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## News Notes

Items of interest from throughout the Union County area

Response is going very well for a Wreaths Across America ceremony which is planned Dec. 14 at the Anna Cemetery. The ceremony will honor veterans and first responders.

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The Cobden Police Department will be participating in the National Prescription Drug Take Back Day on Saturday, Oct. 26, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Unused or expired prescription medication can be safely disposed of at 112 E. Maple St. in Cobden.

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A Drug Take Back Day also is planned from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at the Walmart supercenter store in Anna.

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A ribbon cutting is set for 9 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 26, at Cobden's new disc golf course. A disc golf tournament also is planned at the course, which is located at the Cobden Community Park.

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The Union County Chamber of Commerce plans to meet on Nov. 7 at the Blue Fish Cafe in Dongola. A ribbon cutting at the cafe is set for 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 1.

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The National Honor Society at Anna-Jonesboro Community High School plans to hand out treats from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Halloween at the school.

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The A-JCHS National Honor Society also will be collecting coats, hats, gloves, socks and monetary donations for the WIBH radio New Coats, New Hope campaign.

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The Shawnee Athletic Boosters are grateful for all of the golf teams, hole sponsors and the Union County Country Club in Anna for a successful 17th annual Donnie Munz Memorial Golf Scramble.

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Lots of folks from Union County journeyed to Metropolis for last weekend's Fort Massac Encampment.

## Illinois flood assistance decision appealed

An appeal has been filed on behalf of the citizens of Illinois strongly requesting the federal government reconsider its decision to deny Individual Assistance, IA, to residents under the federal Stafford Act following the historic spring flooding that occurred along the Mississippi and Illinois rivers.

The appeal was filed

Friday, Oct. 18, by Gov. JB Pritzker.

Additionally, the State of Illinois is also seeking the inclusion of Lee County into the state's existing Public Assistance disaster declaration.

"My administration is aggressively appealing these decisions because we are committed to pursuing every opportunity to secure

the federal funding that will help our communities recover," Pritzker said in a news release.

"We are more than three months removed from this disaster and individuals, businesses and local governments are still feeling its impact.

"We will leave no stone unturned in our work to ensure our communities get

the resources they deserve and we will stand with our partners in every region of the state to ensure all Illinoisans can rebuild."

Illinois' original request for Individual Assistance was submitted shortly after FEMA adopted a new rule regarding how the agency will evaluate the requests for IA.

The new rule was a direct

result of legislation passed in the wake of Superstorm Sandy.

Illinois' request is among the first, if not the first, to be evaluated under the new rule which identifies six factors for funding consideration.

"Given that Illinois' request is one of the very first to be evaluated using

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## Minor flooding continues

Minor flooding continued along the Mississippi River at Cape Girardeau early this week.

The National Weather Service office in Cape Girardeau reported on Monday, Oct. 21, that water levels were expected to continue falling slowly throughout the week.

The weather service reported that a flood warning continued early this week along the Mississippi River at Cape Girardeau.

At 8 p.m. Monday, the river's stage was 34.4 feet. Flood stage is 32.0 feet.

The river is expected to continue to fall to below flood stage by Monday evening, Oct. 28.

## Weather

The Union County area received about an inch and a half of rain during the period of Oct. 15-21.

All of the rain was recorded on one day: 1.41 inches on Monday, Oct. 21.

Temperatures during the period were mild, with highs in the 60s and 70s.

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

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Tuesday, Oct. 15	70 44
Wednesday, Oct. 16	61 37
Thursday, Oct. 17	62 32
Friday, Oct. 18	67 34
Saturday, Oct. 19	71 38
Sunday, Oct. 20	73 44
Monday, Oct. 21	67 53



## Anna Fire Department firefighters visit Lincoln School

Anna Fire Department firefighters Scott Bennett and Isaac Pender visited Lincoln Elementary School in Anna last week. The firefighters brought the department's ladder truck to the school on Tuesday, Oct. 15. The visit was made in conjunction with October's nationwide observance of Fire Prevention Week. Fire department personnel also visited other schools. The firefighters shared safety information with students at the Anna school and displayed equipment which they use. Pre-kindergarten students had an opportunity to get an up-close look at the ladder truck.

## County clerk updates recording software

A recording software update is underway at the Union County clerk's office in Jonesboro.

"Over the next few weeks, we will be updating our office with new recording software that will better serve our users in both the public and private sectors," Union County Clerk Lance Meisenheimer said on Monday, Oct. 21.

"Due to making new software updates, please

note that our office will not be able to accept or process any recordings on Monday, November 4, as we update our programs," the county clerk noted.

Beginning Tuesday, Nov. 5, the county clerk's office will be utilizing a new AVID recording system with Fidlar Technologies.

Meisenheimer said the new recording system will allow the county clerk's of-

fice to accept eRecordings.

The system also will allow title searches for land records to be accessed from the county clerk's office's website. The site will be accessible on Union County's website: www.unioncounty.gov.

"This, along with many other facets of our new software, will streamline everyone's process and increase overall productiv-

ity," the county clerk said.

### User Training Session

On Monday afternoon, Nov. 4, Fidlar Technologies plans to host a user training session for those who may be interested in familiarizing themselves with the new software.

The training is scheduled from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the community room at the Union County Courthouse in Jonesboro.

## Shawnee Forest recreation fee proposed

The U.S. Forest Service/Shawnee National Forest and the Friends of the Shawnee are hosting open house meetings to discuss a recently released forest recreation fee proposal.

The first open house was scheduled Monday night in Carbondale.

A second open house is scheduled at Shawnee Community College's Anna Extension Center at 1150 E. Vienna St., Anna, on Oct. 30, from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Forest Service personnel will be available to discuss the recreation fee proposal and recreation facilities on the forest, to answer questions the public may have, and to receive comments about the proposal.

One more public meeting on the fee is anticipated in November at a location still to be determined. The date and location will be published when they are set.

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## Critter Night presented

The Lincoln Memorial Picnic Grounds in Jonesboro hosted a Critter Night program on Friday, Oct. 18. Critter Night was presented by the U.S. Forest Service/Shawnee National Forest, the Friends of the Shawnee National Forest and Unimin Corporation. Those who attended Critter Night had an opportunity to learn about Illinois' nocturnal animals while spending an evening outdoors with friends and family. One of the activities at Critter Night was a cave biology presentation which was set up in a gazebo at the picnic grounds.



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## Flood assistance

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the Federal Emergency Management Agency's new IA factors, and certainly the largest such request to date, it is imperative that FEMA strike the proper balance when evaluating these factors," said Alicia Tate-Nadeau, the acting director of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, IEMA.

"Every state in the nation is watching, as the ultimate resolution of Illinois' request could significantly impact how requests for

IA are decided for years to come."

In the appeal, the State of Illinois provides additional information and justifications to make its case for an IA designation even stronger.

The new documentation provides evidence of ongoing impacts to individuals and community infrastructure as a direct result of the disaster, and underscores that an effective recovery is not likely to occur without federal assistance to individuals and households.

## Proposed fee

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The fee proposal was announced Aug. 15. The Forest Service said that public comments about the proposal will be taken until Dec. 6.

The Forest Service has proposed to implement new day-use-fees of \$5 per vehicle at six popular Shawnee National Forest

recreation sites: Garden of the Gods Observation Trail, Pounds Hollow Beach, Johnson Creek Boat Launch, Pomona Boat Launch, Bell Smith Springs Interpretive Site and Little Grand Canyon Trailhead.

A \$30 annual pass option also is proposed which would cover all day use fee sites on the forest for a calendar year.

In addition, the proposal includes increasing the overnight camping fee for the electric sites at Pine Ridge Campground in Pounds Hollow Recreation Area to \$15 per campsite.

Information about the proposal and the comment form can be found on the Shawnee National Forest website at <http://www.fs.usda.gov/shawnee>.

Comments can be submitted through the website, by email, mail or hand delivery to a Shawnee National Forest office.

## Jobless rate record low for Illinois

The Illinois Department of Employment Security, IDES, reports that nonfarm payrolls increased by 4,800 jobs compared to the previous month.

The state's unemployment rate was 3.9 percent in September, which was down 0.1 of a percentage point from the previous month, based on preliminary data provided by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, BLS, and released by IDES.

The September unemployment rate established a record low for the state, following the previous record set in August.

The state's unemployment rate is 0.4 of a percentage point higher than the national unemployment rate reported for September 2019, which was 3.5.

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# Sports

## Host Sparta edges A-J 26-23

The Anna-Jonesboro Community High School football team lost in the final seconds 26-23 to host Sparta Friday night, Oct. 18.

"We had a chance at the end to pull it out...we didn't execute," A-J coach Brett Detering said. "We had enough opportunities throughout the game and we let them go by."

With the Wildcats trailing by 1 and on the 5-yard line on a fourth down, they lined up for Noah Treece to attempt the game winning field goal with 3.3 seconds remaining.

The kick was blocked and Bradney Cometto picked up the loose ball and went all the way downfield and scored on the conversion run.

"Once it was blocked and recovered it was over," Detering said. "They scooped it up and scored."

The Wildcats came on strong in their opening drive of the game.

Barry Johnson scored on a 7-yard run at the end of the lengthy 8-play drive.

Johnson ran in the conversion points and A-J led 8-0 with 3:50 remaining in the first quarter.

After the Wildcats failed to convert on a fourth down play deep in Bulldog territory, Sparta's offense went to work.

Isaac Evans scored on a 1-yard run at the end of a 7-play drive. The conversion run was stopped and the Bulldogs pulled to 8-6 with 11:57 remaining in the second quarter.

After Nate Baggott made a nifty kickoff return, the Wildcats' offense started rolling again.

Johnson scored on a 3-yard run at the end of an 11-play drive. Treece's extra point kick was good and A-J led 15-6 with 6:45 remaining in the first half.

The Wildcats' next drive was halted by an intercept-ed pass.

## A-J/Cobden advances to regional title match

The Anna-Jonesboro/Cobden co-op high school boys' soccer team lost 2-1 to Columbia in overtime in the championship of a Class 1A regional Saturday, Oct. 19.

A-J/Cobden hosted the match, which was played in Anna.

Carlos Valencia scored the lone goal for A-J/Cobden, with an assist by Noah McFarland.

Jacob Schaefer played 110 minutes in goal and had 10 saves.

**A-J/Cobden 3, Pinckneyville 0:** Steen Vaca Diez scored a pair of goals to lead A-J/Cobden to the win in first-round action

of the regional Wednesday, Oct. 16.

Nicholas Bussey scored the other goal.

Valencia and Angel Olvera had an assist apiece.

Schaefer played 80 minutes in goal and had 4 saves.

A-J/Cobden finished the season at 12-6-3 overall.

A-J/Cobden head coach Mark Boomer said his team would have liked to have won a regional championship.

"It was not a bad season though. We're losing six seniors and the rest are coming back. We should be looking good next year," Boomer said.

## A-J football team hosts

## Benton for Senior Night game

The Benton High School football team was defeated for the first time this season when it fell to Murphysboro by a score of 41-0.

The Rangers, 7-1, will travel to Anna-Jonesboro, 2-6, to play at The Pit on Senior Night to close out the regular season.

The game is scheduled to kick off at 7 p.m. and will be aired on WIBH radio in Anna.

"I've watched the game film and I think Murphysboro is the best team we've seen," A-J coach Brett Detering said.

"Murphysboro scored twice before Benton even touched the ball."

Sophomore Keegan Glover is the Rangers' quarterback. Junior Ira Peach is a top down field target.

The top running back for Benton is senior Tyler Butler. Others in the backfield are seniors Gage Harmon, Christopher Kneezle and Brantley Reed.

On the offensive line are seniors Garrett Cardwell, Brent Prince, Hunter Roberts and Logan Williams.

The Ranger's defense is built around seniors Peyton

ton Bayless, Butler, Trey Hosick, Brendan Minor and junior Peyton Swigonski, who led the team in tackles last season.

"It will be our seniors last chance for them," Detering said. "Most kids' high school (football) career is over after this. They want to play a good game. We have to play well for four quarters instead of a half. It will be a challenge for us."

The season concludes for the Wildcats with this week's game.

"Nine weeks go by pretty quickly," Detering said.

## Team finishes with 9-0 record

The Wildcat Junior Football League 3rd and 4th grade team finished its 2019 season with an undefeated 9-0 record. The team scored 371 points on offense. The team's defense allowed only 14 points. Supporters voiced congratulations to the team for a successful season. Photo provided.



## Soccer regional championship action

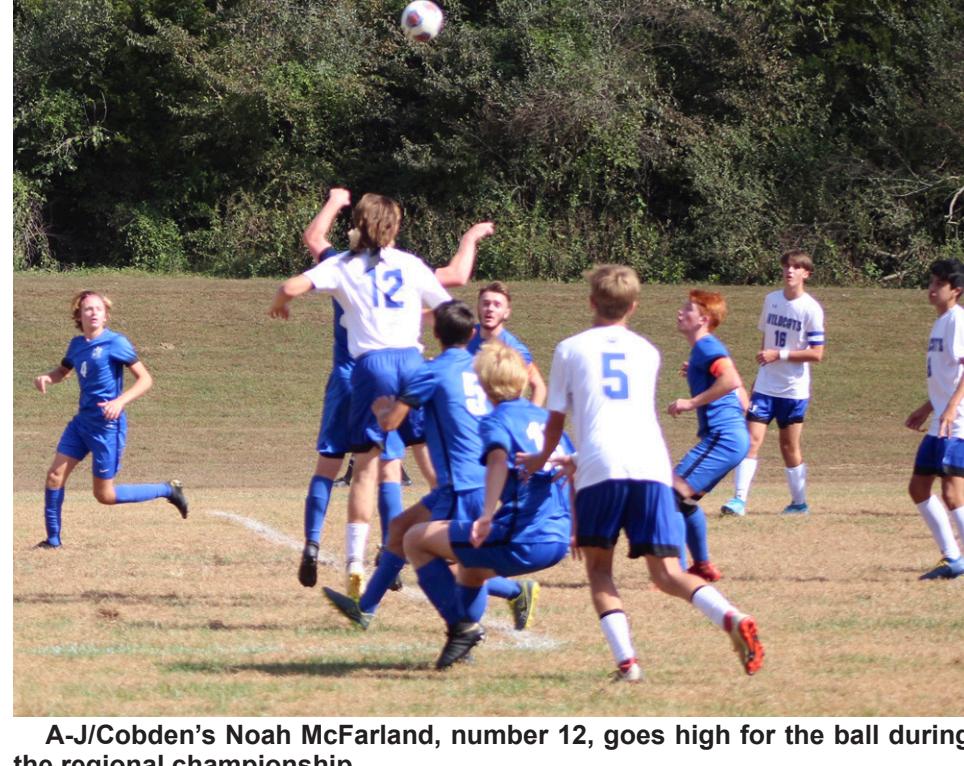
Host Anna-Jonesboro/Cobden and Columbia played in an Illinois High School Association Class 1A regional championship game last Saturday afternoon. Columbia won the match, which was played in Anna. Photos by Donnie Torres.



