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News Notes

Items of interest from throughout the Union County area

Numerous American Red Cross blood drives are scheduled during June in Union County. The pandemic is having a major impact on the nation's blood supply.

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University of Illinois Extension on June 1 announced that in-person events through July 31 will be postponed or hosted online.

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Southern Seven Health Department reports that the Illinois Department of Human Services soon will offer statewide use of Electronic Benefits Transfer for the Women, Infants & Children's, WIC, Nutrition Program.

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Local municipal officials have been continuing to discuss the status of dispatch services with the Union County Sheriff's Office.

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The 28th annual Blessing of the Bikes was held last Sunday at the Cross of Peace on Bald Knob Mountain near Alto Pass. The annual event was sponsored by the Lord's Paheece chapter of the Christian Motorcylists Association.

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Anna Heights Baptist Church in Anna had a service in its parking lot last Sunday morning.

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The First Baptist Church in Jonesboro plans to be open for worshipers on Sunday morning, June 7.

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The Anna Nazarene Church is conducting drive-in services on Sunday mornings.

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From a social media posting: the Thrive Dispensary in Anna was closed Tuesday, June 2, due to vandalism.

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The Union County Museum in downtown Cobden had an unofficial opening last weekend. Further details about the reopening of the museum were to be announced.

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Veteran honored

A hero at the Illinois Veterans Home in Anna was honored last Sunday with a special event.

Veterans home resident Dave Johnson was saluted with a drive-by parade Sunday afternoon which was held to salute his 101st birthday, which was May 31.

Mr. Johnson is a World War II veteran who served in the U.S. Army. He achieved the rank of Tech 5 during his service.

The Illinois Veterans Home is located along North Main Street in Anna. The parade route was along North Main Street, going past the veterans home.

Emergency services agencies and veterans organizations were joined by many others to honor Mr. Johnson.

In the photograph above, members of Southern Illinois Elks Lodges stopped to honor Mr. Johnson with a salute featuring a large American flag.

In the other photograph, a float from the Veterans of Foreign Wars Carroll P. Foster Post No. 3455 in Anna honored Mr. Johnson.

County clerk addresses concerns about election

In the midst of the coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic, 2020 is an election year. A primary election was held in March. A general election is scheduled in November.

Concerns about the election process are ongoing and were addressed during the recent Illinois state legislative session.

While the state legislature was meeting, Union County Clerk Lance Meisenheimer voiced concerns about some of the issues which were being discussed.

With the session having come to an end, the county clerk shared his ongoing concerns in a letter to The Gazette-Democrat:

As you may know, I put out a letter a few weeks ago about the possibility of an all vote-by-mail election that would have been passed by the Illinois Legislature.

My concerns were listed on why I believe this would have been a bad decision for voters, myself as an Election Authority, and tax payers.

On Friday, May 22nd, both the Illinois House and Senate passed legislation that would change the November 3rd, 2020 election.

Senate Bill 1863 isn't what I had feared the most, but it does cause for some concerns on what exactly has changed.

Everyone that voted in either the 2018 General, 2019 Consolidated or 2020 General Primary Elections will be mailed an application from the Union County Clerk's Office.

You can mark on your application whether you'd like to vote by mail or vote in-person by either early voting at the County Clerk's Office or at your designated polling place on election day.

The application will be sent out by August 1st, 2020.

If you would like to go ahead and apply for your mail-in ballot you may go ahead and do that by in-

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Five new COVID-19 cases in county

Southern Seven Health Department on Monday, June 1, confirmed 12 new cases of COVID-19 in the region it serves in Southern Illinois.

The cases confirmed on Monday, by county, gender and age, included:

Union County: one female in her 20s, two males in their 20s and two females in their 50s.

Pulaski County: one male in his 20s, two males in their 30s and two males in their 40s.

Johnson County: one female in her 20s and one male in his 80s.

The health department confirmed 10 new cases of COVID-19 in its service area on Friday, May 29.

All of the cases reported on Friday were in Pulaski County: three males in their 20s, three males in their 30s and four males in their 40s.

Five new confirmed cases were reported on Thursday, May 28. All of

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Illinois Secretary of State driver services facilities reopen

Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White announced his office's reopening plan, beginning June 1, with the first two months focused on serving only new drivers, customers with expired driver's licenses/ID cards and vehicle transactions.

As of May 26, there were more than 700,000 expired driver's licenses/ID cards and 1.9 million expired vehicle registrations.

All Illinois Secretary of State departments and offices were scheduled to be open for business on June 1.

On Tuesday, June 2, Tuesday through Saturday facilities (all driver services facilities statewide outside the Chicago metro area) were scheduled to open. A driver services facility is located in Anna.

Hours of operation are scheduled Tuesday, from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Wednesday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday 7:30 a.m. to noon.

For the first two months through July 31, these facilities will only serve:

New drivers (most will be 16-year-old driver applicants). Customers with expired driver's licenses and ID cards. Vehicle transactions.

For all other services, people are asked to refer to the various departments listed on www.cyberdriveillinois.com.

Protective Measures

Customers and Illinois Secretary of State employees will be required to wear face masks, unless a medical condition prohibits the safe use of a mask.

Plexiglass dividers have been installed at all work stations and tape has been applied to the floor in 6-foot intervals to follow social distancing guidelines, limiting the number of customers inside a facility at one time.

For drive tests, employees will wear a face mask and a face shield due to the close proximity with the customer inside the vehicle.

Customers will be required to wear face masks unless medically unable.

Disposable plastic will be used to cover the vehicle seats during the drive test. The plastic will be discarded immediately after the conclusion of the drive test.

Drivers services facility in Anna reopens

This was the scene at about 9:15 a.m. Tuesday, June 2, at the Illinois Secretary of State's drivers services facility in Anna. Downstate facilities reopened this week following a lengthy closing caused by the coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic.

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Jonesboro Council appointees, committee members named

Jonesboro City Council appointees and committees have been announced by Mayor Ken Blandford for the fiscal year which began May 1 and continues through April 30, 2021.

The appointees and committees include:

City clerk and collector: Barbara Casper. Deputy clerk: Beverly Boyd.

City treasurer: Shelly Pender. City attorney: Tim Denny.

Police chief: David Wilkins. Assistant police chief: Brent Sims.

Fire chief: Tim Bowen. Assistant fire chief: Kevin Tucker.

City superintendent: Billy Alsip. Assistant city superintendent: Mike Ellis.

Zoning: John Pickel. Anna-Jonesboro Water Commission Board: Doug Edwards.

Jonesboro Library Board: Steve Haldeman and Brandi Boyd.

Committees

Cemetery: Bart Hileman, chairman; Beverly Schaefer, Ken Carlson.

Finance: Brandi Boyd, chairman; Beverly Schaefer, Steve Haldeman.

Gas: Ken Carlson, chairman; Mike Stegle, Steve Haldeman.

Property: Steve Haldeman, chairman; Beverly Schaefer, Brandi Boyd.

Streets: Mike Stegle, chairman; Bart Hileman, Steve Haldeman.

Water and sewer: Mike Stegle, chairman; Bart Hileman, Brandi Boyd.

Budget committee: Steve Haldeman, Brandi Boyd, Ken Carlson.

Anna library continues plans for phased reopening

Stinson Memorial Library in Anna continues to work on plans to reopen.

The library has been closed due to the coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic.

Excerpts from a social media message posted by the library follow:

We are currently working on our phased reopening plan, following the advice of our local health department and local and state library resources.

We are currently hoping to launch curbside service for patrons to pick up library materials on June 15, 2020.

Library staff and trustees are reviewing procedures and securing supplies needed by staff to insure we can provide this service safely and efficiently.

We want to be upfront with our community about what a phased reopening means – and what it doesn't mean.

We do know that it won't be "business as usual." There will be new rules, new procedures, and service limitations.

Some of these may be temporary, and some may be long term.

Before our closure, it was common for many patrons to enter our building each day.

People touched the same books, computers, newspapers, study tables, and bathroom sinks.

It was common for patrons to sit in close quarters and for large groups to meet in the auditorium for programs.

Young children would play with toys and look at books – and then minutes later another child would touch those same books and toys.

In an environment that is designed for people to browse, linger, and share common resources, reopening in the midst of COVID-19 has serious implications.

This will mean we need to go slowly at first. In the meantime, we are fine-tuning our new curbside pick-up service and plan to launch it June 15, 2020.

We will share more details in the coming weeks about how that will work.

Thank you for your patience and your support as we navigate this new normal together.

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County clerk

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person request to our office, by mail, email or on our website. We don't have the website ready yet for the requests but we will soon.

Some concerns that I see with these new changes will be what we have to deal with here in the office.

Sending out applications to every voter will not be cheap for the county and simply was not budgeted for in my office.

At this point the State Board of Elections will not confirm if we will be able to receive a reimbursement for these new added costs.

I do hope for local governments' sake, they are able to fund these new costs for us that the state passed.

I am currently looking into some cost saving options with the United States Postal Service but I don't have anything set just yet.

What you the voter needs to know is that you will get to vote like always and you still have your option on how you'd like to vote.

I feel that is the most important part to let everyone know and understand. It is also important to let everyone know that we will be making sure that each person only gets one ballot to cast.

So if you request to vote by mail, you won't be allowed to vote in person either early or on Election Day.

We will also be making sure nobody abuses the vote by mail system and will be making sure that there will be no harvesting or fraudulent activities with the ballots or applications.

I've heard some concern with the process of the mail in ballot in our office.

I can assure you that we do not trace ballots by the person and we have no idea whose ballot is who's when we enter them into the tabulation machine.

Election Judges from each party over see this process to make sure this right is protected for you.

So if you decide to vote by mail this fall be assured that your vote will count and it will be kept secret.

We are working hard here in my office to make sure we keep elections fair and hope you trust us with this very important task as you vote this fall.

As always, if you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me or my office. Lance Meisenheimer, Union County Clerk/Recorder, lmeisenheimer@unioncountyil.gov.

COVID-19

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those cases were in Union County: one female in her 10s, one female in her 30s, one male in his 30s, one male in his 60s and one female in her 70s.

All of those with new cases were being isolated.

Southern Seven Health Department reported no new recovered cases in its service area on Monday.

Five new recovered cases were reported on May 29. All were in Union County.

Eight new recovered cases were reported on May 28. All were in Pulaski County.

As of June 1, there were 93 people in the health department's service area who had recovered since the start of the pandemic in the United States.

Also as of June 1, the health department was reporting a cumulative total of 238 positive cases of COVID-19 in its service area.

The health department confirmed that a total of 2,496 negative COVID-19 tests had been reported in the region as of June 1.

The number of individuals confirmed to have COVID-19 in the area counties served by the Southern Seven Health Department as of June 1 follows:

Union County: 153 cases. 43 had recovered. Eleven deaths had been reported in Union County.

Alexander County: Eight total cases. All eight had recovered.

Hardin County: One case. The person recovered.

Johnson County: 10 cases. Four had recovered.

Massac County: Seven cases. Six had recovered.

Pope County: One case. The person recovered.

Pulaski County: 58 cases. 30 had recovered.

According to the Illinois Department of Public Health, IDPH, in Illinois there were 974 new individuals with COVID-19 identified on June 1, bringing the confirmed total in the state to 121,234 individuals, with 5, 412 deaths.

News Notes

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The Village of Cobden is planning to replace a water line on Front Street.

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Giant City Lodge near Makanda announced plans on social media to offer limited outside dining last weekend, weather permitting, in addition to no-contact curbside pickup.

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The Farm Fresh store in Anna is now offering Hunt Brothers pizza.

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Taking advantage of the shutdown, the Revlon Tavern and Bob's Tavern are both remodeling.

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Mississippi River flood warning continues

A flood warning continues until next week for the Mississippi River at Cape Girardeau.

The National Weather Service office in Paducah reported early this week on its website that recent heavy rains have caused the river to rise.

As of Monday morning, June 1, the forecast was calling for the river to crest "in a couple of days."

Mississippi River at Cape Girardeau

A flood warning continues until Wednesday, June 10.

At 10 a.m. Monday, June 1, the river's stage was 36.4 feet. Flood stage is 32.0 feet.

Minor flood was occurring. Minor flooding was in the forecast.

The river was expected to continue rising to near 37.0 feet by Wednesday morning, June 3.

The forecast calls for the river to fall below flood stage Tuesday evening, June 9.

Mississippi River at Thebes

A flood warning is in effect until Monday, June 8.

At 10 a.m. Monday, June 1, the river's stage was 35.4 feet. Flood stage is 33.0 feet.

Minor flooding was occurring. Minor flooding was in the forecast.

The river was expected to continue rising to near 36.0 feet by Wednesday morning, June 3.

The forecast calls for the river to fall below flood stage Monday morning, June 8.

Cobden Village Board grants scholarships to two students

The Cobden Village Board of Trustees has granted scholarships to two students.

The scholarships were granted at a regular meeting of the village board which was held Monday, May 4.

Students Jenna Hartline and Jennifer Juarez each received a $500 scholarship.

In other business at the May 4 meeting, Cobden's police chief was reappointed.

Village board committee members also were appointed.

Village president Paul Z. Tomazzoli's reappointment of B.J. Hale as police chief was approved by a 4-2 vote.

The mayor's appointments to village board committees also were approved. The appointments, by committee, included:

Finance: Patrick Brumleve, chairman; Todd Dietterle.

Streets and sidewalks: Larry Hackethal, chairman; Jean A. Britt.

Utilities: Larry Hackethal, chairman; Austin Sellars.

Public safety: Austin Sellars, chairman; Jean A. Britt.

Cemetery: Todd Dietterle, chairman; David Stewart.

Park and beautification: David Stewart, chairman; Patrick Brumleve.

