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News Notes

Items of interest from throughout the Union County area

With August's arrival just around the corner, we can look forward to the Cobden Peach Festival, the Union County Fair in Anna, the start of a new school year and the high school football season.

Through early this week, the Union County area had received just over 4 feet of precipitation during 2019; 48.2 inches had been recorded in Jonesboro.

Reminder: the first of two installments of Union County property tax bills is due Aug. 1. The due date for the second installment is Oct. 1.

The Anna VFW post is working to invite veterans to become members of the organization. Community members also are invited to join the VFW Auxiliary. The VFW and the VFW Auxiliary do a lot in the community. More on this to come...

Congratulations to Union County State's Attorney Tyler R. Edmonds on his appointment as an associate judge of the First Judicial Circuit.

The Cobden Village Board of Trustees plans to have a special meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday, today. Adoption of a resolution to temporarily close U.S. Route 51 for the upcoming Cobden Peach Festival parade will be on the agenda for the meeting, which is at the village hall.

Rural Health Inc. is planning to celebrate National Health Center Week. Special activities are scheduled Aug. 7-8 at Rural Health's clinic in Anna.

Southern Seven Health Department plans to offer a free American Diabetes Association Diabetic Alert Day from 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 7, at the Union County Farm Bureau office in Jonesboro. (continued on page 2)

Edmonds appointed as associate judge



Tyler R. Edmonds

Tyler R. Edmonds of Anna has been appointed as an associate judge of the First Judicial Circuit in Southern Illinois.

Edmonds is serving in his third term as Union County state's attorney. He has held the post for 10 years and seven months.

Marcia M. Meis, director of the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts, announced on Monday that the First Judicial Circuit judges had voted to select Edmonds as an associate judge of the First Judicial Circuit.

Edmonds earned his undergraduate degree in 2003 from the University of Illinois in Urbana-Champaign. He earned his juris doctor degree in 2006 from

Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn.

A ceremony to administer the judicial oath of office for Edmonds is scheduled at 1 p.m. Friday, Aug. 9, at the Union County Courthouse in Jonesboro.

The oath of office is scheduled to be administered by Judge Mark M. Boie of Union County. This spring, Judge Boie was assigned as an Appellate Court Justice in the Fifth District.

The First Judicial Circuit includes Union, Jackson, Williamson, Saline, Johnson, Pope, Alexander, Pulaski and Massac counties.

Edmonds said he will continue to serve as Union County state's attorney until Aug. 9.

The Union County Board of Commissioners will vote on filling the vacancy. Edmonds is a Democrat. Whoever is appointed to succeed him also must be a Democrat.

The new state's attorney will hold office for the remainder of Edmonds' term. The office will be on the ballot in the November 2020 election.

River level falling

The water level on the Mississippi River continued to fall early this week.

The National Weather Service office in Paducah reported that the Mississippi River at Thebes is forecast to fall below flood stage on Tuesday, July 30.

A flood warning remains in effect until further notice for the Mississippi River at Cape Girardeau.

Extension center open house slated

Shawnee Community College is planning to host an open house at its extension center in Anna.

The open house is scheduled from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Aug. 1.

The Anna center plans to offer tours of its facility in addition to having college personnel on hand to help with registration and orientation.

As of Monday, the Mississippi was the only river in the Southern Illinois and Southeast Missouri region to be under a flood warning issued by the weather service office in Paducah.

The weather service shared the following flood information updates:

Mississippi River at Cape Girardeau: At 7 p.m. Monday, July 22, the river's stage was 35.2 feet. Flood stage is 32.0 feet.

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

The forecast called for the river to continue to slowly fall.

Mississippi River at Thebes: A flood warning remains in effect until Wednesday, July 31.

At 7 p.m. Monday, July 22, the river's stage was 34.0 feet. Flood stage is 33.0 feet.

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



Helping hands

Members of the Anna-Jonesboro Community High School football team, including head coach Brett Detering, third from right, were on hand to help at last Saturday's Shred & Med Disposal Day in Jonesboro. Among the A-J football players who helped to unload vehicles were Brylen Suggs, Landon Cleghorn, Gavin Osman, Keegan Keller, Brett Smith, Ayden Dillman, Daden Moore and Jacob Doss.

Union County Shred, Med Disposal Day event a success

Southern Seven Health Department, along with Union County Farm Bureau, hosted a Shred & Med Disposal Day in Union County last Saturday morning in Jonesboro.

The hosts of the event had some special help for the project.

Shred & Med Disposal Day was held from 9 a.m. until noon Saturday on a parking lot at the Union County Courthouse in Jonesboro.

The event gave community members an opportunity for free and confidential document shredding and safe disposal of unwanted medication.

Organizers reported that nearly 75 people had come to Shred & Med Disposal Day by about 11 a.m. on Saturday. People came from Union, Massac, Williamson and Saline counties.

Those who brought items to the Shred & Med Disposal Day were given a helping hand in unloading their vehicles by members of the Anna-Jonesboro Community High School football team.

Brett Detering, the head coach of the squad, said that about 15 players worked during two shifts over the course of a hot and humid summer morning. Detering said the help given by

the players offered them an opportunity to give back to the community.

The work being done by the A-JCHS football players was praised by those who organized Shred & Med Disposal Day.

Shred-it from Paducah was at the event to accept documents for disposal.

Medications collected at the event were to be taken to Southern Illinois University Carbondale for proper disposal.

Union County Board of Commissioners vice chairman Bobby Toler Jr. was at Shred & Med Disposal Day. He said the county was glad to be part of the event.



Unloading vehicle

Anna-Jonesboro Community High School football players helped to unload a vehicle during the Shred & Med Disposal Day.



Museum welcomes visitors from St. Louis

The Union County Museum in downtown Cobden was toured by representatives from the Saint Louis Art Museum on Tuesday, July 16. They reviewed the museum's collection as part of their outreach program in Southern Illinois. From left are Beth Rubin from the St. Louis museum; Paulette Aronson, a Union County Historical Society board member; and Amy Torbert from the St. Louis museum. The group discussed the museum's history, local art history and the Anna Pottery. Photo provided.

Free swim day planned Saturday at Anna Pool

The community is invited to be a part of a special event which is planned this weekend in Anna.

The City of Anna and Anna-Jonesboro National Bank are teaming up to offer a free swim day at the Anna City Pool to all swimmers 16 and under.

The free swim day is scheduled from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, July 27.

Plans include entertainment by Mystify Music and Whiffle Boys pizza by the slice, which will be available at the pool's concession stand, where each swimmer gets one free cold drink.

The city's police and fire department will have volunteers present to hand out giveaways next to the pool's parking lot, where

there will be a police squad car and a fire truck on display.

There will be a tent with fans set up to give the overflow of the 199 maximum capacity allowed in the pool area at once a cool spot to relax until it's their turn to enjoy the pool.

The initial goal of the free swim day was to simply provide youth from Union County communities a safe and fun-filled day without having to spend a dime.

Anna City Council member Michael Bigler proposed the idea for the free swim day. The event was proposed at a recent meeting of the city council. The council gave its full support for the free swim day.

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Wolf Lake Project's members hoping to make community safer, cleaner for future generations

Cleaning up Wolf Lake is the mission of a group in the Union County community. The Wolf Lake Project is making plans to host a community event on Saturday, Aug. 3.

The Wolf Lake Project shared information which explains that its mission is "to make the community safer and cleaner for our future generations."

Community members had attended a recent Union County Board of Commissioners meeting to voice their concerns about issues in Wolf Lake.

The Wolf Lake Project is described as "a highly motivated group of community members that has continually seen the depletion of properties in the Wolf Lake area."

"Many of the properties that the organization would be focusing on are either abandoned and unkept or have structures that are damaged, dilapidated and deemed unlivable."

The organization states that its goals include:

- Obtaining and cleaning abandoned lots that are being used for, but not intended to be, a dumping site for trash, which also becomes an unsanitary condition for community members.
- Cleaning up lots that have damaged structures, such as burned houses and/or dilapidated buildings.
- Upkeep and regular maintenance to the gained properties.

Event Planned Aug. 3

The community is invited to help to support the Wolf Lake Project's effort at an event which is scheduled on Saturday, Aug. 3.

The event is planned from noon until 11 p.m. at The Duck Inn, which is located at 5495 State Route 3 in Wolf Lake.

The Aug. 3 event is

scheduled to feature food, a corn hole tournament, a 50/50 raffle, music and other raffles.

The corn hole tournament is scheduled to begin at 1 p.m.

Music is scheduled to start at 4:30 p.m. The Evan Webb Band and the Southern Comfort Band are scheduled to perform.

The Wolf Lake Project offers several ways to support the work it is doing and the Aug. 3 event.

Supporters can make a monetary contribution to Pistol City Properties for cleanup efforts.

Donations for a silent auction/raffle planned on Aug. 3 also are welcome. Organizers ask that donations be made before July 31.

Information about helping to support the Wolf Lake Project is available by contacting Eric or Malori Lambdin, or Jason or Abbie Stegle, at the following numbers: 573-837-5788, 618-303-3518, 618-201-5665 or 573-837-2122.

News Notes

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Registration is underway for the fall semester at Shawnee Community College. Classes are scheduled to begin Aug. 14.

Good luck to the Anna Blue Dolphins swim team, which is scheduled to compete in the league championship meet this Saturday in Carbondale.

Young people from the Union County area were reported to have done well in livestock competitions at the 2019 Massac County Youth Fair.

The third annual Cross of Peace dinner is planned Saturday, July 27, at Hedman Vineyards in Alto Pass.

The U.S. Forest Service has announced plans to celebrate Smokey Bear's 75th birthday on Aug. 9 at the Vienna City Park and Aug. 10 at the Lincoln Memorial Picnic Grounds in Jonesboro. Both celebrations are planned from 10 a.m. to noon.

Southern Seven Health Department is planning to host its fifth annual 5K run/walk on Sept. 7. The event will help to support Southern Seven and the Cairo Women's Shelter.



Here's lookin' at you...

Weather

1.48 inches of rain, high of 94 degrees

The Union County area got a break from summer heat and humidity early this week.

Rain on Monday was followed by the arrival of cooler, less humid weather.

Rainfall totalling 1.48 inches was recorded July 16-22 in the Union County area.

Precipitation included .31 of an inch on July 16, .12 of an inch on July 17, .01 of an inch on July 18, .13 of an inch on July 21 and .91 of an inch on July 22.

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

	H	L
Tuesday, July 16	85	73
Wednesday, July 17	92	72
Thursday, July 18	93	71
Friday, July 19	92	76
Saturday, July 20	93	73
Sunday, July 21	94	74
Monday, July 22	78	66

Free swim day

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Saturday's event also will be an opportunity to help some of those who have been impacted by the flood of 2019.

"With the school year in mind, let's demonstrate to our kids here the importance of lending a helping hand to a neighbor in need," Bigler stated.

"The flooding that has affected many students' families, specifically in the southern part of the Shawnee School District is the perfect opportunity to do this.

"We are collecting school supplies to help as many of the impacted students as possible and their families have one less thing to worry about as they continue to recover.

"If you would like to help, please drop off school supplies at Anna City Hall or one of the four Anna-Jonesboro National Bank locations any time during business hours between now and August 9."

All school supplies which are donated and collected at the city pool during the July 27 event will be matched by the City of Anna and Anna-Jonesboro National Bank up to \$500.

Free tetanus shots offered

As of Friday, July 19, Southern Seven Health Department reported that it was continuing to offer free tetanus shots at its Union County clinic in Anna.

The vaccines are free to flood victims throughout the seven-county area served by the health department.

The vaccines also are free to volunteers who are helping in flood areas.

The health department explained that tetanus is a very serious, life-threatening disease, even though it is rare in the United States today.

Tetanus, often called lockjaw, is an infection caused by bacteria that enters the body through cuts, scratches and wounds.

Symptoms of tetanus include painful muscle tightening and stiffness, usually all over the body. In some cases it can affect swallowing and breathing.

The health department said the tetanus vaccine is valid for 10 years, although it can be given earlier after a severe and dirty wound or burn.

For more information about the vaccine, or to schedule an appointment to get a tetanus shot, call Southern Seven at 618-634-2297 or 833-8560.

Anna Council member seeks to ensure safety of rental properties

An Anna City Council member is working to ensure the safety of rental properties in the Union County area.

The issue was addressed at last week's regular meeting of the city council. The meeting was Tuesday evening, July 16, at Anna City Hall.

The regular meeting, which began at 5 p.m., was preceded by a special meeting. The special meeting began at 4 p.m.

The council has been in the process of hiring a new public works manager. Six finalists were being interviewed.

The council had another special meeting scheduled at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 23, at city hall.

Council member Bryan Miller is working to ensure that rental properties throughout the city are safe and offer such basics as roofs which do not leak, plumbing and safe wiring.

Miller said that a key factor which spurred his effort to act on the matter focuses on the safety of children in the community.

City attorney John Foley said that an ordinance would be the best way to

address the concerns.

Mayor Steve Hartline praised Miller for focusing on the matter and asked that action be pursued.

In other business during the July 16 regular meeting:

Council member Kathy Bryan reported that an estimated one to two weeks would be needed to complete a major improvement project which has been underway along South Main Street through downtown Anna. Rainy weather has slowed the work.

Council member Martha Ann Webb asked that the city consider support of a Wreaths Across America program. The program works to honor fallen veterans and sponsors wreath-laying ceremonies at cemeteries. The mayor asked Webb to gather more information about the program.

Council member Michael Bigler shared an update about plans for a free swim day which is planned on Saturday, July 27, at the Anna City Pool. A variety of activities are being planned.

An update was shared about the repair of a pump at the city's wastewater treatment plant.

Residential well water safety check planned

Southern Seven Health Department says that when it comes to supplying a home or business with water, there's more to it than just turning on a faucet.

That's where Southern Seven Health Department's environmental health services division comes in.

The division works to assure rural residents and business owners that these systems are designed and working according to code so that neither the public's health nor the environment are jeopardized.

The health department is planning to host a well water safety check for local residents from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Aug. 19 at the Union County Farm Bureau office in Jonesboro.

Community members can stop by the Farm Bureau to purchase a test kit for \$20 from the health department during those hours.

Inside the kit will be instructions on how to collect water into a container which will be provided.

Enrollment underway

Shawnee Hills Christian Academy, SHCA, in Anna is enrolling students for the 2019-2020 school year. SHCA is a K-12 accredited private school.

SHCA is scheduled to begin classes on Aug. 6. The school is located at 110 Florsheim Dr. in Anna.

Information about enrollment and about the academy is available by calling 833-1870 or 618-534-5386.

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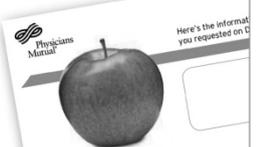
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Our Union

County Roots

Presented by the Union County Historical and Genealogy Society



County employee

Brandi Boyd, an employee of the Union County clerk's office, stands next to a combined clothes stand and lamp developed by Max Warren in 1941.

Our Union County Roots is a monthly column by the Union County Historical and Genealogy Society focusing on a variety of subjects pertaining to the history of our county.

