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## News Notes

Items of interest from throughout the Union County area

In keeping with tradition, we offer an outlook for this weekend in Cobden: the weather will be just peachy...

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...with that in mind, be sure to attend the Cobden Peach Festival, which is set for this Friday and Saturday.

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Newly painted white apple logos can be seen on streets and roads in Cobden, the home of the Appleknockers.

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A community member last Friday morning praised the spirit of bipartisanship and cooperation shown in the work being done by members of the Union County Board of Commissioners.

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The Union County Highway Department again will be providing assistance at the annual Union County Fair in Anna.

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An open house is scheduled from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday, today, at Shawnee Community College's extension center in Anna.

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Reminder (as if one is needed): the first installment of Union County property tax bills is due Thursday, today. The next due date is Oct. 1.

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The Anna-Jonesboro Community High School football team is scheduled to open its 2019 season Friday night, Aug. 30, at West Frankfort.

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A-J's 2019 homecoming football game is set for Friday night, Sept. 27, against Carterville.

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The Union County animal control shelter near Anna is reported to have a recent fresh paint facelift.

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The county and the City of Anna continue to work on details regarding a new animal control facility.

## County board accepts resignation of state's attorney

### Edmonds appointed to judicial post

The resignation of Union County's incumbent state's attorney has been accepted.

The resignation was accepted at last week's regular meeting of the Union County Board of Commissioners meeting.

The meeting was Friday morning, July 26, at the Union County Courthouse in Jonesboro.

Union County State's Attorney Tyler R. Edmonds will be resigning from office following his appointment as an associate judge of the First Judicial Circuit in Southern Illinois.

Edmonds has served as state's attorney for more than 10 years.

His resignation is effective at 4 p.m. on Aug. 8. 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.

Notice of the vacancy was to have been posted on the county's website on Friday.

"I wish him well," Union County Board of Commissioners chairman Max Miller said at Friday's meeting. "I hate to see him go."

Edmonds is a Democrat. The person who is appointed to serve as state's attorney also must be a Democrat.

The new state's attorney will serve until the general election in 2020.

In other business at Friday morning's meeting:

### Election Equipment Bids

The purchase of new

election equipment for the Union County clerk's office was on the agenda for last week's meeting.

The office is using equipment which is 20 years old...and older.

Two bids were submitted for the new equipment. Union County Clerk Lance Meisenheimer recommended that a bid from Platinum in the amount of \$149,920 be accepted. Platinum is the county's current election equipment provider.

The county board agreed with the clerk's recommendation.

In conjunction with the acquisition of the new equipment, the county clerk will be looking into financing the purchase through local financial institutions.

### Mutual Aid System Agreement

An ordinance authorizing a Mutual Aid Box Alarm System agreement was approved.

Union County Ambulance Service director Grant Capel said that the system provides access to resources which may be needed in the event of an emergency. The system is utilized throughout Southern Illinois.

### Road, Bridge Work

Union County Highway Department engineer Kevin Grammer reported that work was nearing completion on a new bridge on Bauer Road near Jonesboro.

The work is part of a continuing effort to replace aging bridges in the county.

The county engineer also reported that oiling and chipping work has started on local roads. Mowing also continues.

## Anna City pool hosts successful free swim day

The City of Anna and Anna-Jonesboro National Bank teamed up to present a successful free swim day last Saturday. The event was held at the Anna City Pool. Organizers said that 250 people turned out for the special event, which was held on a warm and sunny summer afternoon. Mystify Music presented music during the day. Whiffle Boys pizza was for sale in the concession stand. Free bottled water was given away.

Vehicles from the Anna Fire Department and the Anna Police Department were on display. Visitors could get an up-close look at fire trucks and squad cars. Emergency services personnel also were on hand to greet visitors.

In conjunction with Saturday's event, the City of Anna and A-J National Bank collected school supplies. The supplies will go to students and families in the Shawnee School District who have been impacted by the 2019 flood. School supplies can still be dropped off until Aug. 7 at Anna City Hill and at the bank's four locations. A-J National Bank will match school supply donations up to \$400. Goosehead Insurance will match donations up to \$100.



The Anna Police Department and the Anna Fire Department had vehicles on display during the free swim day at the pool.



The pool was starting to fill up early Saturday afternoon. Many people came out to enjoy the afternoon at the pool.

## Cobden Peach Festival set Friday, Saturday

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.

The Cobden Women's Club was organized on

Sept. 1, 1908, and was originally called the Rose Maple Club.

The club was formed to benefit the housewife and mother, and the slogan "Live for the Good of Humanity" was adopted.

In 1939, the club officially changed its name to the Cobden Women's Club.

The women's club has been an active community organization and has sponsored several public civic projects.

It was in 1956 that the club started its relationship

with the Cobden Lions Club by being involved at the Peaches 'n Cream stand during the Peach Festival.

The longest serving active member is Sue Brumleve with 35 years of service. She also serves as secretary/treasurer.

Mary Anna Weakley is president, Joann Clutts first vice president and Jo Ann Yates is second vice president. The club has 16 members.

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."

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### Peach Festival queen candidates

Coronation of a new queen will be one of the highlights of the upcoming Cobden Peach Festival. Candidates in the 2019 pageant, as well as the 2018 Peach Festival queen, gathered for a photograph. From left are 2018 Peach Festival queen Grace Pitts and 2019 queen candidates Lauren Lyerla, Meredith Flamm, Lexi Miller, Grace Girtman, Alejandra Lopez and Addison Osman. Photo by Tiffany Dillow for The Gazette-Democrat.



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## Southern Seven, Farm Bureau plan to offer health screenings

Southern Seven Health Department and the Union County Farm Bureau are working together as they plan to host a free health screening for members and the surrounding communities.

The screening day is set for Wednesday, Aug. 7, and will be in the basement meeting area of the Farm Bureau office at 104 W. Broad St. in Jonesboro.

Doors are scheduled to open at 7:30 a.m. The event is scheduled to last until 10:30 a.m.

The event is being promoted as an American Diabetes Association Alert! Day.

Screening and services are scheduled to include:

Fasting blood glucose, cholesterol panel, blood pressure, diabetes risk test, A1C, body mass index, waist circumference and one-on-one counseling regarding results.

## Precipitation in recent years noted

Local weather observer Dana Cross of Jonesboro reports that a total of more than 47 inches of precipitation has been recorded so far in 2019.

Average precipitation for the area generally has been in the range of about 45 inches.

Total precipitation which Cross measured in Jonesboro has topped 46 inches since 2014.

Cross shared the following precipitation totals for recent years in Jonesboro:

- 2014: 46.16 inches.
- 2015: 68.07 inches.
- 2016: 58.09 inches
- 2017: 56.80 inches.
- 2018: 63.25 inches.
- 2019 (through July 29): 47.88 inches.

## Weather

The Union County area experienced mild and relatively dry weather during the period of July 23-29.

High temperatures generally were in the 80s. Lows dipped into the 50s.

Precipitation measured .92 of an inch of rain, which was recorded on July 29.

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

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Tuesday, July 23	81	57
Wednesday, July 24	82	59
Thursday, July 25	85	58
Friday, July 26	88	58
Saturday, July 27	87	62
Sunday, July 28	90	63
Monday, July 29	83	68

Advance registration is not required. Participants are advised that fasting for 10 hours is required. Walk-ins are welcome.

The first 15 Union County Farm Bureau members to attend the screening will receive a shopping bag of local produce.

More information about the event is available by calling Stephanie at the Union County Farm Bureau at 833-2125 or Southern Seven Health Department at 833-2297, extension 136.

## National Health Center Week celebration set

Rural Health Inc. is planning to join in the celebration of National Health Center Week, which will be commemorated Aug. 4-10.

Activities are planned on Wednesday and Thursday, Aug. 7-8, at Rural Health's facilities in Anna and Dongola.

The activities are scheduled from 8:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. on both days.

Rural Health's clinic in Anna is located at 513 N. Main St. The Dongola site is located along U.S. Route 51.

Games, snacks, prizes and other activities are planned at both sites.

Visitors will have an opportunity to sign up to win a gift basket or one of four bicycles: two boys' and two girls'.

## Mississippi forecast to fall below flood stage

After many months, the Mississippi River at Cape Girardeau is forecast to fall below flood stage late this week.

The National Weather Service office in Paducah reported that minor flooding continued early this week along the Mississippi River at Cape Girardeau. A flood warning continued.

Union County is bordered on the west by the Mississippi River.

At 7:30 p.m. Monday, July 29, the river's stage was 33.5 feet. Flood stage is 32.0 feet.

The forecast called for the river to continue to fall this week.

The river is expected to fall below flood stage by early Friday afternoon.

## Be sure to attend the Cobden Peach Festival

## County board of commissioners meets Friday

# Gun sanctuary proposal presented

The Union County Board of Commissioners has been asked to consider a proposal to formally voice opposition to the enactment of any legislation that would infringe on the right of people to keep and bear arms.

The issue was on the agenda at last Friday morning's regular meeting of the Union County Board of Commissioners.

The meeting was Friday morning, July 26, at the Union County Courthouse in Jonesboro.

The gun sanctuary movement in Illinois was the presentation made by Jeff Wittenborn at Friday morning's county board meeting. Wittenborn is a Southern Illinois resident and a retired Illinois State Police trooper who supports the effort.

The gun sanctuary movement began early in 2018 in Effingham and Iroquois counties in Illinois. Sixty-six of the 102 counties in the state now have shown support for the movement.

Wittenborn said during Friday morning's county board meeting that the initiative is supported by "people who are concerned about the direction in which the state is going. They don't want to surrender their rights."

"What it should be is a civil rights issue," Wittenborn declared during his presentation.

He suggested that the county board could show it supports the rights of the people by acting on the matter.

Wittenborn's presentation also focused on the issue of prosecutorial nullification, which addresses action which can be taken by key law enforcement personnel.

Wittenborn shared a resolution which was passed by the Effingham County Board in 2018 which voiced opposition to the enactment of any legislation which would restrict the "Right of the People to keep and bear arms."

The issue also has been on the ballot in some Illinois counties.

The resolution approved in Effingham County follows:

Resolution opposing the passage of HB1465, HB 1467, HB1468, HB1469, SB1657, any trailer bill, or any bill similar too, or any bill where the 100th Illinois General Assembly desires to restrict the Individual right of US Citizens as protected by the Second Amendment of the United States Constitution

WHEREAS, the Right of the People to Keep and Bear Arms is guaranteed as an Individual Right under the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution and under the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and;

WHEREAS, the Right of the People to Keep and Bear Arms for defense of Life, Liberty, and Property is regarded as an Inalienable Right by the People of Effingham County, Illinois, and;

WHEREAS, the People of Effingham County, Illinois, derive economic benefit from all safe forms of firearms recreation, hunting, and shooting conducted within Effingham County using all types of firearms allowable under the United States Constitution and;

WHEREAS, HB1465 is a violation of the 4th Amendment to the US Constitution requiring responsible persons under 21 to surrender lawfully owned firearms or face becoming instant felons; fails to define how to relinquish firearms;

only allows possession at Sparta shooting complex, but fails to provide similar exemptions for recreational shooting at gun clubs, private ranges or under supervision of responsible adult or parent, unless certified as a firearms instructor;

WHEREAS, HB1467 is violation of the 4th Amendment to the US Constitution requiring persons to immediately relinquish lawfully owned bump stocks or trigger cranks, while also failing to provide where and how to relinquish firearms devices, thus creating instant felons upon passage;

WHEREAS, HB1468 contains broad and unclear definitions which will cause confusion amongst firearm owners and dealers as to which type of firearm is subject to 72 hour wait period; bans nonresidents from purchasing certain long guns defined loosely as assault weapons, puts dealers in jeopardy of unknowingly violating the law;

WHEREAS, HB1469 is violation of the 4th Amendment to the US Constitution requiring persons to immediately relinquish lawfully owned magazines, fails to provide how to properly relinquish banned magazines, creates instant felons if enacted as written, creates conflicts allowing for sale to out of state persons while stating possession is a felony, bans body armor worn as protection for those who employ the use of chain saws, motorcyclists, range officers and firearm instructors, shop owners and employees who work in dangerous neighborhoods or during night shifts;