Dr. Steve Vincent in Anna is announcing the closing of his dental office on August 1, 2020. Until that date, I will be available for my previous patients while they make their transition and records can be transferred if needed, by leaving a message at 618-833-7773. Gwen, Gena, Tyra, Sue and I would like to thank All who trusted us for their dental needs throughout the years.
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2020 CENSUS RESPONSE RATE CHALLENGE

The City of Anna invites YOU to do your part and fill out the Census. If we can beat our 2010 response rate of 73.9%, the city of Anna pledges the following:

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County hospital earns Joint Commission's Gold Seal of Approval

Union County Hospital in Anna has earned The Joint Commission's Gold Seal of Approval for Critical Access Hospital Accreditation and Nursing Care Center Accreditation by demonstrating continuous compliance with its performance standards.

The Gold Seal of Approval is a symbol of quality that reflects an organization's commitment to providing safe and effective patient care, the hospital noted in a news release.

Union County Hospital underwent a rigorous, unannounced on-site review on March 2.

During the review, a team of Joint Commission reviewers evaluated compliance with hospital standards related to several areas, including emergency management, environment of care, infection prevention and control, leadership and medication management.

Surveyors also conducted on-site observations and interviews.

The Joint Commission's standards are developed in consultation with health care experts and providers, measurement experts and patients.

They are informed by scientific literature and expert consensus to help health care organizations measure, assess and improve performance.

"As a private accreditor, The Joint Commission surveys health care organizations to protect the public by identifying deficiencies in care and working with those organizations to correct them as quickly and sustainably as possible," said Mark Pelletier.

Pelletier, an RN, is chief operating officer, accreditation and certification operations and chief nursing executive with The Joint Commission.

"We commend Union County Hospital and Long Term Care for its continuous quality improvement efforts in patient safety and quality of care."

"Union County Hospital is pleased to receive accreditation from The Joint Commission, the premier health care quality improvement and accrediting body in the nation," Union County CEO Jim Farris stated.

"The standards established by The Joint Commission exceed all applicable state licensure and federal certification requirements. Hospitals seeking accreditation go through a much more rigorous survey process than non-accredited facilities."

June blood drives set in Union County

Eligible donors in the Union County area are invited to help ease a shortage in the nation's blood supply.

On May 28, the following statement was issued by AABB, America's Blood Centers and the American Red Cross regarding the status of the nation's blood supply:

Since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, AABB, America's Blood Centers, the American Red Cross, and others in the blood community have been working together to monitor the nation's blood supply and help reduce the risk of blood shortages.

This past March, during the early stages of the pandemic, the blood supply decreased to a critical level.

At that time, the blood community and policymakers issued public statements encouraging eligible individuals to donate blood.

Thanks to a strong response from the public, the blood supply was replenished through donors' selfless acts.

Now, throughout the country, blood centers are reporting inventories falling to their lowest levels since the early stages of the pandemic as the nation's hospitals resume elective surgeries.

In addition, blood drives continue to be canceled, as many businesses, high schools and community organizations remain closed, and social distancing measures have limited blood centers' ability to collect blood at pre-pandemic levels.

The availability of an adequate blood supply is a key aspect of ensuring optimal treatment for all patients and must be replenished to help prevent shortages during the coming weeks and months.

AABB, America's Blood Centers and the American Red Cross are joining together to urge eligible individuals to make an appointment to donate now.

Blood will continue to be needed throughout the summer and beyond.

Making and keeping an appointment to donate blood is the best way to help ensure the continued stability of the blood supply.

Blood collection organizations continue to follow the highest standards of safety and infection control.

To ensure optimal safety during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, social distancing measures and increased infection control protocols have been implemented.

Donors may be required to wear a face covering or mask while giving blood.

In addition, donation appointments are strongly encouraged to appropriately manage donor flow and ensure social distancing precautions are followed.

(AABB is an international, not-for-profit association representing individuals and institutions involved in the fields of transfusion medicine and biotherapies.)

Union County Blood Drives

Five American Red Cross blood drives are scheduled during June in Union County.

The following schedule of blood drives is posted on the website for the American Red Cross Paducah Blood Donation Center:

Tuesday, June 9, First Baptist Church, Dongola, 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Wednesday, June 10, Anna Heights Baptist Church, Anna, 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 11, First Baptist Church, Anna, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Friday, June 19, Main Street Center, Anna, 1:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 25, Walmart supercenter store, Anna, 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Shawnee names 8th grade graduates

The Shawnee School District No. 84 announces 8th graduates for 2020.

Zachery Davidson Bell, Luke Cullen John Choate, Olivia Ann Marie Clover, Destany Ann Marie Crowden, Aizlyn Marie Dodson.

Jaci Lynn Rose Harris, Marissa Louise Harris, Kiersten Paige Holloway, Ryan Pierce Libbert, Karsynne Franziska Livingston.

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Ashley Ann Sutliff, Carmen Justine Danielle Tapley, Jace Evan Williams, Elaine Maleen Willmore, Brody Lane Wills.

Lick Creek School names 2020 graduates

Lick Creek School District 16 announces 8th grade graduates for the 2020 academic year.

Sammi Marie Turner, Mattilynn Jolene Houseman, Andrew Cale Holshouser, Noah Clyffe Cavins, Gunnar Jackson Myers.

Tysen Edward Tripp, Payton John-Luther Denny, Brisan Michael Dirden, Meranda Nicole Faith Wright, Evan James Hall.

Jason Jeremiah Frazier Gerardi, Lucas Scott Hoehner, Hailey Ryann Wright, Landon Michael Bradley, Shane M Casey.

Anna VFW plans fish fry, chicken leg quarter dinner

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Carroll P. Foster Post No. 3455 of Anna and its Auxiliary continue to serve meals.

The VFW post is located at 70 VFW Ln., just off old U.S. Route 51 between Anna and Cobden.

Fish Fry

The VFW post plans to serve a fish fry on Friday, June 5, starting at 5 p.m.

The menu will include two pieces of fish, potato salad, slaw, and a pickle for a $10 donation.

Due to the restrictions placed by the state, and to keep everyone safe, the meals will be available as "to go" orders only.

You can call 833-7737 before 10 a.m. Friday, June 5, to make a reservation for your meals.

You will be met under the awning at the VFW post and the meals will be delivered to your car. The VFW asks that you have exact change ready for your meals.

Chicken Leg Quarter Dinner

The Auxiliary plans to serve a "to go" chicken leg quarter dinner on Monday, June 8, beginning at 5 p.m.

The menu will include chicken leg quarters, roasted potatoes, green beans, roll and dessert for a $10 donation.

The chicken leg quarter dinner will work just like the fish fry on Friday evening.

Call 833-5182 before 8 p.m. on Saturday, June 6, to reserve a pick up time.

The Auxiliary will prepare your meal and meet you under the awning in front of the building. You don't even have to get out of your car.

Weather

The high temperature reached 82 degrees during the period of May 26 through June 1 in Union County. The low was 51.

Precipitation during the period included .46 of an inch on May 27, .06 of an inch on May 28 and .08 of an inch on May 29.

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

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Tuesday, May 26	82	66
Wednesday, May 27	79	68
Thursday, May 28	80	64
Friday, May 29	80	58
Saturday, May 30	75	52
Sunday, May 31	80	52
Monday, June 1	81	51

May Weather

The high temperature for the month of May was 89 degrees, which was recorded on May 25. The average high was 74.

The low for the month was 32, recorded on May 9. The average low was 53.

Frost was recorded on May 9. Light frost was recorded on May 11.

Precipitation for the month totalled 4.04 inches of rain. The most rain in a 24-hour period totalled .73 of an inch, which was recorded on May 8.

Precipitation for the year through the end of the month totalled 24.02 inches.

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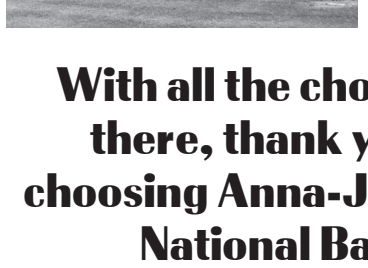

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Cobden: home of high school state softball, baseball champs

Remembering state champions

This is one of the signs in Cobden which recall high school state championships in softball and baseball.

The Village of Cobden is the home of four state championship teams.

Cobden High School's softball team won three state titles. The school's baseball team also brought home a state championship.

Sports writer Mike Estel takes a look back at the championships.

By Mike Estel

Cobden Softball Championships

The Cobden High School softball team won three Illinois High School Association Class 1A state consecutive softball championships from 2008 to 2010.

With those three titles, the Appleknockers became the second team in Illinois to win three consecutive state championships.

In that final title-winning season in 2010, the Appleknockers claimed the state championship with a 2-0 win over Lebanon in Peoria.

Taylor Orsburn had a two-run home run in the 4th inning to capture the win.

DaCota Knop was the winning pitcher, allowing 7 hits to go with 4 strikeouts to go with 2 walks.

Ana Duda led Cobden at the plate by going 2-for-3. Taylor Wilkins was 1-for-2. Orsburn was 1-for-3 with the 2-run home run. Knop was 1-for-3.

Cobden finished the season at 33-4 overall.

Cobden 1, Alexis United 0: With two outs in the bottom of the 19th inning, sophomore Kayla Quertermous had an RBI double to lift the Appleknockers to the state championship win in 2009 in Peoria.

The game, which lasted for four hours, was also held up by a pregame rain delay.

Knop scored the game winning run after walking and stealing second base.

Knop and Orsburn both pitched in the win. Knop relieved Orsburn after 13 innings and struck out 10 and allowed only one hit the rest of the way.

Cobden finished the season at 32-4 overall.

Cobden 5, Alexis United 2: Katelyn McMahan drove in the tying run in the 6th inning and scored the game winning run in the 11th inning in the 2008 state championship game.

The Appleknockers had four double plays in the game.

Orsburn and Knop pitched in the win.

Cobden finished the season at 31-8 overall.

Josh Franklin coached the 2008 team and Nathan Emrick coached both the 2009 and 2010 squads.

Cobden Baseball Title

Almost five years have now passed since the Cobden High School baseball team won the 2015 Illinois High School Athletic Association Class 1A state championship with a 9-3 win over Okawville on June 6 at Peoria.

It was the first state baseball championship for Cobden, which had previously finished in second place in 1987.

The Cobden softball team also claimed its three state championships in Class 1A from 2008 to 2010.

Before that, when the state had only one class system, Cobden finished in second place at the state boys' basketball championship in 1984.

In the championship baseball game in 2015, with the score tied 3-3 in the 6th inning, the Appleknockers erupted for 6 runs.

Jacob Furlow and Cayden Childers had back-to-back singles to start the 6th inning fireworks.

J.T. Moore and Logan Spalt each had a hit and 2 RBIs apiece in the inning.

Spalt led the 15-hit Appleknocker attack by going 3-for-5 with 2 RBIs.

Furlow was next top hitter by going 2-for-3. He was followed by Moore 2-for-5 with 2 RBIs; Parker Flamm 2-for-5; Austin Lewey 1-for-1; John Russell 1-for-2 with an RBI. Theron Sweitzer 1-for-3 with 3 RBIs; Dylan Duty and Childers were both 1-for-4; and Sam Cohen 1-for-5.

Flamm pitched 6 innings and allowed 6 hits to go with 3 walks and 2 strikeouts in the win. J.T. Moore closed out and pitched 2 1/3 innings and didn't allow a hit to go with a walk and a strikeout.

The Appleknocker baseball team was coached by Craig Partridge.

Cobden finished the season going 27-6 overall.

Pandemic brings end to summer swim team, ball seasons in county

The coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic has led to the cancellation of two summer sports programs in Union County.

Union County SIBSA summer ballgames have been cancelled.

The Blue Dolphins swim team of Union County also has seen its season cancelled. The swim team hosts its home meets at the Anna City Pool.

SIBSA

SIBSA posted the following announcement about the 2020 season on social media:

"It is with great sadness that we must report that our 2020 season has been officially cancelled.

Under direction of the State of Illinois, we are not allowed to have games during the current phase 3.

"It has also been expressed that moving into phase 4 will likely be a lengthy process.

"Given the timeline and regulations put forth by the state, we feel we are left with no other choice but to cancel.

"Please know that we have waited as long as possible with the hope to see you all back on the fields.

"We are disappointed for our community but know this is the best decision for the health and safety of our players and families.

"We are currently working on a plan to issue refunds to those that do not wish to carry their fee over to next year's season. Please be patient with us as this will take some time to prepare."

Anna Blue Dolphins

The Anna Blue Dolphins in mid-May posted the following statement about the 2020 season on social media:

"The SISL league met tonight and it was decided that the swim season is officially called off for 2020.

"Everyone was sad to have to make the decision but it was a unanimous vote by all teams. With all the questions surrounding pools be able to open, it isn't possible to plan a swim season.

"We will miss swimming with you and hope you all continue to stay healthy!"

Hess News

By Glenn Heisner

Danny and Jonathon Heisner from Newnan, Ga., came up for the holiday.

Andrew, RaeAnn and Sam Heisner from Leeds, Ala., also came up.

Andrew and RaeAnn's high school graduation was cancelled, so we had a little backyard get-together for them. All Union County relatives.

The kids went swimming most of the day in a local pond.

Danny is in a work at home mode, so he was on a laptop most days. He also talked on the phone with associates in Japan while on our front porch.

Billy Halter celebrated a birthday on May 28. He and Judy had an anniversary on May 27.

David and Pat Johnson have returned from a visit with daughter Julie. They took the camper to practice social distancing.

Gary and Sue Hoskins from Tennessee are here this weekend.

Andrew and RaeAnn are registered to start at a Christian college in Cleveland, Tenn., this fall. We will see what happens.

