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## News

### Notes

Items of interest from throughout the Union County area



A hummingbird made a stop at a feeder in Union County on a recent Sunday afternoon.

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Driving through Anna should be pretty interesting, and maybe even a bit of a challenge, next week.

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The Union County Emergency Management Agency and the local Amateur Radio Club are planning to conduct an emergency drill from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. on July 28. The drill will involve a simulated tornado emergency. In the event of bad weather, the drill will be cancelled.

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Southern Illinois Electric Cooperative plans to have its annual meeting Thursday evening, Aug. 2, at Shawnee Community College near Ullin.

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A wide range of activities are being planned in October to commemorate the City of Jonesboro's bicentennial.

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A regularly scheduled meeting of the Anna City Council which was planned for Tuesday evening was postponed due to various scheduling issues and other matters.

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Union County officials continue to work on a proposed 911 system merger with Alexander County. The county wants to ensure local control of such a move.

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## Major road projects planned in county

The Illinois Department of Transportation, IDOT, is alerting motorists about plans which involve two major highway projects in Union County.

### Four-Way Stop

Beginning at 7 a.m. Monday, July 23, the busy four-way stop intersection at Illinois Route 146 (Vienna Street) and Main Street in downtown Anna is scheduled to be closed to all traffic.

The intersection will be closed for concrete pavement replacement.

IDOT reported that the work is scheduled to be completed by 7 p.m. Monday, July 30, weather permitting.

A marked detour will be in place to direct motorists around the closed intersection.

Access to all businesses in the area will remain open, IDOT noted.

The City of Anna also is planning to do utility work at the intersection during the period.

### Route 146 Bridges

IDOT also reported that beginning at 7 a.m. Wednesday, July 18, Illinois Route 146 in Union County was scheduled to be closed

directly under the bridges at Interstate 57.

The on- and off-ramps to the interstate were scheduled to remain open.

The work is necessary to allow for the placing of beams on the north bound structure on the interstate.

The road is scheduled to reopen at 7 a.m. Friday, July 20, weather permitting.

A marked detour will be in place.

Illinois Route 146 east bound traffic will be directed onto the interstate and will use exit 24 at Dongola to change directions on the interstate and then exit back onto Route 146.

Westbound Illinois Route 146 traffic will be directed onto the interstate and use exit 36 at Lick Creek to change directions on the interstate and then exit back onto Route 146.

IDOT advised that due to the closure, motorists must allow additional time for travel and should seek an alternate route.

Message boards and signs will be in place to alert motorists about the closure and the marked detour route.

IDOT District 9 updates can be found on Twitter at <http://twitter.com/IDOT-District9>.



### Motorists alerted

Electronic message signs are on display at several locations in the Anna and Jonesboro area. The signs are alerting motorists about the upcoming planned closing of the four-way stop in the heart of Anna.

## Sheriff's deputy escapes injury in traffic accident on interstate

A Union County Sheriff's Office deputy escaped injury when he was at the scene of a traffic accident on Interstate 57 and another unit struck his squad vehicle.

Illinois State Police District 22 at Ullin reported that the first accident happened at 1:24 a.m. July 16 at milepost 25 in the south bound lane of I 57.

State police reported that the accident involved a 2012 Freightliner truck tractor semi-trailer.

The driver of the semi was identified by state police as Sayf M. Shamon, 25, of Sterling Heights, Mich.

The semi was traveling south on the interstate. The driver lost control of the vehicle.

The vehicle ran off the left side of the highway and struck the guardrail. The semi went down an embankment and collided with several trees before coming to rest in the center median.

State police reported that the driver was transported to an area hospital with non-life threatening injuries. An investigation into the crash continues.

A subsequent accident happened at 1:56 a.m. at the same location.

State police reported that the accident involved a Union County Sheriff's Office Ford Explorer squad vehicle and a 2016 Freightliner truck tractor semi-trailer.

State police reported that the sheriff's deputy had responded to the first accident on the interstate.

The sheriff's office's vehicle was stationary, partially in the left lane, with its emergency lights activated due to a guardrail protruding into the highway from the initial accident.

The second semi was traveling south on the interstate in the left lane. The semi passed another vehicle which was traveling south in the right lane.

State police reported that

the semi's driver did not reduce speed, stayed in the left lane and proceeded to pass the vehicle while approaching the stationary squad car with its emergency lights activated.

The semi struck the left rear of the sheriff's office's vehicle, which sustained major damage. The semi also was damaged.

State police noted that the deputy was out of his vehicle checking on the occupants from the previous crash and was not injured. The driver of the truck was not injured.

Both vehicles had to be towed from the scene due to damage caused by the crash. An investigation into the crash continues.

The driver of the second semi was identified as John Terrell Henley, 56, of Oliver Springs, Tenn. State police reported that Henley was charged with failure to yield to an authorized emergency vehicle.

### Sheriff's report

Union County Sheriff Scott Harvel has released his department's monthly activity report for June.

Highlights follow:

Felony arrests, eight. Misdemeanor arrests, 12. Traffic arrests, 35. Warrant arrests, three. Total arrests, 58.

Cases opened, 39. Drug investigations, four. Crash reports, 16. 911 calls received, 1,263. Miles patrolled, 11,385.

### Blood drive set

An American Red Cross blood drive is scheduled July 31 at Anna-Jonesboro Community High School.

The blood drive is planned from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the cafeteria at the school.

Organizers noted that if 30 units are collected at the drive, the American Red Cross will donate \$300 to the 2019 A-JCHS Safe Celebration event.

Information about being a donor is available by contacting the principal's office at the school or by visiting [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) (sponsor code ajchs).

## Peach Festival set

The 2018 Cobden Peach Festival is only a couple of weeks away.

This year's 81st annual celebration of the local peach harvest is planned Friday and Saturday, Aug. 3-4.

The festival is sponsored by the Cobden Lions Club.

Most of the Peach Festival activities take place at Cobden Lions Club property adjacent to the Cobden School and at the Cobden Community Park.

The festival is scheduled to get underway at 5 p.m. each day.

Highlights of the Peach Festival include a queen pageant, live entertainment, a 5K run/walk and 1-mile fun run, a parade, rides, games, bingo, a raffle and

food – including plenty of peach cobbler.

The queen pageant is scheduled to take place on both nights of the festival.

The pageant is scheduled to begin at 8 p.m. on Friday. The 2018 queen will be crowned Saturday night.

Live entertainment on Friday is slated to feature King Juba, starting at 6 p.m. Lone Howl is set to perform Saturday, also starting at 6 p.m.

The 5K run/walk and 1-mile fun run are set for 7:30 a.m. Saturday. The events begin near the Cobden Community Park.

The Peach Festival parade is set for 4:30 p.m. Saturday. The parade is sponsored by the Village of Cobden.



### The magic of books

Magician Chris Egelston performed an illusion with help from audience assistant Katrina. More than 70 children and adults attended Egelston's "Reading is Magic" show on Tuesday afternoon, July 10, at the Jonesboro Public Library. The performance helped to kick off the library's summer story hour, a weekly series of special events scheduled every Tuesday at 2 p.m. during July. Egelston, the "Reading Magician," combines illusions, comedy and audience interaction with a message about the joy and importance of reading. Photo by Benjamin Marxer.



# Commissioner asked to resign from board

A local resident and business person has called for the resignation of a member of the Union County Board of Commissioners.

The matter surfaced during a time for public comments during last week's regular meeting of the county board.

The meeting, attended by about 20 people, was held Friday morning, July 13, at the Union County Courthouse.

Business person Josh Ditto addressed concerns that he has related to recent action by the commissioners to approve a proposal to provide information technology, IT, services to the county.

The commissioners accepted a bid from an out-of-the-county business to provide the service. Ditto had submitted a bid to the county to provide the service.

Ditto is the founder of Tech Guy Consulting in Anna and serves as the firm's business IT solutions specialist.

Ditto previously had voiced concerns to the board regarding what he said were disparaging remarks made about him by one of the commissioners.

Those concerns, directed at Union County Commissioner Dale Foster, again were addressed at last Friday morning's meeting.

Ditto stated in prepared remarks which were presented at the meeting that he had "some questions and concerns that need to be addressed in a public forum."

Ditto stated that Foster previously had called him "an idiot in front of everyone."

Foster said that he had no comment in response to what Ditto had said.

He then addressed Foster directly: "Why are you still here?" Ditto stated that he lacked "professionalism and the expertise to perform your job duties."

"I'd like to take this opportunity on behalf of the taxpayers of Union County to formally ask that you resign your position immediately and save the county further embarrassment."

Ditto also addressed concerns he had about various social media postings, messages and other comments he said had been made by other members of the county board.

He particularly addressed actions that he said involved commissioners Max Miller and David Gould.

He focused on a tax lien issue which was said to have been cited by the two commissioners as "the reason my company was eliminated from the bidding process."

"If my lien was truly the issue, why did you not bother to call or contact me to find out the status of the situation? Had you taken the time, you would have found that it was paid in full and all of my filings were up to date. Do you have a valid reason for not contacting me?"

He also questioned whether or not the commissioners had read the proposal he submitted for the bidding process. County board chairman Bobby Toler Jr. emphasized that he had read the proposal.

"The fact is, eliminating my business from the bidding process was never about my lien," Ditto declared. He said the issue was "simply a convenient excuse for you all to cover your deceit, your inappropriate comments and your unfair bidding practices."

Gould and Miller initially did not comment about Ditto's statements.

Miller did say at one point that the tax lien was the issue which was considered in the process. Gould denied making negative comments about Ditto.

Three persons who attended the meeting voiced their support for Ditto and raised concerns about the board's action.

One of those who addressed the board said she has done business with Ditto and praised his work, while also voicing disappointment about money being sent outside of the county for the IT service.

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## Public Record

from the files at the Union County Courthouse, Jonesboro

### Realty Transactions

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

**Warranty Deed.** Grantor: Agnes J. Mueller. Grantee: Pamela R. Hudson, Richard F. Hudson. Name: Original Plat of Anna. Lot 70.  
**Warranty Deed.** Grantor: Amanda R. Jerrell, Christopher G. Jerrell. Grantee: L&P Crabtree Investments LLC. Name: John B. Jones Add. of Anna. Lot 12. John B. Jones Add. of Anna. Lot 13.  
**Warranty Deed.** Grantor: James C. Lence, Linda K. Lence. Grantee: Theresa L. Borgman, Thomas Ebenhov.

Name: Woodbury Add. of Cobden. Lot 3.

**Warranty Deed.** Grantor: Joshua Thomas Joiner. Grantee: Melody L. Thomas. Original Plat of Anna. Portion 142.  
**Warranty Deed.** Grantor: Joseph Rowan, Tara Rowan. Grantee: Nathan B. Wheaton, Tammy K. Wheaton. Tract Section 22 Township 12S Range 2W.  
**Warranty Deed.** Grantor: Rubi Marels Carmona. Grantee: Gerardo Calderon-Diaz, Reynaldo Calderon-Garcia, Susana Diaz. Name: Village of Cobden. Block B. Lot 10.

**Quit Claim Deed.** Grantor: H. Dean Bittle, Sharon Bittle. Grantee: H. Dean Bittle, Ronald G. Bittle. Tract Section 20 Township 12S Range 1W. Name: D.W. Browns 1st Add. of Anna. Portion 1.  
**Warranty Deed.** Grantor: H. Dean Bittle, Ronald G. Bittle. Grantee: Mike Hatfield. Tract Section 20 Township 12S Range 1W. Name: D.W. Browns 1st Add. of Anna. Portion 1.  
**Warranty Deed.** Grantor: Billy Duane Jackson, Patricia Jackson. Grantee: Vickie

Gordon, The Bill and Pat Jackson Irrevocable Trust. Tract Section 29 Township 12S Range 1W. Name: Winstead Davies 1st Add. of Anna. Lot 110.

**Warranty Deed.** Grantor: Hugh Michael Westbrooks, Mark Anthony Westbrooks. Grantee: Glen A. Prater, Glen A. Prater, Jamie F. Prater. Tract Section 7 Township 12S Range 1W.

**Quit Claim Deed.** Grantor: Anita Y. Meyer, James E. Montgomery, James Mason Montgomery, Myra L. Montgomery. Grantee: Charlotte Montgomery, James Mason Montgomery. Tract Section 24 Township 13S Range 1E.

**Quit Claim Deed.** Grantor: Anita Y. Meyer, James E. Montgomery, James Mason Montgomery, Myra L. Montgomery. Grantee: James Mason Montgomery. Tract Section 30 Township 13W Range 2E. Tract Section 19 Township 13W Range 2E.

**Warranty Deed.** Grantor: James Stone, Lisa Stone. Grantor: Derek Hogue, Johni Hogue. Tract Section 24 Township 11S Range 2W. Name: Skyview Estates. Lot 1.

**Quit Claim Deed.** Grantor: Secretary of the Interior, United States of America. Grantee: Janice Faye Eddleman, Mark D. Eddleman. Tract Section 34 Township 13S Range 1E.

**Quit Claim Deed.** Grantor: Rose M. Clutts. Grantee: Larry A. Clutts. Tract Section 18 Township 11S Range 1W.

**Marriage Licenses**  
The county clerk's office issued a marriage license to: James Dirden, 69, of Dongola, and Wendy Lee Chauvin, 55, of Dongola.  
Kemo L. Martin, 25, of Anna, and Samantha L. Bozarth, 29, of Boles.  
Matthew Ian Simmers, 28, of Warsaw, Ohio, and Aimee Ruth Dick, 25, of Dongola.

Ryan Lee Hancock, 23, of Jonesboro, and Brandi Tyann Clover, 25, of Jonesboro.

## News Notes

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Area chambers of commerce are joining with State Sen. Dale Fowler, R-Harrisburg, to host the first Southern Illinois Made Expo July 28-29 at The Pavilion in Anna.

A Christmas in July with SOiL Horror Productions movie night is planned Sunday night, July 22, at the Davie School Inn in Anna. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. A food drive will be part of the evening, with donations helping to support Bethany Village in Anna.

The Genealogy Society of Southern Illinois is planning to have a family history conference Aug. 11 at John A. Logan College in Carterville.

Participants are still being sought for the Sept. 7 Cache River Days pageant in Ullin. Information is available at the Ullin City Hall.

A Meisenheimer-Mt. Olive Cemetery ice cream social is being planned for Saturday evening, July 28. The cemetery is located east of Dongola.

The Girl Scouts of Southern Illinois/Girl Scouts of the USA have launched 30 new badges.

## U.S. Attorney plans to resign

Donald S. Boyce has announced his resignation from the position of United States Attorney for the Southern District of Illinois, effective at midnight on July 21.

Boyce was sworn in as United States Attorney on July 8, 2016, after his appointment by then United States Attorney General Loretta Lynch.

Boyce was later reappointed as United States Attorney by the judges of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Illinois on Oct. 28, 2016.

Effective on July 22, Steven D. Weinhoef will assume the role of acting United States Attorney for the Southern District of Illinois.

Weinhoef has served as an Assistant United States Attorney since 2008, including serving as First Assistant United States Attorney from 2016 to the present.

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Contact Brandon at 201-5404 to schedule a viewing and pick up an application today!

*Christmas in July*  
**With SOiL Horror Productions**  
**Movie Night**  
at  
**Davie School Inn**  
**Sunday, July 22nd**

Doors open at 6:30  
Movie runs 7-9 P.M.  
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Ugly Sweater/Shirt Contest  
Free Popcorn, Snow Cones & Cookies

**FOOD DRIVE**  
Raffle ticket with every 5 food items donated.  
Donated food items to benefit Bethany Village.

## State police responded to 111 calls for service in district during June

Illinois State Police District 22 has released a review of activities for June.

The district includes Union, Johnson, Pope, Massac, Hardin, Pulaski and Alexander counties.

The following statistics were included in the report for the month:

District 22 officers responded to 111 calls for service.

Officers issued 778 citations and 1,315 written warnings.

Seven motorists were arrested for driving under the influence, DUI.

Officers handled 35 crashes, including one fatal accident.

A total of 259 motor carrier safety inspections were conducted; 25 of the inspections led to either the driver or the vehicle being placed out of service for safety violations.

A total of 147 motorists were assisted on the side of the road.

Until 1818, the present area of Union County was included in Johnson County, as were Alexander and Pulaski counties. On Jan. 2, 1818, Union County was created out of Johnson County and, for over year, the newly formed county included all of Alexander County and part of Pulaski County.

Officers made 36 criminal arrests.

The following citations were issued for what are termed as "Fatal Four" violations:

DUI, eight. Speeding, 285. Occupant restraint, 182. Distracted driving, 24.

**Scott's Law**  
District 22 continues to remind motorists who travel on area highways about Scott's Law, "The Move Over Law."