The society, founded in 1972, owns and operates the Union County Museum in Cobden and publishes a newsletter featuring historical research three times per year.

The society is a private, not-for-profit corporation. All of the society's members are volunteers.

Admission to the Union County Museum and all of the programs and exhibits is free.

Need a place to hang your hat?

A unique hat and coat rack developed and patented in 1941 by Max Warren of Anna is one of the many items moved from the old Union County Courthouse to the new structure in Jonesboro.

The free-standing coat rack, made of solid walnut with large metal hooks, occupies a prominent corner in the entrance to the county clerk's office.

Warren called his inven-

tion a combined clothes stand and lamp.

The original coat rack had an electric lamp on top. The opening for the lamp and its electrical works remains, but the lamp is missing on this particular stand.

The coat rack or hall tree was advertised as being extra sturdy, with the legs positioned so as to brace the rack to make it virtually impossible to fall over.

The top revolved, which allowed a person to remove a hat or garment from the back of the rack by giving the top a one half turn.

The hooks were patented and sold separately, should someone want to purchase only the hooks. The top part of the hook was made to hold hats that, when they were wet, would not drip on garments hanging below or on the base of the hall tree.

The coat rack was available for sale at the Glenn R. Hindman Standard Oil Station in Anna.

Warren did not state the price of his new invention in a November 1941 news item in The Gazette-Democrat, but assured the public that it was surprisingly inexpensive.

82nd Peach Festival planned Aug. 2-3

The 82nd Peach Festival will be celebrated in Cobden on Friday and Saturday, Aug. 2-3, in the Union County village.

The event is sponsored by the Cobden Lions Club. Proceeds go to community and charitable projects.

The Peach Festival takes place in the Cobden Community Park area along Locust Street.

Most of the activities are scheduled to begin at 5 p.m. both days.

The festival will feature Bounce Blast Inflatables, games, a queen pageant, food, peach cobbler, bingo, raffle and the popular Spin & Win game which offers peaches as prizes.

Musical entertainment for Friday will be Uncle Pecos. On Saturday, the Tucker Kuhnert Band will perform.

Run/Walk, Fun Run

The Cobden Runners'/Walkers' Club will sponsor its annual Peach Festival 5K run/walk and 1-mile fun run starting at 7:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 3.

The event is scheduled to begin at the Cobden Community Park on Locust Street. Information about the run is available by calling 618-713-4245.

Parade

A Peach Festival parade is scheduled Saturday, Aug. 3, beginning at 4:30 p.m. The parade route will be through downtown Cobden.

Entries are currently being accepted by the Village

of Cobden. The grand marshal is the Cobden Women's Club.

Information about the parade is available by calling Cobden Village Hall at 893-2425.

Museum, Shop

The Union County Museum and its resale shop located on South Appleknocker Street in downtown Cobden will be open Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day.

The museum is featuring an exhibit about the Apollo 11 moon landing. The display features a private collection from an engineer who worked for IBM during this period.

The museum will also have on display history fair projects from three local schools.

"Floods of Southern Illinois"

The Union County Historical Society will present a special exhibit titled "Floods of Southern Illinois."

The display will feature photos from the 1898 Shawneetown flood, the floods of 1903, 1912-13, 1937, 1943 and 1993.

The photos are from private collections and from the archives of the society. Other historical exhibits are also planned.

The exhibit will be at the society's resource and cultural center at 103 N. Appleknocker (the former Cobden medical clinic).

Hours will be Friday

Introduction to canning program to be featured at field day event

Food Works is planning to present an August field day program titled "Preserving the Harvest: Intro to Canning."

The program is scheduled from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 12, at Kite Hill Vineyards in Carbondale.

The field day is scheduled to be led by Margie Sawicki from Acorn Ridge Farm.

Sawicki plans to talk about canning basics and to lead those in attendance in a hands-on demonstration.

The evening is scheduled to conclude with a potluck and opportunities to ask questions, build relationships, and explore additional topics. Those who plan to attend are asked to bring a dish to share.

Field days are open to the public and free for members of the Southern Illinois

Farming Alliance and Food Works. A \$5 donation is suggested for non-members.

Registration is encouraged but not required. Those who want to attend can RSVP at www.fwsoil.org/field-days or by calling 618-370-3287, extension 103.

from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Visitors are welcomed to come to Cobden and experience the village's unique shops, eating establishments, and nearby wineries.

An informational flyer detailing the Peach Festival

activities, along with other places to visit in Cobden, will be available at most of the participating establishments.

More information is available by contacting the Village of Cobden at 893-2425 or by visiting the village's website at www.cobdenil.com.

Jonesboro Public Library to welcome 'Reading Magician'

Chris Egelston, the "Reading Magician," plans to present his "Reading Is Magic Show" at the Jonesboro Public Library at 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 30.

Egelston uses magic, comedy and audience participation to teach children about the fun and importance of reading. He encourages them to read both to learn and to have fun.

"Reading is the most important skill anyone can learn. It is the key to success in life," Egelston said in a news release.

"And, I remind parents and children that you can borrow books for free at the library, so there's never an excuse not to read."

During the program, Egelston tells the children and parents to read about anything that interests them: science, pets, sports, magic, whatever...because the more you read, the better you will be at it."

He also relates how he learned most of his magic from the more than 600 magic books he owns.

Egelston has been a professional magician and motivational speaker since 1982.

He is one of only 40 magicians in the world to have earned the designation of Certified Magical Professional.

Egelston says that he also knows the value of education. He earned a bachelor of science degree in marketing and an MBA from Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

Egelston regularly performs for all types of organizations and their events, including schools, corporate events, churches and others.

He can be reached toll-free at 1-800-341-6954 or through his website at www.ChrisEgelston.com.

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In conjunction with this Back to School Event, A-J National Bank and The City of Anna will be collecting school supplies for those in the Shawnee School District affected by the recent flood. School supplies can be dropped off the day of this event, or at Anna City Hall and any 4 of the A-J National Bank branches until August 7. A-J National Bank will match school supply donations up to \$400! Goosehead Insurance will match up to \$100!

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Sports

Anna Blue Dolphins compete at Salem event

The Anna Blue Dolphins swim team competed in the Salem Pentathlon on Saturday, July 20.

In the pentathlon, each swimmer participates in each swim stroke plus an individual medley.

The combined times of five events were then calculated to place the swimmer in their age group.

The top three swimmers in each age group were awarded trophies.

Blue Dolphins placing in the top three included:

Niah Chotner: Girls 6&under 1st Place

Nile Chotner: Boys 13-14 2nd Place

Michael Marggraf: Boys 7-8 3rd Place

Agent Inman: Girls 11-12 3rd Place

Jamison Marggraf: Boys 6&under 3rd Place

Overall, the Blue Dolphins placed third at the

invitational, with 21 swimmers earning team points.

Swimmers who attended the event included:

Sophie Barnhart, Calysta Borders, Katryna Borders, Sabryna Borders, Trystan Borders.

Leah Buchheit, Lakeilyn Carter, Myan Carter, Niah Chotner, Nile Chotner, Noah Chotner, Adam Clark, Megan Clark, JJ Dallas, Luke Dallas, Tilman Dallas.

Isabella Hawk, Alexis Houseman, Agent Inman, Ben Marggraf, Jamison Marggraf, Michael Marggraf, Drue Teske, Christian Thompson.

Christian Thompson had the most improvement by dropping 10.63 seconds during the butterfly event.

The Blue Dolphins are scheduled to compete at the SISL championship meet this Saturday in Carbondale.

Shawnee scholar athletes honored

Two Shawnee High School athletes were nominated as scholar athletes for the Southern Illinoisan newspaper by Shawnee athletics director Mindy Livesay.

The two selected for the recognition were Nick Rose and Autumn McMahan. Both recently graduated from Shawnee.

Rose was ranked third in his class at Shawnee. He was a member of the Scholar Bowl and WYSE teams. He played basketball and baseball for Shawnee.

Rose received an academic scholarship to attend MacMurray College in Jacksonville, where he will major in accounting and finance. He plans to play baseball at the school.

McMahan was the school's valedictorian. An Illinois State Scholar, she was also the DAR Good Citizenship Award winner. She played softball and basketball for Shawnee.

McMahan will attend Shawnee Community College, with plans to major in elementary education.

Harrisburg 7, Steeleville 6

Brayden Clark had a two-run double and Cody Wieseman had an RBI double to help propel Harrisburg to a 7-6 win over Steeleville in the 5th Division American Legion baseball tournament at Fairfield Monday, July 22.

Clark and Wieseman are former Cobden High School baseball players.

Harrisburg, 16-11-1, was to have played either Odin or Steeleville for the 5th Division championship on Tuesday. The Odin-Steeleville game was played late Monday.



Most valuable players

Kansas Craig and Ariana Turner from Union County received the most valuable players awards at the recent USSSA Midwest National Championships in Des Moines, Iowa. They placed seventh out of 72 teams. The SIBSA organization of Union County voices its pride in the players' accomplishments. Photo provided.

Jake Alley selected for induction into SIU Athletics Hall of Fame

The Southern Illinois University Department of Athletics has announced its 2019 Saluki Hall of Fame class.

The distinguished, eight-person class will be formally inducted in a ceremony which is scheduled on Friday, Oct. 18, and then make public appearances during SIU homecoming festivities on Saturday, Oct. 19.

The 2019 class features former Anna-Jonesboro Community High School standout Jake Alley (baseball), as well as Karlton Carpenter (football), Craig Coffin (football), Deke Edwards (wrestling), Kelly Gerlach Hovland (women's golf), Deb Heyne Gross (volleyball), Tim Kratochvil (baseball) and Chris Lowery (men's basketball).

"It's an honor to be recognized," Alley said about his selection to the Saluki Hall of Fame. "I'm very proud of it."

Alley pitched at Southern from 1999 to 2003 and compiled a 22-15 record in 77 appearances with 44 starts.

He set the school record for career strikeouts (284) and innings pitched (324.2) and finished ninth in wins.

Alley began his career out of the bullpen and recorded seven saves as a freshman.

He ended his career as a first-team All-MVC selection and as an Itchy Jones most valuable player award winner, going 7-4 with a 3.22 ERA.

He was head coach of the A-J baseball team from 2005 to 2015.

Alley currently resides in Anna and works as a nursing home administrator.

Jerseys to be Retired
The Saluki Hall of Fame

selection committee also announced that two Hall of Fame members will have their jerseys retired during the upcoming academic year.

Baseball coach Itchy Jones (No. 1) and women's basketball player Amy Rakers Fogle (No. 34) will have their jerseys retired at separate ceremonies during their sport's seasons, with dates to be announced.

The number "1" has not been used since Jones left in 1990 and will not be used in the future.

The number "34" is currently worn by senior Nicole Martin and will remain eligible for future use.

A 1982 inductee into the Saluki Hall of Fame, Jones played second base under Abe Martin from 1957 to 1960 and then played one season in the Baltimore Orioles minor league system.

He returned to the program in 1970 and created a baseball dynasty in 21 years as head coach at his alma mater from 1970 to 1990.

He led the Salukis to a 738-345-5 record, including 10 NCAA Tournament appearances and three trips

Cobden players help Harrisburg win Legion district championship

Cobden's Bayden Ditterline was 3-for-3 at the plate to help lead host Harrisburg to an 8-6 win over Fairfield in the 24th District American Legion baseball tournament championship game Monday, July 15.

Teammate Cody Wieseman was 2-for-3. Brayden Clark was 0-for-1 with a walk.

Ditterline, Wieseman and Clark are all former Cobden High School baseball

players.

"They are all hitting pretty well and they play good defensively," said Harrisburg American Legion coach Cody Clark. "They're all doing pretty good."

Ditterline also earned a save pitching in relief in the championship game.

Harrisburg lost in first round action to Aviston, 7-2, in the 5th Division tournament at Fairfield Saturday, July 20.



Youth soccer camp

More than 57 young athletes registered to participate in the Anna-Jonesboro Community High School boys' soccer team's three-day youth soccer camp. The event was July 17-19 at the Brady Mill Road soccer fields in Anna. The young people who attended the camp learned basic skills and soccer fundamentals. This was the A-J boys' soccer team's first year to host a soccer camp. Photos by Benjamin Marxer.

Peach Festival 5K run/walk, fun run set

The 16th annual Cobden Peach Festival 5K run/walk and 1-mile fun run are planned Saturday morning, Aug. 3.

The run/walk and fun run are sponsored by the Cobden Runners'/Walkers' Club.

The events begin and end on Locust Street near the Cobden Community Park, between old U.S. Route 51 and Appleknocker Drive.

Same-day registration is scheduled to begin at 6:30 a.m.

The 5K run/walk begins at 7:30 a.m. The 1-mile fun run begins at 8:30 a.m.

Awards will be present-

ed for each of the events, including:

5K run: overall male and female.

5K walk: overall male and female.

Top three places awarded in each age group.

Fun run and stroller division participants will receive a participation ribbon.

The walkers category will offer eight age groups for males and females, from 9 and under to 70 and over.

The runners category will offer 16 categories for males and females, from 9 and under to 80 and over.

Online registration is available at RunSignUp.

A registration form also can be found on the River to River Runners' online calendar.

Fees to participate include: \$15 for 5K runners and walkers; \$10 for those who do not want a t-shirt.

\$3 for fun run for ages 13 and up. The fun run is free for ages 0 to 12.

There is a \$30 entry fee cap for families, which includes any variation of mom, dad and kids.

More information about the Peach Festival is available by contacting Jennifer at 618-713-4245 or cobdenrunnerswalkersclub@gmail.com.



Youth football camp held

The Wildcat Youth Football League hosted its annual football summer camp July 15-18. The camp was held at the Anna-Jonesboro Community High School football practice field. Participants ran drills, did calisthenics and fine tuned their skills in preparation for the upcoming football season. Photos by Benjamin Marxer.

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JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,

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19-CH-1

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Permanent Index Number: 14-00-07-866

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For information contact Plaintiff's Attorney: Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, 111 East Main Street, Decatur, IL 62523, (217) 422-1719

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YARD SALE

ANNUAL HUGE YARD SALE: Saturday, July 27. 503 S. Main, Jonesboro. 6:30 a.m. to 2:30.

CARPORT SALE: 402 Springfield Avenue, Anna. Friday, July 26, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, July 27, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Groceries, health & beauty items, children's clothing (boys & girls, newborn to size 6), women's clothing (S-XL), glider rocker, knick-knacks, queen sheets and comforters, too much to list.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY SALE: 4- colored trees, 2- snowmen, moose, 2- cone trees, J-O-Y (spelled out), 2- colored string lights, concrete snowman, concrete Santa Claus, concrete bear. (618)-893-2506. Leave message.

HUGE 4 FAMILY YARD SALE: Saturday, July 27, 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. 206 Spring Street, Dongola. Lots of toys, name brand clothing (women's sizes up to 3XL, men's up to 4XL), little girls clothing (up to 3T), little boys clothing, household items, decorations, purses, and much more!