Pandemic meant two A-J girls' track team standouts could not compete this spring

By Mike Estel

Sports enthusiasts will just have to speculate on what could have happened to two outstanding girl athletes from Anna-Jonesboro Community High School at the Illinois Class 1A state track meet this past spring.

The two graduating seniors, who were prevented from advancing because of all high school sports being put on hold because of the coronavirus were Julia Lasley and Addison Osman.

"I wish they would have had the opportunity to compete," A-J track coach Michael Eudy said. "They both certainly had the ability to medal at state."

Lasley holds the A-J school record in the pole vault at 11-6, which also is the top vault in the Southern Illinois River-to-River Conference Mississippi Division.

As a sophomore, Lasley advanced in the state meet in the pole vaulting event and finished among the top 11.

Lasley set the record in the pole vault previously at A-J with an 11-0 vault.

Osman, who was also a triple jumper, holds A-J's school record in the 100-meter hurdles with a 16.6 finish.

"They were two good senior girls we had coming back this year and they lost the opportunity to compete," Eudy said.

Lasley will continue her career pole vaulting for Mississippi State University in Starkville, Miss.

Osman will attend the University of Mississippi at Oxford, Miss., and plans to be a member of the school's cheerleading squad.

Avid A-J sports fans will just have to speculate on what could have happened to the pair of standouts.

Sports Page from the Past

from the files of The Gazette-Democrat

Thursday, June 4, 1970

Kiwanis Field

Kiwanis Field at the Anna City Park is the home of the Anna-Jonesboro Community High School baseball team. The A-J baseball team's 2020 spring season was brought to an end by the coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic.

For the first time in Anna-Jonesboro, the Khoury League is sponsoring a "Rally Day" on Saturday, June 6. The purpose: to raise money to finish, primarily lighting, a new ball park started by the Anna Kiwanis Club. Other items which the funds will go toward are back stops, practice fields and dug-outs for safety.

James Keller, president of the Khoury League, and Bob Wolfe, vice president, attended an Anna City Council meeting last month and got permission to have a "Rally Day" Saturday, June 6.

Dale Denny, Mayor, told Keller the city would cooperate in every possible way to help up-grade the Khoury League program in Anna-Jonesboro.

More than 400 boys have signed up to play Khoury League baseball this year and there are not enough facilities to take care of all of them without up-grading the present program, Keller said.

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The new baseball field at the Anna city park is rapidly approaching completion. The Kiwanis club initiated this project with a grading of the southwest area of the fair grounds. The grading was continued to provide a larger area for the baseball field.

The Ridge Riders Saddle Club will have a western horse show Sunday, June 7, at 2:00 p.m. at the Dongola Arena. There will be several junior events, several senior events and a pony class.

The Union County Sportsmen's Club is sponsoring a ground hog hunt to be held Saturday, June 6.

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Realty Transactions

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

Warranty Deed. Grantor: US Bank National Association. Grantee: Secretary of Housing and Urban Development. Tract Section 30 Township 11S Range 1W.

Warranty Deed. Southern Illinois Coalition for the Homeless Inc. Grantee: Dale A. Bush. Tract Section 25 Township 13S Range 1W.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Opal Eftink. Grantee: Jamie Lynn Benefield, Ursula Reynolds. Tract Section 13 Township 12S Range 2W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Tina L. Furlong, Lillie Stone, Tina L. Stone. Grantee: Melvin L. Macklin. Subdivision Name: Purcell Heights Sub. of Anna. Lots 105, 106, 107.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: George Inez Lee, Casey George, Casy George. Grantee: Casy George. Tract Section 10 Township 13S Range 1E. Tract Section 15 Township 13S Range 1E.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: James B. Long Jr., Marsha K. Long. Grantee: Dona J. Swain. Subdivision Name: J.G. Dale' First Addition. Lot 1.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Mark J. Garwin, Sylvia F. Garwin. Grantee: Paul D. Taitt. Tract Section 1 Township 11S Range 2W.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Diana Schaefer, Nadine Sneddon. Grantee: Kelly Bowers, Diana Schaefer, Nadine Sneddon. Tract Section 11 Township 11S Range 1E. Tract Section 14 Township 11S Range 1E.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Kenneth Lee Lingle, Linda Sue Lingle. Grantee: Melodie A. Penrod. Tract Section 13 Township 13S Range 2W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Brett D. Nehrt, Sheila C. Nehrt. Grantee: Danyell Pritchett. Tract Section 9 Township 12S Range 1W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: David O. Karraker, Linda S. Karraker. Grantee: Taylor M. Adkins. Subdivision Name: Warren T. Browns Add. of Anna. Block A. Lot 15.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Tonya Stewart. Grantee: Shannon Conekin. Subdivision Name: Pleasant Acres Sub. Lot 17.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Joann Turner, John B. Turner. Grantee: Hugo Flores. Subdivision Name: A.J. Menees Addition. Lot 1.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Gerry Romine, Mildred Stewart. Grantee: Brian K. Lukes, Sherri M. Lukes. Tract Section 29 Tonwship 11S Range 1W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Leland Mark Osman. Grantee: Robert Joseph Hogue. Tract Section 25 Township 13S Range 1W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Anna-Jonesboro National Bank. Grantee: Carol A. Messamore, John C. Messamore. Tract Section 3 Township 13S Range 1W. Subdivision Name: William and Henry Nordmeyers 1st Add. of Balcom. Lots 1, 2, 3.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Teena Bingaman, Richard B. White, Teena White. Grantee: Bonnie E. Rooney. Tract Section 28 Township 12S Range 1W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Anyo Lindsey, Jerry Lee Lindsey. Grantee: Tammy Sue Brenningmeyer, Jerry and Anyo Lindsey Irrevocable Trust. Tract Section 14 Township 11S Range 1E.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Sherry B. Wilson. Grantee: Gerald Walter Green. Tract Section 3 Township 12S Range 3W. Subdivision Name: D.G. Wilsons 1st Add. of Wolf Lake. Lots 7, 18.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Debra Tayes, Lee Tayes. Grantee: Patrick Budzynski. Tract Section 4 Township 11S Range 2W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: David Owen Karraker, Linda Karraker, Linda S. Karraker. Grantee: Daniel O. Karraker. Tract Section 4 Township 13S Range 1E. Tract Section 5 Township 13S Range 1E.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Michelle Lyerla, Michelle Moore, Wayne Moore. Grantee: Nancy Campbell, Robert Campbell. Subdivision Name: Village of Cobden. Block D. Lot 6.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Melissa Irene King, Melissa Subramani. Grantee: Michael Lloyd Duty, Rose Evelene Duty. Tract Section 8 Township 12S Range 1E. Subdivision Name: Denny Acres. Lot 8.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Jena Guined, Steven L. Guined II. Grantee: Jessica Kueker, Kyle Kueker. Tract Section 19 Township 12S Range 1E. Subdivision Name: Shannon Lake Estates. Lots 25, 7, 8, 9.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Collin Cain. Grantee: William G. McIntyre. Name: Daniel Siffords Heirs Add. Lot 2.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Clfford Ryan Sims. Grantee: Jennifer Lynn Hampton, Clifford Ryan Sims. Tract Section 9 Township 12S Range 1E.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Tami R. Ury. Grantee: Bethany Harvel, Samuel Harvel. Tract Section 28 Township 11S Range 1W.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: David O. Karraker. Grantee: Linda S. Karraker. Tract Section 27 Township 12S Range 1E.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Rachel Kell, Trevor Kell. Grantee: Lloyd R. Dunn. Tract Section 3 Township 12S Range 2W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Nancy L. Lyerla. Grantee: Emily E. Sherwood, Ethan W. Sherwood. Tract Section 22 Township 12S Range 1W. Tract Section 34 Township 12 Range 1W.

Warranty Deed. Grantee: Jason K. Oliver, Molly G. Oliver. Grantee: Chad A. Hurst. Tract Section 19 Township 12S Range 1W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: George E. Johnson Jr. Grantee: Lou Ann Carpenter, Thomas H. Carpenter. Tract Section 28 Township 12S Range 1W. Tract Section 33 Township 12S Range 1W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Nancy Lyerla. Grantee: Kelly McDowell, Lyle McDowell. Tract Section 34 Township 12S Range 1W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: John Buettikoffer, Pamela Buettikoffer. Grantee: David A. Gochenaur, Margaret Jan Gochenaur. Tract Section 14 Township 12S Range 2W. Subdivision Name: Plank Hill Subdivision. Lot 1.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Anna State Bank. Grantee: Justin G. Clarke, Vanna M. Clarke. Tract Section 10 Township 12S Range 2W. Tract Section 9 Township 12S Range 2W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Jeffrey W. Denny, Kerry A. Denny. Grantee: Chandra Englehart, Hunter Lee Englehart. Tract Section 26 Township 12S Range 1W. Tract Section 26 Township 12S Range 1E.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Deborah E. Grant, Todd A. Grant. Grantee: Brandon L. Fuhrhop, Nickie J. Fuhrhop. Tract Section 4 Township 11S Range 2W.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Robert Lucas McCann, Samantha Lynn McCann. Grantee: Robert Lucas McCann. Tract Section 10 Township 11S Range 2W. Tract Section 15 Township 11S Range 2W.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Brenda S. Carter, Julia Rose Carter. Grantee: Brenda S. Carter, Julia Rose Carter. Subdivision Name: Anna Heights Subdivision. Lot 46.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: City of Anna. Grantee: Anna Quarries Inc. Tract Section 20 Township 12S Range 1W.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Patricia F. Williams. Grantee: Kelly J. Williams, Patricia F. Williams. Subdivision Name: Purcell Heights Sub. of Anna. Lots 56, 57, 58.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Barbara A. Verble, Kenneth D. Verble. Grantee: Aaron J. Lambdin. Subdivision Name: R.M. Rendleman 2nd Add. Block 1. Lot 12.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Michael C. Jeremiah. Grantee: Back Pocket Ventures LLC. Subdivision Name: Original Plat of Alto Pass. Block 9. Lots 1, 2, 3.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Martin Brandon Barnes. Grantee: Christopher Ferris, Amy Wagner. Tract Section 1 Township 13S Range 1W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Jason W. Stoltzfus, Mary A. Stoltzfus. Grantee: Heidi A. Nussbaum, Jason L. Nussbaum. Tract Section 5 Township 13S Range 1E.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: James E. Roberts. Grantee: Ethan Rowan, Taylor. Subdivision Name: Maplehurst Add. of Anna. Block 2. Lot 30.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Mary Susan Karraker. Grantee: Elizabeth S. Burns, Brian A. Karraker. Subdivision Name: T.J. Eddlemans 1st Add. of Dongola. Lot 8.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Secretary of Housing and Urban Development. Grantee: US Bank National Association. Tract Section 30 Township 11S Range 1W.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: QEP Energy Company. Grantee: Haywood Minerals Ltd. No. 1. Tract Section 16 Township 11S Range 2W. Tract Section 19 Township 11S Range 2W. Tract Section 21 Township 11S Range 2W. Tract Section 30 Township 11S Range 2W. Tract Section 20 Township 13S Range 2W. Tract Section 28 Township 13S Range 2W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Terry Boyd. Grantee: Bill Bass. Tract Section 33 Township 12S Range 1W.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Brandi N. Sissom, Logan B. Sisson. Grantee: Diana Elizabeth Poole, Steven Wayne Poole. Tract Section 4 Township 12S Range 12S.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Kenneth Lee Lingle, Linda Sue Lingle. Grantee: Kendra D. Lingle. Tract Section 13 Township 13S Range 2W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: DG Property Holdings LLC. Grantee: JPI LLC. Tract Section 24 Township 13S Range 1W.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Gerald D. Toler, Sharon K. Toler. Grantee: Donna Beegle, Kenneth Beegle. Tract Section 24 Township 12S Range 2W.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Darryl Bunch, Gretchen Bunch. Grantee: Curtis Treece, Dorthy Treece. Tract Section 26 Township 12S Range 2W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Kathleen Papa, Robert F. Papa. Grantee: Jennifer Hendricksen, Stephen M. Hendricksen. Tract Section 31 Township 11S Range 2W.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Michael Hatfield. Grantee: Blue Gem Realty LLC. Subdivision Name: D.W. Browns 1st Add. of Anna. Lot 1.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: US Bank National Association. Grantee: Secretary of Housing and Urban Development. Name: Gattingers Add. of Anna. Lot 26.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Southerntrust Bank. Grantee: Anita Chandra, Rakesh Chandra. Tract Section 23 Township 11S Range 2W. Tract Section 24 Township 11S Range 2W. Subdivision Name: Sunset Ridge Sub. Lots 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Glenda Russell. Grantee: James L. Griesbaum. Name: Rendleman Subdivision. Block F. Lot 5.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: City of Anna. Grantee: County of Union. Tract Section 18 Township 12S Range 1W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Donna A. Etherton, Micheal D. Etherton. Grantee: Etherton Family Trust, Adrienne Marie Etherton, Donna A. Etherton, Michael D. Etherton, Zachary James Etherton. Tract Section 12. Township 11S Range 1E. Tract Section 13 Township 11S Range 1E.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Gwen E. Tripp, Jerald D. Tripp. Grantee: Jason E. Menees, Kristie K. Menees. Tract Section 19 Township 12S Range 1E. Subdivision Name: Shannon Lake Estates. Lots 7, 8, 9.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Leni Lambdin, Matthew Lambdin. Grantee: Beverly K. Schaefer, Jacob D. Schaefer. Tract Section 24 Township 12S Range 2E. Subdivision Name: Willis Willards 2nd Add. of Jonesboro. Lots 15, 16, 17.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Kenneth C. Bozsa. Grantee: Bozsa Living Trust, Kenneth C. Bozsa, Wanda L. Bozsa. Tract Section 30 Township 12S Range 2W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Gregory Roberts, Martha Roberts. Grantee: Mindy Martin. Subdivision Name: Rolling Hills Subdivision. Lot 7.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Secretary of Housing and Urban Development. Grantee: Mackenzie L. Kellogg, Blake A. Laird. Tract Section 30 Township 11S Range 1W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Jeremy S. Harris, Whitney D. Harris. Grantee: Meredith R. Woods. Tract Section 20 Township 12S Range 1W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Carrington Mortgage Services LLC. Grantee: Elizabeth Gansner, Shannon Gansner. Tract Section 20 Township 12S Range 1W.

