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Notes

Items of interest from throughout the Union County area

Happy Mother's Day to all of you moms out there. The big day is Sunday, May 9.

Third Thursday worship services are scheduled to resume at 7 p.m. on Thursday, May 20, at historic Kornthal Church. The local landmark is located south of Jonesboro, just off Illinois Route 127.

Union County missed severe weather early Tuesday morning.

The Union County farmers market is underway for the 2021 growing season. The farmers market is scheduled on Tuesday mornings in an Anna municipal parking lot along East Davie Street – the same location as last year.

The Union County Women in Business's virtual marathon continues through May 16.

Shawnee Community College faculty member Craig Bradley has received a Phi Theta Kappa, PTK, Distinguished Advisor Award. Bradley, who is the PTK advisor at the college, was one of only 21 people honored nationwide this year.

Flamm Orchards near Cobden posted on Facebook that it is open for the season and has fresh strawberries which are "picked daily."

The Egyptian Area Agency on Aging is planning to host three public hearings at the end of May to welcome feedback as part of a planning process. One of the public hearings is set for 10:30 a.m. May 25 at Shawnee Community College near Ullin.

Southern Seven Health Department is working to promote observance of Hepatitis Awareness Month during May. The health department also is working to promote testing and vaccination.

'Bridge' phase could be on horizon for Illinois

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SPRINGFIELD – Gov. JB Pritzker said Monday the state could enter the "bridge" phase to greater reopening as soon as next week, while the state's vaccination rate continues to drop.

Speaking at a news conference at Providence Hospital in Chicago, Pritzker said Illinois is nearing the necessary metrics to reach the next phase of reopening as case numbers stabilize.

"It looks to me, if you look at all the hospital admissions data, like we're in decent shape and moving exactly as I would hope we would toward the bridge phase," Pritzker said Monday.

According to the Illinois Department of Public Health, IDPH, new COVID-19 hospital admissions, total COVID-19 patients in the hospital, and death rates all must be stable or decreasing before the state can move to the next phase with more relaxed capacity restrictions and allowing some large-scale events to resume with safety measures in place.

Pritzker said hospitalization growth is the key metric the state monitors which would allow the state to move forward to the bridge phase.

As of Monday, the IDPH website showed an increasing trend for the overall number of hospitalizations for COVID-19 with 1,963 people hospitalized as of Sunday, although new admissions for COVID-19-like illnesses were reported as stable, averaging 205 new daily admissions as of Friday. That was down from 240 on April 16.

Of the 1,963 individuals in Illinois who were hospitalized with COVID-19 as of Sunday night, 479 patients were in intensive care unit beds and 249 were on ventilators.

The state has reached all other benchmarks to trigger a larger-scale reopening, including at least 70 percent of the state's population aged 65 and older receiving at least one dose of a vac-

cine, and at least half of all residents aged 16 and older receiving at least one dose.

The state had administered a total of 9.4 million COVID-19 vaccine doses as of Monday, with 4.1 million residents, or 32 percent of the state's population, fully vaccinated.

A total of 16,920 doses were administered statewide Sunday, bringing the seven-day rolling average for vaccines administered to 78,440, down from a peak seven-day average of 132,979 recorded April 12.

Public health officials announced a total of 2,049 new COVID-19 cases and 28 additional deaths Monday. The statewide seven-day rolling case positivity rate stood at 3.4 percent Monday.

Pritzker credited Illinois residents for continuing to follow public health guidelines as a major reason for the state's low positivity rate.

"Nobody's forcing anybody to do it, but this is about doing what's best for your own family, for yourself and for your community, and I think most people in Illinois have stepped up to the plate. I'm so, so proud of our state," Pritzker said.

Pritzker also added that preparations for some large-scale events such as the Illinois State Fair are underway, signaling the potential for a wider reopening and larger-scale events to come in the future.

"We've obviously been doing all the planning that's necessary for it, you know, barring some highly unusual event occurring that would prevent a large gathering," Pritzker said.

"(IDPH) is working with the Department of Agriculture to make sure that people will be safe, so I think we're gonna have a lot of fun this summer," he added.

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Mobile vaccine clinic in Cobden

Southern Seven Health Department hosted mobile COVID-19 vaccine clinics on Thursday, April 29, in Alto Pass and in Cobden. The mobile clinic in Cobden was held at the community park, where the photograph was taken while people were waiting to receive their vaccine. The health department has been offering the mobile clinics in an effort to reach outlying areas in the Southern Illinois counties it serves. The health department serves Alexander, Pulaski, Massac, Union, Johnson, Pope and Hardin counties. The mobile pop-up COVID-19 vaccination clinics are utilizing an Illinois Department of Public Health's Wellness on Wheels, WOW, van to provide the traveling clinic space to administer the vaccines. Personnel from the health department, the Illinois National Guard and the Federal Emergency Management Agency were on hand at the mobile clinic in Cobden.

Three new cases reported in county

Union County had three new confirmed cases of COVID-19 on Monday, May 3, Southern Seven Health Department reported.

The health department reported the following number of newly confirmed cases in the county, by age: One teen. Two in the 30s.

The number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Union County since the

start of the pandemic totaled 2,196 as of May 3, the health department reported.

Total COVID-19 statistics for Union County since the start of the pandemic, as of May 3, follow:

2,196 cases. 2,153 recovered. 11 active cases. 32 deaths had been reported.

Southern Seven Health Department serves Union, Alexander, Hardin, John-

son, Massac, Pope and Pulaski counties.

As of May 3, the health department reported the following updated statistics for the seven counties it serves:

10 newly confirmed cases. Six newly recovered cases. 55 total active cases. 102 total deaths. 6,783 cumulative total cases.

National Day of Prayer service set

The entire community is invited to be a part of a National Day of Prayer observance which is planned in Union County on Thursday, today.

The event will be held at the band shell in the Anna City Park. The service/program is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m.

The theme for the 2021 observance is "Lord, Pour Out Your Love, Life and Liberty."

The observance is being hosted by the City of Anna and coordinated by the Union County Alliance of Churches.

In the case of inclement weather, the event is

scheduled to be held at the First Evangelical Presbyterian Church's Main Street Center in Anna. The center is located at the intersection of Jefferson and South Main streets.

Those who plan to attend the service at the Anna City Park are invited to bring a lawn chair or blanket and join with others as prayers are offered for the community and the country.

The service is scheduled to include representatives from each community in Union County, presentation of the colors by the Anna VFW, as well as the prayers offered by local persons for the various areas in the

lives of the people of the community.

Organizers noted that the "National Day of Prayer belongs to all Americans. It is a day that transcends differences, bringing together citizens from all backgrounds. It is an unprecedented opportunity to see the Lord's healing and renewing power made manifest as we call on citizens to humbly come before His throne."

More information about the origin and history of the National Day of Prayer, can be found online at www.NationalDayofPrayer.org.

Arbor Day commemorated at Anna City Park



Watering a dogwood

Arborist Tom Caldwell watered a newly planted silky dogwood tree last Friday afternoon at the Anna City Park.

Celebration of Arbor Day 2021 and recognition of a special accomplishment for the City of Anna took center stage late last week in the Union County community.

In commemoration of Arbor Day, the Anna-Jo Garden Club planted a silky dogwood tree on the grounds of the Anna City Park. The silky dogwood tree is a native of Illinois.

The tree was planted last Friday afternoon under a bright blue and sunny sky on a warm spring afternoon.

Those on hand for the special occasion included members of the Anna-Jo Garden Club, representatives of the City of Anna, a member of the Anna-Jonesboro Community High School 2020 graduating class and others.

Friday afternoon's gathering also served as an opportunity to recognize the planting of a white oak tree at the park. The white oak

is the state tree of Illinois.

The white oak tree was planted by the City of Anna in honor of the A-JCHS graduating class of 2020. Class member Elijah Glen Ellis was on hand for the special event.

The city is planning to plant a tree each year in the future in honor of graduating classes at A-JCHS.

The white oak tree was provided by Tabor Nursery. The silky dogwood was provided by Plank Hill Farms.

The events on Friday came as Anna celebrated its first Arbor Day since the Union County city Tree City USA recognition.

The City of Anna has been officially recognized as a Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation.

The Tree City program is a national movement to promote urban forestry, to improve green spaces within communities and

to promote stewardship of the natural environment through tree related activities.

To earn the designation, the city was required to meet four core standards, which included creating a tree board/committee, establishing a tree care ordinance, committing resources to tree care and maintenance and conducting an Arbor Day celebration.

Anna's tree committee includes community members Gary Dahmer, Dori Bigler, Tom Caldwell, Tina Goetz, Jason Tabor and Linda Hauser – volunteers who have been meeting to achieve the program's objectives since Arbor Day 2020, when they first assembled for a tree planting ceremony at the source of the Cache River near the Anna City Park.

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Honoring A-JCHS graduates
 The City of Anna has planted a white oak tree in honor of the Anna-Jonesboro Community High School graduating class of 2020. A plaque identifies the tree.



Arbor Day commemorated
 The Anna-Jo Garden Club commemorated Arbor Day 2021 with the planting of a silky dogwood tree, which is native to Illinois.



White oak tree
 The newly planted white oak tree at the Anna City Park. The white oak is the state tree of Illinois.

Watkins honored



Jaime Watkins
 Jaime Watkins is being recognized for her dedicated work at the Union County Ambulance Service. The ambulance service shared the following tribute to Watkins:
 "Jaime Watkins was celebrated for her nearly 20 years of service to Union County Ambulance. A reception was held at the Union County Ambulance Base on April 9th.
 "Jaime served as the Assistant Director, and the County thanks her for her outstanding dedication to the Ambulance Service."

Work zone safety promoted

The Illinois Department of Transportation, Illinois State Police, Illinois Tollway, Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White, industry partners and frontline construction workers joined forces to commemorate National Work Zone Awareness Week in late April, asking the public to "Drive safe. Work safe. Save lives."
 Throughout the construction season, officials said the public should be on alert for lane closures, changes in traffic patterns, reduced speed limits and the presence of workers and equipment.
 Motorists are advised to heed the following guidelines for traveling through work zones:
 Drop it and drive. Phones and electronic devices down at all times: it's the law.
 Obey the signs. They will help you safely navigate work zones: and sometimes avoid delays.
 Slow down. The posted speed limits are there for the safety of workers and you.
 Be on the lookout for slowed or stopped traffic.

Arbor Day

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 A city tree ordinance was created based on successful models from other communities. The ordinance was formally approved by the Anna City Council in early 2021. The ordinance provides details and clarification for standard municipal tree care practices.
 Resources committed to the project include existing

tree care practices, an allowance for volunteer hours donated to the program and money generated through a matching funds grant involving cooperative efforts with the Union County Soil and Water Conservation District.
 The observance of Arbor Day includes the issuing of a proclamation by the city. The proclamation recognizes

Arbor Day as a beneficial endeavor.
 The commemoration also includes tree planting ceremonies and public outreach efforts.
 Arbor Day 2021 was observed on April 30. The city celebrated by planting the white oak tree in honor of the 2020 graduates of A-JCHS who had to adapt and overcome the chal-

lenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic.
 "Tree City designation is just the beginning of a lot of good things for the City of Anna," said Gary Dahmer, the city's public works manager.
 "We have an enthusiastic committee, great community support and an exciting list of projects for improving the city's green spaces."

Oak restoration project set to receive funding

An oak ecosystem restoration project proposed by the Shawnee Resource Conservation and Development Area, SRCDA, will receive \$1.1 million in funding over the next five years.
 The Southern Illinois Oak Ecosystem Restoration project will allow for the targeted implementation of forest conservation practices on an estimated 4,000 acres of private land in Union, Alexander, Johnson, Pope and Hardin counties.
 The U.S. Department of Agriculture, USDA, announced the award on April 26 in a press release highlighting a national investment of \$330 million in 85 locally driven, public-private partnerships.
 Projects will address climate change, improving the nation's water quality,

combat drought, enhancing soil health, supporting wildlife habitat and protecting agricultural viability.
 The projects are awarded through the Natural Resources Conservation Service, NRCS, Regional Conservation Partnership Program, RCPP.
 "This new project stems from the fact that the historically dominant oak forests of Southern Illinois are failing to regenerate, which has created a crisis for biodiversity in the region, including migrant songbirds and several game species," state conservationist Ivan Dozier said in a news release about the project.
 "Using RCPP, Shawnee Resource Conservation Development Area and partners will target restoration activities to several 'forest

stewardship clusters,' in five counties which are ecologically significant areas that include a mosaic of state, federal and privately owned lands."
 Current SRCDA chairperson Kevin Rohling said: "In the short-term, this project will help local landowners afford to implement important conservation practices while providing work for local contractors.
 "But in the long-term, healthy oak ecosystems are vital to the economy of Southern Illinois.
 "This project epitomizes the mission of the SRCDA by promoting the conservation, development, and wise use of the region's natural resources. We are proud to be the lead partner on this project."
 "Projects like this one offer impactful and measurable outcomes," assistant

state conservationist Ron Ziehm said.
 "The great thing about RCPP is how local partners offer value-added contributions to amplify the impact of federal RCPP funding."
 Throughout its history, RCPP has leveraged partner contributions of more than \$1 for every \$1 invested by USDA, resulting in nearly \$3 billion collectively invested in natural resource conservation on private lands.
 Contributing partners to this project include SRCDA, the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, The Nature Conservancy and the University of Illinois.
 By design, the details of project implementation will be coordinated over the next several months and project implementation is expected to begin in 2022.

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There will be plants and yard crafts for landscaping, perennials, bushes, house plants and more!

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Weather

Temperatures ranged from a high of 81 degrees to a low of 46 during the period of April 27 through May 3 in the Union County area.

Precipitation during the period included .33 of an inch of rain on April 28, .70 of an inch of rain on April 29, .16 of an inch of rain on May 2 and .07 of an inch of rain on May 3.

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

Friday, April 30	78 46
Saturday, May 1	79 47
Sunday, May 2	68 55
Monday, May 3	80 61

April Weather
 The high temperature for the month of April was 83 degrees, which was recorded on April 9.
 The low for the month was 23, which was recorded on April 2.
 Precipitation for the month totalled 3.14 inches.
 A half an inch of snow was recorded on April 20.
 Snowfall for the year totalled 15.5 inches.
 Precipitation for the year as of the end of the month totalled 14.19 inches.

Tuesday, April 27	81 60
Wednesday, April 28	73 65
Thursday, April 29	70 53



County clerks and recorders meet

Union County was selected to host the Illinois Association of County Clerks & Recorders Zone 1 meeting April 28 at StarView Vineyards near Cobden. Approximately 50 people attended from the southern 37 counties of the state. This was the first in-person meeting since last year due to COVID. Organizers of the event said in a news release that it was nice to finally get to see everyone again and to discuss some very important topics that effect the offices of Illinois county clerks and recorders. The Illinois State Board of Elections was represented at the meeting. The upcoming 2022 election schedule was discussed and some changes that might be in store with a centralized voter registration system that would be run by the state were also a hot topic of discussion. Changes with new state fees that will be state mandated for recording documents were also discussed. Union County Clerk and Recorder Lance Meisenheimer addressed those in attendance. Meisenheimer talked about the local economic impact of the Shawnee Hills Wine Trail. He invited everyone to make plans to stay and shop here in Union County. Photo provided.

Union County issued 1.0000 tax multiplier

Union County has been issued a final property assessment equalization factor of 1.0000, the Illinois Department of Revenue, IDOR, reported April 27,

The property assessment equalization factor, often called the "multiplier," is the method used to achieve uniform property assessments among counties, as required by law.

IDOR said this equalization is particularly important because some of the state's 6,600 local taxing districts, such as school districts, junior college districts and fire protection districts, overlap into two or more counties.

If there were no equalization among counties, substantial inequities among taxpayers with comparable properties would result, IDOR added.

Under a law passed in 1975, property in Illinois should be assessed at one-third of its market value.

Farm property is assessed differently, with farm homesites and dwellings subject to regular assessing and equalization procedures, but with farmland assessed at one-third of its agriculture economic value. Farmland is not subject to the state equalization factor.

Assessments in Union County are at 33.51 percent of market value, based on sales of properties in 2017, 2018 and 2019.

The equalization factor currently being assigned is for 2020 taxes, payable in 2021. Last year's equalization factor for the county was 1.0000.

**The final assessment
Yard sale day
set in Cobden**

Bargain hunters might want to plan a visit to Cobden.

The Union County village is planning to conduct a community yard sale day on Saturday, May 8.

Nearly 20 yard sales are planned throughout the village and in the park in downtown Cobden. The event will be held rain or shine.

Maps showing the locations of yard sales will be available at Cobden Village Hall at 7 a.m. on May 8. Village hall is located on East Maple Street.

Participants are asked to wear a mask.

equalization factor was issued after a public hearing on the tentative factor. The tentative factor issued in March was 1.0000.

The equalization factor is determined annually for each county by comparing the price of individual properties sold over the past three years to the assessed value placed on those properties by the county supervisor of assessments/county assessor.

**Union County 4-Her
earns Emerald award**

The career achievements of Illinois 4-H members were celebrated at a virtual ceremony April 10.