A-J/Cobden's Maddox Thorpe, number 5 in white, and Columbia's Kolin Ohlendorf battle for the ball.



A-J/Cobden's Romeo Godinez, number 6, looks to move the ball down the field.



A-J/Cobden's Noah McFarland, number 12, goes high for the ball during the regional championship.

Denny, Perez

## A-J cross country runners earn all-conference honors

The Anna-Jonesboro Community High School cross country team traveled to Southeastern Illinois College in Harrisburg on Thursday, Oct. 17, for the Southern Illinois River to River Conference cross country championships.

A-J's Brodie Denny finished in 5th place in the girls' race, covering the 3.05-mile course in a time of 20:24 and earning all-conference honors.

On the boys' side, Jadyn

Perez ran one of his best races of the year, finishing in 7th place with a time of 17:38, also earning all-conference honors.

The A-J cross country team was scheduled to travel to Benton on Monday for the Benton Fall Classic, which is their final tune up before regionals.

A-J will travel to the Randolph County State Recreation Area on Saturday to begin the postseason in regional competition.

## A-J/Cobden faces Pinckneyville in regional soccer action

Anna-Jonesboro/Cobden hosted Pinckneyville in an Illinois High School Association Class 1A regional tournament soccer match on Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 16. A-J/Cobden defeated Pinckneyville by a score of 3-0 and advanced to play Columbia in the regional championship match, which was scheduled Saturday afternoon, Oct. 19, in Anna.



A-J/Cobden's Steen Vaca Diez takes a shot on goal against Pinckneyville.



A-J/Cobden's Carlos Valencia, number 4 in dark uniform, and Hayden Webb, number 11, pursue Pinckneyville's Cameron Naugle, who was advancing the ball.



A-J/Cobden's Maddox Thorpe, number 5 in dark uniform, and Pinckneyville's Barrett Denny, number 7 in white, go for the ball.



A-J/Cobden goalkeeper Jacob Schaefer clears the ball.



A-J/Cobden's Nick McGrath, in dark uniform, and Pinckneyville's Derek Rohlwing, number 22, race for the ball.

## Jonesboro School girls' cross country team second at state



Jonesboro School girls' cross team members and coaches: from left are coach Josh Staples, Briana Hileman, Kinley Leek, Mackenzie Pearson, Zoe Jones, Reese Jones, Raegan Jones, Kenzie Miller, Mackenzie Barnhart and coach Matt Denny. Photo provided.

Jonesboro School was in its inaugural year for cross country this year, and what a year it was, coach Matt Denny said.

Denny said the kids started training in July, with a lot to learn along the way.

The Bulldogs headed to Foundation Park in Centralia for the SIJHSAA Class S cross country championships on Saturday.

The Jonesboro School girls' team earned a second place trophy in its first year.

Jonesboro finished with 141 points, behind cross country power St. Bruno Catholic of Pinckneyville, which had 108.

Jonesboro was followed by Aviston with 145 and Field-Farrington with 180.

The Lady Bulldogs were led by Zoe Jones, who finished in 9th place with a time of 12:00.

Second for the Lady Bulldogs was Reese Jones in 16th place, with a time of 12:20.

Next for the Lady Bulldogs was Kinley Leek in 40th place, with a time of 12:42.

Leek was followed by Kenzie Miller, who finished in 12:46 which was good

for 42nd place.

Raegan Jones was 43rd for Jonesboro in 12:50.

Next for the Lady Bulldogs was Briana Hileman, who was running with a broken arm. She finished in 47th with a time of 12:52.

Mackenzie Pearson rounded out the Jonesboro team in 67th place with a time of 13:21.

There were 235 runners in the girls' race.

Zoe Jones, Reese Jones, Leek, Miller, Raegan Jones and Hileman all earned medalist honors.

The Jonesboro girls' team will return everyone next year, they have no 8th graders on the team. The future looks very bright for the Lady Bulldogs, Denny said.

Competing for the Jonesboro boys were 5th graders Ben Margraf and Blake Abernathy.

Margraf finished in 206 with a time of 14:04. Abernathy came in at 14:13, which was good enough for 211th place.

There were 270 runners in the boys race.

## Cobden baseball closes fall season with win at Pope County

with a double.

Barr, Noah Franklin, Britt and Short pitched in the win.

Barr pitched 2 innings and allowed 2 hits to go with a walk and 2 strikeouts.

Noah Franklin pitched an inning and allowed a hit to go with a walk and 2 strikeouts.

Britt pitched an inning and struck out three batters. Short pitched an inning and recorded 3 outs.

Cobden finished the fall season at 5-5 overall.

## Lick Creek standout Jadyn Gerardi second at state cross country meet



Lick Creek School cross country team members are, in the first row, from left, Kaleb Stover, Lilliah Hoehner, Kylee Myers, Mya Clutts and Luke Schlenker. In the second row are Leah Buchheit, Meranda Wright, Kenzie Stover and Jadyn Gerardi. Photo provided.

covering the course in a time of 11:05, which was good enough for a second place finish.

Gerardi is only in the 5th grade, which makes her accomplishment even more impressive, coach Matt Denny said.

She was one of the top runners in Southern Illinois all year, losing to Ahry Comer from Pope County, who finished in second place herself last year. Gerardi has a very bright career ahead of her.

Also running for Lick Creek was fellow 5th grader Kylee Myers, who came in 72nd place with a time of 13:27.

Next for the Lady Eagles was Meranda Wright in 90th with a time of 13:41.

Wright was followed by 3rd grade standout Lilliah

Hoehner, who covered the course in 13:50 which was good enough, for 107th place.

Kenzie Stover came in at 140 with a time of 14:27.

Mya Clutts came in at 155 for the Lady Eagles in 14:40.

Leah Buchheit finished in 17:31, which was good enough for 219.

There were 235 runners in the girls race. Lick Creek is very young, the future looks very bright for the Lady Eagles, the team's coach said.

On the boys' side, Lick Creek 3rd graders Kaleb Stover and Luke Schlenker came in 220 and 241, respectively.

Stover covered the course in 14:27. Schlenker came in at 15:21. There were 270 runners in the boys' race.

Medalist Jadyn Gerardi. Photo provided.

The Lick Creek School cross country team competed in the SIJHSAA Class S cross country meet at Foundation Park in Centralia on Saturday.

Lick Creek standout runner Jadyn Gerardi ran the fastest race of her career,

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FOR SALE: Stihl weed eater &  
chain saw; Troy-Bilt roto-tiller;  
John Deere riding lawn  
mower. Call (714)-272-4602.

43p-46gc

FOR SALE: Kioti tractor, 4  
years old, 400 hours, cs240,  
includes bucket, box blade,  
16' heavy-duty trailer with  
lamp & tool box. \$10,000  
firm. Call (618)-271-3281.  
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## FOR SALE REAL ESTATE

ANNA - Great neighborhood,  
newly remodeled 3  
bedroom, 2 full baths, 2 half  
baths, 2,755 sq. ft. home  
with pool. 106 Mimosa, only  
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referral fee upon closing to  
anyone bringing us a buyer.  
Call (618)-614-2912.

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51, 3 bedroom home and  
a mobile home with a new  
roof on 3 acres, \$85,000. Call  
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House on 2 + acres surrounded  
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and practically at the back  
door of Trail of Tears State  
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com then go to Jonesboro  
62952. The address is 1290  
Clear Creek Levee Road  
(hard road). Call or text (618)  
697-1934. I will get back with  
you as soon as I can.

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

U.S. Bank National  
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DEFENDANTS  
2019CH9

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Improved with Residential  
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Anna, IL 62906  
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PIN 14-00-07-962-A1  
Improved with Residential  
COMMONLY KNOWN  
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100 Park Lane  
Jonesboro, IL 62952

Sale terms: 10% down of  
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## PUBLIC NOTICE

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

**U.S. Bank National Association PLAINTIFF**

Vs.  
Steven R. Glasco; et. al.  
**DEFENDANTS**

**2019CH9**

### NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 06/07/2019, the Sheriff of Union County, Illinois will on November 20, 2019 at the hour of 9:00 AM at Union County Courthouse 309 West Market Jonesboro, IL 62952, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of Union and State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

LOT NUMBER TWENTY-SIX (26) IN GATTINGER'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF ANNA. SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF UNION AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.

PIN 14-00-09-422  
Improved with Residential COMMONLY KNOWN AS:

103 Ann Street  
Anna, IL 62906

Sale terms: 10% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the auction; The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

If the property is a condominium and the foreclosure takes place after 1/1/2007, purchasers other than the mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).

If the property is located in a common interest community, purchasers other than mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid.

The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after Confirmation of the sale. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.

The property will NOT be open for inspection and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

For information: Exam-

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43-45g

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

**Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC PLAINTIFF**

Vs.

**Jessica Fleming;**  
**Alexander Fleming;**  
Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants

**DEFENDANTS**  
**2017-CH-12**

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LOT NUMBER ONE (1) IN MEADOWBROOK ADDITION, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF A PART OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE ONE WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, CITY OF JONESBORO, UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS, PER SURVEY FILED APRIL 19, 1988 IN RECORD BOOK 48, PAGES 153-154, IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF DEEDS IN UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS, SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF ILLINOIS.

PIN 14-00-07-962-A1  
Improved with Residential COMMONLY KNOWN AS:

100 Park Lane  
Jonesboro, IL 62952

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**U.S. Bank National Association PLAINTIFF**

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**2019CH8**

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**2019CH8**

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PIN 14-00-07-962-A1  
Improved with Residential COMMONLY KNOWN AS:

100 Park Lane  
Jonesboro, IL 62952

Sale terms: 10% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the auction; The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

If the property is a condominium and the foreclosure takes place after 1/1/2007, purchasers other than the mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).

If the property is located in a common interest community, purchasers other than mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid.

The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after Confirmation of the sale. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.

The property will NOT be open for inspection and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

For information: Exam-

ine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: Codilis & Associates, P.C., 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100, Burr Ridge, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876. Please refer to file number 14-19-02785. I3133603

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

**U.S. Bank National Association PLAINTIFF**

Vs.

**Holly Gearhart; et. al.**  
DEFENDANTS

**2019CH8**

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**ADMINISTRATION,  
AND CLAIM DATE**

NOTICE IS GIVEN to creditors of the death of Larry E. Burnett of 1915 Casper Church Road, Cobden, Illinois 62920. Letters of Office were issued on October 10, 2019, to Stacy D. Funkhouser, 1320 E. 1st South St., Carlinville, IL 62626, 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 West Market, Jonesboro, Illinois, or with the Independent Executor, or both, on or before April 17, 2020, 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: October 10, 2019.

STACY D.  
FUNKHOUSER

CAMERON LAW  
FIRM, LLC  
ELVIS C. CAMERON  
ATTORNEY  
NO. 6244394

ATTORNEY FOR  
PETITIONER

205B N. MAIN ST.  
ANNA,

ILLINOIS 62906  
PHONE:

(618)-833-2220

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**IN THE CIRCUIT  
COURT OF THE FIRST  
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
UNION COUNTY,  
ILLINOIS**

**FARMERS STATE  
BANK,  
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**JOHN MICHAEL  
TREXLER,  
MARY JANE  
TREXLER,  
UNKNOWN OWNERS  
and NON-RECORD  
CLAIMANTS,  
Defendants.  
No. 2019-CH-24**

**NOTICE OF  
PENDENCY OF  
ACTION  
(735 ILCS 5/2-206,  
5/2-413, 5/15-1501(c)  
and 5/15-1502)**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO: John Michael Trexler, Mary Jane Trexler, Unknown owners and Non-record Claimants, defendants in the above entitled case, of the real estate described in the Complaint for Foreclosure filed in the above-entitled case.

A legal description of the real estate is as follows:

THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW1/4) OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW1/4) OF SECTION SEVENTEEN (17), TOWNSHIP ELEVEN (11) SOUTH, RANGE ONE (1) WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF

ILLINOIS; ALSO INCLUDING AND BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 11 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN; THENCE NORTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID QUARTER-QUARTER ON AN AZIMUTH OF 0°56'30" FOR A DISTANCE OF 1337.14 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER; THENCE EAST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER ON AN AZIMUTH OF 90°30'05" FOR DISTANCE OF 40.0 FEET; THENCE SOUTH ON AN AZIMUTH OF 180°56'30" FOR A DISTANCE OF 1337.22 FEET TO THE SOUTH LINE OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER; THENCE WEST ALONG SAID SOUTHLINE ON AN AZIMUTH OF 270°37'41" FOR A DISTANCE OF 40.0 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE LAND HEREIN DESCRIBED CONTAINING 1.23 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

EXCEPTING THEREFROM THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED TRACT:

A PARCEL OF LAND BEING PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 11 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, SAID PARCEL BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED BY METES AND BOUNDS AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT A ROOF BOLT AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 17; THENCE N.00°15'01"W., ALONG THE WEST LINE, A DISTANCE OF 689.16 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. CONTAINING 64.745 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, IN UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS. AS PER SURVEY BY SCOTTA. RICHARDS, PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR #2996, DATED MARCH OF 2015. SUBJECT TO EXISTING EASEMENTS OF RECORD IF ANY.

ALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH A PLAT OF SURVEY DATED MARCH 20, 2015 AND RECORDED APRIL 10, 2015 AS DOC. NO. 2015R0655, AND FURTHER INDEXED AT PLAT BOOK 11, PAGE 971, MADE BY SCOTTA. RICHARDS, ILLINOIS LAND SURVEYOR NO. 2996, IN THE UNION COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE, SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF UNION AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.

FORMERLY DESCRIBED AS:

THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION EIGHTEEN (18); THE SOUTH ONE-HALF OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION SEVEN (7); ALL IN TOWNSHIP ELEVEN (11) SOUTH, RANGE ONE

170.37 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD; THENCE S.70°07'05"W., A DISTANCE OF 532.51 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD; THENCE S.08°52'29"E., A DISTANCE OF

139.87 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD; THENCE S.60°59'58"E., A DISTANCE OF 259.81 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. CONTAINING 2.758 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, IN UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS. AS PER SURVEY BY SCOTTA. RICHARDS, PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR #2996, DATED SEPTEMBER OF 2014. SUBJECT TO EXISTING EASEMENTS OF RECORD IF ANY.

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AND

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BEGINNING AT A ROOF

BOLT AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 18; THENCE S.00°18'13"E., ALONG THE SECTION LINE, A DISTANCE OF 1,337.30 FEET TO A ROOF BOLT AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID QUARTER-QUARTER; THENCE S.88°33'57"W., ALONG THE SOUTHLINE THEREOF, A DISTANCE OF 1,385.42 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID QUARTER-QUARTER; THENCE N.00°15'01"W., ALONG THE WEST LINE THEREOF, A DISTANCE OF 1,355.07 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTH HALF OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 7; THENCE N.00°00'22"W., ALONG THE WEST LINE THEREOF, A DISTANCE OF 695.48 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SOUTH HALF; THENCE S.00°22'53"E., ALONG THE SECTION LINE, A DISTANCE OF 689.16 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. CONTAINING 64.745 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, IN UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS. AS PER SURVEY BY SCOTTA. RICHARDS, PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR #2996, DATED MARCH OF 2015. SUBJECT TO EXISTING EASEMENTS OF RECORD IF ANY.

