller and Curt's dad Brad and took it to him in Cobden. Other family members also came.

Father's Day

Darla Womick called her dad in Mesa, Ariz., and talked to him and wished him Happy Father's Day.

Guests

Guests of Charles Jackson were Linda Clutts and Natlie Amrhein after they attended the Red Hat meeting last Wednesday.

Wedding Anniversaries

April 14 Tom and Shelly Peal, 19 years, Rick and Vickie Duke 30 years. Grant and Kathy Capel 30 years. Matt and Misty Sadler three years, CJ and Amy Mize, Gregory and Dee Blakely 25 years. April

17 Jim and Sandy Carter 49 years, 19 Tom and Carolyn Tripp 45 years.

7th Birthday

Happy 7th birthday William Bracken: Bobbi Lence and Dorothy Hilliard attended William Bracken's 7th birthday party in Don-gola Park recently. Birthday cake and sodas were served. William received several gifts.

Others family present were Carolyn Bracken, Glen Bracken and friend Peggy attended also.

Little Egypt Red Hat Ladies

The Little Egypt Red Hat Ladies will meet at Bandanas in Carbondale for their July meeting. The meetings are on the third Wednesday of the month at 11 a.m.

5th Birthday

Tyson Englebrights, Dusti William and Jesse Bracken of Dongola, Dorothy Hilliard and Bobbi Lence of Anna were in Festus, Mo., recently celebrating Tyson Englebrights 5th birthday. He received many gifts. Lunch and birthday cake were on the menu.

Other family members and friends from Illinois and Missouri also attended.

Birthdays

June 13 Trenton Barnhart celebrated his 15th birthday, June 13 Josh Williams, Lucas Williams, Cotton Braswell, June 17 Lou Comte, 19 Marilyn Lou Curdie, Sue McKinney, 26 Elijah Glen Ellis 14th birthday, 29 Dorothy Hilliard.

50th Wedding Anniversary Celebrations

Chuck and Judy Neal went out with friends Toni and Rhea Calabrese Saturday night to celebrate their dual 50th anniversary June 18, 1966.

Ireland Trip

Marie Samuel enjoyed a trip to Ireland with the Senior Circle from Marion Hospital.

While in Ireland, their bus of 27 passengers went on a rural country road to Molanna Dairy Farm and were treated to a tour by Paddy and Margret Fenton and their son Patrick.

They graciously opened their home to them, treating them to tea and pastries. The scones were so good they were glad to get the recipes.

They went into the original homestead and Paddy told them the history of the farm and how he and his grandfathers before him were born in the cottage they were touring.

He ended his presentation with a poem by Mona Tierney titled, "What Is It All When All Is Told." Hearing this poem inspired

the bus group to compose limericks to share.

Later some continued to write poems describing their visit to Ireland. Marie's was submitted to the Illinois State Poetry Society for their next online web posting.

Kathy Cotton is president of the southern chapter of the ISPS, and several members of that branch have had work in the Poainty Exhibit at the Anna Arts Center with poems and art.

Red Hat Reunion

Linda Clutts, Natlie Amrhein, Joanne Vaught, Marie Samuel and Cathy Zigler attended a Red Hat reunion hosted by Janice Jarosk at Gun Smoke Ranch in Du Quoin.

United Methodist Church, Anna

On Father's Day all of the men of the church were honored.

The Rev. Dr. Ray Long's sermon was on we worship to follow Jesus.

Special music was by Jessi Riley, "Ching-a-Ring-Shaw," a spiritual about the joys of heaven. Jessi sang the song at contest and got first superior at district and state.

There will be a supper to honor the men at 5 p.m. Saturday, June 25.

Faithful members Eunice Chambers and Doris Womick were missed in church. Please keep them in your prayers. Prayers were said for all those sick and for our nation.

The Loaves and Fishes Meal was served Tues.

Birthday Celebration

Ruth Wood celebrated her birthday in Springfield, Ore., with her sister Peggy Rains and her family.

Special Thanks

Thanks to Melba Nork and RW Frick for giving me credit when they renewed their subscription to The Gazette-Democrat.

Guests

Guests of Jerry and Jeni Goddard were their son and daughter-in-law from Asheville, N.C.

Trip

Gary and Marcy Morris have returned from a trip to the East Coast.

Beauty Contest

Amber Smith daughter of Nathan and Diane competed in natural wear, runway showdown, glitz beauty and outfit of choice in Ina. She was crowned ultimate mini supreme and won best smile.

Civic Center in Marion

David and Lori Ray enjoyed watching Miss Illinois Crystal Davis and Jenna Harner at the Civic Center in Marion Saturday night. Both girls sang beautiful and were fabulous.



David and Lori Ray were so proud to cheer Janna on with the wonder Harner family Saturday night.