HUGE 5+ FAMILY YARD SALE: Friday & Saturday, July 26 & 27, 7 a.m. to ??? (ALL DAY). 3020 State Route 127 South, Jonesboro. 2 miles from Jonesboro Square, watch for pink signs. Men's, women's, boys, girls (sizes 0-1X), 35+ long skirts, name brand shoes. American Eagle, Buckle, Big Star, Rock Revival, Miss Me, Columbia, Victoria's Secret, Under Armour, Northface. Antiques, quilts, furniture, collectibles. Complete set of Pfaltzgraff dishes, toys, full-size antique iron bed, adult Halloween costumes, lots more. Property owner is not responsible for accidents.

HUGE MULTIPLE-FAMILY YARD SALE: 207 Evergreen Drive, Anna. Thursday & Friday, July 25 & 26, 8 a.m. to ??? Baby girl clothing (NB-2T) and toys, women's & men's clothing (all sizes), household items, appliances, plus much more including FREE items. No Early Sales.

MOVING SALE: Friday & Saturday, July 26 & 27. 505 Baggott Lane, Anna. ALSO, help wanted for moving. Call (618)-202-9542.

MOVING TAG SALE: 107 North Orange Street, Jonesboro. Thursday & Friday, August 1 & 2, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Saturday, August 3, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Antique furniture, collectibles, household goods, hardware items, books of all kinds, and lots of misc.

MULTI-FAMILY YARD SALE: Saturday, July 27, starting at 7 a.m. at 602 McKinley Street, Anna. Furniture, household appliances, TV's, men's clothing, car rims, women's plus-size clothing, shoes, movies, 2- Fitbit hr charge, HP limited edition Star Wars i7 laptop, vape tanks, twin wooden bed with trundle, twin black metal frame bed, fish tank with wood stand, girls size 7-12 clothing, shoes & toys, art desk, kitchen set, and more.

GARAGE SALE: 480 Shawnee Meadows Lane, Anna. Friday, July 26 only, 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.

MULTI-FAMILY YARD SALE: Friday & Saturday, July 26 & 27, 7 a.m. to noon. 112 Division Street, Anna. No Early Sales.

YARD SALE: Saturday, July 27. 110 N. Acre Lane, Jonesboro. Honda mini-bike, boys clothing, toys, Legos, household items, nice women's clothing, smoker, deer sheds, etc. 7:30 a.m. to ???

YARD SALE: 17539 Plank Road, Tammms, IL. Tractor, small furniture, clothing, knick-knacks and more. Saturday, July 27, 5:30 a.m. to ???

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STATE OF ILLINOIS, CIRCUIT COURT UNION COUNTY

PUBLICATION NOTICE OF COURT DATE FOR REQUEST FOR NAME CHANGE (ADULT)

Request of: CRISTY NICOL CAYLAO-HALE 2019-MR-76

There will be a court date on my Request to change my name from: CRISTY NICOL CAYLAO-HALE to the new name of: Cristy Nicol Caylao. The court date will be held: on August 23, 2019, at 10 a.m. at 309 W. Market Street,

Jonesboro, Union County, in Courtroom #4.

CRISTY CAYLAO-HALE
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF ILLINOIS

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE, FOR THE HOLDERS OF THE CIM TRUST

2017-7, MORTGAGE-BACKED NOTES, SERIES 2017-7, Plaintiff(s),

vs.

UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JIMMY RAY DALLAS, JANNA EDDLEMAN, PRESTON DALLAS, ADAM LAWLER AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendant(s).

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PUBLICATION NOTICE

The requisite Affidavit for Publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to you: UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JIMMY RAY DALLAS, NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, UNKNOWN

TENANTS and UNKNOWN OWNERS, Defendants in the above entitled suit, that said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of Union County, Chancery Division, by the said Plaintiff, against you and other Defendants, praying for foreclosure of a certain Real Estate Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to wit:

PART OF THE NORTH-EAST QUARTER OF SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 2 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, CITY OF JONESBORO, UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 6 OF RICHARD J. PEERY'S THIRD ADDITION; THENCE NORTH 86 DEGREES 30' EAST ALONG THE SOUTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF WALNUT STREET A DISTANCE OF 17.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUING NORTH 86 DEGREES 30' EAST ALONG THE SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE A DISTANCE OF 183.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 4 DEGREES 30' EAST A DISTANCE OF 75.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 86 DEGREES 30' WEST A DISTANCE OF 183.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 4 DEGREES 30' WEST A DISTANCE OF 75.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; AND ALSO A RIGHT OF ACCESS OVER, UPON, ALONG AND ACROSS A 17 FOOT STRIP OF LAND LYING BETWEEN THE REAL PROPERTY HEREIN ABOVE DESCRIBED AND THE 13 FOOT ALLEYWAY LYING ON THE WESTERLY SIDE OF SAID LOT 6, WHICH RIGHT OF ACCESS SHALL CONNECT THE REAL PROPERTY HEREIN DESCRIBED TO SAID 13 FOOT ALLEYWAY SHOWN ON THE PLAT OF RICHARD J. PEERY'S THIRD ADDITION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS, PER PLAT OF SURVEY FILED ON JULY 21, 1988, IN RECORD BOOK 52 AT PAGE 560 IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE OF UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

FORMERLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT A POINT WHICH IS 17 FEET NORTH 86 1/2 DEGREES EAST OF THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT NUMBER 6, IN RICHARD PEERY'S FIRST ADDITION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS, FOR A POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE NORTH 86 1/2 DEGREES EAST OF A DISTANCE OF 183 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTH 4 1/2 DEGREES EAST OF A DISTANCE OF 75 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTH 86 1/2 DEGREES WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 183 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE NORTH 4 1/2 DEGREES WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 75 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, BEING A PART OF LOT 6, IN RICHARD PEERY'S FIRST ADDITION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AND A PART OF RICHARD PEERY'S THIRD ADDITION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO,

UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AND ALSO A RIGHT OF ACCESS OVER, UPON, ALONG AND ACROSS A 17 FOOT STRIP OF LAND LYING BETWEEN THE REAL PROPERTY HEREIN ABOVE DESCRIBED AND THE 13 FOOT ALLEYWAY LYING ON THE WESTERLY SIDE OF SAID LOT 6, WHICH RIGHT OF ACCESS SHALL CONNECT THE REAL PROPERTY HEREIN ABOVE DESCRIBED TO SAID 13 FOOT ALLEYWAY SHOWN ON THE PLAT OF RICHARD PEERY'S FIRST ADDITION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

ALSO, AN EASEMENT FOR CONTINUED PRESENCE OF AN ABOVE-GROUND SWIMMING POOL PARTIALLY LOCATED ON THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE: PART OF THE NORTH-EAST QUARTER OF SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 2 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, CITY OF JONESBORO, UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 6 OF RICHARD J. PEERY'S THIRD ADDITION; THENCE SOUTH 4 DEGREES 30' EAST ALONG THE EASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF AN ALLEY A DISTANCE OF 75.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 86 DEGREES 30' EAST A DISTANCE OF 66 FEET TO THE EAST LINE OF SAID LOT 6 AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUING NORTH 86 DEGREES 30' EAST A DISTANCE OF 60 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 4 DEGREES 30' EAST A DISTANCE OF 15.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 86 DEGREES 30' WEST A DISTANCE OF 60.00 FEET TO THE EAST LINE OF SAID LOT 6; THENCE NORTH 4 DEGREES 30' WEST ALONG THE SAID EAST LINE A DISTANCE OF 15.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

Tax Number: 08-25-06-151, 14-00-07-840 AND 14-00-07-841

commonly known as 406 W WALNUT ST JONESBORO IL 62952; and which said Real Estate Mortgage was made by JIMMY RAY DALLAS, and recorded in the Office of the Union County Recorder as Document Number 2008R0253; that Summons was duly issued out of the said Court against you as provided by law, and that the said suit is now pending.

Now, therefore, unless you, the said named Defendant, file your answer to the Complaint in the said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the office of the Circuit Court of Union County, located at 309 WEST MARKET STREET, JONESBORO, IL 62952, on or before August 26, 2019, default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint.

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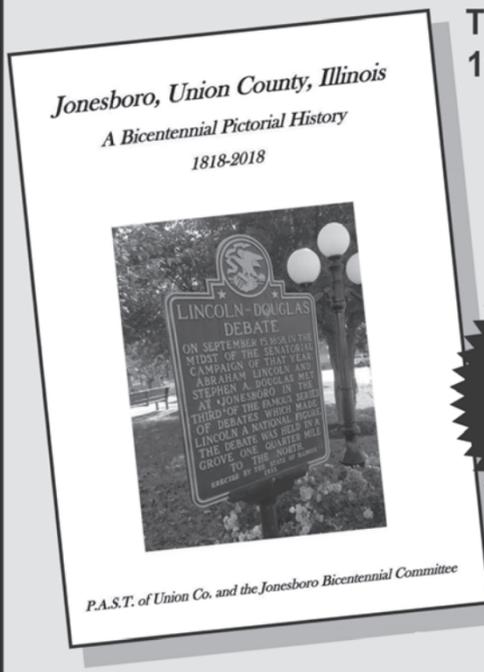
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Obituaries

Rev. Robert L. Goins



Rev. Robert L. Goins, 87, of Anna, passed from this life at 11:38 a.m. Tuesday, July 16, 2019, at his home, surrounded by his family.

Robert Goins was born on Feb. 25, 1932, into a large farming family of 11 children in Olmsted. He attended school in Villa Ridge.

At the age of 15, he hitchhiked to East Chicago, Ind., to be near his family and worked as a service attendant at Super Parr Gas Station.

During this time, he met and married his sweetheart, Mildred "Millie" Chuck. (His second sweetheart, Flonelle, came many years later.)

After marriage, he became self-employed, buying and selling tires. In their early years of marriage, they experienced the tragic loss of three children.

It was shortly after this time that he felt his call to the ministry. In a letter received years later, his mother wrote, "you are even more special (son) because God called you to preach his word and you answered the call."

His early years of ministry were influenced by many great men of God such as Brother Benny Jones and Brother Frank Munsey.

In July of 1965, Brother and Sister Goins began having church services in a small borrowed four-room house in Dongola. Their efforts were rewarded as many souls came to Christ.

Brother Goins and his father mortgaged their homes to purchase this house, which was remodeled at the time to become the United Pentecostal Church of Dongola.

To support this work, Brother Goins opened the Church Resale Store in Anna. This endeavor allowed him great opportunity to witness to others about the love of God.

The congregation continued to increase. Then once again, in 2004, under the leadership of this dedicated man, the current church was erected. Southern Illinois will never be the same because Robert Goins followed the voice of God.

Rev. Robert Goins is survived by his wife, Flonelle Goins; his six children, Deborah Sadler and husband Wes, Rebecca Gibson and husband Mike, Tom Goins and wife Sheila, Tony Goins and wife Teresa, Rev. Mark Goins and wife Denise, and Lynn Bailey and wife Rebecca; grandchildren Jay, Amber, Rob, Aaron, Keith, Lindsey, Krystal, T.J., Kayla, Meagan, Lauren, Alexis, Trevor, Betsy, Lori and Randall; 31 great-grandchildren; two brothers, Glen (Jane) Goins and Eddie (Donna) Goins; and three sisters, Joyce Cameron, Lucille (Leonard) Temke and Wilma (Jack) Roach.

He was preceded in death by his children Victoria, Sandra and Robert Louis; his wife, Mildred Goins; his parents, Theodore and Hazel Goins; sisters Wanda Carson, Cynthia White and Betty Schultz; and brothers, Ted Goins and Gary Goins.

Funeral services were at 2 p.m. Friday, July 19, at the United Pentecostal Church of Dongola, with the Rev. Josh Carson, the Rev. Mark Goins and the Rev. John Gourley officiating. Interment was in Cypress Cemetery in Cypress.

Memorials can be made to the Apostolic Faith Tabernacle.

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



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

Reynoldsville News

By Sue Eudy

Rev. Jamie Bridgeman of Cape Girardeau visited Monday with Steve Eudy of Anna.

Venita Lingle of Anna visited Friday morning with Sue and Steve Eudy.

Rodney and Vicki Reynolds of Wolf Lake were lunch guests of Delores and Jack Reynolds of Reynoldsville on Sunday, July 21.

Penny Hill and Shirley Miller of McClure enjoyed lunch at Dairy Queen in Anna last Sunday and enjoyed visiting with Bonnie and Avery Mouser of McClure, who were also eating there.

Those enjoying eating at

the Golden Corral in Carbondale last Tuesday were Joe Walker of Marion, Elva Scantlin of Harrisburg, Barb and Edwin Livesay of Anna, Delores and Jack Reynolds of Reynoldsville and Shirley Miller.

Happy belated birthday wishes to our sister-in-law, Catherine Gibbs of Anna, on Saturday, July 20.

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

James F. Holmes

James F. Holmes, 92, of Carterville, and formerly of Anna and Cairo, died at 12:20 p.m. Tuesday, July 16, 2019, at Herrin Hospital.

He was born on Jan. 19, 1927, in St. Louis, the son of Frank J. and Mary Cammack Holmes.

He married Betty Jean Riley on June 15, 1951.

He graduated from Cairo High School in Cairo, Illinois in 1944. He went into the Army right out of high school at the age of 18. He was sent to Virginia and then on to Korea during his service in the Army.

Upon his return from the military, he worked for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and then for Edgar Stephens Construction Company, where he met Betty Jean.

He was later employed by MIT selling heavy construction equipment. His last place of employment was Century 21 Real Estate in Carterville.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Holmes of Carterville; a daughter, Beverly (Gary) Holmes Grimm of Columbiana, Ohio; grandchildren Gerard (Chelsea) Grimm of Columbiana, Ohio, and Stephen Grimm of Columbiana, Ohio; great-grandchildren Gibson and Sullivan, both of Columbiana, Ohio; many other relatives and friends.

Mr. Holmes was preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services were at 11 a.m. Friday, July 19, at Crain Funeral Home Egyptian Chapel in Energy, with Pastor Ray Long officiating.

Interment was in Mound City National Cemetery in Mound City, with full military honors provided by the Illinois honor guard and American Legion Post No. 178.

Memorials can be made to Carterville First United Methodist Church.

Crain Funeral Home Egyptian Chapel in Energy was in charge of arrangements.



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

Marina Favela

Marina Favela, 56, of Cape Girardeau, died Sunday, July 21, 2019, at Southeast Hospital in Cape Girardeau.

She was born Dec. 26, 1962, in Tepehuanes, Durango, Mexico, the daughter of Fermin and Marie Chaidez Favela.

She is survived by her mother, Marie Favela of Las Vegas, Nev.; a daughter, Marie Fernanda Curtis of Jackson, Mo.; two grandchildren; siblings Arnold Favela of Las Vegas, Nev., Apela Favela of Mexico and Diega Favela of Las Vegas, Nev.; other relatives and many friends. She was preceded in death by her father, Fermin Favela.

She was a member of the Jesus Es El Senor United Methodist Church in Cobden.

Funeral services were pending.

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



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

News from

Anna Nazarene Church

Music at the Sunday morning worship service was led by Terry and Melissa Wright from the Dan Bohi Ministries team.