Marriage Licenses

The county clerk's office in Jonesboro issued a marriage license to:

Ryan Seth DeWitt, 27, of Anna, and Madison Briann Calhoun, 22, of Carbondale.

John Michael Dalton, 24, of Marion, and Zoie McKenzie Mann, 22, of Marion.

Ryan Steven Miller, 33, of Jonesboro, and Casaundra Leigh Hastings, 27, of Jonesboro.

Ian Randall Turpin, 25, of Anna, and Sharrol Dee Norton, 29, of Anna.

Jacob R. Hunt, 30, of Paducah, and Marissa R. Rood, 32, of Anna.

Trent Andrew Grider, 20, of West Frankfort, and Lydia Jae Kaufman, 21, of Buncombe.

Austin J. Woolverton, 27, of Jonesboro, and Krista Lee Pender, 23, of Jonesboro.

Kevin Nicholas Widiger, 23, of Moberly, Mo., and Dalaney Danielle Plott, 23, of Moberly, Mo.

Farm Corps program partnership announced

A partnership program has been launched to provide job opportunities for Illinois veterans.

Farm Corps will pair furloughed or unemployed veterans with agricultural producers who have an immediate need for on-the-farm labor.

The program was announced May 22 by U.S. Rep. Mike Bost, R-Ill., the Farmer Veteran Coalition of Illinois, the Illinois Farm Bureau and Illinois AgrAbility.

"The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has caused a number of problems for producers across my district, including a shortage of on-the-farm labor," Bost said in a news release.

"COVID-19 has also caused many veterans to be furloughed because of businesses being shuttered.

"Not only will Farm Corps provide jobs for Illinois veterans, but it will also help fill the need for on-the-farm labor so that Illinois farmers can continue their important job of feeding our nation during this pandemic.

"I'm proud to have worked with our public and private partners to get this program off the ground for both our veterans and agricultural producers."

"Labor is a continual need for agriculture," said Raghela Scavuzzo, associate director of food systems development at the Illinois Farm Bureau.

"At this time, as farms work to keep employees safe, the demand is greater than ever."

Farm Corps is also supported by the Illinois Pork Producers, the Ilinois Specialty Growers Association, the Illinois Department of Agriculture, the Illinois Department of Employment Services and the Illinois Department of Veterans Affairs.

More information about the partnership, as well as an opportunity to submit a work opportunity or to see job listings can be found online at illinoisfarmerveterans.org/farmcorps.

Fountain on Jonesboro Square

Those who have traveled through the Jonesboro Square may have noticed a sign that warm weather has arrived. The fountain on the square was operating last week.

News from

First Baptist Church, Jonesboro

On Sunday, May 31, Pastor Perry Williams preached via transmitter for drive-up church.

The church has been having a great turn out as worshippers stayed in their cars on the church's lower parking lot while tuned in to their radios on station 87.9 FM.

Dee Rose led in worship. Debbie York played the keyboard.

The message was also live streamed, which can be found on the church's Facebook page: @jonesborofbc. Other messages also can be found there under the video tab.

Pastor Perry is live streaming a series of devotionals focused on the end times at 9 a.m. Monday through Friday on Facebook.

Announcements regarding the series are available by calling the prayer line at 833-4021.

The pastor's messages also can be found on YouTube; do a search under Brother Perry Williams.

The church plans to be open for worshipers at 10 a.m. Sunday, June 7. At the present time, there will be no nursery. Morning worship services will be the only services held. Safe guidelines will be practiced.

At the present time, all activities are postponed, other than Sunday morning worship services and live stream services.

Check the church's Facebook site for updated messages.

The church's prayer line can be called at 833-4021 to hear prayer requests and updates.

Birthdays: Blake Aldrige, May 31; Suzie Wright, June 3; Jimmy Ralls, June 4; Bonita Doll, Amber Newberry, June 6.

Anniversaries: Darrell and Cindy Parker, June 2, 30 years; James and Jackie Dillow, June 3, 42 years.

The schedule for worship at Jonesboro First Baptist Church for the coming week includes devotionals about end-time teaching, Monday through Friday at 9 a.m.; Sunday morning worship on Sunday at 10 a.m.; and a live stream worship service on Sunday at 10 a.m. on Facebook.

News from

Camp Ground Church, Community

Continuing to worship by using Zoom, Sunday's service began with praise reports, prayer requests and the intercessory prayer.

Rev. Dee Ann Thompson's sermon for Pentecost Sunday was based on scripture from the second chapter of Acts.

The message shared that "many people today claim to believe, however there seems to be so little change in society, and relatively few gather in prayer.

"At Pentecost, the believers were all joined together in prayer. God doesn't want us to go it alone, but to gather together in prayer, as well as worship and fellowship.

"As we've experienced the past several weeks, no matter where we are, we can all be in 'one place' even though it isn't in the building we were used to attending.

"In spite of closings and social distancing, God's church has been worshipping – just in ways unlike we were accustomed.

"With the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, the church was given the power to proclaim the message of Jesus Christ. When we accept Christ, we receive that same Holy Spirit so that others may come to know Jesus Christ."

Rev. Thompson closed with "May the Holy Spirit grace your life and lips so that you walk in His ways."

Rev. Thompson's sermons are posted on the church's Facebook page at "Camp Ground Cumberland Presbyterian Church" and YouTube.

Worship will be held by using Zoom again Sunday. If you want to be a part of the live worship experience, contact any member of the congregation for the link.

Birthday greetings this week go to Nathan Smith, who turned 2 yesterday on June 3. He was "guest of honor" at a drive-by birthday parade past his home Sunday.

The church congratulates Dennis and Jennifer Herren, whose wedding anniversary will be June 5.

Tony Gerard is the church's lead elder for the month of June.

News from

First Baptist Church, Anna

Pastor Nick's Bible study for last week was titled "The Spiritual Discipline of Worship."

His sermon was titled "From Sorrow to Joy," with scripture from 2 Corinthians.

Sermons and Bible studies can be viewed online at www.annafirst.org/sermons.

The church continues to have a food giveaway from 11 a.m. to noon on Thursday (today). The food giveaway is in the parking lot at the church and is available to anyone in the community.

News from

Anna Nazarene Church

A drive-in service was held Sunday, May 31, on the parking lot at the Anna Church of the Nazarene.

Singing was led by Pastor Randy Wright and the worship team.

The pastor's message on Sunday was titled, "Personal Pentecost," with scripture from Acts and 2 Chronicles.

The message can be heard on the church's website at annanaz.com and on the Anna First Church of the Nazarene Facebook page.

On Thursday, June 4, Trent Ice, pastor at Salem Grace Church of the Nazarene, is scheduled to be the guest speaker on Zoom at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday night Bible study is planned at 6:30 p.m. by using Zoom.

The link to Zoom services can be found on the Anna First Church of the Nazarene Facebook page.

A drive-in service is planned at 9:30 a.m. on June 7.

A Sunday School board meeting is planned at 6 p.m. on June 11. A church board meeting is planned at 7 p.m. Both meetings will be on Zoom.

A grocery giveaway is planned from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on June 26 in the fellowship hall.

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.

Cobden Unit School District announces 8th grade graduates

Cobden Unit School District No. announces 2020 8th grade graduates.

Kaylie Elizabeth Adams, Agoberto Amezquita, Andres Amezquita, Kylie Madison Baker-Hale, Nicole Rae Marie Basler, Heather Nicole Bass.

Steven Wayne Brown, Tess McLean Brummer, Verenize Manuelita Carmona, Colton Charles Clausen, Lily Grace Deschamps, Jack David Eagle.

Mariana Fatima Fabian, Morgan Lakota Fred, Dora Guadalupe Funes, Jada Renee Furlow, Eric Alexander Guijon, Kaylee Grace Hall.

Ayden Wyatte Hallett, Mitchell Dean Howell, Hunter John Richard Howell, Samuel Bain Ingold, Agent Adele Inman, Emma Grace Kilpatrick.

Jett Corbin Kuhn, Moises Miguel Lara, Cole Brandon Meadows, Alexander Luke Meier, Mya Ann Pearl Morse, Hunter Lane Pitts.

Vanessa Rafael, Yadira Rafael, Isaac Wayne Reiman, Andrea Rojas Sanchez, Yanet Aurora Romero Hernandez, Anna Claire Staley.

Juan Nathan Tomas, Mario Jesus Trevino, Moises Raymound Underwood, Grace Irene Rae White, John Walker Williams, Jace Evan Wyatt, Mayla Ann Yates, Alejandro Zamora.

Jonesboro School District announces 8th grade graduates

Jonesboro School District No. 43 announces 2020 8th grade graduates.

Daniel Dean Adams, Cadance Christina Rose Agne, Ava Michelle Alsip, Cadence Marie Black, Elizabeth Jadden Brimm, Jasmine Aaliyah Buck, Miranda Kate Bundren.

Stuart Landon Busby, Lizbeth Carrillo-Garcia, Andrea Renae Cole, Kaytlynne Mackenzie Cunningham, Edward John Dahmer, Shaylee Faith Farris.

Allison Faye Frick, Antonio Alejandro Guijon, Victor Manuel Guijon, Liam Patrick Hale, Benjamin Leland Harvel, Dylan Anderson Harvel.

Alyson Beth Hasty, Alexandria Rose Keller, Carson Berry Knupp, Hailey Judith Kovach, Faith Dawn-Marie Lane, Mya Rosa Laster.

Ella Catherine Lingle, Jason Robert McAlister, Genesis Amory Martin, Bailey Yvonne Mix, Shaylee Nichole Moore, Hannah Faith Morris.

Aubrey Leigh Morrison-Parker, Jordyn Alexandra North, Om Dipak Patel, Remington Drake Poole, Torie Grace Ralls, Matthew Lee Rendleman.

Baley Nicole Robinson, Cayden Dale Sawyer, Anndrew Brilea Christian Smith, Deven Smith, Kin-See MaySun Smith, James Ronald Dean Spurlock.

Noah Andrew Sullivan. Brooklyn Tipton, Marissa Faith Turner, Dale Evan Noah Vicory Case.

Anna School District names 8th grade grads

Anna School District No. 37 announces 8th graduates for 2020.

Trinity Lynn Adams, Kaleb Allen Aden, Samuel Douglas Allen, Isaac Apollo Archey, Yoselin Neyli Avila, Elizabeth Davis Back.

Addyson Rae Bailey, Emily Cheyenne Belcher, Connor Reese Belcher, Logan Ray Bird, Callysta Violette Lee Borders, Brianna Erin Brunner.

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Carl Michael Nimmo-Dusky, William Keyben Orea-Johnson, Janie Marie Ozment, Drew Rendleman Page, Esten Joseph David Parks.

Hunter Ryan Partain, Ethan Joel Penrod, Victoria Nicole Perez, Lane Kayli Piller, Isaiah Aden Gale Pitts, Whitley Nicole Quick.

Izley Marie Rowan, Peyton Deanne Samuels, Jadyn Leigh Samuels, Mallary Beth Shipley, Thomas Alexander Smith, Camron Isaiah Sperry,

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McKayla Kathleen Treat, Francisco Vaca-Miron, Hannah Lucille Webb, Joshua Andrew Williams, Harley Rae Yancey, Elvira Zamora.

Dongola School announces 8th grade graduates

Dongola School District No. 66 announces 8th grade graduates for 2020.

Madalynn Ohana-Fay Delgadillo, Beth Marie Dunston, Cheyenne Regina Felder, Jalee Ford, Blake Herren, Donavan Higgins.

Payton Hilliard, Terry Dewayne Hodges, Alexis Peeler, Joseph David Reynolds, James Ethan Shipley, Makayla Janna Shipley.

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From the Question Box

What exactly is the soul? The Hebrew term for "soul" is nephesh. Because the context may vary, it's not always translated as "soul." Nephesh, therefore, signifies different things, depending upon the passage in which it is found.

Likewise, in the New Testament, the original Greek word for "soul" is psuche. Our modern word "psychology" comes from this word. Let's look at a few ways "soul" is used in the Scriptures.

"Soul" can refer to an individual person. The prophet Ezekiel declared the "'soul' (i.e., the person) that sinneth, it shall die" (Ezek. 18:20), or, as Peter would write hundreds of years later: "in the days of Noah…eight souls were saved by water" (I Pet. 3:20).

"Soul" can also refer to that aspect of man which is characterized by the intellectual and emotional parts of him. Gen. 27:25, Isaac said in reference the venison Jacob brought, "Bring it near to me, and I will eat of my son's venison, that my soul may bless thee."

Most importantly, however, the body has been endowed by the God of Heaven with a "soul" (John 12:27). Specifically, mans' soul is the spiritual component of man that is fashioned in the very image of God (Gen. 1:26), and that can exist apart from the physical body. Jesus made reference to the soul in Mt. 10:28, where He warns, "…fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell." We see from this verse that a definite distinction is made between the soul and body. Who can kill the body? Mankind can do that. However, man cannot kill the soul, for the soul is not physical, but spiritual, able to exist without the body.

Rachel's soul did not die with her body; rather, it departed from her body when she died. Gen. 35:18, "And it came to pass, as her soul was in departing, (for she died) that she called his name Benoni: but his father called him Benjamin."