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AN identification of the mortgages sought to be foreclosed are filed for record on April 15, 2015 in the Union County Recorder's Office as Document No. 2015R0673 and December 29, 2014 in the Union County Recorder's Office as Document No. 2014R2288.

The common addresses of the locations of the real estate are as follows: acreage on Toledo Cemetery Road, Cobden, IL and house at 1055 Toledo Cemetery Road, Cobden, IL.

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AND

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Harrisburg, IL  
62946 Telephone:  
(618) 252-0875  
Email:  
[patrick@hklawoffice.com](mailto:patrick@hklawoffice.com)

THIS IS AN ATTEMPT  
TO COLLECT A DEBT AND  
ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED  
WILL BE USED  
FOR THAT PURPOSE.

THE LAW OFFICE  
HUNN KLINGEMANN,  
P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR.

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**IN THE CIRCUIT  
COURT OF THE FIRST  
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
UNION COUNTY,  
ILLINOIS**

**ANNA-JONESBORO  
NATIONAL BANK,  
a National Chartered  
Bank,  
Plaintiff,**

**vs**  
**JOHN A. SULLIVAN,  
CATHERINE  
SULLIVAN,  
ROBIN L. SULLIVAN,  
RALPH GLASFORD,  
STATE OF ILLINOIS  
DEPARTMENT OF  
REVENUE TAX LIEN,  
UNKNOWN OWNERS  
and NON-RECORD  
CLAIMANTS,  
Defendants.**

**Case No.: 2019CH27**

feet; thence North 1° 36' 25" East a distance of 129.67 feet to the point of beginning, the tract containing 1.701 acres, more or less, situated in the County of Union and State of Illinois.

Potential buyers may contact John R. Schneider of the law firm of Johnson, Schneider & Ferrell, L.L.C., 212 North Main Street, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701, Phone Number (573)-335-3300 for information regarding this real estate.

At said sale, the Court will give the purchaser a certificate showing the amount of the bid, a particular description of the property sold, and the time when the purchaser will be entitled to a deed for such property unless same shall have been redeemed according to law.

Tiffany Busby  
Circuit Clerk

Document prepared by:  
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**TAX DEED NO. 2017TX-1(O)  
FILED 10-16-19**

**GEORGE L HUELEY,  
COMMERCE BANK, NA  
CITY OF ANNA,  
UNION COUNTY  
CLERK,  
UNKNOWN OWNERS  
OR PARTIES  
INTERESTED,  
AND NON-RECORD  
CLAIMANTS,  
PROPERTY HAS BEEN  
SOLD FOR  
DELINQUENT TAXES.**

Notice of filing of Petition for Tax Deed on the following property:

LEGAL DESCRIPTION and/or PROPERTY INDEX NUMBER 14-00-08-651. LOT 10 GEO W NORRIS 3RD ADD 50'X100'.

ON FEBRUARY 19, 2020, at 9 a.m., Petitioner intends to make application for TAX DEED. Real Estate was sold February 8, 2017, for general taxes of 2015. Period of Redemption expires February 8, 2020, at 4 p.m.

Opal Eftink  
44-47g

**TAX DEED NO. 2017TX-1(P)  
FILED 10-16-19**

**SARAH REDMAN,  
UNION COUNTY  
CLERK,  
UNKNOWN OWNERS  
OR PARTIES  
INTERESTED,  
AND NON-RECORD  
CLAIMANTS,  
PROPERTY HAS BEEN  
SOLD FOR  
DELINQUENT TAXES.**

Notice of filing of Petition for Tax Deed on the following property:

LEGAL DESCRIPTION and/or PROPERTY INDEX NUMBER 08-13-05-834-D, S13 T12 R2W SE.

ON FEBRUARY 19, 2020, at 9 a.m., Petitioner intends to make application for TAX DEED. Real Estate was sold February 8, 2017, for general taxes of 2015. Period of Redemption expires February 8, 2020, at 4 p.m.

Opal Eftink  
44-47g

**TAX DEED NO. 2017TX-1(Q)  
FILED 10-16-19**

**RYAN MCALLISTER,  
FARMERS STATE  
BANK OF ALTO PASS,  
UNION COUNTY  
CLERK,  
UNKNOWN OWNERS  
OR PARTIES  
INTERESTED,  
AND NON-RECORD  
CLAIMANTS,  
PROPERTY HAS BEEN  
SOLD FOR  
DELINQUENT TAXES.**

Notice of filing of Petition for Tax Deed on the following property:

LEGAL DESCRIPTION and/or PROPERTY INDEX NUMBER 02-29-01-129-A S29 T12 R1E PT NE NE.

ON FEBRUARY 19, 2020, at 9 a.m., Petitioner intends to make application for TAX DEED. Real Estate was sold February 8, 2017, for general taxes of 2015. Period of Redemption expires February 8, 2020, at 4 p.m.

Curtis Farmer  
44-47g

**IN THE CIRCUIT  
COURT OF THE FIRST  
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
UNION COUNTY,  
ILLINOIS**

**IN THE INTEREST  
OF:  
AURORA CARTER,  
Minor.  
NO. 2017-JA-15**

**NOTICE BY  
PUBLICATION  
PURSUANT TO  
705 ILCS 405/2-16**

To ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

TAKE NOTICE that on September 8, 2017, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 by Daniel Klingemann, Union County State's Attorney, in the Circuit Court of Union County entitled "In the interest of AURORA CARTER, a minor", and that in Judge Amanda Byassee Gott's courtroom at Union County Courthouse, 309 West Market Street, Jonesboro, Illinois, on Thursday, the 5th day of December, 2019, at the hour of 1 p.m., or as soon thereafter as this cause may be heard, a Termination of Parental Rights hearing will be held upon the petition to have the child declared to be a ward of the court under that Act. THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS PROCEEDING TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS, AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND THE APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD.

Now therefore, unless you, the said above named defendants, e-file your answer to the Complaint in the said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, on or before the 30th day after the first publication of this notice which is November 25, 2019. Default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <https://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp>, or talk with your local circuit clerk's office.

foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to wit:

LOT NUMBER 6 IN SAMUEL ALLEN'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ILLINOIS. ALSO, TEN FEET OF EQUAL WIDTH OFF OF THE ENTIRE EAST SIDE OF LOT NUMBER 5 IN SAMUEL ALLEN'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ILLINOIS. ALL SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF UNION AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as 205

Heacock Street, Jonesboro, IL 62952

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and which said Mortgage was made by John R. Mumma and Natalie Mumma Mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Nominee for Capaha Bank as Mortgagee, and recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of Union County, Illinois, Document No. 2008R2101.

And for other relief; that summons was duly issued out of the said Court against you as provided by law, and that the suit is now pending.

Now therefore, unless you, the said above named defendants, e-file your answer to the Complaint in the said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, on or before the 30th day after the first publication of this notice which is November 25, 2019. Default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <https://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp>, or talk with your local circuit clerk's office.

Clerk  
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Attorney for Plaintiff  
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**IN THE CIRCUIT  
COURT OF THE 1ST  
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
COUNTY OF UNION -  
JONESBORO, ILLINOIS**

**NATIONSTAR  
MORTGAGE LLC DBA  
CHAMPION  
MORTGAGE  
COMPANY;  
Plaintiff,  
vs.**

**CYNTHIA SUTHERIN,  
AS SPECIAL  
REPRESENTATIVE  
FOR LARRY R.  
REYNOLDS;**

**DIANA CHRISTINE  
REYNOLDS;**

**JASON SMITH;**

**DEBRA DUCK AKA  
DEBRA BEDOCS;**

**SARA DERESINSKI;  
SECRETARY OF  
HOUSING AND  
URBAN  
DEVELOPMENT;**

**UNKNOWN HEIRS  
AND LEGATEES OF  
LARRY R. REYNOLDS;**

**UNKNOWN OWNERS  
AND NONRECORD  
CLAIMANTS;**

**Defendants,  
18 CH 25**

**NOTICE OF SALE**

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause the Sheriff of Union County will on Wednesday, December 4, 2019, at the hour of 9:00 a.m. in the front lobby of the Courthouse, 309 West Market Street, Jonesboro, Illinois, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:

PART OF THE EAST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 13 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, VILLAGE OF DONGOLA, UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 71 IN E. LEAV-

ENWORTH'S FIRST ADDITION TO THE VILLAGE OF DONGOLA, THENCE SOUTH 4 DEGREES 55' 59" EAST ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID LOT 71 A DISTANCE OF 71.54 FEET; THENCE NORTH 49 DEGREES 44' 39" WEST A DISTANCE OF 270.20 FEET TO THE EASTERN RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF U.S. ROUTE 51 (EAST FRONT STREET); THENCE NORTH 45 DEGREES 17' 26" EAST ALONG THE SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE A DISTANCE OF 144.50 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 48 DEGREES 04' 55" EAST A DISTANCE OF 116.07 FEET TO THE WEST LINE OF LOT 70 IN SAID FIRST ADDITION; THENCE SOUTH 4 DEGREES 55' 59" EAST ALONG THE SAID WEST LINE A DISTANCE OF 127.92 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, PER PLAT OF SURVEY PREPARED BY CHARLES L. GARNER, ILLINOIS LAND SURVEYOR NO.

2316, RECORDED ON NOVEMBER 20, 1985, IN PLAT BOOK 9 AT PAGE 81 IN THE RECORDER OF DEEDS OFFICE OF UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS. P.I.N. 06-25-40-824.

Commonly known as 114 Front St., Dongola, IL 62926.

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) of Section 18.5 of the Condominium Property Act.

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For information call Ms. Kimberly S. Reid at Plaintiff's Attorney, Marinosci Law Group, PC, 134 North La-Salle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60602. (312) 940-8580.

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**ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE VILLAGE OF COBDEN  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 2019**

REVENUES SUMMARY: Property Tax 49247; TIF 32876; Sales and Local Use Tax 78096; Utility Tax 49169; State Income Tax 112332; Replacement Tax 3824; Excise Tax 12758; Video Gaming Tax 6853; Fees and Fines 136514; Interest Income 13352; Donations 14813; Miscellaneous 20425; Water, Sewer, Gas Fees and Services 822386; MFT 29458; Federal Grants 269000

TOTAL REVENUE: \$1,651,103

EXPENDITURES SUMMARY above \$2500: Alan Environmental Products 2691; Ameren 68949; Anna Quarries 4346; Armory 2932; Auto Tire & Parts 2728; J. T. Blankship, Inc. 39595; Cambridge Technologies 5028; City of Carbondale 4964; William T. Center 3600; Coad Ford 20000; Complete Equity Markets 3643; CWI 92100; Electric Controls 203542; Euclid Managers 4790; John Fabick Tractor 4435; Followell Construction 27247; Ford Motor Credit 4883; Cobden Gas System 11342; Frontier 4319; Hawkins, Inc. 5352; Health Alliance 90576; Illini Asphalt 6641; IEPA 5000; IDES 4719; IMCO Utility Supply 7093; IMGA 104129; IL Municipal League 69669; Immanuel Praise & Worship Center 20075; City of Jonesboro 6300; Kemper CPA 11000; Midwest Petroleum 20900; Postmaster 4857; Pro-1 Auto Body 9219; Schulte Supply 9417; St. Louis Boiler Company 3740; STL Equities 6176; Mike Sweitzer 2829; T & I Office 2706; US Bank 3893; Utility Safety & Design 15808; Utility Sales & Service 2641; Terrence Walsh 3280; WEX Bank 23073; FICA/Medicare 42643; IMRF 56771; personal services less than \$25000: Alma Gomez, Ashley Guined, Austin Sellars, Brayden Clark, Brenda Childers, Carmela Martinez, David Stewart, Douglas Meadows, Dakota Wieseman, Dylan Lewey, Elvis Pearson, Ionatan Menees, Jean A. Britt, Jesse Spencer, Jesse Vicente, Jeremiah Hickam, Lou A. Hartline, Patrick Brumleve, Paul Tomazzoli, Roscoe Bridges, Ryan Stillman, Tori Brummer, Timothy Smith; \$25000-49999: David Craig Jr., Jesse Adams, Maria Braden, Shayne Eddleman, Thomas Ebenhoff, Tyler Hess, Waylon Logsdon, Jacob Sanders; over \$50000-60000: Bobby Hale, Karen Winzenburger, William C. Eads. TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS: \$1,537,414

**SUMMARY STATEMENT OF CONDITION  
(Excerpt from Comptroller Report)**

GENERAL	SPECIAL	FIDUCIARY	ENTERPRISE	TIF
Beginning Fund Balance	65,598			

# Obituaries

## Sarah E. Heilig Taake

Sarah E. Heilig Taake, 88, of Ullin, died Saturday, Oct. 19, 2019, at home.

She was born on Oct. 30, 1930, in Pulaski, the daughter of Warren W. and Edna E. Hennington Heilig.

She was married on Aug. 26, 1951, to George Kenneth Taake. He preceded her in death Feb. 1, 1984. She then married Bill Taake on March 1, 1986. He preceded her in death March 2, 1986.



She was a lifelong resident of Pulaski County. She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She was an active member of the Dongola Lutheran Parish.

She is survived by her and George's children, Kenneth R. (Rosita) Taake of Ullin, Karen (Don) Gregory of Fresno, Calif., Michael L. Taake of Ullin and Dale E. (Amy) Taake of Ullin; grandchildren Erin (Brandon) King of Olmsted, Leah (Jason) Moore of Fresno, Calif., Bethany (Lucas) Klein of Chesterfield, Mo., Seth Gregory of Ullin, Anna Gregory of Fresno, Calif., Lauren (Brett) Anderson of Marion, Evan Taake, Natalie Taake, and Adam Taake, all of Ullin; great-grandchildren Alexander Klein, Grace Moore, Kole King, Roselyn Klein, Ethan King, Donovan Moore and soon-to-be baby Anderson; along with many dear nieces and nephews.

Besides her husbands and parents, she was also preceded in death by a great-grandchild, Brock Aden King; brothers William and Harold Heilig; and a sister Virginia Thurston.

Funeral services were at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 22, at First Lutheran Church in Dongola, with the Rev. Tim Heinecke officiating. Interment was in Green Lawn Memorial Gardens.

Memorials can be made to the American Parkinson Disease Association, APDA, 1800 N. Main St., Suite 215, Wheaton, Ill. 60187, or to the charity or church of the donor's choice.

The family voiced appreciation to all of her caregivers, who made it possible for Sarah to stay at home while she coped with Parkinson's.

Crain Funeral Home in Ullin was in charge of arrangements.

## Wilma Davis

Wilma Davis, 90, of Tamms, died Tuesday, Oct. 15, 2019, at Union County Hospital in Anna.



She was born on July 8, 1929, in Anna, the daughter of Otis and Elsie Brimm Lingle.

She married Milford Davis on Sept. 19, 1948. He preceded her in death on Aug. 29, 2012.

She is survived by her daughter, Angela (Eddie) Summers of Tamms; five grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Milford Davis; one grandson; an infant brother; and a sister, Dorothy Rhodes.