**NOTICE OF MEETING DATE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Jonesboro Elementary School Board of Education of CCSD #43, in the County of Union, State of Illinois, that the Regular Scheduled Meeting - Thursday, July 19, 2018 - has been **RESCHEDULED TO FRIDAY, JULY 27, 2018 at 3:45 P.M.** at the Board of Education meeting room, 309 Cook Avenue, Jonesboro, Illinois, in this School District #43.

**St. John's Cemetery Association**  
want to invite you to an  
**Ice Cream Social**  
**Saturday, July 21, 2018**  
held outside the historic  
**St. John's Lutheran Church**  
in Dongola, IL  
Serving starts at 5:00 P.M.

Come join us for fresh grilled hamburgers and hot dogs!  
Chips • Soda • Bottled Water  
Homemade Desserts and of course  
**ICE CREAM!**  
(Chocolate, Strawberry, Vanilla, Butter Pecan)

**QUILT RAFFLE**  
1 ticket for \$1 or 6 tickets for \$5  
Quilt donated by Joanne Dillow.  
Many thanks to her for a beautiful creation!

The money made from the Ice Cream Socials and the generous donations to the St. John's Cemetery Association provide for the upkeep and maintenance of our families' final resting places. Every purchase and donation is greatly appreciated.

P.S. Dessert donations are appreciated and highly anticipated, but please remember that it is very warm outside, so nothing that needs refrigeration. The desserts can be dropped off at the Social site anytime after 4 P.M.

# Fair queen pageants planned

Contestants sought for Union County Fair Queen, Little Miss Fair Queen, Junior Miss Fair Queen events

A search for contestants is underway for the 2018 Union County Fair Queen, Little Miss Fair Queen and Junior Miss Fair Queen pageant.

The pageant is set for 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 19, at the Union County Fair in Anna. The fair will be at the Anna City Park in Anna.

## Fair Queen Pageant

Contestants who participate in the Union County Fair Queen pageant must be 16 years of age by Aug. 19 and not have reached their 22nd birthday by Jan. 1, 2019.

Contestants must have never been married, have never had a child and cannot be an adoptive parent.

Contestants must be a resident of Union County or attended or graduated from a Union County school, and are not competing in another county fair queen pageant in 2018 or have been a former queen of county fair.

Applications are available on the Union County Fair's website at [www.unioncountyfair.net](http://www.unioncountyfair.net).

The applications can be found by going to the website's "Events" tab, clicking on Miss Union County Fair Queen Pageant, and then

clicking on Queen Application.

Contestants also can contact Janice Osman at 833-7777 to request an application or for more information about the pageant.

A schedule of practice days and times are with the application.

Each contestant will require a sponsor.

The deadline to enter the pageant is Aug. 5. No late entries will be accepted after Aug. 5.

A meeting for contestants is planned at 6 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 5, at the Union County Fair Board's office. The office is at the Anna City Park.

Applications and entry/ sponsor fees can be turned in at the meeting.

Contestants will be asked to come "picture ready" on Aug. 5. Tiffany Dillow Photography is scheduled to take a group photograph and individual pictures.

## Little Miss Fair Queen, Junior Miss Fair Queen Pageants

Little Miss Contestants must be 10-12 years of age, and Junior Miss Contestants must be 13-15 years of age, by Aug. 19.

Contestants must be a resident of Union County and attend a Union County school.

If contestants attend a private school outside of Union County, they must provide proof of registration with their application.

Applications are available on the fair's website at [www.unioncountyfair.net](http://www.unioncountyfair.net).

The applications can be found by going to the website's "Events" tab, clicking on Little Miss & Junior Miss Pageant, and then clicking on Little/Junior Miss Application.

Contestants also can contact Janice Osman at 833-7777 to request an application or for more information.

A schedule of practice days and times are with the pageant application. (Aug. 5 registration should be 5:30 p.m., not 6 p.m.)

The deadline to enter the pageant is Aug. 5. No late entries will be accepted after the deadline.

A meeting for contestants is planned at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 5, at the fair board office at the Anna City Park.

All applications and entry fees can be turned in at the meeting.

Contestants will be asked to come "picture ready" on Aug. 5. Tiffany Dillow Photography is scheduled to take group photographs and individual pictures.



## Event held to support candidate

An event was held Saturday evening, July 14, in support of Republican Union County commissioner candidate Max Miller in his bid for reelection in 2018. The event was held at the Great Boars of Fire near Anna. Among the many guests who attended was State Rep. Terri Bryant, R-Murphysboro. Music was presented by Back Road Country, featuring Eli Teller. Dinner was served by Great Boars of Fire. Silent and live auctions were conducted; Alex Belcher and Dale Millis served as auctioneers. Photo provided.



## An isolated rain shower

A very isolated rain shower could be seen falling near the Anna-Jonesboro Community High School football field Monday evening, July 16.

## Tourism highlighted

State Office of Tourism director Cory Jobe was scheduled to conduct a media tour through Southern Illinois this week.

The purpose of the tour, which was slated to begin Tuesday, July 17, and continue through Thursday, today, is designed to reveal the latest county tourism numbers and to promote the newest participants to join the Illinois Made program.

Events were scheduled at four participants in the Illinois Made program, including:

Tuesday, July 17: Crown Brew Coffee in Carterville.

Wednesday, July 18: Rendleman Orchards Farm Market in Alto Pass during the morning. Excel Bottling Company in Breese during the afternoon.

Thursday morning, today: Grafton Winery and Brewhaus in Grafton.

"Illinois experienced a record number of 111 million domestic visitors to our state in 2017 bringing new money to our small businesses, hotels and attractions supporting 335,000 jobs in the process," Jobe said in a news release which announced the tour.

"Our success as a state depends on each county doing their part to promote the diverse ways visitors can experience their own amazing moments in Illinois."

Southern Illinois was

ground zero for the solar eclipse last August. The eclipse brought an estimated 200,000 visitors to the region, with a visitor spending impact between \$15 million and \$18 million.

The Illinois Made program continues to contribute to the success of the state's growing tourism industry.

Currently, there are more than 130 makers in the Illinois Made program, including locally-owned craft breweries, wineries, artisans, family-owned meat markets, orchards and more. Southern Illinois features more than 20 Illinois Made makers.

"Illinois Made is a critical part of promoting authentic experiences to drive visitors deeper into Illinois," Jobe said.

"We couldn't imagine a better setting to have our Southern Illinois media tour than the businesses that make the state such an amazing place for both locals and visitors."

Three of the Illinois Made makers featured on the Southern Illinois media tour were scheduled to have new videos available to download on July 17 on the Enjoy Illinois' YouTube channel.

More about the Illinois Made program can be found by visiting [EnjoyIllinois.com/IllinoisMade](http://EnjoyIllinois.com/IllinoisMade).

## PAST plans Sunday history talks

Each Sunday, through Oct. 14, a series of casual, short "Talks" are planned at the PAST Heritage House Museum, which is located at 102 S. Main in Jonesboro.

The Heritage House Museum is scheduled to be open for touring each Sunday from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

A different person is scheduled to give a short talk about Union County history at 2 p.m. each Sunday.

The speakers and topics will be varied: from local families' pioneer stories to research projects about a special resident or items of interest from early records.

On Sunday, July 22, Linda Sadler plans to talk about her first venture into genealogy, when she tried to find out if the family story of a Cherokee girl was part of her lineage. Her talk is titled "Tragedies of Cumiah."

On July 29, Darrel Dexter, is scheduled to tell the story of "Harry, a Slave Who Gained His Freedom in Jonesboro."

The talks will be informal, with discussions and questions, and will last about 20 to 30 minutes.

The entire schedule will be published at a later time, and will be updated weekly on the Facebook pages of "P.A.S.T. (Promoting Appreciation of Structural Treasures of Union County, IL)" and of the "Jonesboro Bi-Centennial Committee."

There is no charge to attend the programs and reservations are not needed. For more information, call Linda at 833-8745.

## Bicentennial program set

Dr. Susan A. White-mountain plans to present a program titled "How is the founding history of Union County told through historical artifacts?" on Thursday, today, in Anna.

The free program is set for 6 p.m. Thursday, today, at The Gathering Place, which is located at 313 S. Main St. in Anna.

The presentation will use a constructed 1818 plat of Union County to highlight the first settlers and early roads and to tell the story about the development of the county based on the quarterly county commissioners' week-long meetings.

Those who plan to attend are asked to RSVP by phone at 833-6525 or by email at [gathermyhistory@gmail.com](mailto:gathermyhistory@gmail.com).

## Weather Hot and humid

Hot and humid weather continued during the past week in the Union County area.

High temperatures generally were in the 90s.

Precipitation amounted to only a trace, which was recorded on July 16.

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

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Tuesday, July 10	94	70
Wednesday, July 11	92	70
Thursday, July 12	92	68
Friday, July 13	93	67
Saturday, July 14	94	71
Sunday, July 15	89	73
Monday, July 16	94	71

## Meet your Banker . . . . JERICHA CARTER



Jericha Carter joined the staff of Anna-Jonesboro National Bank as a part time teller in January 2017. Jericha is also a full time student at Southeast Missouri State University, pursuing a degree in Elementary and Special Education.

She will graduate in December 2019.

A-JNB encourages you to keep working hard!



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**Meisenheimer-Mt. Olive Cemetery**  
**Ice Cream Social**  
**Saturday, July 28, 2018**  
Located east of Dongola - Under a Tent  
Serving will begin at 5:00 p.m.

Hamburgers, Cheeseburgers,  
Porkburgers, Hot Dogs, Chips, Soda,  
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# Sports

## Wheeler new boys' basketball coach at Cobden High School

Wendell Wheeler will be the new boys' basketball coach at Cobden High School for the 2018-2019 season.

The school board opened the boys' basketball coaching position for applicants and the former Cobden Coach Brett Barke didn't reapply for the position.

"It worked out pretty well," Wheeler said. "I just retired from teaching. It's a great opportunity to go to a good program."

Three starters return from last year's 16-13 squad for Cobden.

Wheeler has coached the last two years at the junior

high level at Unity Point in Carbondale.

He has a lot of previous high school varsity experience coaching. He's coached high school at Du Quoin for 12 years and at Patoka and Newton, each for four years.

Wheeler likes the Appleknocker program he's going to take over.

"They've really got a bunch of good kids at Cobden," Wheeler said. "I like their work ethic."

Though he cannot coach yet, Wheeler has been able to observe the team in summer workouts from the bleachers at the Cobden gymnasium.



## Football camp underway

A youth football camp got underway Monday evening, July 16, at Anna-Jonesboro Community High School. The camp is scheduled to continue through Thursday, today. More than 50 young people were on hand for the opening session of the camp, which was taking place on the football practice field at A-JCHS. Young people in 1st through 8th grades were invited to attend. Organizers of the camp noted that on Saturday, July 21, registration is planned for the 2018 Wildcat Youth Football League season.

## Baseball, softball tryouts set by Anna Junior High School

Anna Junior High School has scheduled baseball and softball tryouts.

Tryouts are planned from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Monday through Wednesday, July 23-25.

Baseball tryouts are scheduled at Kiwanis Field at the Anna City Park.

Softball tryouts are planned at Denny Field at the Anna City Park.

Tryouts are open to all Anna School District No. 37 students who are entering grades 6 through 8 for the 2018-2019 academic year.

The school shared the following information about tryouts:

All students who want to try out must have a current physical on file with the school (within one year).

All students must com-

plete and turn in an athletic waiver in order to participate. Extra copies will be available at the tryouts.

Athletes should plan to bring their own drinks.

Athletes should wear appropriate baseball/softball attire, including baseball pants, cleats and a t-shirt.

Athletes must provide their own bats and gloves and are encouraged to bring any other equipment which they might have available, such as catcher's equipment.

Athletes are asked to be on time each day (15 minutes early is recommended).

More information is available by contacting baseball coach Aaron Roberts at 217-836-0142 and softball coach Pat Pitts at 618-614-2643.

## Anna School District No. 37 Board prepares for coming academic year

Purchases, policy updates and pay rates were amongst the issues addressed in the minutes from the June meeting of the Anna School District No. 37 Board of Education.

The meeting began with a public hearing for the 2017-2018 amended budget. The budget was later approved, with all present members voting yes.

The consent agenda for the month was approved, which included the payment of bills and payroll as well as reports from the activity fund, community activity fund, revolving fund, the cafeteria report and the treasurer's report.

The board also addressed and approved a number of policy updates, including revisions to the 2018-2019 student handbook. A motion to approve the revision of the debt collection policy for the coming school year was carried as well.

Recommended updates to the Illinois Association of School Board's board policy manual were also approved.

Changes to the manual include updates to the uniform grievance procedure, the policy for incurring debt, workplace harassment prohibition and the terms and conditions of employment and dismissal.

A contract with TD Photography has been extended to cover the 2018-2019 school year.

A motion to approve the interagency agreement with Migrant Education Head Start was passed. And the board agreed upon the purchase and implementation of "Ready Math" as the district's new mathematics curriculum.

The board also addressed issues involving faculty and staff. A motion to increase the compensation for substitute teachers to \$85 a day was passed, as well as approval to increase the pay rate for sub support staff to \$10 per hour, and extra-duty bus driving to \$15 per hour.

Jon Vicenzi was approved for the position of district treasurer for the 2018-2019 school year. April Hornug, Sammi Taylor and Jenny Sadler were approved as volunteer assistants for the school's softball team.

A few big purchases were approved by the board, including \$85,000 in funds for the purchase of a new school bus at the discretion of the superintendent.

And \$35,000 was approved for the purchase of the former Ford Garage parking lot adjacent to District 37 property.

The school intends to use the lot for expanded playground space, as well as an extra parking facility.

## Bats featured

Bats will be the topics of programs which are planned Saturday, July 21, at the Rend Lake Visitor Center/Project Office at Benton.

The programs are part of the Rend Lake Environmental Science Series.

Programs will be presented by Dan Peterson at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.

For more information about the programs, contact the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Rend Lake Project Office at 618-724-2493 or like them on Facebook at facebook.com/rendlake-usace.

## Our Healthy Circle planning November trip to Pigeon Forge, Smokies

The Union County Hospital Our Healthy Circle Chapter is planning to offer a five-day/four-night motor coach tour to Pigeon Forge and the Smoky Mountains. The tour is scheduled Nov. 26-30.

The cost is \$525 per person based on double occupancy for Our Healthy Circle members.

The cost for non-members is \$625 per person based on double occupancy. Single occupancy is available for an additional \$150 per person for members and non-members.

The tour includes motor coach transportation from Anna; four nights lodging; four breakfasts and four dinners; admission to Titanic: The World's Largest Museum Attraction; three dinner shows: Soul of Motown, America's Hit Parade, and The Hatfield-McCoy Show; one evening show: Christmas at The Smoky Mountain Opry; two morning shows: The Magic Beyond Belief Show and "Tis The Season" show; Free time in historic downtown Gatlinburg.

Space is limited and will be available on a first-come-first-served basis

with members getting first opportunity.

For more information about the trip and about joining Our Healthy Circle, contact Union County Hospital director of marketing Monica Schramm at 833-4511, extension 4359.

Our Healthy Circle is a non-profit organization that improves the lives of people age 50 and older.

Membership includes fellowship and activities, hospital benefits, health education, parties, travel, local and national discounts, and much more for \$13.50 per year.

## Back to School Bash planned at Anna church

A Back to School Bash is planned Saturday, July 21, at the Anna Church of the Nazarene.

The event is scheduled from 10 a.m. to noon in the church's fellowship hall. The church is located at 100 Kirk St. in Anna.

School supplies will be available for students from preschool age through college.

Refreshments will be served.

## Brian Tucker Memorial Scramble set

The Brian S. Tucker Memorial Golf Scramble is scheduled at the Union County Country Club course in Anna Saturday, July 28.

Shotgun starts are set at 8:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Registration is one hour before tee time.

Entry deadline is Monday, July 23.

The scramble is sponsored by Anna-Jonesboro Elks Lodge 1641.

For further information, call the golf course at 833-7912.

## Scramble results

The team of Earl Hampton, Guy Kuhn and Randy Whittinghill won first place at a men's golf scramble which was played July 11 at the Union County Country Club course in Anna.

The team of Butch Kreid, Mikie Pearl and Phil Stein finished second.

The team of Lee Danhour, Darrin Inman, Cory Miller and Walt Zeschke was third.

## Russell has one-hitter

John Russell tossed a one-hitter to lead the Carbondale American Legion team to a 10-0 win over visiting Pinckneyville/Du Quoin Wednesday, July 11.

Russell logged two walks and four strikeouts in the win.