In Luke 12:20, the rich fool was told, "…this night thy soul shall be required of thee then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided?" The clear implication being that when his soul was taken, his body would cease to exist. Hence the question, "…then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided?"

The important things to understand are these: 1) Your soul will live forever. 2) It will either spend eternity in Heaven or Hell: there is no "purgatory" or "in-between" state, as some wrongly allege. The Bible only speaks of two destinations: Heaven or Hell, so we ask, "Where will your soul spend eternity?"

R.W. McAlister, Minister
Anna church of Christ

Pastor's Corner by Pastor Don Cox

Remember: Your days are numbered, so is everyone else, so stop thinking only "they" die and you somehow have immortality on earth!

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Paul, an Apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God for the promise of life in Christ Jesus, to Timothy, my dear child: grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God, whom I worship with a clear conscience as my ancestors did, as I remember you constantly in my prayers, night and day.

For this reason, I remind you to stir into flame the gift of God that you have through the imposition of my hands. For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control. So do not be ashamed of your testimony to our Lord, nor of me, a prisoner for his sake; but bear your share of hardship for the Gospel with the strength that comes from God.

He saved us and called us to a holy life, not according to our works but according to his own design and the grace bestowed on us in Christ Jesus before time began, but now made manifest through the appearance of our savior Christ Jesus, who destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the Gospel, for which I was appointed preacher and Apostle and teacher. On this account I am suffering these things; but I am not ashamed, for I know him in whom I have believed and am confident that he is able to guard what has been entrusted to me until that day. From the Second Letter from Paul to Timothy

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Daily Bible Reading

Acts	Acts	Joel	Joel	Joel	Joel	Acts
2:1-21	2:22-47	1:1-20	2:1-17	2:18-32	3:1-21	8:26-40

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Anna News

By Martha Ann Webb

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

Boyd Family History

Emily Boyd Beanland and Beth Bauer Hileman enjoyed some family history recently when they visited the rural Anna farm of Alice and Collin Boyd.

They enjoyed tours of the 1930s Craftsman-type bungalow of their grandparents and the 111-year old barn of their great-grandparents.

They laughed and cried at stories told by Collin Boyd and Barbara Boyd Bauer as the two took trips down memory lane.

The sister-brother team remembered watching the first streamliner trains that replaced the old steam engines passing through their farm.

They recalled when the first electric lights were turned on.

Collin pointed out boundary lines and explained how his father and grandfather had purchased land for road rights.

Barbara, Collin and Emily grew up on the farm that has been in their Knupp-Boyd family for almost 200 years.

Purchased in 1824 by Jacob Knupp and in 1890 by C.J. Boyd, the land is now owned and farmed by Collin and his grandson Logan Beanland.

Recent internet and ancestry connections have yielded early photos of buildings that do not exist today.

The question was raised about why an earlier homestead was built near the railroad and not on the road to Anna.

It is believed that the road to Balcom and the railway station there was the reason, since the present road access to Anna was not yet available.

In addition, much farm produce was shipped from Balcom in earlier days. Collin and Barbara remember that the bungalow home built by their father Glenn Boyd in the early 1930s, was actually moved in two pieces from another location, somewhere northeast of Anna.

There is no record or remembrance of what community that house was moved from, but it is thought that it once belonged to a mining company for miner's housing.

The quest for more information about those miners houses that were moved, continues.

Alice Boyd shared their pretty mock orange bush with Emily and Barbara. Great-grandmother Nellie Roberta "Bertie" Knupp Boyd's mock orange bush is thought to have been planted soon after the house was built in 1910. It has been a source of family pride for over 100 years.

The older generation Boyds expressed appreciation for the interest shown by younger family members to hear and learn about the life experienced by their ancestors.

That families have had a little more time for "in house" visits, may be the only positive thing to come out of the 2020 coronavirus situation. Submitted by Barbara Bauer.

Thanks to Frankie Williams for putting up the large American flags at the entrances to the Anna Cemetery on Memorial Day.

Amy Casper was honored by a birthday dinner from her family in Cape Girardeau with David, Kaitlin and Emily May 29.

Jewels and Ian Watson celebrated their 3rd birthday Sunday, May 31. They are standing in front of their super birthday present.

Violet Yates celebrated her 8th birthday May 22 at the home of her grandparents, Willie and Terrie Rhymer. Even though she could not have the celebration with her friends like she wanted, she received many cards, and gifts in the mail or dropped on her porch. Her ice cream cone themed party was complete with a water slide bounce house and a camp fire to cook s'mores.

Birthday Celebration

Carlyn Light was honored with a birthday dinner in Cape Girardeau with his wife Mary and her sister Maxine and husband Michael Pixley, who were visiting them from Basalt, Colo.

Carlyn's daughter Darla also fixed a birthday dinner for them on Sunday with brisket and she made him a coconut cake.

Camping Trip

Cheyenne Lingle enjoyed a camping trip last weekend in Harrisburg with friends.

101st Birthday

Dave Johnson was honored on his birthday Sunday at the Illinois Veterans Home with a drive by birthday party.

3rd Birthdays

Ian and Jewels Watson celebrated their 3rd birthdays Sunday, May 31.

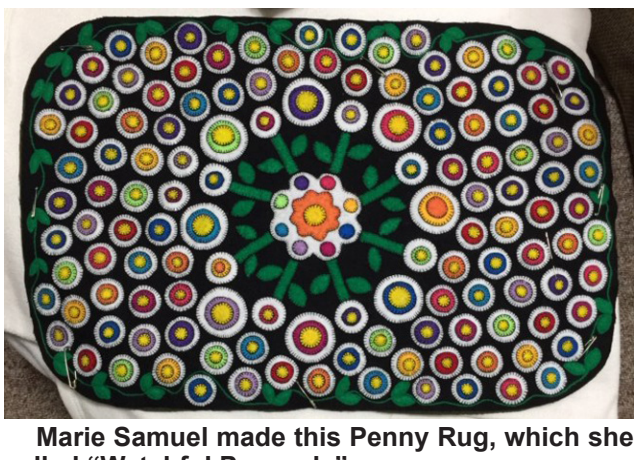
37th Wedding Anniversary

Andrea and Smiley Witthoft celebrated their anniversary May 29.

Memorial Day Weekend Trip

Willie and Terrie Rhymer spent some of the Memorial Day weekend going to cemeteries in Anna, Friendship Cemetery in Dongola, Alto Pass, Cobden and Limestone Cemetery in Cobden.

They attempted to visit the Pentecostal Cemetery in Elco where Willie's grandfather Jessie Rhymer is buried, but it was overgrown so bad that you could not get



Marie Samuel made this Penny Rug, which she called "Watchful Peacock."

Congratulations to Natalie Bittle. Ribbon Cutting for The Little Hair House, 618-306-3240. Natalie was able to open her new business at 1505 Old Hwy 51 North, Anna, Monday. Call for an appointment. Social distance used. Those present for a ribbon cutting were Natalie, Eric, Bentley, and Kayley Bittle, Danny and Pam Thurston, Chris and Toni Livengood, Jay, Brittney, Jaxon, and Addie Taylor and Ella Boyd.

Alice and Collin Boyd point out boundary lines of the original Knupp Boyd property.

Alice Boyd shows off the family heirloom mock orange bush to Emily Beanland and Barbara Bauer that has been blooming there annually for over 100 years.

The Union County Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development farmers market opened for the 2020 season Tuesday morning, May 19, in Anna. Anna City Council member Martha Ann Webb and local farmer Nathan Sweitzer were at the first market. The farmers market is scheduled to open at 7 a.m. every Tuesday through October. The market is located in a municipal parking lot along East Davie Street in Anna. Organizers remind those who plan to visit the farmers market to stay safe and practice social distancing. Photo provided.

Emily Beanland listens intently as Barbara Bauer points out the original homestead near the Illinois Central Railroad that runs through the farm. In the background is the vintage barn built by their ancestors in 1909.

Emily Boyd Beanland and Beth Bauer Hileman enjoy hearing stories from Barbara Boyd Bauer and Collin Boyd of when they lived in the 1930s Craftsman bungalow on the Boyd Farm. It seems the house was moved to the rural Anna location from a coal mining community elsewhere in Southern Illinois in 1932.

Pictured are John Fuhrhop, Tristan Casper, and Abby Clover. Tristan Casper celebrated his 17th birthday on Thursday, May 28. His fellow classmates gave him a parade for his birthday. He would like to thank the Cobden Fire Department and the Cobden High School Class of 2022, Louis and Jeannie Britt, Mindy Goodman, Paige Tripp and Julie and Hannah Woolard for participating in the parade. You all made his birthday the best ever. He loves each and everyone of you.

to it even in their side by side. The other only way up to it which is on a huge hill is through a corn field, and they did not go through it. Plans are to go back in the late fall when it may be easier to get to.

Kentucky Trip

Willie and Terrie Rhymer made a road trip to Murray, Ky., this past week to meet her sister and husband Deborah and Jim Walker, who live in Parsons, Tenn., and take her a couple of flats of strawberries.

They ate lunch at Rudy's on the Square in Murray. Murray, Ky., is the halfway point to meet for both couples.

Guests

Marie and Dave Samuel decorated graves on Memorial Day, then a cousin of Dave's stopped by to visit with them and stayed in their car while they visited to keep the social distance.

Marie got a nice card from her guild president for teaching an on line class on how to do penny rugs.

Fireworks

Fireworks are still in the plans for the 4th of July at the Anna City Park with a concert by Steve Hornbeak with social distance.

The Wheatons

Lydia Wheaton and her children Rhonda, Sherry and Randy used to sing before the fireworks at the Anna City Park several years ago.

Hopefully some year soon they could come back to do a couple of songs before the fireworks again for a family reunion. Lydia has gone to heaven now.

Restored Painting

Marie Samuel heard the San Damiano Shrine is for sale.

A large painting there was restored by some of Marie's SIC senior art students in 2003 over a summer.

Most who helped with this project are deceased, including Bob and Beverly Jenner, Larry Lands and Betty Prussasik, all of the Harrisburg area.

Joyce Cloninger of Golconda is still active as well as her out of state artist sister. She and Marie are hopeful the painting will remain at the Shrine when it is sold. Descent from the Cross by Rubens.

A project Marie is very proud to have led. After retiring from teaching art in Carterville in 2001, Marie began teaching art as an adjunct teacher at Southeastern College.

Some of her senior art students from SIC spent part of a summer with her restoring this painting at San Damiana Catholic Retreat on the Ohio River.

The copy of "Descent from the Cross" by Peter Paul Rubens was done by Richard Martin and originally was in a mission church in the 1700s in what is now California.

They found the canvas was very damaged and paint was cracking and colors had faded.

Canvas patches to the frayed areas were glued from the back in a collage process to repair holes and worn areas.

A student, Bob Jenner, and his wife, Beverly, used a researched cleaning technique before the color was restored with oil paint donated by the SIC class.

Small brush strokes were used to work the oil into the original painted areas by matching colors in the original Rubens.

Paducah Trip

Betty Eagle, Karen Toler and Sharon Goins enjoyed a trip to Paducah on Saturday.

Anna Heights Baptist Church

Anna Heights Baptist Church had its first parking lot church on May 31 with social distancing rules. Around 150 were there in attendance.

The surrounding neighborhood probably heard the music and message too.

Parking lot services will continue each Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m. until Father's Day on June 21.

They will phase in small group Sunday School with classes of 10 meeting in different parts of the buildings on different days of the week.

The church plans on having regular worship starting June 21 on Father's Day within the guidelines. More information will be on the church's website.

Pastor Darryl will continue his sermon series Hope for Hard Times: Suffering and Victory from 1 Peter.

The church will still have the online services on Wednesday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 10:30 a.m. on Facebook and YouTube for those not wanting to attend parking lot church.

There will be a blood drive at Anna Heights Baptist Church on Wednesday, June 10, from 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Contact the church office if you would like to donate blood.

Birthdays: June 1 Jayne Jones and Dallas Marks , 2 Brent Goforth, 3 Sean Belcher and Katie Waters, 4 Alayna Atlhoff, Karen Hight and Carla Vaca Diez, 6 Sandra Mays and Pat Stockton, 7 Cheyenne Knop and Dalton Seip.

Anniversaries: June 1 Billy Ray and Doris Keller, 7 Bob and Betty Caraker and Doug and Beth Hileman.

The Momma Lou's Crafters group is still collecting three wick candle jars with lids for a future project

United Methodist Church, Anna

Sunday, Rev. David Reynolds' Facebook sermon was Pentecostal Power.

Jesus said if you love me keep my commandments. The day of Pentecost started when God gave Moses the 10 commandments. We are living in evil days and we must be filled with the holy spirit so we will be able to witness to others.

Call to worship was from Ephesians. Old Testament lesson was from Leviticus. Gospel lesson was from John. Our Lord's Supper was taken.

Sympathy to the family of John Alston, the brother of Nancy Skoglund.

Birthdays: June 3 Sean Belcher, 7 Mark Foster, Rev. Millie Sloan, 17 Teri Goldsberry, 19 Angela Lehman, 23 Trystan Borders, 25 Celeste Borders, 26 Elijah Ellis, Chris Foster, 30 Emily Belcher.

Anniversaries: June 9 Dean and Elizabeth Corbit, 21 Al and Jan Campbell.

The church congratulates graduates: Christian Andrew Goins, senior at Cobden High School. Elijah Glen Ellis, senior at Anna-Jonesboro Community High School. Jenna Watkins, senior at Anna-Jonesboro Community High School. Emily Cheyenne Belcher, Anna Junior High School. Campbell Ann Wilde, Agassiz Elementary School in Chicago. Callysta Borders, Anna Junior High School. Jason Swink, Anna Junior High School. Ashlyn Brasher, Harrisburg Middle School.