WHEREAS, SB1657 and trailer bills will create economic hardship on lawfully owned and operated, small business firearm dealerships, in effect forcing them to close; will create undue burdens and price increases on persons to lawfully purchase firearms; will have a direct negative impact on local economies thru job loss and sales tax loss; will create another layer of burdensome government regulation on top of the heavy Federal regulations; imposes new fees on top of existing Federal license fees;

WHEREAS, Effingham County Board, being elected to represent the People of Effingham County and being duly sworn by their Oath of Office to uphold the United States Constitution and the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and;

WHEREAS, the Illinois House of Representatives and the Illinois Senate, being elected by the People of the State of Illinois and being duly sworn by their Oath of Office to uphold the United States Constitution and the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and;

WHEREAS, the Governor of Illinois, being elected to represent the People of the State of Illinois and being duly sworn by your Oath of Office to uphold the United States Constitution and the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and;

WHEREAS, proposed legislation, any bills similar to, under consideration by the Illinois State Legislature would infringe the Right to Keep and Bear Arms and would ban the possession and use of firearms, magazines, body armor now employed by individual citizens of Effingham County, Illinois, for defense of Life, Liberty and Property and would ban the possession and use of firearms now employed for safe forms of firearms recreation, hunting and shooting conducted within Effingham County, Illinois;

WHEREAS, the proposed legislation potentially violates the 5th Amendment failing to provide just compensation under the takings clause, 8th Amendment imposition against excessive fines and punishments on law abiding citizens by punitive forfeiture/relinquishment of lawfully owned property, and Ex Post Facto Law Clause of the United States Constitution.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT BE AND IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the People of Effingham County, Illinois, do hereby oppose the enactment of any legislation that would infringe upon the Right of the People to keep and bear arms and consider such laws to be unconstitutional and beyond lawful Legislative Authority.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Effingham County Board demands that the Illinois General Assembly cease further actions restricting the Right of the People to keep and bear arms, and hereby demand that the Governor of Illinois veto all such legislation which restricts the Right of the People to keep and bear arms.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of Effingham County is hereby directed to prepare and deliver certified copies of this Resolution to all members of the Illinois General Assembly and to the Office of the Governor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the Government of the State of Illinois shall infringe upon the inalienable rights granted by the Second Amendment, Effingham County shall become a "sanctuary county" for all firearms unconstitutionally prohibited by the government of the State of Illinois, in that, Effingham County will prohibit its employees from enforcing the unconstitutional actions of the state government.

After Wittenborn's presentation, county board member Kent Pitts voiced support for the proposal.

County board vice chairman Bobby Toler Jr. said he wanted to review the information which had been presented.

Board of commissioners chairman Max Miller said the matter would be reviewed and taken under consideration.

**Petition Circulating**  
An informational petition to make Union County a Second Amendment Gun Sanctuary County is circulating locally.

The intent of the petition is to have the county board of commissioners pass a gun sanctuary resolution.

A community member who attended Friday morning's county board meeting said that strong, bipartisan support has been shown for the petition.

Supporters plan to have the petitions available at the upcoming Cobden Peach Festival and Union County Fair in Anna.



## Helping hands

Local animal rescue efforts were showcased last Friday at a Union County business. The event was hosted by Southern Bank in downtown Anna.

Girl Scout Troop 8548 members Elizabeth Back, left, and Jayci Hopkins, both of Anna, were volunteering their time to help at the event. Elizabeth was holding Muffin. Jayci was holding Cornbread. The Troop 8548 members were earning hours for the Girl Scout Silver Award.

Muffin and Cornbread were brought to the event from the Union County animal control shelter, which is near Anna. The two dogs are among the many rescue animals at the shelter which are looking for new forever homes. In addition to dogs which need homes, the county animal control shelter also has many cats which can be adopted.

Information about adopting a dog or cat is available by contacting the Union County animal control shelter at 833-4915. The bank will accept donations in support of the Union County animal control program for several weeks.



**Helping flood victims**

Rural Health Inc. in Anna and the United Methodist Church in Wolf Lake have worked together to offer a helping hand to those impacted by the flood of 2019. Rural Health employee Jack Thornton and Luke McMahan both are members of the Wolf Lake church. They delivered \$450 worth of water, Gatorade and snacks to the East Cape Girardeau community on July 12. They were met by Joe Aden, the mayor of East Cape Girardeau, who expressed deep appreciation on behalf of the community. Wolf Lake United Methodist Church young people Cole and Shelby Pender helped to load and unload the truck. Photo provided.

**Request made to extend deadline for review of state's 2019 storm, flood damage**

A formal request has been made by Gov. JB Pritzker for an extension from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, FEMA, for the state to request a federal disaster declaration from this spring's devastating storms and floods.

In his request, the governor stated that flood fighting, dewatering activities and emergency protective measures are still ongoing in some areas of the state.

There are areas of the state that remain inaccessible to residents and this con-

tinues to present life-safety issues for residents.

For this reason, the governor requested a 30-day extension to submit the necessary documentation supporting a request for a federal disaster declaration.

"This extension is necessary in order to get a clear and accurate picture of the extensive damage this flood created in our state," Pritzker said.

"Our administration is working with our federal partners and congressional delegation to stress how im-

portant this extension is to the state's recovery efforts."

On Monday, July 29, damage assessment teams from FEMA, the Illinois Emergency Management Agency and U.S. Small Business Administration were scheduled to be on-site in northern and north-central Illinois to review damage to roads, levees and other damages and costs incurred by local governments.

In the coming weeks, damage assessment teams plan to shift their focus to damages sustained to homes and businesses.

With an extension, there will be more time for the water to recede, safely allowing teams to review the damage sustained in the southern part of our state.

Joint damage assessments are scheduled to take place in the following counties:

LaSalle, Carroll, Whiteside, Rock Island, Mercer, Henderson, Knox, Henry, Pike, Morgan, Woodford, Calhoun, Madison, Monroe, Bureau, Hancock, Adams, Peoria, Fulton, Schuyler, Cass, Scott, Tazewell, Greene, Jersey, St. Clair, Randolph, Jackson, Union and Alexander.

Due to the extensive geographic region and on-going flood fight impeding key transportation thoroughfares, the process is expected to last several weeks.

**2019 flood in Illinois**

**New disaster proclamation for 36 Illinois counties**



**Flooding on road in county**

Flood waters were flowing over Cavaness Road near Ware when the photograph was taken on June 16.

The financial costs of damage caused by flooding during 2019 were addressed at last week's regular meeting of the Union County Board of Commissioners.

The meeting was Friday morning, July 26, at the Union County Courthouse in Jonesboro.

Union County Highway Department engineer Kevin Grammer said prior to the start of the meeting that costs in the range of \$552,000 have been incurred as a result of the flooding.

Grammer said that county roads which have been affected by flooding were starting to reopen and that repair work was underway.

During Friday's meeting, board of commissioners chairman Max Miller said that overall flood costs incurred by the county are estimated to be in the range of \$675,000.

The board chairman also made note of plans to reopen roads to Cape Girardeau which have been closed due to flooding.

Illinois Routes 146 and 3 in the McClure/East Cape Girardeau areas have been

reopened, the Southeast Missouri newspaper reported.

In related news, Gov. JB Pritzker on Friday, July 26, extended his previous state disaster proclamations with a new disaster proclamation for the 36 most-affected counties as flooding continues to threaten river communities throughout the state.

The Illinois Emergency Management Agency, IEMA, reported that flood fighting, dewatering activities and emergency protective measures were still ongoing in some areas of the state.

The areas that remain inaccessible continue to present life-safety issues for citizens, requiring sustained and specialized response capabilities.

Friday's state disaster proclamation continues to include the following 36 counties:

Adams, Alexander, Brown, Bureau, Calhoun, Carroll, Cass, Fulton, Greene, Grundy, Hancock, Henderson, Henry, Jackson, Jersey, Jo Daviess, Knox, LaSalle, Madison, Marshall, Mason, Mercer,

Monroe, Morgan, Peoria, Pike, Putnam, Randolph, Rock Island, Schuyler, Scott, St. Clair, Tazewell, Union, Whiteside and Woodford.

"This historic event continues to drain local resources for emergency response," the governor said in a news release.

"This administration is committed to the continued response and recovery efforts. I have directed my cabinet to bring our collective resources to the table to help these communities in need.

"Additionally, our state agencies will continue to advocate to our federal stakeholders the importance of federal assistance to residents and local governments in the wake of this devastating disaster."

Last week, the governor formally requested the Federal Emergency Management Agency, FEMA, to assist with damage assessments in 30 Illinois counties devastated by the extensive river flooding.

The assessments, which were scheduled to begin on July 29, will provide the documentation necessary to support a request for federal assistance.

Damage assessment teams, comprised of officials from FEMA, IEMA and U.S. Small Business Administration will be reviewing damage to homes, businesses, roads, levees and other critical infrastructure items.

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Entertainment 5 - 5:45 p.m.  
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Meeting Begins 6 p.m.  
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## Hunter safety education course scheduled in Anna

An Illinois Department of Natural Resources, IDNR, hunter safety education course is planned Aug. 16-17 at the First Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Anna. The church is located at 315 South St.

Hours for the course are scheduled from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Aug. 16 and from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Aug. 17. Students must attend both classes.

A 1996 state law requires all hunters born on or after Jan. 1, 1980, to successfully complete a hunter education course before they can

receive their first hunting license.

Those who complete the course will receive a hunter education certification card. The card verifies that they have passed the course of instruction.

The course will include instruction in wildlife management, firearms safety, hunter ethics, game identification, first aid, survival techniques and regulations.

All students must preregister. For more information about the course, or to preregister, call 618-697-0286.

## A-J releases fall sports schedules

Anna-Jonesboro Community High School has released schedules for the 2019 fall sports season.

The Wildcat boys' golf team opens the season with the A-J Invitational set for Saturday, Aug. 17.

The girls' golf team begins play at home on Tuesday, Aug. 27.

The varsity boys' soccer team opens at Centralia on Wednesday, Aug. 28.

The freshman football team opens play at home against West Frankfort on Thursday, Aug. 29.

A-J's varsity football season kicks off the season at West Frankfort on Friday, Aug. 30.

The sophomore football team is scheduled to open at home against West Frankfort on Monday, Sept. 2.

The boys' cross country team opens at Murphysboro on Wednesday, Sept. 4.

## Steeleville 4, Harrisburg 1

Cobden's Bayden Ditterline was 1-for-2 at the plate in Harrisburg's 4-1 loss to Steeleville in the 5th Division American Legion baseball tournament championship game at Fairfield Tuesday, July 23.

Ditterline, along with Cody Wieseman and Brayden Clark, played for Harrisburg. All are former Cobden High School baseball players.

Harrisburg finished the season at 16-12-1 overall.

## Championship play scheduled

A men's club golf championship is planned Saturday and Sunday at the Union County Country Club course in Anna.

The championship will be decided on stroke play.

## Tim McGrath receives award

Tim McGrath of the financial services firm Edward Jones in Anna recently earned the firm's Frank Finnegan Award for his exceptional achievement in building client relationships.

McGrath was one of 1,288 of the firm's 18,000 financial advisors to receive the Frank Finnegan award.

The award is named after Frank Finnegan, who joined Edward Jones in 1953 in St. Louis after playing professional baseball. He served as a financial advisor for 65 years.

Edward Jones, a Fortune 500 company with headquarters in St. Louis, provides financial services in the United States and, through its affiliate, in Canada.