Russell was 1-for-3 with a double in Carbondale's 6-0 loss to Steeleville on Thursday, July 12.

Russell is a former Cobden High School baseball player.

## Jonesboro sets sports tryouts

Softball and baseball tryouts are scheduled to start next week at Jonesboro School.

Junior high softball tryouts are scheduled to begin at 6 p.m. July 23 at the school.

Junior high baseball tryouts are slated to begin at 4 p.m. July 30 at the school.

The school reminds students who want to try out for spots that they will need to have a current sports physical.

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# Obituaries

## Patricia J. Taylor



Patricia J. Taylor, 89, of Cape Girardeau, and formerly of Mounds, died at 10:22 a.m. on July 13, 2018, at Life Care Center in Cape Girardeau.

She was born on April 9, 1929, in Akron, Ohio, the daughter of George and Blanche Alice Caudle Britt.

She married Carl Taylor on June 10, 1947.

She was a graduate of Mound City High School and lived in Olmsted. She was a long-time employee of Sears, Roebuck and Company.

She was a member of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority and of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in Cape Girardeau.

She is survived by her two sons, Steve (Jann) Taylor of Anna and Scott Taylor of Olathe, Kan.; one daughter, Nancy Randolph of McClure; seven grandchildren, Jeffrey, Steven, Kyle, Ethan, Megan, Bradley and Matthew; nine great-grandchildren; a nephew, Dr. Fred Britt of Kentucky; a niece, Teresa Inman of Virginia; sisters-in-law Joan Martin and Evelyn Taylor, both of Cape Girardeau; and other family members.

Her K-9 companion was Lucy.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Carl; a son, Stanley Taylor, and an infant son; and a brother, George Britt Jr.

Funeral Mass for Patricia J. Taylor was held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 17, at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in Cape Girardeau, with Father Rick Jones officiating. Interment followed in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Mounds.

Memorials can be made to PAWS or to the SEMO Humane Society.

To leave online condolences for the family, visit [www.crainsonline.com](http://www.crainsonline.com).



Crain Funeral Home in Cape Girardeau was in charge of arrangements.

## Deon Houghlan



Deon Houghlan, 63, of Elkville, died at 8:30 p.m. Monday, July 9, 2018, at Memorial Hospital of Carbondale.

He was born on Feb. 15, 1955, the son of Edgar James and Alice Lucille Brimm Houghlan.

Mr. Houghlan is survived by his two sons, James Houghlan of Carbondale and Danny Deon Houghlan of Mascoutah; one daughter, Chris Barringer of Waterloo; six grandchildren; other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents.

He attended the Jubilee Tabernacle in De Soto. He worked as a mechanic for several years.

Funeral services for Deon Houghlan were at 11 a.m. Friday, July 13, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Jonesboro, with the Rev. Danny Norman officiating. Interment was in Casper Cemetery near Anna.

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



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

## Reynoldsville News

By Sue Eudy

Our sympathy to the family of Betty Miller of Ullin, who died Wednesday, July 11. Her funeral was Saturday, July 14, at the First Baptist Church in Ullin.

Kevin and Emma Eudy of Jackson, Mo., were dinner guests Sunday of Steve and Sue Eudy.

Sue and Steve Eudy visited Saturday evening with Venita and Robert Lingle of Anna.

Sue and Steve Eudy visited Friday morning with Jim Crites of Jackson, Mo.

Dolores and Jack Reynolds of Reynoldsville and Barb and Edwin Livesay of Anna visited Sunday with Jessie, Andrew and Rhianon Livesay of Wolf Lake.

Dolores and Jack Reynolds and Barb and Edwin Livesay enjoyed eating supper at Long John Silvers in Cape Girardeau Sunday night.

Shirley Miller of McClure attended the funeral for Betty Miller of Ullin on Saturday.

Tyler, Reagan and Alexa Hinkle of Anna visited Saturday evening with Shirley

Miller.

Penny and Kerry Hill and Kacie and Derek Gollither, all of McClure, were supper guests of Shirley Miller on Wednesday night.

Recent visitors of Maxine and Fred Pender of Fair City were Brad and Lori Pender and Gary Gibbs, all of Jonesboro.

Fred and Maxine Pender attended a birthday celebration at the home of Russ and Patsy Pender of Olive Branch on Sunday, July 15, for Heather Miller. Her birthday was Monday, July 16. Others present were her family, Josh, Chesleigh and Slayton Miller of Tamms and Shelton and Kayde Pender of Olive Branch.

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. Because of the pastor's work schedule, until further notice, the church will be meeting on Wednesday at 5 p.m. instead of Sunday night. Rev. Jamie Bridgeman is the pastor.

## Bonita Jo Bigham



Bonita Jo Bigham, 75, of Olive Branch, died at 12:06 a.m. Tuesday, July 17, 2018, at Integrity Health Care in Anna.

She was born on July 28, 1942, in Mill Creek, the daughter of Harvey and Zelma Poole Roach.

She married James "Jim" Bigham in 1956. He preceded her in death in 1986.

She loved to read and above all loved spending time with her family. She treasured having lunch with her dear friend, Mary Kerr.

She is survived by her daughters, Edna June (Steve) Wehner of New Concord, Ky., and Kristy Ann Kilman of Cobden; a son, James (Tammy) Bigham Jr. of Olive Branch; numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, James; a daughter, Rebecca "Becky" Lynn Behm.

Visitation for Bonita Jo Bigham will be from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Friday, July 20, at Crain Funeral Home in Tamms.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, July 20, at the funeral home, with the Rev. Terry McKee officiating.

Interment will follow in Twente Cemetery, which is located west of Olive Branch at 24053 Twente School Rd.

Memorials can be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

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



Crain Funeral Home in Tamms is in charge of arrangements.

## Jack R. Sherwin



Jack R. Sherwin, 79, of Anna, and formerly of Chicago, died at 7:12 p.m. Saturday, July 14, 2018, at the Life Care Center of Cape Girardeau.

He was born on June 1, 1939, in Chicago, the son of Louis Delwin and Mary L. Valencic Sherwin.

He married Susan A. Stefanowicz on July 12, 1975, in Chicago.

He is survived by his wife, Susan Sherwin of Anna; his mother, Mary L. Sherwin of Morris; brothers William D. (Joyce) Sherwin of Claypool, Ind., Steven L. (Anne) Sherwin of Naperville and Robert M. Sherwin of Palm Beach, Calif.; two sisters-in-law, Marianne and Joanne; a special friend, James Mott of Colorado; many nieces, nephews and dear friends.

He was preceded in death by his father, Louis Delwin Sherwin; and a special friend, Thomas Fitzgerald.

He served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1958 to 1961. He worked for the Chicago Police Department from 1962 to 1996, where he was a detective for over 34 years.

He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Anna. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus 4th Degree. He served as a Grand Knight, District Deputy and Faithful Navigator.

Funeral Mass for Jack R. Sherwin will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, today, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Anna, with Father Federico Higuera officiating.

Military rites will be conducted by Carroll P. Foster VFW Post No. 3455 of Anna and the U.S. Marine Corps funeral honor detail.

The Rosary was said at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 18, at the church.

Memorials can be made to St. Mary's Catholic Church.

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



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

## Some plants in carrot family are dangerous

Carrots are a favorite root vegetable of children and adults alike.

The carrot comes in many colors and sizes, but unfortunately, the carrot family has a number of dangerous, poisonous plants in it too, University of Illinois Extension horticulture educator Rhonda J. Ferree said.

Two types of hemlock are stomach poisons when eaten.

Poison hemlock is not native to Illinois and was added to the Illinois Exotic Weed list in 2015.

It grows four to nine feet tall with four to six-inch white flowers. It has purple spotted, waxy stems.

This plant is common along roadsides and ditches and has a disagreeable "mousy" odor. The entire plant is poisonous if ingested.

Water hemlock is considered by many to be the most poisonous plant in the northern temperate zone.

Only a small amount of the toxic substance in the plant is needed to produce poisoning in animals or in humans.

This native plant grows three to six feet tall with six-inch white flowers and purple-streaked stout stems. All parts of this plant are poisonous, especially the roots.

The next three dangerous carrots cause photo-dermatitis.

Cow parsnip, wild parsnip and giant hogweed contain an allergen that is activated by sunlight to cause a rash, blisters or other skin irritations in susceptible people.

Cow parsnip is a native plant that can reach eight feet tall. Like the hemlocks, its flowers are white, but cow parsnip flowers are larger, growing to 10 inches across.

Wild parsnip has large yellow flowers that are about five inches across. It is a stout plant that grows to five feet tall with grooves along its stem.

Giant hogweed is the worst of the three that cause blisters in the sun.

This plant lives up to its name as a giant. It grows 15 feet tall with five-foot leaves and 2 1/2-foot white umbel flowers.

Its massive size makes it desirable to some home gardeners, but it is a public hazard that causes severe skin irritation in susceptible people.

A USDA pamphlet says this plant's sap produces painful, burning blisters that later develop dark scars that may persist for years.

The plant has only been found in an isolated location in northwest Illinois, and those plants have been eradicated.

Giant hogweed is a federal noxious weed, making it unlawful to propagate, sell or transport the plant

in the United States.

Not all carrots are dangerous, though.

Queen Anne's Lace is also called wild carrot due to its large, edible taproot. It grows four feet tall with lacy four-inch flowers.

This plant is the ancestor of the cultivated carrot,

though its roots are white instead of orange.

More information about growing carrots and other edibles can be found on the University of Illinois Extension vegetable gardening website at <http://extension.illinois.edu/vegetables>.

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Everybody feels disconnected from God at some point, but why? Why do we feel alone? God desires a relationship with us, so how can we have a connection with God?

- 1) Let God say something to us everyday. Let Him speak to us through His divine word. We can't hide the word of God in our hearts if we make no effort to place it there through careful and regular study. In II Timothy 2:15, Paul writes, "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."
- 2) Let us say something to God every day. Many times every day, we should speak to God in prayer. In Luke 18 verse 1, the Bible says, "And he spake a parable unto them to this end, that men ought always to pray, and not to faint." "To faint" means "to give up." We can't quit or give up on anything where God is concerned – persistence in prayer is the key to making it effective.
- 3) Let's make it a point to do something for God every day. Our days are filled with doing things, but too often, not enough of those things are for God. Sometimes, I think we expect opportunities to simply fall into our lap and never make an effort to seek out something we might do for the glory of God. With that thought in mind, the best thing anyone can do – for God and self – is to become a Christian. He sent His Son to die for you (Jn. 3:16, Rom. 5:8-9). He wants all to be saved (II Peter 3:9, I Tim. 2:3-4). How could anyone feel connected to God if they aren't a child of His according to Scripture and living daily for Him, with Him at the center of all they say, think, and do? In order to become a Christian, the Bible commands us to: hear the Word preached (Rom. 10:17), believe it (Mk. 16:16), repent of sins (Acts 17:30), confess faith in Christ (Rom. 10:9-10), be baptized for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38, I Peter. 3:20-21), and live faithfully unto death (II Tim. 4:7-8).

When you become a Christian as the Bible instructs, and learn to trust God for your every need, "the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus" (Phil. 4:7). Then, you'll feel connected because you'll be connected!

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**HELP WANTED:** LPN for developmentally disabled individuals in a residential/day training setting. Duties include medication administration, quality assurance, on call duties & following nursing care plans. Position is Monday through Friday with paid medical insurance, dental, vision, life insurance and paid holidays. Must have valid driver's license and transportation. Apply in person, mail resume, or fax to: Rave Inc., 214 W. Davie Street, Anna, IL 62906; fax to: (618)-833-4222.

**WANTED: Dietary Aide/Cook.** MULBERRY MANOR is accepting applications for the Dietary Aide/Cook position. No prior certification required. Those interested may apply in person or email a resume. 612 E. Davie Street, Anna, IL 62906 (618)-833-6012. [mulberrymanor@keltechmanagement.com](mailto:mulberrymanor@keltechmanagement.com). EOE.

### JOB POSTING:

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

- Credit Recovery supervisor (paraprofessional or sub teacher license required)
- Custodian (must have or be willing to obtain bus driver license)

Interested applicants should contact Rob Wright or pick up an application or print one from our website at [www.aj81.net](http://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. The deadline for applying is July 31, 2018.

### WANTED: LPN, part-time.

MULBERRY MANOR is accepting applications for a Licensed Practical Nurse position to work weekends. Those interested may apply in person or email a resume. 612 E. Davie Street, Anna, IL 62906. (618)-833-6012. [mulberrymanor@keltechmanagement.com](mailto:mulberrymanor@keltechmanagement.com). EOE.

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**WANTED:** Golden Seal Roots. John Turley, Greenville, IL. Call (618)-604-2855.

## YARD SALE

**CARPOR SALE:** Friday & Saturday, July 20 & 21, 115 Turner Avenue, Anna. 7:30 a.m. to ??? Name brand clothing, purses, books & misc.

**JUNK SALE:** Saturday, July 21, 7 a.m. to ??? 108 N. Main, Anna. Furniture, tires & rims, old pallets, Pinterest projects, huge roll-top desk, \$300.00 obo; full-size bunk beds \$500.00 obo. Lots more!

**MOVING SALE:** Saturday, July 21, 7 a.m. to noon. 570 Twin Oaks Drive, Cobden, IL. Outdoor furniture, kitchen stuff, shelving, sporting goods, lawn/garden stuff. Everything must go.

**YARD SALE:** 105 Woodland Trail, Anna. Friday & Saturday, July 20 & 21, 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**YARD SALE:** Thursday & Friday, July 19 & 20. State Pond Road, watch for signs. Nu Wave oven, sweepers, sleeping bags, ice chest, toys, clothing, changing table, etc.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

### NOTICE UNDER ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME ACT

State of Illinois  
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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 29th day of June, 2018, under the Assumed Name of Pin Up Pizza & Taco with the place of business located at 110 N. Front Street #2, Cobden, Illinois 62920 and that the True Name(s) and Residence Address of the Sole Owner(s) and Proprietor(s) of said Business is:

Troy Arien Herrmann  
P.O. Box 206  
Cobden, IL 62920

Vonda Benefield  
Union County Clerk  
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Albert Middleton  
300 E. Broad Street  
Jonesboro, IL 62952

Vonda Benefield  
Union County Clerk  
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### IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS

**ANNA-JONESBORO NATIONAL BANK, an Illinois Banking corporation, Plaintiff, Vs PATRICIA A. CALVIN, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants. Case No.: 2016-CH-22**

### NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above captioned matter on April 23, 2018, the Sheriff in Union County, will by pub-



### POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

**Metro Center Secretary**  
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lic sale on August 1, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. in the Union County Courthouse, in Jonesboro, Illinois, sell at public venue to the highest and best bidder, for cash, or cashier's check drawn on a federally or state chartered bank or savings and loan, the following described real estate:

Lot No. 3 and the East Half and three feet in width off the East side of the West Half of Lot No. 4 in Winstead Davie's Second Addition to the Town, now City of Anna, situated in the County of Union and State of Illinois.