Ushers for the service were Mark Smith, Curly Ralls, Jason Elkins and Terry Wiseman Sr.

The morning message, "Giving Your All to God-Spiritual Healing," was brought by Dan Bohi from Gardner, Kan. The service was closed with an altar service.

The Sunday evening worship service opened with music being led by Terry and Melissa Wright from the Dan Bohi Ministries team.

Ushers for the service were Mark Smith, Curly Ralls, Robert Smith and Terry Wiseman Sr.

The evening message, "Healing of Our Soul," was brought by Dan Bohi. The service was closed with an anointing service.

Birthdays: Stanley Elkins, July 22; Brayden Talent, July 22; Kylee Ann Berry, July 26; Verna Fuller, July 27.

A Back-to-School Bash is planned from 10 a.m. until noon July 27 in the fellowship hall. School supplies will be available for students from preschool to college.

A missionary service is planned at 6 p.m. on

July 28.

Vacation Bible School is scheduled Aug. 1-4. Hours are from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday and Friday and from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday. A Vacation Bible School program is planned at 10:35 a.m. Sunday.

A WOW conference is planned Aug. 10 at Anna-Jonesboro Community High School.

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

Bible study is planned at 6:30 p.m. on Friday in the fellowship hall.

Leroy 'Roy' Keith

Leroy "Roy" Keith, 75, of Alto Pass, died Saturday, July 20, 2019, at his home.

He was born on Feb. 7, 1944, in Anna, the son of Leroy G. and Helen Marie Ramsey Keith II.

He married Mollie Moore on July 6, 1968, in Anna and together they shared 51 years of marriage.

Mr. Keith was a farmer and worked as a rural mail carrier. He was a member of Cobden Masonic Lodge No. 466 and the Congregational Christian Church in Alto Pass.

His family says he very much enjoyed his coffee and RC Cola.

He served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War.

Survivors include his wife, Mollie Keith of Alto Pass; three children, Laurie Heather (Donnie) Hindman, Scott (Paula Sue) Keith and Monica (Luke) Williams, all of Alto Pass; three grandchildren, Elizabeth Hindman, Jordyn Keith and Joseph Hindman.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services were Wednesday, July 24, at 1 p.m. at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Alto Pass, with the Rev. Davy Miller officiating.

Interment was in the Alto Pass Cemetery. Military rites were conducted by Carroll P. Foster Post No. 3455 of the VFW in Anna and the Illinois Army National Guard military honor team of Marion.

Memorials can be made to the Alto Pass Cemetery care fund.

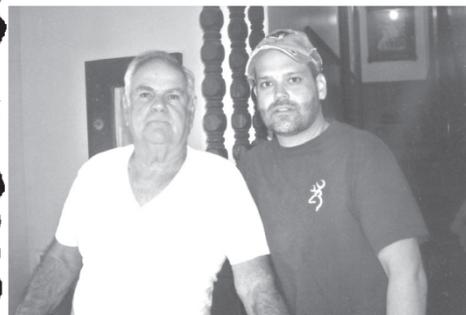
To view the obituary and to leave online condolences for the family, visit www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com.



Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Alto Pass was in charge of arrangements.

Obituaries Online at annanews.com

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Memorial Service for Peggy Woodard



A memorial service for Peggy Gale Woodard of Frankfort, IL will be held on Friday, August 9, at Dongola First Baptist Church. Visitation will begin at 10:30 a.m. with the service following at 12 noon. Peggy was a member of the First Baptist Church of Dongola.

Peggy Gale Woodard, 67, died Sunday, May 26, 2019, at Silver Cross Hospital in New Lenox.

She was born on Feb. 27, 1952, in Anna, the daughter of Russell L. Woodard and Mary Ann Woodard.

She graduated from Dongola High School in 1969. She earned her bachelor's degree in psychology from Southern Illinois University. She went on to earn a master's degree in education from Northern Illinois University. She earned a Ph.D. in philosophy from Loyola University.

In her early career, she worked as a social worker. In 1985, she was employed by Governor's State University in Joliet. During her years there she served as a full professor of psychology and counseling, as the director of student development, as the interim dean of the College of Education and as associate provost. She was awarded tenure in 2000. She received the Faculty Excellence Award in 1989 and then retired in 2012 as professor emeritus.

She was preceded in death by both her parents, Mary Ann and Russell Woodard. She is survived by a sister, Judith Ann Goodman of Carterville; a niece, Tia (Thad) Brown of Ellsworth, Iowa; two great-nieces, Caitlin (Luke) Hodnefield of Randal, Iowa, and Cassidy Brown of Ellsworth, Iowa; a great-nephew, Josiah Brown of Ellsworth, Iowa; and one uncle, Darrell Miller of Dongola.

She also is survived by cousins and many, many dear friends.

She also left behind Zoey, her beloved dog of 17 years.

Funeral services were at noon Saturday, June 1, at Kurtz Funeral Home in Frankfort.

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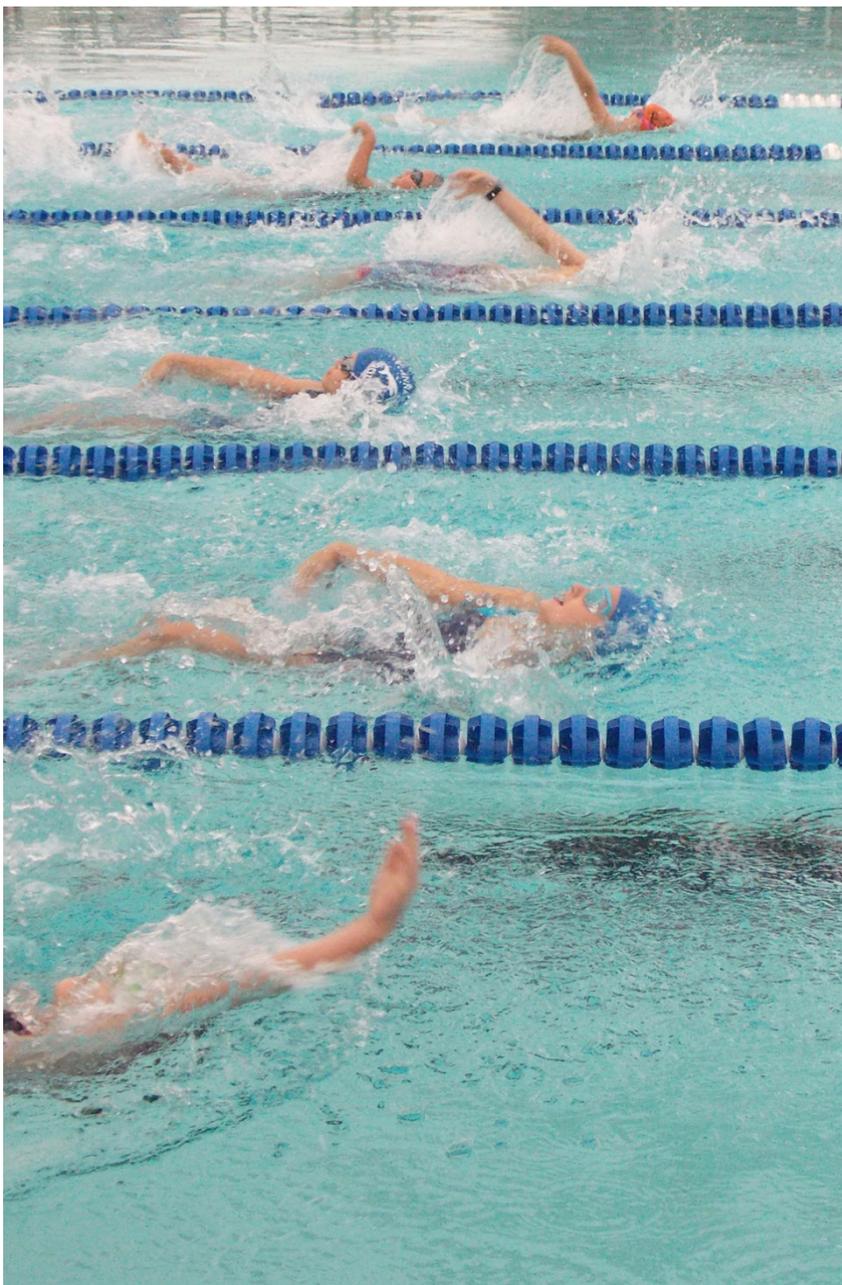
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Grant is Coad Ford's first technician to achieve this elite level of certification. He's been working as a Ford technician for over 20 years. From left are Coad service manager Kevin Washer, Senior Master Technician Kyle Grant and field service engineer Dan Corning. Photo by Benjamin Marxer.



Swim meet action

The Anna Blue Dolphins swim team had two home meets on the schedule last week, including Mt. Vernon on Tuesday, July 16, and Marion on Thursday, July 18. The Blue Dolphins have their home meets at the Anna City Pool. The accompanying photographs were taken during the meet on July 16. Photos by Benjamin Marxer.

Federal inmate pleads guilty of conspiring to smuggle drugs into Marion Prison

The United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Illinois reported July 16 that a federal inmate is potentially facing more time behind bars after he was caught trying to smuggle prescription narcotics into prison.

Steven W. Snook, 42, pleaded guilty earlier today to conspiring with a licensed practical nurse and others to bring Suboxone (buprenorphine and naloxone) into the U.S. Penitentiary, USP, at Marion, through the mail, to sell to other inmates.

Snook also pleaded guilty to a charge of unlawfully attempting to obtain prison contraband.

The charged offenses occurred between October 2016 and May 2017, while Snook was imprisoned at USP Marion for a prior drug trafficking offense.

As part of his guilty plea,

Anna School District 37 sets registration

Student registration for Anna School District No. 37 for the 2019-2020 academic year is planned Aug. 1-2.

Registration is scheduled from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Aug. 1.

Registration also is planned from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Aug. 2.

All registration is scheduled to take place in the lower gymnasium at Anna Junior High School.

The school district noted that all students, in pre-kindergarten through 8th grade, must be registered in order to be enrolled for the 2019-2020 academic year.

Parents/guardians who are enrolling students must provide two forms of proof of residency and pay any required deposits.

Parents/guardians who are enrolling new students also must provide a birth certificate.

Head Start Recruitment Day set in Dongola

Southern Seven Head Start is planning to host a Recruitment Fun Day from 8 a.m. to noon Friday, July 26, at the Dongola Community Center. The center is located at 105 Oak St. in Dongola.

Children ages 3 to 5 can be enrolled in Head Start or pre-kindergarten programs.

Those who want to enroll a child are asked to bring a birth certificate, proof of 2018 taxes or one month of pay stubs and a medical card.

More information is available by contacting social services specialist Julia Veach at 618-634-2297, extension 109.

Mosquitoes test positive for West Nile

Southern Seven Health Department has confirmed the first mosquitoes to test positive for West Nile virus from the lower seven counties of the state in 2019.

Health department staff collected the positive mosquitoes in Massac County in early July.

No human cases of West Nile virus have been reported so far, the health department reported in a news release on July 17.

Recent rains following in this part of the state are leaving pools of water behind, which encourage mosquito harboring.

Snook admitted entering into the illicit enterprise with his co-defendant, 36-year-old Jenny Martin of Tilton, an acquaintance who was also a licensed practical nurse.

During in-person visits at the prison, Snook and Martin discussed introducing Suboxone into USP Marion as a way to make money.

Martin acquired the Suboxone strips illegally for \$20 each and mailed them under the alias "Rachel Hall" to other inmates recruited by Snook.

Snook instructed Martin about how to conceal the Suboxone strips under the glued bottom flaps of the envelopes.

In April 2017, prison officials discovered the plot and intercepted two pieces of mail with Suboxone strips hidden inside.

A subsequent investigation revealed multiple wire transfers that Martin had received from Snook and others as payment for the Suboxone she provided.

Martin previously pleaded guilty for her role in the conspiracy and is due to be sentenced Aug. 27.

Snook's sentencing is set for Oct. 16 at 10 a.m. at the United States District Court in Benton. He faces up to five years imprisonment on each count, which by law must be served consecutively to the 262-month sentence he is still serving. Each count also carries a potential fine of up to \$250,000.

The investigation leading to the charges in this case was conducted by the FBI and the Federal Bureau of Prisons. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney James M. Cutchin.

Back to School Bash planned

A Back to School Bash is planned Saturday, July 27, at the Anna Church of the Nazarene.

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

Free school supplies will be available for students from preschool through college.

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX INCREASE FOR THE VILLAGE OF COBDEN

I. A public hearing to approve a proposed property tax levy increase for the Village of Cobden, Union County, Illinois for 2019 will be held on August 5, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. at the Cobden Village Hall, 112 E. Maple St., Cobden, IL.

Any person desiring to appear at the public hearing and present testimony to the taxing district may contact Karen M. Winzenburger, Village Clerk, P.O. Box 218, Cobden, Illinois 62920 or telephone (618) 893-2425.

II. The corporate and special purpose property taxes extended or abated for 2018 were \$46,623.00.

The proposed corporate and special property taxes to be levied for 2019 are \$57,172.00. This represents a 23% increase over the previous year.

III. The property taxes extended for debt service and public building commission leases for 2018 were \$00.

The estimated property taxes to be levied for debt service and public building commission leases for 2019 are \$00. This represents a 0% increase over the previous year.

IV. The total property taxes extended or abated for 2018 were \$46,623.00.

The estimated total property taxes to be levied for 2019 are \$57,172.00. This represents a 23% increase over the previous year.

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Section B

Story of German Baptist Brethren shared at Sunday's PAST Parlor Talk

PAST's Marilyn Meiseneheimer and her assistant hostess, Lora Blackwell Kern, welcomed guests to Heritage House in Jonesboro on Sunday, July 21, 2019 for "a step back in time."

The occasion was PAST's weekly Parlor Talk focusing on Union County church histories.

This week's talk took guests back 216 years, when the Union County area was a thickly forested wilderness territory, teeming with wild game and abundant natural resources.

It was about 1803 when Abram Hunsaker and his relative George Wolff arrived to scout out the Illinois frontier.

They had traveled from Kentucky after having settled there for a while following the journey of their families from the east. It seems they were always in search of "greater freedom" in more "wide open spaces."

Abram Hunsaker was represented last Sunday by historian and reenactor Steve Haldeman from Jonesboro.

"Frontiersman" Hunsaker spoke to the Heritage House guests and explained that the Hunsaker and Wolff families represented a people of faith called German Baptist Brethren, also known as Dunkards or Dunkers.

The name derives from a German word meaning to dunk or immerse, and refers to the method of baptism practiced by the German Baptist Brethren. Back in Germany they were called "New Baptists."

There are variations of worship practices for different groups, but most are considered to subscribe to very conservative ways of living.

Some practices include foot washing, conscientious objection to arms or courts, nonviolence, some refused to vote, and most adhered to strict Bible teachings.

It is not known how literate these early pioneers were, but they were probably still speaking in German when they reached Illinois.