## Legislator appointed to council

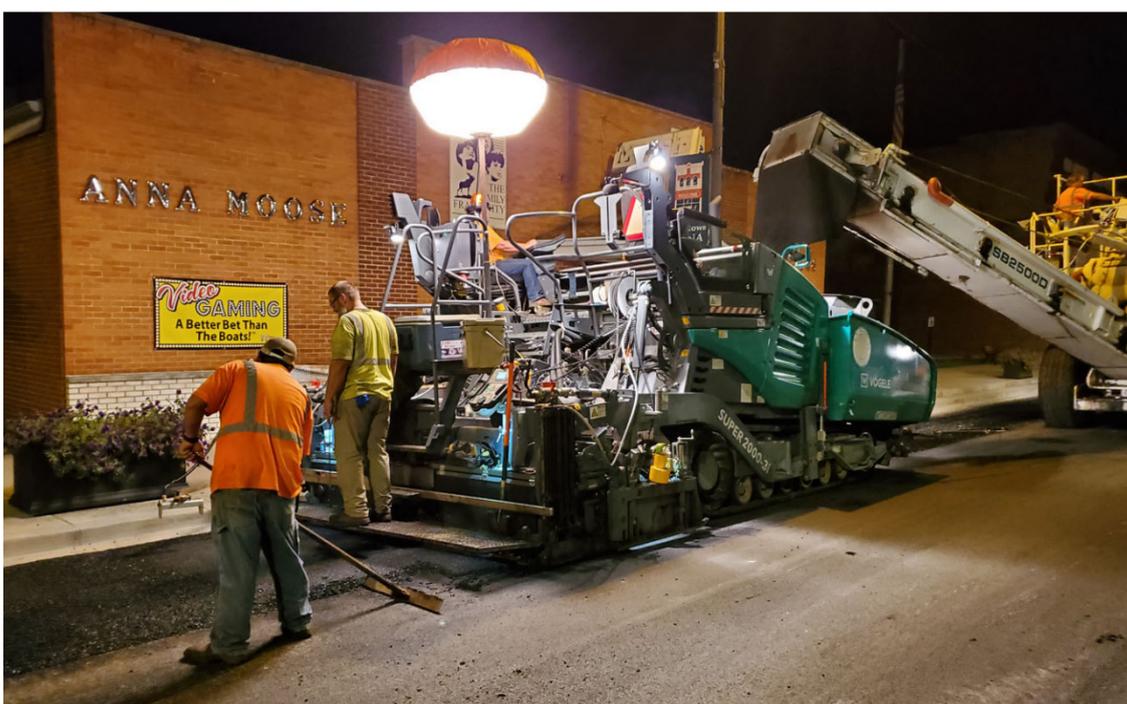
A Southern Illinois legislator has received an appointment to the Illinois Forestry Development Council.

The appointment of State Rep. Patrick Windhorst, R-Metropolis, to the council was made by House Republican Minority Leader Jim Durkin.

Windhorst's 118th District is home to almost every square mile of Illinois' Shawnee National Forest. Part of Union County is in the 118th District.

Windhorst said in a news release that he thanked Durkin for the appointment and pledged "to work hard with all interested partners on forestry management and development."

The council is charged with identifying and evaluating the social, economic, scientific and educational value of Illinois' forest lands and forest products industries.



## Photos of projects past...and present...

Major improvement work has been done in recent weeks along Illinois Route 146 in Anna and Jonesboro. The work, which included resurfacing, was done from the four-way stop in downtown Anna to the square in Jonesboro. E.T. Simonds Construction Company of Carbondale was the general contractor for the project. The company shared the accompanying photographs, including one from the archives which may date to the 1940s or 1950s. The other photograph was taken while work was being done during the nighttime hours this summer along South Main Street in downtown Anna. Photos provided.

## News from Anna Nazarene Church

Congregational songs during the Sunday morning worship service were led by Pastor Randy Wright, Abby Barlow and Madison Schnaare, accompanied by Jack and Nina Shepard and Kathy Cook.

Ushers for the morning worship service were Curly Ralls, Dorris Johnson, Robert Smith and Terry Wiseman Sr.

Special music was provided by Abby Barlow.

The morning message, "Seek and Save the Lost," was brought by Pastor Wright.

The Sunday evening worship service was the church's monthly missionary meeting. A meal was served.

Mark Smith, the missionary president, shared information about the local flooding of the Mississippi River in the area and how we as a church can help those affected by it.

Birthdays: Kathy Modglin, Kathy Cook, July 29; Mike Swieszc, July 30.

Anniversaries: Stanley and Marilyn Elkins, July 28; Conrad and Glenda Shepard, July 29; Jason and Jessica Elkins, July 30; Bob and Ruth McClure, Aug. 1.

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

## Recreation area, shooting complex focus of upcoming public meeting

For more than a year, Southern Illinois University Carbondale's Innovation and Economic Development office has been facilitating extensive studies and gathering public input to plot future courses for the Pyramid State Recreation Area in Perry County and the World Shooting and Recreational Complex in Randolph County.

The strategic planning report and recommendations created on the basis of all of this research will be introduced at a public meeting

at 4 p.m. on Aug. 5 at the World Shooting and Recreational Complex Main Event Center in Sparta.

The World Shooting and Recreational Complex is about 5 miles north of Sparta on Illinois 4, then west on County Road 18; follow the signs to the complex.

The ongoing 120th Grand American World Trapshooting Championships, which began July 31 and are scheduled to continue until Aug. 10, will serve as a backdrop for the event.

## Fourth annual Women of Worth conference planned

The fourth annual Women of Worth conference is planned Saturday night, Aug. 10, in the auditorium at Anna-Jonesboro Community High School.

The conference is scheduled to open from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. with socializing, treats, coffee, an infused water bar and a silent auction. Women of all ages are invited to attend.

Photo opportunities and free goodie bags will be offered to the first 300 women who attend.

The conference is scheduled to feature speakers,

singers and an interpretive dance presented by Anna-Jonesboro Community High School cheerleaders.

Advance ticket prices for the conference are \$7 each. Tickets are available online at [www.brownpapertickets.com](http://www.brownpapertickets.com).

Tickets also are available at the Cameron Law Firm and Repeat Boutique on Main Street, both in Anna.

Tickets will be \$10 at the door. More about the conference can be found on Facebook at [wowconnecting-women.com](http://wowconnecting-women.com).



## Creating dream catchers

The U.S. Forest Service/Shawnee National Forest continued the Young Trekker program during July. A Native American-themed program was presented Tuesday, July 23, at the Lincoln Memorial Picnic Grounds in Jonesboro. The theme for the program was "Step Back in Time." The trekkers in attendance learned about Native American culture through artifacts, folklore, games and crafts. Linda Hauser of the USDA Forest Service and Kelsey Woodcock of AmeriCorps helped young people to create Native American dream catchers. Photo by Benjamin Marxer.



**Successful event**

There was a bit of a break when this picture was taken during a Shred & Med Disposal Day event which was held Saturday morning, July 20, at the Union County Courthouse in Jonesboro.

**Shred, Med event collects 77 pounds of unused medications, 3,035 pounds of shredded documents**

Those who drove by the Union County Courthouse in Jonesboro on Saturday morning, July 20, may have noticed something a little out of the ordinary.

On hand at the courthouse was a large truck with "Shred-It" on the side, Anna-Jonesboro Community High School football players carrying boxes and vehicles scurrying in and out.

All of this was part of a Shred & Med Disposal Day presented by Southern Seven Health Department, the Union County Farm Bureau and the Union County Sheriff's Office.

The free event offered residents confidential document shredding and safe disposal of unwanted medications.

Residents from as far as Hardin, Massac and Williamson counties participated in the event.

Southern Seven Health Department education director Natalie Sawyer reported that 77 pounds of unused medications were collected, along with 3,035 pounds of shredded documents.

The health department recommends never sharing medications with others.

The health department says that anyone who requires medication should always consult their physician prior to use.

Each resident/household was limited to five banker-sized boxes or one 18 gallon sized tote of documents to be shredded.

Local businesses donated

items for the event, including Burger King and WIBH Radio.

**Success Noted at County Board Meeting**

The success of the July 20 event at the courthouse also was noted at last week's regular meeting of the Union County Board of Commissioners.

The meeting was Friday morning, July 26, at the courthouse.

Union County Board of Commissioners vice chairman Bobby Toler Jr. was on hand for the Shred & Med Disposal Day.

Toler said that 90 people brought items to the event for proper disposal.

He said that five employees from Southern Seven Health Department worked at the event.

The Union County Farm Bureau provided snacks and refreshments.

Members of the Anna-Jonesboro Community High School football team were on hand to volunteer their services.

The players, who were led by A-J head football coach Brett Detering, helped those who came to the event to unload their vehicles on a hot and humid summer day.

"It was a hot day, but it was a good day," Toler said.

County board of commissioners chairman Max Miller said it is hoped that Shred & Med Disposal Day events can be done on a regular basis in the future in the county.

**More Information**

More information about proper shredding of documents and the disposal of medications is available by contacting Southern Seven Health Department at 618-634-2297 or by visiting southern7.org online.



**Ice cream social held**

A Meisenheimer (Mt. Olive) Cemetery ice cream social was held Saturday evening, July 27. The cemetery is located east of Dongola. Food and ice cream were served. Music was presented during the evening. The social was sponsored by the Meisenheimer Cemetery Association. Proceeds will go to providing for the cemetery's upkeep and maintenance.

**Registration for 2019-2020 academic year set at A-JCHS**

Registration for the 2019-2020 academic year is scheduled Aug. 5-8 at Anna-Jonesboro Community High School.

Registration will be in the principal's office at the high school.

Students who signed up for classes in the spring were to be receiving registration packets in the mail in July.

The registration schedule follows:

Aug. 5: Seniors, 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Aug. 6: Juniors, 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Aug. 7: Sophomores, 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. Freshmen and sophomores, 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Aug. 8: Freshmen, 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. All grades, 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The school noted that on registration day, students will need to bring an affidavit of residency and full payment for all fees or a completed free/reduced lunch form.

The form contains income guidelines set forth by the federal government for eligibility for free and reduced meals.

The school said that only one application will have to

be completed per household for all children who attend A-JCHS.

In addition, all incoming freshmen and new district enrollees must present proof of a physical exam, a current immunization record and proof of residency before they can be registered.

New district enrollees are advised to contact the principal's office as soon as possible to begin the registration process.

More information about registration is available by contacting the principal's office at 833-8502.

**Bible School set at Anna church**

Vacation Bible School/ROAR is scheduled Aug. 1-4 at the Anna First Church of the Nazarene.

"Life is Wild, God is Good" is the theme. Vacation Bible School is planned 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.

The church is located at 100 Kirk St. in Anna.

**Wolf Lake Project event set Saturday**

The Wolf Lake Project is making plans to host a community event on Saturday, Aug. 3.

The mission of the Wolf Lake Project is "to make the community safer and cleaner for our future generations."

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.

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 were being welcomed. Organizers had asked 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.

**Jonesboro School schedules registration for 2019-2020**

Jonesboro School has set registration for the 2019-2020 academic year for Thursday, today. 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 number 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.

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### IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 1ST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

UNION COUNTY - JONESBORO, ILLINOIS

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,

vs.  
ALFRED A. HANDAL AKA ALFRED HANDAL and SHARONA M. HANDAL AKA SHARONA HANDAL, Defendants.  
19-CH-1

PROPERTY ADDRESS:  
203 COOK AVE.  
JONESBORO, IL 62952

PUBLIC NOTICE is here-by given that pursuant to a Judgment of the above Court entered in the above entitled cause on June 14, 2019, the following described real estate, to-wit:

Permanent Index Number: 14-00-07-866

Commonly known as: 203 Cook Ave., Jonesboro, IL 62952

will be offered for sale and sold at public vendue on August 21, 2019, at 9:00 AM, at the front door of the Union County Courthouse, Jonesboro, Illinois.

The Judgment amount is \$74,030.54.

The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale

payable to The Sheriff of Union County. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the mortgaged real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate, and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to the Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The Sale is further subject to confirmation by the Court.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.

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

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GARAGE SALE: Saturday, August 3, 8 a.m. to noon. 200 Water Street, Jonesboro. Sewing items, antique sewing machine, furniture, glassware, women's clothing & shoes, toddler toys, baby clothing, kitchen items, odds & ends, bedroom decor.

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.

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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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Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.

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

The purchaser of a condominium unit at a judicial foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, who takes possession of a condominium unit pursuant to a court order or a purchaser who acquires title from a mortgagee shall have the duty to pay the proportionate share, if any, of the common expenses for the unit which would have become due in the absence of any assessment acceleration during the 6 months immediately preceding institution of an action to enforce the collection of assessments, and which remain unpaid by the owner during whose possession the assessments accrued. If the outstanding assessments are paid at any time during any action to enforce the collection of assessments, the purchaser shall have no obligation to pay any assessments which accrued before he or she acquired title. If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5 (g-1).