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

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

Tiffany Busby  
Circuit Clerk

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

**ANNA-JONESBORO NATIONAL BANK, an Illinois Banking corporation, Plaintiff, Vs MICHEL S. WRIGHT a/k/a MICHAEL WRIGHT, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants. Case No.: 2017-CH-30**

### NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above captioned matter on April 23, 2018, the Sheriff in Union County, will by public sale on August 1, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. in the Union County Courthouse, in Jonesboro, Illinois, sell at public venue to the highest and best bidder, for cash, or cashier's check drawn on a federally or state chartered bank or savings and loan, the following described real estate:

**TRACT I:**  
A PARCEL OF LAND BEING A PART OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 13 SOUTH, RANGE 2 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN. SAID PARCEL IS ALSO INTENDED TO BE THE SAME PROPERTY DESCRIBED AND RECORDED IN BOOK 216, PAGE 41 IN THE UNION COUNTY COURTHOUSE IN THE NAME OF AND THE APPARENT POSSESSION OF MICHAEL PIND AND KIMBERLY

PIND, DATED AUGUST 10, 2001. SAID PARCEL IS BOUNDED AS FOLLOWS: BOUNDED ON THE WEST BY THE WEST LINE OF SAID QUARTER-QUARTER SECTION, BOUNDED ON THE NORTH BY THE APPARENT POSSESSION OF THE WAYNE MAYBERRY PROPERTY (BOOK 126, PAGE 268), BOUNDED ON THE EAST BY THE APPARENT POSSESSION OF THE MICHAEL AND KIMBERLY PIND PROPERTY (BOOK 216, PAGE 38), AND BOUNDED ON THE SOUTH BY THE APPARENT POSSESSION OF THE CLYDE LEE MILLER PROPERTY (BOOK 55, PAGE 418). SAID PARCEL BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID QUARTER-QUARTER SECTION, BEING MARKED BY AN IRON ROD FOUND; THENCE N 03° 25' 59" E, 28.11 FEET ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID QUARTER-QUARTER SECTION TO AN IRON ROD SET; THENCE N 00° 16' 13" E, 239.50 FEET ALONG SAID WEST LINE PASSING AN IRON ROD SET IN THE CENTERLINE OF AN EXISTING 16' PUBLIC ROADWAY AT 85.39 SET AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID PARCEL, THIS BEING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID MILLER PROPERTY AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE N 00° 16' 13" E, 132.00 FEET CONTINUING ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID QUARTER-QUARTER SECTION TO AN IRON ROD FOUND AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID PARCEL, THIS BEING THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID MAYBERRY PROPERTY; THENCE S 89° 25' 59" E, 165.82 FEET ALONG THE SOUTHLINE OF SAID MAYBERRY PROPERTY, PASSING AN IRON ROD FOUND AT 9.07 FEET, TO A CHISELED MARK IN AN EXISTING CONCRETE CURB, THIS BEING THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID PARCEL, THIS BEING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID PIND PROPERTY (BOOK 216, PAGE 38); THENCE S 00° 16' 13" W, 132.00 FEET ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID PIND PROPERTY (BOOK 216, PAGE 38), PASSING THE CENTERLINE TERMINUS OF SAID 16' PUBLIC ROADWAY AT 120.47 FEET, TO AN IRON ROD FOUND AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID PARCEL, THIS BEING THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID MILLER PROPERTY, THIS ALSO BEING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE APPARENT POSSESSION OF THE CHARLES AND ANGELA JACKSON PROPERTY (BOOK 111, PAGE 13); THENCE N 89° 53' 58" W, 165.82 FEET ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID MILLER PROPERTY, PASSING AN IRON ROD FOUND AT 156.75 FEET, TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

SAID PARCEL TO CONTAIN 0.502 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, PER SURVEY OF MITCHELL R GARRETT, ILLINOIS PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR NO. 3085, DATED 01/30/2003.

SAID PARCEL SUBJECT TO ALL RIGHTS-OF-WAY AND EASEMENTS, RECORDED OR OTHERWISE. ALL SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF ILLINOIS.

**TRACT II:**

A PARCEL OF LAND BEING A PART OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 13 SOUTH, RANGE 2 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN. SAID PARCEL IS ALSO INTENDED TO BE THE SAME PROPERTY DESCRIBED AND RECORDED IN BOOK 216, PAGE 38 IN THE UNION COUNTY COURTHOUSE IN THE NAME OF AND THE APPARENT POSSESSION OF MICHAEL PIND AND KIMBERLY PIND, DATED AUGUST 10, 2001. SAID PARCEL IS BOUNDED AS FOLLOWS: BOUNDED ON THE WEST BY THE APPARENT POSSESSION OF THE MICHAEL AND KIMBERLY PIND PROPERTY (BOOK 216, PAGE 41); BOUNDED ON THE NORTH BY THE APPARENT POSSESSION OF THE WAYNE MAYBERRY PROPERTY (BOOK 126, PAGE 268), BOUNDED ON THE EAST BY THE APPARENT POSSESSION OF THE BOB AND DORIS HAYES PROPERTY (BOOK 144, PAGE 352), AND BOUNDED ON THE SOUTH BY THE APPARENT POSSESSION OF THE CHARLES AND ANGELA JACKSON PROPERTY (BOOK 111, PAGE 13). SAID PARCEL BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID QUARTER-QUARTER SECTION, BEING MARKED BY AN IRON ROD FOUND; THENCE 03° 25' 59" E, 28.11 FEET ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID QUARTER-QUARTER SECTION TO AN IRON ROD SET; THENCE N 00° 16' 13" E, 371.50 FEET ALONG SAID WEST LINE, PASSING IRON RODS SET AT 85.39 FEET AND 239.50 FEET TO AN IRON ROD SET, THIS BEING THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE SAID MAYBERRY PROPERTY; THENCE S 89° 53' 58" E, 165.82 FEET, ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID MAYBERRY PROPERTY, PASSING AN IRON ROD FOUND AT 9.07 FEET, TO A CHISELED MARK IN AN EXISTING CONCRETE CURB, THIS BEING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE DESCRIBED PARCEL, THIS BEING THE NORTHEAST CORNER, OF SAID PIND PROPERTY (BOOK 216, PAGE 41) AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE S 89° 45' 29" E, 156.00 FEET ALONG THE SAID SOUTH LINE TO AN IRON ROD FOUND AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID PARCEL, THIS BEING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID HAYES PROPERTY; THENCE S 00° 06' 42" E, 131.89 FEET ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID HAYES PROPERTY TO AN IRON ROD FOUND AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID PARCEL, THIS BEING THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID JACKSON PROPERTY; THENCE N 89° 48' 03" W, 156.88 FEET ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID JACKSON PROPERTY TO AN IRON ROD FOUND AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID PARCEL, THIS BEING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID JACKSON PROPERTY, THIS ALSO BEING THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID PIND PROPERTY (BOOK 216, PAGE 41); THENCE N 00° 16' 13" E, 132.00 ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID PIND PROPERTY (BOOK 216, PAGE 41) TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

SAID PARCEL TO CONTAIN 0.474 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, PER SURVEY BY MITCHELL R. GARRETT, IL PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR NO. 3085 01/30/2003. SAID PARCEL BE-

ING SUBJECT TO ALL RIGHTS-OF-WAY AND EASEMENTS, RECORDED OR OTHERWISE. ALL SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF ILLINOIS. ALL PER PLAT OF SURVEY PREPARED BY MITCHELL R. GARRETT, ILLINOIS LAND SURVEYOR NO. 3085, RECORDED FEBRUARY 13, 2003, IN RECORD BOOK 224 AT PAGE 441 IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE OF UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

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

Tiffany Busby  
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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 6th day of July, 2018, under the Assumed Name of KC Flooring Demo Specialist with the place of business located at 2025 Kimber Road, Dongola, Illinois 62926 and that the True Name(s) and Residence Address of the Sole Owner(s) and Proprietor(s) of said Business is:

Kevin Cox  
2025 Kimber Road  
Dongola, IL 62926

Vonda Benefield  
Union County Clerk  
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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 16th day of July, 2018, under the Assumed Name of Doll Baby Boutique with the place of business located at 325 Texas Eastern Road, Buncombe, Illinois 62912, and that the True Name(s) and Residence Address of the Sole Owner(s) and Proprietor(s) of said Business is:

Leslie N. Roach  
325 Texas Eastern Road  
Buncombe, IL 62912

Vonda Benefield  
Union County Clerk  
31-33gc

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Union County Highway Department will hold a public hearing in the Community Room of the Union County Courthouse on August 15, 2018, at 9 a.m. to consider the following road closure/vacation:

To close TR 90, Silica Hill Road, from TR 265, Wilderness Retreat Road, Northerly

to the north section line of Section 26, for a distance of 3, 960 feet, approximately 0.75 miles.

This road is located in Township 13 South, Range 2 West, Section 26 in Union County, Illinois.

This request is in accordance with 605 ILCS 5/6-326 of the Road and Bridge Laws of Illinois.

By order of Kevin Grammer,  
Union County Highway Engineer/Superintendent of Highways  
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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**IN THE INTEREST OF: DEVON DITTO, A Minor. NO. 2016-JA-26**

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

**JEREMIAH DITTO, and to ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:**

**TAKE NOTICE** that on 10/17/2016 a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 by Tyler R. Edmonds, Union County State's Attorney, by his Assis-

tant State's Attorney, Heather Heaslett, in the Circuit Court of Union County entitled "In the interest of DEVON DITTO, a minor", and that in Judge Charles Cavaness courtroom at Union County Courthouse, 309 West Market Street, Jonesboro, Illinois on Thursday, the 26th day of July, 2018, at the hour of 1:00 P.M., or as soon thereafter as this cause may be heard, a Termination hearing will be held upon the petition to have the child declared to be a ward of the court under that Act. THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS PROCEEDING TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS, AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND THE APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD. Unless you appear you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental

rights.

Now, unless you appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order or judgment entered.

Tiffany Busby  
Clerk of the Circuit Court

Dated: July 11, 2018  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF PREVAILING WAGES (JONESBORO, ILLINOIS)**

Public notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act (820 ILCS 130/0.01 et al), the City of Jonesboro, by the action of the City Council at its public meeting held on July 16, 2018, has determined, adopted and declared a prevailing wage for various trades and occupations as determined and provided by the Illinois Department of Labor for June 2018, for any and all laborers, workers or mechanics employed on any public works project as defined by the Act.

A copy of Jonesboro Ordinance No. 2018-03, adopting said prevailing wage, has been and shall be posted for public inspection and/or viewing in the Jonesboro City Hall, located at 1101 Public

Square, Jonesboro, Illinois, in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois.

BARBARA CASPER,  
Jonesboro City Clerk  
31g

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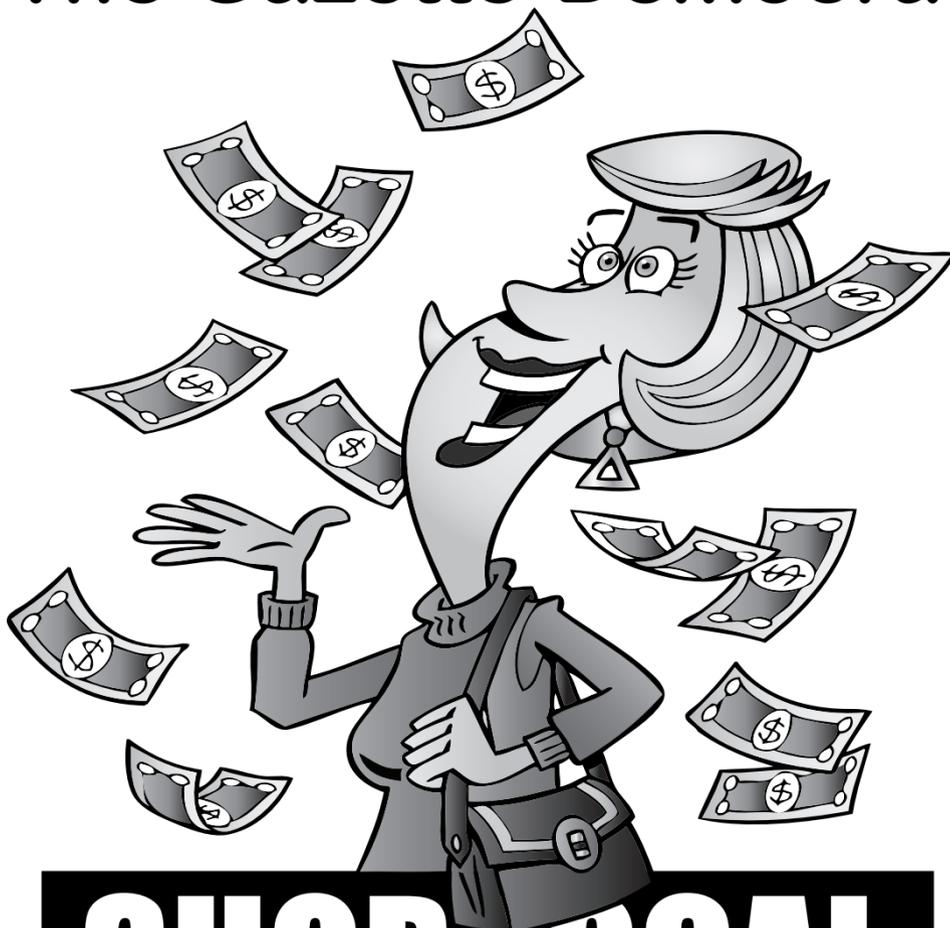
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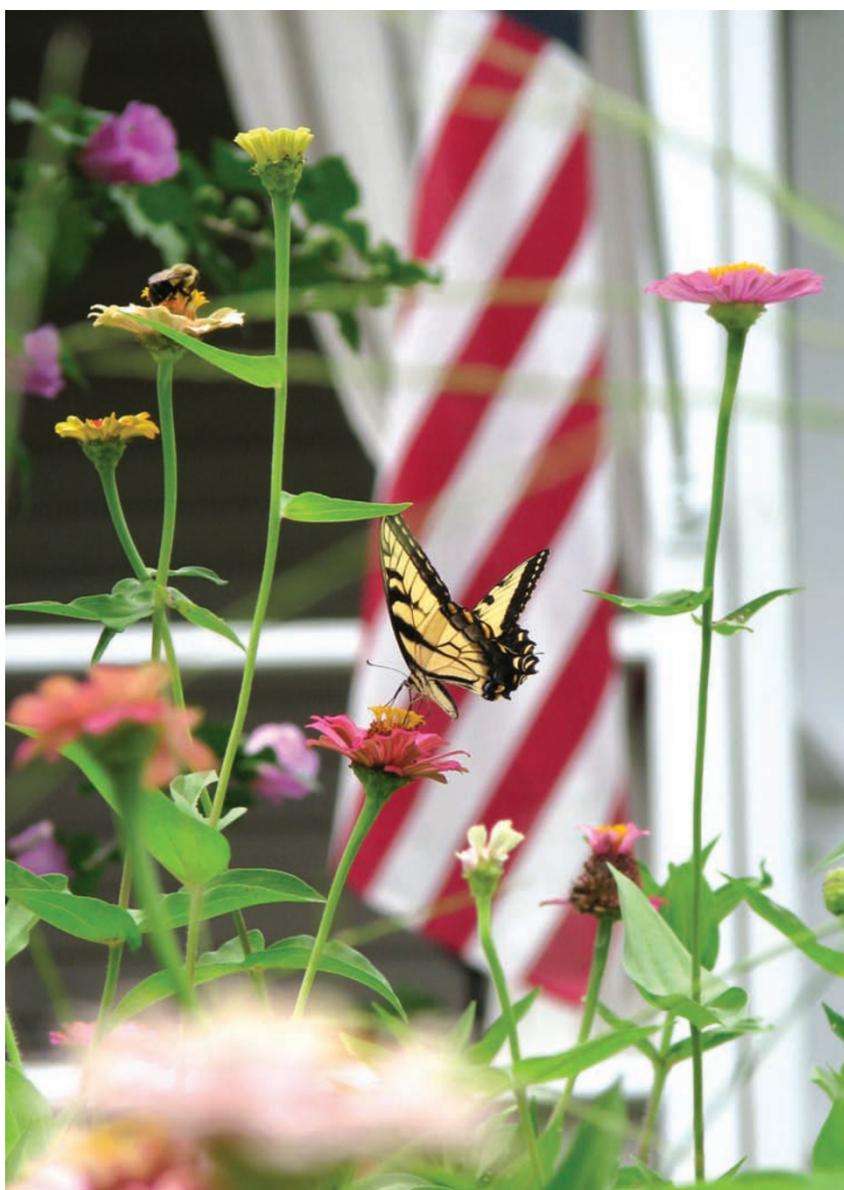
**Taller than knee high**

An old saying suggests that corn needs to be knee high by July 4 in order for a good crop to be produced. Corn growing at the Union County State Fish and Wildlife Area near Ware was indeed more than knee high when the picture was taken on July 10.

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### Stopping on a flower

An American flag was the backdrop for a tiger swallowtail butterfly which made a stop on a flower in a Union County garden on a summer afternoon.

## Service Award Scholarship established at Southeast Missouri State University

The U.S. Service Award Scholarship has been established through the Southeast Missouri University Foundation.

John and Patricia Reinhart of St. Louis recently made a \$10,000 gift to create the award at the university in Cape Girardeau.

The renewable scholarship will be awarded to a student enrolled at Southeast Missouri State University who is a U.S. citizen, maintains a minimum 2.8 grade point average and is a dependent of an active duty military service member, guardsman or reserve member, or of an honorably discharged military veteran.

First preference will be given to a student with a Christian affiliation.

Southeast's Office of Military and Veterans Services will select the recipient.

Mrs. Reinhart graduated from Southeast in 1981 with a bachelor of science degree.

She went on to become a successful sales manager in the consumer products

industry becoming vice president of U.S. and North American sales for companies such as Brown Shoe, Nestle Purina, Stride Rite and Procter & Gamble.

While doing so, she remained an active member of her community serving as president of PTO and director of Christian education at her church.

Mr. Reinhart became a pilot while a business economics student at University of California-Santa Barbara.

At age 21, he became an instructor, teaching pilots for six years while flying on commuter airlines along the U.S. west coast.