The awards are sponsored by the Illinois 4-H Foundation. One of those honored was a 4-Her from Union County.

The State 4-H Experience Award recognizes members whose participation in community service, leadership and project work excel.

To qualify for the award, 4-H members must participate in activities outside the county.

With the unique circumstances of this past year, the award recipients overcame many challenges on the way to these achievements.

The Emerald Level award recognizes youth who completed eight or more experiences specializing in one of the three dimensions, with at least two state, national or international experiences.

The Emerald Level awards are sponsored by Sid and Florence Banwart.

Emerald award winners

of assessment is less than one-third of market value, the equalization factor will be greater than one 1.

A change in the equalization factor does not mean total property tax bills will increase or decrease.

Tax bills are determined by local taxing bodies when they request money each year to provide services to local citizens.

If the amount requested by local taxing districts is not greater than the amount received in the previous year, then total property taxes will not increase even if assessments increase.

The assessed value of an individual property determines what portion of the tax burden a specific taxpayer will assume. That individual's portion of tax responsibility is not changed by the multiplier.

If the three-year average level of assessment is one-third of the market value, the equalization factor will be 1.

If the average level of assessment is greater than one-third of market value, the equalization factor will be less than 1.

And if the average level

in project learning included Trystan Borders from Union County.

The virtual celebration debuted April 10 for families and friends. The winners' biographies are featured on the 4-H award website.

"This was a year that none of us could have imagined, and these young men and women did not allow even a global pandemic to get in the way of achieving their goals," says Lisa Diaz, University of Illinois Extension assistant dean and 4-H director.

"In fact, we saw the opposite; these 4-H youth pivoted, innovated and rose to the occasion in a way that surpassed any and all of our expectations."

Diaz says the young people showed 4-H's true spirit of service, dedication, and resilience throughout this past year.

"As new challenges presented themselves, they stepped up to rise to the occasion," Diaz says. "These awards celebrate hard work and goals being attained."

**Extension announces
twilight meeting event
at Flamm Orchards**

The Flamm family of Flamm Orchards near Cobden are teaming up with University of Illinois Extension to host the first of four twilight meetings at their farm on Monday, May 17, starting at 6 p.m.

University of Illinois Extension educators Bronwyn Aly, Nathan Johanning and Katie Bell have been partnering with area farmers over the past seven years to provide four evening "twilight meetings" to highlight and demonstrate diverse farming enterprises across Southern Illinois.

Anyone involved or interested in local food production or learning more about farms in the region is encouraged and invited to attend.

Flamm Orchards is located on Old Highway 51, halfway between Cobden and Makanda.

Flamm Orchards started in 1888 and now has members of the fifth and sixth generation active in the operation.

Leonhard and Theresa Flamm purchased the original 117 acres of land in 1888.

Since that time, the farm has slowly evolved from the 117 original acres into a 2,000-acre farm with around 1,000 acres in operation. They currently have 350 acres of peaches, 250 acres of apples, 10 acres of strawberries and around 200 acres of zucchini, squash and cucumbers in production.

In recent years, due to market demands, the farm

has been working to expand peach production.

Over the course of the evening, fifth generation family members Mike, Jeff and Alan Flamm will share their experiences growing plasticulture strawberries for over 20 years.

They will focus on production techniques as well as variety performance between the four cultivars they are currently growing.

They will also discuss how they retail market 10 acres of strawberries from the roadside stand located on the farm.

Organizers encourage anyone interested in learning more about strawberry plasticulture production and marketing in Southern Illinois to join them and capitalize on this on-farm learning and networking opportunity.

There is no cost to attend this in-person program, but preregistration is required, as capacity is limited to 50 participants to allow for social distancing.

"Please do not attend if you are experiencing flu-like symptoms," event organizers said in a news release.

Face masks will be required by those who attend and staff.

To register online, visit go.illinois.edu/2021TwilightSeries. To register by phone call 618-695-2441.

Those who need a reasonable accommodation to participate are asked to contact Bronwyn Aly at baly@illinois.edu. Early requests are strongly encouraged to allow sufficient time to meet needs.

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Sports

A-J outscores Elverado

The Anna-Jonesboro Community High School baseball team defeated Elverado and fell to Harrisburg in action last week.

Harrisburg 8, A-J 3: Luke Lasley was 2-for-4 at the plate to lead the visiting Wildcats in the loss Tuesday, April 27.

Dylan Harvel was 1-for-2 with an RBI. Hayden Ralls added an RBI.

Mason Watkins, Dylan Hartline and Trent Mason pitched in the loss. Watkins pitched 2 innings and allowed 7 hits to go with a walk and no strikeouts. Hartline pitched 2 innings and allowed 2 hits to go with 2 walks and a strikeout. Mason pitched 2 innings and allowed a hit to go with a walk and a strikeout.

A-J 13, Elverado 3: Gavin Osman was 2-for-2 with an RBI to lead the hitting for visiting A-J Monday, April 26.

Lasley was 2-for-4 with a triple and 2 RBIs. Harvel was 2-for-4 with a double and an RBI. Jake Merriman was 1-for-1 with 2 RBIs.

Brett Smith and Hartline were each 1-for-1. Kyle Jerrell was 1-for-2 with an RBI. Nick McGrath was 1-for-4.

Jerrell, Dylan Ahlberg and Ralls pitched in the win. Jerrell pitched 4 1/3 innings and allowed a hit to go with 5 walks and 7 strikeouts. Ahlberg pitched 2/3 of an inning and allowed no hits to go with no walks and a strikeout. Ralls pitched 2 innings and allowed 2 hits to go with a walk and 6 strikeouts.

A-J girls' soccer head coach looking to seniors for leadership this season

Anna-Jonesboro Community High School girls' soccer head coach Mark Boomer is looking to his seniors for leadership on the field this spring.

"We've got experience and some new freshmen coming in who have played soccer before," Boomer said. "Now, we've got to mix everything together."

The seniors are goal keeper/midfield/defense Evan Keller, forward/midfield Kiersten Wright, forward/midfield Kyleigh Matuszewicz, defense/midfield Karynna Carter, defense/midfield, Celi Aragon and defense Bailey Bible.

The freshmen Boomer is counting on are goalkeeper/midfield, Riley Cruse, midfield/forward Kaylee Hall, forward/midfield Payton Brust, forward/midfield/defense Lakelyn Carter and midfield/forward/defense Mallory Shipley.

Juniors on the roster are midfield/forward Karina Griffin, midfield/forward Ruby Lawrence, midfield/defense Joeley McHarry and midfield/defense Molly Siebert.

Sophomores are forward/midfield Madelynn Eastman and defense Emily Schultz and Addilyn Hadley.

Season Opener

Payton Brust scored a pair of goals to lead A-J to a season-opening 4-1 win

over host Pinckneyville Tuesday, April 27.

Evan Keller and Karynna Carter each had a goal apiece for the Lady Wildcats.

Kyleigh Matuszewicz had 2 assists and Karynna Carter added an assist.

Riley Cruse was the goal keeper and had 6 saves.

A-J defeats

Cobden in softball

Jenna Sadler was 2-for-3 with 3 RBIs at the plate to lead the host Anna-Jonesboro Community High School softball team to an 8-1 win over Cobden Friday, April 30.

Payton Seip was 2-for-4 with a home run and 3 RBIs for the Lady Wildcats. Avery Osman was 2-for-4 with a home run. Petey Foster and Shea Thorn were each 1-for-2 and Jadeyn Biggerstaff was 1-for-3.

Abigail Dahmer was the winning pitcher with a 3-hitter to go with no walks and 4 strikeouts.

Bianca Vicente was 1-for-3 with an RBI to lead the Lady Appleknockers. Karleigh Ellis and Emily White were each 1-for-3.

Ellis and Makenzie Howell pitched for Cobden combining for 2 strikeouts.

A-J, which improved to 2-1, is scheduled to play Friday at Pinckneyville.



The pitch

Cobden High School pitcher Karleigh Ellis delivers a pitch as infielders Emily White, left, and Tess Brummer, right, stand ready. Cobden took on Anna-Jonesboro Community High School in a softball game which was played Friday afternoon, April 30, on a diamond at Jonesboro Elementary School. Photo by Benjamin Marxer.

A-J track coach looking forward to start of season

Anna-Jonesboro Community High School boys' and girls' track coach Michael Eudy is looking forward to the season.

"All of the kids missed track season last year," Eudy said. "I'm glad we got a season and are able to compete."

The season was cancelled in 2020 because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The lone senior on the boys' track team is sprinter Juan Valencia.

The only two seniors on the girls' team are distance runner Julia Hall and distance runner/sprinter Anna Hess.

Juniors on the boys' team are distance/middle distance runner Beto Vaca Diez, shot put/discus throw-

ers Joey Sullivan and Keegan Keller, sprinters Lighton Mixen and Zach Stokes and middle distance runner Ethan Carver.

Junior girls are high jump/sprinter Ana Markovic, sprinter/hurdler Addison Denny and shot put/discus throwers Marlee Smith and Darcie McMahan.

Sophomore boys are middle distance Matte Vaca Diez and distance runner Yovani Carillo.

The sophomore girls include long jump/triple jump/sprinter Kylee Stover and sprinter Alexis Nekola.

The A-J girls compete Thursday, today, at Du Quoin. The A-J boys are scheduled to compete Thursday, May 13, at Murphysboro.

A-J's Denny sets record in 1600-meter run

In the first girls' high school track meet of the season at Murphysboro May 3, Anna-Jonesboro Community High School's Brodie Denny set a school record in the 1600-meter run.

Denny, a sophomore, won the 1600-meter run with a 5:41.9 finish to top A-J's Jackie Henard's 5:42.4 run in the event in 1998.

Denny also won the 800-meter run at Murphysboro with a 2:25.0 finish. A-J's Elizabeth Bell holds the school record in the 800-meter run with a 2:24.7 time.

Commentary

A-J spring football ends

By Mike Estel

The Anna-Jonesboro Community High School football team had a shortened season this spring because of having no season in the fall of 2020 because of the on going COVID-19 virus.

Instead of the usual nine-game regular season schedule, the Wildcats competed in only six games.

It looked bleak for A-J as it started off at 0-2 to two very good teams. But the Wildcats quickly bounced back for an impressive 6-0 win at Du Quoin and a thrilling 28-27 come-from-behind victory over a good Murphysboro squad on the road. Plus a 50-0 shutout win against Sparta

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team topped A-J in its final regular season game. The Wildcats have nothing to be ashamed of and finished .500 with a 3-3 mark.

What about the fall in 2021? Quarterback Carson Pengress will be missed on offense as well as defense, but will have a good replacement in junior Gavin Osman. He replaced Pengress at the quarterback slot when he was injured and will bring plenty of experience running the team from the quarterback slot.

Nathan Plott will be lost in the backfield to graduation, but a strong contingent of juniors in Barry Johnson, Nate Baggott, Zach Stokes, Matthew Wright and Josh Davis return as well as sophomore Caleb Mays.

Plenty of linemen prospects return in juniors Keegan Keller, Brad Glasco, Andrew Detering, Eli Pecord, Landon Cleghorn and Jude Smith and sophomore Liam Schroeder.

Linebackers returning are Mays and junior Bryan Lang.

The cupboard is not bare for the Wildcats in the fall of 2021.

And, if the injury bug hadn't hit the lower grades, the junior varsity might have finished better than its 1-5 mark.

The Wildcats could make some noise in the conference in the fall with the return of the nucleus of this spring's team.

Coach Ron planning to have book signing

Coach Ron's fifth book sales are to be held at the Rise Training Center in Anna May 23 honoring Coach Matt Denny's Anna Junior High Lady Indians, the Jonesboro Lady Bulldogs and the Lick Creek Lady Eagles.

The event will be held from 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, May 23. The state champion Jonesboro Lady Bulldogs cross country team and state champion cross country runner Jady Gerardi, as well as the runners from the Anna Junior High School Lady Indians and the Lick Creek Lady

Eagles will be available to autograph books.

The title of the book is "Cross County - No Halftimes, No Timeouts, No Substitutions."

The cross country coaches who assisted coach Denny are Jenny Schlenker Sadler, Josh Staples and Beth Miller.

The foreword was written by Cameron Wright the 1996 Olympic high jumper at the Atlanta Games in Atlanta, Ga.

The Rise Training Center is located across from the Strike Zone (Anna-Jonesboro) Bowling Alley.



Teammates greet A-J player at home after home run

Anna-Jonesboro's Abigail Dahmer was greeted at home after hitting a home run against Egyptian in high school softball action on Tuesday, April 27. A-J pounded out five home runs in an 18-1 win over visiting Egyptian. The game was played in Jonesboro. Dahmer led the Lady Wildcats at the plate by going 3-for-3 with the home run and 4 RBIs. Avery Osman was 2-for-2 with a pair of home runs and 2 RBIs. Petey Foster was 2-for-3 with an RBI. Payton Seip was 1-for-2 with a home run and 3 RBIs. Megan Wright was 1-for-2. Jenna Sadler was 1-for-4 with a home run and 3 RBIs. Dahmer was the winning pitcher, tossing a 3-hitter to go with 2 walks and 4 strikeouts.

Cobden softball team falls twice

The Cobden High School softball team lost a pair of games in recent action.

Trico 16, Cobden 3: Emily White was 2-for-3 with an RBI to lead the visiting Lady Appleknockers in the loss Tuesday, April 27.

Katelyn Shadowens was 1-for-1 with an RBI.

Makenzie Howell and Karleigh Ellis pitched in the loss, combining to give up 17 hits to go with a strikeout and 3 walks.

Massac County 18, Cobden 1: Howell, Shadowens and White were each 1-for-1 at the plate in the loss for visiting Cobden Monday, April 26.

Ellis and Emma Kilpatrick were each 1-for-2.

Ellis and Howell pitched in the loss, combining to give up 12 hits to go with 3 strikeouts.

Cobden is scheduled to play Thursday, today, at Meridian.

Massac tops

Appleknockers

Noah Franklin was 2-for-2 at the plate to lead the Cobden High School baseball team in a 9-2 loss to host Massac County Monday, April 26.

Dawson Short and John Fuhrhop were each 1-for-3 for the Appleknockers.

Brock Reynolds and Tyler Franklin pitched in the loss. Reynolds pitched 4 innings and allowed 7 hits to go with 3 walks and 2 strikeouts. Tyler Franklin pitched 2 innings and allowed 3 hits to go with 5 walks and no strikeouts.

Cobden is scheduled to play Thursday, today, at Meridian.

Three sustain gunshot wounds in McClure shooting incident

Three persons sustained gunshot wounds during an incident early Sunday morning, May 2, in McClure.

Illinois State Police Division of Criminal Investigation Zone 7 shared the following report about the incident:

On Sunday, May 2, at approximately 2:48 a.m. Illinois State Police, ISP, District 22 Troopers responded to a reported shooting at the Pink Pony night club.

Three individuals sustained gunshot wounds and

were transported to area hospitals.

Two of the victims were treated and released and the other remained in the hospital with a non-life-threatening injury.

If you have any information on the events that occurred, you can contact the ISP Division of Criminal Investigation, DCI, Zone 7 at 618-845-3740 (extension 281) or if you wish to remain anonymous you can contact Crimestoppers at 314-725-8477. The investigation is ongoing.

IDNR Conservation Police share boating safety tips

The Illinois Department of Natural Resources, IDNR, Conservation Police are reminding boat owners and operators to check their watercraft and their safety checklist to avoid encountering problems on Illinois lakes and rivers this boating season.

Some items on the Illinois boater safety checklist:

Coast Guard-approved life jackets/personal floatation devices, PFDs, for everyone onboard – and all persons un-

der age 13 must wear a PFD while a vessel is underway.

If the boat is 16 feet long, or longer, it must have a throwable floatation device (ring, cushion with straps) available.

A working fire extinguisher properly charged. A working horn and a whistle.

Navigation lights, which must function properly. Fresh flares (whether required or not).

Current proof of registration/copy of registration application (if required).

Last year, IDNR Conservation Police investigated 81 boating accidents involving 36 injuries and 21 fatalities.

Conservation Police issued 863 citations and more than 3,200 warnings to boaters and arrested more than 100 boaters on charges of operating under the influence.

April weather in region included cold, snowfall

Temperatures during April in Southern Illinois, Southeast Missouri and Western Kentucky finished near to slightly below normal.

The National Weather Service office in Paducah reported that as is common during the transition seasons, temperatures were up and down throughout the month.

Cold Start to Month

After a cold first couple of days to the month, above normal temperatures were commonplace from the 4th through the 13th.

After this, a prolonged period of below normal temperatures was experienced from the 15th through the 25th.

This included record lows in the upper 20s to mid-30s occurring April 20-22.

These abnormally cold temperatures allowed a rare late season snow to fall on April 20 across the region.

Paducah received 0.6 of an inch of snow, which became the latest measurable snow on record dating back to 1937.

Temperatures warmed up again during the final week of the month, with temperatures climbing back into the 70s and low 80s.

Precipitation Varied

Precipitation varied across the region, essentially split in half between drier and wetter than normal.

Most of Southeast Missouri, far Southern Illinois and far Western Kentucky finished wetter than normal.