Clayton Camden caught his biggest bass ever June 15 when he was fishing with his dad. The fish weighed 6 pounds, 1 ounce. Clayton's mom and dad, Amy and Sonny, are proud of him.

David and Lori had a wonderful time. Jenna is planning on finishing college and will complete again next year for Miss Illinois.

A-J Women's Club Hosts USFS Archeologist

The A-J Women's Club met June 14 at a local restaurant for a regular meeting and special program. President Jane Bauer conducted the meeting and introduced the guests.

Guest speaker was Heather Carey, Shawnee National Forest archeologist with the U.S. Forest Service.

Carey's presentation centered on The Trail of Tears historical sites across Southern Illinois, especially the routes through Union County.

She shared information about proposals to develop story boards and other signs along the routes used by the Cherokee Indians to reach crossings on the Mississippi River on their way westward.

Much consideration is being given to developing this Trail of Tears awareness, as well as other Union County historical facts, to share with visitors to the area, according to Carey.

In other programming, the A-J Women's Club installed officers and com-

mittee chairpersons for the coming two years.

Installing officer Barbara Bauer was assisted in the charge to the incoming officers by District General Federation of Women's Clubs president Jackie Hancock of Marion.

As June 14 was Flag Day, member Judy Smith, assisted by Lillian Milam, gave a presentation about the flag, symbol of our country.

A program planning (Continued on next page)



Amber Smith was crowned ultimate mini supreme and won best smile in Ina.



Marie Samuel enjoyed a trip to Ireland. She is pictured with Irish dairy farmer Paddy Fenton. Marie and Paddy were both born in 1942 and have marriages of over 50 years. Paddy, his wife Margret and their son Patrick took them on a tour of their original homestead and told the history of their farm. Marie in Ireland



Vina Pedigo Young, owner of Vina's Dance Studio, has a new location. They are on the top floor of the old city hall connected to the Anna Arts Center on East Davie Street. This is going on the 11th year of her dance lessons. Vina started her business on the 4-way stop in Anna.



Lockard Chapel Bible School children visited the farm of Gaylon and Clara Cates on Sunday, June 12, and got to meet their little donkeys Noah and Sydney, which have a cross on their back.



Jane Bauer, Heather Carey, Jackie Hancock: Guest speaker for the Anna-Jonesboro Women's Club meeting was U.S. Forest Service archeologist Heather Carey from the Shawnee National Forest office in Harrisburg. Her subject was the proposed development of a Trail of Tears route that would take tourism visitors from Union County westward to the Mississippi River.



A donation was made to Bald Knob Cross for a brick paver from Southern Illinois Red Hat groups that attended the meeting at Giant City Lodge in May. Carol Nebughr, member of the Bald Knob Cross Foundation, was guest at their June meeting and the check was presented to her by Linda Clutts. Pictured with Carol are Queen Mom Joan Graves Edwards, Harriet Baker, Kathy Ziegler, Corinne Steveson, Mary Nell Chew, 31 Red Hat ladies attended.

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Realty Transactions

The following real estate transactions were recorded at the Union County clerk's office in Jonesboro:

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Champion Mortgage Company. Grantee: Wanda Charles, Stephanie Gibbs. Tract Section 26 Township 13S Range 1W.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Debra K. Hess, Dennis R. Hess. Grantee: Debra K. Hess, Dennis R. Hess. Tract Section 23 Township 12S Range 1E.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Kenneth Ray Newman. Grantee: Sarah Elizabeth Newman. Tract Section 33 Township 11S Range 1E.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Barbara A. Livesay, R. Edwin Livesay. Grantee: Robert Joseph Mathis. Tract Section 2 Township 12S Range 3E.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Betty J. Smith. Grantee: The Betty J. Smith Family Trust, Dona J. Triplett. Tract Section 15 Township 11S Range 2W. Name: McIntosh Heirs Addition of Jonesboro, Portion 16.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Carla Burnett. Grantee: Haley Bell, Haley Starr. Name: Forest Place Addition, Block 5, Lot 6.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: William B. Ballard, Thomas L. Pitts. Grantee: Katherine Turner. Name: D.W. Browns 4th Add. of Anna, Lot 10.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Michele E. Arteme, Thomas J. Arteme. Grantee: Naomi Hahn, Vincent Hahn. Tract Section 36 Township 12S Range 1W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Patricia A. Moehring. Grantee: Keiler Jordan Dillman. Name: Orchard Drive Sub., Lot 30.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Linda Ann Rendleman, Daniel Lee Rendleman Jr.

Grantee: Tara Blankenship. Tract Section 11 Township 11S Range 2W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Philip Eddleman. Grantee: Jamie Ann Groh-Casey, Jamie Ann Longmire. Tract Section 20 Township 12S Range 1W.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Christopher Rochman. Grantee: Marilyn Rochman. Tract Section 4 Township 11S Range 1E.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Thomas Rochman. Grantee: Marilyn Rochman. Tract Section 9 Township 11S Range 1E.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Corie Rochman. Grantee: Marilyn Rochman. Tract Section 9 Township 11S Range 1E.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Christopher Rochman. Grantee: Marilyn L. Rochman Revocable Trust. Tract Section 4 Township 11S Range 1E.