He was hired by TWA in 1985 and flew as a pilot for TWA and American Airlines for 26 years.

During that time, he began his own investment company in residential and commercial real estate.

He has continued this business since his early retirement from the airlines in 2011.

He also has rehabilitated many homes and built several for investment pur-

poses.

He also has earned a counseling certificate in personal growth. He has taught numerous courses throughout the United States focusing on the subject of personal goal setting and belief systems.

Mr. and Mrs. Reinhart both recognize the importance of being active contributing citizens.

### Chicken, dumplings

#### dinner at VFW

The Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars Carroll P. Foster Post No. 3455 of Anna plans to serve a chicken and dumplings dinner Friday, July 20.

Serving is planned from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the post, which is located at 70 VFW Ln. near Anna.

Chicken and dumplings, dressing, green beans, rolls, desserts, tea and coffee will be served for a donation of \$8. Carry outs will be available.

Star Karaoke is scheduled to be at the post from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

## Proposals designed to improve Congressional town hall meetings

By Pete Rosenbery  
news.siu.edu

Southern Illinois University Carbondale's Paul Simon Public Policy Institute is making recommendations to improve Congressional town hall meetings in Illinois.

The institute has been working for several months with the Lugar Center in Washington, D.C., on its University Project for Bipartisan Collaboration.

The center asked eight universities to develop programs to improve bipartisanship and civil discourse in their respective states.

What was once an important feature of the nation's "culture of representative democracy for more than two centuries is now under serious attack," institute director John T. Shaw said.

The "intensifying polarization and revolutions in technology and social media have created a vastly different political landscape."

He added that social media adds fuel to the flames.

"Strongly partisan activist groups have come to regard town hall meetings largely as opportunities to attack lawmakers they oppose and to create embarrassing moments that can be captured on camera and disseminated on social media," Shaw said.

The Simon Institute drafted a set of 10 recommendations for conducting congressional town hall meetings in Illinois.

The report was sent July 4 to each of Illinois' 18 U.S. representatives and U.S.

### School safety funds available

A Southern Illinois legislator says that federal grant funds are available to improve security at schools.

U.S. Rep. Mike Bost, R-Ill., says the School Violence Prevention Program is a U.S. Department of Justice program that funds the grants.

The program was created by bipartisan legislation, the Securing Our Schools Act, sponsored by Bost and signed into law in March.

Bost has sent a letter to local government officials to raise awareness of the funding availability. Grant applications are due by July 30.

Senators Richard Durbin and Tammy Duckworth.

The report urges lawmakers to use these ideas when restructuring future town hall meetings with the goal of restoring civility and constructive discussions to these events, Shaw said.

Members of the Illinois General Assembly will also receive the report and recommendations.

"The Simon Institute believes that congressional town hall meetings should be reimagined so they are civil and constructive discussions between lawmakers and the public," Shaw said.

"Respectful discussions cannot be mandated but they can be encouraged and civility should be the coin of the realm in town hall meetings."

This advice stems from the way the Institute's namesake viewed these types of meetings.

"Paul Simon approached town hall meetings as opportunities to listen and learn from his constituents," Shaw added.

"And he hoped his constituents would come to these meetings in a challenging but constructive spirit."

The recommendations include:

Continue regular, in-person town hall meetings,

### VA hiring

#### bill passed

#### by committee

The U.S. House Committee on Veterans' Affairs on July 12 passed bipartisan legislation sponsored by U.S. Rep. Mike Bost, R-Ill., that would reform hiring for human resources positions at Veterans Health Administration, VHA, facilities.

The VA Hospitals Establishing Leadership Performance, HELP, Act, H.R. 5864, instructs the VA to establish qualifications for each HR position within the VHA and establish standardized performance metrics similar to the private sector.

HR departments at the VA currently have no such requirements, Bost noted.

The legislation heads to the full House of Representatives for a vote in the weeks ahead.

in addition to virtual and other forms of meetings. Virtual meetings should not replace in-person sessions.

Recast these meetings as listening and learning sessions. Some could be devoted to a single topic.

Look to broaden the range of people who attend with creative efforts, with meetings in easily accessible locations.

Open all meetings to the public and media and stream the event live, if possible. Record the meeting and put it on the policymaker's website.

Moderator should be a non-partisan community leader who sets the tone for a respectful discussion.

The policymaker provides a brief opening statement, with the majority of time left for audience questions and comments.

The public should prepare for sessions as if attending a professional meeting. Participants should strive to be factual and tell personal stories rather than providing talking points prepared by advocacy groups.

The policymaker should hold a session with the media after the meeting, outlining areas of agreement, disagreement and additional study. The policymaker should also respond to media questions.

Simon, whose four decades in public office included 12 years in the U.S. Senate, was a "respected Senate colleague whose civility and decency were hallmarks of his many years of public service," said former U.S. Sen. Richard G. Lugar, R-Ind.

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## CELEBRATING THE BICENTENNIAL OF ILLINOIS

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SIX YEARS IN THE ILLINOIS TERRITORY, 1812—1818  
WHEN JOHNSON COUNTY SPANNED RIVER TO RIVER

### How the County Seats Got Their Names

When Old Johnson County was divided over the years and new counties were born from this parent county, they all were named in remembrance of a person or an event. The county seats were likewise named.

From Old Johnson County, the following counties were created in the years between 1812 and 1818: Jackson, Union, Pope and a much smaller Johnson County. Alexander would be created in 1819 but was set off in 1818. That part of Williamson County that was removed from Johnson was absorbed into Gallatin County.

Pope and Jackson were created on the same day, January 10, 1816.

Jackson established its county seat at Brownsville on the Big Muddy River just west of present day Murphysboro. There appears to be no known reason for the town to have become known as Brownsville.

Pope County, on the other hand, was established with its first county seat at an already established town, that of Sarahsville, where James Lusk had established a ferry across the Ohio River. The first county court's records indicate that the town was resurveyed and laid out at first as Corinth, then a few pages later it was called Golconda.

Golconda is the name of a fortress in India of historic importance. Without explaining why Golconda in Pope County got its name, it has been assumed that it was named for that great fortress.

Johnson County's first county seat was at John Bradshaw's house on Bradshaw Creek in what is now Union County. It was then moved to the second site and named "Elvira." There has never been a recorded story about how Elvira was named but it is interesting to note that "Elvira" was the first name of the governor of the territory, Ninian Edwards.

The third county seat for Johnson County that was surveyed and laid out for that purpose but later abandoned because Union and Alexander Counties were set apart from Johnson, was Lanesville. Again, it is interesting to note that the maiden name of Governor Edwards' wife was "Lane."

The fourth and final county seat for Johnson County remained unnamed for a short time after surveying the town but in July of 1818, the name "Vienna" was attached to that county seat.

In the period of time that Vienna was named, it had become popular to name towns after some great world beknown city. Vienna, Austria was the obvious choice for Johnson County. The reason it was pronounced differently than Vienna in Austria was because the people had read about the great world capital but had never heard it pronounced correctly.

Union County was created in January of 1818 and chose for its county seat, the town or settlement of Jonesboro. It has been reported by the early historians that Jonesboro got its name from a Doctor by the name of "Jones." He was supposed

to have lived there as early as 1816.

The future Alexander County which was not yet created, but which was set aside in 1818, will be included in this discussion. The choice of its county seat was the town of America, a site created by an enterprise of several men who wanted to establish a successful port for river transportation.

The Counties received their names in various fashion and for different reasons.

Jackson County was created and named for Andrew Jackson, a future president of the United States, but quite well-known for his military leadership involving Indian Wars and the War of 1812.

Pope County, created at the same time as Jackson, got its name from Nathaniel Pope, a statesman during the period when Illinois was a territory.

Johnson received its name in 1812 from Richard M. Johnson, a Kentuckian and another military man from the War of 1812 and other previous actions.

Union County received its name in a totally different way than the other counties around it. According to tradition, and reflected in an old seal of the county, two pioneer preachers of different denominations, met and joined forces thus forming a "Union" of their efforts.

Alexander County, or the future county in 1818, was named for one of its prominent men, Dr. William M. Alexander, a person who was destined for fame in the future government of Illinois.

Don't miss next week "The Cache River"

See "annablepublishing.com" to find local outlets for this book or how to order.



### July garden of the month

The Anna-Jo Garden Club has selected its garden of the month for July. The club shared the following information about the garden of the month:

The garden is at the High Chiropractic Center located at 35 Walton Ln. on the east edge of Anna. It seems Dr. Roger High is the lawn caretaker and garden design person for this location. Roger's wife, Dr. Connie High, gives him all the gardening credit here at this site in Anna and he in turn gives her all the credit for her many beautiful gardens at their home in Williamson County.

This garden has stayed vibrant with color for a long while this year and is at another bloom peak here during this hot humid July weather. Look close and you can see barrels next to the building that are full of the red blooming dragon wing begonia: a very sun tolerant begonia.

Climbing from the base of their business sign is a huge clematis that has recently ceased its abundance of annual purple blooms. This clematis was brought to this location in the form of layered cutting from Dr. Roger High's parents' home a few years back and the clematis has certainly thrived.

An evergreen makes for a nice backdrop in this main bed with some tall wispy accent grasses, tall day lilies, some yellow Knock Out roses, some sedum and the highlight of color right now is the perennial golden black-eyed Susan blooms. Not so long ago Dr. Roger moved a few of the black-eyed Susan surplus plants from in and around the other black-eyed Susan plants from there by the front door of their business to the larger central flower bed where they are now flourishing. Invariably this garden is a visual attention grabber near the edge of town. Photo provided.

## VanDaele completes doctor of pharmacy program

Madeline VanDaele has completed the doctor of pharmacy program at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville.

Rho Chi, which is the national pharmacy school honor society.

She will be completing a post-graduate residency with an ambulatory care focus at the Veteran's Administration hospital in Gainesville, Fla.

VanDaele is a 2012 graduate of Geneseo High School and was involved in many student organizations while attending SIUE.

She was president of the Hospice Volunteer Initiative, which is an organization dedicated to raising awareness about hospice and volunteerism in college-aged students. This involved organizing numerous fund-raisers and benefits.

She was involved with a volunteer organization that ran dance marathon fundraisers to raise money for St. Louis area children's hospitals.

She served as secretary and vice president of the Rotaract Club, which is a student chapter of the Rotary.

She was a Camp Hope counselor and also com-



### Recent graduate

Susan Hase of Anna is with her granddaughter, Madeline VanDaele, who completed the doctor of pharmacy program at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville. Photo provided.

pleted a Capstone research project to evaluate pharmacy student knowledge of opioid overdose and how to treat it.

She was also a Project Chance volunteer and assisted in providing a clinic for the Springfield homeless population to provide check-ups and medication guidance.

Once completing her residency in Gainesville, VanDaele intends to continue on to specialize in

pain and palliative care or psychiatric pharmacy.

VanDaele is the granddaughter of Richard and Susan Hase of Anna.

### Ethan Minckler receives honors



Ethan Minckler

Ethan Minckler, a recent graduate of Lick Creek School, won fifth place in the math division at the 2018 Junior Beta Club National Competition in Savannah, Ga.

In addition, Ethan won first place at the Junior Beta Club Illinois state competition in 2017 and 2018.

### St. John's Cemetery Association planning to host ice cream social

St. John's Cemetery Association plans to host an ice cream social Saturday, July 21.

The social will be held outside at St. John's Lutheran Church near Dongola. Serving starts at 5 p.m.

The menu will include fresh grilled hamburgers and hot dogs, chips, soda, bottled water, homemade desserts and ice cream.

A quilt raffle also is planned. The raffle will feature a quilt donated by Joanne Dillow. Ticket prices

will be \$1 for one or six tickets for \$5.

Money made at the ice cream social, along with donations to the St. John's Cemetery Association, provide for the upkeep and maintenance of the St. John's Cemetery.

Organizers noted that donations of desserts will be welcomed. They ask that donations be desserts which do not need refrigeration. Desserts can be dropped off after 4 p.m. at the site of the ice cream social.



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# News from Walnut Grove Church

On the seventh Sunday after Pentecost at Walnut Grove United Methodist Church, Layleigh and Alivia lit the altar candles during the musical prelude played by Johnathan Cauble on piano.

Johnathan also played and sang a special, "Peace in the Valley," accompanied by Loren Herold on flute.

The guest speaker was Sherry Smedshammer, the director of the Wesley Foundation at Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

She talked about how the Wesley Foundation was founded in 1913 as a United Methodist campus ministry.

It's a world-wide organization that encourages students to be disciples of Christ and share the word of God in today's difficult environment for a journey of the faithful.

She also read scripture from Hebrews about how God's faith and the faith of the people will come together.

Prayers were requested for Pat Batson's family and friends, Annette Roche, Mary Winn, Gary Hartline, Mark Sanders, Betty Bland's brother in Texas, and Miranda Timmons uncle Pete and his family.

The second quarter financial status was reported, including special expenditures for operations, maintenance and improvements.

A ladies lunch is planned Friday, Aug. 3, at a location to be determined.

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

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

# News from First Baptist Church, Jonesboro

On Sunday, July 15 Pastor Perry Williams brought the message.

Worship was led by Dee Rose. Special music was provided by Isabel Tehandon.

A Women on Mission meeting is planned at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, today.

Vacation Bible School was July 9-13. Director Dee Rose reported that the highest attendance was 59 kids, with 28 workers. The girls won the offering contest, with double the goal being reached. Thirteen kids accepted Jesus as their savior. The week ended with a family night and ice cream social on Sunday.

Birthdays: Lois Dillow, July 17; Martha Greenwood, July 18; Heidi Robinson, July 20; Evelyn Hileman, Martha McRaven, July 21.

Anniversaries: Melvin and Clara Harvell, 56 years on July 21; Blake and Amy Aldridge, 15 years on July 22.

The schedule for worship at Jonesboro First Baptist includes Bible study at 9 a.m. Sunday and worship services on Sunday at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

An adult Bible study/prayer meeting is planned on Wednesday from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

# News from Mt. Moriah Lutheran Church, Anna



**Volunteers at work**  
Many young people and adults turned out to help pick sweet corn and then sell it at the Mt. Moriah Lutheran Church parking lot in Anna on Saturday, July 14. Appreciation is voiced to all of those who supported the event, and especially to Jeremy and Kristen Stegle for the donation of the corn.



**Sweet corn sale**  
Volunteers from Mt. Moriah Lutheran Church sold sweet corn Saturday to raise money for youth projects.



**Congregation sings**  
The congregation sang "Here I am Lord" on Sunday morning.

The sermon for Sunday, July 15, was basically about "pride."

Pastor Mark explained that pride is one of the seven deadly sins, and that "we should not let pride get in our way of doing the right thing."

A brief report was given by Paula Hasty, Kelly Keller and Justyn Harvel concerning the 2018 ELCA Youth Conference in Houston, Texas.

Paula also gave the children's sermon, which encouraged the children to "color a chicken" and then donate a dollar to help people in less fortunate countries to get a meal.

The congregation offered prayers for Will Eidson, Kenny Roach, John Kern, LaShawn Masana, Ronnie

Barnhart, Kevin Klump, Sandy Procter, Everet Rhine, Jan Smith, Teresa Ramage and Nancy Lyerla.

Prayers also were said for those grieving for Karen Wadley.

The Lutheran ladies enjoyed an evening out at Katy O'Ferrell's in Cape Girardeau on Tuesday.

The council plans to meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, today.

Plans are being made for the fifth Sunday brunch on July 29. Those who want to help can contact Sarah Hensch, Kay Rothschild or Jody Boner.

Also, there will be a small area set aside for book or monetary donations for those who want to support the Storybook Prisoner and Family Ministry.

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**Daily Devotional Reading**

Hosea 1:1-2:1	Hosea 2:2-23	Hosea 3:1-4:10	Hosea 5:4-15	Hosea 6:1-7:2	Hosea 7:3-16	Hosea 9:17-10:15
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# Illinois Department of Public Health official urges public to be aware of bats

As bats become more active, the Illinois Department of Public Health, IDPH, is reminding people to beware of potentially rabid bats and other animals.

Through July 11, 17 bats had tested positive for rabies, IDPH reported.

"People can receive preventive treatment if they are exposed to an animal infected with rabies," IDPH director Dr. Nirav D. Shah said.

"Although most bats are not infected with rabies, it's important to avoid handling bats, get and keep your pets vaccinated, and make sure your home has no openings where bats can come in."

While the number of bats submitted for rabies testing has ranged from 1,300 to 1,700 each year over the past five years, the number testing positive for rabies is typically around 3 percent.

More bats are typically submitted for testing in August and September.

The only way rabies can be diagnosed in a bat is by laboratory testing.