If the sale is not confirmed for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the purchase price paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

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

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Note: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act you are advised that the Law Firm of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

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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),**  
**19 CH 18**

**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 NORTHEAST 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, AND EASEMENT FOR CONTINUED PRESENCE OF AN ABOVEGROUND SWIMMING POOL PARTIALLY LOCATED ON THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE: PART OF THE NORTHEAST 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 ALONG THE SAID 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

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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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**BID NOTICE**

Anna CCSD #37 is requesting bids for updates to the phone system and video surveillance system. Bids must be received at Anna CCSD #37, 301 South Green Street, Anna, IL 62906 prior to 12:00 p.m. on August 9, 2019. The district desires to have all work completed as soon as possible. Interested bidders can request bid specifications by calling 618-833-6812. Anna CCSD #37 reserves the right to wave minor informalities and accept the bid which best suits the district needs. Services provided will be performed by employees receiving prevailing wage. 33gp

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

**ANNA-JONESBORO NATIONAL BANK, an Illinois Banking corporation, Plaintiff, Vs SUSAN PEARL, UNKNOWN OWNERS And NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.**  
**Case No.: 2018-CH-7**

**NOTICE OF SALE**

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above captioned matter of May 24, 2019, the Sheriff in Union County, will by public sale on **August 28, 2019, at 9 a.m.** in the Union County Courthouse, in Jonesboro, Illinois, sell at public vendue to the highest and best bidder, for cash, or cashier's check drawn on a federally or state chartered bank or savings and loan, the following described real estate:

**EXHIBIT A**

Lots Number 1, 2 & 3 in William and Henry Nord-meyer's First Addition to the Village of Balcom, situated in the County of Union and State of Illinois. Also a parcel of land in the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 3, Township 13 South, Range 1 West of the Third Principal Meridian, bounded as follows: Beginning at the Southeast corner of said Lot 1, thence South 143 1/2 feet, thence West 52 feet, thence Northerly 143 1/2 feet, thence Easterly 51 feet to the place of beginning, situated in the County of Union and State of Illinois.

Potential buyers may contact John R. Schneider of the law firm of Johnson,

Schneider & Ferrell, L.L.C., 12 North Main Street, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701, Phone Number (573)-335-3300 for information regarding this real estate.

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

Tiffany Busby  
 Circuit Clerk

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**NOTICE UNDER ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME ACT**

**State of Illinois SS County of Union**

Notice is hereby given pursuant to "An Act in relation to the use of an Assumed Name in the conduct or Transaction of Business in the State," as Amended that a certification was filed by the undersigned with the County Clerk of Union County, Filed this 25th day of July, 2019, under the Assumed Name of Hillside Haven Cabins with the place of business located at 8595 U.S. Hwy. 51 N., Cobden, Illinois 62920 and that the True Name(s) and Residence Address of the Sole Owner(s) and Proprietor(s) of said Business is:

Kelly McDowell  
 1915 Friendship School  
 Road  
 Anna, IL 62906

Lance Meisenheimer  
 Union County Clerk  
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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 1ST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT UNION COUNTY - JONESBORO, ILLINOIS**

**Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper PLAINTIFF Vs. Hugh Deneal; Rachael Willis; United States of America; Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants DEFENDANTS 2019CH17**

**NOTICE BY PUBLICATION**

NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU: Hugh Deneal, Unknown Owners and Non-record Claimants

That this case has been commenced in this Court against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit: COMMONLY KNOWN

AS: 503 East Market Street Jonesboro, IL 62952 and which said Mortgage was made by: Hugh Deneal the Mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as Nominee for MortgageSelect, as Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Union County, Illinois, as Document No. 2046 Book 265 Page 634; and for other relief; that summons was duly issued out of said Court against you as provided by law and that the said suit is now pending.

NOW, THEREFORE, UNLESS YOU file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this case in the Office of the Clerk of this Court, Tiffany Busby, Circuit Clerk, P.O. Box 450, Jonesboro, IL 62952

on or before September 3, 2019, A DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY AND A JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRAYER OF SAID COMPLAINT.

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 Our File No. 14-19-04738  
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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**SOUTHERN BANK f/k/a CAPAHA BANK, Plaintiff, Vs JOSE M. ZAMORA, UNKNOWN OWNERS And NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.**  
**Case No.: 2019-CH-16**

**PUBLICATION NOTICE**

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

**LEGAL DESCRIPTION**  
 SITUATED IN AND A PART OF OUT LOT 8 IN THE VILLAGE OF COBDEN, BEING A PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 30, TOWNSHIP 11 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS

FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF OUT LOT 8 IN THE VILLAGE OF COBDEN; THENCE NORTH 2°-34' WEST ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID OUT LOT 8 A DISTANCE OF 220.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 84°-36'-40" WEST A DISTANCE OF 146.40 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 3°-20' EAST A DISTANCE OF 217.65 FEET TO THE NORTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF VILLAGE STREET; THENCE NORTH 85°-30' EAST ALONG THE SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE A DISTANCE OF 143.35 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THE TRACT CONTAINING 0.727 ACRES, MORE OR LESS. BEING "TRACT 1" ON A PLAT OF SURVEY PREPARED BY CHARLES L. GARNER, ILLINOIS LAND SURVEYOR NO. 2316, DATED APRIL 28, 1981, AND RECORDED ON APRIL 29, 1981, IN PLAT BOOK 8 AT PAGE 73 IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE OF UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

SUBJECT TO A 10 FOOT WIDE EASEMENT ALONG AND PARALLEL TO THE EAST LINE OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF LAYING, MAINTAINING AND USING SAID PROPERTY FOR A SEWAGE LINE TO RUN ACROSS THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY.

1991 Shultz Linbrook Mobile Home VIN #252168AB, Serial No. -1-252168A&B and for other relief, that summons was duly issued out of the said Court against you as provided by law, and that said suit is still pending.

Now, therefore, unless you, the said Defendants, Jose M. Zamora, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, file your answer to the Complaint in the said suit, or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Circuit Court of Union County, Illinois, in the County Courthouse in the City of Jonesboro, Illinois, on or before the 6th day of August, 2019, default may be entered against you and each of you at any time after that day and a decree entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint.

Tiffany Busby  
 Clerk of the Circuit Court

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# Obituaries

## Carl Elbert Sellars

Carl Elbert Sellars, 85, of Cobden, died Wednesday, July 24, 2019, at the Marion VA Medical Center.

He was born on Sept. 20, 1933, in Marion, the son of John Louie and Lucille Lorraine Toler Sellars.

He married Rose Marie Elder on Dec. 19, 1953, at Shiloh Baptist Church in Cobden. She preceded him in death on Dec. 26, 1989.

Mr. Sellars is survived by his three children, Carl (Cindy) Sellars of Vienna, Louis Edgar (Teresa) Sellars of Cobden and Clair Lorraine Melton of Austin, Texas; a son-in-law, Roger Hileman of Jonesboro; 10 grandchildren, Melissa Elaine (Jason) Lewis, Miranda Galadriel Sellars, Dustin Shane Sellars, Victoria Michelle McElroy, Zachary Lane (Kiley) Hileman, Aaron John David (Lacey) Sellars, Austin James Dean (Krysti) Sellars, Alexander Josiah Dane (Cyndi) Sellars, Annie Lorraine Melton, Antonio Gabriel Melton Molina; 13 great-grandchildren; siblings Emma Louise Crews, Daisy Crowe, Richard Sellars, Lawrence Sellars and David Sellars; a very special friend, Mary Sue Treece; many other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Rose Sellars; a daughter, Renee Diane Hileman; and siblings John, Charlie, Harmon, Donald, Peggy and Lora.

Mr. Sellars was a life member of Shiloh Baptist Church in Cobden.

He served in the U.S. Navy from 1952 to 1972, during both the Korean Conflict and Vietnam. He retired after 20 years as a CTRC.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Aug. 2, at Makanda Baptist Church, with Pastor Greg Schmidt officiating.

Interment will be in Evergreen Cemetery in Makanda. Graveside military rites will be conducted by Carroll P. Foster Post No. 3455 of the VFW in Anna and the Navy funeral honor detail.

Friends can call after noon and until the service hour at 2 p.m. at Makanda Baptist Church.

Memorials can be made to the Illinois Veterans Home in Anna.

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

**RENDELMAN & HILEMAN** FUNERAL HOMES Randleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Cobden is in charge of arrangements.

## Marian R. Murray

Marian R. Murray, 87, of Alto Pass, died Saturday, July 27, 2019, at Memorial Hospital of Carbondale.

She was born on Aug. 25, 1931, in Alto Pass, the daughter of Hubert Francis and Mildred Suvilla Hardin Richardson.

She married Robert "Jr" Murray on April 1, 1950, in Anna. He preceded her in death on Jan. 3, 1969.

Mrs. Murray is survived by her children, Dian Murray of Alto Pass and Terry (Laura) Murray of Jonesboro; grandchildren Lisa Fisher, Jason Johns, Joshua (Nikki) Johns, Robert (Kim) Murray, Tim Murray and Levi (Tammy) Murray; great-grandchildren Christopher Johns, Brynleigh Harris, Lucas Johns, Mallory Moore, Jackson Johns, Samantha Murray, Jake Murray, Michael Murray, Keith Schumate, Hunter Knight and Holden Knight; great-great grandchild Waylon Robert Murray; one sister, Nadian (Alvin "Bill") Murray of Alto Pass; many other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Jr Murray; a son, Gary Dean Murray; a granddaughter, Alisha Knight; a great-grandson, Jarad Michael Fisher; and a sister, Sharon Ann Richardson.

She enjoyed quilting, sewing, embroidering and reading a good book. She loved spending time with her family.

Funeral services were at 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 30, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Alto Pass, with Pastor Jack Richardson officiating. Interment was in Alto Pass Cemetery.

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

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

**RENDELMAN & HILEMAN** FUNERAL HOMES Randleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Alto Pass was in charge of arrangements.

## Patricia Brown

Patricia Brown, 48, of Anna, died Tuesday, July 30, 2019, at St. Louis University Hospital in St. Louis.

She was born on Jan. 28, 1971, in Anna, the daughter of Jack D. and Rebecca R. Lutz Brimm.

She is survived by her daughter, Amelia Brown of Simpson; a granddaughter Elly Marie Brown; a sister, Kathleen Hutchison of Anna; a brother, Timothy Brimm of Anna; and her father.

She was preceded in death by her mother.

She loved life to the fullest and was always happy.

Funeral services will be held privately for the family.

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

**RENDELMAN & HILEMAN** FUNERAL HOMES Randleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna is in charge of arrangements.

## James Michael 'Mike' Coles

James Michael "Mike" Coles, 74, of Anna, died Saturday, July 27, 2019, at St. Francis Medical Center in Cape Girardeau.

He was born on May 30, 1945, in Du Quoin, the son of Herbert Eugene "Herb" and Betty Vee Ledbetter Coles.

He married Margaret Joanna Henson on Jan. 3, 1987, in Carbondale. She preceded him in death on July 19, 2017.

He is survived by his five children, Tommy Yates of Perryville, Mo., Gary Morris of Marion, Jamie (Adam) Mach of Goreville, Marissa Coles of Dongola and Michael (Rosa) Coles of Ironton, Mo.; 18 grandchildren, Michael, Tyler, Whitney, Ethan, Addison, Jesse and Autumn Yates, Morgan, Allison, Hannah, Luke and Ashley Morris, Makenna and Kinsley Mach, Karina Coles, Jeff Silvey, Jacob Nunez, Maddox and Maddy Coles; four great-grandchildren, Marah, Kemet, Yonni and Nuru Coles; a sister, Gina (Donnie) Nichols of Anna; other relatives and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Margaret Joanna Coles; and one brother, Lyle Coles.

Mr. Coles was a member of the Lick Creek Pentecostal church for many years.

He served in the U.S. Navy from 1965 to 1968 during Vietnam. He was retired from the Vienna Correctional Center after working over 40 years as a correctional officer. He owned and operated J.M Coles Postcards and Souvenirs. After retirement he pursued his love for photography full time.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, today, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna, with the Rev. John Boyd officiating.

Interment will be in the Anna Cemetery. Graveside military rites will be conducted by Carroll P. Foster Post No. 3455 of the VFW and the Navy funeral honor detail.

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

**RENDELMAN & HILEMAN** FUNERAL HOMES Randleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna is in charge of arrangements.

## Rena Annette Hepburn

Rena Annette Hepburn, 55, of Jonesboro, died Thursday, July 25, 2019, at her home.

She was born on Jan. 21, 1964, in Anna, the daughter of Larry and Denna Scivally Hepburn.

She was a member of Mill Creek Baptist Church. She enjoyed sewing, making crafts, growing flowers and spending time with family and friends.