Special Thanks

A special thanks to everyone who sends me news. These last few months have really been a challenge to write my news article with the coronavirus scare and most people not going anywhere.

I really appreciate Barbara Bauer for always helping me with many news articles.

I am in my 18th year of writing the Anna news for The Gazette-Democrat this time and in all those years never having missed a week. Not even when I was in the hospital, when my daughter, Bessie Mae Ellis, finished my news for me. Bessie Mae has always helped me so much with my news and pictures and she is really appreciated.

I enjoy writing the Anna News for Jerry Reppert. I wrote years ago for Jerry's mother. She was always so sweet and kind when anyone would come into The Gazette-Democrat and she made them feel so welcome. She seemed to always have a glow of happiness around her.

I always appreciated Dianne Reppert's smile and friendliness. Dianne always gave me the notes people would write asking them to give me credit when they sent their money for their subscriptions to The Gazette-Democrat.

These two women are truly missed very much and were an asset to our community.

Honor Wreaths For Veterans

Program will be at our Anna Cemetery Dec. 19 at 11 a.m. If you haven't sent money yet for your loved one a wreath they are $15. The check can be made out to Honor Wreaths for Veterans and mailed to Martha Ann Webb, 118 W. Monroe St., Anna, Ill. 62906.

Red Hat Meeting

Little Egypt Red Hat Ladies June dinner and meeting has been canceled and rescheduled for July 15 at 11 a.m. at Anna Pizza Hut hopefully will be opened then.

Hostesses will be Lula Belle Tripp, Ginger Bowman, Barbara Layman and Mary Haffly.

2020 Census

The telephone number to call to do your census by phone is 844 330 2020. If you didn't get a paper copy in the mail please call or go on line my 2020 census.gov.

Military Prayer List

Alex Gratz, Lukas W. Davis, Reagan Morrison, Garrett Goins, James McWhorter, Jennifer Ann Bishop, Arin Whitemountain, Katelynn Williams, Lindsey Keene, Jacob Schaefer, 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 Jorden Glasco, Ryan Hampton, Brittany Michelle Lence, Killian Jesse, Molly Noyes, C. J. Youngerman, Freddy Morse.

Thank You Letter

This is a thank you letter from Shawnee Quilt Guild president, Vickie Parry who Marie Samuel taught to make a Penny Rug by email.

Marie will be glad to help anyone interested in learning this heritage craft by email that she was to teach in March at their guild meeting.

The meeting was cancelled due to the pandemic, so about 10 quilters were given lessons on line.

If you would like to learn how to make this please contact Marie Samuel at msartist@aol.com.

To my dear friend Marie Samuel and Shawnee Quilter:

She encouraged the making and naming of my "Watchful Peacock" Penny Rug that she was going to teach at the SQG in March 2020.

Because of the Covid-19 Virus everything was shut down and we sheltered in place in our homes for 3 months.

Though the virus was all around, I was sheltered by the All seeing eye of the Father and my soul, mind and whole being.

There was beauty all around knowing my heavenly Father's Holy eyes were watchful, protecting and guiding me as I created this Penny Rug.

The true colors of His Love was all around me.

Marie said it reminded her of peacock feathers. So I realized that the Peacock spreads it's feathers to show it's beauty just as the All Seeing Eye of the Father above spreads the beauty of His Love.

I recognize, and know His "Watchful Eye" is watching over me!

Peacock symbolizes: integrity and beauty that we can achieve when we endeavor to show our true colors. It symbolizes nobility, holiness, guidance, protection and watchfulness.

Thank you Marie, for your inspiration and friendship.

Vickie Parry

Television Listings

THURSDAY — JUNE 4, 2020

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	SportsCenter (HD)	Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Raven	(5:55) **"Joker"** ('19) *Failed comedian.* (R) (HD)	**"Femme Fatale"** ('02)	**"Back to Future"**
:30						Bang (HD)		BUNK'D			
7 PM	Who Wants to Be a	Young	Celebrity Watch Party	Council of Dads (HD)	Basketball	Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Sydney		**"Robin Hood"** ('18, Action) *Rebellion.* (HD)	Shameless (HD)
:30		(:31) Plan			College Basketball (HD)	Bang (HD)		Raven			
8 PM	Holey Moley (HD)	(:01) Mom	Labor of Love (HD)	Blindspot (HD)		Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Raven	We're Here (HD)		Billions *"Contract"*
:30		Broke				Bang (HD)		Just Roll			
9 PM	To Tell the Truth (HD)	To Be Announced	Local Programs *Local info.*	Law & Order: SVU		Bang (HD)	Chicago P.D. (HD)	Unsittable	Insecure	**"Sky Captain and the World"**	DESUS &
:30					College Basketball (HD)	The Misery		Coop & Cam	(:50) Betty		Calif. (HD)
10 PM	Local	Local		Local		Conan	Chicago P.D. (HD)	BUNK'D	(:20) We're Here (HD)		DESUS &
:30	Kimmel	(:35) Late Show (HD)		(:35) Tonight (HD)		The Misery		BUNK'D		**"The Sentinel"** ('06) *Conspiracy.*	VICE
11 PM	Nightline		Local Programs			Seinfeld	Chicago PD	Jessie	**"Good Boys"** ('19) (R)		DESUS &
:30	Kimmel	Corden		Late Night	SC (HD)	Conan	Dirty John	Jessie			**"DriveAngry"**

FRIDAY — JUNE 5, 2020

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	SportsCenter (HD)	Fam Guy	Chicago P.D. (HD)	Jessie	(4:45) **"Die Hard"** ('95)	**"The Last Castle"**	★★★ **"Mean Girls"** ('04)
:30						**"Rampage"** ('18) *Huge animals attack.* (HD)		Jessie			
7 PM	Shark Tank (HD)	MacGyver *Seed vault.*	WWE Friday Night SmackDown (Live) (HD)	World of Dance (HD)	Women's College Basketball (HD)		Chicago P.D. (HD)	Sydney	**"The Nice Guys"** ('16) *Huge conspiracy.* (HD)	(:55) **"Cold Pursuit"** ('19) *Hunting killer.* (HD)	★★★ **"Hustlers"** ('19) *A stripper's scheme.* (HD)
:30						★★½ **"Rampage"** ('18) *Gigant animals wreak havoc on a city.*		(:23) Coop & Cam			
8 PM	(:01) 20/20 *Investigative news.* (HD)	Magnum P.I. (HD)		Dateline NBC *Investigative news.* (HD)			Chicago P.D. (HD)	Big City			
9 PM		Blue Bloods (HD)	Local Programs *Local info.*				Chicago P.D. (HD)	Unsittable	Real Time Maher (HD)	Trackers (HD)	**"Rocky"** ('76, Drama) *A boxer trains.* (PG) (HD)
:30								Coop & Cam			
10 PM	Local	Local		Local			Family	BUNK'D	Betty (HD)	Trackers (HD)	
:30	Kimmel	(:35) Late Show (HD)		(:35) Tonight (HD)			Family	BUNK'D	Real Time Maher (HD)		
11 PM	Nightline		Local Programs		SportsCenter (HD)	ELEAGUE (HD)	Family	Jessie		(:55) **"Project X"** ('12)	Billions *"Contract"*
:30	Kimmel	Corden		Late Night			Family	Jessie	We're Here		

SATURDAY — JUNE 6, 2020

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs	PBA Bowling (Live)	Local Programs	SportsCenter (HD)	(5:45) **"Game Night"** ('18) *A murder mystery.*	**"Doctor"**	Raven	**"Aquaman"** ('18) (HD)	Trackers (HD)	(:15) **"Peppermint"** ('18) *Woman's revenge.*
:30							**"Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2"** ('17) *Peter's lineage.*	Raven			
7 PM	The Last Dance	Bull *Former patient.*		Dateline NBC *Investigative news.* (HD)	NBA Countdown (HD)			Big City	**"Ad Astra"** ('19) Brad Pitt. *Astronaut mission.*	★½ **"Freelancers"** *NYPD officers.*	
:30					NBA Basketball (HD)	Bang (HD)		Big City			The Affair (HD)
8 PM	(:01) The Last Dance	NCIS: L. A. (HD)	Lego Masters (HD)			Bang (HD)		Big City			Couples
:30						Bang (HD)		Big City		(:35) **"Five Fingers"** ('06, Drama)	
9 PM	(:02) The Rookie (HD)	48 Hours (HD)	Local Programs	Sat. Night Live (HD)		Bang (HD)	**"Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2"** ('17) Chris Pratt. *Peter's lineage.*	Owl House	Yvonne Orj (HD)		Work (HD)
:30						Bang (HD)		Owl House			
10 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs *Local info.*	Ultimate Tag (HD)	Local		Frontal		BUNK'D	Insecure	(:05) Trackers (HD)	
:30				Sat. Night Live *Sketch comedy.*	NBA Basketball (HD)	Last O.G.		BUNK'D	Insecure		★★★ **"Clear and Present Danger"** ('94) (HD)
11 PM	Local Programs		Local Programs			**"Powers"** ('97) (HD)		Jessie	(:15) Yvonne Orj (HD)	**"Open Water"** ('04)	
:30								Jessie			

SUNDAY — JUNE 7, 2020

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM	Home Videos (HD)	60 Minutes (HD)	Man (HD)	Hollywood (HD)	ESPN Original Documentaries	(5:00) **"Shrek 2"** ('04)	Law & Order: SVU	Raven	**"Ad Astra"** ('19) Brad Pitt. *Astronaut mission.*	★★★ **"Bad Times"** ('18)	Billions *"Contract"*
:30			Duncanvil.					Raven			
7 PM	Feud (HD)	60 Min.	Simpsons	The Titan Games		Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	BUNK'D		★★★ **"I, Robot"** ('04) *Robot may be killer.* (HD)	VICE
:30		**"Grease Sing-A-Long"** ('20, Musical) *Written lyrics.*	The Harts			Bang (HD)		Big City			Black Mon.
8 PM	Press Your Luck (HD)		Burgers	America's Got Talent *"Auditions 2"* (HD)	30 for 30 *"Be Water"* (HD)	Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Big City	I Know This (HD)		Billions (HD)
:30			Fam Guy			Bang (HD)		Raven			
9 PM	Match Game (HD)		Local Programs *Local info.*			To Be Announced	Law & Order: SVU	Raven	Insecure	(:55) **"The Mule"** ('18) *Old drug courier.* (HD)	Penny
:30								Unsittable	I May (HD)		
10 PM	Local Programs *Local info.*	Local Programs		Local Programs *Local info.*	SportsCenter (HD)	To Be Announced	Family	BUNK'D	Oliver		Penny
:30							Family	Raven	I Know This (HD)		
11 PM		Local Programs			SportsCenter (HD)	**"Shrek 2"** ('04) (HD)	Family	Just Roll		**"Cold Pursuit"** ('19)	Billions (HD)
:30	(:35) Local		Local				Family	Jessie	I May (HD)		

MONDAY — JUNE 8, 2020

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local	Local Programs	Football	Fam Guy	Chicago P.D. (HD)	Raven	(5:10) **"X-Men: First Class"** ('11)	**"Jingle All the Way"**	(4:50) **"Seven"** ('95)
:30			Local			Fam Guy		Raven			
7 PM	The Bachelor: The Greatest Seasons - Ever! *"Sean Lowe"*	Neighbor.	9-1-1 *"The Searchers"*	The Titan Games		Fam Guy	WWE Monday Night Raw (HD)	Raven		Trackers (HD)	Dexter *"Seeing Red"*
:30		Bob Hearts				Fam Guy		Big City	I May (HD)		
8 PM		All Rise *Legal system.*	9-1-1: Lone Star (HD)	The Wall (HD)		Fam Guy		Big City	We're Here (HD)	(:55) **"Mortal Engines"** ('18) *City on wheels.*	Penny
:30						Fam Guy		BUNK'D			
9 PM		Bull *Trial consultant.*	Local Programs *Local info.*	Songland *"Ben Platt"*		Dad (HD)		BUNK'D	I Know This (HD)		House Lies
:30						Dad (HD)		Unsittable			VICE
10 PM	Local	Local		Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan	Dirty John (HD)	BUNK'D	Axios (HD)	(:05) **"Deja Vu"** ('06) *Agent saves woman.* (HD)	★★★½ **"Casino"** ('95, Crime) *Crime in Vegas.* (R)
:30	Kimmel	(:35) Late Show (HD)		(:35) Tonight (HD)		To Be Announced		Big City	Oliver		
11 PM	Nightline		Local Programs		SportsCenter (HD)		Family	Just Roll	Axios (HD)		
:30	Kimmel	Corden		Late Night		Conan	Family	Jessie	**"Shaft"**		

TUESDAY — JUNE 9, 2020

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	Monday Night Countdown (HD)	Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Raven	Real Time	★★½ **"Last Exorcism"**	**"Real Steel"** ('11) (HD)
:30						Bang (HD)		Sydney	Axios (HD)		
7 PM	Conners	NCIS *"Wide Awake"*	Hell's Kitchen (HD)	America's Got Talent *"Auditions 3"* (HD)		Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Sydney	**"Joker"** ('19) *Failed comedian.* (R) (HD)	★★½ **"Greta"** ('19) *Disturbed friend.*	Ray Donovan (HD)
:30	Conners					Bang (HD)		Coop & Cam			
8 PM	Family	FBI *Protect America.*	Gordon (HD)		Monday Night Football (HD)	Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	BUNK'D		(:40) **"Unfaithful"** ('02) *A woman's affair.* (HD)	City on a Hill (HD)
:30	Family					Bang (HD)		BUNK'D			
9 PM	Genetic (HD)	FBI: Most Wanted	Local Programs *Local info.*	(:01) World of Dance		Bang (HD)	Dirty John (HD)	BUNK'D	(:05) I May		**"Clear and Present Danger"** ('94) *The CIA does drugs.*
:30						Last O.G.		Unsittable	Insecure		
10 PM	Local	Local		Local		Conan	**"Fifty Shades Freed"** *New enemies appear.*	Coop & Cam	(:05) Axios		
:30	Kimmel	(:35) Late Show (HD)		(:35) Tonight (HD)		Last O.G.		Coop & Cam	**"Die Hard 2"** *Airport terrorists.* (R)	(:45) Trackers (HD)	
11 PM	Nightline		Local Programs		SportsCenter (HD)	Brooklyn		Just Roll			
:30	Kimmel	Corden		Late Night		Conan		Jessie		**"Brothers"**	**"Kill Bill"**