She loved spending time with her grandchildren.

Graveside funeral services were at 11 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 17, at Ebenezer Hall Cemetery in Lick Creek, with Buddy Walls officiating. Interment followed.

To view the obituary and to leave online condolences for the family, visit [www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com](http://www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com).

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

## Wreaths ceremony again set at national cemetery

The Mound City National Cemetery Preservation Commission once again plans to honor veterans at the Mound City National Cemetery during the holiday season as part of the annual Wreaths Across America Day.

The Mound City National Cemetery Preservation Commission plans to conduct a Wreaths Across America ceremony at the cemetery on Saturday, Dec. 14, starting at 11 a.m.

Seven ceremonial wreaths designated for the Army, Marines, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, Merchant Marine and Prisoners of War/

## Cobden church to host revival

A revival is planned at Immanuel Praise and Worship Center near Cobden.

The center is located at 4290 Old Highway 51 N.

The revival is scheduled Oct. 26-27. Services with drama comedian Trevor Thomas are planned at 7 p.m. Oct. 26 and 10:30 a.m. Oct. 27. An offering will be taken.

The recent approvals raise the total number of

Missing in Action, will be placed to remember all soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines who served: to honor their sacrifices and to teach younger generations about the high cost of the nation's freedoms.

The ceremony in Mound City will be coordinated simultaneously with similar ceremonies at more than

approved "Same Site" licenses to 11.

In addition to opening adult use dispensaries at the same site of their medical cannabis dispensaries, existing medical cannabis dispensaries are permitted under the law to open a second site for adult use sales at a different location.

The most recent medical dispensaries which were approved are located in Champaign, Rockford, Chicago, Buffalo Grove and Elmwood Park. Two of the dispensaries are in Rockford.

The department anticipates receiving additional applications for early approval adult use licenses as municipalities adopt relevant zoning ordinances regarding adult use cannabis.

Starting on Jan. 1, 2020, the law permits Illinois residents who are at least 21 years old to legally possess up to 30 grams of cannabis flower and up to 5 grams of cannabis concentrate.

Registered patients in the medical cannabis pilot program may possess more than 30 grams of cannabis if it is grown and secured in their residence under certain conditions.

## Russell 'Papa Russ' Colson

Russell "Papa Russ" Colson, 56, of Carbondale, and formerly of Makanda, died Saturday, Oct. 19, 2019, at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis.

He was born on Jan. 20, 1963, in Morris, the son of Henry and Ethel "Dolly" Hagler Colson.

He married Kelly Baltzell Colson on April 14, 2012, in Makanda.

Mr. Colson is survived by his wife, Kelly Colson of Carbondale; children Michael Colson of Carbondale, Crystal (Mike) Inchcliff of Carterville and Kimberlee Klump of Carbondale; six grandchildren, Cayden and Bryson Inchcliff, Xander and Jaxxon Smith, Angel Colson and Jesse Patterson; brothers Virgil (Tabatha) Colson, Steve (Patsy) Colson and John (Tammy) Colson; a sister, Diane (Dennis) Nance; many nieces and nephews; best friends Stuart Spears and Lyle Bonnell; his father-in-law, Harley Baltzell; and many, many other friends. He was preceded in death by his parents.

He loved his family and enjoyed taking his grand babies fishing in his spare time. He was surrounded by his family in his final days.

Funeral services were at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 23, at the Makanda Baptist Church, with Joshua Colson and Dennis Nance officiating.

Interment was in the Gentry Cemetery in Carterville.

Graveside military rites were conducted by the Carterville American Legion post, the Herrin VFW, and the American Legion post and Illinois Army National Guard military honor team from Marion.

Memorials can be made to the family for the grandchildren.

To view the obituary and to leave online condolences for the family, visit [www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com](http://www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com).

**RENDLEMAN & HILEMAN FUNERAL HOMES** Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna was in charge of arrangements.

## Brenda Kay Brown

Brenda Kay Brown, 69, of Anna, died Monday, Oct. 21, 2019, at her home.

She was born on July 29, 1950 in Anna, the daughter of Thomas and Bertha Trexler Baker.

She married Terrance Dale Brown on Oct. 18, 1973, in St. Louis. He preceded her in death on Nov. 25, 2010.

She is survived by her father, Thomas Baker; a daughter, Melissa K. (Lee) Martel of Jonesboro; siblings Patricia Lovell of Anna, Lucy (Bill) Sampson of St. Pete, Fla., Mike Baker of Wisconsin, Brian Baker of Makanda and Kim Gentry of Makanda; four grandchildren; one great-grandchild; other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her mother; her husband, Terrance Dale Brown; a son, Omer Brown; siblings Jeff Baker, Scott Baker and Jan Robertson.

She was a member of the Moose Lodge in Anna and she enjoyed playing bingo.

Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Oct. 25, at the Mound City National Cemetery, with the Rev. Bobby Richardson officiating. Interment will be in the Mound City National Cemetery. Everyone is asked to go directly to the cemetery.

To view the obituary and to leave online condolences for the family, visit [www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com](http://www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com).

**RENDLEMAN & HILEMAN FUNERAL HOMES** Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Jonesboro is in charge of arrangements.

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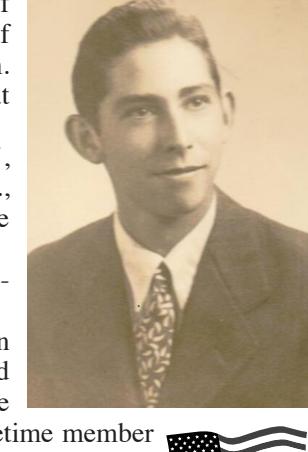
## Kenneth Smith

Kenneth Smith, 90, of Jonesboro, and formerly of Alto Pass, died at 8:48 p.m. Monday, Oct. 14, 2019, at his home.

He was born on Feb. 7, 1929, in South Gate, Calif., the son of Harry and Mae Franklin Smith.

He married Glenda Henderson on May 23, 1973.

Mr. Smith was a veteran of the Korean War; he earned several medals, including the Purple Heart. He was a lifetime member of the VFW's Carroll P. Foster Post No. 3455 in Anna.



He was a 50-year member of the Cobden Masonic Lodge. He was also a member of the American Legion, Valley of Southern Illinois Masons with the 32nd Degree, Belleville Scottish Rite Bodies and Union Hill Christian Church.

He is survived by his wife, Glenda of Jonesboro; daughters Terry (Jay) Manus of Anna and JoElla (John) Basler of Anna; a son, Kenny Smith of Pomona; grandchildren Mike Manus, Emma (Michael) Kelley and Elle Basler.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a stepson, Dan Corzine; and by two brothers, Harry and Frank Smith.

Graveside services for Kenneth Smith were at 2 p.m. Friday, Oct. 18, at Murdale Gardens of Memory, with Perry Williams officiating.

Memorials can be made to the American Legion, to the VFW's Carroll P. Foster Post No. 3455 or to the Cobden Masonic Lodge.

Crain Funeral Home in Anna-Jonesboro was in charge of arrangements.

To view the obituary or to leave an online condolence for the family visit [www.crainsonline.com](http://www.crainsonline.com).

**Crain Funeral home**

## Gerard Joseph Weir

Girard Joseph Weir, 56, of North Barrington, died Sunday, Oct. 20, 2019, at Union County Hospital in Anna.

He was born on July 31, 1963, the son of Carl Joseph and Maryann Clare Touhy Weir.

He is survived by his brother, John Weir of North Barrington; a sister, Helen Marie Weir of Virginia; and his mother, Maryann Clare Weir. He was preceded in death by his father, Carl Joseph Weir.

Funeral services will be held at a later date in North Barrington.

To view the obituary and to leave online condolences for the family, visit [www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com](http://www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com).

**RENDLEMAN & HILEMAN FUNERAL HOMES** Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna is in charge of arrangements.

## Reynoldsville News

By Sue Eudy

Those helping Dolores Reynolds of Reynoldsville celebrate her Oct. 1 birthday at Giant City Lodge were her husband Jack, Greg, Amy and Valley Reynolds, Jackie Jennings, River Kelley, Barb and Edwin Livesay, Andrew and Jessie Livesay and Rhiannon, Justin Wilson and Gracie, Hunter and Paxton, Cameron Wright and Jonathon and Betsy Oxford and family.

Dolores and Jack Reynolds and Vicki and Rodney Reynolds of Wolf Lake attended the Fort Massac encampment on Saturday.

Those helping Marissa Reynolds of Wolf Lake celebrate her birthday Sunday night at the home of Rodney and Vicki Reynolds were her husband Adam, Brady, Bryce and Brock Reynolds and friends Brooke and Lauren, Sara, Luke and Ady Choate, Lara, Rylie and Titan Cobin and Jack and Dolores Reynolds.

Kevin, Jennifer and Emma Eudy of Cape Girardeau visited Saturday evening with Sue and Steve Eudy.

Penny and Kerry Hill of McClure visited Monday with Shirley Miller of McClure.

Eating at Golden Corral in Carbondale on Thursday were Joe Walker of Marion, Elva Scantlin of Harrisburg and Shirley Miller.

Shirley Miller visited Thursday afternoon with Deanie and Jerry Hinkle of Jonesboro.

Visiting Sunday with Penny and Kerry Hill were Julie, Eric and Tessa Burton of St. Peters, Mo., and Shirley Miller.

You are invited to attend services at Reynoldsville Missionary Baptist Church. Sunday School is at 9:30 a.m. Sunday morning worship service is at 10:30 a.m. Sunday evening worship service is at 6 p.m. Rev. Jamie Bridgeman is the pastor.



## Card of Thanks

The family of

**Robert Wayne Gearhart Sr.**

wishes to express our deepest gratitude to our friends. We appreciated your presence, kind words of comfort, food and flowers.

We offer a special thank you to Rev. Davy Miller, Masonic Lodge #466 of Cobden, Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home and Southern Illinois Hospice.

Our thanks to Tom Jones cannot be measured in words. So, thank you Tom.

Nancy, Vivian, Bob, Ronnie, Roy, Tricia,

Nancy, John, Angela and Gary

All the grandkids and great-grandkids



# Anna Indians cross country team makes good showing at state meet



Anna Junior High School girls' cross country team members: from left are Raelynn Sadler, Kayla Matuszewich, Lakelyn Carter, Katie Sullivan, Brooklyn Eastman, Tess Wilkins, Hannah Webb and Kaitlyn Matuszewich. Photo provided.

The Anna Junior High School Indians were in their first year of cross country this year.

The Indians team headed to Du Quoin on Saturday for the SIJHSAA Class L state championships.

The Lady Indians finished 12th as a team out of 42 large class schools, which is quite impressive in their first year, coach Matt Denny said.

Leading the way for the Lady Indians was Kayla Matuszewich, who came in 43rd with a time of 12:46.34.

Just behind Matuszewich was Raelynn Sadler, who finished 44th in a time of 12:46.85. Both Matuszewich and Sadler earned medalist honors.

Next for the Lady Indians was Hannah Webb in 87th with a time of 13:27.

Kaitlyn Matuszewich finished 96th in 13:33.

Lakelyn Carter came in at an even 100 in 13:36.86.

Brooklyn Eastman was next for the Lady Indians at 108, finishing with a time of 13:42.

Tess Wilkins covered the course in 15:19 which was good for 205th place.

There were 247 runners in the girls' race.

The Anna Indian boys' team was led by Zach Henry, with a time of 12:00, which was good for 92nd. Henry was involved in a pretty good collision at the beginning of the race, which should have resulted in a restart, Denny noted.

Wyatt Wright came in



Anna Junior High School boys' cross country team members: from left are Zach Henry, Foster Needling, Josh Williams and Wyatt Wright. Photo provided.



Anna Junior High School medalists Raelynn Sadler, left, and Kayla Matuszewich. Photo provided.

with Henry at 12:00.66 in 93rd place.

Next for the Indians was Josh Williams at 108, with a personal best time of 12:11.06.

Rounding out the team

results was Foster Needling, with a time of 15:39.

The Indians had a very good season and look forward to growing their program and what the future holds, Denny said.

## Biking, triking planned at Giant City Park

An opportunity to roll, stroll, bike or trike trip down Stonefort Road in Giant City State Park is planned from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 26.

In order to provide a safe environment for all ages and abilities, Stonefort Road will be closed to vehicles for the event.

Those who come to the park will have a chance to visit with Smokey Bear and Woodsy Owl as they celebrate Smokey's birthday.

No registration is required. Vehicle parking will be available at shelter no. 1 and at the Stonefort Trail parking lot. Both sites are located at the northwest end of the park.

For more information, call the Giant City State Park visitors center at 618-457-4836.

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## A-J golfer competes at state



Competitor at state

Anna-Jonesboro Community High School golfer Peter Hauser competed at the state golf tournament. Photo provided.

Anna-Jonesboro Community High School's Peter Hauser shot an 85 to finish in 38th place at the Illinois High School Association's Class 1A state golf tournament Saturday, Oct. 19, in Bloomington.

Hauser, an A-J senior, advanced to state by scoring 82 on Friday, Oct. 18.

## Survey shows more Illinois voters feel state headed in right direction

The 2019 Illinois Issues Survey conducted by the University of Illinois Springfield Survey Research Office and NPR Illinois finds more Illinois voters feel the state is headed in the right direction and that the economy is improving.

Voters also rate Gov. JB Pritzker's overall job performance at 59 percent.

The survey found that twice as many respondents (28 percent) say Illinois is heading in the right direction, compared to 14 percent in 2018.

Nearly three in 10 Republicans and Republican-leaning independents (29 percent) and Democrats and Democrat-leaning independents (31 percent) say the state is heading in the right direction compared to less than one-fifth (17 percent) of non-leaning independents.

"Perhaps surprisingly, there is little variation across the different regions of the state," said A.J. Simmons, director of the UIS Survey Research Office.

"While nearly three in ten respondents living in Cook County (29 percent) and downstate (29 percent) say Illinois is on the right track compared to slightly under a quarter (24 percent) of voters in the collar counties."

In 2018, 15 percent of respondents described the economy of Illinois as "excellent" or "good."

In 2019, the survey finds that number has risen to 23 percent.

While nearly a quarter of voters in Cook County (24 percent) and the collar counties (24 percent) rate the economy "excellent" or "good," slightly less (21 percent) of downstate voters do.

However, the survey finds the number of respon-

## Shawnee College plans Meet the Saints event

contest by members of the incoming Saints basketball team.

Numerous events are

planned, including a men's and women's scrimmage, team lineup and introduction, giveaways, face tattoos and much more.

Saints fans will get the chance to talk with the players, attend an autograph session and have photos taken with their favorite Saints and Lady Saints, along with Bernie, the college's mascot.

For more information about Meet the Saints event, contact Amber Suggs at 618-634-3236 or ambers@shawneec.edu.

## Glenn House in Cape Girardeau to host annual Pumpkin Palooza

brushes and candles will be provided.

Activities also include

a costume contest with judging scheduled at 4 p.m., crafts, face painting, stories, music and a "Make No Bones About It" science area.

Additionally, Halloween tours of the Glenn House will be available for \$5 per person.