Meanwhile, a large part of Southern Illinois into southwest Indiana and the Pennyryle region of west Kentucky ended drier than normal.

Some locations from Shawneetown east into the Henderson, Evansville and Santa Claus, Ind., areas received amounts ranging from 2 to 3 inches.

On the flip side, there were some locations in Southeast Missouri and far Western Kentucky that picked up over 6 inches of rain.

Severe Weather

It was another quieter than normal month for severe thunderstorms in the region.

There were 15 combined severe thunderstorm and tornado warnings issued. This is well below the average number for April of 58 warnings.

This brought the total count of combined severe thunderstorm and tornado warnings to 23 since Jan. 1.

This was the region's lowest total of warnings issued in the first four months of the year since back in 1995. Only 20 warnings were issued from Jan. 1 to April 30 of that year.

For comparison, the average number of warnings issued through May 1 is around 108.

Each of the past 16 years dating back to 2005, the National Weather Service office in Paducah had issued at least 62 warnings up to this point.

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McDonald's pays tribute to area's teachers

Local McDonald's restaurants are celebrating the area's teachers by offering a free beverage of choice in the drive thru.

The promotion began May 3 and continues through May 14.

Participating McDonald's in the Southern Illinois area include those in Anna, Carbondale and Vienna.

National Teacher Appreciation Day was May 4.

Local McDonald's organizations thought it was important to extend the celebration of teachers beyond just one day.

Local McDonald's owner/operator Brad Short says that supporting teachers is always a top priority.

"McDonald's has a long history of recognizing teachers as a key part of children's lives," Short said in a news release.

"This is just one way we can say thank you for their hard work, dedication, and commitment during such a challenging school year."

McDonald's is extending the offer of thanks to local educators in the drive thru only.

To redeem the beverage, teachers must show a valid educator ID when ordering. No purchase is necessary.

Hours may vary by location. The offer is valid at participating locations while supplies last.

National Nurses Week May 6-12

National Skilled Nursing Care Week May 9-15

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As of 1998, May 8 was designated as National Student Nurses Day, to be celebrated annually. As of 2003, National School Nurse Day is celebrated on the Wednesday within National Nurses Week (May 6-12) each year. International Nurses Day is celebrated around the world on May 12th of each year.

The theme for National Nurses Week in 2021 is *Nurses, a Voice to Lead, a Vision for Future Healthcare.*

Nurses Week 2021 and the Year to Come

Given everything this year has thrown at nurses and other healthcare workers in the form of the COVID-19 pandemic, there isn't a better or more appropriate time to focus on recognizing, appreciating, and investing in our incredible nurses across the globe serving on the front lines. While it makes sense, and is of course appropriate, to single out a particular week to give thanks to nurses, it should by no means stop there; after all, nurses work around the clock 52 weeks a year.

Especially now, nurses are more deserving than ever of our support, respect, and appreciation. That's why we want to make Nurses Week 2021 another one to remember (and better than Nurses Week 2020), for all nurses stationed on the frontlines of health care. We'll talk more about Nurses Week 2021 and this year's celebration in the coming weeks, but for now, let's take a look at the history of Nurses Week.

With multiple vaccines now approved and in the early stages of dissemination, hope is looming on the horizon. Yes, we must keep pushing forward until we reach some semblance of normalcy, but it's close... and getting closer by the day.

It's finally the new year, and that means most of us are setting our intentions for the months to come. And for 2021, we invite you to set the intention of spending more time caring for you.

If 2020 taught us anything, it's that we are human and have our own limits to what we can withstand before experiencing dreaded nurse burnout. As nurses, we care for everyone around us, often neglecting our own needs; and frankly, the culture that glamorizes overworking ourselves needs to change.

Nurses are incredible, and they are the core of the healthcare system. We are proud to do our part by connecting them with roles in which they can, and do, pursue in order to improve and save lives. However, it's not at no cost to them, and for that, there can never be enough thanks. Article taken from the trustedhealth.com website.

The theme for National Skilled Nursing Care Week (NSNCW) 2021 is "*Together Through the Seasons.*" NSNCW will take place May 9-15, 2021, and the theme will honor the collaborative commitment of skilled nursing care facilities and their staff in providing compassionate care to their residents during this unprecedented time.

Over the past year, despite the challenges of the pandemic, skilled care centers and their staff have shown an incredible and steadfast commitment to providing quality care and ensuring the safety of their residents.

National Skilled Nursing Care Week 2021 will focus on this collective effort and the amazing strength and dedication of those who work tirelessly every day to care for and protect frail, elderly, and disabled adults in long term care. With each new season comes new beginnings, new strategies, and new information. Together we will get through this and together we will begin to heal.

About National Skilled Nursing Care Week

Established by the American Health Care Association (AHCA) in 1967, National Skilled Nursing Care Week[®] (NSNCW) recognizes the essential role of skilled nursing care centers in caring for America's frail, elderly, and disabled. The week starts each year on Mother's Day and is celebrated through the following Saturday.

NSNCW is a time to recognize residents, their special relationships with staff, and the family members that all make up your unique and wonderful communities. To help you celebrate, AHCA provides a theme each year along with graphics, suggested activities, and specially designed products around this theme. In the weeks leading up to NSNCW, centers are encouraged to plan special events for staff, residents and families. During the week, we encourage you to share your NSNCW activity ideas, photos, videos, and messages via Facebook and Twitter using #NSNCW.

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National Hospital Week, established in 1953 and celebrated this year from May 9 through May 15, honors the dedication of all the men and women who deliver and support the care provided in hospitals. The dates overlap those for Nurses Week (May 6 to 12 this year) and were chosen to coincide with Florence Nightingale's birthday in recognition of her efforts to revolutionize the way hospitals were run in the United States. Although much has changed in healthcare since the mid-to late-1800s when Nightingale cared for patients, one thing has remained constant: hospitals are foundations of their communities, nurturing and

caring for individuals from all walks of life.

Union County Hospital is proud to serve Anna-Jonesboro and the surrounding communities with the most-needed, quality clinical services. Jim Farris, CEO of UCH, shared some of the hospital's achievements over the past several years. "The employees at Union County Hospital continually work together to expand their training and skills so they can provide better patient care. An example of this training is demonstrated by our designation as an Emergent Stroke Ready Hospital." Farris added, "Over the years, the hospital has seen physical improvements to the facility, expanded the services it can offer patients, and a shift in focus for the employees to create and sustain a highly reliable, safe and exceptional experience for everyone coming into our hospital. Our employees demonstrate this commitment by providing quality and compassionate care to the patients

they treat every day."

Hospitals are significant contributors to the communities they serve. In addition to providing vital health care services, hospitals are also major employers in the community. According to the American Hospital Association, hospitals serve as economic anchors in their communities by directly employing nearly 6 million people. The economic contribution of hospitals is also felt throughout the economy - hospital spending supported 16.5 million U.S. jobs and almost \$3 trillion in economic activity in 2016. This Hospital Week, Union County Hospital is pleased to recognize our employees and other healthcare providers for their ongoing commitment to the community and thank them for tireless dedication to the well-being of our neighbors.

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Florence Nightingale Pledge

The Nightingale Pledge, named in honour of Florence Nightingale, is a modified version of the Hippocratic Oath. Lystra Greter and a Committee for the Farrand Training School Grace for Nurses in Detroit, Michigan created the pledge in 1893. Greter, inspired by the work of Nightingale, the founder of modern nursing, credited the pledge to the work of her committee, but was herself considered "the moving spirit behind the idea" for the pledge.[1][2]

The Nightingale Pledge is a statement of the ethics and principles of the nursing profession in the United States, and it is not used outside the US. It included a vow to "abstain from whatever is deleterious and mischievous" and to "zealously seek to nurse those who are ill wherever they may be and whenever they are in need." In a 1935 revision to the pledge, Greter widened the role of the nurse by including an oath to become a "missioner of health" dedicated to the advancement of "human welfare"—an expansion of nurses' bedside focus to an approach that encompassed public health.[1]

US nurses have recited the pledge at pinning ceremonies for decades. In recent years, many US nursing schools have made changes to the original or 1935 versions, often removing the "loyalty to physicians" phrasing to promote a more independent nursing profession, with its own particular ethical standards

Original "Florence Nightingale Pledge"

I solemnly pledge myself before God and in the presence of this assembly to pass my life in purity and to practise my profession faithfully.

I shall abstain from whatever is deleterious and mischievous, and shall not take or knowingly administer any harmful drug.

I shall do all in my power to maintain and elevate the standard of my profession and will hold in confidence

all personal matters committed to my keeping and all family affairs coming to my knowledge in the practice of my calling.

I shall be loyal to my work and devoted towards the welfare of those committed to my care.

1935 revised version

I solemnly pledge myself before God and in the presence of this assembly to pass my life in purity and to practise my profession faithfully.

I will abstain from whatever is deleterious and mischievous, and will not take or knowingly administer any harmful drug.

I will do all in my power to maintain and elevate the standard of my profession and will hold in confidence all personal matters committed to my keeping and all family affairs coming to my knowledge in the practice of my calling.

With loyalty will I aid the physician in his work, and as a missioner of health, I will dedicate myself to devoted service for human welfare.

"Practical Nurse Pledge", a modern version

based on the "Nightingale Pledge"

Before God and those assembled here, I solemnly pledge;

To adhere to the code of ethics of the nursing profession;

To co-operate faithfully with the other members of the nursing team and to carryout [sic] faithfully and to the best of my ability the instructions of the physician or the nurse who may be assigned to supervise my work;

I will not do anything evil or malicious and I will not knowingly give any harmful drug or assist in malpractice.

I will not reveal any confidential information that may come to my knowledge in the course of my work.

And I pledge myself to do all in my power to raise the standards and prestige of the practical nursing;

May my life be devoted to service and to the high ideals of the nursing profession.

(Source: American Association of Nurse Anesthetists and Wikipedia)

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Anna News

By Martha Ann Webb

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Mother's Day

Wishing all you wonderful mothers and everyone who has been like a mother to someone a very blessed Mother's Day.

A-J Prom Queen

Congratulations to Julia Hall, A-JCHS prom queen.

Florida Trip

Jean Koch, Julie Agne Peterson, Debbie McKinney, Tracey Page Smith, Lisa Tomazzoli and Emily Boyd Beanland have

returned from a trip to Ft. Myers and rode jet skis with dolphins. This is an annual trip the friends take every year since they graduated in 1982.

Birthday Trip

Jane Bauer and Shirley West enjoyed a trip to Arthur. Jane Bauer was honored there for her birthday by her family, nephew Chuck Anderson of Schererville, Ind.; his daughter Claire Chadwick, her

daughters Lillian and Olivia of Portage, Ind. They all ate lunch at Yoder's buffet. The group had a great day.

13th Birthday

Blake Dillow celebrated his birthday April 26. He was honored with a birthday dinner and party at the home of his grandparents Judy and Mike Stegle with family and friends.

85th Birthday Celebration

Grandma Dot Mitchell celebrated her 85th birthday April 1. Two grandsons Jason and Dennis from St. Louis took Dorothy out to eat that weekend. Debbie Ayers, Brandy Shelton, Sharon Gibbson and Dolton Dixon also went.

Dolton Dixon had also celebrated his 8th birthday March 25, so his birthday was celebrated too. They went to Cordavino's in Metropolis Black Rock Grill. They all had a good time.

Celebrating Graduation

May 1, grandma Dot Mitchell two grandsons Jason and Dennis from St. Louis visited. They were celebrating Dennis Ogdson's graduation April 26 for his doctrine from business management administration. He holds an MBA and a BS in business administration. He lives in Warrenton, Mo., with his spouse Jason. Jason is a native of Jonesboro.

They had Dixie BBQ, Strawberry Delight. Debbie and Mike Ayers brought an angel food cake from Davis Pastry. Brandy Shelton, Sharon Gibbson, and Dalton Dixon helped celebrate.

Annabelle Festival

June 11-12 and lots of

details to be coming. Diamond Dog playing on Saturday evening the 12th and there will be music on Friday evening too with a fish fry at the Kiwanis building. All the stores in Anna will be included in this. Music up town on both nights also.

Ultimate Cheer

Three cheer teams from Ultimate Cheer won bids to compete in two national competitions in Orlando, Fla. The Youth Level Team Silver Storm, the Junior Level 1 team Green Lightning and the Junior Level 2 team Blue Thunder.

These teams earned their bids to the competitions in Orlando by placing 1st in their divisions in several regional competitions. The Junior Level 1 team Green Lightning also won CheerMax Nationals in Cincinnati, Ohio, where they won a cash prize and jackets and the Junior Level 2 team won the U.S. Finals in Louisville, Ky., where they also won jackets. It's very exciting.

They competed in Orlando May 4 at Universal Studios at The Open Cheer Competition April 30-May 2 and the All Star Youth World's Competition May 3-4. Thanks to Shelly Pearman for the news about the teams.

Birthday Dinner

Sharon Dillow took her grandson Blake out for a birthday dinner last Friday.

Honor Wreaths for Veterans

A special thanks to Crain Funeral Home for 1 wreath in memorial of Mancil Kiestler and 2 for veterans that do not have anyone to buy



Through a suggestion by Stacie Barger, wife of Kiwanis member Pete Barger, the Kiwanis purchased new baby swings for the Anna City Park. With many thanks to Gary Dahmer and his crew for the installation, the suggestion became reality. Pictured are Steve Hartline, mayor; Gary Dahmer, public works manager; Eric Massey, Kiwanis; Randy Kinder, Kiwanis president; Dori Bigler, Anna city administrator; and Martha Ann Webb, Anna city commissioner.

Anna Moose Lodge first responders meal

Monday, April 19, the Anna Moose Lodge hosted a free meal for all Union County first responders as well as any Illinois State Police throughout the county. A hearty meal of pork steak, all the fixings and homemade desserts was served to about 50 attendees.



Tommy Moose plush were presented to the first responders. These plush animals are part of a program through the Illinois Moose Association. The Tommy Moose program aids in helping children overcome fears and anxiety during times of stress. Pictured with Tommy Moose are Chris Clark, Anna Volunteer Fire and Rescue; Mark Duckworth, Dongola Fire and Rescue; Jon Schaefer, Jonesboro Fire and Rescue; and Tim Merriman, Illinois State Police.



Anna Police Chief Bryan Watkins and crew.



Larry Joe Quertermous.



A host of other volunteers.



Becki Stone serving and making sure their guests went home with extra meals.



Throughout the month of March into April, the Ladies of the Moose sold raffle tickets for a quilt that was made in part by Marie Newberry, Mary Jones and Sue Zimmerman. The quilt was then donated to the Ladies of the Moose by Audrey Davis and Karen Sperry. Quilts are very popular, with this one holding a special place in the hearts of many. Funds raised will go directly to community service projects. The lucky winner was Bob Martin, with the Pinckneyville Moose Lodge. He was excited to receive the call that he had won, so a special delivery was made by Tina Dudley, recorder, Ladies of the Moose, Chapter 1181, and Quinn Edwards, Anna Moose Lodge 1346 member. Thank you to all who bought, sold and donated to this wonderful project.



Anna Moose Lodge 1346, along with the Ladies of the Moose Anna Chapter 1181, delivered much needed items to the Illinois Veterans Home in Anna. Twenty electric razors, along with a variety of household and hygiene items, were donated. The ladies were very grateful to receive the items. The lodge/chapter has been collecting throughout March and April, with both the men and the ladies donating the razors. Pictured are Danny Gibbons, administrator of Anna Moose Lodge 1346, and Beverly Gibbons, secretary of Ladies of the Moose Chapter 1181, alongside staff at the home. Quinn Edwards is not pictured.



Jean Koch, Julie Agne Peterson, Debbie McKinney, Tracey Page Smith, Lisa Tomazzoli and Emily Boyd Beanland enjoyed a trip to Florida.

for them for our December ceremony in our Anna Cemetery.

Anna Heights Baptist Church

May birthdays: 4 Letha Arnold, Justin Ralls, Dawn Roach, 5 Keyera Keck, Sue Lingle, 6 Dewayne Eaker, Jane Yates, 7 Jacob Ellis, Mike McLane, Jack Poole, 8 Alma Gomez, Sondra Holshouser, Connie Merriman, Ann Pace, 12 Raelyn Beggs, Max Nance, Bryce Sullivan, Trystan Sullivan.

Anniversaries: 12 Jackie and Joyce Poole, 14 Robin and Kathy Pengress.

Attendance for April 25: 8 a.m. service 84, 10:30 a.m. service 137. Small group Bible study 211. Evening worship 41.

Family Night Out is Saturday, May 8, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., in the FLC, sponsored by the Early Learning Center, spaghetti dinner and music by Wings on Eagles \$5 per person.

Momma Lou's Crafter will meet Thursday, May 27, at 6:30 p.m. This month's project is a reverse canvas cross. Sign up by May 16.

Operation Christmas Child collection for May is girls socks.

Anna Heights will be distributing food boxes on Saturday, May 8, from 8 a.m. to noon in the Family Life Center.

Pastor Darryl Williams continued his sermon series Godly Training, 1 Timothy, this week Godly Nutrition.