Signs that a bat or other animal could have rabies are a general appearance of sickness or a change in the animal's normal behavior.

However, you can't tell just by looking at a bat if

it has rabies, the health department cautioned.

Only in instances when a person or pet has been exposed to a bat will the bat need to be tested for rabies.

Bats, like all wild animals, should never be handled.

Do not feed, touch, or adopt wild animals or stray dogs or cats.

If you find yourself near a bat (in your home or other indoor area), close the door to the room where the bat is and call the local health department.

They can help determine if you could have been exposed to rabies and if the bat needs to be tested.

If you are bitten by a bat or other animal, you should seek medical attention immediately.

The local health department and animal control should also be notified and the animal captured without

## Kornthal service set

A monthly worship service is planned Thursday, today, at Kornthal Church.

The service is set for 7 p.m. The church is located 2 1/2 miles south of Jonesboro, just off Illinois Route 127.

damaging its head (put a container over it) and only if direct contact with the animal can be avoided.

To keep your pets safe, make sure they are vaccinated and don't allow them to roam freely.

If a wild animal comes on your property, bring children and pets inside and allow the animal to wander away. If the animal is acting abnormally, contact animal control.

More information about rabies can be found at [www.dph.illinois.gov](http://www.dph.illinois.gov).

## News from

### Anna Nazarene Church

Music for the Sunday morning worship service was led by Randy Wright and Abby Barlow, with Betty Odum accompanying on the piano.

Curly Ralls, Robert Smith, Mark Smith and Noah Wiseman served as ushers. Special music was provided by Betty Odum.

The morning message, "Light in a Dark World," was brought by Randy Wright from Matthew.

The message shared that "we are not the source of the light but we are the reflection of the light of Christ."

## News from

### First Baptist Church, Anna

The guest preacher on Sunday was Andy Gillespie. Don Kelley was the guest music leader.

The Summer Fun for Everyone family events during the last three Sunday nights were successful.

The next Soup and Serve is planned from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, Aug. 13, in the fellowship hall. Doors for the free meal open at 4 p.m.

The church has a contemporary service on Saturday from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

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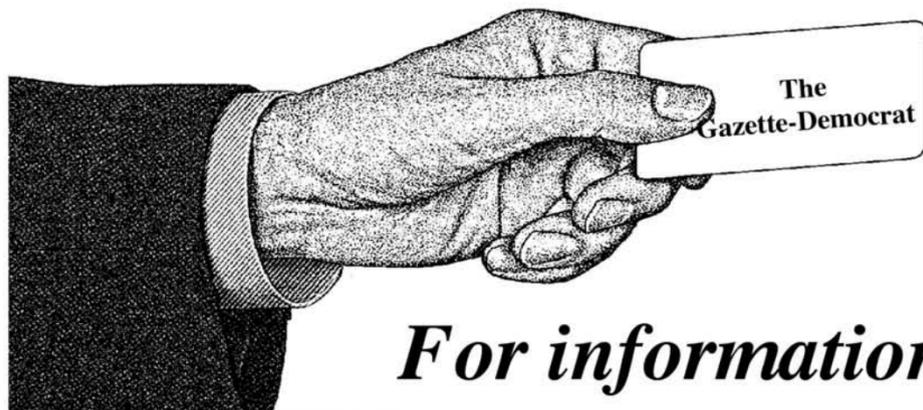
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# Anna News

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.

### Thanks

Special thanks to Frank Mills Jr., Jim and Shirley Vines and Shirley West for giving me credit when they renewed their subscription to The Gazette-Democrat.

### 60th Birthday

Kerry Wills was honored with a birthday dinner Sunday at Goddard's Barn and Grill.

Those helping him celebrate were his mother Carol Gordon, uncle Bub Tweedy, cousins Cheryl Stamp, Brad Stamp, Cheryl's niece Jada Hudson and Sandy Roberts.

### Anniversary Trip

Willie and Terrie Rhymer of Dongola spent celebrating their 43rd wedding anniversary and Willie's retirement from the Vienna Correctional Center touring Indiana and Kentucky during the first week of July.

The first day of their trip they went to Madison, Ind., to go on a boat tour, but unfortunately it started storming so the tour was canceled but they did enjoy walking through the town and checking out the stores there.

Next day they went to the Creation Museum and enjoyed the 4th of July fireworks in Greendale, Ind. On July 5, their anniversary day, they went to the Ark Encounter. Both places were great places to go visit.

### California Trip

Reagan Morrison and her mother Jennifer Cleg-horn left Monterey, Calif., on Wednesday, June 27. They traveled to Las Vegas and stayed the night. Jennifer said they walked the strip and admired Sin City.

They left Vegas on Thursday morning and traveled to Amarillo, Texas, and stayed the night. Then traveled to Memphis and stayed with family and spent the night and next day with them. Did some shopping and enjoyed several local eateries along the way.

Reagan will be making her move to Fort Gordon in Augusta, Ga.

### Tennessee Trip

Steve and Dee Guined treated their children and grandchildren to a trip to the Smoky Mountains: Steve, Jena and Gigi Guined, Carrie and Matt Hartline and Lillie and Judah.

They met Steve's sister and her family from California there. They enjoyed touring Gatlinburg. Also enjoyed seeing a black bear that came to visit.

### Guest

Betty Eagle's grandson Ethan Gaddis from Carterville visited her last week.

### Guest

Andrew Menees from The Woodlands, Texas, was here visiting last week for the Justin Brimm and Eliza-

beth Redcloud wedding.

While here, he also visited with his dad, Jason (Christy) Menees, grandparents, Cheryl Stamp, Brad Stamp, Sharon Menees, Clarence Tweedy, Carol Gordon and Afton Menees, aunts, uncles, and numerous cousins.

Andrew left Saturday and on Sunday will be leaving from Houston, Texas, along with his sister, Katlynn Menees, and other team members with SWOH, traveling to Uganda for 2 1/2 week mission trip.

### Trip

Karen Davis enjoyed a trip to Michigan and Wisconsin with her friend.

### Guest

Guest of Audrey Davis was her nephew Alan Dale Goodman. He is from Albuquerque, N.M., but has been working in Maine and was transferring back to New Mexico to be closer to his sisters and mother.

He works for Boeing. His fiancée and her kids were glad to have him home.

### Anniversary Celebration

Larry and Pam Miles celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary July 11.

Those present were their son Shay, Jeni, Breea, Jaida, Brennan and Kiea Miles from Colorado Springs, Colo., their daughter, Larra, Jon, Ellie, Christanna and Miles from Rome, Ga., and Pam's mother Pat Bridwell.

### Birthday Celebration

Lovella Graig's birthday was Saturday, July 14. Her family went to church with her Sunday, then went to her home to celebrate her birthday.

### Birthdays

July 9 Carlene Tripp, Jill Betts, Rommie Hall, Ashley Roach, July 11 Kerry Wills, July 14 Kylee Stanley, 15 Lenore Ashby, July 25 Brownie and Patches Miller.

### Wedding Anniversaries

July 11 Dale and Jill Fowler 31 years, July 14 Sonny and Amy Camden 24 years.

### Guest

Guest of Shirley West was her son Brian from Plainfield, Ind.

### Guest

Guest of Melba Nork was her sister Carol Kleestie from Iowa.

### VFW

Friday, July 20, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. is the auxiliary chicken and dumplings dinner for an \$8 donation.

Star Karaoke will play from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

### Class of 1963 Reunion

Class Reunion registration due Aug. 1. Information missing on classmates Norman Franklin, Norma Goodman, Peggy McKee, Robert Norman, Maggie Smith.

Nancy will be putting our booklets together soon so we need information or they will not get in the book.

Call Martha Ann at 833-5717 leave a message or email me at marthanews@frontier.com.

### PAWS

Karee Sweitzer from Pets

Are Worth Saving said over 2,600 people viewed her post on Facebook about the progress on the new building site for PAWS on Dogwalk Road.

If each person sent just \$10, that would be over \$26,000 they could add to their total. Or if each of those people sent \$50, that would be \$130,000. All donations are welcome.

Thanks for all your support and encouragement. It means so much.

### Appreciation

All the news everyone sends me really means a lot. It was very hard for me to concentrate this weekend on news.

We had to put my dog Rudolph to sleep. He lost his battle with cancer. Rudolph has been by my side

for 13 years.

My grandson Elijah picked him out at a pet shop and named him. I sure miss my little buddy. He only weighed 3 pounds when we brought him home.

I know he is in heaven in no more pain and waiting on the day when I join him.

### United Methodist Church, Anna

On the eighth Sunday after Pentecost, the children took up their special offering. This month will go to Cobden food backpacks.

Special music was a solo "My Tribute" by Marilyn Sullins.

Rev. Richard Sullins' sermon was "The Blessing."

### Watch Out for Ticks

John and Martha Schwe-gman send me nature notes. It is tick time, and there is a

new tick borne allergy that lots of folks are not aware of. It is called alpha-gal or red meat allergy and was first recognized by doctors in 2006.

The condition is spread by the bite of the Lone Star tick, which is the most common tick in Southern Illinois.

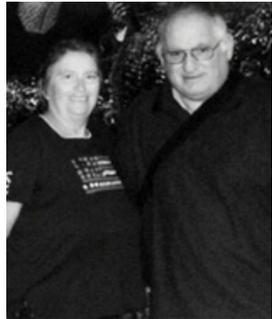
Adults of this tick have a bright white spot on their back that may be lacking in juvenile Lone Stars that also bite man.

The rash is caused by an allergic reaction to a sugar in the blood of animals that the tick bites before biting man, and which does not occur in human blood.

A person getting this sugar from a tick bite develops antibodies to attack it. If they then eat red meat



Carol Gordon baked a cake for her son Kerry R. Wills for his birthday July 11.



Willie and Terrie Rhymer celebrated their 43rd wedding anniversary July 5.



Barb Bauer gave a "garden of the month" award to David Bauer and especially wanted to share his garden ornament: an especially outfitted and decorated snow plow whose owner surely is a Cubs fan. What better way to use a snow plow in summer?



Helen Butterfield Copeland, 93, went canoeing with her son, Bob Butterfield, at the new Shawnee Forest campground in Vienna.



Tina and Louie Bryant's great niece Lexie Mayberry celebrated her 3rd birthday at the Jonesboro park with her family. Her parents are Robert and Amber Mayberry and her two sisters are Ava and Kylie.



Robert and Tina Carter celebrated their 10th wedding anniversary July 8. They have been together 16 years.



Rodney and Kelli Clutts celebrated their wedding anniversary last week at Ross Bridge Golf Resort on the Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail.



Lillie Beanland celebrated her 4th birthday at Discovery Playhouse. Her parents are Logan and Alesia Beanland.



Wilma Conley-Stonge from Mascoutah, first vice president of Illinois GCI, visited the Anna-Jo Garden Club to pass out VIP awards. Linda Clutts, District VII director, was with her. Debbie M. Kibben, Darlene Lingle and Elaine Dunn all got a very nice gift. Thanks ladies for all you do for our community.



Pastor Jena Guined from Connect Point Church said it was an incredible day Saturday serving the community. They delivered 100 bags of food to people. People asked for prayers while they visited them.



Jim and Judy Jerolds celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Pictured with them are Jake, David and Bradley Jerolds-children, Belinda-daughter-in-law, grandchildren-Colton & Conner Jerolds and Jaylen Altoff.



Geneva Jackson celebrated her 92nd birthday with her family July 6: Kathy Milam, Bob and Pat Butterfield, Harry Jackson and Jane Tisdale, Walt and Robin Jackson, Geneva Jackson.

like beef, pork, or mutton, that is rich in this sugar, their immune system sends more antibodies to attack it which causes the allergic reaction or rash.

Eating fish or chicken does not cause a rash in affected people. Be sure to put on repellent before hiking in the woods and fields this summer.

Thanks John and Martha for this information.

**Mission Trip to Uganda**  
Katlynn Menees first heard about SWOH (Sovereign Wings of Hope) when she became friends with Jeremiah Situka, SWOH's president.

Not long after meeting Jeremiah and learning about SWOH's mission trips, she

decided she wanted this summer's CTP (Community Transformation Project) to be her first mission trip.

Katlynn's brother Andrew Menees had been wanting to go on a mission trip.

When he found out about the CTP, he knew that was where he was meant to go.

Andrew's heart for missions began when his church, Church Project in The Woodlands, did a clean water climb in Kenya.

He knew he was supposed to go on a mission somewhere and the SWOH's trip to Uganda practically fell in his lap.

Katlynn has always had a heart for kids and families in need, so when she heard

about the kids and families in Uganda, she knew she had to go and be there with them.

The 2018 Mission trip between July 14 to Aug. 3 will clear land for a church to be planted in Jinja, host a pastor training conference, be guest teachers at Wings of Hope Christian Academy, and spend time with and care for Hospice Tororo and Hospice Junja patients.

Please keep them and their mission team in your prayers.

**Correction**  
Correction for news from last week: The concession stand at the Anna City Park for the 4th of July celebrations was opened by Mary

Kay and Bryan Miller. Last week's paper said Mark. It was a very busy place and everyone enjoyed the snacks. They are appreciated for all their hard work.

**Connect Point Church**  
Food Pantry and Outreach is the first and third Saturday at 10:30 a.m. They deliver food to several homes. If you need food please let them know. Their church is located across from the Anna Post Office.

**Anna Eastern Star**  
The Anna Eastern Star meetings are on the first and third Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Masonic Lodge in the Anna Park.

**Birthday Celebrations**  
If you would like your

birthday or anniversary and how you celebrated in the paper email me or give me a call. Leave on my answering machine if I am not home. If you send me a picture be sure and make a copy and send the copy.

**Free Community Dinners**  
Salem Lutheran Church's free meal is on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m.

Harvest Church serves a free meal every Thursday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Immanuel Praise & Worship Center, Cobden**

A chicken and dumpling dinner will be served July 21 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Donations are accepted.

**Military Prayer List**  
Hayden Young, Garrett Goines, Nick Harvel, Nona Elizabeth Luke, Lucas J. Strickland, William Nathaniel Frankell, Ethan Maze, Lukas W. Davis, Kiefer Stull, David Jordan Glasco, Ryan Hampton, Brittany Michelle Lence, Killian Jesse, Molly Noyes, CJ Youngerman, Freddy Morse, Reagan Morrison, Josh Stevens, Josh Williams, Faith Odom, Tommy Goff and family Janette, Jamison and Kaylynn, Creighton Laster, Brandon Eaker, Jim Bonner, Jacob Schaefer, Jerod Schaefer, Jennifer Ann Bishop, Robert Jr. McMeely, James McWhorter, Arin White-mountain.