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Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Thomas Rochman. Grantee: Marilyn L. Rochman Revocable Trust. Tract Section 9 Township 11S Range 1E.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Taylor E. Miller, William B. Miller. Grantee: Cheryl A. Stewart, David A. Stewart. Name: Jackson Fricks Add. of Cobden, Portion 4.

Traffic Citations

The following people were cited for speeding and were assessed \$120 in fines and court costs as recorded at the Union County circuit clerk's office in Jonesboro:

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Jamarkus Stewart, Tallahassee, Fla. Dion M. Johnson, Cairo. Tiffany N. Watkins, Jonesboro. Eugene J. Pate II, Matteson.

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Anthony V. Bailey, Herrin. Walter L. Julious, Oak Park. Dwayne E. Hurt, Indianapolis, Ind. April LaGail McKinney, Memphis, Tenn. Douglas J. Phillips, Anna.

The following people were cited for the indicated violations and were assessed the accompanying fines and court costs as recorded at the circuit clerk's office:

Ricky Qualanduis Reeves, Brownsville, Tenn., speeding, 21-25 mph above limit, \$315. Zachary D. Hale, Cobden, improper turn/oncoming traffic, \$1,271.

Dovydas Diburys, Naperville, log violation, \$120. Denny A. Lingle, Goreville, fail to reduce speed, \$120.

Logan E. Shoup, Carbondale, registration expiration, \$120. Stacy Jo Gregory, West Frankfort, improper traffic lane usage, \$120.

Deborah Lynn Gails-Burklow, Carbondale, operate un-

insured motor vehicle, \$200. Fidel Amezcua, Cobden, permit unauthorized person to drive, \$120.

Dakota B. Dodds, Carbondale, speeding, 21-25 mph above limit, \$140. David W. Morris, Olmsted, seat belt required/passenger, \$60.

David Wayne Morris Jr., Dongola, seat belt required/passenger, \$60. Tracy A. Lucas, Anna, operate motor vehicle/registration/suspended, \$200.

Stephanie N. Clover, Anna, disregard stop sign, \$120. Austin S. Dover, Sikeston, Mo., transport/carry alcoholic liquor/passenger, \$120.

James P. Schwegman, Perks, transport/carry alcoholic liquor/passenger, \$120. Winston S. Allen, Olmsted, seat belt required/driver, \$60.

Tina Marie Seals, Anna, operate uninsured motor vehicle, \$200. Salah Nasser M. Alotaibi, Carbondale, transport/carry alcoholic liquor/passenger, \$120.

Shaina M. Graff, Carbondale, electronic communication device, \$120. Rebecca N. DeWitt, Anna, electronic communication device, \$120. David Lehman Graham, Anna, electronic communication device, \$120. Kristyna E. McDonnell, Jonesboro, child restraint violation, \$65.

Elizabeth P. Wewers, Paris, Tenn., electronic communication device, \$120. George A. Ford, Jackson, Mo., fail to reduce speed, \$120.

George C. Modglin, Cobden, improper traffic lane us-

age, \$120. Dakota Grae Eastery, Anna, no fee paid/over registration weight, \$1,008.

Brandon M. Buchheit, Chester, overweight on axle, \$760. Aravind Pallvapi, Carbondale, seat belt required/passenger, \$60.

Johnnie Foster, Anna, fail to reduce speed, \$120. Gordon D. Holder, Mounds, defective windshield, \$310.

Erick D. Gonzalez, Des Plaines, speeding, 21-25 mph above limit, \$140. Colton J. Dunaway, Anna, electronic communication device, \$120.

Michaela P. Sizemore, Anna, seat belt required/driver, \$60. Nicole L. Taylor, Memphis, Tenn., speeding, 21-25 mph above limit, \$140.

Sarah M. Cole, Jonesboro, seat belt required/passenger, \$60. Lacey L. Barnes, Olmsted, seat belt required/driver, \$60.

Yoselin Sayula Covarrubras, Cicero, speeding, 21-25 mph above limit, \$140. Jennifer Lynn Booker, Cobden, electronic communication device, \$120.

Steven Z. Kittle, Stillwater, Okla., unlicensed, \$150; speeding, 15-20 mph above limit, \$120. Joshua J. Linton, Anna, seat belt required/driver, \$60.

Gabriel M. Stadelbacher, Jonesboro, seat belt required/driver, \$60. Ryan A. Poythress, Jackson, Mo., seat belt required/driver, \$60.

Crystal A. Chapman, Ava, seat belt required/driver, \$60. Larry Joe Ragsdale, Buncombe, seat belt required/

driver, \$60.