Loving Anna

A special thanks to Darryl Park for responding to the pictures I had in my Anna news. The one of John and Tracee Foley's home he said his sister Diane was married in Miss



Barbara House with crafts the Bazaar Ladies made for the United Methodist Church Anna craft and garden sale Saturday, May 8, 8 a.m. to noon. All money raised will go toward church projects.

Ayers home. He had been scanning her wedding pictures so added the home as it looks now to the wedding pictures.

The pictures of Anna Darryl said he was also curious of the date and asked if anyone ever commented on when the pictures were taken. I'm sad to say they have not but I still have hope they will.

He was able to look at the Main Street picture better and noticed four buildings that can give a clue to the date of the picture.

First: you can see the parking lot for the State Bank, so that means it was after about 1972. He had completely forgotten that there was a drive-up bank across from the National Bank. So good question when was it torn down?

Also, all the buildings are still along the street across from Whiting's house and next to the Presbyterian Church, next to that little parking lot. When were those buildings torn down?

Next, there was a brick house across the alley from the Presbyterian church between where Charter Bank is and the church. That house is still standing in this picture. When was it torn down and the bank built?

And most obvious: when was the gas station at the 4-way stop torn down, the station across the highway from the State Bank. Darryl is supposing most of these buildings disappeared in the 1970s. Thanks so much for



Jeanne Brumleve with her beautiful flowers the first week of Anna's farmers market. The farmers market will be on East Davie Street every Tuesday starting at 6:30 a.m. to noon.



Terrie Rhymer shopped at the first week of the farmers market in Anna. Terrie is at the booth Country Kitchen with Cindy Hostetter and Sissy Diller.



David Waun was at the first farmers market in Anna with his Dave's Bagels.



First week of Anna's farmers market on East Davie Street. Nadine Murray of Alto Pass with her crafts.

sharing this Darryl.

Gospel Singing

David Isom will be singing on Thursday night, May 6, 7 p.m. at the Park Avenue Baptist Church at the West Kentucky Gospel Music Association in Paducah. It's a three night convention with about two hours of singing each night.

Red Hat Meeting

Little Egypt Red Hat Ladies will meet May 19



Anna city administrator Dori Bigler spoke at the Anna City Park Arbor Day at the planting of the trees. This is our first Arbor Day since the City of Anna being designated a Tree City USA. The city plans to plant a tree each year on Arbor Day for the graduating class. The trees will be part of our tree identification course.

at 11 a.m. at El Jalapeno. The theme will be spring hosted by Kay Johnson. Everyone welcome to come join them. Bring an exchange gift if you would like to be included in the gift exchange.

Birthdays

April 26 Beverly Schaefer, Darla Blanchett, 28 Jim Nash, May 1 Tiffany Busby.

Birthday Celebration

Joanne Dale will be honored on her 90th birthday at The Kitchen on Lafayette with a party given by her family. Yummy desserts and cake will be served. Saturday, May 15, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Free Swim Day

A free swim day is planned at the Anna swimming pool Saturday, June 12, starting at 1 p.m.

Anna-Jo Garden Club Meeting

The club will meet at the Family Life Center at the United Methodist Church Anna on May 11 at 1 p.m.

Garden Club Dedication Anna-Jo Park

There will be an evening garden walk May 20 at the Anna-Jo Garden Club Park next to McDonald's starting



Arborist Tom Caldwell of the Anna-Jo Garden Club helped establish Anna as a Tree City USA through the National Arbor Foundation. He planted the city white oak and garden club silky dogwood. Oak was provided by Tabor Nursery. Dogwood provided by Plank Hill Farms (Tom).

at 5:30 p.m. with a dedication of the Linda Clutts memorial. The Back Porch Group will be singing and playing music. Garden walk from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Arbor Day

Members of the Anna-Jo Garden Club met for a picture at the Anna City Park and watched arborist Tom Caldwell of the garden club plant the silky dogwood tree provided by Plank Hill Farms, Tom and Nancy Caldwell.

They also gathered for a picture of the planting of the oak tree provided by Tabor Nursery in honor of the A-JCHS class of 2020. This was the first year the city dedicated a tree to the graduating class and next month they will plant another tree for the A-JCHS class of 2021 and will dedicate a tree to each class after that. Thanks to arborist Tom Caldwell for planting these trees.

Open House

Union County Housing Authority is having an open house Friday, May 7, 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at 100 Walnut St., Cobden.

Maybe you're local and

have always wondered what one of our three bedroom apartments look like. Stop by and take a peek and meet our staff.

Refreshments will be served. I heard it might be pink iced cookies. Applications will be available on-site for anyone interested in applying for housing in any of our many developments. Call the office for more information: 833-5129.

United Methodist Church, Anna

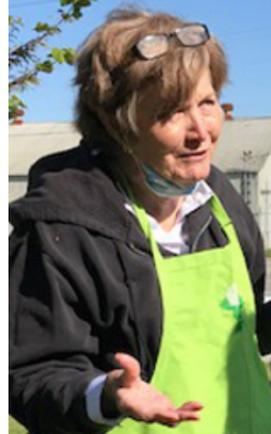
The fifth Sunday of Easter. Rev. Tim Gossett's sermon was you are more than a number to God with scripture from Acts about Philip and the Ethiopian eunuch. Holy communion was taken.

Special music was by the bell choir. Children's moment was on how God is our protector.

Loaves and Fishes will be Tuesday, May 18, from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. At the April distribution, they served 75 adult bags and 46 especially prepared children's packages. They did a children's to-go hot breakfast and food distribution.



Peggy Ferguson collected the money at the Anna-Jo Garden Club plant sale Saturday, May 1.



Susan Prestia, secretary of the Anna-Jo Garden Club, at the plant sale Saturday.



Jane Bauer celebrated her birthday in Arthur with her family and friend Shirley West, Jane's nephew Chuck Anderson, of Schererville, Ind., his daughter Claire Chadwick, her daughters Lilliana and Olivia of Portage, Ind. Jane's birthday was May 3.



Welcome new business Scherer Wood Arts inside Annabelle Market. Jim and Diana Scherer are the owners. Jim makes bent wood boxes and primitive designs. Primitive artists makers of heirloom gifts.



Becky Enhart, Ruby Parker, Nancy Ragain and Tina Trammel enjoyed attending the Azalea Dogwood Festival in Charleston, Mo.

Craft, Plant Sale

May 8 there will be a plant sale and crafts from 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the United Methodist Church Anna. There will be plants for landscaping, perennials, bushes, houseplants, and more right from their garden.

The Bazaar Ladies have been working hard all year to have beautiful crafts to sell. Everything they make goes back to helping our community.

Annabelle Trail

I am so excited about the Annabelle Trail being added to our Annabelle Festival this year. It will be a drive through in your cars with a map you can pick up.

Hopefully Beth and Doug Hileman will be able to drive their horse drawn wagon and give tours of part of the Annabelle Trail because Beth's mother Barbara Bauer is the whole reason I got the Annabelle Trail started. If this doesn't work out for this year it is always something for a

future year.

It was Barbara's dream years ago for everyone in Anna to have an Annabelle planted in their yard so maybe some day this can come true.

Barbara has really been an inspiration to me in my life. I lost my mother when I was 16. I think how bless-



Martha Ann Webb welcomed new member Lis Carson to the Anna-Jo Garden Club. Lis joined the club at the plant sale Saturday.



Tasha Bittle-Faire and Bessie Mae Ellis at Annabelle Market in beautiful down town Anna.



Susan Sherwin welcomed Ariel Stewart and children Joanzetta, Jasper, Jozlyn and Jetta from Vienna to the Anna-Jo Garden Club plant sale Saturday.



Bonnie Williams and her granddaughters Jayci and Kadence Poe bought an Annabelle plant to plant in Bonnie's yard for the Annabelle Trail in Anna at the Anna-Jo Garden Club sale Saturday.



Dori Bigler, Anna city administrator, and her son Jack with Sharon Dillow, member of the Anna-Jo Garden Club last Saturday in Anna at the Anna-Jo Garden Club plant sale. The Annabelle plants sold out but there will be more June 11-12 at Annabelle Festival. Thanks to everyone who came.



Kay Mowery's mother Pauline Vick celebrated her 94th birthday Thursday, April 29.



David Ray celebrated his 70th birthday April 27 with family and friends.



Thanks City of Anna for the white oak tree in honor of A-JCHS class of 2020 on Arbor Day: Gary Dahmer, Anna city public works manager; Elijah Ellis representing the A-JCHS class of 2020; arborist Tom Caldwell.

IDOT welcomes public input about improvements on state Route 146 in Johnson County

The Illinois Department of Transportation, IDOT, is inviting the public to learn more and comment about proposed improvements to Illinois Route 146, from U.S. Route 45 to west of Interstate 24 located in Vienna, in Johnson County.

Instead of hosting a regular public meeting, IDOT plans to share details about the project and encourage public participation through a new website, www.idot.illinois.gov/projects/IL-146-Widening. The public can participate through May 17.

IDOT has identified an improvement to widen and resurface Illinois Route 146 from the Vienna City Park east to a new roundabout at the intersection of Red Bud Lane/Old Metropolis Road.

Funding for the project is included in the Rebuild Illinois capital plan.

The widening and resurfacing project is expected to be underway during the 2023 construction season.

At www.idot.illinois.gov/projects/IL-146-Widening, the public can view aerial photography with proposed improvements, a simulation of the roundabout, proposed typical sections, a safety overview and comment online.

Physical copies of the project materials will be on display at Vienna City Hall, which is located at 205 N. Fourth St.

All comments received by May 21 will become part of the official public meeting record, IDOT noted.

Written comments not submitted via the website are to be sent to:

Illinois Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 100, Carbondale, Ill. 62903, Attn: Keith Roberts, IDOT Acting Region 5 Engineer.

People without internet access can contact IDOT District 9's program development engineer Carrie Nelsen by phone at 618-549-3507, extension 280, for more information about the project.

ed Beth is to have Barbara all these years.

People who have their mothers this many years are so blessed. As we think of our mother this Mother's Day whether they are still alive or in Heaven may we always honor and respect them.

Even though I had my mother only 16 years she taught me to always put God first in my life and

every thing else would fall in place.

Another dream I have for the Annabelle Trail is to make a book some day to have people's pictures in it by their Annabelle plants so if you get a picture by your Annabelle plants please send them to me. I would really appreciate it. Can't wait to see all the beautiful Annabelles.

National Day of Prayer May 6. 7 p.m. at our Anna City Park.

Blessing of the Jeeps May 15 at the Bald Knob

Cross.
Blessing of the Bikes Sunday, May 23, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Bald Knob Cross.

Military Prayer List
Blake Mays, Trace Faire, John Michael Brimm, Kaleb Meier, Nathaniel Moss, Derek Nelson, Nick Pearson, Nate Frankell, Alex Gratz, Reagan Morrison, Garrett Goins, James McWhorter, Jennifer Ann Bishop, Arin Whitemountain, Katelynn Williams,

Lindsey Keene, Jerod Schaefer, Creighton Laster, Josh Steveson, Josh Williams, Jim Bonner, Nick Harvel, Nona Elizabeth Luke, Lucas J. Strickland, William Nathaniel Frankell, Ethan Maze, Tanner Anderson, Hayden Young, Kiefer Stull, Davis Jordan Glasco, Ryan Hampton, Brittany Michelle Lence, Brittany Jesse, Molly Noyes, C.J. Youngerman, Freddy Morse and wife Megan in Alaska.

Television Listings

THURSDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local	Local Programs	SportsCenter (HD)	Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	"Movie"	The Nevers (HD)	"In Good Company"	"The Nest"
7 PM :30	Station 19 (HD)	Young The United	Name That Tune (HD)	Manifest (HD)	ESPN Original Documentaries (T)	Bang (HD)	Chrisley	Chrisley	"The Kingdom" Hunt for terrorist.	*** "Raising Arizona" ('87) (HD)	"Mid90s" ('18) Skateboarders. (R)
8 PM :30	Grey's Anatomy (HD)	(:01) Mom	Man (HD)	Manifest (HD)	ESPN Original Documentaries	Go-Big Show	Chrisley	Raven	Mare of Easttown	(:35) "Weird Science" ('85) (HD)	(:15) "Sh*thouse" ('20, Drama) College party.
9 PM :30	(:01) Rebel (HD)	Clarice "Add-a-Beard"	Local Programs Local info.	Law & Order: SVU	ESPN Original Documentaries	(:02) Go-Big Show	(:28) Chrisley Knows Best Millionaire family. (HD)	Big City	Sketch	*** "The Dark Half" ('93) Suspect in murders.	DESIUS & City on a Hill (HD)
10 PM :30	Local	Local	(:35) Late Show (HD)	Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan	Go-Big Show	BUNK'D	"Beverly Hills Cop" ('84) Detroit cop in L.A.	*** "The Dark Half" ('93) Suspect in murders.	DESIUS & City on a Hill (HD)
11 PM :30	Nightline	Corden	Local Programs	Late Night	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan	Chrisley	Raven	Chrisley	Raven	DESIUS &

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FRIDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	NBA (Live)	Seinfeld	Chicago P.D. (HD)	Raven	(:10) The Nevers (HD)	(5:27) "Rambo" ('08)	"The Longest Yard" ('05) Prison competition.
7 PM :30	Shark Tank (HD)	MacGyver (HD)	WWE Friday Night SmackDown (Live) (HD)	The Blacklist (HD)	NBA Basketball Boston Celtics at Chicago Bulls (Live)	"Movie"	Chicago P.D. (HD)	Raven	"The Watch" ('12) Ben Stiller. Alien invasion.	"The Invisible Man" ('20) A controlling man.	Bellator MMA "258: Archuleta vs. Pettis" (Live) (HD)
8 PM :30	(:01) 20/20 Investigative news. (HD)	Magnum P.I. (HD)	Blue Bloods (HD)	Dateline NBC (HD)	NBA Basketball Denver Nuggets at Utah Jazz (Live) (HD)	"Movie"	Chicago P.D. (HD)	Raven	Real Time Maher (HD)	"Doctor Sleep" ('19) A young girl with psychic powers. (R)	City on a Hill (HD)
9 PM :30	Local	Local	Local Programs Local info.	Local	Local	Local	Chicago P.D. (HD)	Raven	Sketch	Real Time Maher (HD)	City on a Hill (HD)
10 PM :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(:35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(:35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Chicago P.D. (HD)	Chicago P.D. (HD)	Sydney	Roll (HD)	Roll (HD)	Sketch
11 PM :30	Nightline	Corden	Local Programs	Late Night	SC (HD)	"Movie"	Chicago P.D. (HD)	Roll (HD)	Roll (HD)	Sketch	"Queen"

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SATURDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	(5:30) Local Programs	Local Programs	Local	Local Programs	MLS Soccer (Live)	(4:00) "Movie"	(4:06) "Movie"	Miraculous Miraculous	(4:40) "Hobbs" ('19)	*** "A Good Day" ('13)	City on a Hill (HD)
7 PM :30	VAX LIVE: (HD)	VAX LIVE: (HD)	MLS Soccer Los Angeles FC vs Los Angeles	Dateline NBC (HD)	UFC Fight Night "T.J. Dillashaw vs. Cory Sandhagen" (Live)	Bang (HD)	Bang (HD)	Big City	*** "Greenland" ('20, Thriller) A comet. (HD)	"Unleashed" ('05) Human animal.	"Django Unchained" ('12) A slave sets out to rescue his wife. (HD)
8 PM :30	American Idol "416 (Disney Night)" (HD)	48 Hours (HD)	48 Hours (HD)	Dateline NBC (HD)	Sat. Night Live (HD)	Bang (HD)	(:05) "Movie"	Big City	Big City	"Gangs of New York" ('02) Leonardo DiCaprio. Street gang revenge.	City on a Hill (HD)
9 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs Local info.	VAX LIVE: (HD)	Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Bang (HD)	(:06) "Movie"	BUNK'D	Mare of Easttown	"King Arthur" ('17)	DESIUS & City on a Hill (HD)
10 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local Programs	Sat. Night Live Sketch comedy.	SportsCenter (HD)	Wipeout	Wipeout	Jessie	"King Arthur" ('17)	"Boome"	"Art War"
11 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local Programs	Sat. Night Live Sketch comedy.	SportsCenter (HD)	Wipeout	Wipeout	Jessie	"King Arthur" ('17)	"Boome"	"Art War"