Organizers note that space is limited, and registration is encouraged to ensure plenty of supplies. To register and for more information, visit engage.semo.edu.

Pumpkin Palooza is

a pumpkin carving and painting party. Visitors are encouraged to bring their own pumpkin, and patterns, tools, tarps, paints, paint-

dent who have considered moving out of the state in the previous 12 months has risen to slightly more than six in 10 (61 percent) compared to 53 percent of respondents a year ago.

Respondents ages 18 to 34 (69 percent) were the most common age group to say they've considered moving out of Illinois in the past year.

The three most common reasons cited for moving by voters who have considered leaving the state are lower state taxes (27 percent), state government policies (17 percent) and better weather (15 percent).

"While a majority of voters say they have considered moving out of Illinois, far fewer report having taken steps to do so," said Simmons.

"Over a quarter of respondents who have considered moving out of Illinois say they've looked up the cost of living in another state (28 percent) and looked at housing in a new state (26 percent)."

"However, only 2 percent have submitted paperwork

## Illinois dairy tour conducted

The Illinois Department of Agriculture recently wrapped up an industry dairy tour.

The tour highlighted the state's dairy industry to foreign market buyers.

Twenty-two farmers and agribusiness owners from Mexico, Guatemala and Thailand took part in the three-day tour.

The tour included stops in Highland, Greenville, Champaign, Mansfield, Naperville and Chicago.

The dairy tour is planned every other year and gives foreign buyers a chance to purchase a variety of Illinois dairy products.

Estimated purchase numbers for this year's dairy tour had not been finalized but were expected to bring in nearly \$1 million.

Over the last three years, the dairy tour has generated \$5.5 million in sales for the Illinois dairy industry.

The purpose of a Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness grant is to protect against the risks to life, property and the environment that are possible when transporting hazardous material in intra-state, interstate and foreign commerce.

## Hazardous materials grant funds awarded

The Illinois Emergency Management Agency has been awarded a grant of more than \$600,000 by the U.S. Department of Transportation's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration.

The grant funds will be utilized to enhance the state's emergency response capabilities when dealing with hazardous materials related transportation incidents.

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# Report finds education funding overhaul effective, calls for increased investment

As K-12 funding has grown, higher education funding has plummeted in Illinois, advocacy group finds

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**SPRINGFIELD** – A new report from an independent policy and advocacy organization is calling for increased state investment in public education in Illinois, particularly in early childhood and higher education.

"Overall, our outcomes are improving despite insufficient state investment in programs and schools. We must build on the progress of K-12 funding reform and ensure our early childhood and postsecondary programs are fully and equitably funded so

## Paws for a Cause

The Anna-Jonesboro Community High School volleyball team helped to support cancer awareness with a special game last week. The team was joined in the effort by its fans. The cancer night featured a volleyball game, a silent auction, food and more. Proceeds will help to support three members of the community who are fighting cancer. Organizers reported a great turnout of support from the community.



## Head Start Month celebrated in October

October is Head Start Awareness Month. To celebrate, several Southern Seven Health Department Head Start sites in the lower seven counties in Illinois plan to host an open house on Oct. 25.

The day is scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m. with a Recognition Walk around the site. The community is welcome to join the staff and children in the walk. Family friendly signs of support of Head Start are welcome.

Representatives from local and state legislatures will be invited by each Head Start site to be a part of the celebration.

Those who attend will be given a tour and an opportunity to visit with children and their families about how Head Start has impacted their lives.

A book reading for the children will also be presented by a special guest at each site. Other activities are planned at each site.

Head Start is a federally funded, educational program for income eligible families who live in the lower seven counties in Illinois.

Head Start provides full-day classes. The program

students and families have access to the resources they need to thrive," Advance Illinois said in its 2019 "The State We're In" report.

Advance Illinois was founded in 2008 by leaders from several civic, philanthropic, business and education organizations across the state.

The group's stated purpose is to work "toward a healthy public education system that prepares students to achieve success in college, career and civic life."

Their annual report tracks roughly 80 metrics pertaining to student performance in three categories: early

education, K-12 and postsecondary.

The report found that evidence-based funding formula, which was passed in 2017, has helped increase per-pupil state spending at the K-12 level.

Illinois spent, on average, \$7,503 per pupil in 2017, ranking it 29th in the nation. That's up from \$4,557 in 2007, when the state ranked 45th.

The evidence-based funding formula calls for an added \$350 million in K-12 education spending annually and directs that money to the schools furthest from adequate funding.

This helped decrease the number of school districts funded at less than 60 percent of their adequacy targets from 168 in 2017 to roughly 34 in 2019, according to the report.

Still, nearly half of Illinois' 852 school districts are working with "less than 70 percent of the funds they need to adequately meet their students' needs," the report said.

While K-12 education spending increased from 2007 to 2017, over that same span, per-pupil state spending at four-year higher education institutions was decimated.

In 2007, Illinois spent \$7,276 per student at public four-year institutions, but that number fell to \$3,636 in 2017. That was a steep enough fall to move the state from the 19th to 45th highest in the nation.

The decreased state investment came as higher education costs continued to rise.

In the last 15 years, annual inflation-adjusted tuition at public four-year universities has increased 62 percent from \$8,641 to \$13,970.10, the report said.

Because of this, a family earning the median household income of \$62,992 would have to pay 27 percent of its income to send one child to a state university, provided they receive no state or federal aid.

That number jumps to 50 percent of annual income for those living at the federal poverty line.

The decreased spending coincided with an overall enrollment decline in Illinois institutions of higher education, which dropped from roughly 896,000 in 2009 to 747,000 in 2017.

"When looking at the most recent five years, black student enrollment at Illinois institutions declined almost 26 percent," the report said. "While Latinx enrollment grew 6 percent, Latinx students represent fewer than 18 percent of total enrollment."

The overall high school graduation rate has grown in recent years, and the rate for black (75 percent) and Latinx (81 percent) populations also inched closer to that of white populations (91 percent), the report said. Despite the gains, other attainment gaps by race are growing.

"While Illinois Latinx

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and black students' growth is equal to or exceeds their white peers in both reading and mathematics, they are still performing below grade level in 8th grade," the report stated.

The report also called attention to a statewide teacher shortage and a lack of diversity in the teaching profession... 83 percent of teachers are white, and 76 percent are women, while 6 percent of teachers are black despite 17 percent of schoolchildren being black.

A black student is seven times more likely to be suspended than a white student, per the report, and five times more likely to be suspended than a Latinx student, making those students more likely to fall behind.

Access to school counselors also lags in Illinois, which has one counselor for every 320 students, while the national average is of one for every 239.

The report also found that an increasing number of Illinois students are graduating high school, enrolling in higher education and obtaining degrees, and more students are enrolling in challenging high school coursework such as advanced placement courses.

"As a state, we have demonstrated our ability to make real progress for all students on challenging issues. There is more work to do and more children counting on us to tackle it," the report concluded.

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Section B



## Telescope available at Anna library

A telescope is available to check out at Stinson Memorial Library in Anna. The telescope was donated in memory of Helen and William Elzy Womick and is supported by the Astronomical Association of Southern Illinois.

## Touch of Nature Center plans to host archery hunts for those with disabilities

Southern Illinois University Carbondale's Touch of Nature Environmental Center plans to host three archery hunts in November for those with disabilities.

The events include a Physically Challenged Bowhunters of America Deer Hunt Nov. 11-14, a National Wild Turkey

Federation turkey and deer hunt Nov. 15-17 and an Illinois Department of Natural Resources deer hunt Nov. 29-Dec. 1.

People with a wide variety of disabilities will be able to hunt on Touch of Nature's 3,100-acre site, located along Little Grassy Lake south of Carbondale.

Hunters will all be required to have current hunting permits and licenses and follow all federal and state guidelines.

The general public will be cautioned about visiting the experiential learning facility during these hunts and warning signs will be posted to assure the public's safety and hunters' privacy is protected.

The Physically Challenged Bowhunters of America Deer Hunt is co-sponsored by the non-profit organization and Touch of Nature.

PCBA was founded in 1993 to help people with disabilities actively participate in bow hunting and archery sports.

The National Wild Turkey Federation and the Illinois Wheelin' Sportsmen are cosponsoring the second hunt, which gives people with disabilities an opportunity to hunt turkey and deer.

The final hunt, an archery deer hunt, is cosponsored by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources and the Illinois Chapter of Safari Club.

For more information about any of the hunts, contact Vicki Lang at Touch of Nature Environmental Center at 618-453-1121 or by email at vickil@siu.edu.

The speakers for the day are scheduled to include:

Dr. Brian M. Butler, Department of Anthropology and Center for Archaeological Investigation SIUC, retired and member of the Kincaid Mounds Support Organization.

Dr. Paul Welch, chair and associate professor of anthropology, SIUC.

The Kincaid Mounds Archaeological Site is a series of Mississippian Mounds located in Massac County.

The mounds are an Illinois Historic Site which is under the management of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources.

The Kincaid Mounds Support Organization's members volunteer their services for the preservation and management of the site.

The historic site includes the Massac County Mounds

## Trail society plans hike

The River-to-River Trail Society is planning to host a hike Saturday, Oct. 26, at Cedar Bluff and Bork's Falls in Johnson County.

The hike is free and open to the public. The trail society said the hike will be of medium difficulty, with an estimated length of 5 1/4 miles, with two steep ascents.

The hike is intended for people in good health who have done some walking.

Hiking sticks and boots or sturdy shoes are strongly recommended.

Hikers are advised to bring their own water and a snack. Hikers are asked to not bring dogs.

Hikers will meet at 10 a.m. at the Goreville City Park at 313 W. Main St. (Goreville Road) in Goreville.

More information and directions are available by calling 618-964-1196.

## Legislator hosts Youth Advisory Council meeting

An area legislator earlier this month hosted a gathering of young people from throughout Southern Illinois.

On Oct. 10, State Sen. Dale Fowler, R-Harrisburg, welcomed dozens of high school students from across the 59th Senate District to his annual Youth Advisory Council.

Fowler said the council is a unique, hands-on opportunity for area students to learn about and experience state government and public policy.

"For the third year, I'm hosting this event to encourage a younger generation to take an active interest in the policy process and empower students to discuss issues that matter to them," Fowler said.

"These students will be shaping the future of our state, voting on issues, creating businesses and becoming leaders in their communities. I want them to understand that their opinions matter and their voices should be heard."

Fowler hosted his all-day Youth Advisory Council at John A. Logan College in Carterville.

The council brought together students selected by their principals and teachers from Galatia High School, Goreville High School, Sesser-Valier High School, Zeigler-Royalton High School, Harrisburg High School, Frankfort High School, Herrin High School, Pope County High School, Eldorado High School, Anna-Jonesboro Community High School, Vienna High School, Crab Orchard High School, Hamilton County High School and Cairo High School.

Fowler invited local leaders in the community to speak to the students, including:

Bryan Mullins, men's basketball head coach, Southern Illinois University Carbondale; Jared Gravatt, owner of JG Marketing and Crown Brew Coffee Company; Chris Egelston, owner of Chris Egelston & Associates, corporate entertainer, infotainer and magician; and Jeff McGoy, director, Exploratory Student Advisement Center for

Learning Support Services at SIU.

Fowler also spoke about his experience as an area businessman, state legislator and philanthropist in Southern Illinois.

"We've brought together a number of community leaders to speak to these students and give them unique perspectives on what it means to make a difference, inspire change and be innovative," Fowler said.

"Leadership comes in all forms, and I hope that is something these students learn from today's speakers."

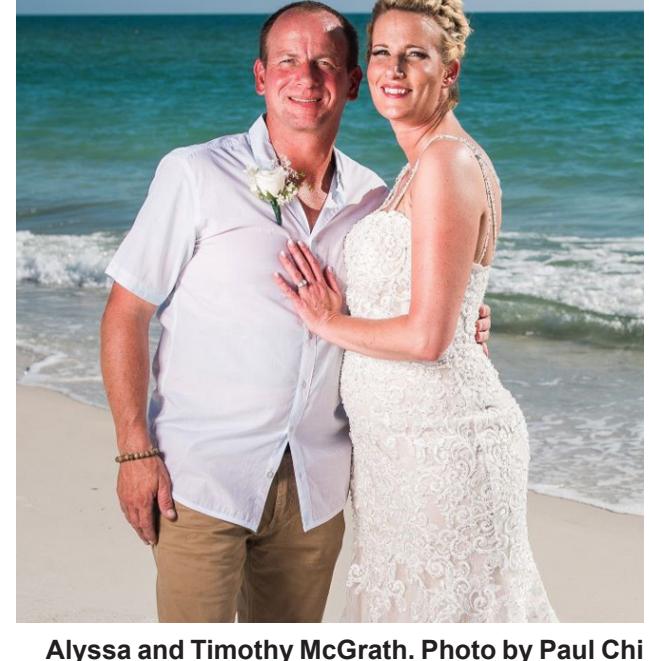
Afterwards, students spent time in small groups discussing and debating policy issues important to them and how any new proposal could face challenges or become successful legislation.

During these discussions, Fowler spent time with each small group, asking students questions about their proposed policy change and how they would advocate for their issue.

In the spring, Fowler's Youth Advisory Council is scheduled to meet again in Springfield.

Council members will continue discussion about the legislative process from the Capitol.

The spring meeting also will give the students an opportunity to participate in a mock committee hearing and hear from legislative leaders about their role in state government. "I look forward to our meeting this spring and bringing this bright group of students to the Capitol to experience the government process firsthand," Fowler said.



Alyssa and Timothy McGrath. Photo by Paul Chi Nguyen/ Chi Photography.

## Shelton, McGrath exchange wedding vows in Florida

Alyssa Ann Shelton of Anna and Timothy William McGrath were married in a ceremony which was held at 5 p.m. on June 5, 2019, at Anna Maria Island, Fla.

Joan Dickinson performed the ceremony.

The bride's parents are Mark and Diana Ralls Shelton of Anna.

The bride's grandparents are Carol "Curly" and Shirley Webb Ralls of Anna and Margaret Hillman and John Shelton.

The parents of the groom are Mike and Millie Gearhart McGrath and Nita Whalen McGrath.

The groom's grandparents are Mary Gant and Robert "Bob" McGrath and Thomas "T.A." and Leona Berkstresser Whalen.

The bride was given away by her sons, Cayden and Coby Sawyer.

An oceanside reception was held in Bradenton Beach, Fla.



## Cobden School readers achieve goals

Cobden Elementary School is recognizing readers who achieved their goals in September in the school-wide Accelerated Reading program. Students read books and took comprehension tests on a computer to achieve their points.

In the picture on the left is Layla West, who achieved the 50 Point Club. In the picture on the right are Mallory Adamitis and Asher Miller, who achieved the 25 Point Club. Photos provided.

# Happy Halloween!

## Area churches plan to celebrate season

Churches in the Union County area have announced plans to celebrate the season.

### Anna First Baptist Church

Anna First Baptist Church plans to have a Pumpkin Party from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Oct. 31.

The free party will be on the church's parking lot at 409 Morgan St. in Anna.