Reenactor Haldeman explained that the language or dialect of the people was so mixed up by then that even back in Pennsylvania, what is known as Pennsylvania Dutch, might not be under-



Visitor from the past

PAST's Heritage House special guest on Sunday, July 21, was a person out of the past. Abram Hunsaker was one of the first settlers in 1803 to what later would become Union County, Illinois. He was a member of a people of faith called German Baptist Brethren or Dunkards. Hunsaker was portrayed by historian and reenactor Steve Haldeman from Jonesboro. Photo provided.



Portraying Abram Hunsaker

Early Union County pioneer Abram Hunsaker was portrayed by historian and reenactor Steve Haldeman of Jonesboro. He spoke Sunday, July 21, at PAST's Parlor Talk, which was about the early people of faith known as German Baptist Brethren or Dunkards. He explained, as was the custom in the early 1800s, his leather leggings and foot wear were hand made and "smoked" to make them more durable. His shoulder bag or pouch contained essentials for life in the wilderness. Photo provided.



Listening to reenactor

Doug Hileman, who is descended from the early 1800 Illinois Kimmel family, was on hand Sunday, July 21, to hear reenactor Steve Haldeman talk about the pioneer days of the Hunsaker, Wolff and Kimmel families in what would become Union County. Photo provided.

stood from one "people" to another.

When families like the German Baptist Brethren or Dunkard Hunsakers and Wolffs came to Illinois, they sought community worship right away.

It was such a priority, that they did not wait for "ordained" ministers, but formed cottage ministries that met in homes (log cabins) and were led by lay leaders.

The Dunkards so wor-

shipped for a while, but after the New Madrid earthquake of 1811, they sent back to Kentucky for an ordained minister to lead them.

In time, George Wolff married Abram Hunsaker's sister, was ordained as a preacher and served in Union County before moving on to "more open spaces" elsewhere in Illinois.

Historians say the Hunsaker and Wolff families built cabins just northwest of what is today Jonesboro. The location may have been on Clear Creek or Green Creek.

The Kimmel family arrived in the area at about the same time. They established a Kimmel Cemetery northwest of Jonesboro.

Historian Darrel Dexter's research locates the cemetery "behind State Pond."

In 1997 Dexter read the oldest legible marker in Union County there, that of Jacob Woolf, who died in 1823. He dates the oldest marker in St. John's Cemetery as 1828 and in Jonesboro Cemetery 1829.

Eventually English Baptists moved into the area and the Hunsaker family joined the Clear Creek Baptist Church.

The church was located in the present day Jonesboro Cemetery, where Abram Hunsaker's resting place can be found.

A story of note is that Abram's family knew an enslaved man named Absalom.

They now belonged to the English Baptist Church, but kept in contact with their former church, the German Baptist Brethren. Together the English Baptists and the German Baptist Brethren got together the \$400 necessary to buy the freedom of the man held in slavery. They took a stand against slavery.

Steve Haldeman's "Abram Hunsaker" shared information about his "smokey" leather leggings and moccasin footwear, which he made himself.

Then he showed some of the contents of his shoulder bag, such as a striker and preparation for ammunition.

He explained that saltpeter is used to make gun powder. Some in his audience did not know that saltpeter is made from bat droppings.

He was asked about a bright star motif on his bag. He said it is a German star design from a craft called fraktur.

There was a discussion about the origin of the name of Jonesboro.

Hunsaker (Haldeman) explained that the early Illinois territory was divided into only five counties.

Before Union County was established in 1818, it was a part of Johnson County and the county seat was at one time on Bradshaw Creek in what is today western Union County. Later the county seat was at Elvira, found now in Johnson County.

One story is that homesteaders were buying land from an agent by the name of Jones.

It is said that the first town established on John Grammer's property was called Jonesville for the land agent, later to become Jonesborough and then Jonesboro.

Though there are no longer such congregations here, the German Baptist Brethren, or Dunkard people of faith, have an indelible place in early Union County history.

PAST expressed gratitude to Steve Haldeman for his research and presentation. Haldeman credited much of his information to historian and author Darrel Dexter.

Upcoming Parlor Talks

The weekly presentation on Sunday, July 28, is scheduled to be given by Glenda Meyers from Cobden First Baptist Church.

Readers may remember that congregation's community presentation annually in December as "Christmas in Bethlehem." That could be the "earliest" historical date, of any presentation this summer.

August's schedule includes: Aug. 4, First Baptist Dongola and Friendship Baptist by Diana and Arianna Moutell; Aug. 11,

Jonesboro Methodist by Judy Neal and Ebenezer Methodist by Jane Bauer; Aug. 18, First Presbyterian Anna by Linda Hileman; Aug. 25, Jonesboro Baptist Church (Clear Creek) by Evelyn Hileman and Linda Sadler.

The September schedule includes: Sept. 8, Anna First Baptist Church by Evelyn Gillespie and Shirley Ray; other September presentations are to be announced: St. Anne's, St. Mary, United Methodist Anna.

PAST's Heritage House open house at 102 S. Main St. in Jonesboro is scheduled from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., with the presentation to begin at 2 p.m.

There are some open dates for presentations of additional church histories. Those who might want to give a presentation can call Linda at 618-697-1870.

(Note: The accompanying article and pictures were shared by Barbara Bauer on behalf of PAST.)

Anna-Jo Garden Club planning August field trip to Mandala Magical Gardens

The Anna-Jo Garden Club met July 9 at the United Methodist Church in Anna.

Plans are underway in preparation for an Aug. 13 field trip to Mandala Magical Gardens in Marion.

Car pooling will begin at the Anna-Jo Garden Club Park in Anna at 10:30 a.m., with the first stop being Giant City State Park near Makanda for lunch together. Then club members will go to the gardens for the tour and a club meeting.

Garden club committees gave updates about activities and upcoming events at the July 9 meeting.

Club president Shari Sweeney, who heads up the Union County gardens committee, hosted visitors from the Southern Illinois Farm Bureau as part of a Summer Ag Institute.

The tour included 10 teachers who said they were very impressed with the opportunity to visit a place where they might see/touch/feel a project that they could actually implement with their own school and classroom.

The teachers were able to

Genealogy society planning family history conference

The Genealogy Society of Southern Illinois, GSSI, plans to welcome Caron Primas Brennan as speaker for the society's 2019 family history conference.

The conference is scheduled from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 10, in the Ray Hancock Conference Center at John A. Logan College in Carterville.

A meeting for members of the society is planned at 8:45 a.m. Board members will be selected.

Brennan plans to give presentations about using newspapers as genealogical resources, looking for European roots, how she uses DNA in her genealogical research and searching for family history on the internet.

For those who register by July 30, a lunch of Mostaccioli with marinara sauce, garden salad, rolls, cobbler, tea and water will be provided.

Registration costs are \$45 for GSSI members and \$55 for non-members.

listen to Shari's experiences and see techniques applied.

An article regarding the Summer Ag Institute is featured in the July issue of the Farm Bureau newspaper.

The club's garden therapy committee celebrated Independence Day on July 1 with residents of the Illinois Veterans Home in Anna.

Punch and cookies were served and members visited with local veterans.

Several work projects by the many committees are scheduled for July and August.

The upcoming Union County Fair was discussed, with details regarding entries.

All members were encouraged to enter several horticulture items as well as design arrangements.

Anna-Jo Garden Club will present a \$50 award for a design arrangement judged as best of show. The fair is scheduled Aug. 16-24.

Most of the club's regular meetings are scheduled at noon on the second Tuesday of each month at the United Methodist Church in Anna.

Checks can be mailed to the Genealogy Society of Southern Illinois, John A. Logan College, 700 Logan Dr., Carterville, Ill. 62918.

Registration can be done with a check or cash at the door. Debit and credit cards will not be accepted.

Illinois jobless rate 4.3 percent

The Illinois Department of Employment Security, IDES, reports that nonfarm payrolls increased by 11,400 jobs and the unemployment rate was 4.3 percent in June, down 0.1 of a percentage point from the prior month, based on preliminary data provided by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, BLS, and released by IDES.

The state's unemployment rate was 0.6 of a percentage point higher than the national unemployment rate reported for June, which rose to 3.7 percent.

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Father Mark Tracy sworn in as Catholic chaplain for Illinois Army National Guard

Father Mark Tracy, a current priest in Effingham, was sworn in as the only Catholic chaplain for the Illinois Army National Guard on April 29.

Father Tracy is the son of Jim and State Sen. Jil Walker Tracy of Quincy and the grandson of Betty Odum of Anna.

Father Tracy also was sworn in as a commissioned officer, a first lieutenant, during the ceremony, which was held at Camp Lincoln in Springfield.

During remarks at the ceremony, Father Tracy said, "I look forward in this role to serve the men and women of the military."

"These men and women give so much for our country. I am honored to serve them as a priest chaplain. I look forward to joining

them where they are at as Christ did and accompanying them in their journey."

Father Tracy will provide spiritual care to the men and women of the Illinois Army National Guard.

The duties include administering the sacraments, counseling and being with the men and women and accompanying them on their faith journey.

He will be with his unit one weekend a month and will be active for two to four weeks every year serving domestically or internationally.

"This position is needed in the military because people need and long for the person of Jesus Christ," Father Tracy said.

"As a priest, even though I am completely unworthy, I represent the person of

Jesus Christ.

"Jesus longs to speak through us priests. He longs to feed, touch, and heal his people through the sacraments that the priest offers."

"Priesthood is not the only way we encounter the person of Jesus Christ, but it is a very powerful way that Christ Jesus continues his presence among us."

In his new role, Father Tracy will first complete the chaplain basic officer leader course and will also train each month with the Murphysboro National Guard unit.

The new role will add a new layer to his assignments as a priest. Father Tracy will remain as the parochial vicar at St. Anthony Parish in Effingham and St. Mary Parish in Shumway.



Commissioning ceremony
Father Mark Tracy was sworn in as a commissioned officer and Catholic chaplain for the Illinois Army National Guard by his uncle, retired Col. Ted Tracy, right. Father Tracy's parents, Jil and Jim, were also present for the ceremony. Photo provided.

News from

Camp Ground Church, Community

The Rev. Frank Queen from Paducah filled the pulpit at Camp Ground Church again on Sunday while the Rev. Betts and family are away.

Rev. Queen's sermon was titled "Living as the Body of Christ," with scripture from Colossians.

The message shared that "love is the perfect bond for unity; love others whether we are loved back or not."

"To live in unity in God, we must have a mindset change; we need a compassionate heart."

"Indicators of a compassionate heart are: being kind rather than judgmental; being gentle but strong in our faith; being support-

ive of others' ideas rather than always having our way; and forgiving others as God forgave us."

Receiving the offering Sunday were Matthew and Andrew Boaz.

Prior to the intercessory prayer, the junior high Sunday School class presented a puppet play, "A Friend of the Paralytic," which is recorded in the gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke.

In the story, a man with infirmities was let down through a roof so that Jesus could heal him. Puppeteers were Addie Bonner and Matthew Boaz.

Sandy Boaz is lead elder for the month of July.

The mother/daughter

duo of Donna Williams and Rachel Bonner, celebrated a birthday on Monday, July 22.

Nineteen members of Wayne Miller's family gathered at the Miller retreat at Lake of Egypt Sunday to celebrate his birthday. His three children, six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren, as well as spouses, enjoyed the day with Wayne. He is wished many more happy birthdays.

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

Dave Batson has relocated the flagpole so that it is more visible and will be lit at night by the streetlight.

The next ladies' lunch is planned Friday, Aug. 2, at 11:30 a.m. at El Jalapeno in Anna.

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.

57 years; Blake and Amy Aldridge, July 22, 16 years.

The schedule for worship at the church for this coming week includes Bible study at 9 a.m. on Sunday, and worship services at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Youth meet at 5 p.m. on Sunday.

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

Registration for 2019-2020 planned at Jonesboro School

Jonesboro School has set registration for the 2019-2020 academic year for Aug. 1. Hours will be from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Those who are unable to attend on this date are encouraged to stop by the school office to register a student any time starting Aug. 5.

The school notes that all students must register and present proof of residency within the district by providing the required num-

ber of documents from both of the following:

Category 1: Must have one: most recent property tax bill, mortgage papers for homeowners, signed and dated lease and proof of last month's payment for renters, letter from manager and proof of last month's payment for mobile home park residents, or a letter of residence from landlord in lieu of lease.

Category 2: Vehicle registration, most recent

gas, electric and/or water bill, current homeowners/renters insurance policy, driver's license or voter registration card.

A \$25 dollar consumable fee will be collected from each student.

If anyone is seeking to enroll a student for the first time in the district, they must provide a certified birth certificate.

More information is available by contacting the school office at 833-5148.

Back-to-School Bash planned

A Back-to-School Bash is planned Saturday evening, July 27, at the Alexander Free Will Baptist Church near Thebes.

Activities are scheduled to begin at 5 p.m. The

church is located at 23335 Brownsville Rd., 2 miles north of Olive Branch.

The evening will feature a Bible devotion, a fish fry, a bouncy house, water balloons and school supplies.

Event sponsors include the Alexander Free Will Baptist Church, Olive Branch Methodist Church, Sandy Creek Baptist Church and Olive Branch First Free Will Baptist Church.

Meisenheimer (Mt. Olive) ice cream social set

A Meisenheimer (Mt. Olive) Cemetery ice cream social is planned Saturday, July 27.

The cemetery is located east of Dongola. The eating area for the social will be under a tent. Serving

is scheduled to begin at 5 p.m.

The menu will feature grilled hamburgers, cheeseburgers, porkburgers, hot dogs, chips, soda, bottled water, desserts and ice cream.

Music will be presented during the evening.

The social is sponsored by the Meisenheimer Cemetery Association.

Proceeds will go to providing for the cemetery's upkeep and maintenance.

School, sports physicals scheduled at hospital clinic

The Union County Hospital Convenient Care Clinic is planning to host a Back-to-School 2019 event on Saturday, July 27.

The event will offer school and sports physicals and is scheduled from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Convenient Care Clinic, which is located at 517 N. Main St. in Anna.

This year, a physical therapy screen, performed by a physical therapist, has been included in the physical exam at no additional charge.

The cost is \$30 and is due upon check-in. The event is open to children entering grades kindergarten through high school.

No appointment is nec-

essary. The clinic will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis.

All students must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.

Immunizations will not be given during the event, the hospital noted.

More information is available by calling 833-2872.

News from

Walnut Grove Church

On the sixth Sunday after Pentecost at Walnut Grove United Methodist Church, Loren lit the altar candles while Johnathan Cauble played the musical prelude on the piano, and Jim collected the offering.

The church's guest pastor was Rev. Ray Long.

The men's choir sang "Peace in the Valley" as a special.

The scripture reading was from Chronicles I, about David, King of Israel and the House of God.

Prayers were requested for Jim's friend Bob; Steve Brown; the families of Earl Remshaw, the Holmes and the Jordans; Stetson Smith; Karen and David Lamer; Sandy and Gary Hartline; and the military.

It was a joy to have a baby girl in the congregation. Also, Grace and Duane Gaffney were back in church after Grace's knee surgery. They thanked everyone for the gifts of food and visits during her recuperation.

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News from

First Baptist Church, Jonesboro

The messages on Sunday, July 21, were brought by Pastor Perry Williams.