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SUNDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Videos (HD)	60 Minutes (HD)	Simpsons The Harts	American Ninja Warrior: Contestants compete.	MLB Baseball Philadelphia Phillies at Atlanta Braves (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD)	Organized Crime (HD)	Raven	(5:56) "Greenland" ('20, Thriller) A comet. (HD)	"The Warrior's Way"	The Chi (HD)
7 PM :30	American Idol "417 (Mother's Day)" (HD)	The Equalizer (HD)	Simpsons North (HD)	Zoey's Extraordinary	SportsCenter (HD)	Bang (HD)	Organized Crime (HD)	Jessie	"Hanged"	*** "Dying of the Light" ('14) (HD)	City on a Hill (HD)
8 PM :30	NCIS: L. A. (HD)	Burgers	Fam Guy	Good Girls (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Bang (HD)	Organized Crime (HD)	Jessie	Mare of Easttown	(:35) "Richard Jewell" ('19) A security guard.	City on a Hill (HD)
9 PM :30	The Rookie Drug war.	NCIS: New Orleans	Local Programs Local info.	Local Programs Local info.	SportsCenter (HD)	Chad	Law & Order: SVU	Jessie	Oliver	"Hackers" Computer wiz framed.	Couples
10 PM :30	Local Programs Local info.	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local Programs	SportsCenter (HD)	Chad	Law & Order: SVU	Jessie	The Nevers "Hanged"	"Conspirator" ('11)	City on a Hill (HD)
11 PM :30	(:35) Local	Local	Local	Late Night	Sports	"A Star Is"	Law & Order: SVU	Jessie	(:35) Mare	"Conspirator" ('11)	ZIWE

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MONDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local	Local Programs	SportsCenter (HD)	Fam Guy	Chicago P.D. (HD)	"Movie"	"King Arthur: Legend of the Sword" ('17)	*** "Belly" ('98) DMX.	"The Hurt Locker"
7 PM :30	Dancing with the Stars Ballroom dancing.	Neighbor. Bob Hearts	9-1-1 "Treasure Hunt"	The Voice "Live Top 17 Performances" (HD)	MLB Baseball Los Angeles Angels at Houston Astros (Live) (HD)	Fam Guy	WWE Monday Night Raw (Live) (HD)	Raven	The Crime of the Century "Part One" (HD)	*** "Queen & Slim" ('19) A black couple. (HD)	City on a Hill (HD)
8 PM :30	All Rise (HD)	(:01) 9-1-1: Lone Star	Local Programs Local info.	(:01) Debris "Asalah"	SportsCenter (HD)	Fam Guy	Law & Order: SVU Sex crimes. (HD)	Big City	Big City	(:14) "Die Hard 2" ('90) Airport terrorists. (HD)	Couples
9 PM :30	The Good Doctor	Bull "Snatchback" (HD)	Local Programs Local info.	Local Programs Local info.	SportsCenter (HD)	Dad (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Big City	Mare of Easttown	"True History of the Kelly Gang" ('20) (HD)	Couples
10 PM :30	Local	Local	Local Programs	Local Programs	SportsCenter (HD)	Space	Miz & Mrs	BUNK'D	Big City	"Conspirator" ('11)	City on a Hill (HD)
11 PM :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(:35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(:35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan	Queen of the South	Raven	(:55) Axios	"Tenet"	City Hill
11 PM :30	Nightline	Corden	Local Programs	Late Night	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan	Queen of the South	Raven	"Tenet"	"Tenet"	City Hill

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TUESDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	MLB Baseball "Teams TBA" (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Jessie	(:10) "The Fast and the Furious" ('01) (HD)	"Dark Water" ('05)	"Reluctant"
7 PM :30	Pooch Perfect (HD)	NCIS Stolen lap top.	The Resident	The Voice (HD)	MLB Baseball "Teams TBA" (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Big City	"Jojo Rabbit" A lonely German.	*** "Jojo Rabbit" A lonely German.	(:45) "Delivery Man" ('13) One man, 533 kids.
8 PM :30	black-ish mixed-ish	FBI "Short Squeeze"	(:01) Prodigal Son	This Is Us (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU Sex crimes. (HD)	Big City	The Crime of the Century "Part Two" (HD)	"The Curious Case of Benjamin Button" A man grows younger.	ZIWE
9 PM :30	Big Sky "Bitter Roots"	FBI: Most Wanted	Local Programs Local info.	(:01) New Amsterdam	SportsCenter (HD)	Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Big City	Mare of Easttown	"The Curious Case of Benjamin Button" A man grows younger.	City on a Hill (HD)
10 PM :30	Local	Local	Local Programs	Local Programs	SportsCenter (HD)	The Misery	Law & Order: SVU	BUNK'D	The Nevers "Hanged"	"The Curious Case of Benjamin Button" A man grows younger.	Couples
11 PM :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(:35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(:35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan	Law & Order: SVU	Sydney	"The Kingdom" ('07)	"Good Lie"	Couples
11 PM :30	Nightline	Corden	Local Programs	Late Night	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan	Law & Order: SVU	Raven	"The Kingdom" ('07)	"Good Lie"	Cinema

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WEDNESDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	Stephen A	Bang (HD)	NCIS Military crimes.	Jessie	The Nevers (HD)	(5:30) *** "Stolen" ('06)	"The Adjustment Bureau" Faithful forces.
7 PM :30	Goldbergs	Kids Say the Home	The Masked Singer	Chicago Med (HD)	(:45) NBA Basketball "Teams TBA" (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD)	WWE NXT (HD)	Jessie	The Nevers "Hanged"	"Idlewild" ('06) Big Boi. Music and the mob.	"Django Unchained" ('12) A slave sets out to rescue his wife. (HD)
8 PM :30	Conners	SEAL Team Call Your	(:02) Game of Talents	Chicago Fire (HD)	(:05) NBA Basketball "Teams TBA" (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Sydney	Big City	*** "Greenland" ('20, Thriller) A comet. (HD)	City on a Hill (HD)
9 PM :30	A Million Little Things	S.W.A.T. "Lockdown"	Local Programs Local info.	Chicago P.D. "Safe"	(:05) NBA Basketball "Teams TBA" (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD)	(:08) "Movie"	Big City	Big City	(:01) "Yesterday" ('19) The Beatles band. (HD)	City on a Hill (HD)
10 PM :30	Local	Local	Local Programs	Local Programs	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan	Law & Order: SVU	BUNK'D	Mare of Easttown	"Pitch Perfect" ('12)	Couples
11 PM :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(:35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(:35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan	Law & Order: SVU	Sydney	"Pitch Perfect" ('12)	"Pitch Perfect" ('12)	City on a Hill (HD)
11 PM :30	Nightline	Corden	Local Programs	Late Night	SC (HD)	Conan	"Movie"	Raven	"Pitch Perfect" ('12)	"Pitch Perfect" ('12)	ZIWE

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THURSDAY

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7:00pm	ABC Station 19 "I Guess I'm Floating" After the Black Fighter's Coalition banquet, Ben and Dean contend with life and death. TV14 (HD)
7:29pm	USA Chrisley Knows Best Multimillionaire Todd Chrisley runs life at home with his wife and five children as he would a business, but they deal with real issues like any other family. TV14 (HD)

FRIDAY

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7:10pm	HBO The Watch ***½ (2012, Comedy) Ben Stiller, Vince Vaughn. A group of dads living in suburbia attempt to escape their daily lives by creating a neighborhood watch group, but they soon make an extraterrestrial discovery. R (HD)
10:10pm	DISN Raven's Home Raven utilizes her psychic ability in an attempt to be a better mother to her 11-year-old twins, as well as a superior fashion designer and genuine friend. TV G (HD)

SATURDAY

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7:00pm	ABC VAX LIVE: The Concert to Reunite the World Host Selena Gomez and performing musical guests put the spotlight healthcare workers and call upon people to help ensure equal access to COVID-19 vaccines. (HD)
	CBS VAX LIVE: The Concert to Reunite the World Host Selena Gomez and performing musical guests put the spotlight healthcare workers and call upon people to help ensure equal access to COVID-19 vaccines. (HD)

SUNDAY

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7:30pm	FOX The Great North "Game of Snownes Adventure" A family game night is in danger of being ruined by a raging blizzard; Beef befriends someone new in the woods. (HD)
8:00pm	USA Law & Order: Organized Crime "Say Hello to My Little Friend" Stabler and Bell investigate a big lead; Wheatley works to elevate his business. TV14 (HD)

MONDAY

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7:00pm	ABC Dancing with the Stars Celebrities are paired with professional dancers in order to train for a live televised ballroom dancing competition, and one couple is eliminated every week. TVPG (HD)
9:30pm	TBS Final Space Astronaut Gary Space and his alien accomplice Mooncake make it their mission to locate a place called "Final Space," where the entire universe ends. TV14 (HD)

TUESDAY

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7:00pm	CBS NCIS "Unseen Improvements" The team is taken back when they discover that a stolen laptop was taken by Gibbs' former neighbor. TV14 (HD)
	MAX Jojo Rabbit *** (2019, Comedy) Roman Griffin Davis, Thomasin Mckenzie. A lonely German boy's view of the world gets turned upside after he learns that his single mother is choosing to hide a young Jewish girl inside their attic. PG-13 (HD)

WEDNESDAY

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8:00pm	HBO Greenland ***½ (2020, Thriller) Gerard Butler, Morena Baccarin. When a planet-killing comet makes its way toward Earth, a family struggles in their fight for survival as they search for a sanctuary amid news of destruction. PG-13 (HD)
	SHOW Django Unchained *** (2012, Western) Jamie Foxx, Christoph Waltz. A freed slave travels across the United States with a German bounty hunter to liberate his wife from the clutches of a ruthless plantation owner in Mississippi. R (HD)

News from

Camp Ground Church, Community

Rev. Dee Ann Thompson's sermon Sunday was titled "Staying Connected," with scripture from the Gospel of John.

The selected scripture was Jesus' parable of the vine and the branches. Vineyard care was work familiar to the disciples.

The message shared that "the vintner prunes out the dead wood which could have been diseased and harbored pests. Suckers and weak branches are pruned out, also, so that the life-giving sap flows through the vine enabling it to produce more

and better fruit.

"Jesus used this parable to explain that a life connected to Him enables us to produce good fruit.

"What is this fruit? '...the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-con-

Sons of Norway celebration set at Giant City

Shawnee Skogen Lodge of the Sons of Norway is planning to join in Norway's Syttende celebration and the annual Julebord on May 16. Julebord was postponed due to COVID-19.

A potluck picnic is planned on May 16 at shelter area number 3 at Giant City State Park near Makanda. The picnic is scheduled to begin at 2 p.m.

Organizers shared that Syttende is the number 17. May 17 is Norway's national like - like the July 4 Independence Day celebration in the United States.

Julebord is a Christmas gathering/party where traditional foods are served.

More information about the Shawnee Skogen Lodge and Scandinavian heritage can be found on the lodge's website and Facebook page: <https://shawnee-skogen.com/> and <https://www.facebook.com/southillinois>. Questions can be sent to annavg@att.net.

trol...' which, in turn, will lead others to a relationship with Jesus.

"Jesus, in His grace, accepts us with all our baggage; then He prunes out that which hinders our growth as Christians. Staying connected is the only way we will be able to do what He wants us to do."

Aldi and Vodra Gerard received the offering.

All are welcome at Camp Ground Church for in-person Bible study at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday, followed by worship at 10:30 a.m.

Services are also available via Zoom. Any member of the congregation can be contacted to learn how to be connected to the link.

Birthday greetings this week go to Berna Gerard yesterday, the 5th; and to Kenneth Thompson on Sunday, the 9th.

Best wishes to David and Jhan Miller, whose wedding anniversary will be Tuesday, the 11th.

Camp Ground Church encourages all of the readers of this paper to attend the Union County National Day of Prayer service, which is scheduled Thursday, today, at the band shell in the Anna City Park beginning at 7 p.m. In case of rain, the service will be held at the Main Street Center on South Main Street in Anna.

The Camp Ground congregation wishes all mothers a blessed Mother's Day Sunday.

News from

Anna Nazarene Church

A morning worship service was held Sunday, May 2, at 10:35 a.m. in the church and on Zoom.

Gifts were presented by Carla Ramage to Lillian Hammer and Sophia Sims in honor of Baby Day.

Pastor Randy Wright and the worship team led the singing. Jessica Elkins provided special music.

The message, titled "The God Given Time: The Journey of Life," was given by Pastor Wright. Scripture was from the Psalms, Romans and James.

The message can be found on the church's website at annanaz.com and on the church's Facebook page.

Birthday: Tyler Sadler, May 3.

A Sunday School board meeting is planned at 6 p.m. Thursday, today. A church board meeting is planned at 7 p.m. Thursday, today.

Friday night Bible study is planned at 6:30 p.m. Friday, May 7, on Zoom. Pastor Wright can be texted for the password prior to the meeting.

A breakfast will be served at 9 a.m. Sunday, May 9.

Adult and children's Sunday School is planned at 9:30 a.m. on May 9.

Sunday, May 9, is Mother's Day. All mothers will be honored and given a gift at the 10:35 a.m. worship

service on Sunday.

A Wednesday night service is planned at 6:30 p.m. on May 12 in the sanctuary and on Zoom, and Children's Bible quizzing in the fellowship hall, with CDC guidelines being followed by wearing masks and social distancing. The pastor can be texted prior to the meeting for the password.

News from

Walnut Grove Church

On Sunday at Walnut Grove United Methodist Church near Cobden, Johnathan played the piano for the musical prelude and the hymns, and the altar candles were lit by Barb.

The scripture was from John. Pastor Bobbi said that "we follow Christ because we love him. If we stray, he brings us back, as a shepherd does with his sheep." The congregation took Communion.

The church has made a donation to SPERO, the United Methodist family and children's home, in honor of mothers and fathers days.

Prayers were requested for Bishop Beard of the Illinois Great Rivers Methodist Conference, Gary Hartline, John Hunter Army, Grace Gaffney, Kerrin Meléndrez, Beverly Warshawsky, Laura (Diana and Kathy's sister) and Tamara Lamer.

It was reported that one of Art's cows had twins and

A work day is planned at the church starting at 8 a.m. on May 15.

A grocery giveaway is planned from 10 a.m. to noon on May 22.

A graduation party for Lilly Hancock is planned from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on May 22.

During this time, the church can be contacted by calling the church office at 833-6702 and leaving a message if necessary or by calling Pastor Wright at 618-534-7103.

they were healthy and happy.

Sunday school for the children has been temporarily cancelled.

Sunday services are scheduled at 9:30 a.m. each week. The church is located at 3195 Mountain Glen Rd. near Cobden, and near Illinois Route 127.

VFW Auxiliary offers pork butts

The Auxiliary to Carroll P. Foster Post No. 3455 in Anna plans to be smoking pork butts just in time for Mother's Day.

The pork butts will cost \$40 each. They will be ready to pick up by 5 p.m. Saturday, May 8, at the post, which is located at 70 VFW Ln. near Anna.

Those who want to reserve a smoked pork butt can call 833-5182 any day after 1 p.m., or stop by the post home to make a reservation.

News from

Shiloh Baptist Church

On Sunday, May 2, as the spring rain gently came down, a small group of heartfelt souls gathered to share a day in the life with this Sunday's spiritual connection.

Though we be small we are fierce with the Lord almighty.

May the history of the Shiloh Church bring the warmth of kindness, love, faith, hope and charity to all who enter her chapel or worship from afar.

(Note: Shiloh Baptist Church is located along Shiloh Road, east of Cobden. The church once again is having services, which are planned at 11 a.m. on Sunday.)



Sunday, May 9th

What is the history of Mother's Day?

Anna Jarvis is considered the "mother of Mother's Day" in the U.S.

Jarvis's mother passed away in 1905 and three years later, Jarvis organized a memorial ceremony in West Virginia to honor her mother, and all mothers. She sent 500 white carnations to the service and held her own memorial in Philadelphia. That day, May 10, 1908, is considered the first official celebration of Mother's Day.

Over the next few years, Jarvis campaigned to have Mother's Day recognized by the federal government, and in 1914, President Woodrow Wilson signed a bill that designated the second Sunday in May as Mother's Day. The resolution requested that the American flag be displayed that day at businesses and homes "as a public expression of our love and reverence for the mothers of our country."

In the years that followed, Anna Jarvis became frustrated with the commercialization of Mother's Day by flower companies, candy makers, and the like.

"To have Mother's Day the burdensome, wasteful, expensive gift day that Christmas and other special days have become, is not our pleasure," she wrote in the 1920s, according to National Geographic. "If the

American people are not willing to protect Mother's Day from the hordes of money schemers that would overwhelm it with their schemes, then we shall cease having a Mother's Day—and we know how."

Jarvis herself never profited from Mother's Day, although she raised dozens of lawsuits over the years to protect Mother's Day as her intellectual property.

Despite Jarvis's best efforts to prevent the commercialization of the holiday, people tend to celebrate Mother's Day today by buying cards, flowers, candies and other gifts for Mom.

What are some Mother's Day facts?

Franklin D. Roosevelt personally designed a Mother's Day stamp in 1934. It featured the famous "Whistler's Mother" painting by James Abbott McNeill Whistler.

Not everyone celebrates Mother's Day in May. Several countries, including Afghanistan and Bulgaria, mark the day on March 8, which coincides with International Women's Day. Other countries, including the United Kingdom and Ireland, celebrate Mother's Day on the Fourth Sunday of Lent, and sometimes refer to the day as Mothering Sunday.

Last year, greeting cards were the most popular item shoppers planned to purchase for their mother, followed

closely by flowers and a special outing, according to the National Retail Foundation.

31 percent of Americans reported buying fresh flowers for their mother in 2019, according to About Flowers.

About a quarter of all holiday-related flower purchases in the U.S. are made for Mother's Day.