She is survived by her son, Christopher Allen Hepburn of Goreville; daughters Alicia Lynn Coon (Nathan Stoner) of Buncombe and Olivia Brooke Hepburn of Jonesboro; grandchildren Caitlyn Brown and Sylvia Stoner; her mother, Donna Scivally (Bill King) of Anna; her father and stepmother, Larry (Sharon) Hepburn of Jonesboro; brothers Robert (Lisa) Hepburn of Tamaroa and Allen Hepburn (Stacey Samuels) of Jonesboro; a sister, Andrea Hepburn of Avendale, Ariz.; an uncle, Mike (Diana) Hepburn of Anna; several nieces and nephews; other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her grandson, Justin James Hepburn; her grandparents, Bob (Virginia) Hepburn, Opal (Bob) Gobble and Don Scivally; and an aunt, Jackie Hoffman.

Funeral services were at 1 p.m. Monday, July 29, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Jonesboro, with Pastor Bobby Richardson officiating. Interment was in Jonesboro Cemetery.

The family has asked that donations be made to the funeral home to help with expenses.

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

**RENDELMAN & HILEMAN** FUNERAL HOMES Randleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Jonesboro was in charge of arrangements.

## Carl H. Sims

Carl H. Sims, 83, of Jonesboro, died Tuesday, April 9, 2019, at Integrity Healthcare in Anna.

He was born on Sept. 17, 1935, in Cobden, the son of Jewell and Mildred Marie Dixon Sims.

Mr. Sims is survived by his brothers and sisters, Betty Lou Wright of Anna, Patricia Wooden of Granite City, Virginia Halleck of Laurel Creek, Va., Harvey Sims of Jonesboro, Judy Sims of Lake City, Fla., and Ralph Sims of Anna; numerous nieces and nephews; other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, T.J. Sims and Karrell Sims; and two sisters, Viola Newbery and Deloris Dover.

Mr. Sims served in the U.S. Navy.

Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 3, at the Alto Pass Cemetery. Bob Dover will officiate. Everyone is asked to go directly to the cemetery.

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

**RENDELMAN & HILEMAN** FUNERAL HOMES Randleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Jonesboro is in charge of arrangements.

## Lue Dee Jackson Sr.

Mr. Lue Dee Jackson Sr. was born on July 24, 1927, to Arthur and Perry Jackson of Columbus, Ky. He died on July 16, 2019.

Mr. Jackson graduated valedictorian from Clinton High School in Clinton, Kentucky. He obtained a bachelor's degree in elementary education from Southeast Missouri State University in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, where he also worked toward his master's degree.

His sister Mrs. Hattie Mae Woodfork and brother Mr. Leroy Berry of Evanston, Ill., preceded him in death.

At age 18, he embarked upon his career as a teacher in Kentucky, Missouri, and Illinois.

His first teaching assignment in Illinois was as a sixth-grade teacher at Bannaker Elementary School in Pulaski, Ill.

Upon integration of the Illinois public school system, Mr. Jackson began teaching in Mounds, Ill., at Titus Elementary School and later at Meridian Elementary School.

As a well respected educator, known for his integrity, he was elected president of the Illinois Education Association, a local teacher's union.

Throughout his 37 years as a teacher, Mr. Jackson was extremely dedicated to his students and received numerous educational awards before retiring at age 55.

Although Mr. Jackson loved education, his greatest love was his walk with God, a walk he modeled every day of his life. He accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior at the age of 15.

Until his death, he was an active member of Mount Olive Missionary Baptist Church in Pulaski, Ill., where he held numerous positions including Sunday school teacher, usher, treasurer, deacon and Sunday school superintendent.

There was not a job in the church that he would not do. Even at age 91, he continued to be active, often providing transportation whenever asked to do so.

Mr. Jackson loved singing songs that praised God. One of his favorite songs that he sang on a regular basis was "If anybody asks you who I am, who I am, tell them I am a child of God."

He prayed daily, loved studying his Bible, and enjoyed reciting scriptures. His favorite scripture was John 3:16.

He met his first wife of 47 years, Mrs. Tris Ella Green Jackson while pursuing his academic studies.

They both attended Wilberforce University, a historically black teacher's college, and Kentucky State University.

Nine children came from their union: Dorothy M. Pollard, Tris L. Middleton, Lue Dee Jackson Jr., Perry L. Miller, Peggy F. J. Bradford, Mary E. Jackson, Allen M. Jackson, Beverly M. Hodges, and Arthur W. Jackson.

Mr. Jackson set a high bar for academic achievement and all of his children followed his example, embracing his love for education.

After his first wife passed away, Mr. Jackson remarried at the age of 69 to Mrs. Annie Viola Mackins Jackson of Pulaski, Ill. They were married for more than 21 years.

They enjoyed attending church events, community activities, eating out, gardening, traveling and spending time with family.

Mr. Jackson will be cherished in memory by his loving wife, Annie Viola Mackins Jackson, and her children from a prior union with the late Mr. Melvoy Mackins Sr.: Mary Frances (Thomas) Copeland of Decatur, Ill.; Melvoy (Fannie) Mackins of Decatur, Ill.; Carl Alvin (Patricia) Mackins of Belvidere, Ill.; Walter (Marian) Mackins of Pulaski, Ill.; and the late Areatha Mae (Mackins) Warmsley and Lola Mae Mackins.

Throughout his life, when Mr. Jackson was not teaching or at church, you could find him engaging in one of his many interests.

He enjoyed Chinese checkers, racing with his children and grandchildren, doing handy work around the house, reading, cooking, searching for antiques and collecting coins and postage stamps.

His favorite pastimes were attending garage sales, setting up for garage sales with his family, going to flea markets and running an antique shop.

He had a jovial sense of humor and enjoyed having fun with people in a light-hearted manner.

He was always interested in helping others. He tutored people in the community, drove a mini school bus transporting students to and from school, repaired televisions, prepared income taxes, served as a foster parent, and actively voted in elections to better the community.

Mr. Lue Dee Jackson Sr. will be missed by his loving wife, Mrs. Viola Mackins Jackson, his nine children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, stepchildren and step-grandchildren who loved him dearly and will forever cherish his legacy.

He will also be missed by his beloved community, colleagues, and students, who continued inviting him to numerous events throughout the years.

Mr. Jackson made such a profound impact on the lives of others that he received daily visits from people in the community until his last day of life.

Mr. Jackson also had special friends, including Deacon Raymond Fields, who helped him open the doors of the church on a weekly basis; Deaconess Shelia Mack, who served in numerous capacities within the church; and his loyal friend Kenneth Adkinson, who was always available and willing to help Mr. Jackson with anything.

A special acknowledgment to his grandmother, Mrs. Bessie Gardner Birge (deceased), who daily pressed his white shirts and black suit for him, and his uncle Lee Birge (deceased) who sold his favorite cow so that Mr. Jackson could attend college.

## Billie E. Wilson

Billie E. Wilson, 80, of Cobden, died Sunday, July 28, 2019, at Memorial Hospital in Carbondale.

He was born on April 9, 1939, the son of Claude W. and Margaret Cox Wilson.

Mr. Wilson is survived by his dear friends, Tammy (John) Clark and their family of Cobden. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Mr. Wilson was a dairy farmer all his life. According to his wishes, there will be no services held.

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

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## Helen Bedwell

Laura Helen Bedwell, 84, of Brighton, and formerly of Union County, died around midnight Sunday, July 28, 2019, at Select Specialty Hospital in Evansville, Ind.

She was born on June 21, 1935, in Cobden, the daughter of Myrl Childers and Ethel Dover Childers Hancock.

She married Robert Dean Bedwell on Oct. 26, 1954, in Edwardsville. He preceded her in death.

She also was preceded in death by her parents; her stepfather, Benton Hancock; and her sister, Donna Swink.

She was a fantastic cook and was known for her chicken and dumplings and her desserts.

She went all out for holidays and especially Halloween, when neighborhood children looked forward to her hot chocolate and homemade popcorn balls.

She loved gardening, playing bingo, spending time with her family and watching the St. Louis Cardinals.

Survivors include daughters and sons-in-law Brenda and Jim Kirkpatrick of Creal Springs, Joy and Philip Briggs of Manning, S.C., Mary and Kent Wells of Marion, Sharon and Don Schluter of Marion and Melena Jockisch of Jerseyville; one son and daughter-in-law, Danny and Sheri Bedwell of Columbus, Miss.; 18 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday at the Jonesboro Cemetery, with Pastor Don Schluter officiating. Burial will follow at the cemetery.

Memorials can be made to the family or to the donor's favorite charity.

Following the service, the family will gather to remember her life at New Horizons Community Church at 15500 Buckley Rd. in Marion.

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

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# New, stricter rules proposed for foster care homes in Illinois

Intent is to comply with new national standards, best practices

By Peter Hancock  
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SPRINGFIELD – Licensed foster homes in Illinois will likely have to comply with a host of new rules starting later this year, including strict vaccination and no-smoking policies, as well as rules governing kitchens, bathrooms, swimming pools and transportation.

The state Department of Children and Family Services, DCFS, announced the proposed rules July 12, when they were published in the Illinois Register, the official state document for public notices of rulemaking by state agencies.

Jassen Strokosch, a spokesperson for DCFS, said the proposed new rules are meant to comply with new National Model Foster Family Home Licensing Standards that were adopted in February by the Children's Bureau of the Administration for Children and Families, an agency within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

"As a result, DCFS licensing is required to include National Standards that are not already part of our current Foster Home Licensing Rules in Illinois," Strokosch said in an email.

"So the changes you are seeing...reflect changes at the national level that we are adopting in Illinois to stay in compliance."

The proposed new rules, which are not explicitly spelled out in current rules, include the following:

- Foster homes would, at a minimum, have to be equipped with a stove, oven, refrigerator and sink in the kitchen; a properly functioning toilet, sink, shower and tub in the bathroom; and a first aid kit and supplies.

- No person would be allowed to smoke inside a foster family home or in any vehicle used to transport a foster child.

- Swimming pools would have to be equipped with a government-approved life-saving device such as a life preserver or life jacket and would have to have a working pump and filtering system if the pool cannot be emptied after each use.

- Foster parents would

have to ensure they have access to safe, legal and reliable transportation.

- All children living in the foster home and all adult caregivers would be required to have up-to-date vaccinations, unless their primary care physician recommends otherwise.

- At least one adult in the foster home would have to be able to read and write at a level necessary to meet the needs of youth in care, such as the ability to read medication labels.

- All individuals in the foster family over age 18 would have to undergo background checks.

- Any individual applying for a foster home license would have to provide the name and address of at least one relative who can attest to the applicant's ability to care for a child or children.

That's in addition to the three character references from unrelated individuals that are already required.

Under the state's Administrative Procedures Act, the July 12 publication in the Illinois Register constitutes "first notice" of the proposed new rules.

DCFS could be required to have a public hearing on the rules if one is requested within 14 days of the first notice by either the governor, an affected local government, 25 interested individuals, or an association representing at least 100 interested individuals, something Strokosch said is unlikely in this case.

Sometime after a 45-day public comment period, which expires Aug. 26, DCFS will publish a second notice, which could include changes recom-

mended during the public comment period, and it will submit that notice to the General Assembly's Joint Committee on Administrative Rules, or JCAR. If approved there, DCFS would be free to finalize the new rules.

When the new national standards were considered by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the agency said it received few public comments.

"The vast majority of comments were from private citizens objecting to the proposed model standards regarding immunizations for children who are foster family home members," the agency said in a document announcing the final version of the standards.

## Reynoldsville News

By Sue Eudy

Happy belated birthday wishes to Leon Rendleman of Anna, whose birthday was Friday, July 26.

Venita Lingle of Anna and Kevin and Emma Eudy of Cape Girardeau visited Sunday with Sue and Steve Eudy.

Those helping Russ Pender of Olive Branch and Josh Miller of Tamms celebrate their birthday at the home of Russ and Patsy Pender of Olive Branch on Sunday, July 21, were Patsy Pender, Shelton and Kayde Pender and Leslie Grace, all of Olive Branch, Maxine and Fred Pender of Fair City and Heather, Chesleigh and Slayton Miller of Tamms. Russ and Josh's birthday was on Sunday, July 28.

Brad and Lori Pender and Gary Gibbs, all of Jonesboro, visited with Maxine

and Fred Pender.