Dee Rose led the worship. Chris Rose presented special music.

During the Sunday evening service, a Vacation Bible School Family Night program was presented. Skating followed at Quick's Skating Rink

in Anna.

The newsletter folding team plans to meet at 9 a.m. Thursday, today.

Birthdays: Evelyn Hileman, Martha McRaven, July 21; Bill Dillow, July 25; Leon Rendleman, Jose Tehandon, July 26; Pastor Perry Williams, July 28.

Anniversaries: Melvin and Clara Harvell, July 21,

News from

First Baptist Church, Anna

In the morning service on Sunday, July 21, Associate Pastor David Howard's sermon was titled "Checked Baggage."

Don Kelley was the guest music leader.

The next free Soup and Serve meal is planned Monday, Aug. 12.

Pastor's Corner by Pastor Don Cox

If you only think about Jesus on Saturday afternoon, pondering if you will go to church or not on Sunday, you are NOT in a relationship with Him!

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"The Preaching Pen"
In Good Conscience #2

We continue our discussion of the conscience this week by discussing more ways in which it can be corrupted.

2. It can be seared. I Tim. 4:2 "Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron;" Searing a conscience is like branding animal flesh - the nerve endings die.

The story has been told of an old prospector who was sleeping in his tent with his dog tied up outside. The dog started barking, so he hollered at him to be quiet. The dog wouldn't be quiet, and he yelled and cursed at the dog. The dog kept barking, and the man kicked the dog - again and again, and he kicked it to death! Then, he went back to sleep, only to be murdered by the very intruders the dog was trying to warn him were coming!

Many people who claim to be Christians have kicked their conscience to death, and now they're headed for disaster and don't even know it, because they've disconnected the alarm. The conscience can be defiled, seared, and:

3. It can be evil. Hebrews 10:22: "Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water." This conscience can actually approve of evil - when it has become so warped, perverted, and twisted, that it calls good evil and evil good. The Bible says, "woe unto them that" do that (Isa. 5:20).

How is it in America that we've come to allow a woman to decide to kill her unborn child, or support same-sex marriage, pre-marital sex, and the wanton use of drugs and alcohol? Our consciences have been distorted!

Paul was being persecuted, but had peace. He stood there with confidence, because his conscience was clear. It had been properly educated, it guided him according to the Word of God, and if we are to trust our consciences, we must properly educate them with the same standard - the Word of God. Can your conscience safely be your guide?

It can be, but only if it's been properly trained. Give it some thought.

R.W. McAlister, Minister
Anna church of Christ

The mother of the sons of Zebedee approached Jesus with her sons and did him homage, wishing to ask him for something. He said to her, "What do you wish?" She answered him, "Command that these two sons of mine sit, one at your right and the other at your left, in your Kingdom."

Jesus said in reply, "You do not know what you are asking. Can you drink the chalice that I am going to drink?" They said to him, "We can." He replied, "My chalice you will indeed drink, but to sit at my right and at my left, this is not mine to give but is for those for whom it has been prepared by my Father."

When the ten heard this, they became indignant at the two brothers. But Jesus summoned them and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and the great ones make their authority over them felt. But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you shall be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you shall be your slave. Just so, the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many." From the Gospel of Matthew

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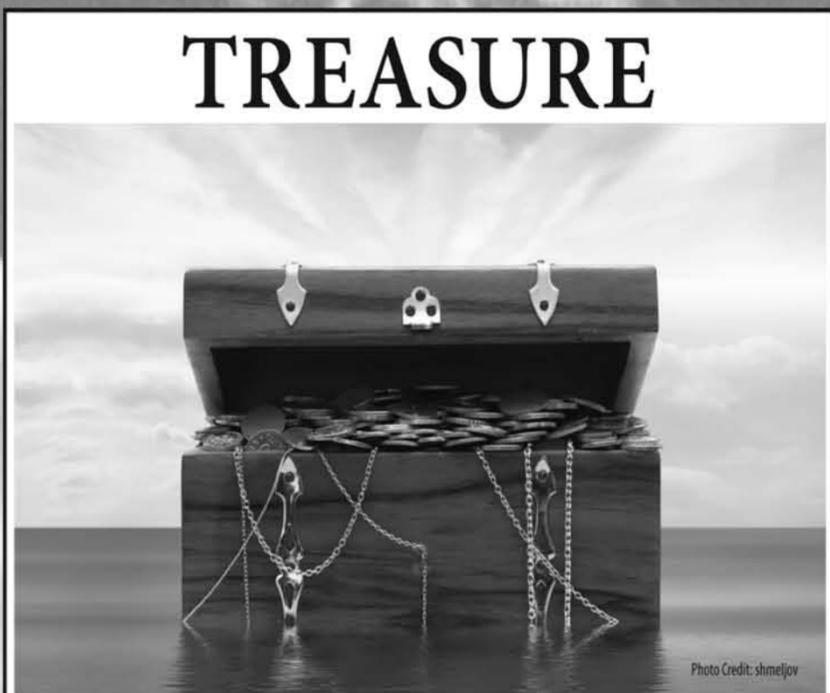
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Daily Bible Reading

2 Samuel	2 Samuel	2 Samuel	2 Samuel	Psalm	2 Samuel	2 Samuel
5:1-25	6:1-23	7:1-17	7:18-29	89:19-37	22:1-25	22:26-51

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Anna News

By Martha Ann Webb

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England, Ireland Trip

David and Linda Parks enjoyed a trip to England, in June to visit Floyd and Carole Parks.

The four of them went to Belfast, Northern Ireland, and then traveled around the coast to the Giants Causeway and through the northern parts of southern Ireland around to Donegal and down to Dublin.

Beautiful drive and they were able to drive past Royal Portrush Golf Course where the British Open Golf Tournament was played.

Branson Trip

David and Linda Parks enjoyed taking daughter Becky and grandsons Timothy and Daniel Plott and Esten and Evan Parks to Branson after the 4th of July.

The enjoyed White Water, Silver Dollar City and also met up with the Carakers (Bob, Betty, daughter and granddaughter) at the "Broadway" show to see Brian Caraker perform.

Texas, Illinois Guests

Janice Lewellyn's grandson Christian visited her from Texas.

Also visiting were her son Tim and Susan Alford from south of Marion, her granddaughter Virginia Whaley and great-grandchildren Ashlynn and Davin Whaley from Dixon.

Guests from North Dakota

July guests of Lovella Graig during the first week of July were Jim and Glenna Books of Rapid City, N.D.

While here, Marcy and Emily took Glenna antiques. Warren took Jim canoeing on Cedar Lake and Carla took Jim, Chris-

tian and Leah bicycling to Tunnel Hill.

They came for Lovella's 4th of July fish fry, which hosted 26 people.

Get Together

Family and friends gathered at El Jalapeño restaurant in Anna on Friday, July 12, in memory of Helen Lucille King.

Those attending were Mildred Fox, Helen Bracken, Bobbie Bracken, Kim and Josh Wright and children, Pam Pind, Michael Pind, Gary, Brittney and twins, Fred and Maxine Pender, Hale and Sandy Pender, Brian Pender, all of Jonesboro, Paul and Marilyn Pender, Jeff Pender, Barbara Barlow, William Bracken, Rena Hileman, Bill and Glenda Jones, all of Anna. Don and Sarah Pind, Annie Rhodes of Wolf Lake, Kathy Lafevre of Madison, Clarence and Becky Pind of Naples, Fla. They all enjoyed being together.

United Methodist Church, Anna

It was good to have Shirley West's children Lisa from St. Louis and Brian from Plainfield, Ind., and Wanda Dillow's granddaughter Bridget from South Carolina visiting with them Sunday morning at church.

Melba Nork is looking forward to her sister visiting for two weeks.

Bringing in the light Sunday morning were Ava and Paxton Boreup.

Special music was Be Thou My Vision by Chris Foster, Teri Goldsberry, Marcy Morris and Carla Anderson.

Rev. Sullins' sermon was Sitting with Jesus with scripture from Luke.

The children took up their special mission offering for school back pack lunches.

Friends and Sewing/Happy Scrappers will meet Friday, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Sunday, July 28, after church there will be a Bazaar fund raiser lunch ice cream social. Adults \$6, children \$3.

A special thanks to Guila Moreland for the vegetables she brought to church and to Dean and Elizabeth for the eggs.

16th Birthday

Jessi Riley celebrated her 16th birthday Monday.

Red Hat Ladies Meet

Linda Clutts and Brenda Lovelace hosted the Little Egypt Red Hat Ladies meeting and dinner at Wok and Roll in Anna.

The theme was Christmas in July remembering Jesus being born to save us from our sins.

Birthday girls honored were Lula Belle Tripp and Barbara Layman.

Twelve ladies got glasses of the 12 days of Christmas and sang the song. They also sang God Bless America being led by Linda's bear.

Kathy Milam brought her three quilt blocks to turn in. The ladies have been working on a birthday quilt for a while and need everyone to turn in their birthday quilt block if they haven't. The block should be a 12 1/2 inches by 12 1/2 inches square.

Door prizes went to everyone of angels, Christmas trees and Christmas bears.

The ladies will meet at El Jalapeño's next month.

Sympathy

This from Barbara Boyd Bauer: It was a bitter sweet visit with Louise Dillow Pitts and her family this week when they were in Anna for the funeral of Truman Dale Pitts.

It seems that "old" friends get together often at funerals these days. It must be our seniority, but how good it is to be together to comfort one another when sad times come. We are so blessed by these friendships of small communities.

Louise and Barbara were remembering attending A-J classes together and riding the Mill Creek bus to and from school.

On Sunday, Barbara and Helen Lingle Head were recalling the same A-J memories and that same school bus ride to Mill Creek.

Helen said that she often went home on weekends with Ada Ann and Louise Dillow so that she could attend Mill Creek Baptist Church with them on Sundays.

That made Barbara remember that she and her sister Jane Boyd Gimbel used to do that with Iris Garrott Hight or with Phyllis Winn Toler, or Shirley Parker Kerr when they attended Big Creek Baptist Church. Those were "the good ole days."

I also was able to visit with Louise Pitts at the funeral home. Louise still takes The Gazette-Democrat and enjoys reading about her friends here. Sympathy to Louise and her family.

VFW

Friday at 2 p.m. is bingo with the veterans at the 11. Veterans Home in Anna. Star Karaoke will be at the VFW Sunday, July 28, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Tribute to Barbara Bauer by Martha Ann Webb

I would like to honor a very special lady who has been an inspiration to my life as well and many others and an asset to our community.

I was looking through old papers and found this from 2011. I was working as representative of all Union County for the RSVP Retired and Senior Volunteer Program collecting volunteers hours under director Georgia Smith for the Shawnee Development Council in Karnak.

I sent this in to a contest at WIBH Radio Station in Anna and Barbara Bauer won first place and received a bouquet of flowers and honors.

Barbara is one of many people I collected volunteer



Brenda Lovelace, Kathy Milam, Linda Clutts hold quilt blocks made by Kathy for the new Little Egypt Red Hat birthday quilt made by the ladies. They are still collecting quilt blocks, 12 1/2 inches by 12 1/2 inches, if you haven't turned them in yet. Brenda and Linda were hostesses for their Christmas in July dinner and meeting at Wok and Roll in Anna July 17.

hours from and I appreciate them all and wish we still had the RSVP.

One of Barbara Bauer's fondest childhood memories was when her parents helped her and her siblings to pack boxes of fruit they had grown, and cookies and candy they had made, then they delivered them to shut ins at Christmas time.

Barbara has always remembered that it is more blessed to give than to receive.

Membership in Barbara's church family and living her faith has been the basis for volunteering for as long as she can remember.

Sunday School and teen youth group outreach missions and projects were probably her first volunteering experiences outside her family.

In college, weekends were often spent on youth mission trips to volunteer in churches who needed assistance. They sang, played piano and taught Sunday School.

Barbara joined 4-H club work, when she was 11 years old, to learn by doing, and has been involved with that youth development program all her life.

Club work gave her leadership training, club offices, junior leadership on county, state and national levels.

Barbara served as a club leader for 13 years and an international programs leader for 20 or so.

At 75, Barbara is a special projects leader in her county and coordinated 4-H Japanese home stays in a state program with her husband Norm, whom she met in an international 4-H program.

She is still active and supportive of the International 4-H Youth Exchange program.

In addition to coordination and facilitating hundreds of home stays, they have hosted about 100 internationals in their home.

They are blessed to maintain a family network around the world.

In 1970, Norm and Barbara helped to organize the junior department at the Union County Fair.

They have been superintendents, judges, attendants and general supporters through children, grandchildren and many kids of the community.

When Barbara was a Union County youngster, the Homemakers Extension Clubs and the Anna-Jonesboro Women's Club supported her youth development.

When she returned to Anna in 1968 as an adult, she made a commitment to continue that positive, volunteer support to our community.

Except for a few years they were away, she has been very happy to volunteer with these two organizations, 1968-1985 and 1995 to 2011.

When Barbara returned to Anna again in 1995, she became involved in PAST.

The older she gets, the

more she is fascinated with history and its importance to our attitudes toward life today.

Therefore, she is an avid supporter of preserving and interpreting our area history for future generations of Union Countians.

Along that line, she is collecting stories, filing documents and writing histories of her own eight plus lines of Union County pioneers.

From her grandmothers and mother Barbara inherited the ability and the desire to sew.

She loved to make clothes and costumes, so that is a natural to volunteer to sew for community productions.

Her mother made costumes for her high school junior play and she has been in the volunteer costume business to this day.

Barbara inherited the love for quilts and quilting from her foremothers, and enjoyed that artistic craft, as well.

In tribute to her teachers Loomis, Benefield, Dodd, Finley and 4-H experiences, she has learned to write.

Thanks to some college journalism classes and 4-H reporter work, she values the importance to share information.

Consequently, she volunteered to report for several community organizations and feels privileged to share their information.

It seems safe to say she

has enjoyed the blessings of volunteering for more than 65 years.

The hours are impossible to count. Since this was written Barbara still volunteers adding the Anna Art Center and many more.

If there is a need Barbara is there. Thanks Barbara for all you do for our community.

Any time I am short on news for my Anna news column I write for The Gazette-Democrat I can email or call Barbara and she always has news for me. What a blessing.

If you have someone special in your life please let me know about them.

CCHS Class of 1959

The Carbondale Community High School class of 1959 plans to have a reunion Sept. 20-21.

On Friday, Sept. 20, an informal get-together social hour will be at Italian Village in Carbondale starting at 6 p.m.

A reunion dinner is planned at the Carbondale Holiday Inn, with a social hour at 6 p.m. and a buffet dinner at 7 p.m.

Notify Norma Langan, 3208 W. Kent Dr., Carbondale, Ill., 62901 if you plan to attend. If you have any questions call Norma at 618-967-0305 after 5 p.m.

They also plan to meet for their annual luncheon at noon Monday, July 29, at Chili's in Carbondale.

Special Olympics Volunteer

"My name is Jackie



Roxie Allen celebrated his 14th birthday. He is pictured with his treats and gifts.