Marriage Licenses

The county clerk's office issued a marriage license to: Andrew Quentin Kamerud, 26, of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Danielle Christine Bost, 27, of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Matthew C. Fortin, 33, of Springfield, and Julie D. Farmer, 28, of Springfield.

Jonathan Frederic Fornek, 30, of Cave Creek, Ariz., and Jessica Rae Whitaker, 24, of Wolf Lake.

Neil David Harris, 44, of Anna, and Angela Faye Ledbetter, 36, of Anna.

Bryan Lee Simmons, 30, of Dongola, and Baleigh Jordan Parnly, 26, of Anna.

Maximilian Alexander Ruszkowski, 28, of Macomb and Cierce Dawn Carter, 24, of Macomb.

Jason W. Hall, 41, of Anna, and Jennifer A. Cunningham, 40, of Anna.

Pier David Kern, 24, of Anna, and Emily Nicole Russell, 20, of Anna.

Jacob Rocco Basler, 25, of Jonesboro, and Brittany Paige Eldridge, 25, of Jonesboro.

Bradley J. Cleary, 31, of Marion, and Jillian R. Sroka, 29, of Du Quoin.

Brian Lee Jackson, 42, Cobden, and Tammy Lynn Moren, 43, of Cobden.

Taylor Harrison Watson-Ridgway, 22, of Energy, and Andrea Leigh Palmer, 21, of Marion.

Jeremiah J. Claussen, 38, of Chicago, and Julie A. Orlandini, 39, of Chicago.

Television Listing

THURSDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	NBA Draft	Seinfeld	Law & Order: SVU (HD)	Liv Maddie	★★★ "Happens in Vegas"	Outcast Possession case.	"Lara Croft"
6:30					2016 NBA Draft from Barclays Center in Brooklyn, N.Y. (Live) (HD)	Seinfeld		Stuck Mid.			"Meet the Hitlers" Meaning of a name.
7 PM	BattleBots 32 team robot fight. (HD)	Big Bang Pieces (HD)	Bones Billionaire murder.	Spartan: Team Challenge		2 Broke 2 Broke	WWE SmackDown (HD)	"Finding Nemo" '03 A missing fish.	"Ted 2" (15) Ted and Tami-Lynn want to be parents.	Outcast "All Alone Now"	Penny Dreadful (HD)
8 PM		Big Brother (HD)	Home Free (HD)	Spartan: Team Challenge		Big Bang		BUNK'D		(4:0) "Gone Girl" '14. Thriller Man suspected of killing his wife. (R)	Penny Dreadful (HD)
9 PM	Celebrity Family Feud	Code Black "Black Tag"	Local Programs	Aquarius "Revolution 1"		2 Broke 2 Broke	Queen of the South (HD)	Liv Maddie	Veep (HD)		Penny Dreadful (HD)
10 PM	Local	Local	Local Programs	Local		2 Broke		Walk Prank	Sil Valley		Gigolos Gigolos
10:30	(35) Jimmy Kimmel (HD)	Late Show Late night talk.	Local Programs	(35) Tonight (HD)		Conan (HD)	★★★ "2 Fast 2 Furious" '03. Action Street racing.	Undercover	Game of Thrones (HD)		Gigolos Gigolos
11 PM	Nightline	Late Late		Late Night	SportsCenter (HD)	2 Broke Conan (HD)		"Gotta Kick It Up" (02)	Wednesday	★★★ "Ted 2"	"One Hour Photo" (02) Penny Dreadful (HD)

JUNE 23, 2016

FRIDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW	
6 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	Baseball Tonight (HD)	Seinfeld	Mod Family	"Nemo" (G)	"The Transporter" (02)	"Runaway Train" (85) (R)	"The D Train" '15) Jack Black. Former classmates.	
6:30						Seinfeld	Mod Family	Girl World				
7 PM	Shark Tank Chris Sacca.	NCIS: L.A. "Come Back"	Rosewood (HD)	Spartan: Team Challenge	NCAA College World Series from TD Ameritrade Park Omaha in Omaha, Neb. (Live)	Big Bang	Mod Family	"Adventures in Babysitting" (16) (NR)	Game of Thrones (HD)	(1:0) "The Last Witch Hunter" '15) Vin Diesel. Last hope.	"Sleeping with Other People" '15) Platonic attempt.	
8 PM	What Would You Do? (HD)	Hawaii Five-0 (HD)	MasterChef (HD)	Gymnastics from Chaifetz Arena, St. Louis, Mo. (Live)		Big Bang	Mod Family	Bizaardvark	Game of Thrones (HD)		"Sleeping with Other People" '15) Platonic attempt.	
9 PM	20/20 (HD)	Blue Bloods Cop family.	Local Programs Local info.	(Live)	ELEAGUE "Week 5: Group Play of Valve's Counter-Strike: Global Offensive"	Big Bang	Mod Family	Walk Prank	Real Time w/Bill Maher	Outcast (HD)		
10 PM	Local	Local	Local Programs	Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Big Bang	Mod Family	Girl World	Backstage	VICE (HD)	Outcast (HD)	
10:30	(35) Jimmy Kimmel (HD)	Late Show Late night talk.	Local Programs	(35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Big Bang	Mod Family	Mr. Robot "Decoded" (HD)	Bizaardvark	Real Time w/Bill Maher	Best of Sex: 2016 AVN Awards (HD)	
11 PM	Nightline	Late Late	Local Programs	Late Night	SportsCenter (HD)	Queen of the South (HD)	Mod Family	Girl World	Austin (HD)	VICE (HD)	Outcast (HD)	"I Survived"