Greg and Amy Reynolds of Reynoldsville and Jessie and Rhiannon Livesay of Wolf Lake visited Thursday with Dolores and Jack Reynolds of Reynoldsville.

Penny Hill of McClure visited with Shirley Miller of McClure.

Those enjoying pizza at Pizza Hut in Anna last Tuesday were Ermadell Elkins, Tyler and Alexa Hinkle and Jady Samuels, all of Anna, Deanie and Jerry Hinkle of Jonesboro and Shirley Miller.

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

## Obituaries Online at [annanews.com](http://annanews.com)

### 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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# Peach Festival

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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 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](http://www.cobdenil.com).

## Reigning Queen

This year's Cobden Peach queen pageant is scheduled Friday and Saturday nights.

The reigning Peach Festival queen is Grace Pitts.

Debbie Stroehlein of Cobden coordinates the queen pageant.

### Grace Pitts

Grace Pitts is the reigning Peach Festival queen.

Grace, 19, of Cobden, is the daughter of Kent and Nancy Pitts.

She is a Cobden High School graduate and Shawnee Community College student.

She works at Subway in Anna and at Vina's Dance Studio. She has been a ballerina for 16 years.

Her hobbies and interests include baby-sitting, being an avid reader and riding horses.

She noted that her favorite place is "the dance studio because it's her second home, with so many great memories."

Grace said that she has "enjoyed every second of being the Peach Queen."

## 2019 Queen Candidates

Profiles of the 2019 Peach Festival queen candidates, including their sponsors in the pageant, follow:

### Meredith Flamm

Meredith Flamm, 19, of Cobden, is the daughter of Mike and Lynn Flamm.

She is a Cobden High School graduate and attends Mississippi State University.

She is a certified nursing assistant at The Landings in Carbondale.

She enjoys playing sports and being active. She played basketball, softball and volleyball throughout high school.

She enjoys water skiing and wakeboarding at the lake with friends and family.

At Mississippi State University, she is majoring in biological sciences and minoring in chemistry. Once she graduates, she hopes to attend medical school, with aspirations to become a physician.

Meredith said her favorite place "is at home on my family's farm, Flamm Orchards. I have grown up on the farm my entire life and it is a very special place to my family and I."

Her sponsor is Flamm Orchards.

### Grace Girtman

Grace Girtman, 16, of Anna, is the daughter of Dale and Dortha Boatright of Anna and Tim Girtman of Goreville.

She attends Anna-Jonesboro Community High School.

She is employed at the Hometown Diner in Jonesboro.

Grace is trained in the triple jump. She enjoys running long distances in her free time, practicing makeup techniques, modeling, coon hunting with her father, cooking, designing clothes from sketch, gardening with her mom, working on old cars with her parents, yoga, hiking, working out, playing volleyball, traveling and enjoying any activities outdoors.

She is a Brand Ambassador for Teen Hearts, California and Breezy Swim. She was crowned 2017 Junior Miss Union County.

Grace said her favorite

places are Gatlinburg and Pigeon Forge in Tennessee, "because it has always been a family tradition every year and it helps all of the family get together."

Her sponsor is Hometown Diner in Jonesboro.

### Lauren Lyerla

Lauren Lyerla, 16, of Alto Pass, is the daughter of Matt and Terra Lyerla.

She is a Cobden High School student.

She is a full-time child care provider and works part-time at Hedman's Vineyards.

Lauren is a trained child care provider. She has worked as an assistant cheer coach at Cobden Junior High School.

She is a model and a representative for Kenz Boutique and Amanda Myers-Neilson Photography.

Lauren actively researches on how autism affects children and their families, while enjoying hands-on learning with her brother, who was diagnosed at age 2.

"I am very interested in pursuing further research on new and successful methods of allowing children affected by autism to reach their full potential," she said.

She describes herself as "a passionate supporter of the National Autism Association."

Lauren said that "Nashville, Tennessee, is my favorite destination to visit with family and friends. I enjoy listening to the performances of talented musicians and seeing the variety of people who share the same love for Music City."

Her sponsor is Kenz Boutique.

### Alejandra Lopez

Alejandra Lopez, 18, of Cobden, is the daughter of Rosa and Jesus Lopez.

She is a recent graduate of Cobden High School and attends Shawnee Community College.

She sells handmade accessories online.

Alejandra said that she has a talent for sewing "because I'm able to bring my art work to life."

"One of my hobbies consists of altering secondhand clothing into something that fits with the current fashion trends. My other hobby is abstract painting mixed with silhouettes," she said.

She said that two of her accomplishments this year "were having the opportunity to build my own guitar and upcycling my evening gown that you see on stage. These experiences taught me a lot about hard work and the craftsmanship process."

Her favorite place is "dining in at McDonald's with my friends."

Her sponsor is Phases Beauty and Hair Salon.

### Lexi Miller

Lexi Miller, 18, of Cobden, is the daughter of David and Elizabeth Miller.

She is a Cobden High School graduate and attends Shawnee Community College.

Lexi said she loves to go hunting, to do things around the farm, painting, doing people's hair and makeup, fishing, going to the lake, listening to music and hanging out with her friends.

She is pursuing studies to obtain a nursing degree. She is on a softball scholarship at Shawnee Community College.

She said her "favorite place to be is on the lake because I get to spend time

in the sun with my friends and family listening to good music."

Her sponsor is Bass Farms.

### Addison Osman

Addison Osman, 17, of Anna, is the daughter of Eric and Janice Osman.

She is a student at Anna-Jonesboro Community High School.

She is employed as a baby-sitter.

She has trained and competed in gymnastics for 12 years, where she has earned various state and regional titles.

She enjoys scrapbooking and drawing.

She is involved in cheerleading, track and field, and various school clubs, such as National Honor Society, Beta Club, math team, Spanish Club and FCA.

She said her favorite place is The Pit at A-JCHS because football Fridays as a cheerleader not only let her be involved with the fans, but the football team as well.

Her sponsor is Tooth Tech.

# 2019 Union County Fair

## Contestants sought for queen, Little, Junior Miss pageants

Contestants are being sought for the 2019 Union County Fair queen pageant and for this year's Little and Junior Miss pageants.

## Union County Fair Queen Pageant

The Union County Fair queen pageant is in search of contestants for the 2019 pageant.

The pageant will be Sunday, Aug. 18, at 7:30 p.m. at the fair grounds (the Anna City Park).

Contestants must be 16 years of age by Aug. 18, 2019, and not have reached their 22nd birthday by Jan. 1, 2020.

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

Contestants must be a resident of Union County or attended or graduated from a Union County school and are not competing in another county fair queen pageant in 2019 or have been a former queen of a county fair.

Information packet and online application links are available through the Union County Fair's website at [www.unioncountyfair.net](http://www.unioncountyfair.net).

Contestants will need to go to the "EVENTS" tab and then click on "Miss Union County Fair Queen Pageant," and then click on the links to download the information packet with required forms and the online application link.

Contestants can also contact Janice Osman at 618-833-7777 to request an information packet and the link to the online application or with any questions they may have.

A schedule of practice days and times are with the application. Practice locations are to be determined.

Each contestant will require a sponsor. The deadline to enter the pageant is Aug. 4. No late entries will be accepted after Aug. 4.

There will be a meeting on Sunday, Aug. 4, at 6 p.m. at the Union County Fair Board office at the Anna City Park.

All signed forms and entry/sponsor fees can be turned in at the meeting. Online applications are to be submitted by the Aug. 4 deadline.

Contestants are asked to come "picture ready." Tiffany Dillow Photography will be taking a group photo for the local papers and portrait pictures for the pageant program and judges books.

More information is available by contacting Janice Osman at 833-7777.

## Little, Junior Miss Pageant

The Union County Fair queen pageant is in search of Little and Junior Miss contestants for the 2019 pageant.

The pageant will be Sunday, Aug. 18, at 7:30 p.m. at the fair grounds (the Anna City Park).

Little Miss Contestants must be 6-10 years of age and Junior Miss Contestants must be 11-15 years of age by Aug. 18, 2019.

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

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

Information packet and online application links are available through the Union County Fair's website at [www.unioncountyfair.net](http://www.unioncountyfair.net).

Contestants will need to go to the "EVENTS" tab and then click on "Little Miss & Junior Miss Pageant" and then click on

the appropriate age group for the online application and the information packet which is the same for both age groups.

Contestants can also contact Janice Osman at 618-833-7777 to request an information packet and the link to the online application or with any questions they may have.

A schedule of practice days and times are with the pageant information packet. Practice locations are still to be determined.

The deadline to enter the pageant is Aug. 4. No late entries will be accepted after the deadline.

There will be a meeting on Sunday, Aug. 4, at 5:30 p.m. at the Union County Fair Board office at the Anna City Park for Little Miss and Junior Miss contestants.

All signed forms and entry fees can be turned in at the meeting. Online applications are to be submitted by the Aug. 4 deadline.

Contestants are asked to come "picture ready" please. Tiffany Dillow Photography will be taking a group photo for the local papers and portrait pictures for the pageant program book.

More information is available by contacting Janice Osman at 618-833-7777.

# Area students in musical

Students from the Union County area are in the cast of an upcoming theater production scheduled at Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

SIUC's McLeod Summer Playhouse, MSP, closes its 2019 Summer Season with a musical spoof, "The Drowsy Chaperone."

The production, which runs Aug. 1-4 in the McLeod Theater at SIUC, features area high school students as part of The All Southern High School Theatre Project, ASHTSP, in collaboration with Carbondale Community Arts.

Anna Madura from Anna-Jonesboro Community High School and Connor Windings from Caledonia Christian Academy in Olmsted are in the cast of the production.

Tickets are on sale by visiting [events.siu.edu](http://events.siu.edu) or by calling 877-725-8547.

The show-within-a-show begins when a diehard musical fan plays his favorite record, "The Drowsy Chaperone," and a forgotten Jazz Age musical comes to life in his living room.

Now in its 23rd year, ASHTSP is a collaboration between Carbondale Community Arts and MSP.

The program provides musical theater intensive training and education to high school students in the Southern Illinois region.

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Section B

## ICAHN video encourages EMS participation in rural areas

Due largely to limited budgets, increased responsibilities and education requirements, the rural EMS (emergency medical services) workforce has steadily declined for around three decades.

Couple this with an increased population of elderly residents in most rural areas, many who often call 911 when access to primary care is not available, and a gap in health care is firmly established.

In an effort to bolster EMS workforce numbers in rural Illinois, the Illinois Critical Access Hospital Network, ICAHN, and its rural hospital membership throughout the state recently teamed up with TAG Communications of Davenport, Iowa, to create a promotional video.

The video is geared specifically for recruitment and retention of rural EMS personnel.

(The video can be viewed on the network's website at [icahn.org](http://icahn.org).)

"No matter how low the call volume is, ambulances still need to be fully equipped and personnel properly trained to respond at a moment's notice," said Brian Ashpole, ICAHN data and grant project coordinator.

"In this video, we are happy to promote some outstanding EMS personnel and the work they do from both Kirby Medical Center and Gibson Area Hospital & Health Services. It is our hope more people will decide to become EMTs and paramedics, especially in the rural areas of our state."

ICAHN's EMS Sustainability Grant was made possible through the Medicare Rural Hospital Flexibility Program through HRSA (Health Resources & Ser-

vices Administration).

The \$52,000-plus grant award was utilized to create the video, create and activate the Medrills mobile app, and offer webinars focused on basic EMT training, paramedic training, EMT-Intermediate training, an EMT refresher, Advanced Cardiac Life Support, ACLS, training, Pediatric Advanced Life Support, PALS, training, and Advanced Trauma Life Support, ATLS, training.

Use of the Medrills app offers a variety of different training exercises which, upon successful completion, EMS personnel can obtain continuing education credits.

Illinois paramedics are required to have 100 hours of CEs every four years, EMT-Intermediate learners need 80 hours every four years and EMT-basic learners need 60 hours every four years.

"Use of the app and all training, for that matter, has been very well-received; first of all, because of its convenience and content, but secondly, because all training is free," said Ashpole about the grant that concludes its first year on Aug. 31.

"We plan to write this grant again and hopefully expand upon it."

ICAHN's EMS Advisory Committee includes three ambulance directors: Chris Troxell of Mason District Hospital, Havana; Crystal Alexander of Kirby Medical Center, Monticello; and Greg Scott, Gibson Area Hospital & Health Services, Gibson City.