A hot dog roast and s'mores will be served. There will be candy, too.

Games will be played, including "Spider Catapult," "Find the Eyeball in the Haystack," "Pumpkin Golf" and more.

### Anna Heights Baptist Church

Anna Heights Baptist Church plans to host a Pumpkin Patch from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Oct. 31.

The church is located at 100 Turner Ave. in Anna.

Children ages birth to 6th grade are invited.

Candy, hot dogs and popcorn will be served. Games will be played.

### Anna Nazarene Church

Pumpkin launching, food, carnival games and trunk-or-treat also are planned.

Those who would like to set up with the trunk-or-treat display can call 833-6834 or email fcanna@frontier.com.

### First Baptist Church, Cobden

The First Baptist Church in Cobden plans to have trunk-or-treat from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Oct. 31.

## Trick-or-treat set at Cobden Fire Department

The Cobden Volunteer Fire Department and the Cobden High School Beta Club are joining to sponsor trick-or-treat on Halloween night, Oct. 31, in Cobden.

Trick-or-treat will be

5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Cobden Fire Department. All are welcome. Those are the same hours as trick-or-treat in

the village noted that residents are welcome to "trunk or treat" in Cobden's downtown and downtown park areas.

## Anna fire station to offer treats

Trick-or-treaters are invited to stop by the Anna Fire Station on Halloween night.

The Anna Fire Depart-

Anna Nazarene Church plans to have trunk-or-treat from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Oct. 31.

### First Christian Church, Anna

The First Christian Church in Anna plans to host The Great Pumpkin Bash from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 27.

The church is located at 200 Mallard Ln. in east Anna.

The Great Pumpkin Bash is for families with children ages 5th grade and under. Costumes are welcomed.

The evening will feature a painted pumpkin contest (bring a painted pumpkin; adult and kids entries).

Pumpkin launching, food, carnival games and trunk-or-treat also are planned.

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**Unique creations:** The Great Glass Pumpkin Patch was presented Oct. 12 at Southern Illinois University Carbondale. The unique pumpkins were created by the glass program at SIU.

## Haunted House at arts center

A Haunted House of Horrors will be presented Oct. 25, 26 and 31 at the Shawnee Hills Arts Council's Anna Arts Center.

Hours are scheduled from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. each day. The arts center is located at 125 W. Davie St. in Anna.

Admission is \$5 per person or \$20 for groups of five.

All proceeds will be split between the Anna-Jonesboro Community High School Art Club and the Shawnee Hills Arts Council's Anna Arts Center for their programs.

## Boo at Slough scheduled at Cache River wetlands center

Boo at the Slough is planned Sunday, Oct. 27, at the Barkhausen Cache River Wetlands Center near Cypress.

The event is scheduled from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. The wetlands center is located at 8885 State Route 37 South.

Boo at the Slough will offer children a trick-or-treating adventure

through the wetlands along the Egret Slough Trail at the wetlands center.

Children are invited to wear Halloween costumes.

Those who plan to attend the event are asked to preregister. To preregister, or for more information, call 618-657-2064.

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## References to pumpkins date back many centuries

References to pumpkins date back many centuries.

The name pumpkin originated from the Greek word for "large melon," which is "pepon."

"Pepon" was nasalized by the French into "pompon."

The English changed "pompon" to "Pumpion." Shakespeare referred to the "pumpion" in his Merry Wives of Windsor.

American colonists changed "pumpion" into "pumpkin."

The "pumpkin" is referred to in "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow," "Peter, Peter, Pumpkin Eater" and "Cinderella."

Native Americans dried strips of pumpkin and wove them into mats. They also roasted long strips of pumpkin on the open fire and ate them.

The origin of pumpkin pie occurred when the colonists sliced off the pumpkin top, removed the seeds and filled the insides with milk, spices and honey. The pumpkin was then baked in hot ashes.

### History of the Jack-o-Lantern

People have been making jack-o-lanterns at Halloween for centuries.

The practice originated from an Irish myth about a man nicknamed "Stingy Jack."

According to the story, Stingy Jack invited the Devil to have a drink with him.

True to his name, Stingy Jack didn't want to pay for his drink, so he convinced the Devil to turn himself into a coin that Jack could use to buy their drinks.

Once the Devil did so, Jack decided to keep the money and put it into his pocket next to a silver cross, which prevented the Devil from changing back into his original form.

They soon found that pumpkins, a fruit native to America, make perfect jack o'lanterns.

(Sources: University of Illinois Extension, The History Channel.)

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A Halloween decoration with a special message was seen in Anna.

## Trick-or-treat hours scheduled

Area communities have scheduled trick-or-treat hours for Halloween, which is Thursday, Oct. 31.

Halloween Day trick-or-treat hours which have been posted for area communities include:

Alto Pass: 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Anna: 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Cobden: 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Dongola: 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

(The First Baptist Church of Dongola plans to have trunk-or-treat with free hot dogs at the community center.)

Jonesboro: 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

East Cape Girardeau: 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

## Haunted Gaming Extravaganza

A Haunted Gaming Extravaganza is planned from 5 p.m. to midnight on Oct. 30 at Lady Luck in Anna.

The night will feature a spinning wheel, bobbing for apples, a costume contest and a 50/50 cash drawing.

## Trek N' Treat planned at Giant City

Everyone is invited to come to Giant City State Park near Makanda as they kick off Halloween in the park with a Trek N' Treat event on Saturday, Oct. 26, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Trek N' Treat will offer a chance to hike the Devil's Standtable trail.

Along the trail, families will meet creature characters who will teach them about some of the creatures that call Giant City home.

Treats and goodies will be available for all hikers.

The trail is approximately one-third of a mile long and will take 20 to 30 minutes to hike.

Those who plan to go on the hike are asked to bring a treat bag or bucket.

## Pumpkin Nut Bread Recipe

An old family favorite, pumpkin nut bread makes a wonderful snack, breakfast or dessert.

This recipe makes one large loaf or 2 mini loaves for gift giving.

The bread also freezes well. Freeze on a plate 6 hours, wrap frozen loaf in heavy duty aluminum foil and return to the freezer for up to six months.

2 cups all-purpose flour or 1 cup whole wheat flour and 1 cup all-purpose flour

2 teaspoons baking powder

1/2 teaspoon baking soda

1 teaspoon ground cinnamon

1/2 teaspoon each: salt and nutmeg

1 cup fresh pumpkin puree or 1 cup solid pack canned pumpkin

## Halloween activities set at Stinson

Halloween activities are planned at Stinson Memorial Library in Anna.

A pumpkin story time is planned from 3:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Oct. 30.

A glitter pumpkin craft event also is planned on Oct. 30, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Trick-or-treating is planned at the library on Oct. 31, starting at 6 p.m.

1 cup sugar  
1/2 cup skim milk  
2 eggs, slightly beaten  
1/4 cup vegetable oil  
1/2 cup each: chopped pecans and black walnuts (may substitute raisins or any combination to equal one cup)

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.

Sift together flour, baking powder, baking soda, ground cinnamon, salt and ground nutmeg.

In a large mixing bowl, combine pumpkin, sugar, milk and eggs. Mix well.

Add dry ingredients, oil and nuts mixing until just moistened. Batter will be slightly lumpy. Do not over mix.

Spoon batter into well greased (use vegetable oil) 9 x 5 inch loaf pan or two 7-1/2 x 3 3/4 inch loaf pans, may use aluminum pans.

Bake (in the middle of the oven) large loaf for 65 minutes or two mini loaves for 50 minutes or until a wooden pick inserted in the center comes out clean.

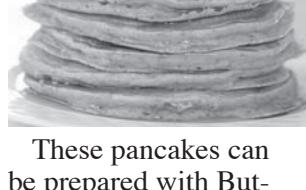
Cool 10 minutes in the pan. Use a knife to go around the edge of the pan to loosen bread from the sides of the pan, invert, cool on a cooling rack or plate. Slice and serve.

(Source: University of Illinois Extension.)



Characters from the movie "Beetlejuice" were featured in one of the 2019 Pumpkin Town displays at Choate Mental Health and Developmental Center in Anna.

## Pumpkin (or Squash) Pancakes Recipe



termilk or milk

2 tablespoons unsalted butter or margarine, melted

1/2 cup chopped pecans or hazelnuts, optional

Powdered sugar for dusting

In a large bowl, sift together flour, baking powder, salt, and pumpkin pie spice. Set aside.

In another bowl, beat egg slightly. Add pumpkin or squash puree, molasses or syrup, milk or buttermilk and melted butter or margarine. Mix until smooth.

Blend in the dry ingredients all at once. Mix until batter is smooth. Allow batter to rest for 30 minutes or more.

(Source: University of Illinois Extension.)

## Pumpkin Facts

Pumpkins are grown primarily for processing, with a small percentage grown for ornamental sales through you-pick farms, farmers' markets and retail sales.

Pumpkin seeds can be roasted as a snack.

Pumpkins contain potassium and Vitamin A.

Pumpkins are used for feed for animals.

Pumpkin flowers are edible.

Pumpkins are used to make soups, pies and breads.

Pumpkins are members of the vine crops family called cucurbits.

Pumpkins originated in Central America.

In early colonial times, pumpkins were used as an ingredient for the crust of pies, not the filling.

Pumpkins were once recommended for removing freckles and curing snake bites.

The name pumpkin originated from "pepon," the Greek word for "large melon."

The Connecticut field variety is the traditional American pumpkin.

Pumpkins are 90 percent water.

Pumpkins are fruit.

In colonial times, Native Americans roasted long strips of pumpkin in an open fire.

Colonists sliced off pumpkin tops; removed seeds and filled the insides with milk, spices and honey. This was baked in hot ashes and is the origin of pumpkin pie.

Native Americans flattened strips of pumpkins, dried them and made mats.

Native Americans called pumpkins "isqoutm squash."

Native Americans used pumpkin seeds for food and medicine.

(Source: University of Illinois Extension.)



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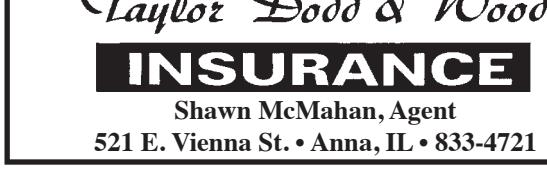
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### Family life center under construction

A new family life center is under construction at the First Baptist Church in Cobden.

### News from

## Walnut Grove Church

On the 19th Sunday after Pentecost at Walnut Grove United Methodist Church, Gerry and Barb lit the altar candles while Johnathan played the musical prelude on the piano.

The congregation sang "Happy Birthday" to Loren and Keith, and also to Steve.

It was Grace and Duane's 63rd anniversary and everyone sang "Happy Anniversary" to them.

Pastor Bobbi's sermon was about God's wisdom. She said his wisdom "is pure and peaceful and we can always turn to him for help."

The women's choir sang "In the Garden." Johnathan, on piano, and Loren, on flute, played "Swing Low Sweet Chariot" during the offering.

Prayers were requested for Steve Brown, Gary

and Sandy Hartline, Elizabeth Corbit and Karen and David Lamer.

On the 18th Sunday after Pentecost, Jim lit the altar candles while Johnathan played the musical prelude on the piano. Jim also collected the offering.

Pastor Bobbi read scripture from Jeremiah about God's plan for our future. She reminded us that "we can't live out God's will if we are prideful and don't want to change."

Prayers are requested for Emma Cauble, Dee Blakely's brother Rick, Karen and David Lammer, Elizabeth Corbit, and church members who were traveling this weekend.

At the charge conference held last Sunday at the Anna Methodist

Church, Walnut Grove Church was presented with a certificate for completing its annual apportionments to the Illinois Great Rivers Conference.

The third quarter financial report was presented by the church treasurer, including the amounts designated for the building fund, and for the memorial funds planned for a kitchen upgrade in memory of Mary Winn and Carolyn Moore.

The next ladies' lunch is planned at 11:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 1, at Giant City Lodge near Makanda.

The church's Sunday schedule includes Sunday school for the children and starts at 9:30 a.m.

The church is located at 3195 Mountain Glen Rd., near Cobden, and near Route 127.

ard, Oct. 22.

Anniversary: Jack and Nina Shepard, Oct. 26.

During the morning service on Oct. 27, a memorial roll certificate will be presented to the family of Dora Johnson.

Trunk or treat is planned from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Oct. 31.

The deadline to turn in Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes is Nov. 17.

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.

Quizzing is at 5 p.m. on Sunday for children in grades 1 through 6. Youth services and quizzing are at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday.

Birthday: Glenda Shep-

ard, both on the 16th.

Long-distance members Donnie and Mary Jones have a wedding anniversary today, the 24th.

Camp Ground invites everyone to join them in Bible study and worship. Fellowship is at 9:30 a.m. Bible study is at 10 a.m. Worship is at 11 a.m. The church is located at 50 Tunnel Ln., east of Anna.

habit? To see a miracle? Seeking happiness or hope?"

She shared that "if we came to meet Jesus, He would exceed our expectations, and our lives would be changed. He will give us what we really need: Salvation."

Tanner Roach and Reed Crane received the offering Sunday.

Rodney Miller is Camp Ground's lead elder for the month of October.

Those having birthdays last week were Karen Vaughn and Phillip

Thompson.

The schedule for worship

### News from

## Mt. Moriah Lutheran Church, Anna



The Holy Smokers cooked breakfast on Friday, Oct. 18, for the Anna-Jonesboro Community High School football team, cheerleaders and coaches. In the first row are, from left, Randy Edmonds, Larry Hepburn, Jeff Kelly, Mark Hasty and Todd Vincent. In the second row are Jeremy Stegle, Jansen Foster, Mike Stegle, James Niesz and Mike Partridge. Photo provided.



Members of Mt. Moriah Lutheran Church had an adult night out at Randy and Mary Jane Edmonds' barn. Photo provided.

Prayers for healing were offered Sunday, Oct. 20, for Sarah Sims, Ann West, Tasha Faire, David Wright, Lisa Gammons, Gary Davis, Clark Newton, Marlee Smith, Matthew McLane, Becky Poole, Gladys Freeze, Abbie Edwards, Giovanna Hill, Carolyn Frick, Jackie Myers, Jillian Treece, Elizabeth Corbit, Jon Watson, Randy Bridges, Sue Ann Kaufman, Carla Sims, Johnny Spurlock and Rick Knight.

Also, prayers were offered for the family of Walter Graham.

In the children's sermon, Pastor Mark talked about "wrestling" and how Jacob fought with God.

In the main sermon, Pastor asked: "If we do a good thing for a bad reason, is it still a good thing?"

The sermon shared that:

**News from**

## First Baptist Church, Jonesboro

at the church for this coming week includes Bible

study at 9 a.m. on Sunday, and worship services at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Clear Creek Baptist Association's annual meeting was Sunday afternoon, Oct. 20, at Harvest Church in Anna.

Jonesboro First Baptist Church cancelled the

Sunday evening worship

service so everyone could

attend the association's

annual meeting.

A monthly potluck meal

is planned after morning

worship on Sunday, Oct.

27. The meal will include

observance of Pastor Ap-

preciation Month and a card

shower for the church's

pastor, the Rev. Perry Wil-

liams.