The median age at which women become mothers in the U.S. is 26, up from 23 in 1994, according to the Pew Research Center.

About 68 percent of mothers in the U.S. are married, while 24 percent are solo moms, according to Pew.

The white carnation is the official flower of Mother's Day. Founder Anna Jarvis compared carnations to a mother's love in a 1927 interview, according to National Geographic. "The carnation does not drop its petals, but hugs them to its heart as it dies, and so too, mothers hug their children to their hearts, their mother love never dying," she said.

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He moved about freely with them in Jerusalem, and spoke out boldly in the name of the Lord. He also spoke and debated with the Hellenists, but they tried to kill him. And when the brothers learned of this, they took him down to Caesarea and sent him on his way to Tarsus. The church throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria was at peace. It was being built up and walked in the fear of the Lord, and with the consolation of the Holy Spirit it grew in numbers. From the Acts of the Apostles

Jesus said to his disciples: "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit. You are already pruned because of the word that I spoke to you. Remain in me, as I remain in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me will be thrown out like a branch and wither; people will gather them and throw them into a fire and they will be burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you. By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples." From the Gospel of John

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Daily Scripture Readings

Isaiah	Jeremiah	Psalms	Acts	1 Cor.	1 Cor.	Ezekiel
61:1-11	1:1-19	47	1:1-26	12:1-11	14:1-25	1:1-2:1

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County Line News

(Mill Creek and Upper Elco)

By Suzan Harvel

Mercy, what a spring we've had. Near summer temps, then below freezing with snow... which, I'm sorry, that was just rude. The potatoes did get planted though and most of the flowers. Now the rest of the garden awaits. That may take a while, as the rain is back and the garden still isn't disked up yet.

I confess I went a little bit overboard at the plant sale in Anna on Saturday morning. I found so many wonderful plants that just needed to come home with me. Some I've never had before, so I'm looking forward to them blooming.

Now, I just have to add another flower bed. The ladies at the plant sale did a VERY good job. I'm quite sure I heard a rumor of another plant sale this coming weekend...hmm.

On Saturday, I also attended the first farmer's market of the year in downtown Cape Girardeau with my mother-in-law, Shirley. This involved a bit of a hike, after quite a few detours.

The first detour occurred at McClure on Grapevine Trail. The railroad is still doing repairs and we were diverted north of McClure. I was okay with that until the road became gravel and the car I had just washed was covered in white dust from a, seemingly, endless flow of traffic.

The next four detours were in Cape Girardeau. Seems a marathon was also going on, so roads were blocked off, street repair is being done in various locations and that also had roads closed, and of course the farmer's market limited parking areas itself.

Of course, the whole thing was just an excuse to get some Amish donuts and to see the grandkids, who were also in attendance with my daughter, Nikki and her husband, Jordan. We wandered around, bought a few things, visited with folks, then headed home. It was a great day... just exhausting.

I saw an adorable sight Thursday. My cousin, Jack Miller, had a family of geese make their way up his driveway. They made such a cute sight waddling up the hill with about six babies between the two adults.

I'm thankful the parents managed to get them all across Highway 127 without incident. I could see them crossing as I was nearing Mill Creek and slowed down and prayed nothing else came from the opposite direction. What is it about babies, human or animal, that bring out a smile?

On a sad note, our community, church family, and our personal family have had deaths this week.

The families of Brenda Sadler, Elsie Schram, Mike Harvel and Jerry Weidman Jr. all need our prayers. Prayers also for the families of the victims of two separate incidents in East Cape Girardeau this weekend.

Zachary Odum receives award

The School of Business at McKendree University in Lebanon has presented Zachary Odum of Anna with its Award of Excellence in 2021.

The award recognizes students' academic achievement in the study of accounting, business administration, economics and finance, entrepreneurship, human resource management, management, marketing or sport management.

Odum is pursuing a bachelor of business administration in accounting degree.

Force recruiter called him in early, so he's headed to basic training.

Praises are expressed that Betty Stegle is home again and feeling better. Praises, too, that Barbara Layman was able to be in church, as her health has been up and down. We hope her husband Bob is feeling better soon and able to be with us again. Mary Powles is also having knee issues that need prayer.

Shirley Harvel had company on Friday. Her sister, Sue Knowlton, along with husband Don, stopped by to visit after his doctor's appointment over in Cape Girardeau. He's been having issues with kidney stones and we've added him to our prayer list. Bad weather moved in just after they left but, thankfully, they made it home without incident. Flooding was bad in a lot of areas around Poplar Bluff, Missouri where they and my daughter, Allison, live.

Mill Creek Baptist's, Bro. Bobby Richardson, brought the message this week from Daniel. We were raised hearing the lesson of the fiery furnace and how God is always in the midst of our trials and will be there for us, just as he was for Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-Nego. This sermon reminds us that those three men were faithful also to remember that our God is the ONLY god who can deliver like that. Wealth, prestige or political connections can't do that for you.

The Mill Creek WMU is having its annual Mother-Daughter Banquet on Friday, May 7, at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. It will be pot-luck style and ALL ladies of ALL ages are welcome. A brief program will be held after the meal and gifts for oldest, youngest, most family members present, most visitors brought, and such will be given. Please remember your mother on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 9. Without HER, you wouldn't even be here.

A reminder that the Mill Creek Baptist Church will have its business meeting on the 12th at 6:30 p.m. This will be the first one we've been able to have this year, so please attend.

National Day of Prayer is on May 6. A community wide service will be held at the Anna Park at 7 p.m. Bring a lawn chair.

National Police Appreciation Week is May 9-15. They have such a difficult job to do, in such difficult times right now, and their service is much appreciated. Please give them the recognition they deserve.

Julie Bullard has graciously volunteered to be VBS director this year at Mill Creek Baptist. A planning meeting will be held Monday, May 10, at 6 p.m. at the old Bunny Bread building. If you are interested in working in VBS please attend.

Summer camps for children scheduled to return at SIU's Touch of Nature Center

Summer camps for children are scheduled to return to Southern Illinois University Carbondale's Touch of Nature Environmental Center in 2021, with an expanded lineup for younger kids.

The experiential learning center plans to offer a dozen summer camp opportunities for children ages 4 to 13.

Small gardens growing in popularity

When victory gardens returned last spring, long gone were acre plots with rows and rows of vegetables.

Instead, a new generation of gardeners who were interested in home cooking and food access grew herbs and small-scale varieties in backyard strips, patios or balconies.

During the pandemic, 16 million people, many under the age of 35, started gardening, according to the Garden Media Group.

"We expect these new gardeners will continue growing in 2021," says Kelly Allsup, a University of Illinois Extension horticulture educator based in Bloomington.

"Most will likely be growing their own vegetables, fruits and herbs in small spaces like raised beds, containers and grow bags."

Allsup says produce from lettuce to peppers can be grown successfully in a variety of containers.

Gardeners are only limited by their imagination, willingness to experiment, and availability of drainage holes.

After a hiatus in 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the camps are set to return with enhanced safety and social distancing measures in compliance with state and SIU guidelines, including group size limitations.

Each of the camps has a specific theme and registration is underway online.

All of the camps will be at the Touch of Nature Environmental Center, which is located about 8 miles south of Carbondale on Giant City Road.

Forest Day Camps
Children ages 4-7 can attend Forest Day Camps. The cost of each session

is \$245 and the sessions include:

Enchanted Forest, June 7-11. Forest Explorers, June 14-18. Forest Critters, June 21-25. Forest Superheroes, June 28-July 2.

Eco Day Camps
Children ages 7-10 can attend Eco Day Camps. All camps are \$250 per session and the schedule includes:

Big Buzz, June 7-11. Camp Campout, June 14-18. Wild Illinois, June 21-25. Water Camp, June 28-July 2.

Adventure Day Camps
Adventure Day Camps are for children ages 10-13. Each session of the camp

runs \$255 and the schedule includes:

Youth in the Wild, June 7-11. Aquatic Adventure, June 14-18. X-treme Adventure Camp, June 21-25. Southern Adventures, June 28-July 2.

Sign-up for each camp is required no later than two weeks before the start of the camp session.

Registration is limited and on a first-come, first-served basis so early registration is recommended.

Sign-up is available online at campscui.active.com. For additional information, contact Erik Oberg at 618-453-3945 or eriko@siu.edu.



Garden of the month

Linda and Chuck Bugle at 311 W. Spring St. in Anna have been awarded the garden of the month for April by the Anna-Jo Garden Club. The garden club shared that their yard has been "aglow with spring blossoms. Colorful azaleas dominate their landscape, along with dogwoods, forsythias, rose of Sharon, Japanese maple, lilacs, peonies, roses, daffodils, hostas, phlox, irises and a unique Atlas fir. At the side entrance to their home are two leatherleaf Mahonia shrubs of Chinese origin which they transported from Atlanta, Ga. The Bugles are avid flower lovers, which is obvious by the display at the corner of South Green and West Spring" streets.

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The Village of Cobden is seeking applications for a full-time Public Works Employee. Submit resume to the Village of Cobden, 112 E. Maple St., P.O. Box 218, Cobden, IL 62920 or email cobdenvillage@gmail.com. To apply in person, call (618)-893-2425 for an appointment. Applications are available on our website: www.cobdenil.com.

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HELP WANTED: Cobden Unit SD#17 seeks qualified applicants for the following positions for the 2021-2022 school year: Custodian (200 day) and Custodian (180 day). Insurance benefits offered and retirement through Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund. Salary negotiated by union contract. Mail letter of interest detailing qualifications to: Superintendent Edwin Shoemate, 413 North Appleknocker, Cobden, Illinois 62920.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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

American Advisors Group PLAINTIFF

Vs.
Nancy Jayne Partridge-Mull; Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Allibeth Partridge; United States of America - Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; Timothy J. Partridge a/k/a Jason Partridge; Mary E. Treece; Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants; Diana K. Douglas, as Special Representative for Allibeth Partridge (Deceased) DEFENDANTS No. 2021CH3

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU:

Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Allibeth Partridge Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants

That this case has been commenced in this Court against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit: **COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 207 Church Street Jonesboro, IL 62952** and which said Mortgage was made by: **Allibeth Partridge the Mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration**

Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for American Advisors Group, as Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Union County, Illinois, as Document No. 2014R0705; and for other relief; that summons was duly issued out of said Court against you as provided by law and that the said suit is now pending.

NOW, THEREFORE, UNLESS YOU file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this case in the Office of the Clerk of this Court,
Keri Clark, Circuit Clerk
P.O. Box 450
Jonesboro, IL 62952
on or before May 24, 2021, A **DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY AND A JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRAYER OF SAID COMPLAINT.**

CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C.
Attorneys for Plaintiff
15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100
Burr Ridge, IL 60527
(630) 794-5300
DuPage # 15170
Winnebago # 531
Our File No. 14-21-00407

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TREE TRIMMING ACTIVITIES IN ANNA AND NEARBY AREAS

TO THE PATRONS OF AMEREN ILLINOIS:

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If you have any questions about this work, please call 1-800-755-5000 or visit our website at MySafeTrees.com. You may address your

concerns in the manner specified on our website. You may also call the Consumer Services Division of the Illinois Commerce Commission at 1-800-524-0795. Maps have been provided to the mayors and the county board chairpersons of the affected areas.

Sincerely,
Ameren Illinois Forestry Department
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to Section 17-40 of the Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/17-40), the percentage to be added to the assessed valuation of locally assessed property other than that assessed under Sections 10-110 through 10-140 and 10-170 through 10-200 of the Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/10-110 through 10-140 and 10-170 through 10-200) in Union County as certified by the Department of Revenue for the assessment year 2020 is 0.00% by the application of an equalization factor of 1.0000.

David Harris
Director of Revenue
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Notice for Bid

The Dongola Unit School District #66 is accepting bids for milk for the 2021-2022 school year. For more information or bid specifications, please contact the unit office at (618) 827-3524. Bids need to be submitted to Dr. Paige Helm Maginel, Dongola Unit #66, 1000 High Street, Dongola, Illinois 62926. Sealed bids will be accepted until May 20th, 2021.

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NOTICE UNDER ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME ACT

State of Illinois
SS
County of Union

Notice is hereby given pursuant to "An Act in relation to the use of an Assumed Name in the conduct or Transaction of Business in the State," as Amended that a certification was filed by the undersigned with the County Clerk of Union County. Filed

this 30th day of April, 2021, under the Assumed Name of Sister's Sweet & Savory with the place of business located at 215 N. John Street, Jonesboro, Illinois 62952, and that the True Name(s) and Residence Address of the sole owner(s) and Proprietor(s) of said Business is:

Sarah Gibbs
215 N. John Street
Jonesboro, IL 62952

Charlotte Massey
455 Springfield Avenue
Anna, IL 62906

Lance Meisenheimer
Union County Clerk
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Notice is hereby given pursuant to "An Act in relation to the use of an Assumed Name in the conduct or Transaction of Business in the State," as Amended that a certification was filed by the undersigned with the County Clerk of Union County. Filed this 19th day of April, 2021, under the Assumed Name of Tee Prints with the place of business located at 128 W. Davie Street, Anna, Illinois 62906, and that the True Name(s) and Residence Address of the sole owner(s) and Proprietor(s) of said Business is:

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Dongola prom queen, king named

Dongola High School has named a 2021 prom queen, king and court. In the group photo are, from left, Matt Aden, Jacob Whitney, Hunter McCommons, Michael Shelley, Killian Hudgens, Addyson Zeschke, Natasha Conzenza, Michelle Wolford, Destiny Tellor and Jenna Wren. Addyson Zeschke is the prom queen. Killian Hudgens is the prom king. Photos provided.

DAR chapter meeting held April 13 via Zoom

By Dixie Terry
The Daniel Chapman Chapter National Society Daughters of the American Revolution met Thursday afternoon, April 13, via Zoom.

The meeting was called to order by regent Doda Starkey. The ritual followed.

Participants included Sandy Boaz, Elaine Keeley, Loudene Lemme, Lynn McCreery, Jeanne McKenzie, Julia Mowery, Carol Palmer and Virginia Street.

The chapter had mailed 31 cards to Vietnam veterans for Vietnam Veterans Memorial Day on March 29.

The chapter also sent 86 Easter/spring cards to residents of Autumn Ridge and Voyager, formerly River-to-River.

Regent Starkey provided the March minutes, for Cara Webb, which were approved for recording.

The treasurer's report was given by regent Starkey for Susan Whitemountain.

Registrar Loudene Lemme reported two applications for members are awaiting signatures and checks, with 12 other applications awaiting additional information.

Sandy Boaz provided an American Indian Minute.

Carol Palmer announced the chapter's American history essay winners, including:

6th grade, Kylee Myers. 7th grade, Lauren Ecker. 8th grade, Kaylina Wiley. Kylee and Kaylina were also District VII winners.

Virginia Street presented a Conservation Minute.

Good Citizens Awards were announced by chair Jeanne McKenzie and included:

Lexie Lingle, Anna-Jonesboro Community High School. Cole Carson Rushing, Goreville High School.

Kylee Donna Van Meter, Century High School, Ullin. Daisha Leele Carthell, Egyptian High School, Tamms.

Emma Rush, Vienna

High School. Keerstin Dawn Fritch, Pope County High, who also won a \$300 scholarship.

Regent Starkey announced that May is National Military Appreciation Month. The chapter will send cards to 83 veterans and 45 cards to the Illinois Veterans Home in Anna.

Two delegates were selected for Continental Congress, which is planned in Washington, D.C., this summer. They are Loudene Lemme and Virginia Street. Regent Starkey will also attend as a delegate.

A grave marking for the late member, Rosemary Orr, is planned Friday, May 21, at 10 a.m. at the Vienna Fraternal Cemetery. The state regent and other state officers plan to attend, along with chapter members.

The District VII spring meeting is planned at Kokopelli in Marion, following the grave marking.

The Daniel Chapman Chapter plans to have an

in-person meeting at 1 p.m. Wednesday, May 12, at the Cache River Wetlands Center near Cypress. COVID protocol will be followed.

The meeting was adjourned by regent Starkey.

Anna Junior High School students promote proper disposal of prescription drugs

Arrowleaf, a Southern Illinois human services organization, along with the Anna Junior High School Youth Advisory Committee, YAC, are working together to spread the word about the importance of safely disposing, safely using and safely storing medications.

Anna Junior High School YACC members include Zoe Sadler, Raelynn Sadler, Ruby Yates, Presley Bierstedt, Zoe Chen, Daylon Butler, Tess Wilkins, Foster Needling, Trevor Goins, Drew Sadler, Mason Yates and Taj Hodges.

Flyers, educational materials and fact sheets are being posted and shared throughout the community in the effort to provide information and to promote and encourage the use of the

permanent Drug Take-Back locations.

Every year, the federal Drug Enforcement Administration, DEA, hosts two National Drug Take-Back Days.

The most recent National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day was Saturday, April 24, with the next coming in October.

The Anna Junior High School students are doing their part by encouraging everyone to clean out their medicine cabinets and get rid of any unwanted or unused medications.

Medications can be dropped off at the Anna Police Department at 201 E. Vienna St. in Anna, where a receptacle is located in the lobby.