Tiffany Vicente, medical assistant for Children's Medical Resource Network in Anna, received a check from the GFWC Illinois General Federation of Women's Club District 25, presented by president of District 25 Jane Bauer and legislation and public policy chairperson Martha Ann Webb.



Anthony B. Barnett Jr., Illinois Department of Veterans Affairs, Illinois Veterans Home in Anna, received a check from the GFWC Illinois General Federation of Women's Club District 25, presented by president of District 25 Jane Bauer and legislation and public policy chairperson Martha Ann Webb.



Lula Belle Tripp and Barbara Layman were honored for their July birthdays at the Little Egypt Red Hat meeting.



Linda and Freddie Clutts will be celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary Aug. 7. In their honor their family is hosting a celebration Aug. 11, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., at the Southern Illinois Christian Campgrounds in Makanda, just off Cedar Creek Road. There will be a picnic lunch beginning at 1:30 p.m. Bring a side dish to share if you wish. Music jam session, horseshoes, washers, fishing available, no alcohol. No gifts. Your presence will make their celebration even more special.

Flechs the Assistant Director of Region K Special Olympics Illinois.

"I am reaching out to your organization today to ask for help. There are a few volunteer opportunities coming up that we need your help at.

"Without the help of volunteers like you Special Olympics would not be able to provide these opportunities to the athletes.

"These events help give the athletes the chance to advance to state competition.

"The first opportunity we have is 3 days of bowling at SI Bowl in Carterville on August 12, 14 and 16. Then on October 10 & 11 at the First Christian Church in Herrin will be the bocce competition.

"Would you please contact me at jflechs@soill.org if your organization, or anyone you know would be able to help us, or would like more information about these events or other opportunities. Thank you."

Casper Church
Pastor Randy Whea-

ton is preaching at Casper Church. Sunday service at 10 a.m. and Bible study Thursday at 6 p.m. Everyone welcome.

Anna Eastern Star 522
Anna Eastern Star meets at the Masonic Lodge in the Anna Park across from the swimming pool on the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

Brenda Allen was worthy matron and Troy Mayberry worthy patron at Anna Eastern Star last week.

Sorry to learn Lola was sick. Please keep her in you

prayers.

Spark Ministries

They have been meeting on Sunday at 11 a.m. at Hebrews Coffee House in Jonesboro until the flood waters go down. They meet in the Old Shawnee South elementary school building McClure.

Connect Point Church

They have two services. Sunday morning at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Bible study at 7 p.m. Their church is located across from the Anna Post Office in the former Christian Church.

News

Please email me news you would like in the Anna News Column I write marthanews@frontier.com or give me a call 618 833 5717. Leave on my answering machine if I am not home. You can also leave news in the back of the green box by the right of my front door at 118 W. Monroe St. Anna, Ill. 62906 or send news to me. If you send a picture be sure and make a copy. Thanks.

Military Prayer List
Jacob Schaefer, Jerod

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

Television Listings

THURSDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	The Basketball Tournament "Regional Round"	Bang (HD) Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Just Roll BUNK'D	Doors Tonight	"Bad Girls" ('94) (HD)	(:20) "Faster" ('10, Action) <i>Avenge a brother.</i>
7 PM :30	Holey Moley (HD)	Love Island (HD)	MasterChef (HD)	The Wall (HD)		Seinfeld Seinfeld	Law & Order: SVU	BUNK'D BUNK'D	★★★ "First Man" ('18) <i>First human to reach the moon.</i> (HD)	"Unlawful Entry" ('92) <i>Rogue police officer</i>	"Total Recall" ('90) <i>Man's double life.</i> (R) (HD)
8 PM :30	Family Food Fight	Big Brother (HD)	Spin the Wheel (HD)	Hollywood (HD)	The Basketball Tournament "Regional Round"	Bang (HD) Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Coop & Cam Sydney		(:55) "Hunter Killer" ('18) <i>Russian coup.</i> (HD)	DESESUS & Gigolos
9 PM :30	Reef Break (HD)	Elementary (HD)	Local Programs Local info.	Law & Order: SVU		Bang (HD) Bang (HD)	Queen of the South	Amphibia Big City	Euphoria		
10 PM :30	Local	Local	(:35) Late Show (HD)	Local (:35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan Seinfeld	(:01) Pearson (HD)	BUNK'D Andi Mack	(:20) Big Little Lies		
11 PM :30	Nightline	Corden	Local Programs	Late Night	SportsCenter (HD)	Seinfeld Conan	Queen of the South	BUNK'D BUNK'D	Divorce "Cyrus"	Jett "Josie" (HD)	DESESUS & Crawford

JULY 25, 2019

THURSDAY

	SHOW
7:00pm	FOX MasterChef "Someone's Toast" The home cooks are given one secret ingredient that must be used to re-innovate two unique dishes, one savory and one sweet, but one cook must be eliminated. TV14 (HD)
8:00pm	DISN Coop & Cami Ask the World "Would You Wrath be the Heart or the Hammer?" Cooper and Cami find out that their local ice rink is going to be sold and demolished. TV G

FRIDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	WNBA All-Star	Burgers Burgers	"2 Fast 2 Furious"	BUNK'D Andi Mack	"Robin Hood" Tonight	"Seventh Son" ('15)	"Nightcrawler" ('14) <i>Nocturnal LA crime.</i> (HD)
7 PM :30	SHIELD (HD)	Love Island (HD)	Responders (HD)	American Ninja Warrior "Atlanta City Finals"	International Champ. Cup (Live) (HD)	Burgers "Pirates: Dead Men Tell No" ('17) <i>Evil pirate hunter.</i> (HD)	"Captain America: Civil War" ('16, Action) <i>Avengers divided.</i> (HD)	Andi Mack Raven Sydney Just Roll	(:15) "Machete" ('10) <i>Cop seeks revenge.</i> (HD)	"Tomb Raider" ('18) <i>Daughter's mission.</i> (HD)	Shangri-La (HD)
8 PM :30	20/20 Investigative news. (HD)	Hawaii Five-0 (HD)	MasterChef (HD)								
9 PM :30	Local	Blue Bloods (HD)	Local Programs Local info.	Dateline NBC (HD)	MLS Soccer (Live) (HD)			Amphibia Big City	Euphoria (HD)	Jett "Rosalie" (HD)	Boxing ★★★ "Ali" ('01) <i>The life and career of Muhammad Ali.</i> (HD)
10 PM :30	Local	Local	(:35) Late Show (HD)	Local (:35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	ELEAGUE (HD)	Family Family	Andi Mack Andi Mack	"Wig" ('19) <i>Honor drag culture.</i>	(:05) Jett "Rosalie"	
11 PM :30	Nightline	Corden	Local	Late Night	SportsCenter (HD)	"Star Wars" ('77) (HD)	Family Family	BUNK'D BUNK'D	"Bohemian"	"Maze Runner" ('18)	

JULY 26, 2019

FRIDAY

	SHOW
8:00pm	CBS Hawaii Five-0 "Pupuhi ka he'e o kai uli" A window washer may have been killed for political reason when their identity is discovered; Grover and Adam investigate a gambler's murder. TV14 (HD)
9:00pm	SHOW Best of Showtime Boxing 2018 A thorough recap of the most memorable boxing moments seen on Showtime in 2018, including unforgettable hits and the most dynamic rounds of the year. TV14

SATURDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local Programs	SportsCenter (HD)	★★★ "Pirates: Dead Men Tell No"	"Captain America"	"Descendant"	"A-Team"	(5:55) Jett "Rosalie"	★★★ "American Assassin" ('17) <i>Terror attacks.</i>
7 PM :30	Shark Tank A treat.	Million Dollar Mile	Think You Can Dance	Dateline NBC (HD)	UFC Prelims "UFC 240: Holloway vs. Edgar"	"Pirates: Dead Men Tell No" ('17) <i>Evil pirate hunter.</i> (HD)	"Captain America: The Winter Soldier" ('14) <i>New threat.</i>	Raven Sydney	(:45) "Widows" ('18) <i>Women are left by husbands' debt.</i>	★★★ "The Skulls" Secret fraternity.	Showtime Championship Boxing from Baltimore (Live) (HD)
8 PM :30	A Million Little Things	48 Hours (HD)	Beat Shazam (HD)	Dateline NBC Investigative news. (HD)				"Descendants 2" ('17) <i>Life in Auradon.</i> (HD)	"Share" ('19) <i>Alarming video.</i> (HD)	"Fight Club" ('99) <i>Forming of an underground fight club.</i>	
9 PM :30	The Rookie (HD)	48 Hours (HD)	Local Programs		SportsCenter (HD)		★★★ "The Fast and the Furious" ('01) <i>Fierce street races.</i>	(:35) "Descendants" ('15, Family)	Euphoria (HD)	(:10) Jett "Rosalie"	DESESUS &
10 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs Local info.	MasterChef Junior	Local Sat. Night Live Sketch comedy.	SportsCenter (HD)	Frontal Detour					
11 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local Programs	Late Night	SportsCenter (HD)	Claws (HD)					

JULY 27, 2019

SATURDAY

	SHOW
7:00pm	MAX The Skulls ★★★½ (2000, Thriller) Joshua Jackson, Paul Walker. A recruit begins to question the sinister motives of a secret campus society when his best friend turns up dead and his other friends voice their suspicions. PG-13 (HD)
9:00pm	ABC The Rookie "The Shake Up" A massive earthquake strikes the city; agent Russo recommends Officer Nolan for a security detail of Brad Hayes, whose dealings have led him to be targeted. TV14 (HD)

SUNDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Home Videos A prank.	60 Minutes (HD)	Man (HD) Man (HD)	Hollywood (HD)	MLB Baseball New York Yankees at Boston Red Sox (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD) Bang (HD)	"Winter Soldier" ('14)	(5:30) "Descendants 2" ('17) (HD)	"Fantastic"	"Against the Ropes"	City on a Hill
7 PM :30	Feud Pro boxers. (HD)	Big Brother (HD)	Simpsons Burgers	Track & Field (Live)		Bang (HD) Bang (HD)	★★½ "XX: Return of Xander Cage" ('17) (HD)	★½ "Descendants" ('15) <i>Redemption chance.</i>	(:45) "Widows" ('18) <i>Women are left by husbands' debt.</i>	★★★ "Hunter Killer" ('18) <i>Russian coup.</i> (HD)	The Loudest Voice
8 PM :30	Pyramid (HD)	Instinct (HD)	Fam Guy What Just	America's Got Talent "Judge Cuts 2" (HD)		Claws (HD)			Euphoria (HD)	"The Day After Tomorrow" <i>Global warming.</i>	City on a Hill
9 PM :30	To Tell the Truth (HD)	The Good Fight (HD)	Local Programs Local info.		SportsCenter (HD)	(:59) Claws (HD)	(:59) ★½ "XX: Return of Xander Cage" ('17)	(:40) "Descendants 2" ('17) <i>Life in Auradon.</i>	Oliver (:40) Euphoria (HD)	"Tomb Raider" ('18)	The Loudest Voice
10 PM :30	Local Programs Local info.	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local Programs Local info.	SportsCenter (HD)	"Remember the Titans" <i>Coaching football.</i>	Family	Family			City on a Hill
11 PM :30	(:35) Local	Local	Local		Sports		Family	"Descendant"	Oliver		The Loudest Voice

JULY 28, 2019

SUNDAY

	SHOW
8:00pm	CBS Instinct "Ancient History" Dylan and Lizzie investigate a divorce lawyer who appears to have been the victim of an unusual ritual; Dylan and Andy hit a snag during the adoption process. TV14 (HD)
8:30pm	FOX What Just Happened??! with Fred Savage "Parents" Fred is forced to summon a network executive to resolve a dispute between Fred and his irate studio neighbor; actress-comic Tiffany Haddish. TV14 (HD)

MONDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	ESPN Monday Night Baseball "Teams TBA" (Live)	Fam Guy Fam Guy	Family Family	BUNK'D Raven	(:05) "The Meg" ('18) <i>Prehistoric monster.</i> (HD)	"Out of Sight" ('98)	★★★ "The Italian Job"
7 PM :30	The Bachelorette Love search ends. (HD)	Love Island (HD)	Beat Shazam (HD)	American Ninja Warrior (HD)		Fam Guy Fam Guy	WWE Monday Night Raw (T) (HD)	"Descendants 2" ('17) <i>Life in Auradon.</i> (HD)	Years and Years (HD)	Jett "Rosalie" (HD)	City on a Hill
8 PM :30		Bang (HD) Neighbor.	Think You Can Dance			Fam Guy Fam Guy			Divorce	"Fifty Shades Freed" ('18) (HD)	The Loudest Voice
9 PM :30	(:01) Grand Hotel (HD)	Bull "Excessive Force"	Local Programs Local info.	Dateline NBC (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Dad (HD) Space		Amphibia Big City	Years and Years (HD)	"Flirting with Disaster" <i>Man seeks parents.</i>	City on a Hill
10 PM :30	Local	Local	Local	Local (:35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan Seinfeld	Family Family	Raven Andi Mack	Divorce		DESESUS & Gigolos
11 PM :30	Nightline	Corden	Local Programs	Late Night	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan Seinfeld	Family Family	BUNK'D BUNK'D	"First Man" ('18) (HD)	"My Folks"	DESESUS & Loudest

JULY 29, 2019

MONDAY

	SHOW
8:30pm	CBS The Neighborhood "Welcome to the Fundraiser" Tina gets overexcited as she helps Gemma succeed at her first school fundraiser as principal; Dave and Calvin work together to win a silent auction prize. TVPG
9:05pm	DISN Amphibia "Family Fishing Trip; Bizarre Bazaar" Sprig hopes to spend more time with Hop Pop while the family is out on a fishing trip; Anne loses her music box at the Bizarre Bazaar. TVY7

TUESDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	ESPN Original	Bang (HD) Bang (HD)	Family Family	Raven Sydney	Phillips? Tonight	"The Perfect Score"	★★★ "Danny Colins" ('15) <i>Aging rock star.</i> (R) (HD)
7 PM :30	The Bachelorette (HD)	Love Island (HD)	Spin the Wheel (HD)	America's Got Talent "Judge Cuts 3" (HD)	30 for 30 (HD)	Bang (HD) Bang (HD)	WWE SmackDown (Live) (HD)	"Descendants 2" ('17) <i>Life in Auradon.</i> (HD)	"The A-Team" ('10) <i>Team seeks justice.</i> (HD)	"The Odd Couple II" ('98) (HD)	City on a Hill
8 PM :30		NCIS "Boom" (HD)	9-1-1 Meet parents.		ESPN Films (HD)	Bang (HD) Bang (HD)				(:40) "Out to Sea" ('97) <i>Men are dance hosts.</i>	The Loudest Voice
9 PM :30	Bless Mess black-ish	Blood & Treasure	Local Programs Local info.	(:01) Bring the Funny	ESPN Films (HD)	Bang (HD) Detour	Chrisley Miz & Mrs	Amphibia Big City	Real Sports (HD)		City on a Hill
10 PM :30	Local	Local	Local	Local (:35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan Detour	Family Family	Sydney Andi Mack	Years and Years (HD)	Jett "Rosalie" (HD)	City on a Hill
11 PM :30	Nightline	Corden	Local Programs	Late Night	SportsCenter (HD)	Seinfeld Conan	Family Family	BUNK'D BUNK'D	Euphoria (HD)	"Pac Rim 2"	DESESUS & Crawford