Birthdays: Joyce Hol-

shouser, Oct. 21; Doris

Whiteside, Oct. 24; Kacey

Shipley, Oct. 27.

The schedule for worship



Zack and Lindsey LeFevre, and their daughter, Merritt, who was baptized by Pastor Mark Hasty on Oct. 20. Photo provided.

"Success takes time. It takes patience. It takes struggle. Don't give up on God."

The church celebrated

the baptism of Merritt June LeFevre,

who is the daughter of Zack and

Lindsey LeFevre. Grandpar-

ents are Doug and Sally

LeFevre, Carol Clutts, Bill

Clutts and Kent and Nancy

Pitts. Great-grandparents are Susan Hase and Gary and Lynn LeFevre. Spon-

sors were Doug and Sally

LeFevre and Ethan and

Hanna LeFevre.

The youth are selling

butter braids until Nov. 10.

If you are interested, you

can contact any one of the

youth, or call Paula Hasty

at Mt. Moriah.

6th grade meets from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesday.

Youth meet from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesday.

An adult Bible study/prayer meeting is planned at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday.

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# Anna News

By Martha Ann Webb

Please have news to me by Sunday night. Email me at marthanews@frontier.com, mail to me at 118 W. Monroe St., leave news in the back of the green box at the right of my front door or call me at 833-5717.

## Correction

The ceremony for the Honor Wreaths for Veterans will be held in the Anna Cemetery Saturday, Dec. 14, at 11 a.m.

This is the time the national cemeteries and other city cemeteries will be doing their ceremony.

All over the United States our veterans will be honored on the same day and time.

If you want to buy a wreath for your loved one please make a check out for \$15 and mail to Martha Ann Webb, 118 W. Monroe St., Anna, Ill. 62906.

Please put what branch of service they were in and where their grave is located.

If you would like to be the one placing your wreath also let us know or if you want us to put the wreath on the grave.

A special thanks to everyone who has sent a check for a wreath.

## Sympathy

Sympathy to the Reppert family on the loss of John Reppert.



A popular activity at the Bald Knob Cross festival last weekend was a horse drawn wagon ride provided by Hilemans' 5-H Farm.



Doug and Beth Hileman took grandkids to the St. Louis Boo Zoo recently. In the center are Finley, Emmie and Leah Hileman of St. Louis, children of Jacob and Nadia Hileman. In front is Gideon Boyd Song from Fort Worth, Texas, the son of Matthew and Sarah Hileman Song.



Happiness is great-grandparenting for Barb Bauer when Gideon Boyd Song came from Texas for a visit in Anna. The 2-year-old is spending some time with his grandparents, Doug and Beth Hileman. Gideon loved Pumpkin Town in Anna.

## Congratulations

The A-JCHS Marching Wildcats received second place at band competition last Saturday at Park Hills, Mo.

They will be traveling to Belleville this Saturday. Please keep them in your prayers for a safe trip and a first place trophy in their last field competition.

## Visiting Anna

It was so good to see my classmate Beverly Brown Anderson from St. Louis.

We were walking Lady and had sat down in front of the Anna Post Office when Beverly and her sister Marianna went by and saw us. They turned around and stopped and talked for a min.

They are on the board of the Cobden Museum and had a meeting Monday. A special thanks to them for all their dedication to their home town and the historical society.

## Guests

Paul and Stephanie Heinz from Channahon visited Gaylon and Clara Cates



**Wildcat Junior Football League:** A ceremony was held at the Mill Creek Baptist Church last Tuesday night to honor the 3rd and 4th grade Junior Wildcat football team and their families. Coach Henderson says this team is truly a family and he believes that is a big factor to the success of this team. The boys had a 9-0 undefeated season and was additionally recognized for their good sportsmanship. Coach Henderson thanks the First Christian Church and the Mill Creek Baptist Church for their outreach to this team. The First Christian Church affords the Wildcat Junior Football League with a field to practice on and the Mill Creek Baptist Church hosted a pancake breakfast for the team and hosted the end of the year celebration ceremony for the 3rd and 4th grade team. Pastor Bobby Richardson of the Mill Creek Baptist Church prayed with the 3rd and 4th grade teams before their games.

last week.

## Visiting Anna

Sue Williams from Springfield recently visited Anna.

Sue stopped by to visit with me and gave me a check for her brother Gene Frank Williams for the Honor Wreaths for Veterans.

Frank was a year behind me in school and it is sad to see so many school mates gone but what an honor to be able to place a wreath on his grave for his service to our country.

## Visiting Anna

Guests of Mary and Carlyn Light and family were Mary's sisters Barbara Hash from Texas, sister Janice from South Carolina and sister Maxine from Colorado. Their spouses and children also came with



Lillah Williams, left, with her door prize selection and Marie Samuel at the October Little Egypt Red Hat dinner at the Vienna Diner. The framed poem, "When I Am an Old Woman," tells about how the idea for ladies wearing red hats and purple outfits began with this poem. Ann Wilcox and Marie Samuel read the poem, and Marie donated this door prize. Everyone got to select a door prize from the fall decorations brought by Corinne Steveson and the other hosts.



Simon Paul was born July 21, one of triplets to Amy Dillow's goat. Simon was the only one to survive. Amy bottle feeds Simon several times a day and raised him inside in a dog crate and he had his own bed. Simon visited the veterinarian many times with complications but is now healthy and getting ready to be weaned from his bottle. Amy said their dog Macey was a little jealous of Simon but they get along good now. This shows what care and a lot of love can do for an animal or person that was not expected to live. Thanks Amy for your story.



Congratulations to the A-JCHS Marching Wildcats on winning second place in their band competition at Park Hills, Mo., last Saturday.



A-JCHS band director Renee McLain took band members to Shawnee College last Thursday to perform with Shawnee College high school regional band.



Anna city employees enjoyed a potluck and chili dinner to celebrate October birthdays.



Birthdays for Anna city employees were celebrated at a potluck meal. From left are Steve Kelley, Mike Stegle, Carrie Howard, Dori Bigler, Danielle Dodd, Jerry Lovell and Scott Wagner.



Hostesses at the October Little Egypt Red Hat meeting at the Vienna Diner. From left are Marie Samuel, Cathy Ziegler, Ann Wilcox, Sylvia Jacobs and Corinne Steveson.

them.

They went to the Jonesboro color festival, toured the Choate pumpkin displays, visited Annabelle Market in downtown Anna, enjoyed the Rendleman Orchard pumpkin patch, the Alto Pass Vineyard and Blue Sky Vineyards.

They ate at the Dixie BBQ, The Dinnerbell II, and had The Kitchen on Lafayette Street cater food to Mary and Carolyn's bunkhouse for a family reunion dinner. They loved the time with family and friends.

#### New Orleans Trip

Jane Bauer, Annette Seli-ger, Kay Johnston, Carolyn Harvel and Dennis and Loretta Sitter, all from Anna, along with 46 people from Southern Illinois, enjoyed a trip through SIH out of Carbondale to New Orleans.

Jane Bauer visited with Alice and Curley McMillion from Harlan, La., while there.

#### United Methodist Church, Anna

Sunday morning, "Happy Birthday" was sung to Easton Corbit for his 9th birthday.

Praises were given for Elizabeth Corbit who was able to be in church. Elizabeth came to the altar while several gathered around her and Rebecca Corbit to pray for God to continue to heal Elizabeth and Rebecca's mother Carol Hindman who is in a Cape Girardeau hospital. Also prayers were said for Mary Lou Bridges.

It is always good to have the Parks family visiting: Floyd and Carole from England, Diane Ward from Florida, David and Linda Parks and Linda's mother Erma Frick were all visiting with their brother Darryl.

The Parkses brought two beautiful mums in honor and memory of their parents.

Everyone was asked to wear pink Sunday for breast cancer awareness.

The children took up their special offering for Christmas presents for others.

"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" was sung by the ladies choir in honor of Elizabeth Corbit.

Melba Nork passed out hankies to several ladies because she said the preacher said to wave your hankies last Sunday. When the choir finished their song the hankies were waved to praise God and thank the choir.

Rev. Richard Sullins' sermon was "Be Persistent" "When the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?" with scripture from Luke.

Kathie Watkins said her granddaughter Jenna Watkins was nominated for the Illinois State Scholar. Congratulations Jenna.

Nancy Hooks and Kathie Watkins led the singing. Carla Anderson played the organ and is director of music. Marcy Morris played the piano. Warren Anderson, Troy Wiseman and Tyler Zachary are the sound and video technicians.

After church there was a lunch and get-together in the family fellowship hall.

Sunday School teacher Nancy Hooks is teaching a study book and video by Dr. David Jeremiah on Heaven and what it will be like. Everyone is welcome to come at 9 a.m. on Sunday.

#### Anna VFW Post

Friday, Oct. 25, bingo will be at the Illinois Veterans Home in Anna at 2 p.m. If you have an extra hour or so the veterans would love to see new faces.

Friday evening, Oct. 25, a spaghetti dinner will be served from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. for a \$10 donation. Brian Pender will play music from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 26, a downstate luncheon honoring state president Billie Guthals will be held at the

post. Lunch will start at 1 p.m. for a \$10 donation.

A Halloween party is planned from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 26, with Star Karaoke.

#### Anna Vista

A Winter Wonderland sale is planned Nov. 1-2 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

All money goes to the tenants of Anna Vista. It is getting colder and the residents will be offering free meals to the tenants during the winter months.

#### Anna Arts Center

Veterans will be honored with a supper at 6 p.m. If you are a veteran you will eat free. A donation of \$10 will be asked from everyone else. Please call Lee if you plan to attend.

#### Birthday

Pam Needling celebrated her birthday Oct. 4, with her husband Rob at Olive Garden.

Sharing October birthdays with her are Jenna Webb, her daughter, Oct. 27, and Kimber Webb, her granddaughter, Oct. 30.

#### 11th Birthday

Hunter Craft celebrated his birthday with paint bowling in Millstadt.

#### Birthday Celebration

Lisa Spiess took Bessie Mae Ellis out for dinner at Dinner Bell II to celebrate Bessie's birthday.

#### Trip

Lisa Spiess visited her sister Mary Anne in Chicago.

#### Red Hat Ladies

Little Egypt Red Hat ladies met Oct. 16 at the Vienna Diner. Hostesses were Sylvia Jacobs, Corinne Steveson, who brought many decorations given as door prizes, Ann Wilcox handled signing in and door prize tickets as well as gifts, Cathy Ziegler had a word search activity. Judy Smith was first to complete it so she got a prize.

Marie Samuel brought poems to read. Marge Davidson set up for the meeting.

The ladies always close their meeting by honoring God and our country by

singing God Bless America.

The ladies will meet at Bandannas in Carbondale Wednesday, Nov. 20, at 11 a.m. Linda Clutts, Martha Schwegman and Queen Mom Joan Graves Edwards will be hosting.

#### Birthday

Joe McMahan celebrated his birthday Oct. 11.

#### Military Prayer List

Lucas W. Davis, James Sullivan, Lindsey Keene, Jacob Schaefer, Jerod Schaefer, Creighton Laster, Reagan Morrison, Josh Steveson, Josh Williams, Faith Odom, Jim Bonner, Jennifer Ann Bishop, Arin Whitemountain, James McWhorter, Nick Harvel, Nona Elizabeth Luke, Lucas J. Strickland, William Nathaniel Frankell, Ethan Maze, Lukas W. Davis, Tanner Anderson, Hayden Young, Garrett Goines, Kiefer Stull, Davis Jorden Glasco, Ryan Hampton, Brittany Michelle Lence, Killian Jesse, Molly Noyes, C.J. Youngerman, Freddy Morse.



**The Sadlers and Murrays made a trip to Rendleman Orchards in Alto Pass.**



**Lane, Ashley, Reid and Lenore Patterson enjoyed visiting the Bandys pumpkin patch near Johnston City.**

## Television Listings

### THURSDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM 6:30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local Pre-Game	Local Programs	CFB 150	The Misery	Chrisley	★★★ "Hotel Transylvania"	"Mr. Brooks"	(:15) "Peppermint" (18)	
7 PM 7:30	Grey's Anatomy	Young (HD)	Thursday Night Football Washington Redskins	Superstore Harmony	College Football SMU Mustangs at Houston Cougars (Live) (HD)	The Misery	Chrisley	(12) "Wealthy family."	"Beyond the Reach"	(15) "Woman's revenge."	
8 PM 8:30	A Million Little Things	(01) Mom (HD)	at Minnesota Vikings (Live)	Place Sunny-side	Bang (HD)	Chrisley	Unstable	"Traffic"	(1) "The Hummingbird Project"		
9 PM 9:30	Get Away with Murder (HD)	Evil "October 31"	SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Bang (HD)	Chrisley	Jessie	"Moulin Rouge!" (01) A courtesan's love.	Effects of international drug smuggling.	(R)	
10 PM 10:30	Local	Local	2019 MLS Cup Playoffs "Western Conference Semifinal"	2019 MLS Cup Playoffs "Western Conference Semifinal"	Bang (HD)	Temptation Island	Coop & Cam	Sydney	DESUS & Gigolos		
11 PM 11:30	Jimmy Kimmel Live! (HD)	(35) Late Show	(35) Tonight	Local	Conan	Chrisley	Raven	"Ready Player One"	DESUS & God (HD)		
	Nightline	Corden	Late Night	Local Programs	Conan	Chrisley	Jessie				

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	MAX	SHOW
"Mr. Brooks"	(07) (R)	"Peppermint" (18)
"Beyond the Reach"	(15) (R)	"Woman's revenge."
"Traffic"	(1) (R)	"The Hummingbird Project"
		Effects of international drug smuggling.
		(R)
		DESUS & Gigolos
		DESUS & God (HD)

### THURSDAY

7:00pm	USA Chrisley Knows Best	"Training Faye"
	Julie becomes frustrated when the family uses Chloe's birthday as an opportunity to compete; Todd insists on being Nanny Faye's trainer. TV14 (HD)	
7:31pm	CBS The Unicorn	"No Small Parts"
	Wade discovers that Grace is being given special treatment by the teachers; Delia and Forrest and convinced to work during a chaotic shift at the snack bar. (HD)	

### FRIDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM 6:30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local	Local Programs	NBA Countdown (HD)	Bang (HD)	Family	"Descendants"	"Z for Zachariah"		"Full Metal Jacket"
7 PM 7:30	Housewife (HD)	Hawaii Five-O (HD)	2019 World Series "Game 3" (Live)	Bluff City Law	NBA Basketball Dallas vs New Orleans (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD)	Raven	"Green"	"Cold Pursuit"		"Hitsville: The Making of Motown"
8 PM 8:30	What Would You Do? (HD)	Magnum P.I. (HD)	Dateline NBC Investigative news. (HD)	Pirates: Dead Men Tell No" (17) Evil pirate hunter. (HD)	Bang (HD)	Just Roll	"Boat A Madea Halloween"	"Boat A Madea Halloween"	"Breaking In"		
9 PM 9:30	20/20 (HD)	Blue Bloods (HD)	48 Hours (HD)	Sat. Night Live	Scoreboard College Football "Teams TBA" (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD)	Unstable	"Nightmare Before" (93)	"Greta"		
10 PM 10:30	Local	Local	Local Programs Local info.	Beat Shazam (HD)	Local	Frontal	Mickey	"Boat A Madea Halloween"	"Deadpool 2"		
11 PM 11:30	Jimmy Kimmel Live! (HD)	(35) Late Show	Local Programs Local info.	Sat. Night Live Sketch comedy. (HD)	The Misery	Raven	(51) Righteous	"Zombies"	"19 Disturbed friend."		
	Nightline	Corden	Local Programs	SportsCenter (HD)	Local	Conan	Jessie	"Cast Away"	"Buried"		
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									"Casino Royale"		
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### OCTOBER 25, 2019

	MAX	SHOW
"Z for Zachariah"		"Full Metal Jacket"
"Breaking In"		"Hitsville: The Making of Motown"
"Greta"		
"Deadpool 2"		
"19 Disturbed friend."		
"Buried"		
"EDtv"		
"Casino Royale"		
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### FRIDAY

7:30pm	TBS Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Men Tell No Tales	★★★ (2017, Action)






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# Opinion and Commentary

## Cyber security awareness promoted

October has been proclaimed as Cyber Security Awareness Month in Illinois to recognize the importance of raising cyber awareness and to help everyone stay safe and secure online.