# Television Listings

## THURSDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
<b>6 PM :30</b>	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	MLB Baseball St. Louis Cardinals at Chicago Cubs (Live) (HD)	Seinfeld	Law & Order: SVU	BUNK'D	"Kingsman"	(5:20) " Fargo" (96)	(20) The Affair (HD)
<b>7 PM :30</b>	The Gong Show (HD)	Bang (HD) Young	The Four: Battle for Stardom "Week Six" (HD)	Ellen's (HD)		Seinfeld	Law & Order: SVU	Andi Mack	"The Boy Downstairs" (18) (HD)	★★½ "The Losers" Special Forces.	(20) "Soul Men" (08) Re-union performance.
<b>8 PM :30</b>	Match Game (HD)	Big Brother (HD)		Trial (HD)		Bang (HD)	Queen of the South	Big City	Sharp Objects "Dirt"	"King Arthur: Legend of the Sword" (17)	Cartoon
<b>9 PM :30</b>	Take Two A hit man.	S.W.A.T. "Blindspots"	Local Programs	Law & Order: SVU	X Games Minneapolis 2018 (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD)	(01) Shooter (HD)	Bizaard	"The Tale" (18, Drama, Old memories. (HD)	(:50) Outcast (HD)	Cartoon
<b>10 PM :30</b>	Local	Local	Local Programs	Local		Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Andi Mack			Shameless (HD)
<b>11 PM :30</b>	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(:35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(:35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Brooklyn	Queen of the South	DuckTales	Robin	Outcast	Cartoon

## JULY 19, 2018

## FRIDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
<b>6 PM :30</b>	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	Golden Boy Promotions (Live)	Burgers	Law & Order: SVU	BUNK'D	"Fist Fight"	"Pelican"	(:05) "Baby Driver" (17, Action) Ill-fated heist.
<b>7 PM :30</b>	Quantico (HD)	Whistleblower (HD)	The Resident	American Ninja Warrior (HD)		"Blended" (14) Two families must share same suite. (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Andi Mack	"Being John Malkovich" Puppeteer's portrait.	"The Fate of the Furious" (17) Vin Diesel. Dom in crime.	Cartoon
<b>8 PM :30</b>	What Would You Do?	Hawaii Five-0 (HD)	The Orville (HD)		X Games Minneapolis 2018 (Live) (HD)		Law & Order: SVU	Big City	Sharp Objects "Dirt"	Outcast (HD)	Boxing
<b>9 PM :30</b>	(:01) 20/20 (HD)	Blue Bloods (HD)	Local Programs Local info.	Dateline NBC (HD)		★★★ "Pretty Woman" (90) Businessman hires a prostitute.	Family	Bizaard	VICE (HD)	Outcast	ShoBox: The New Generation (HD)
<b>10 PM :30</b>	Local	Local		Local			Family	Andi Mack	VICE (HD)	Outcast	
<b>11 PM :30</b>	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(:35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(:35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)		Family	BUNK'D	"Justice League" Global threat.	"The Fate of the Furious" (17)	Cartoon

## JULY 20, 2018

## SATURDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
<b>6 PM :30</b>	Local Programs	Local Programs	MLB Baseball "Regional Coverage-Teams TBA" (Live) (HD)	Local Programs	X Games Minneapolis 2018 (Live) (HD)	Seinfeld	NCIS (HD)	"Inside Out"	★★★ "Kingsman" (17)	(:10) Outcast (HD)	Cartoon
<b>7 PM :30</b>	Videos (HD)	Me, Myself	TBA (Live) (HD)	Little Big Shots (HD)		Seinfeld	NCIS (HD)	BUNK'D	★★ "The Snowman" (17) Snowfall killer.	"Sherlock Holmes" (09) Serial killer back.	"Inglourious Basterds" (09) Brad Pitt. Soldiers kill Nazis.
<b>8 PM :30</b>	20/20 Investigative news. (HD)	Me, Myself Living		Dateline NBC Investigative news. (HD)		Bang (HD)	NCIS "Twenty Kicks"	Bug Juice			Cartoon
<b>9 PM :30</b>		48 Hours (HD)	Local Programs			Bang (HD)	NCIS "The Lost Boys"	Raven	HBO Boxing After Dark (Live) (HD)	"King Arthur: Legend of the Sword" (17)	Cartoon
<b>10 PM :30</b>	Local Programs	Local Programs Local info.	Gordon "La Serenata"	Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Bang (HD)	Queen of the South	Stuck Mid.	Andi Mack	"68 Kill" (17) Robbery gone awry.	Cartoon
<b>11 PM :30</b>	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local Programs	Sat. Night Live Sketch comedy.	SportsCenter (HD)	Frontal	Shooter (HD)	DuckTales	Real Sports (HD)	★★ "Couples Retreat"	Cartoon

## JULY 21, 2018

## SUNDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
<b>6 PM :30</b>	Videos A fisherman.	60 Minutes (HD)	One Strange Rock	Little Big Shots (HD)	Baseball (Live) (HD)	"The Hangover Part II" (11) Thailand turmoil.	Law & Order: SVU	Raven	(5:55) ★★ "The Snowman" (17) Snowfall killer.	(5:00) "Courage" (96)	The Affair (HD)
<b>7 PM :30</b>	Feud (HD)	Big Brother (HD)	Simpsons	America's Got Talent "Judge Cuts 1" (HD)	MLB Baseball New York Mets at New York Yankees (Live) (HD)	★★★ "Old School" (03) Wacky fraternity. (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	★★★½ "Wreck-It Ralph" (12) (HD)	Sharp Objects "Fix"	★★½ "The Great Wall" (17) (HD)	Cartoon
<b>8 PM :30</b>	Pyramid (HD)	NCIS: L. A. (HD)	Fam Guy				Law & Order: SVU	(:20) "Wreck-It Ralph" (12) Good intentions.	Succession "Prague"	(:45) ★★½ "Percy Jackson & Olympians" (10)	America
<b>9 PM :30</b>	To Tell the Truth (HD)	NCIS: L. A. "Vendetta"	Local Programs Local info.	Shades of Blue (HD)			Law & Order: SVU	Sharp Objects "Fix"	Succession "Prague"	"Once Upon Time in Mexico"	Cartoon
<b>10 PM :30</b>	Local Programs	Local Programs		Local Programs Local info.	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan (HD)	Family	Bug Juice	Sharp Objects "Fix"		America
<b>11 PM :30</b>	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local Programs		Sports	Conan (HD)	Family	BUNK'D	Succession "Prague"		The Affair (HD)

## JULY 22, 2018

## MONDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
<b>6 PM :30</b>	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	SportsCenter (HD)	Fam Guy	Family	BUNK'D	"Battle"	★★★ "Annabelle" (17)	"Bad Moms"
<b>7 PM :30</b>	The Bachelorette (HD)	Mom (HD)	Think You Can Dance	American Ninja Warrior "Dallas City Finals"	MLB Baseball "Teams TBA" (Live) (HD)	Fam Guy	WWE Monday Night Raw (HD)	Andi Mack	"Passenger 57" Plane hijacked.	★★½ "The Knight and Day" (10) (HD)	The Affair (HD)
<b>8 PM :30</b>		Salvation (HD)	9-1-1 "Trapped" (HD)			Fam Guy		Big City			America
<b>9 PM :30</b>	(:01) The Proposal	Elementary "Breathe"	Local Programs Local info.	Dateline NBC (HD)		Fam Guy		Stuck Mid.	Sharp	★★★ "Edge of Darkness" Corrupt corporation.	Cartoon
<b>10 PM :30</b>	Local	Local		Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Drop Mic		Bizaard	Succession "Prague"		The Affair (HD)
<b>11 PM :30</b>	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(:35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(:35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan (HD)	Family	Andi Mack	(:20) HBO Boxing After Dark (R) (HD)	(:50) "Split" (16) Mom goes kidnapped.	America

## JULY 23, 2018

## TUESDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
<b>6 PM :30</b>	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	Humanitarian (T) (HD)	Bang (HD)	Family	BUNK'D	"Island"	(5:15) "Mr. 3000" (04)	"The Rock" (96) (HD)
<b>7 PM :30</b>	Middle	NCIS (HD)	Beat Shazam (HD)	America's Got Talent "Judge Cuts 2" (HD)	2018 ESPYS Awards show. (HD)	Bang (HD)	WWE SmackDown (Live) (HD)	Andi Mack	★★★ "Justice League" (17) Global threat. (HD)	"Weekend at Bernie's" (89) (HD)	Our Cartoon President "Russia Investigation"
<b>8 PM :30</b>	black-ish	Bull "Thanksgiving"	Love Connection (HD)			Bang (HD)		Big City		(:40) ★★ "Pirate Radio" (09) Pirate radio. (HD)	America
<b>9 PM :30</b>	The Last Defense	NCIS: New Orleans	Local Programs Local info.	World of Dance (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Bang (HD)	Miz & Mrs Chrisley	Bizaard	Real Sports (HD)		The Affair (HD)
<b>10 PM :30</b>	Local	Local		Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Bang (HD)	Family	Andi Mack	Sharp Objects "Dirt"		America
<b>11 PM :30</b>	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(:35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(:35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Brooklyn	Family	BUNK'D	Sharp	Outcast "Bad Penny"	Cartoon

## JULY 24, 2018

## WEDNESDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
<b>6 PM :30</b>	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	MLB Baseball "Teams TBA" (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD)	NCIS (HD)	BUNK'D	"The Boy"	"War of the Roses"	"Vantage Point" (08)
<b>7 PM :30</b>	Goldbergs	TKO: Total Knock Out	MasterChef (HD)	World of Dance "The Duels 1" (HD)		Bang (HD)	NCIS "Trapped" (HD)	Andi Mack	★★ "The Snowman" (17) Snowfall killer. (HD)	(:40) "Four Christmases" (08)	"Braveheart" (95, Drama) A Scottish hero leads a rebellion. (R) (HD)
<b>8 PM :30</b>	Family	Big Brother (HD)	Gordon "Fetch Bistro"			Bang (HD)	Suits "Pecking Order"	Big City			America
<b>9 PM :30</b>	Shark Tank (HD)	SEAL Team (HD)	Local Programs Local info.	Reverie "Despedida"	SportsCenter (HD)	Bang (HD)	Colony Will sacrifices.	Stuck Mid.	Succession "Prague"		Cartoon
<b>10 PM :30</b>	Local	Local		Local	International Champ. Cup (Live) (HD)	Conan James Comey.	Law & Order: SVU	Andi Mack	Sharp Objects "Fix"	(:10) "Almost Christmas" (16) Getting along.	America
<b>11 PM :30</b>	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(:35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(:35) Tonight (HD)		Frontal	Suits "Pecking Order"	BUNK'D	(:55) "The Boy" (18)		Cartoon

## JULY 25, 2018

## THURSDAY

	SHOW
<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>CBS The Big Bang Theory</b> "The Solo Oscillation" Amy and Leonard begin bonding over different science experiments after Sheldon kicks Amy out to do his work alone; Bert Kibbler takes Howard's spot in a band. TVPG (HD)
<b>8:00pm</b>	<b>NBC Trial &amp; Error</b> "The Suitcase" In Josh Segal and Associates first case, they must defend the eccentric First Lady of East Peck, who was found with her husband's dead body in her trunk. TVPG (HD)

## FRIDAY

	SHOW
<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>ABC Quantico</b> "The Art of War" Conor Devlin plots revenge and goes back to his home country of Ireland; the team unknowingly ends up being used in Conor's plans. TV14 (HD)
<b>8:00pm</b>	<b>FOX The Orville</b> "Majority Rule" Ed gives Kelly command of a team to find two Union anthropologists who disappeared on a planet similar to the Earth in the 21st century. TV14 (HD)

## SATURDAY

	SHOW
<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>CBS Me, Myself &amp; I</b> "Phil Ricozzi" Mid-life Alex sells an invention to a childhood nemesis; a classmate challenges Young Alex to a fight; Older Alex delivers a eulogy at Phil's funeral. TVPG (HD)
<b>8:00pm</b>	<b>NBC Dateline</b> Investigative reports, breaking news stories, profiles of leading newsmakers and other features explore current events and topics of special interest. (HD)

## SUNDAY

	SHOW
<b>8:00pm</b>	<b>CBS NCIS: Los Angeles</b> A legendary undercover agent and his specialized team of investigators in the Office of Special Projects protect the country from national security threats. TV14 (HD)
<b>8:30pm</b>	<b>FOX Ghosted</b> "Hello Boys" When Leroy and Max pursue a lead on Agent Checker's whereabouts, they run into problems when Max loses his faith and Leroy is forced to be the believer. TVPG (HD)

## MONDAY

	SHOW
<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>NBC American Ninja Warrior</b> "Dallas City Finals" The top 30 competitors from the Dallas qualifier compete in the City Finals course, where they attempt to take on challenging obstacle courses. TVPG (HD)
<b>8:00pm</b>	<b>FOX 9-1-1</b> "Trapped" First responders rush to save three groups of people in potentially life-threatening situations; Athena decides to reenter the dating scene. TV14 (HD)

## TUESDAY

	SHOW
<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>ESPN 2018 ESPYS</b> Celebrities from sports and entertainment gather to recognize nominees and honor various award winners as well as showcase inspiring human stories. (HD)
<b>8:00pm</b>	<b>ABC black-ish</b> "North Star" When the families of Dre and Bow arrive for Easter, they must find pleasure in each other's different cuisines; Junior tries to put together an Easter egg hunt. TVPG (HD)

## WEDNESDAY

	SHOW
<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>ABC The Goldbergs</b> "Spaceballs" Adam tries to start a Mel Brooks fan club after he watches the movie "Spaceballs"; Erica plans to tell Beverly and Pops about a big decision that she has made. TVPG (HD)
<b>8:00pm</b>	<b>FOX Gordon Ramsay's 24 Hours to Hell and Back</b> "Fetch Bistro" Gordon and his team visit a restaurant that serves both dogs and people in Wichita, Kan., which they quickly discover that it is in dire need of cleaning. TV14 (HD)

# Legislator plans traveling office hours at Southern Illinois Made Expo

State Sen. Dale Fowler, R-Harrisburg, plans to offer traveling office hours during his upcoming Southern Illinois Made Expo.

On July 28-29, constituents can visit Fowler's legislative information booth, where they will have an opportunity to speak with staff and ask questions.

Office hours are planned at a location just outside the Pavilion, which is located at 1602 Sioux Dr. in Marion from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Appointments are not required.

The public is also invited to attend the expo, which is scheduled to be taking place inside the Pavilion.

The event will feature dozens of area vendors, who will be showcasing their products, creations and treats made and sold in Southern Illinois.

## "Treasures"

In other news, Fowler has released new videos as part of his "Southern Illinois Treasures" video series.

The series highlights the many different locations and attractions available throughout Southern Illinois.

In 2017, approximately 114 million people visited Illinois, generating \$39.5 billion in spending for the state.

"There's no question, tourism is a major industry for our state and this region," Fowler said.

"We live in a great state that has so much to offer visitors. I want to use these videos as a way to help showcase and highlight the many attractions offered right here in Southern Illinois."

All of Fowler's "Southern Illinois Treasures" segments can be found on his Facebook page or at senatorfowler.com.

In a review of his activities during early July, Fowler also shared updates about other matters of importance.

## Teacher Shortage

In response to the state's ongoing teacher shortage, House Bill 5627 was recently signed into law.

The measure seeks to help draw educators to Illinois, retain existing teachers and assist former teachers interested in returning to the classroom.

Fowler reported that proponents say the new law offers common-sense changes to help ease Illinois' growing teacher shortage as legislators explore long-term solutions to the growing crisis.

In order to make it easier for educators from other states to work in Illinois, the new bipartisan law will make the licensure and regulatory process less prohibitive for qualified teachers in order to help schools attract high-quality educators.

House Bill 5627 provides full reciprocity for out-of-state applicants seeking a professional educator license, PEL.

The measure also ensures that a teacher with a PEL or an educator license with stipulations, ELS, will not need an additional substitute teacher license to work as a substitute teacher, and short-term substitute teaching licenses will be offered to qualifying applicants with an associate's degree of 60 credit hours from a regionally accredited institution of higher learning.

Former teachers with a lapsed PEL due to incomplete professional development requirements will still be allowed to teach as a substitute under House Bill 5627, to attract former teachers who may not currently be teaching but are interested in getting back into the classroom.

In addition, for five years, retired teachers will be able to return to the classroom for 120 days or 600 hours

per school year without affecting their retirement status.

## Graduation

In other news, a state pilot program on competency-based graduation requirements was recently expanded under Senate Bill 2941.

The recently signed legislation will place a greater emphasis on a student's level and quality of education, as opposed to hours simply spent in a classroom.

The program allows schools to base graduation requirements on students' knowledge and mastery

of subjects as opposed to traditional "seat time," or the number of hours spent in the classroom.

This allows schools to tailor instructional time to meet students' needs and skills.

The current program includes only grades 9-12; this expansion will allow schools serving all grade levels to take part.

The legislation was overwhelmingly approved by the Senate and the House,

with advocates saying the program will help educators better understand how to respond to students' diverse

needs and skill sets.

Additionally, the program is thought to be more responsive to real-world college and career demands than the typical high school experience.

## Voter Registration

Fowler reported that the Illinois Secretary of State's office has begun an "opt-in" voter registration at driver service facilities as part of the state's new automatic voter registration, AVR, law that was signed in August 2017.

The AVR was advanced as a way to both modernize and simplify the state's

voter registration process, Fowler said.

Though implementation of automatic voter registration won't be complete in Illinois for another year, employees at the secretary of state's office's driver service facilities are now checking the voter registration status of those seeking a new driver's license or state IDs.

If an individual's voter registration information is out of date, they will be given the option to electronically update their information. The updated information will then be

automatically sent to election authorities.

Illinois isn't expected to fully implement the automatic voter registration processes until 2019.

In early 2019, the "opt-out" phase of the AVR implementation is anticipated to begin.

Residents will then be able to select one box on the application if they choose not to register.

It's expected that by July 2019, the automatic voter registration law will ensure Illinois citizens can register to vote at other state agencies.

# An Homage to Hometown Happenings

By Kate B. Jerome

No matter where my travels take me, I always seek out the local newspaper. I know. My smartphone easily provides more detail about a town than I will ever need. But the local paper does so much more. That's because it fits the many pieces of the community puzzle together. Where else can you get a glimpse of what a citizenry most values and fears – all within a few recyclable pages?

In the tiny town where I grew up, the local paper was a powerful tool – no doubt for many reasons beyond my young comprehension. However, I looked forward to the daily delivery for two simple reasons.