JUNE 24, 2016

SATURDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM	Local Programs Local info.	Local Programs Local info.	MLB Baseball "Regional Coverage-Teams TBA" (Live) (HD)	Local Programs Local info.	Baseball Tonight (HD)	2 Broke (HD) Big Bang	NCIS "Chasing Ghosts"	Undercover Liv Maddie	"The Maze Runner: The Scorch Trials" Uncovering truth.	★★★ "Focus" '14) Excavators trapped.	(5:45) "Michael Jackson's Journey" '16)
7 PM	People's List "People's List"	48 Hours		Trials (Live) (HD)	2016 NCAA College World Series from TD Ameritrade Park Omaha in Omaha, Neb. (Live)	Big Bang	NCIS "Berlin" (HD)	Bizaardvark Girl Meets World (HD)		(25) "Pulp Fiction" '94, Crime) A day in the crimes of Los Angeles. (R)	
8 PM		Showtime Championship Boxing "Porter vs. Thurman"		US Summer Olympic Trials "Men's Gymnastics Trials"		Big Bang	NCIS "Kill Chain" (HD)	Undercover			
9 PM	Local Programs Local info.	Local Programs Local info.	Party (HD)	Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Big Bang	Queen of the South "Pilot"	Gamer's Kirby Buck	(15) "Furious 7" '15, Action) Crew protects self and seeks revenge.	"The Last Witch Hunter" '15) Last hope.	Showtime Boxing "Joshua vs. Breazeale" (HD)
10 PM	Local Programs Local info.	Local Programs Local info.	The Grinder	(29) Saturday Night Live Sketch comedy.	SportsCenter (HD)	Wrecked	Mod Family	Best Friends	(50) Outcast (HD)		
11 PM	Local Programs Local info.	Local Programs Local info.	Local Programs Local info.	Local Programs Local info.	SportsCenter (HD)	A. Tribeca Cougar Tw'n	Mod Family	Liv Maddie	Austin & Ally	(35) Thrones	"Hitman" (R) Penny (HD)

JUNE 25, 2016

SUNDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM	Funniest Home Videos (HD)	60 Minutes (HD)	Cooper (HD)	Trials "Diving Trials" (Live)	Baseball (Live) (HD)	"Horrible Bosses" (11) (R)	Law & Order: SVU (HD)	"Adventures in Babysitting" (16) (NR)	"Maze Runner: The Scorch Trials" Uncovering truth.	(5:20) "Self/Less" (15) (HD)	Ray Donovan "Poker" (HD)
7 PM	Celebrity Family Feud (HD)	(01) Big Brother (HD)	Bob's Brgr	Trials "Swimming Trials"	MLB Baseball Los Angeles Dodgers at Pittsburgh Pirates from PNC Park (Live) (HD)	★★★ "We're the Millers" (13) Drug dealer hire fake family as a cover. (R)	Law & Order: SVU (HD)	Bizaardvark		"Sinister 2" '15) Young family's rural home is haunted.	Ray Donovan "Exsuscito" (HD)
8 PM	The \$100,000 Pyramid (HD)	Madam Secretary (HD)	Family Guy Last Man	Gymnastics from Chaifetz Arena, St. Louis, Mo. (Live)		★ "Killers" (10) Former assassin becomes a target. (HD)	Law & Order: SVU (HD)	Stuck Mid.	Game of Thrones (HD)		Ray Donovan (HD)
9 PM	Match Game (HD)	Elementary (HD)	Local Programs Local info.	Local Programs Local info.	SportsCenter (HD)		Motive Career threatened.	BUNK'D (HD)	Sil Valley	"Point of No Return" Delinquent is agent.	Roadies "Life Is a Carnival"
10 PM	Local Programs Local info.	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan (HD)	(01) Law & Order: SVU	Liv Maddie	(16) Oliver	(50) "Seventh Son" '15) Son fights evil.	Ray Donovan (HD)			
11 PM	Local Programs Local info.	Local Programs Local info.	Local Programs Local info.	Dateline NBC (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Wrecked	(01) Law & Order: SVU	Austin & Ally	Thrones	"The Winds of Winter" (15) (HD)	Ray Donovan (HD)