All critical access and small, rural hospitals owning their ambulance service were invited to participate.

Each of the 10 hospitals who committed to the program received \$3,000 per

location to apply towards basic life support, advanced cardiac life support, and pediatric advanced life support certification.

The 10 participating hospitals include Horizon Health, Paris; Gibson Area Hospital & Health Services, Gibson City; Genesis Medical Center, Aledo; Clay County Hospital, Flora; Massac Memorial Hospital, Metropolis; Wabash General Hospital, Mt. Carmel; Kirby Medical Center, Monticello; Mason District Hospital, Havana; Morrison Community Hospital, Morrison; and Boyd Healthcare Services, Carrollton.

Webinars included "Hand-tevy Method: Prehospital Pediatric Care," "Infectious Disease Management in Prehospital and Emergency Care," "ST-Elevation Myocardial Infarction (STEMI) in Prehospital Care," "The Role of EMS in Community Outreach and Education," "Ambulance Documentation: Ensuring Services are Billable" and "Communication Strategies in EMS."

The project is supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services under grant H54RH00019, Rural Hospital Flexibility Program.

ICAHN noted that more information about becoming a paramedic or emergency medical technician is available by contacting a local fire department, ambulance service or hospital.

ICAHN is a not-for-profit agency which was established in 2003 for the purposes of sharing resources, education, promoting efficiency and best practice, and improving healthcare services for member critical access hospitals and their rural communities.



### Scholarship recipients

Union County Hospital District Auxiliary has awarded scholarships for 2019. From left are Emmelie Hawk, Jessica Nicolic, Britini Helton and Lexi Miller, with auxiliary president Sandra Boaz. Taylor Loveless and Nolan Knupp could not be present for the picture. Photo provided.



### Volunteers honored

Union County Hospital District Auxiliary has recognized volunteers for their hours of service. From left are Donna Bible, Delores Landreth and Jane Bauer. Elaine Crain could not be present for the picture. Photo provided.

## Hospital district auxiliary honors volunteers, presents scholarships

Union County Hospital District Auxiliary recently hosted its annual meeting.

The meeting was June 26 in the fellowship hall at the First United Methodist Church in Anna.

The event had a Hawaiian luau theme. Table decorations and refreshments were in keeping with the theme. Many of those who attended the meeting dressed in "Hawaiian" clothing.

After a time of fellowship and refreshments, auxiliary president Sandra Boaz welcomed all who were present and called the event together, with chaplain Donna Bible leading the Auxiliary Prayer.

Each officer and committee chairperson gave a brief report about activities of their office/committee for the past 12 months.

The auxiliary board has spent the past year on updating the auxiliary bylaws. The final draft was presented to the members present for voting. They were adopted unanimously.

If a member of the auxiliary was unable to attend the meeting, but desires to view the new bylaws, they can call 697-0097 to obtain a copy.

Union County Hospital CEO Jim Farris talked to the group. He shared information about new developments, both corporate and at the hospital.

Tami Davis, HR director

at the hospital, also shared information with the membership.

The highlight of the annual meeting traditionally has been the recognition of volunteers and the announcement of scholarship winners.

**Volunteers Honored**  
Auxiliary volunteer hours chairperson Mary Cunningham explained how volunteer service hours are recorded and tallied.

During 2018, volunteers at the hospital front desk and gift shop, and other auxiliary related activities gave 2,929 hours of their time.

Volunteers are recognized as they achieve increments of 500 hours.

Those recognized this year, along with their hours, included Jane Bauer, 1,000 hour level (1,023 hours); Donna Bible, 1,500 hour level (1,551 hours); Elaine Crain, 1,500 hours (1,633 hours); and Delores Landreth, 2,500 hour level (2,509 hours).

Patricia Fahlberg was posthumously recognized for achieving the 1,500 hour level, with a total of 1,576.5 hours.

These volunteers were presented certificates, as well as gift cards to the hospital gift shop.

**Scholarships Awarded**  
Years ago, a scholarship fund was set up by the estate of, and in memory of, nursing supervisor Alma Wilson.

Any resident of Union County who completes the application and is enrolled at an institution of higher learning in a health care related field is eligible for consideration by the scholarship committee.

For the past couple of years, the auxiliary said that it has been blessed with a sizable donation from a single donor family who prefer to stay anonymous, as well as numerous smaller donations, during the auxiliary's annual scholarship fund-raisers.

This year six scholarships were awarded. The winners were presented with certificates and checks will be sent to their college/university in early September.

Two \$1,000 scholarships were presented to Britni Helton and Nolan Knupp. Both are second-year students at Southeast Missouri State University, where they are studying biomedical sciences.

Three \$1,500 scholarships were awarded to the following first-year students:

Lexi Miller, who is pursuing a degree in nursing; Jessica Nicolic, who is pursuing a degree in nursing; and Taylor Loveless who is pursuing LPN certification.

The hospital gift shop continues to flourish. Manager Linda Jackson gave a \$1,500 scholarship to Emmelie Hawk, who is pursuing an LPN certification.

This scholarship was presented in memory of long-time auxiliary member, past president and dedicated gift shop volunteer Patricia Fahlberg.

**Volunteers Welcomed**  
Anyone who would like to volunteer at the Union County Hospital or join the auxiliary is invited to call 697-0097.

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# First Baptist Church, Cobden, featured at PAST Parlor Talk



**First Baptist Church of Cobden**  
An image of The First Baptist Church of Cobden today. Photo provided.



**Church in 1885**  
An image of the First Baptist Church of Cobden built in 1885. Photo provided.



**Sharing history of church**  
First Baptist Church of Cobden historian Glenda Myers, left, shared church history with Joan Dale, Bobby Myers, and Richard Dale. Joan Dale remembered attending the church when her late husband, the Rev. Alonzo Dale, ministered there. Their son Richard Dale is visiting from Fairfield, Conn. Photo provided.



**Surprise visitor**  
Guests at Sunday's church history parlor talks were called to attention by the surprise visit of a Roman soldier looking for the Judeo-Christian study group. The "soldier" from Cobden's "Christmas in Bethlehem" was reenacted by a remarkable friend of PAST, Chuck Neal. Photo provided.



**Special lady honored**  
Judy Neal, right, took opportunity last Sunday to honor a special lady who has been on the First Baptist Church of Cobden rolls for 70 years. Glenda Veal Myers was placed on the First Baptist Cradle Roll by her parents long before she became an adult member. The background of the photo includes the Union County seal, which some say shows early pioneers of two faiths who decided to join together in Union for greater strength of their people. Also in the background is a textile art piece designed and crafted by Kathleen Wright of Makanda. The scene is of a church amidst a garden of colorful flowers. Photo provided.



**Guest speaker**  
Glenda Myers from First Baptist Church of Cobden presented church history and shared photos and records with guests on Sunday, July 28, at Heritage House. Photo provided.

As a group of people were gathering at PAST's Heritage House in Jonesboro last Sunday, there was a clamor at the door and a Roman soldier appeared.

"So! I finally found this group of Jewish rebels who worship the Messiah King! There is no king except Caesar! I am going back to get a company of soldiers and if you are still here when I return, you will be arrested, tried and executed!"

The script and the scene were from the popular "Christmas in Bethlehem" community event sponsored annually by the First Baptist Church of Cobden. Reenactor Chuck Neal dramatically drew attention to the start of the weekly Parlor Talk on Union County church history with his brief character appearance. First Baptist Church of Cobden member and historian Glenda Veal Myers was assisted in her presentation by Janis Carrington, Bobby Myers, Judy Neal and Chuck Neal.

In attendance was Joan Dale, who had fond memories of attending First Baptist Church with her late husband, Pastor Alonzo Dale. After Pastor Dale's retirement from full-time ministry, he served interim periods in several Union County churches.

Glenda Myers shared record and minute books that profiled over 200 years of "Cobden Christian Church" history.

First settlers came to Union County about 1803 and small religious groups met in homes and even barns before they could own their own buildings.

Sometime around the coming of the Illinois Central Railroad, a group wrote a letter to the "council of Churches" to form the Church of Christ, which later became First Baptist Church of Cobden.

Myers read a petition or request for permission to organize a church.

Clear Creek Baptist Church met in 1820 in a log building in what is now the Jonesboro Cemetery. It is believed that Cobden (South Pass) like other area Baptist churches was nurtured by the early Clear Creek Church.

Myers dated the first Baptist Church of Cobden organization in 1876, and the first building in Cobden in 1885.

Today, the First Baptist Church of Cobden belongs to the Clear Creek Baptist Association. The first service in the present building was Christmas Eve, 2012.

Guests at Sunday's gathering were pleased to read through membership lists and see ancestors or people they either knew or knew about. There are some years for which no records have been found.

There were smiles when Myers read "Rules of Decorum" from early church minutes. "There will be no

## Church welcomes Tribute Quartet

Trinity Assembly of God in Olive Branch plans to welcome the Tribute Quartet from Nashville, Tenn., for a free gospel singing at 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 2.

More information about the gospel singing is available by contacting Pastors Stephen and Carrie Clardy at 618-833-3089 or 573-225-8580.

## Gospel singing set

A gospel singing is planned Saturday, Aug. 3, at Shiloh Baptist Church in Villa Ridge.

Singing begins at 7 p.m. The Liberty Boys from Kentucky and the Gloryroad Travelers from Mounds will be featured.

whispering or talking out of order during meetings or worship."

Congregation meetings were open and it seems women could vote as well as men. People were voted "in" or "out," with even some notations for hypocrites.

One special news clipping was included with the minutes that told of a Resolution of Respect for an outstanding Christian person, Grace McCann Goodman. The resolution was signed by members Esther Green, Nellie Wright and Alice Stevenson.

Notes were found that the church had closed for a period in 1901 for a small pox epidemic and again in 1918 for as much as three months for a Spanish influenza outbreak.

The First Baptist Church of Cobden Ladies Aid was established in 1893. The group supports local and foreign mission projects and assists with numerous church benevolent projects.

The Baptist Men In Mission group is engaged in such projects as building porches and roofing or siding houses. The group has built wheelchair ramps "from Cairo to Bloomington."

Myers and her committee told that mission outreach of the congregation is a very important work of the church.

They also talked about what they call a "Miracle." That has to do with when they seriously needed more space and a new building. They were amazed at how they were blessed with events and donations that provided for their needs. They spoke of a traveling group called Baptist Builders of Texas.

The group of builders and support food crews travel to the work site and put up the church building in the manner of old "barn raisings."

It seems that the necessary funds, and even the chairs arrived at the last minute before the 2012 Christmas Eve service in the new building.

It is no surprise that Cobden volunteers continue to participate in these traveling mission projects. They also note their resolve to be good stewards of their resources.

The Cobden church people added that if ever one of their buildings is torn apart, folks will find the Bible written there. That is to say the scriptures have actually been written on the studs inside the walls of those volunteer mission projects.

Myers especially enjoyed telling about Dr. Tweedy, who was a Cobden physician and member of the church.

She smiles when she tells how about 70 years ago her father had to interrupt Dr. Tweedy in a church service to ask him to make a house call for her delivery.

Chuck Neal had a story about Dr. Tweedy. Neal told that when the Neal

## News from First Baptist Church, Anna

In the morning service on Sunday, July 28, Pastor Nick DiMauro's sermon was titled "A Gift Given in Secret." Scripture was from Matthew.

Don Kelley was the guest music leader.

An American Red Cross blood drive is planned Thursday, Aug. 8, at the church. The blood drive is scheduled from noon until 6 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Appointments can be made by calling the American Red Cross at 800-733-2767.

The next free Soup and Serve meal is planned Monday, Aug. 12 from 4:30 p.m. until 6 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

family moved to Cobden, Dr. Tweedy came knocking on their door inviting them to church, as he commonly did for new families.

It seems the First Baptist Church of Cobden members are no strangers to "knocking on doors."

They have a five-year rotating survey project for the Cobden community. It takes the church members five years to canvas the territory then, they begin again.

(Considering last week's reference to the earliest historical dates in the PAST Church Parlor Talks, the Roman soldier said he dates from about II BC during the reign of Emperor Caesar Augustus).