First, I loved to read the personal stories – from tragedy to triumph – about the people in my own community. It was the first inkling I had that I might be part of something larger than the family who lived at 12 Parkview.

Second, I couldn't wait to hear the interesting dinner conversations that some tidbit in the paper was bound to spark. Of course, my favorites were the most heated discussions. And when my parents resorted to spelling out words? Well, let's just say the training led to considerable success in my grade school spelling bees!

Decades of educational publishing experience later, I know my hometown paper was just one arrow in the successful child-raising quiver my parents used. But it was an important tool, and the outcomes it helped produce are still of the utmost importance today.

You see, building a strong sense of place plays a key part in a child's social and emotional development. When children connect with the community around them, it helps them develop their own personal identity. An added benefit is the sense of stewardship it often inspires.

And the value of generating meaningful conversations? In my view, it's off the charts. Too often in our busy world, dialogue with our kids tends toward the practical (Did you pick up your toys?) rather than the profound (Keep trying even when it's hard!). So any tool that inspires discussion of such issues as friendship and community should be deeply valued. Why? Because that's when our own stories of personal grit and resilience begin to flow.

And aren't those the kind of Hometown Happenings that we really want our children to remember?

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## Letter to the editor

### Perspectives shared about Shawnee College events

To the editor,

As a previous Shawnee Community College Board of Trustees member, I would like to share some of my perspectives about recent and current events at the college.

When Dr. Bradford was hired in June, 2017, I had hope regarding her ability to provide strong leadership to the college. She was the Shawnee College story – a native of the area, alumnus of the college, and successful in her academic pursuits. During the search and interview process, the Board was very clear that it was seeking a strong leader for the college who would motivate and inspire others. Within two months of Dr. Bradford's hire, it became clear that employee relations within the college had begun to deteriorate.

The exodus of long-tenured employees began in early September. The exodus has continued throughout Dr. Bradford's presence. Vital positions that have been vacated by knowledgeable and experienced personnel have included, but not been limited to, the Director of Small Business Development, Dean of Academic Affairs and Student Learning, Director of Institutional Research, Assistant to the Vice President of Academic Affairs and Student Learning.

A number of faculty and other staff members either left or were terminated. As one employee shared with me, "I'm going to retire before I lose my love of Shawnee College." These people took with them a significant and dynamic portion of the management infrastructure of the college. A number of them comprised the membership of the Higher Learning Commission team – a group very crucial to the preparation for and completion of a review process that serves to ensure the college remains an accredited higher learning institution.

Separately, Dr. Bradford became very focused on her inauguration. This was an event unknown in the history of the college. Even amidst concerns shared by faculty, staff and some members of the Board, it was clear that this was a high personal priority for Dr. Bradford and she was determined to see it succeed. She had committed to

me as Board Chairman that the cost of the event would be borne by personal contributions. Despite the facts of the expenses listed in the college records, she has continued to attest to that claim on a number of occasions. The college's 50th anniversary was being simultaneously planned at this time. There seemed to be much less emphasis placed on its success than on that of Dr. Bradford's own inauguration. Advertising for the inauguration was more aggressive than that afforded the anniversary event.

It became obvious that the inauguration was creating a deep divide between Dr. Bradford and the faculty. She was advised on more than one occasion to not proceed with the event because of the division it was creating. I told her that I would not attend because I would not support anything that was creating division among college employees. Dr. Bradford proceeded with the event, and, as a result, the faculty unanimously voted to boycott the event.

As the impact of her leadership style continued, she was offered assistance for building a team and establishing rapport with the staff and faculty. I advised her that she must encourage an "US" environment as opposed to the "WE-THEY" climate that existed. Rather than accept the assistance as it was offered, she placed limitations on the conditions, which resulted in others being hesitant to participate.

Dr. Bradford then became focused on faculty credentialing and faculty overload pay. The way she chose to communicate her views resulted in increased tension with the faculty. She refused to accept that many faculty members had served their students very successfully, and, even though some faculty might require enhanced credentialing due to mandate, her focus on remediation did not improve relations.

As the school year progressed, Dr. Bradford chose to bring candidates to the Board for hire in positions that had not yet been approved. In one case, the candidate had been invited to attend the Board meeting. After the Board meeting began, it was obvious the position had not been approved and the candidate could not be hired. The issue was eventually resolved, but proper due diligence would have avoided an unnecessary failure of process.

It was common for me, as the Board chair, to receive information from employees regarding a hostile work environment. There were numerous complaints against Dr. Bradford. When these were shared with the Board, the Board directed its attorney to review the concerns and bring recommendations for a response to the allegations.

It seemed clear that some type of response was warranted, but the Board, in majority, ultimately chose not to act. Employees became concerned due to a lack of response, and the SCC Watchdog became a vicarious voice for faculty and staff to share their concerns with the public.

It was following the December 2017 meeting that I made a decision to resign from the Board. I had been clear that I would not support leadership that contributed to an environment that was not conducive to the welfare of employees and students. I also believed that the Board was not honoring its responsibility to respect policy and at least allow a review process to occur regarding the formal complaints.

During the last week of June, faculty and staff received an evaluation instrument from the Board pertaining to the college leadership. The document was somewhat confusing and provided the staff only two days to respond during a period when some staff and faculty are off campus for the summer or vacations. If the true intent had been to provide a sincere opportunity for feedback regarding the President's leadership, it would seem the instrument would have been more comprehensive and issued before the end of the spring semester. I question the Board's motives.

In the past few months it has become clear that the public is quite concerned about the future of Shawnee Community College. I encourage you to voice your concerns and contact members of the Board who control the fate of the college. Board members are elected to serve the college and its constituency.

In my opinion, this on-going series of concerns and the resulting upheaval has never been about Dr. Bradford's qualifications to be President of Shawnee Community College. It has been about the leadership style she perpetuates and its impact on the culture of the college – a culture that has successfully been one of collaboration, cooperation and family.

Shawnee Community College is a dynamic institution. The faculty are second to none; students are very focused and goal-oriented; the facilities are well maintained; staff are very dedicated to the support of the educational process; and graduates of the college continue to make their mark in the world. This college is worth fighting for – the economic, social and educational future of the area depends upon its success. I continue to pledge my unyielding support to its goals and purposes.

Signed, Steve Heisner, Immediate Past Chairman of the Board, Shawnee Community College

## Far from fading away...

Far from fading away, community newspapers are a valued and trusted source of news and information in towns and counties nationwide.

More than two-thirds of respondents in a recent nationwide survey said that they read their local newspaper, either in print or online, and the largest segment of respondents said they preferred newspapers for their local news.

In fact, a majority of respondents who read their community newspaper said they trusted it over other news sources. More than 70 percent of those who read their paper said that the newspaper was useful to them personally.

These results come from a recently completed survey conducted by Susquehanna Polling and Research of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, for the National Newspaper Association.

The survey demonstrates that Americans find their local community newspapers to be relevant, useful and necessary in today's digital-focused environment. It reinforces that people want to know what is going on in their communities, and find that their local newspaper provides that important news and information. Susquehanna Polling surveyed 1,000 households across the country.

The National Newspaper Association, founded in 1885, represents over 2,000 community newspapers across America. Its flagship monthly newspaper, Publishers' Auxiliary, provides members with industry news and trends, editorial, advertising and business best practice information and advice from industry experts.

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# Opinion and Commentary

## Some changes can help to reduce electric bill

The costs of keeping cool during the summer can be a challenge for family budgets. University of Illinois Extension educator in energy and environmental stewardship Jason Haupt says there are a few ways to help keep your home comfortable without making you sweat over your bank account balance.

A few changes can be made in your home to help reduce your electric bill:

**Turn the air conditioner up.** The U.S. Department of Energy estimates that most homes could save up to 10 percent on their cooling costs just by turning the AC up.

You will need to figure out what you are comfortable with, but does the AC need to be set at 72? Changing the thermostat will save you an average of 1 percent per degree.

Unless you have a medical reason for needing the AC set very low. Seventy-five or 76 degrees tends to be a very comfortable temperature after a brief adjustment period.

**Use your fans.** Using fans in occupied rooms is a very energy efficient way of cooling off without cranking the AC. Be sure and turn off the fan when you leave the room.

Fans move air in the room to help increase the effectiveness of your "personal cooling system." Whole house fans are very effective when the nights are cool, pulling cool air into the home. Be sure to have windows open to make the most of your whole house fan.

**Close the curtains.** Using curtains, especially blackout or energy conservation curtains, reduces the heat that is entering your home.

Reducing the amount of sunlight that comes into your home can have a significant effect on the temperature in your home. Just like when you sit in the shade, it is cooler reducing the sunlight into the home and helps keep your home cool as well.

**Service your air conditioner.** Making sure that your AC is functioning properly can save you a significant amount of money. It not only extends the life of your AC system but also makes sure that it is not working harder than needed to cool your home.

Changing air filters, cleaning your outdoor compressor and hiring a professional to inspect your system each spring will help to extend the life of your cooling system.

**Upgrade your air conditioner.** If you have a very old air conditioner, no matter how well you maintain it, you will see an increase in efficiency by upgrading to a new system.

Depending on the SEER rating of your unit and the new unit you could be saving between an estimated 33 percent and 58 percent on cooling costs each year.

With an average cost for a 1,700 square foot home of between \$2,000 to \$7,000, it puts your pay off period between five and seven years.

Haupt said that Ameren Illinois has an incentive to upgrading your AC if it is still working. If your AC system is still working they have a \$650 "Early Retirement" incentive and a \$400 "Standard Replacement" for a nonworking unit. This reduces the pay off period to between three and five years. Check the Ameren Illinois Act On Energy website for more information and to find a Program Ally that will be able to provide the incentives.

## A Page from the Past

from the files of The Gazette-Democrat

Thursday, July 18, 1968

The play "Make the Wilderness Like Eden" will be one of the highlights of this year's Union County Fair. It will be presented Monday evening, August 18. The play was commissioned in honor of the (Illinois) Sesquicentennial year and the playwright, Christian Moe, has written a fast moving, hard-hitting history of the State.

Area growers and shippers are anticipating a record harvest of apples and peaches this season with the peach harvest moving into the volume supply within the next two weeks. Many varieties are presently being shipped.

The Shrine Circus produced by Clyde Brothers, and sponsored by the Oasis Shrine Club of Anna, drew a capacity crowd at the Anna City Park Friday, July 12.

The annual Western Saratoga Homecoming will be held this Saturday evening, July 20, beginning at 5:00 p.m. The Homecoming will have a Sesquicentennial theme this year and everyone is urged to travel to Western Saratoga to partake of the delicious food, enjoy the entertainment and meet with old friends and neighbors.

The Dad-Burns, that talent group of young people from Anna-Jonesboro, will make their last appearance together this Saturday, July 20, at the Western Saratoga Homecoming.

The Illinois Central Railroad is announcing new departure and arrival schedules affecting the Anna station. All trains will run on Daylight Saving Time.

The Union County Housing Authority has announced that an open house will be held at the Hillside Terrace Apartments located on North Green Street in Anna, from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, July 21.

W.D. and Maud E. Boren celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary Wednesday, July 17.

The Anna Municipal swimming pool is still offering swimming lessons.

The Jonesboro Lions Club held their annual Ladies night and installation of officers this past week.

The 45th Reunion of the 1923 class of the Anna-Jonesboro Community High School will be held at the Elks Club Saturday, July 27.

Letters to the editor can be found on page 7 of this section.

## Please read this...

By Geof Skinner



Our little adventure included a somewhat unexpected walk along the Mighty Mississippi River at Grand Tower on a warm and sticky summer evening.

## Illinois: all about corn, soybeans; soybeans and corn...

Corn and soybeans. Soybeans and corn. That, in a few words, is pretty much what Illinois is all about.

Well, at least in the view of a young fellow in North Carolina.

We'll get back to corn and soybeans in just a bit. First, an update: you will note that there is a picture of a bird, of some kind, accompanying this week's column. I believe this would be one of the birds which was mentioned last week in this space.

The picture was taken in the approaching dark of the night one day last week. Still don't know what kind of bird we're seeing. However, I am confident that the creature is neither an Australian wood duck, nor is it an emu.

Now, let's get back to corn and soybeans...

...during July, when it was pretty much nasty hot and nasty humid, we welcomed a young visitor from the Tar Heel State, AKA North Carolina. At this point in our lives, we get to see him about once a year. The place he calls home is just a bit too far for a Sunday afternoon drive. Such is life.

As has been the case in recent years, he came during what proved to be the hottest and most humidest time of the summer. We can't figure that out. We suggested, again, that we need to get him to God's country in the fall, when the weather, hopefully, would be much nicer.

The sweltering summer weather impacted some of our plans while he was here. We made adjustments. And planned other activities, when the weather was just a bit more cooperative. Sort of.

One day last week, we decided to take a bit of road trip in the "cool" of the evening. My idea was to motor to the Union County State Fish and Wildlife Area near Ware and check out if any creatures might be wandering around as the sun was about to set.

Such a journey also would give us an opportunity to see corn and soybeans which are growing in Union County. That was rather significant. You see, our guest has a friend back home who seems to think that all of Illinois is covered in corn and soybeans. To be honest, I guess such an image of the Land of Lincoln is a whole lot better than seeing the entire State of Illinois as a suburb of Chicago.

Well, we did see corn. And soybeans. There were fields of the future crops along Illinois Route 146 between Jonesboro and Ware. We also spotted lots of corn and soybeans growing at the fish and wildlife area, which most of us around here simply know as the refuge.

We did see a few critters at the refuge: several kinds of birds, including an egret which made a rather spectacular appearance while flying over an almost dry ditch. At one point, we could hear what I assumed was a bird of prey calling from a distant tree line. Never did see the bird. We also did not see any turtles at the refuge. Odd.

After our journey through the refuge, I figured we were headed home. Nope.

The Other Half suggested that we motor to Grand Tower to give our visitor an opportunity to get an up-close look at the Mississippi River. Seemed like a nice idea. So, we headed north.



Corn appeared to be doing quite well at the Union County State Fish and Wildlife Area near Ware. Most of us around here know the place as the refuge.



Up on a roof top, quack, quack, quack...mystery bird update...this not-so-great image features one of the mystery birds which have been flying around in our neighborhood. Some sort of waterfowl? Looks like it. Just never have seen a waterfowl type bird on a roof top before. Maybe it is a very lost Australian wood duck. Haven't seen the birds again since the picture was taken. Guess the fake news scared 'em away.

Along the way, we made a quick stop to check out an historical marker which stands next to a corn field and commemorates a visit to our little part of the world by Meriwether Lewis, William Clark (perhaps better known simply as Lewis and Clark) and the Corps of Discovery back in the fall of 1803.

The Corps of Discovery was heading into history and on a journey which took them to the Pacific Ocean and back again. Wonder how they managed to make such a trip without Google maps. Even if they had been able to use that fascinating little tool, the directions they would have gotten probably would have led them down a dead end road in what is now North Dakota and they never would have made it to the Pacific.

We arrived in metropolitan Grand Tower just as the sun was setting over the tree line in the State of Missouri. Even at that time of the day, the heat and humidity were, well, hot and humid. Southern Illinois at its best.

Our visitor had a chance to get up close and personal with the Mighty Mississippi. He also was able to see Tower Rock and the State of Missouri.

While we were motoring back home along the Mountain Glen Expressway, we did a quick tally of the critters we had spotted during the course of our evening adventure. The list included deer, crows, several egrets, a heron or two, a frog (just one) and an off-in-the-distance creature which could not be identified while it took a stroll along the road at the refuge.

We did not see, as far as I know, any Australian wood ducks while we were on our summer evening adventure.



The soybeans growing at the refuge also were in pretty good shape when we paid a visit one evening last week.

## 'Hobbit' language topic of talks at Varsity Center

Orcs, trolls and middle-earth mythology are featured at the Varsity Center in Carbondale this month, and J.R.R. Tolkien's secret language is about to be uncovered.

In connection with the Stage Company's presentation of "The Hobbit," Jeffrey Punske, assistant professor of linguistics at Southern Illinois University Carbondale, planned to give two pre-show lectures on J.R.R. Tolkien's invented language, which is seen in the popular works such as "The Lord of the Rings" and "The Hobbit."

One of the lectures was scheduled July 15. The other

talk is set to begin at 1 p.m. July 22 in the Balcony Theatre at the Varsity Center, which is located in downtown Carbondale.

Performances of "The Hobbit" will occur at: 7:30 p.m. on July 19, 20 and 21. 2 p.m. on July 22. Tickets are available for all of the show times of "The Hobbit." No additional ticket is needed to attend the pre-show lectures.

General admission ticket prices are \$15 adults and \$8 students. All tickets will be \$7 on July 19. For ticket information, call 618-549-5466.