JULY 30, 2019

TUESDAY

	SHOW
8:00pm	FOX 9-1-1 "New Beginnings" Bobby is first introduced to Athena's patients; Doug works his way deeper into Chimney's life after Maddie tries to put an end to her marriage. TV14 (HD)
9:01pm	ABC Bless This Mess "Pilot" When a newlywed couple moves from New York to Nebraska for a quieter life, they realize that the simpler life isn't as easy as they expected. (HD)

WEDNESDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	Sports Baseball	Burgers Burgers	Law & Order: SVU	Sydney Just Roll	"Predator" Tonight	"Tomb Raider" ('18)	★★★ "Den of Thieves"
7 PM :30	Press Your Luck (HD)	Love Island (HD)	MasterChef (HD)	Games (HD)	ESPN Wednesday Night Baseball "Teams TBA" (Live)	Bang (HD) Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	"Descendants 2" ('17) <i>Life in Auradon.</i> (HD)	"Unmasking Jihad: An"	"Father Figures" ('17) <i>Brothers' quest.</i> (HD)	"Total Recall" ('90) <i>Man's double life.</i> (R) (HD)
8 PM :30	Card Sharks (HD)	Big Brother (HD)	Responders (HD)	Songland (HD)		Bang (HD) Bang (HD)	Suits <i>Fake lawyer.</i>		(:40) "Widows" ('18, Drama) <i>Husbands' debt.</i>		City on a Hill
9 PM :30	Match Game (HD)	S.W.A.T. "Jack" (HD)	Local Programs Local info.	The InBetween (HD)		Bang (HD) Frontal	(:01) Pearson (HD)	Amphibia Big City		(:55) "Love, Simon" ('18, Drama)	City on a Hill
10 PM :30	Local	Local	Local	Local (:35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan Frontal	Law & Order: SVU	Just Roll Andi Mack	(:50) Euphoria (HD)	"Spanglish" ('04) <i>Chef's family.</i>	★★★ "Ali" ('01) <i>Will Smith. Muhammad Ali's life.</i>
11 PM :30	Nightline	Corden	Local Programs	Late Night	SportsCenter (HD)	Seinfeld Conan	Suits <i>Fake lawyer.</i>	BUNK'D BUNK'D	Gumbel		

JULY 31, 2019

WEDNESDAY

	SHOW
8:00pm	NBC Songland "Aloe Blacc / Fast & Furious Presents: Hobbs & Shaw" Singer Aloe Blacc and director David Leitch from "Fast & Furious Presents: Hobbs & Shaw" listen to the pitches of unknown songwriters. TVPG (HD)
9:00pm	ABC Match Game "Horatio Sanz, Sherri Shepherd, Thomas Lennon, Ellie Kemper, Kenan Thompson" Actor Horatio Sanz from "Black Monday"; actress Sherri Shepherd from "Mr. Iglesias".

Opinion and Commentary

Heartland falling behind coasts, much of the world

By Jim Nowlan

Many rural Midwest towns have become like my stereotype of Appalachia – main streets of mostly empty storefronts; lots of unskilled folks left behind, yearning for jobs “on the line” that are gone forever; too many single mothers struggling to make it on low-wage work, or welfare, lacking the time or know-how to nurture high educational expectations in their children.

Small town decline began at least a century ago, when farm families exchanged horse and wagon for the Model T. They could thus bypass the nearby village and its tiny general store, and head for farm-market towns of 1,000 to 3,000 or so folks, with their greater offerings.

Old duffers like me remember growing up in these towns post-World War II, when parking was hard to find on Saturday evenings. Farm wives bustled in and out of the long row of main street shops, buying, and maybe even bartering fresh eggs for some credit. The municipal band tottered in the park. It was a great time and place to grow up.

My town, and hundreds like it, have now been bypassed for small cities like Princeton, with 7,000 or more folks. These places tend to have a hospital, a good grocery, a couple of big box stores, and maybe better schools than the rural towns.

Some small towns, maybe mine, will make it, as hopeless romantics like me work to fashion a new kind of multiservice café-market to replace the shuttered grocery. But most will fade away, as the villages did earlier.

I also worry about the mid-size cities like Peoria and Decatur. They have lost their robust manufacturing cachet, and struggle to find, like my small town, a raison d’être. Peoria’s leadership has been decimated, as CAT’s C-Suite has departed for Chicagoland, and the city’s once-prominent department stores and banks have all been shuttered or gobbled up by out-of-towners.

Population is rapidly being sucked toward global city regions – on the West Coast, and East Coast from D.C. to Boston. Those regions have reasons for being, whether technology in the West or finance/business/research/government in the East.

Even metropolitan Chicago, with its 10 million people across three states, will struggle to be counted among the truly global urban regions, competing with the Shanghais, and others with their energetic populations of 25 to 30 million.

As with Peoria and Decatur, the Windy City is no longer the robust producer of goods it used to be. And it doesn’t yet really compete with the coasts on either technology or the venture capital that spawns more enterprise.

Are there still synergies to be exploited between agriculture and Chicago, as there were in the 19th and 20th centuries? Such might give Chicagoland and the Midwest a place at the table of global biggies.

Since I write mostly about state issues, what role is there for the State of Illinois in all this? Not much, probably. Yes, the state can help leverage Illinois’ fabulous strengths of location and transportation infrastructure; our highway network, rail, water and air transportation are possibly unmatched. And we can create a more positive, stable business climate.

Maybe equally important in the long run, the state could lead us in some long-term thinking. Sure, you say, another report for the bottom shelf. But not always. A century ago, Daniel Burnham and the Commercial Club of Chicago created the Chicago Plan. Yes, only half was implemented, but what a half – the city’s fabulous, open-to-the-public lakefront, great parks and wide boulevards.

Amazing to report, Illinois has never – never – done any looking ahead. Our state “planning” is basically the sum of the mish-mash of 6,000 bills introduced each biennium in the Legislature. Sad.

Gov. Pritzker sees himself as a Big Ideas guy. So, governor, pull together the brightest minds and the deepest pockets from across the Midwest – this is a regional, not a state-limited matter – to look ahead, clarify our reason for being, and focus resources. A decade ago, the veteran international reporter Richard Longworth called for as much in his book “Caught in the Middle.” Time’s a wastin’.

Our great Heartland has been falling behind the coasts and much of the world. Do we know where we are going, how we can leverage our strengths? Are there synergies to be developed between our mid-size cities and Chicago, to the benefit of all? At the least, we need to think about it. We might not save my rural town, but we might perk up the Midwest.

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Jim received his BA, MA and PhD degrees in political science, with minors in economics, from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Whenever kicked out of government or politics, Jim has taken refuge as a senior fellow at the University’s Institute of Government and Public Affairs. He has also taught courses in American politics at the U of I in both Urbana and Chicago, Northern Illinois University and Knox College.

Jim is a “foreign expert” with the School of International Relations and Public Affairs at the Fudan University in Shanghai.

Jim is the author or co-author of seven books. Jim recently completed a four-year term as member, then chair, of the Illinois Executive Ethics Commission.

At present, Jim is president of Stark County Communications, which publishes newspapers in his rural home county in Central Illinois.

Please read this...

By Geof Skinner

Is there ever a heat index at the South Pole?



Sometimes, there’s nothing better to do on a hot summer day than to take a cat nap, especially if you happen to be a cat.

Goodness...how is this possible? Here we are, on the 25th day of July...2019 keeps moving along at a much faster pace than necessary...

A week from today, August will make what most likely will be pretty much of an unheralded arrival. For those of us here at The Paragraph Factory, August brings the start of a busy schedule which might slow down at about 5:23 p.m. on Jan. 5, 2020. Maybe.

August’s arrival will be accompanied by the Cobden Peach Festival, the Union County Fair in Anna and the start of a new school year, which also will bring with it the high school football season in Southern Illinois.

Before we know it, trick-or-treaters will be at our front door, the Thanksgiving turkey and pumpkin pie will be on the table and Christmas decorations will be in the stores. If they aren’t already. By the way, I think you only have about 152 shopping days until Christmas.

Your writer was hoping that by the time you got to read this, the temperature would be at least a little bit cooler, ‘cause it sure wasn’t very comfortable in the Great Outdoors last Friday afternoon.

At the time this journalistic masterpiece was being created, the temperature in our little corner of the world was something like 92 degrees. Of course, from what I had seen and heard, much of the country was broiling in the summer heat last Friday...and Saturday...and Sunday...

To add to the summer heat adventure, the National Weather Service had issued an Excessive Heat Warning for those of us who call Southern Illinois, Southeast Missouri and Western Kentucky home.

The weather service explained that an Excessive Heat Warning meant that “a prolonged period of dangerously hot temperatures” would occur. A combination of high temperatures and high humidity was expected to create a “dangerous situation.”

Heat index temperatures in the region were expected to be something like 105 degrees in Cape Girardeau and Paducah.

Folks were being advised to reschedule strenuous activities to the early morning or evening hours. That meant that I had to immediately stop thinking about this column and to immediately stop typing said column. Thinking and typing are about as strenuous as it gets for those of us generating all of that fake news.

Speaking of fake news, here isn’t some: the weather service website included a listing for “Winter: Snow.” “Expected Snowfall” for the period from 7 a.m. on July 18 through 7 a.m. on July 21 was 0 inches...in Anna-Jonesboro...Vienna...Carbondale...Cairo...Cape Girardeau...Paducah...etc...etc...

It was reassuring to know that I would not have to worry about icy roads on the way home last Friday evening.

A Page from the Past

from the files of The Gazette-Democrat

Thursday, July 24, 1969

“That’s one small step for man, (one) giant leap for mankind” – these words were spoken by an American at 10:56 p.m. Sunday, July 20, 1969, as he placed his left foot on the surface of the moon.

An Alto Pass sailor is serving aboard the ship that is standing by to recover the three astronauts when they return from their trip to the moon today, Thursday, July 24. Petty Officer 3rd Class Ronald E. Parmly, Alto Pass, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Parmly, is one of the 3500 men serving aboard the USS Hornet, which is scheduled to meet the Apollo 11 spacecraft when it splashes down about 1000 miles south of Hawaii.

According to several area shippers and growers, the fruit and vegetable harvests in the Union County area have been badly damaged by the recent weather.

Col. Donovan M. Vance, civil defense director, reported to Gov. Richard B. Ogilvie that none of the flooded land bordering the Mississippi River qualifies for disaster relief under federal or state laws.

The Union County Grand Jury met Monday, July 21, at which time several persons were indicted on various counts. In other action, the Grand Jury inspected the county jail, as required by law each year. After such an inspection, the jury is to give recommendations to the court as to the condition of the jail. Following the inspection, the jury gave a written recommendation to the court that the jail be condemned as unfit, and a new one constructed.

If preparations now in the making for this year’s Cobden Peach Festival are any criteria, this year’s Festival should be one of the finest ever held since its inception 32 years ago.

The 89th Anna Fair opens August 17 and will run through August 22.

A capacity crowd attended the annual Western Saratoga Homecoming Saturday evening, July 19, and enjoyed the good food, entertainment, games and visiting with old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Boren observed their 65th Wedding Anniversary recently. They were married July 17, 1904, in Anna. Mrs. Boren is the former Madue Thomas.

That would not have been the case if my commute somehow involved a journey along a road in Antarctica last Friday, where the temperature was 77 degrees...below zero...early in the morning.

The scorching heat and hot soup in the air humidity got me to wondering how hot Southern Illinois was in comparison to some other places in our solar system.

Take, for example, the moon, which was getting a lot of attention during the past week. Astronaut Neil Armstrong’s one small step for man might have been baking in a 260-degree temperature when the sun was shining on the moon last Friday. Things would have gotten a little better during the night, when the temperature dropped to 280 degrees...below zero. At least your ice cream wouldn’t melt.

The weather on the planet Mars might have been a little bit more comfortable. Just a little, though.

NASA’s InSight mission Martian lander is sending daily weather reports from the red planet back to Earth. On July 12, the high temperature made it all the way to 13 degrees below zero, which is what it felt like while I was out for a walk one evening last winter. The low temperature on Mars on July 12 was 148 degrees...below zero. A couple of extra quilts might have been a good idea.

Road trips to the planets Mercury and Venus would be even more interesting, and might involve having a lot of ice in the cooler during the day.

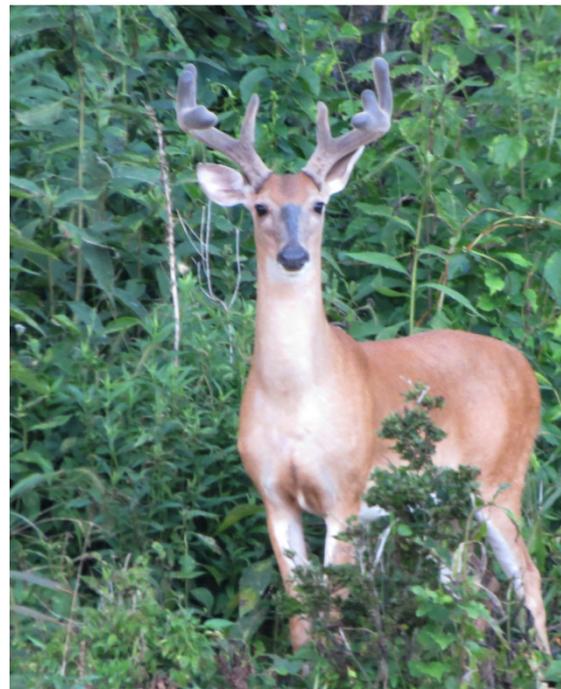
(For your road trip planning purposes: Mercury is somewhere around 48,000,000 miles from Earth. If your car, maybe a Mercury to go to Mercury, gets 30 miles per gallon, that would be something like 1,600,000 gallons of gasoline for the trip. At about \$3 a gallon, that would be about \$48,000,000 to drive to Mercury. Not counting snacks.)

On Mercury, the high temperature during the day might get up to about 800 degrees. And the average temperature on Venus is something like 864 degrees. That would only be about 775 degrees warmer than it was last Friday afternoon in Union County. Maybe the humidity wouldn’t be all that bad on Venus, so it wouldn’t feel so hot.

(P.S. Mother Nature gave us a break early this week. Rain, as if we haven’t seen enough of that, was accompanied by cooler temperatures on Monday. Tuesday and Wednesday were expected to be pretty nice. Hope so.)



Thank goodness for cooler weather. This picture was taken early Tuesday morning. And if you believe that, the photographer knows about a bridge in Brooklyn that is for sale. Of course, if you bought the bridge, you’d probably have to move to Brooklyn to keep an eye on it. And who wants to live in Brooklyn? The Dodgers didn’t even want to stay there. By the way, the picture was taken six months ago...on Jan. 24.



A deer in summer

A white-tailed deer was seen on a recent summer evening along a tree line in Union County.