JUNE 26, 2016

MONDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	NCAA College World Series from TD Ameritrade Park Omaha in Omaha, Neb. (Live)	Family Guy	Mod Family	Undercover	"The Martian" (15) Astronaut must survive on Mars.	(5:35) "Broke Back Mountain" (05) (R)	(5:15) "The D Train" (15)
7 PM	The Bachelorette (HD)	Mom (HD)	Think You Can Dance	Trials "Swimming Trials"		Family Guy	Mod Family	Undercover			Roadies (HD)
8 PM		Scorpion "Sun of a Gun"	Houdini & Doyle (HD)	American Ninja Warrior "Philadelphia Qualifier" (HD)		Am. Dad	WWE Monday Night Raw (Live) (HD)	Stuck Mid.	"How to Let Go of World" (16) Climate change. (HD)		Ray Donovan (HD)
9 PM	(01) Mistresses (HD)	BrainDead Deadly event.	Local Programs Local info.	Local Programs Local info.	MLB Baseball "Teams TBA" (Live) (HD)	Family Guy		Stuck Mid.			Billions (HD)
10 PM	Local	Local	Local Programs	Local		Frontal (HD)		Liv Maddie	(10) Game of Thrones	Outcast (HD)	Roadies (HD)
10:30	(35) Jimmy Kimmel (HD)	Late Show Late night talk.	Local Programs	(35) Tonight (HD)		Conan (HD)	(05) Queen of the South	Backstage	Undercover		
11 PM	Nightline	Late Late	Local Programs	Late Night		A. Tribeca	(08) Mr. Robot "Decoded"	Girl World	(20) After the Thrones	"Less Than Zero" (87)	Ray Donovan (HD)

JUNE 27, 2016

TUESDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Sports Center (HD)	Seinfeld	Law & Order: SVU (HD)	Jessie (HD)	(5:45) "Van Helsing" (04) Haysling join forces. (HD)	"A Perfect Murder" Man plots a death.	"Sleeping with Other People" (15) Platonic attempt.
7 PM	The Middle black-ish	NCIS "Lockdown" (HD)	Hotel Hell "Briek Hotel"	Trials "Swimming Trials"	NCAA College World Series from TD Ameritrade Park Omaha in Omaha, Neb. (Live)	Big Bang	Law & Order: SVU (HD)	★★★ "Meet the Robinsons" (07) (G)		(25) "Hitman" (07) Genetic assassin.	Roadies (HD)
8 PM	Uncle Buck (HD)	Zoo "The Day of the Beast; Caraque" Team rescue.	Coupled (HD)	America's Got Talent "Auditions" More auditions. (HD)		Big Bang	Law & Order: SVU (HD)	(40) Jessie	Game of Thrones (HD)		Roadies (HD)
9 PM	To Tell the Truth (HD)		Local Programs Local info.	Local Programs Local info.		Wrecked	"The Incredibles Hulk" (08) The Hulk battles a new monster. (HD)	Stuck Mid.	Sil Valley	"The Last Witch Hunter" Last hope.	Ray Donovan (HD)
10 PM	Local	Local	Local Programs	Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Big Bang	Conan (HD)	Liv Maddie	(45) ★★ "Magic Mike XXL" '15, Drama) Moving on.		"Shooter" (07) Sniper framed for dignitary's death.
10:30	(35) Jimmy Kimmel (HD)	Late Show Late night talk.	Local Programs	(35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Wrecked		Undercover	Girl World	"The Boxer" (97) Boxer restores life.	
11 PM	Nightline	Late Late	Local Programs	Late Night	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan (HD)	★★ "3 Days"	Austin (HD)		"Suited"	

JUNE 28, 2016

WEDNESDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	SportsCenter (HD)	Seinfeld	"No Strings"	Liv Maddie	VICE (HD)	"Kill the Messenger" (R)	"Meet the Hitlers" Meaning of a name.
7 PM	The Middle	Big Brother (HD)	MasterChef (HD)	Trials "Swimming Trials"	NCAA College World Series from TD Ameritrade Park Omaha in Omaha, Neb. (Live)	Big Bang	"Delivery Man" (13) 533 kids fathered via sperm donations. (HD)	Girl World	"Ted 2" (15) Ted and Tami-Lynn want to be parents.	(15) "Focus" (15) Will Smith. Con-artist couple. (HD)	"The Gift" (01) Cate Blanchett. Psychic aids police.
8 PM	Mod Family black-ish	Criminal Minds "Hostage"	Wayward Pines (HD)	The Night Shift "Get Busy Livin'; Hot in the City" (HD)		Big Bang		Bizaardvark			Roadies (HD)
9 PM	Fresh Off O'Neals	American Gothic (HD)	Local Programs Local info.	Local Programs Local info.		Big Bang	Royal Pains (HD)	Stuck Mid.	Wednesday	Outcast (HD)	
10 PM	Local	Local	Local Programs	Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan (HD)	(05) Law & Order: SVU	Liv Maddie	(14) Private eye helps ex find missing lover. (HD)	"Sinister 2" (15) Rural home haunted.	3:10 to Yuma" Rancher vs. outlaw. (R)
10:30	(35) Jimmy Kimmel (HD)	Late Show Late night talk.	Local Programs	(35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	2 Broke Conan (HD)	(05) Law & Order: SVU	Undercover	Austin (HD)		"Cop Land"
11 PM	Nightline	Late Late	Local Programs	Late Night	SportsCenter (HD)	2 Broke Conan (HD)		Girl World			