WEDNESDAY — JUNE 10, 2020

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	SportsCenter (HD)	Bang (HD)	NCIS *"Pay to Play"*	Raven	I Know *Back to work.*	(5:05) **"I, Robot"** ('04)	**"Gentleman"** ('82) (R)
:30						Bang (HD)		Big City			
7 PM	**"Big Hero 6"** ('14) *Prodigy & robot aid.* (HD)	Game On! (HD)	MasterChef (HD)	Chicago Med (HD)	College Basketball (HD)	Bang (HD)	WWE NXT (HD)	Big City	I Know This (HD)	★★★ **"Enemy of the State"** *Framed for murder.*	The Affair (HD)
:30						Bang (HD)		Owl House			
8 PM		SEAL Team (HD)	Ultimate Tag (HD)	Chicago Fire (HD)		Bang (HD)		Owl House	**"Alita: Battle Angel"** ('19) *Amnesia cyborg.*		Couples
:30						Bang (HD)		BUNK'D			Work (HD)
9 PM	SHIELD (HD)	S.W.A.T. (HD)	Local Programs *Local info.*	Chicago P.D. *"Assets"*	Basketball	Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	BUNK'D		(:15) ★★½ **"The Sentinel"** ('06) *Conspiracy.* (HD)	★★½ **"Spring Breakers"** ('13) (HD)
:30					College Basketball (HD)	Frontal		Unsittable			
10 PM	Local	Local		Local		Conan	Law & Order: SVU	Amphibia	(:05) I May		
:30	Kimmel	(:35) Late Show (HD)		(:35) Tonight (HD)		Frontal		Owl House	(:35) Betty		**"Mr. Brooks"** *Criminal alter ego.*
11 PM	Nightline		Local Programs			Seinfeld	Family	Just Roll	(:05) **"Anna"** ('19) (HD)	★★★ **"Bad Times"** ('18)	
:30	Kimmel	Corden		Late Night	SC (HD)	Conan	Family	Jessie			

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HELP WANTED

HELP WANTED: Lick Creek CCSD# 16 is accepting applications for the following positions for the 2020-21 school year: Bus driver and part-time music teacher. Anyone interested can obtain an application from the school office or on-line at www.lickcreekschool.com If you have questions please call (618)-833-2545.

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VACANCY NOTICE:

Anna District #37 is accepting applications for the 2020-21 school year for:

• **Teacher** – must have both LBS-1 certification and elementary education certification.

The appropriate application packet, which can be picked up at the Davie/Jr. High building or gotten online at www.anna37.com, should be completed and returned to: Julie Bullard at 301 South Green Street, Anna, IL 62906 no later than June 9, 2020.

24gp-25g

HELP WANTED: Insurance Position Opening. Customer Service Representative. Full-time position. Please send resume to Taylor, Dodd & Wood, 521 E. Vienna Street, Anna, IL 62906.

25-26gp

HELP WANTED: Billing Secretary. Experience with computers, organized, telephone skills, self-starter & genuine caring for substance use disorder patients, 35 hours per week. $14.00 per hour. Send resume to: sondra.pender@centerstone.org. EOE.

24-26gp

JOB POSTING

Anna-Jonesboro CHSD #81 is accepting applications for the following vacancy:

• Bus driver for regular route

We will help guide you through the bus driver training and licensing process if needed. Interested applicants should pick up an application or print one from our website at www.aj81.net and return to Anna-Jonesboro CHSD #81, Attn: Rob Wright, Superintendent, 608 S. Main St., Anna, IL 62906. Please contact the Superintendent's Office at (618)-833-8421 for more information.

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YARD SALE

UNION COUNTY GUIDELINES PERTAINING TO YARD/GARAGE SALES:

1. Social Distancing must be exercised.

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3. No more than 10 people at one time permitted.

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YARD SALE: 402 Springfield Avenue, Anna. Friday, June 5, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, June 6, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Health & beauty items, clothing (adult & children's), groceries, books, bed linens (regular & queen-size). Too much to mention. *Masks will be required and social distancing guidelines will be followed.

24p-25g

YARD SALE: Friday & Saturday, June 5 & 6, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. 590 Union Springs Road, Cobden. Downsizing. Lots of items. Stihl 290 chain saw, furniture, tools, household items, men & women's clothing.

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PUBLICATION NOTICE

The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to you, Brian S. Lence, Linda K. Lence, Southeast Missouri Hospital, Daniel Lewis, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, Defendants in the above entitled suit, that the said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of Union County, Illinois, by the said Plaintiff against you and other defendants to foreclose a certain Mortgage covering the following described premises, to-wit:

EXHIBIT A

Lot Number Twelve (12) in Block "A" in N E Phillips First Addition to the Village of South Pass, now Cobden, in Section Thirty (30), Township Eleven (11) South, Range One (1) West of the Third Principal Meridian, Union County, Illinois.

and for other relief, that summons was duly issued out of the said Court against you as provided by law, and that said suit is still pending. Now, therefore, unless you, the said Defendants, Brian S. Lence, Linda K. Lence, Southeast Missouri Hospital, Daniel Lewis, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, file your answer to the Complaint in the suit, or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Circuit Court of Union County, Illinois, in the County Courthouse in the City of Jonesboro, Illinois, on or before the 28th Day of June. 2020, default may be entered against you and each of you at any time after that day and a decree entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint.

Tiffany Busby
Clerk of the Circuit Court

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ESTATE OF LARRY STOUT, DECEASED. IN PROBATE NO. 2020-P-17

NOTICE OF DEATH INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION, AND CLAIM DATE

NOTICE IS GIVEN to creditors of the death of Larry Stout of Anna, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on May 13, 2020, to Amy Abernathy, of 11 Valley View Drive, Jonesboro, IL 62952, as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Elvis C. Cameron, 205B N. Main St., Anna, Illinois.

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

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

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

Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of this court at the Union County Courthouse, 309 W. Market Street, Jonesboro, IL 62952, or with the Independent Executor, or both, on or before December 4, 2020, or if mailing or delivery of a notice from the Executor is required by Section 5/18-3 of the Probate Act of the State of Illinois, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the Executor and to the attorneys within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

Dated: May 26, 2020.

AMY ABERNATHY
IND. EXECUTOR

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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 14th day of May, 2020, under the Assumed Name of DAM Transport LLC with the place of business located at 880 Ralls Lane, Dongola, Illinois 62926 and that the True Name(s) and Residence Address of the sole owner(s) and Proprietor(s) of said Business is:

David Medley
880 Ralls Lane
Dongola, IL 62926

Lance Meisenheimer
Union County Clerk

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Notice of Public Hearing

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Board of Education of Anna-Jonesboro Community High School District No. 81 in the County of Union, State of Illinois, that a public hearing will be held at 5:50 p.m. on the 15th day of June, 2020, at the Anna-Jonesboro High School Library, 608 S. Main St., Anna, Illinois, to discuss and hear public testimony on the transfer of funds from the Transportation Fund to the Operations and Maintenance Fund. Notice is given this 4th day of June, 2020. Board of Education of School District Number 81, in the County of Union, State of Illinois.

Dee Blakely
Secretary,
Board of Education,
Anna-Jonesboro
Community High
School District Number 81
Union County, Illinois

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Obituaries

Alice Marie Bauer McMillion

Alice Marie Bauer McMillion peacefully passed away at 6 a.m. Thursday, May 28, 2020, at Carpenter's (Hospice) House in River Ridge, La., at the age of 91.

She was born on Oct. 28, 1928, the daughter of Stella Tomlinson and Roy R. Bauer of Jonesboro.

On Jan. 8, 1950, she married Harold Raymond McMillion in Jonesboro. They were blessed to have celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary this past January.

During their 70 years of marriage they had three children, Donna Jean McMillion of Harahan, La., Scotty Ray McMillion of Ponchatoula, La., and Tina Marie Rosselot (Andre) of Slidell, La.

The family moved from Illinois to Louisiana in late 1956. In 1958, Harold started his own construction company, McMillion Dozer Service, and Alice became the secretary and bookkeeper for the company and remained an employee until the company began to shut down and they retired in January 2009 after 50 years.

Even as the company grew and her work increased, she was always a very hands on Mom, making sure all of her children got the attention and care we needed growing up.

Besides raising three children and working full time, she was very active in church work. Over the years she sang in the choir, taught Sunday School, worked in the women's group and occasionally played the piano at the church Services.

Mrs. McMillion was a member of the Kenner United Methodist Church for over 50 years. For the last four years she had been a member of St. Matthew's United Methodist Church in Metairie, La.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Roy R. and Stella Bauer; and her brothers, Roy L. Bauer and Gerald Bauer of Jonesboro.

Besides being survived by her husband and three children, she also leaves five grandchildren, Edward Raymond McMillion, MaryAnn McMillion (Hoyt Johnson) of Springfield, Suzanne Hannah (Joe) of Maurepas, Jessica Rosselot Krumm (Justin) of Slidell and Brian Rosselot (Jasmine), currently on duty with the Coast Guard in Alaska; eight great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

She will not only be missed by her two brothers-in-law, four sisters-in-law and many nieces and nephews whom she loved, but also by the many people she knew.

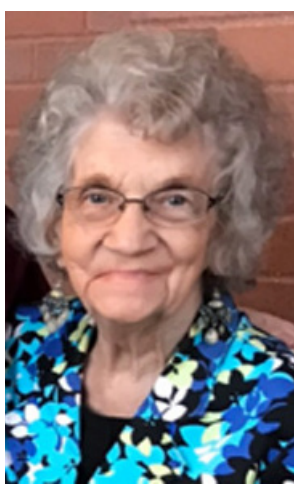
Funeral services will be held at Leitz-Eagan Funeral Home, 4747 Veterans Memorial Blvd. in Metairie, La., on Friday, June 5, 2020. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. until noon. The funeral service will be at noon with Rev. Darryl Tate, officiating.

Private interment will follow at Lake Lawn Park Mausoleum for immediate family only.

Flowers can be sent to Alice's funeral or memorial contributions can be made in her name to St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 6017 Camphor St., Metairie, La. 70003.

An online guestbook is available at www.leitzeaganfuneralhome.com.

LaWanda Lyerla



LaWanda Lyerla, 85, of Alto Pass, died Thursday, May 28, 2020, at her home.

She was born on March 2, 1935, in Anna, the daughter of Claude and Mary Proctor Hartline.

She married Harold Lyerla on Dec. 4, 1954, and they had remained at each other's side for the last 65 years.

She is survived by her husband, Harold of Alto Pass; four sons, Rob Lyerla of Michigan, Kelly (Terri) Lyerla of Waterloo, Keith (Gail) Lyerla of Columbia and Kip (Terra) Lyerla of Alto Pass; eight grandchildren, Heather Haare, Shannon, Eli, Jordan, Easton, Gracey, Lauren and Mason Lyerla; two great-grandchildren; other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by one brother, Emil Hartline.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Alto Pass.

Private graveside services will take place at the Alto Pass Cemetery, with Pastor Carroll Toler officiating. Interment will follow.

She wanted to share the comforting words of her favorite verse, Second Timothy, chapter 1, verse 7: "For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind."

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.

James Price

James Price, 77, of Goreville, died Saturday, May 23, 2020, at Integrity Healthcare.

He was born on Aug. 29, 1942. He married Dongzhen Qi on April 13, 2009, in China.

Mr. Price is survived by his wife, Dongzhen Price.

He served in the U.S. Army and U.S. Air Force. He worked many years as a truck driver.

There will be no services held.

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.

Mary Lou Cochran

Mary Lou Cochran, 95, of Springfield, died Thursday, May 28, 2020, at her home surrounded by loved ones.

She was born in Anna on Feb. 10, 1925, the youngest of four children.

She married Arthur Cochran in Eminence, Mo., on Oct. 6, 1950.

She was active in the King's Daughters Organization, Capitol Circle, Ceramics and Crafts Club and the Springfield Women's Club.

She belonged to two golf leagues and at the age of 80, shot three rounds at Pasfield for a net of 93 for 27 holes.

She belonged to a bowling league and was an avid bridge player and bridge teacher, belonging to several clubs.

She was active in scouting as both a den mother and Girl Scout leader.

She enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren, traveling, sewing and playing cards.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Fount and Edith Mull; two brothers, Robert and Harold Mull; and one sister, Helen Peeler.

She is survived by her husband of 69 years, Arthur Cochran; three children, Beverly McFarland (James), Michael Cochran (Janice) and Kevin Cochran; her beloved grandchildren, Tiffany Klamm (Mark), Emily Kiriakas (Alan), Audrey Milburn (Frank), Angel Cochran, Spencer Cochran and Phoebe Cochran; five great-grandchildren, Ari and Lena Klamm, Korina and Lily Kiriakas, and Wesley Milburn; and many nieces and nephews.

Cremation will be provided by Butler Cremation Tribute Center prior to ceremonies.