Shawnee students of the quarter

Shawnee School District No. 84 has honored students of the quarter for the third quarter. The students were honored at an April 20 Shawnee School District No. 84 Board of Education meeting. Students were selected for the honor based on academic excellence, citizenship and attendance. Each student received a certificate and \$25 from First Southern Bank of Grand Tower. In the first row are, from left, Tallyn Myers, 2nd grade; and Georgia Crane, 4th grade. In the second row are Abigail Smith, sophomore; Brock Ellet, 6th grade; board of education vice president Trenton Colyer; and Landon Smith, 7th grade. Senior Jasmine Graham could not be present for the picture. Photo provided.

Hospital district auxiliary accepting applications for health care scholarships

Union County Hospital District Auxiliary is accepting applications for its health care scholarships.

Interested applicants can request an application from the human resources office at Union County Hospital, which is located at 517 N. Main St. in Anna.

An application also can be obtained by contacting the hospital's human resources office online at www.unioncountyhospital.com.

To be eligible for the scholarship, the applicant must be accepted and enrolled in at least one class in a health career program at an accredited college or university.

The hospital district auxiliary said that preference in awarding the scholarship will go to applicants who are residents of Union County or who are current employees of Union County Hospital.

If a position is available

at Union County Hospital upon completion of the program, the hope is that the student would consider employment with the facility, the auxiliary noted.

The number of scholarships and the amount of the scholarships are flexible, depending on the funds available for the particular year and the number of classes the applicant is taking.

The auxiliary said that applicants must complete the application, provide documentation of acceptance and enrollment in a health career curriculum and must remain in good standing academically.

Applications must be postmarked no later than June 1, 2021, to be considered.

Weekend traffic accident claims life of Cairo man

A single-unit traffic accident early Sunday morning, May 2, in Alexander County claimed the life of a Southern Illinois man. One other person was injured in the crash.

Illinois State Police District 22 at Ullin reported that the accident occurred at 2:48 a.m. Sunday on Illinois Route 146 westbound at the Bill Emerson Bridge in Alexander County.

State police reported that the accident involved an orange 2021 Chevrolet Corvette.

The driver of the vehicle was identified as Darryl D. Jackson, 39, of Cairo.

State police reported that a passenger in the car, an unidentified male, was transported by ambulance to an area hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

Preliminary investigative details released by the state police indicated that the following occurred:

The car was traveling west on Illinois Route 146 when the vehicle left the roadway to the right, struck a guardrail and overturned.

The driver was ejected and pronounced deceased on scene.

The Illinois State Police traffic reconstruction unit was continuing the investigation.

Pastor's Corner by Pastor Don Cox
Expecting God to Bless you is like . . . a 3-year old expecting a parent to buy them a Harley motorcycle . . . God's timing and wisdom of your "need" is beyond your comprehension!
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Worship Resumes at Kornthal
The board of Kornthal Memorial is pleased to announce that third Thursday worship will resume May 20th at 7:00 p.m. Each of you are invited to this historic church for a night of praise for the reason this building exists, Jesus Christ. Thanks for your past support.
Kornthal is located 2 miles south of Jonesboro, IL just off Illinois Rt. 127. We will be observing present Illinois Department of Public Health guidelines.

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• Orthopaedic Residency: Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, Bethesda, MD
• Fellowship: Adult Reconstructive Surgery, New England Baptist Hospital, Boston, MA

Dr. Paik is a fellowship-trained total joint replacement and revision surgeon, originally from Chicago, Illinois. He earned both his undergraduate degree and his Doctor of Medicine from the University of Missouri. Dr. Paik completed his internship and surgical residency at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center. He began seeing patients on a per diem basis in 2017 while finishing his military service at Joint Base Lewis-McChord. After serving in the U.S. Army as a surgeon for 14 years, he started private practice full-time in 2020. He specializes in anterior total hip replacement, uni-compartmental knee replacement, as well as complex revisions of total joint replacement. When not treating patients, Dr. Paik enjoys CrossFit workouts, traveling the world and spending time on the shooting range.

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Obituaries

James L. Stamp

James L. Stamp, 86, of Wolf Lake, died Thursday, April 29, 2021, at Jonesboro Rehab and Health Care Center.

He was born on July 5, 1934, in Thebes, the son of Elmer and Gertie Rhymer Stamp.

He married Irene Smith on Sept. 5, 1953.

He is survived by his wife, Irene Stamp; a son, Jeff Stamp; three grandchildren, Josh (Allison) Stamp, Jacob Stamp and Amanda (Kyle) Vosburgh; three great-grandchildren, Jackson, June and Greyson; and his brothers, Ronald and Donald Stamp.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Leona Turner (Stamp).

Mr. Stamp served in the U.S. Navy. He served his community as a minister for nearly 50 years. He worked for Trojan Powder Company/Ensign Bickford for over 30 years, where he retired.

His love for God was demonstrated in his service to helping others. His love for his family will always be in the memory of those who loved him most. He enjoyed fishing, music by Hank Williams, watching the St. Louis Cardinals and ministering to those around him.

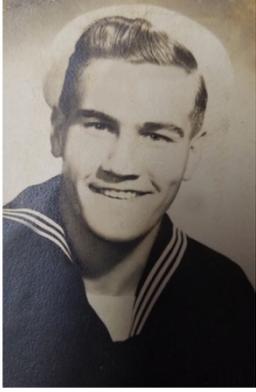
Funeral services for James Stamp will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, May 7, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Jonesboro.

Friends can call from 11 a.m. until the service hour at 1 p.m. Interment will follow at the Jonesboro Cemetery.

Everyone attending will be required to wear a face covering and to observe social distancing guidelines. Maximum occupancy of the funeral home will be limited to 50 individuals at one time.

To view the obituary and to leave online condolences for the family, visit www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com.

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



Brenda Gail Sadler

Brenda Gail Sadler, 68, of Dongola, died Saturday, May 1, 2021, at Memorial Hospital in Carbondale.

She was born on July 14, 1952, in Anna, the daughter of Jewel "Red" and Lavanda Ruth Carraker Henderson.

She married Paul Sadler on July 25, 1970, in Anna.

She is survived by her husband, Paul Sadler of Dongola; a son, Tim (Michelle) Sadler of Rochester; a son-in-law, Chad Deaton of New Burnside; grandchildren Elijah, Alison, Maya and Ella Sadler, Daxton and Bella Deaton; siblings Cheryl (Larry) Jaymes of Wamego, Kan., and Terry (Billie) Henderson of Cobden; other relatives and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and by two daughters, Tiffany Sadler and Britney Deaton.

She loved her family and enjoyed spending time with them, especially her grandchildren. She will be missed by many.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 5, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna, with Tim Sadler officiating. Interment was in the Anna Cemetery.

Memorials can be made to the North American Mission Board.

To view the obituary and to leave online condolences for the family, visit www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com.

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



Nellie Kathryn Ellis

Nellie Kathryn Ellis, 80, of Pomona, died Sunday, May 2, 2021, at Barnes Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, surrounded by her husband and their four daughters.

She was born on March 15, 1941, in Ava township, the daughter of Luther and Mary Holiday Morris. She was the fourth of their eight children.

She had met her husband, Clifford "Gene" Ellis, on a double blind date when she was only 15 and he was 17.

They married on Sept. 17, 1956, celebrating almost 65 years together.

Mrs. Ellis is survived by her husband, Gene Ellis; daughters Renie Presutti and Gina Spradling, both of Pomona, Chrisie (Shannon) Collins of Carbondale and Joanie (Dave) Lingle of Alto Pass; nine grandchildren, Amy Schmitz, Brandon Spradling, Jeff Presutti, Jake Presutti, Kayla Ellis, Cliff Collins, Cassie Newton, Gage Lingle and Sophie Lingle; 15 great-grandchildren; two amazing sisters, Cindy Murray and Della Martin, both of Murphysboro; many other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers Joe and Tom; sisters Dorris, Judy and Ada; several brothers and sisters-in-law.

"Miss Nellie" was an avid lover of all flowers especially irises and day lilies. When driving through Pomona, if you see an iris it most likely came from her garden. She loved sharing all of her flowers. She loved to can vegetables and fruit and made many types of jellies. She loved to sit out and watch the hummingbirds and cardinals while reading a romance novel.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Friday, May 7, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Alto Pass, with Danny Miller officiating.

Friends can call from 11 a.m. until the service hour at 1 p.m. Interment will be in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in Pomona.

Everyone attending will be required to wear a face covering and to observe social distancing guidelines. Maximum occupancy of the funeral home will be limited to 50 individuals at one time.

To view the obituary and to leave online condolences for the family, visit www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com.

RENDLEMAN & HILEMAN FUNERAL HOMES Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Alto Pass is in charge of arrangements.

Jane Yates

Jane Yates, 89, of Buncombe, died Monday, May 3, at her home.

Funeral arrangements were pending at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna.

To view the obituary and to leave online condolences for the family, visit www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com.

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

Illinois Commerce Commission addressing concerns about extreme weather conditions

Extreme winter weather in February in the south central region of the United States that left millions of people without electricity or heat, and sent natural gas prices skyrocketing to record levels, has prompted the Illinois Commerce Commission, ICC, to open a notice of inquiry, NOI, into extreme weather preparedness to ensure Illinois consumers are protected.

"What happened in Texas, Louisiana and Oklahoma this past winter is extremely concerning to the commission," ICC chairman Carrie Zalewski said in a news release.

"While we regularly hear from the utilities and regional transmission organizations about their winter and summer preparedness efforts, we are digging deeper so that we are absolutely certain that every reasonable step possible is being taken to protect Illinois consumers from widespread outages and extreme energy prices."

In mid-February of this year, a severe winter storm that blanketed the south-central region of the United States forced natural gas processing plants and compressor stations to shut down or perform maintenance as liquid froze inside pipes and compressors, dramatically reducing output in the region.

The reduction in supply coupled with an increased demand for home heating by gas-fired electric generators sent natural gas prices soaring from approximately \$3.50 per MMBtu on Feb. 10 to nearly \$24 per MMBtu on Feb. 17.

Price increases for natural gas delivered to Illi-

nois by pipelines from the south-central region were even more dramatic, hitting as high as \$255 per MMBtu during this period.

The electric sector in the south-central region was also impacted by the winter storms.

According to the U.S. Department of Energy, on the morning of Feb. 16, there were approximately 4.89 million power outages across Texas, Louisiana and Oklahoma.

Real-time wholesale electric market prices at ERCOT were reportedly more than \$9,000 per megawatt hour on the morning of Feb. 15, compared with less than \$50 per megawatt hour prior to the winter storm.

21-NOI-01 directs questions to natural gas, electric, water and sewer utilities in Illinois, independent system operators, ISOs, or regional transmission operators, RTOs, owners or operators of electric generation and natural gas pipelines located in Illinois, and to all interested parties.

The NOI schedule requires the submission of initial comments by June 14, and submission of reply comments by July 30, 2021.

The NOI manager is authorized to schedule further rounds of comments if they may be helpful.

Prepare for spring floods

The Illinois Department of Natural Resources, the Illinois Department of Insurance, the Illinois Emergency Management Agency and local emergency management agencies throughout the state are reminding the public to invest in flood insurance to protect their homes and businesses from flooding emergencies.

Wet spring weather can bring an increased chance of spring flooding, regardless of whether homes and businesses are located near bodies of water.

With this in mind, state officials are encouraging Il-

Mike Harvel

Mike Harvel, 63, of Jonesboro, died Sunday, May 2, 2021, at his home.

He was born on June 27, 1957, the son of Wilistene George and June Penninger Harvel.

Mr. Harvel was a member of Plasterers and Cement Masons Union Local No. 143. He loved his work and had a very strong work ethic. He loved spending time with his family. He will be dearly missed.

He is survived by his children, Clint (Stephanie) Harvel of Rockwood, Ashley Daniel (Andrew Williams) of Jonesboro, Rachel (Patrick) Brewster of Carterville and Taylor Harvel of Cobden; grandchildren Aiden Harvel, Jett Harvel, June Daniel, Benny Daniel, Cain Daniel, William Brewster and Elaina Brewster; a sister, Beth Harvel of Jonesboro; his loving partner, Juvata Carter of Jonesboro; Juvata's children, Carrie (Leon) Alsip of Jonesboro and their daughter, Grace and Callie (Brock) Eaker of Eureka and their children, Avery, Evelyn and Bennett; many other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents and by his brother Stevie Harvel.

Funeral services were at 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 5, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Jonesboro. Steve Shepherd officiated. Interment was in the Anna City Cemetery.

Memorials can be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or to FPIES (Food Protein-Induced Enterocolitis Syndrome), a rare allergic disorder from which his grandson suffers.

To view the obituary and to leave online condolences for the family, visit www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com.

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

Reynoldsville News

By Sue Eudy

Happy birthday to Brian Eudy of Jackson, Mo., whose birthday is on Mother's Day, May 9.

Happy Mother's Day to all mothers, grandmothers, etc., on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 9.

Thank you to JoAnn Toler of Cape Girardeau for renewing her subscription to The Gazette-Democrat and giving me the credit.

Rodney Reynolds of Wolf Lake enjoyed eating lunch every day last week with his mother, Dolores Reynolds of Reynoldsville.

Jessie, Rhiannon and Lane Livesay of Wolf Lake visited Friday afternoon

Illinois residents to consider flood insurance before the next flood occurs.

Flood insurance can provide immediate financial assistance regardless of whether a major disaster is declared by the president of the United States.

In 2019, devastating river flooding occurred in more than 33 counties in Illinois and impacted 2.1 million residents.

Throughout the 2019 flood season, the National Flood Insurance Program provided more than \$19.7 million to Illinois homeowners who submitted flood insurance claims.

with Dolores Reynolds.

Justin, Hunter, Gracie and Paxton Wilson of Reynoldsville brought pizza to Dolores Reynolds on Wednesday night. Jackie and Jay Jennings of Reynoldsville also joined them for pizza.

Brad and Lori Pender and Judy and Gary Gibbs, all of Jonesboro, visited Saturday with Maxine and Fred Pender of Fair City.

Fred Pender attended the funeral of James Newman on Friday. They were both members of the A-J class of 1961.

Penny Hill of McClure and Tessa Burtin of St. Peters, Mo., visited Monday with Shirley Miller of McClure.

Saturday visitors of Shirley Miller were Becky Harpner, Judy Houser, Matthew Martin, Linda Pruet and Lisa Moll, all of Missouri.

Sunday dinner guests of Sue and Steve Eudy were Kevin and Emma Eudy and Jonathan Bohnert of Cape Girardeau.

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.

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"The Preaching Pen" Identifying Marks of the Church #2

We continue our study this week of marks that identify the church of the New Testament. Last week, we said the church was founded in Jerusalem (Isa. 2:2-3; Acts 2); during the Roman Empire (33 A.D., Daniel 2:44; Luke 3:1-2), and Jesus was the founder (Matt. 16:18). Continuing:

The church of the New Testament was guided solely by the authority of Christ. We will be judged by the word of Christ (John 12:48); therefore, everything we do in word or deed must be in the name (by the authority) of Christ (Col. 3:17).

The church of the New Testament taught certain things were to be obeyed in order to have salvation. One had to believe in Christ (John 8:24), repent of sins (Acts 2:38), confess Jesus is the Son of God (Rom. 10:9-10), be baptized for the forgiveness of sins (Mark 16:16; Acts 22:16), and live faithfully unto death (I Cor. 15:58; Rev. 2:10).

The church of Christ in the Bible (Rom. 16:16) worshipped God in spirit and in truth (John 4:24). There were specific acts of worship in which those early Christians engaged: Singing without the accompaniment of mechanical instruments of music (Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16); Prayer directed to the Father in the name of Christ (Acts 12:5); Lord's supper each Sunday as a memorial of Christ (I Cor. 11:23-26); Giving free-will offerings each Sunday, no sales or business actions to raise money (I Cor. 16:1-2); Hearing the gospel preached and nothing but the gospel (Rom. 10:13-17). Any departure from this God-ordained pattern is sinful, whether it be adding to or taking from God's Word.

The church of the New Testament practiced baptism as immersion for penitent believers in order to have forgiveness of sins. Philip and the eunuch "went down into the water" and "came up out of the water" as recorded in Acts 8:36-39. The word "baptize" means "to immerse, plunge, dip." The word baptism always means immersion and never means anything else! Jesus commanded that those who would be saved must "believe and be baptized" (Mark 16:16). Who are we to argue with the Lord? This commandment was given to those on Pentecost when they asked what to do to be saved. "Repent and be baptized, every one of you...FOR the remission of sins" (Acts 2:38). Saul of Tarsus had to be baptized before he received forgiveness of sins (Acts 22:16). Though some want to argue with God about it, I Peter 3:21 says that baptism saves us!

Dear Reader, respecting the authority of the Bible is of paramount importance, and if the place where you attend deviates in one or more areas, we urge you to search the Scriptures. We at the Anna church of Christ stand ready to assist you. Have a great day!