State officials note that we must do all we can to help strengthen cyber security in our state. Our reliance on the internet and digital information increases each year and so must our vigilance to protect ourselves online. Illinois state agencies are committed to helping residents better understand the risks and importance of cyber security.

Held every October, National Cyber Security Awareness Month was first recognized in 2004 by the National Cyber Security Alliance, NCSA, and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, DHS, as a broad effort to help Americans understand the importance of cyber security. This year's national awareness campaign emphasizes the importance of personal accountability and ways to stay cyber secure at home and in the workplace.

During October, the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, IEMA, is joining with the Illinois Department of Innovation and Technology, DoIT, as well as county and municipal emergency management agencies, to increase awareness of online risks and provide tips on what people can do to prevent problems and maintain the security of cyberspace.

"The widespread usage of computers, laptops, smartphones and tablets offers countless opportunities to connect with information and people around the world, but it also provides a myriad of opportunities for cyber criminals," said Alicia Tate-Nadeau, acting director of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, IEMA. "We want to help people understand the risks and provide simple ways they can reduce the chance of being a victim of cybercrime."

"Our best line of defense against cyber-attacks is raising awareness among users," said Illinois CIO and DoIT acting director Ron Guerrier. "Every day, cyber criminals find new ways to access valuable information for financial gain or actions that could threaten our safety. To strengthen our state's cyber posture, DoIT leads cyber awareness training for over 40,000 state employees annually."

During the month of October, DoIT is providing outreach to state employees about cyber best practices. Additionally, IEMA's Ready Illinois website at Ready.Illinois.gov offers links to information and tips to help people minimize the risk of being a cybercrime victim. Some of those tips include the following:

### Configure your computer securely.

Use privacy and security settings in your software, email system and web browsers. Regularly update your anti-virus software to identify and thwart new strains of malicious software.

### Keep software and operating systems updated.

Install all software updates as soon as they are offered; using the "auto update" setting is the best way to ensure timely updates.

### Use strong passwords.

Cybercriminals use automated programs that will try every word in the dictionary in a few minutes. When creating a password, use at least 10 characters, with a combination of uppercase and lowercase letters, numbers and symbols.

### Be cautious about links and attachments.

Even communications you receive that appear to be from friends and family may contain links to malicious sites, so be careful when clicking on links in those messages. When in doubt, delete it.

## A Page from the Past

from the files of The Gazette-Democrat

### Thursday, Oct. 23, 1969

Miss Brenda Tweedy, 17 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Tweedy, was chosen as Homecoming Queen of Anna-Jonesboro Community High School at coronation ceremonies Friday evening, Oct. 17.

The nation will revert to Standard Time Sunday, Oct. 26, and residents are being reminded to set their clocks back one hour.

Despite the early hour, an enthusiastic number of people attended the Sportsmen's Club parade Saturday morning, Oct. 18. Approximately 2,000 persons attended the week end of activity held Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 18 and 19.

More than 2,000 persons attended open house at Shawnee College Sunday (Oct. 19) to see the new interim campus and facilities.

The Anna Grade Schools have begun a foreign language program.

The annual area Halloween party will be Friday night, Oct. 31, at the American Legion Home, with activities getting underway at 7:00 p.m.

It's Autumn in Union County! Trees are beginning to put on their most colorful dresses and tours are being planned so that everyone may take advantage of the breathtaking scenery available in the Union County area.

The Davie School Parent-Teacher Association Meeting was held Tuesday, Oct. 21, at 2 p.m. in the school gymnasium.

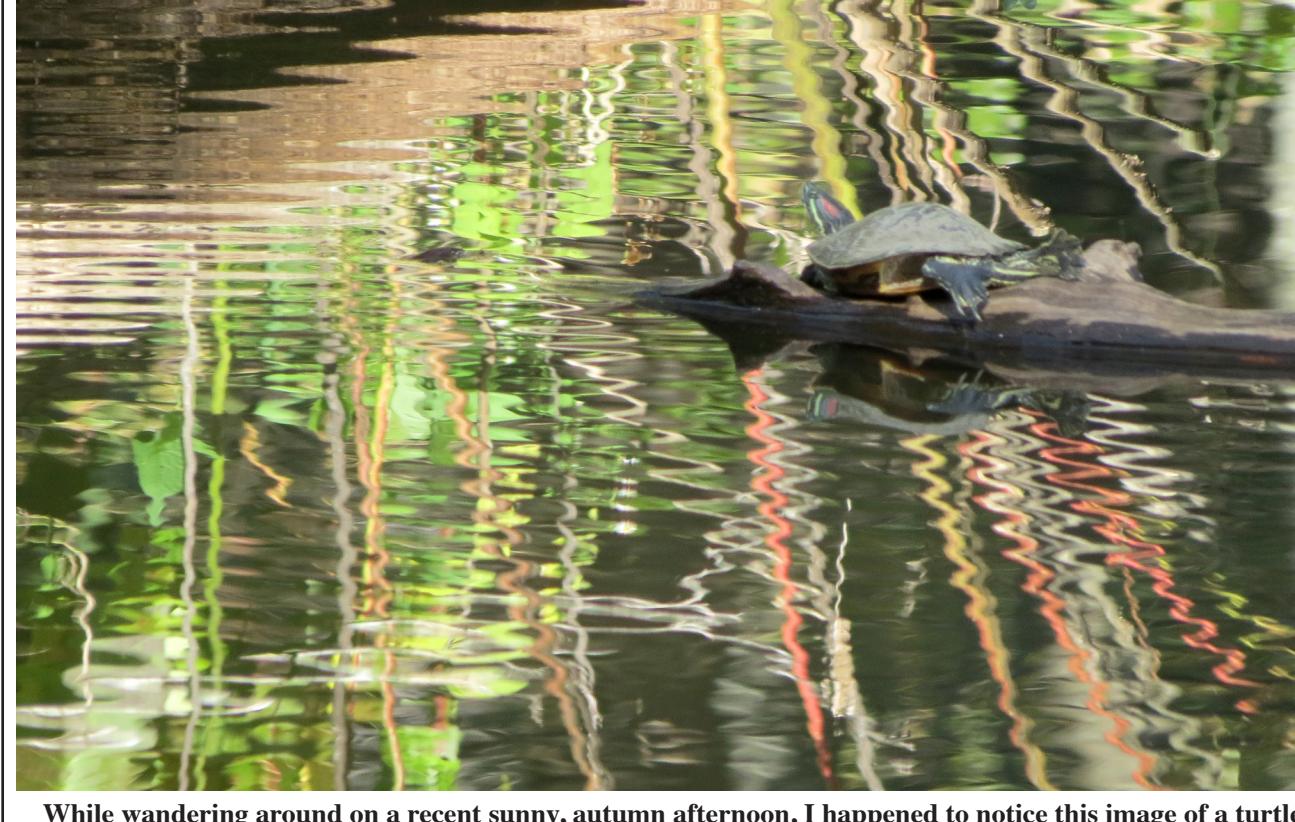
The Anna-Jonesboro Teen Town Student Board has made arrangements for the "Establishment" to play at Teen Town Saturday, Oct. 25, from 7:30 to 11:30 p.m.

From the Friendship news: We are proud of the beautiful weather we are having. The soybeans are really being harvested now. Everyone seems to think bad weather isn't far away, and according to the wasp, it isn't, for they sure are trying to find a place to get for the winter.

From the Shiloh news: There's lot of squash going by on the way to market. Some combining has been done. Our late garden is real nice and really appetizing.

## Please read this...

By Geof Skinner



While wandering around on a recent sunny, autumn afternoon, I happened to notice this image of a turtle enjoying the day at a local pond.

## A mea culpa...and some wildlife pics, too

As we sometimes do, this week you will be getting a little bit of this...and a little bit of that...

...first up, a mea culpa, which is fancy Latin, I think, for oops.

Last week, I shared my excitement about getting to touch a slice of rock from the moon. I said that the rock was about 4 billion years old.

I guess I was so excited about touching the moon rock that I missed its age by, oh, a billion years or so. The rock was about 3 billion years old. Which is what it said right in my notes. Might have been good to have looked at the notes.

...speaking of old rocks, yours truly was out wandering around last Sunday afternoon and found, among other treasures, a really nice trilobite fossil. Just sayin'...

...moving on...

...as you may know, the World Series starts this week. And, as you may know, the Cardinals won't be playing in the World Series this year. The Cubs won't, either.

I'm disappointed that the Cardinals won't have a shot at another World Series championship. Can't say that I'm disappointed that the Cubs are in the same boat.

Sports fans will know that the Washington Nationals and Houston Astros are playing in the 2019 World Series. Hardly seems like a dream match-up, unless you happen to be a Nationals fan. Or an Astros fan. If you happen to like either one of those teams, hope you enjoy the Series.

Truth be told, I was just glad that the Cardinals were still playing baseball in October. That hadn't happened in a few years. Life just didn't seem right. It was kind of like the universe was out of balance.

...moving on...again...

Yours truly had a couple of dealings with bureaucratic



A pic worth turning around for...this owl (a barred owl?) was spotted one morning last week when yours truly was trekking to The Paragraph Factory. I caught a glimpse of the owl, drove a bit farther up the highway, turned around and came back. The owl was kind enough to hang around for about half a dozen pics... and then flew off to do whatever an owl does on a sunny morning.

sorts of things during the past week or so. Everything went more smoothly than one person could have possibly deserved. Life was good.

I was extremely grateful for the fine folks who helped along the way. Each situation involved real, live personal contacts with people right here in our community. In this wonderful era of digital interactions, I'm still kind of partial to face-to-face, eyeball-to-eyeball contact. Just call me old-fashioned.

.the dealings with various bureaucracies were triggered by what turned out to be a rather minor event early one morning last week.

I am not a morning person. Never have been. Morning is just something that one has to deal with on the Journey Through Life.

I have a sign posted on the wall in my cubicle at The Paragraph Factory which pretty much sums up my thoughts about morning: "I DON'T LIKE morning people...OR mornings...OR people..." Actually, that might be a bit of an exaggeration. Or not.

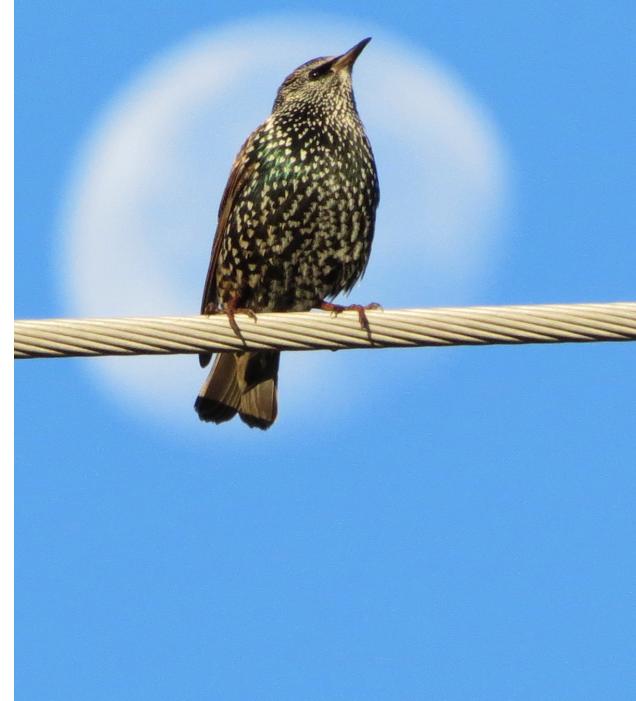
...and then there's the time that Bob and I get to spend together outdoors...like late last Sunday afternoon.

Bob, you see, likes to go outside. A lot. He especially seems to like it when yours truly takes him outside. When he gets outside, he doesn't say much. He does like to stretch and roll around a lot, especially on the concrete... after it has warmed up in the sun...

Last Sunday afternoon was particularly nice. Kind of warm. Not hot. A bit of a breeze. Birds and bugs were making birds and bugs noises. It was just a nice time to be outside. All in all, it was a nice way to start a new week...

...let me close with a bit of a note about the photographs you get to see this week...somebody had asked when I would have some more wildlife photos. Well, I guess that would be now. An owl is definitely wildlife. Same goes for a turtle. And, I guess a starling is wildlife...

....next week...maybe...we'll do a bit of time traveling...



The moon...and a starling...in the morning. The moon, shining in the morning, served as a backdrop for a starling on a utility wire.

## Nearly 300,000 take part in Great Shakeout earthquake drill

Nearly 300,000 Illinois residents took part in the annual Great Shakeout earthquake drill on Oct. 17.

At 10:17 a.m., registered participants stopped what they were doing and practiced the Drop, Cover, Hold On technique that is advised for personal protection during an earthquake.

With active seismic zones flanking the state's eastern and western borders, it is important that everyone know how to stay

safe during an earthquake.

"Whether you are at school, at work, at home or on vacation, an earthquake can happen at any time, anywhere and without warning," said Illinois Emergency Management Agency acting director Alicia Tate-Nadeau.

"This is why the Shakeout earthquake drill is so important. This preparedness drill raises awareness of the hazards that we often do not think about.

"The more we practice this critical preparedness drill...Drop, Cover, Hold On...the more prepared we will be if a disaster were to occur."

The largest earthquake to ever rattle North America occurred in 1811 in New Madrid, Missouri, near Southern Illinois.

If a similar quake struck the same spot today, according to a 2008 University of Illinois study, the impact would be catastrophic:

3,500 fatalities, 2.6 million without power, \$300 billion in direct economic loss.

Most of Southern Illinois sits atop one of two major fault zones: the New Madrid Seismic Zone and the Wabash Valley Seismic Zone. Both faults are active, with sizeable earthquakes reported as recently as 2008.

For more information about earthquake risks and additional preparedness tips, visit [www.ready.illinois.gov](http://www.ready.illinois.gov).