Interment will take place at Camp Butler National Cemetery at a later date.

Memorial contributions can be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Boardman-Smith Funeral Home, 800 S. Grand Ave. W., Springfield, is in charge of arrangements.

Condolences can be offered online at boardmansmith.com.

Sherry Raeleen Dabbs Newell

Sherry Raeleen Dabbs Newell, 49, of Mill Creek, died at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 27, 2020, at Memorial Hospital of Carbondale.

She was born on Jan. 4, 1971, in Cape Girardeau, the daughter of Grady and Imogene Nolan Dabbs.

She was very family oriented. She loved her grandchildren dearly. She loved to cook. You would often find her in the kitchen cooking a large meal for her family. She was the life of every event and her smile was contagious. She was as silly as she was beautiful.

She is survived by her 3 daughters, Brittany Hileman of Dongola, Courtney (Dylan) Bailey of Marion and Sydney Newell of Mill Creek; eight grandchildren, Emmitt, Alyson, Addison, Adalei, Lillyann, Hezekiah, Elias and Parker; three sisters, Linda Turner of Elco, Lisa McClellan of Pulaski and Janet Dabbs of Mill Creek; and two brothers, Jerry Dabbs and Randy Dabbs, both of Mill Creek.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by three sisters, Carolyn Dabbs, Patricia Coleson and Cathy Klasner; and by a son-in-law, Justin Hileman.

Inurnment will be at a later date at St. John's Cemetery near Dongola.

Memorials can be made to Crain Funeral Home to help the family with funeral expenses.

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

Crain Funeral Home

To view the full obituary or to leave an online condolence for the family, visit www.crainsonline.com.

Paul H. 'Doc' DuBois

Paul H. "Doc" DuBois, 89, of Cobden, died Sunday, May 31, 2020, at the Illinois Veterans Home in Anna.

He was born on Nov. 21, 1930, in Cobden, the son of Howard and Florence Ihle DuBois.

He is survived by nieces, nephews and many friends.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Lawrence and Hervey DuBois, and an infant sister, Christine.

Mr. DuBois served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He was a member of Carroll P. Foster VFW Post No. 3455 and the American Legion.

Private graveside services with military honors for Paul "Doc" DuBois will be conducted at the Cobden Cemetery.

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 Cobden is in charge of arrangements.

Darlene Zubbrick

Darlene Zubbrick, 76, of Carbondale, died Friday, May 29, 2020, at Integrity Healthcare.

She was born on June 20, 1943, in Chicago, the daughter of Ester Livermore Grey.

She will be missed by many friends, including, Monika, Dianna, Lucinda, Cassidy, Randy, Heidi, Steve, Shannon, Tommy, Robert and Keela.

There will be no services held.

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.

Christopher Stephen 'Chris' Rhymer

Chris Rhymer, 43, of Carbondale, died Friday, May 15, 2020, at his home.

He was born Aug. 5, 1976, in Lakenheath, England, the son of Jay and Jeannie Haynes Rhymer.

He is survived by his life partner, Rachel Walker of Carbondale; his mother, Jeannie Haynes of Anna; his father, Jay (Debbie) Rhymer of Anna; a brother, Brad (Patty) Rhymer of San Francisco, Calif.; a sister, Amy (Jason) Messamer of Coralville, Iowa; maternal grandmother Bonnie Haynes of Anna; very special aunt Cathy Spinazola of Cobden; many other aunts and uncles; cousins; and numerous close friends.

He was an avid outdoorsman. He enjoyed going on hiking excursions all over the United States and beyond. He enjoyed going camping and listening to music.

He worked for many years for Southern Illinois University Carbondale in the registrar's office.

Graveside services will be held privately for the immediate family.

Memorials can be made to the Ocean Conservancy or to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

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.

Jon R. Sanders

Jon R. Sanders, 75, of Cobden, died Tuesday, May 26, 2020, at Union County Hospital in Anna.

He was born on March 3, 1945, in Mt. Carmel, the son of William and Zelma Irene Dillard Sanders.

He is survived by one brother, Larry Sanders.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

There will be no public service.

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

RENDLEMAN & HILEMAN FUNERAL HOMES

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Reynoldsville News

By Sue Eudy

Visitors over Memorial Day weekend of Penny and Kerry Hill and Shirley Miller of McClure were David and Kristy Miller of St. Charles, Mo., and Eric, Julie and Tessa Burtin of St. Peters, Mo.

On Saturday night, May 23, a pizza party was held for the birthdays of Eric Burtin and Kristy Miller. Those present were David and Kristy Miller, Shirley Miller and Eric, Julie and Tessa Burtin.

Happy belated anniversary wishes to Doris and Ernie Rhodes of Jonesboro who celebrated 64 years on May 26.

Visiting with Maxine and Fred Pender of Fair City on Saturday were Gary Gibbs and Brad and Lori Pender, all of Jonesboro.

Russ and Patsy Pender of Olive Branch visited with Maxine and Fred Pender on Memorial Day.

Recent visitors of Sue and Steve Eudy were Ryan Wachter of Jonesboro and Venita Lingle of Anna.

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.

Thank You

We would like to express our gratitude for the flowers, plants, phone calls and kind words on the passing of my son, Chris Rhymer.

A special thank you to pastor Lonnie Lewis for the kind words he had to say at the service. I want to say a special thank you also to Linda Isom and Brenda Schlenker for all their help.

Thank you for the beautiful spray and flowers from The Enchanted Garden. Thank you also to Phil and Beth at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home and the pallbearers.

Chris will be missed by many, He was a wonderful son and I loved him dearly.

Please keep my family and I in your prayers.

Sincerely, Jeannie Haynes & family

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Opinion and Commentary

Our Union County Roots

Our Union Roots is a monthly column by the Union County Historical and Genealogy Society. The society owns and operates the Union County Museum in Cobden.

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Transportation in 1871

If you did not have your own means of transportation in 1871, traveling within the county or as far away as Cape Girardeau was not as problematic as one might imagine.

Some of the most popular modes of transportation were horse-drawn hacks, the equivalent of a modern day taxicab.

Hack owners advertised their services in the local newspapers.

The Cape Girardeau and Anna Semi-Weekly Hack may have been the best way for Union County residents to get to and from Cape Girardeau.

'Some of the most popular modes of transportation were horse-drawn hacks, the equivalent of a modern day taxicab.'

The twice weekly hack left Anna for Cape Girardeau every Monday and Friday at 8 a.m. and arrived in Cape Girardeau at 5 p.m. the same day.

The hack left Cape Girardeau for Anna every Tuesday and Saturday at 7 a.m.

The company also made weekly runs on Wednesday to Preston from Anna and returned to Anna on Thursday.

Comfortable hacks and careful drivers were promised by the contractor, J.P. Bohannon. Packages and the mail were also sent by this conveyance.

Treese & Modglin of Anna advertised that they had safe horses, good saddles and splendid buggies which they would rent to careful persons at reasonable rates.

Their services also included taking anyone to any and all parts of the county as well as keeping one's horse with good feed at a reasonable rate.

John Wagner, proprietor of the Jonesboro tri-Daily Hack Line, pledged to connect patrons with all passenger trains at Anna. Wagner's hack left Jonesboro at 5:30 a.m., 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Should one be leaving or returning on the night train, Wagner would provide the necessary transportation to and/or from the depot if arrangements were made in advance.

John Wagner also was the proprietor of the Jonesboro Livery and Feed Stable. He rented horses and carriages, but would take someone to any part of the county.

R.M. Davis, proprietor of the Dongola Livery and Feed Stable, advertised that the stable had been refitted with good horses and buggies and that anyone needing a good rig could rent one for a reasonable rate. Davis, too, would take passengers to all parts of Union County.

Charges for these services were not listed in the advertisements; however, in 1880 Joseph Reese charged 10 cents per mile for a hack according to the Farmer and Fruit Grower newspaper. The editor felt that was a fair price.

Accidents occasionally occurred. The Jonesboro Gazette reported in its September 16, 1871, issue that the horses pulling the Anna to Cape Girardeau hack ran away because the driver failed to put down the brakes on a hillside.

Col. McClures' wife and children were thrown from the hack when it overturned. Their injuries were not considered serious, but the driver sustained major injuries.

Please read this...

By Geof Skinner

Cute little ones? Of course they are...spotted these young turtles basking on a tree limb in water at the pond at the Lincoln Memorial Picnic Grounds.

Lions, tigers and bears...nope...'Jesus bugs'...yup

Lions...and tigers...and bears...

Didn't see any of those critters during the past week. Did see some young turtles...and a young snake...and some "Jesus bugs" of undetermined age.

To tell you the truth, I had not heard of "Jesus bugs" until last Saturday evening. That was when The Other Half and yours truly went on what we'll call a pandemic date.

The date involved giving her an opportunity to get out and see a little bit of the world around us. She hasn't been able to do a lot of that sort of thing since about the middle of March or so.

That's not to say she's stuck at home completely. There's some garden space up the road a bit, where I believe she has put something like 10,000 potatoes in the ground.

She also has a garden right out the back door, and the front door, too. She likes to garden, which is a bit of an understatement.

Back to that "date" we went on last Saturday evening. We motored to one of our favorite spots in Union County, the Trail of Tears State Forest. Like many other places, the state forest had been closed, courtesy of the pandemic, which is proving to be a very unpleasant visitor.

The state forest is one of the many places which has now reopened, so off we went. Turned out that we pretty much had an entire forest to ourselves.

As we often do during a visit to the state forest, we kept an eye out for whatever critters we might see. Listened for the sounds of the forest, too.

While walking past a pool of water, I mentioned something about looking for water striders. Water striders are bugs that you might see in a pool of water. Water striders, according to wikipedia, "distinguish themselves by having the unusual ability to walk on water."*

And that was when I learned about "Jesus bugs." As we were watching three or four water striders doing their water strider thing, The Other Half mentioned she had read these critters also were called "Jesus bugs" in some places. (Seems that water striders also are called water skeeters, water skooters, water bugs, pond skaters and water skippers.**)

Without getting into a big discussion about theology, let's just say scripture recalls a story about Jesus walking on water – I guess that's where the "Jesus bug" connection comes in.

The Other Half also was kind enough to point out a young snake that was out enjoying the evening with a stroll through the creek bed. I guess "stroll" really wouldn't be the right word for what a snake is doing.

Anyway, I had learned something new, so we could go home.

Our "date" to the state forest was a little bit something "normal," whatever that is these days. One day last week, I also tried to do something a little bit "normal," all by myself.

For the first time since March, I paid a visit to the Lincoln Memorial Picnic Grounds in Jonesboro. Just wanted to go a walk at the picnic grounds...maybe take in a little bit of the spirit of Abraham Lincoln. Mr. Lincoln visited what is now the home of the picnic grounds a few years ago.

Didn't get to talk with Mr. Lincoln while I was at the picnic grounds. I did see several very young, and very cute (at least for a reptile) turtles.

Before we wrap this up, it's time for another batch of really funny jokes. The daily supply of laughter (?) for the coming week comes from a website called "Best Dad Jokes." Enjoy.

Thursday: "What do you call an elephant that doesn't matter? An irrelephant."

Friday: "What do you get from a pampered cow? Spoiled milk."

Saturday: "I like telling Dad jokes. Sometimes he laughs!"

Sunday: "Did I tell you the time I fell in love during a backflip? I was heels over head!"

Monday: "I ordered a chicken and an egg online. I'll let you know."

Tuesday: "It takes guts to be an organ donor."

Wednesday: "If you see a crime at an Apple Store, does that make you an iWitness?"

One more thing for this week...happy anniversary to my sweetheart. Don't think we ever had any kind of discussion about a pandemic when we started this journey. One more special memory...

Stay safe, folks.

(*As is often the case, I will note that since this information was found online, it has to be true.)

(**Ditto.)

Not so cute? Quite a few folks probably don't find a snake to be very cute. This young snake was seen crawling through a creek bed at the Trail of Tears State Forest. Social distancing was practiced.

A Page from the Past

from the files of The Gazette-Democrat

Thursday, June 4, 1970

Saturday, May 30, 1970, the comrades and sisters of the Townsend F. Dodd Post 344, American Legion, and the Carroll P. Foster Post 3455, Veterans of Foreign Wars, joined together to pay tribute to their departed comrades and sisters who have given their lives so we may live in a free country.

Dr. Carroll Loomis, son of Mr. and Mrs. O.K. Loomis, Anna, will assume his new duties as a General Practitioner serving the Union County area July 1, with offices to be located at 211 South Main.

The Court Room of the Union County Court House, Jonesboro, was filled with interested citizens Tuesday evening, May 26, when Adlai Stevenson III spoke of his candidacy for the U.S. Senate in the 1970 election.

For two days this past week, the sun shone and the weather was lovely. Then, late Friday evening, just prior to graduating exercise time at the majority of the high schools in the county, the skies clouded over and at 8:00 p.m. the rains came!

An Emergency Operations Simulation Training exercise was held at the Union County Emergency Operation Center, Jonesboro, Friday afternoon, May 2.

Although the local Selective Service office reported no draft call or physical examinations scheduled for the month of May, a call was received and one man was inducted May 21.

At 104 years young, Mrs. L.L. Casper celebrated her birthday Wednesday, June 3, with relatives at the old homestead, now the home of Wallace (Jack) Casper near Cobden.

Rod Serling of Television's "Twilight Zone" fame is being brought to the Shawnee College student body to speak on "Mass Media" and films and theater. The Shawnee College student council has set June 5 for the program in the Century High School gymnasium at 8:00 p.m. The Century gym is being used because there is no space for (an) assembly at (the) college.

Award day was held Thursday, May 27th, at the Anna Junior High School at 1:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 26, Cobden High School presented their first Spring Fashion Fair from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.