R.W. McAlister, Minister
Anna church of Christ

Public Record

from the files at the Union County Courthouse, Jonesboro

Realty Transactions

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

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: John M. Graham. Grantee: Lisa L. Graham. Subdivision Name: Warren T. Browns Add. of Anna. Block A. Lot 11.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Patricia Landreth, Steven Wayne Landreth. Grantee: Kaelynn J. Bracken, Nathaniel JD Bracken. Subdivision Name: Rolling Hills Subdivision. Lot 2.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: John Calvin Lingle. Grantee: Rebecca Bartelsmeyer Lingle, Christian Houseworth Lingle, David Lingle. Subdivision Name: George W. Browns Add. of Alto Pass. Block 7. Lots 5, 6, 7, 8.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: James Jefferson Lingle. Grantee: Rebecca Bartelsmeyer Lingle, Christina Lingle Houseworth, David Lingle. Subdivision Name: George W. Browns Add. of Alto Pass. Block 7. Lots 5, 6, 7, 8.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Richard Williams Lingle. Grantee: Rebecca Lingle Bartelsmeyer, Christina Lingle Houseworth, David Lingle, Phillip Lingle. Subdivision Name: George W. Browns Add. of Alto Pass. Block 7. Lots 5, 6, 7, 8.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Sarah L. Barnhart. Grantee: Rebecca Lingle Bartelsmeyer, Christina Lingle Houseworth, David

Lingle, Phillip Lingle. Subdivision Name: George W. Browns Add. of Alto Pass. Lots 5, 6, 7, 8.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Jason Menees, Kristie Menees. Grantee: Janet D. Boyd. Tract Section 26 Township 12S Range 1W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: James Dillon, Janet Dunville. Grantee: Payton M. Alsip, Benjie Dunville. Tract Section 30 Township 12S Range 1W.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Brenda Joyce Keeley, Hilma Ann Keeley, Richard Charles Keeley. Grantee: Dallas L. Diller. Tract Section 32 Township 12S Range 1E.

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Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Dallas L. Diller. Grantee: Emma Huston, Noah Huston. Tract Section 32 Township 12S Range 1E.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Jeffrey D. Harris, Sharon L. Harris. Grantee: David R. Sullivan, Joellen Sullivan. Subdivision Name: Rolling Hills Subdivision. Lots 11, 12.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Carol Aune. Grantee: Bryan L. Simmons, Marilyn S. Simmons. Subdivision Name: W.H. Simpsons 1st

Add. of Anna. Lot 11.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: David Wilkins. Grantee: Sheri McCann. Tract Section 19 Township 11S Range 1W. Tract Section 1 Township 11S Range 1W. Tract Section 20 Township 11S Range 1W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Mario Almanza, Maria Guadalupe Martine de Almanza. Grantee: Raquel Gusman Garcia, Ruben Guzman Romero. Subdivision Name: Hartlines Addition. Lot 4.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Alexander Robert Foeller, Payton Nicole Foeller. Grantee: James R. Holderfield, Susan T. Holderfield. Subdivision Name: Willis A. Hartline Sub. Lots 10, 11, 12.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Baleigh Parmly.

Grantee: Baleigh Parmly-Simmons, Bryan Simmons. Tract Section 16 Township 12S Range 1W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Jason E. Menees, Kristie K. Menees. Grantee: Bradley Dodd, Danielle Dodd. Tract Section 26 Township 12S Range 1W.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Mary Ann Courtright. Grantee: Mary Ann Courtright Living Trust. Tract Section 36 Township 12S Range 2W. Tract Section 25 Township 12S Range 2W. Tract Section 35 Township 12S Range 2W.

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

Cape Girardeau, driving 21-25 mph above limit, \$253. Dwayne C. Smith, Burnet, Texas, operate in Illinois/ impaired state, \$164.

Jacqueline D. Tellor, Cobden, electronic communication device, \$253. Corey D. Scales, Carbondale, driving 15-20 mph above limit, \$164.

Danielle Nichol Murry, Du Quoin, driving 15-20 mph above limit, \$253. Julia A. Peeler, Anna, disregard traffic control device, \$253.

Amber J. Chism, Carbondale, driving 15-20 mph above limit, \$253. Tiffany Lynn Rostorfer, Lima, Ohio, driving 15-20 mph above limit, \$253.

Darius Jameal Cox, Memphis, Tenn., driving 21-25 mph above limit, \$253. Edgar Mateo Landa-Luna, Chicago, driving 21-25 mph

above limit, \$253.

Jayla E. Rose, Hopkinsville, Ky., seat belt required/passenger, \$164. Destinee LB Johnson, Carbondale, driving 15-20 mph above limit, \$164.

Sabah L. Altarsha, Indianapolis, Ind., electronic communication device, \$253. Daniel A. Hernandez, Bolingbrook, speeding 26-34 mph over limit, \$164.

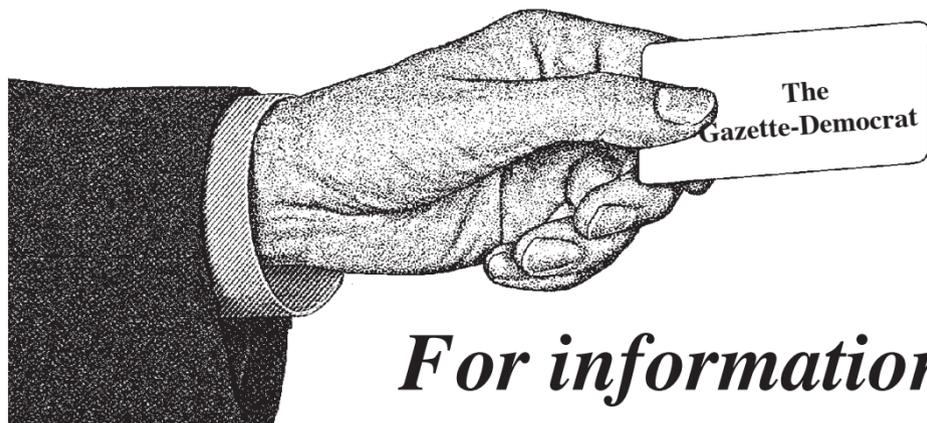
Maggie Louise Kelley, Nashville, Tenn., speeding 26-34 mph over limit, \$330. Robert W. Baize, Herrin, disregard traffic control device, \$164.

Juan Mauricio Maldonado Perez, Marion, driving 21-25 mph above limit, \$164. Jennifer Dawn Spies, Scott City, Mo., driving 15-20 mph above limit, \$164. Joseph D. Blevins, Anna, disregard stop sign, \$164.



Robin in dandelions

A robin paused while it was looking for something to eat one evening recently in a yard in Union County where lots of dandelions were growing.



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Police officers are an integral part of our communities! Please join us to express appreciation and respect for our local police officers!

State Senator Terri Bryant is seeking assistance from the community to send a big thank you to the police officers throughout the 58th Senate District through her Appreciation For Your Dedication Card Drive in honor of National Police Week May 9-15, 2021.

Please mail or drop off cards, handwritten notes, encouraging and uplifting stories, drawings, etc. by May 15 to the Murphysboro District Office. Senator Bryant's Office will be personally delivering your creations to police officers throughout the district to thank them for all they do to keep our communities safe.

Mall or Drop Off Cards by May 15 to:

MURPHYSBORO DISTRICT OFFICE: 1032 W. Industrial Park Road, Murphysboro, IL 62966

For questions, email Kathy Willis at kwills62950@gmail.com.



Legislator hosts appreciation card drive for police officers

National Police Appreciation Week is May 9-15. State Sen. Terri Bryant, R-Murphysboro, is hoping residents throughout the 58th Senate District will help send a hearty thank you to law enforcement for the work they do to keep communities safe. Part of Union County is in the 58th District.

Bryant said that the men and women who serve in law enforcement "have chosen a career in which they put themselves on the line to protect and serve their communities. Their service to public safety should be recognized, appreciated and respected."

Bryant is asking people to mail or drop off cards, handwritten notes, encouraging and uplifting stories, drawings, and other messages of appreciation by Thursday, May 15, to her district office in Murphysboro, which is located at 1032 W. Industrial Park Rd.

Bryant said her office will personally deliver the notes/drawings to police officers throughout the 58th District.

"National Police Week is about shining a spotlight on those courageous, duty-abiding officers who live up to their badge and keep our communities safe," Bryant said.

"I hope this card drive inspires and motivates those throughout my district to support our men and women in uniform."

The Gazette-Democrat joins Sen. Bryant is saying thank you to the men and women who are serving, and have served, in law enforcement in Union County. We are grateful for your dedicated service.

A Page from the Past

from the files of The Gazette-Democrat

Thursday, May 6, 1971

A large crowd attended the Open House at Anna State Hospital Sunday, May 2, which was held from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Charles N. Glover, Extension Adviser, Agriculture, University of Illinois in Union County since July 1, 1955, retires on May 31, 1971. He has been with the Extension Service of the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign since March 15, 1936.

The Jonesboro City Council received a petition urging extension of water lines to some residents just outside the city limits on Route 146 at their meeting Monday, May 3.

The 11th annual Egyptian Arts and Crafts Guild Show was held at the American Legion Community Center Saturday and Sunday, May 1 and 2.

The week of May 2 through May 8 has been designated as Khoury League Week. A drive is underway to aid the more than 500 eager young men in the area to raise funds for Khoury League and to obtain lights for the new ball field at the Anna City Park.

The Union County Board of Commissioners placed on file a letter received from Congressman Kenneth J. Gray concerning the possibility of a detention facility for a five county area being constructed in Union County.

The Union County Board of Commissioners has approved the notice to contractors for sealed proposals for the renovation of the Union County courtroom.

The Union County Selective Service office, located at 112 N. Main, Anna, will continue to be open four days a week, until further notice.

The Anna-Jonesboro Community High School Music Department will present a very special program Sunday, May 9, at 2:30 p.m. at the high school.

The public is cordially invited to hear the exciting sounds and see the colorful array of student art which will also be on display.

The special Mother's Day Concert will feature the Concert Band, Choir, Solo and Ensemble performances from each organization.

A Spring Luncheon and Style Show sponsored by the Anna-Jonesboro Junior Women's Club held Saturday at the Elks Club was very well attended.

The Anna-Jonesboro Wildcats baseball season has pleased fans in the last week with three straight shutouts.

The Jonesboro Bulldogs took an 11 to 4 decision over Goreville last Thursday for their 18th straight win.

Darrell Sauerbrunn caught the largest bass recorded to date in Southern Illinois recently. The bass weighed eight pounds and one ounce.

The Independent Softball League held its first 1971 meeting last Friday night.

Please read this...

By Geof Skinner

'No reason to fear the snakes in your garden...'



Not to worry, folks...it's not real...not even close... we're going to let you in on a little secret this week... those "snow snakes" which made an appearance last time...they were frozen figments of the writer's imagination...for all of the details...please keep on reading this...

...the "snow snakes" that were created on the hood of the world's ugliest pickup truck were able to make their appearance thanks to a fake snake.

Your writer dropped the plastic python on the April snow which had fallen somewhat unexpectedly in our little corner of the world.

The pseudo snake comes with a bit of a story, too... about 10 years ago, back in what I heard referred to as "The Before Times," as in the good days before the pandemic, your intrepid scribe/staff photo person was motoring home after attending a local photo opportunity on a very cold December evening.

While motoring through a local metropolitan area, which shall remain nameless for no good reason, I spotted what looked like a snake in the middle of the road.

Such a sighting would have been very, very strange on a cold December evening in Southern Illinois. Curiosity got the best of me. I stopped the car. Got out. And approached the object in the middle of the road.

The object turned out to be a fake snake. I rescued the faux critter from certain flattening on the road and brought it home, where it has remained ever since. I think the night of our recent pandemic April snow was the first time the critter had been outside since it came home with me, lo, these many years ago.

Snakes came to mind when I happened to run across an article about the legless reptiles which was posted on the University of Illinois Extension website.

I know a lot of people, maybe even you, do not like snakes. With that in mind, let me share the Extension article...

URBANA, Ill. — As spring progresses, many will have their hands in the dirt of their backyards, pulling out weeds and breaking up soil to prepare for the ultimate tomato patch. Coming across a snake in the grass or in the dirt may startle even the bravest person and could result in a failed garden for the fainthearted gardener.

There's no reason to fear the snakes in your garden, says Joy O'Keefe, University of Illinois Extension wildlife specialist. "Most are harmless, and many are providing valuable ecosystem services, eating the pests you loathe even more than the snakes."

Three snakes commonly found in gardens across most of Illinois are, from smallest to largest, the DeKay's brownsnake, eastern garter snake and the gray rat snake.

The DeKay's brownsnake is only 9 to 13 inches long, with a very small home range. Brownsnakes primarily eat earthworms, slugs and snails, using their tiny, slender teeth to extract snails from their shells. They often hide in woodpiles.

"Keeping this slug predator around could be beneficial to your hostas and other prized plants," O'Keefe says.

Eastern garter snakes are ubiquitous in Illinois. While this larger (16 to 26 inches) snake will eat worms and snails, it often munches on larval and adult toads, frogs and salamanders and lives under debris in yards.

"Remarkably, garter snakes can tolerate poisons in the skin of these animals," O'Keefe says. "Two to four suburban backyards could be home to 10 to 20 garter snakes, more if there is water nearby."

At 42 to 72 inches in length, gray rat snakes are much more conspicuous in their environment and often climb trees and rocks. Young snakes are blotched until they reach about 3 feet in length, at which point their pattern fades and they have a gray or black appearance.

"Rat snakes can help control rodent populations; thus, an intrepid rat snake may follow a mouse into your house," O'Keefe says. One rat snake could range across an entire neighborhood, but the amount of area they cover will depend on food availability.

"A rat snake may appear menacing, even vibrating its tail in leaf litter when disturbed, but it is completely harmless," O'Keefe says. "If they are in your way, you may safely move any of them without fear of being injured. These species rarely attempt to bite humans, none are venomous, and they cannot penetrate garden gloves with their teeth."

So...there you have it...maybe...snakes can actually be a good thing for your garden...and I know there are a lot of gardeners out there. Fake snakes, on the other hand, might not be good for anything other than dropping in the snow...



...this snake is for real...it was hanging around in our backyard about a year ago...and was kind enough to stick around for a photograph or two...

Commentary

Foul language not appreciated

By Mike Estel

I'm not naive and I've heard a lot of foul language over the years.

This comes from playing sports, being in the service, and part of the working world or just being out and about.

But something recently I heard and saw on national television stuck out to me and was just a little too much to believe.

The former president of the United States, Donald Trump, called a former avid supporter Mitch McConnell a dumb S.O.B. And, he didn't use the abbreviated version, but the real meaning of the words. This was because he didn't support him when he said the past election was rigged.

This went out for all the world to hear and really makes a certain person look bad.

I can remember when I played football for Murphysboro High School and quarterback Bobby Brown of Benton was tearing up our defense.

As if I could make a difference, the coach put me in to see if I could maybe slow him down or stop him.

Well, as soon as I walked on the field, the standout quarterback called me an S.O.B. He didn't use the abbreviated version either.

I got tossed out of the game when I confronted him and as I was leaving the field, I told the nearest official that the reason I reacted like that was because he called me an S.O.B.

The official immediately confronted him and he didn't deny what he said and he tossed him out of the game as well.

My point is, the term is not very complimentary, especially to one's mother. And, I'm sure Mitch McConnell is seething about hearing him being called that for all the world to hear.

This was a little too much, especially coming from a former president.

I still can't believe the abbreviated version wasn't used instead.

Author plans book signing

Author Mike Estel of Anna plans to have a book signing on Saturday, May 15, at the Union County Museum in downtown Cobden. The book signing is scheduled from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. The museum is located at 117 S. Appleknocker.

Estel has released his 18th book, titled "Escape from a Southern Prison." The book is published by Chaplain Publishing. The book is a work of historical fiction.

The main character, Andy Thurgood, is a boy from Southern Illinois who joins the Union Army during the Civil War and fights in several battles.

He is captured by the Confederates and sent to the notorious Andersonville Prison in South Carolina. The book chronicles his escape from the prison.

Letter to the editor

Allow citizens to voice concerns

To the editor,

I was at the Town Hall Meeting on April 20th, and was I very upset at the resolution to pass NO SMOKING IN THE CITY PARK. How dare they pass a resolution, without asking the Citizens of Anna, on how they feel about such a resolution! After all, there was NO Open Meeting as stated in the documented meeting agenda!!!

Well guess what, I did the research...and the City has 100 percent right to do what they did. Yea, go figure. So, IF you're like me, upset; we now have to learn how to deal with NO Smoking in the City Park.

On the other hand, I firmly believe, we need a resolution passed that allows 100 percent of the time, after a closed meeting, an open meeting, to voice our concerns.

After all, we do live in a democratic society, where the Mayor, is elected to hear our statements, and not like the meeting that took place on the 20th, where it did state: an open meeting after the closed meeting, and the open meeting was NEVER held.

IF this Un-American City Officials of Anna, want to control us home owners, renters and business owners, without hearing our voices, we need to reevaluate the City Counsel and Mayor for refusal to do their duties; according to their rules. After all, what is the purpose of a City Town Meeting, IF citizens are NOT allowed to voice their concerns?

Respectfully Submitted, A Traveler, Anna

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