JUNE 29, 2016

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Opinion and Commentary

Keep summer barbecues safe, fun

With grilling season in full swing, the Office of the Illinois State Fire Marshal reminds residents to take proactive measures to keep their summer barbecues safe and fun for all involved.

According to the National Fire Protection Association, between 2009 and 2013, U.S. fire departments responded to an average of 8,900 grill-related fires per year, which caused an annual average of ten civilian deaths, 160 civilian injuries and \$118 million in direct property damage.

Grill usage peaks in the summer months, so it is not surprising that nearly 60 percent of grill fires nationwide occur between May and August.

Residents should also be aware of grill-related, non-fire burns. In 2014, hospital emergency rooms saw an estimated 5,200 patients for burns caused by contact with hot grill surfaces. Of those, about one third were children under five years old.

"There's nothing quite like a flame-grilled burger during the summer," State Fire Marshal Matt Perez said. "Since well over half of grill fires happen between May and August, we're asking residents to stay vigilant as they prepare their summer meals."

Fortunately, most grill fires and non-fire injuries are preventable if residents are proactive and cautious. The National Fire Protection Association provides the following tips:

Barbecue grills of all kinds should only be used outdoors and kept away from the home, any overhanging branches and deck railings.

Never leave a grill unattended. Always keep children and pets a minimum of three feet away from the grilling area.

Keeping your grill clean by scrubbing any grease or fat from the grill and trays below before lighting also helps prevent grease fires. Roughly one in five gas grill fires starts due to a failure to clean grill surfaces.

Propane and gas grills are involved in five out of every six grill fires, and the NFPA provides the following advice for users of gas grills:

Always have your gas grill lid open when lighting it. The most common way for a propane grill to catch fire is through a gas leak. You should check for a gas leak before the first time you use your grill each year.

To check for a gas leak, apply a light soap and water solution to the hose. If the hose releases bubbles, turn off both the grill and the gas tank.

If the leak stops, have your grill professionally serviced before you use it again. If the leak does not stop, call your fire department. If you smell gas while cooking, back away from the grill immediately and call your fire department.

If the flame goes out while you're cooking, turn both the grill and gas off and wait for at least 5 minutes before re-lighting.

Those using charcoal grills should observe the following safety precautions:

Purchase the proper starter fluid and store out of reach of children and away from heat sources.

Never add charcoal starter fluid when coals or kindling have already been ignited, and never use any flammable or combustible liquid other than charcoal starter fluid to get the fire going.

When you finish grilling, let the coals completely cool before disposing them in a metal container.

With the right precautions, grilling outside can be a safe, fun and tasty summer activity for friends and family. For more fire and grilling safety tips, check out <http://www.nfpa.org/safety-information>.

Please read this. . .

by Geof Skinner

Fans focus on favorite Father's Day flicks

Father's Day has come and gone. And the day probably came with little, if any fanfare.

This is being written on the Friday morning, which would have made it Father's Day eve eve, I think. At the particular time that this masterpiece was being composed, yours truly hadn't really decided what he wanted to do on the big day.

Reading a book, and taking the inevitable nap which seems to come with reading a book, were one possibility. A road trip was another option. We shall see.

Father's Day doesn't seem to get the kind of attention that goes with Mother's Day. I think I saw or heard or read that the average American spends something like \$3,278 for Mother's Day presents. When it comes to Father's Day, though, kids come to dad and ask to borrow money so they can get him something.

That's OK. Dads are used to such things. After all, when a little one falls and bruises her knees, who will she go to for a hug and some kind and comforting words? Mom, of course.

But when it comes time to find the source of an unusual odor emanating from below the floor in the downstairs bathroom, who gets to squeeze into the crawl space to take care of the problem.

The source of the not-so-pleasant aroma turns out to be the remains of a creature which can no longer be identified, given that its demise occurred during some rather hot weather.

Oh, by the way, that little adventure unfolded on Father's Day. Really.

As far as I know, Hollywood has not made a film about an adventure involving a dead animal in a crawl space. Such a flick might be out there, though.

The preceding paragraph is a clever attempt at a transition from one topic to another. Sometimes such things work, sometimes not so much.

Anyway, the Wednesday, June 15, edition of USA TODAY, arrived in our mailbox on Thursday, June 16. This is not unusual. Actually, the Tuesday, June 14, issue also arrived on Thursday. Ironically, Thursday's paper also arrived on Thursday.

Given that Father's Day was fast approaching, a headline in the June 15 issue of the paper caught my attention. "Father's Day flicks: 25 films dads want to share with their kids."

The article which accompanied the headline shared: "In a Father's Day promotion for FandangoNOW, the on-demand video service asked more than 1,000 fathers which 'modern classic' they most want to share with their kids this summer." The article was written by Chris Heady.

The 1,000 dads were able to choose from movies which were released between 1975 and 2010. Yes, young folks, there were movies in 1975. And before then, too.

(Just as an aside – "One Thousand Dads" sounds like a great name for a movie. Kind of like "Seven Samurai." Or "The 300 Spartans." Or "101 Dalmatians.")

Topping the list on the dad's flick survey was the original "Star Wars" film. Yes, we've shared "Star Wars" with our kids. We actually have the first three films



Ancient artifacts? Yes, kids, these are genuine videocassette tapes from prehistoric times. Since they are old, they are good.

in the series...on videocassette tape. We even have a videocassette player which still works. I think.

I'm pretty sure that the first time we saw "Star Wars" involved some sort of rental procedure – as in we had to rent the movie, on videocassette tape, and a videocassette player, too. At that point in our lives, every penny mattered. We couldn't afford such luxuries as videocassette players. And we thought it was a big treat to get a new movie for Christmas each year.

Some of the other movies in the top 25 on the list included "E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial" at number 2, "Jurassic Park" at number 3, "Forrest Gump" at number 4, "Toy Story" at number 5, "Shrek" at number 6, "Raiders of the Lost Ark" at number 10, "Back to the Future" at number 12, "Field of Dreams" at number 18 and "Independence Day" at number 21. This dad has seen all of those with one, or both, of our kids.

(Another aside – little would we have known, as we were watching "Forrest Gump," that one day, in what was then the future, but is now the past, daughter would end up having a class taught by the brother of the star of this film. Really, she did.)

I was not one of the 1,000 dads in the survey. If I had been, I would have had several other films at the top of the list – "Dances with Wolves," "Titanic," "A Knight's Tale" and "Aladdin." Yes, "Aladdin" – Robin Williams is a hoot, and the princess is kind of cute, too, for a cartoon.

"Dances with Wolves" is one of my all-time favorite movies. We have a videocassette version of the film, and a DVD, too, which is about as far as we go in terms of modern technology. I liked the movie so much that I picked up a copy, on videocassette, before we even had any way to watch it.

Enough for now. I hope all of you dads out there get a chance to see a special movie with your kids, whether it's a "classic" or one that's going to be a classic some day. What is really classic is the special memories that you will have.

Page from the Past from the files of The Gazette-Democrat

50 Years Ago, June 23, 1966

Members of the First Presbyterian Church of Anna and their friends watched the lowering of a time capsule in ceremonies held Sunday in front of the church. The time capsule contained many things which should be of interest to persons who raise it in 2066. A marker of native stone indicates the burial spot.

Delta Theta Tau Sorority will again be the coordinator of the various organizations sponsoring the Miss Anna Fair Queen Contest for 1966. Crowning of the queen will be Friday evening of the Fair, August 26.

Anna-Jonesboro Teen Town will be open Friday and Saturday, June 24-25, and will be closed during July and August. It will reopen Friday, Sept. 2, with Margaret Choate as supervisor.

Perfect summer weather prevailed in the area this past week, with summer officially arriving Tuesday, June 21, with a high of 90 degrees, the second such reading this month.

The Whitehouse Restaurant located on Lafayette Street is moving to the former Anna Hotel Coffee Shop location and will be known as the Whitehouse Coffee Shop.

The spotlight will be on 4-H'ers Thursday evening, June 23, as they display their talents at the annual Share-the-Fun program.

The 30th anniversary reunion of the Anna-Jonesboro Community High School was held Saturday and Sunday, June 18 and 19. The dinner was held at Giant City Lodge on Saturday night with 81 persons attending. This included 45 graduates, their husbands or wives, and nine teachers from the 1936 faculty.

Letter to the editor

Grateful for vote

To the editor,

I would like to thank those city commissioners who voted to not allow alcohol sales at the Union County Fair this year. It is so nice to have a family-friendly place for a week of fun and education. And I would urge all of our county folks to buy passes for their families, and while at it, buy an extra pass for a friend or two and let's enjoy the Union County Fair.

Signed, Joanne Dale, Anna



Heading south

A slow-moving freight train makes its way south through Union County – the picture was taken one evening recently when the train was making its way through Cobden.