First Baptist Church of Cobden is located at 200 S. Walker St., Cobden. Services include Sunday School for all ages at 9 a.m., and worship at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

**Upcoming Parlor Talks** Sunday, Aug., 4, will be about the history of the Dongola Baptist Church, and the Friendship Baptist Church in rural Dongola. Presenters will be Diana and Arianna Moutell.

Aug. 11, Jonesboro Methodist by Judy Neal and Walnut Grove Methodist by Lovella Graig, Barb Norton and Laura Herold.

Aug. 18 First Presbyterian Anna by Linda Hileman.

Aug. 25, Jonesboro Baptist Church (Clear Creek) by Evelyn Hileman and Linda Sadler.

The September schedule

## News from First Baptist Church, Jonesboro

The messages on Sunday, July 28, were brought by Pastor Perry Williams.

Dee Rose led the worship. The Williams family presented special music.

The Voyage (formerly River to River) Sunday School class is planned at 9:45 a.m. Thursday, today, in the family room at The Voyage.

Birthdays: Alyxis Howard, Pastor Perry Williams, July 28; Judy Johnson, July 30.

Anniversary: Roger and Connie Wilkins, July 29, 53 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.

## "The Preaching Pen" A Little Service Here?

One important theme we find stated clearly in the New Testament is that of service. Jesus illustrated this principle to His disciples in John 13. Beginning in v. 4, the Bible says, "Heriseth from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself. <sup>5</sup>After that he poureth water into a bason, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded. <sup>6</sup>Then cometh he to Simon Peter: and Peter saith unto him, Lord, dost thou wash my feet? <sup>7</sup>Jesus answered and said unto him, What I do thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter. <sup>8</sup>Peter saith unto him, Thou shalt never wash my feet. Jesus answered him, If I wash thee not, thou hast no part with me." Skip down to v. 14: "If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet. <sup>15</sup>For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you. <sup>16</sup>Verily, verily, I say unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord; neither he that is sent greater than he that sent him."

Jesus was stressing a deep principle. Even though Jesus knew that Judas was about to betray Him (vv. 10-13), He took this opportunity to teach His disciples about the importance of serving one another. The point here was to follow Christ's example in serving others.

I wonder what has happened to that "service" principle in the 21st century? Mega-merchandisers, by and large, no longer set our shopping bags in our carts anymore, we're expected to use "self-checkout" lanes (I refuse), and I recall a time in recent memory when I was in the Carbondale WalMart, in line at the "Customer Service" desk, holding a used car battery I needed to exchange for a new one. An employee walks in front of me, moves a cart, then crosses back in front of me on her way to the counter, glancing at the battery I was holding. After 10 minutes in line, I tell her I need to exchange my old battery for a new one, and she says, "You need to take that back to Automotive." Where was that information 10 minutes ago, when she saw me holding that heavy car battery!!!!?

Later, as my family and I enjoyed a meal out, our waitress checked on us only once, and I had to ask for dipping sauce for my fried green beans...A little service here?

I realize that in the grand scheme of things, these are only minor inconveniences, but I think they're indicative of the direction society is going. It's "every man for himself" as we receive less and less while paying more and more for goods and services. Let us strive to be more like Jesus Christ. Let us look for ways that we can serve each other, then take advantage of them. Not only is it Biblical, it's also rewarding.

R.W. McAlister, Minister  
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"Do you understand all these things?" They answered, "Yes." And he replied, "Then every scribe who has been instructed in the Kingdom of heaven is like the head of a household who brings from his storeroom both the new and the old." When Jesus finished these parables, he went away from there. From the Gospel of Matthew

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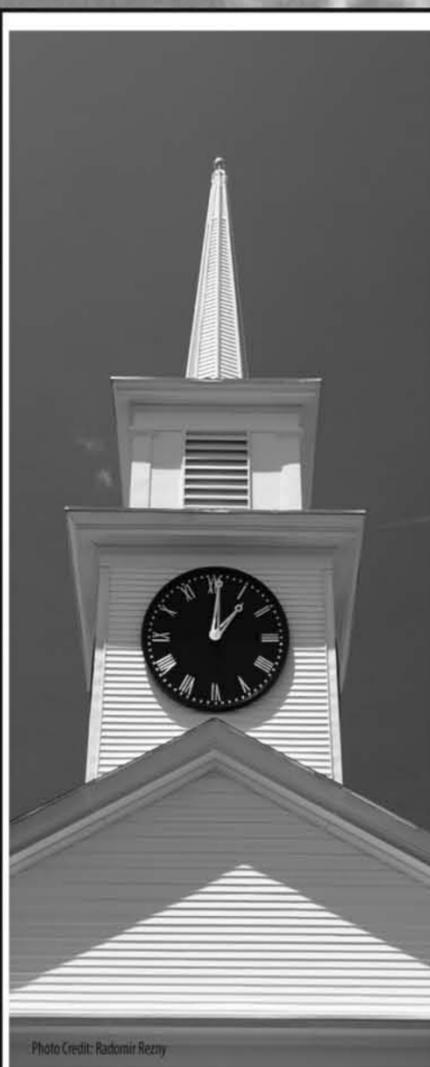


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**TIME**  
 The Creator, when planning the world, gave order to our lives...a rhythm as old as time. In the third chapter of Ecclesiastes, we are told there is "...a time for every matter under heaven; a time to be born and a time to die; ...a time to weep and a time to laugh; ...a time to seek and a time to lose; ...a time to keep silence and a time to speak..." God also gave us a time to worship. "Six days you shall labor; but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God" (Exodus 20:9-10). Our Heavenly Father knew that though toil was good, we would need to observe a regular time each week to rest our bodies and strengthen our faith by communing with Him. Renew your spirit this Sabbath with the Creator.

**Daily Bible Reading**

Genesis	Genesis	Genesis	Genesis	Exodus	Exodus	Exodus
6:1-22	7:1-24	8:1-22	9:1-29	3:1-22	4:1-17	4:18-31

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# Anna News

By Martha Ann Webb

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

## Beautiful Day

It was a beautiful day Saturday for the free swim day at the Anna City Pool.

## Retirement Ceremony

Willie and Terrie Rhymer traveled to Junction City, Kan., July 26 for the retirement ceremony for their son CW2 William Andrew Rhymer after serving 22 years in the U.S. Army. A very proud Dad and Mom moment for sure. He is currently serving at Fort Riley in Kansas.

Andy is a 1998 graduate of Dongola High School His wife and three children also were honored at the ceremony. Thank you for serving our country.

## Birthday Celebration

Jane Bauer helped her sister Judy Anderson celebrate her birthday last weekend in St. John, Ind.

Judy's four children were there, Chuck, Stephen, Charise, Streeter and Todd Anderson, her husband Roger and her children's spouses were there too. She had a birthday cake and dinner at her home.

## Mission Trip

The youth group from the First Evangelical Presbyterian Church Anna was in St. Louis July 13-20.

They worked with the New City Fellowship's Workday program.

Workday hosts youth groups all summer in assisting them in their Firm Foundation tutoring program and other ministries to refugees, widows and orphans.

Their team tutored in the morning and in the afternoon they hung drywall on a ceiling, sanded stair rails and patched a hole in an attic. They also did a Bible Club in a housing development. The majority of the kids were children of immigrants and refugees.

On their final day, they served at the monthly BBQ at Oasis International Ministries. Oasis ministers to thousands of refugees each year that move to St. Louis.

Those that went on the trip were Landon Roach, Nick Bussey, Jacob Schaefer, Patrick Gibbs, Molly Adams, Lily Yana, Jenna Watkins and Katie Kirk. Jada Hudson, Jacob Brush and Brad Stamp served as chaperones.

## Missouri Trip

Norm and Barb Bauer, and Doug and Beth Hileman traveled to Chesterfield, Mo., recently to attend a 60th birthday celebration for their son and brother, Lou Bauer.

The party was hosted by Lou's wife Debra, their son Matthew and his friend Paula, their son Chris and his wife Katy and little Owen Bauer.

About 30 neighbors and friends gathered to congratulate and tease Lou on his 60-year milestone.

## St. Louis Trip

The Bauers and Hilemans went to St. Louis via Routes 127 and 64, but were happy to make the return trip on the recently opened Route 146/3 through McClure.

## Logan Historical Village Gardens

Marie Samuel reported the Logan Historical Village gardens were lovely Sunday with perhaps more than a hundred folks strolling into the old buildings and school as well as buying plants and soaps, etc. made by area gardeners. They stopped by after their Mt. Vernon trip to see the quilts.

## Cape Trip

Earl Miller and Martha Ann Webb drove to Cape Sunday evening to see the flood waters. Praying for all the families that live in the flood area.

## Anna VFW

Thursday, today, the Auxiliary will have a monthly business meeting at 6 p.m.

Friday, Aug. 2, is the monthly fish fry, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Fish and all the trimmings for only \$10 donation. This is open to the public so bring your friends and family. Carry outs are also available. Peggy will be there with her Star Karaoke from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 3, is the Peach Festival parade. If you would like to ride on the float please contact the Post and let them know you would like to ride. This is not just for the post members, Auxiliary members can ride also. Line up starts at 3:30 p.m. and the parade starts at 4:30 p.m.

## Memorial Service

The family of Chuck Rich invites family and friends to a memorial service on Saturday, Aug. 3, at 10:30 a.m. at the Brick House, 308 S. Main St. Anna. The memorial service will start at 11 a.m., with lunch following.

Please indicate to Linda Warren (618-559-8150) if you plan to attend. Chuck was a beloved member of the A-J class of 1962.

## Grateful

Nancy Skoglund wanted me to pass along how much she appreciated the kindness shown by two of our police officers.

A lady came to her front door who needed help. Nancy got her a drink and asked her if she could call the police for her. The lady said yes so Nancy called 911.

Officer Jason Leek and Anna City Police Chief Bryan Watkins came to Nancy's home.

When Jason arrived he noticed the lady needed medical help and took her to the Union County Hospital.

Nancy said she was really impressed at the way the two policemen handled



The youth group from First Evangelical Presbyterian Church Anna attended Oasis International Ministries in St. Louis and worked with the New City Fellowship's Workday Program. Those who went on the trip were Landon Roach, Nick Bussey, Jacob Schaefer, Patrick Gibbs, Molly Adams, Lily Yana, Jenna Watkins and Katie Kirk. Jada Hudson, Jacob Brush and Brad Stamp served as chaperones.



Excited children waiting for the Anna City Pool to open Saturday at the free swim day. Around 250 children came to swim.



Dale Toler will celebrate his 71st birthday Aug. 15.



Willie and Terrie Rhymer with their son Chief Warrant Officer II William Andrew Rhymer at his retirement ceremony in Junction City, Kan. Thank you for serving 22 years in the U.S. Army.



Shown here with two of her six art quilts accepted in this year's Annual Gathering of Quilts at Cedarhurst's Museum and the Shrode Art Center in Mt. Vernon is Marie Samuel of Carterville. The exhibit runs through Oct. 6 and is open daily except for Monday. Works shown here are from her Inspired by Art Series.



Anna Fire Chief Gary Rider showed the fire truck to Blakeley Bryan with her grandmother Katy Vandervort at the free swim day Saturday in the Anna Park while they were waiting to swim. Blakely's mother is Emily Ferguson.



Congratulations new Whiffle Boys Pizza owners Chris and Wendy Hinz. They also own Whiffle Boys Pizza in Goreville. Chris and Wendy were at the free swim day at the Anna City Pool Saturday with their pizza.

the situation and asked me to pass this on to everyone.

A special thanks to Jason, Bryan and all our police officers for all they do protecting and helping the citizens in our city and community.

## Birthday Celebration

Curt Ellis was honored with a birthday dinner at Lambert's with Bessie Mae, Elijah Glen Ellis and Molly Siebert.

They then enjoyed going to Cape Girardeau and seeing the Drums Across the Mississippi perform.

They were happy to be able to come home across the Cape bridge.

Sunday, Curt was honored again with a birthday party at his home with Bessie Mae, Elijah Glen, Martha Ann Webb. A big treat was iced sugar cookies from Anna Baking Company.

## Marching Wildcat Band

A-JCHS hosted Shadow Drum Corps at A-JCHS last Thursday evening and Friday before they performed in Cape Girardeau. It was an excellent opportunity



Karson Velasquez asked if he could shake hands with Anna City Police Chief Bryan Watkins at the free swim day at Anna City Pool. Pictured with him are Kamiya Velasquez and Carley Pearson.



Mystify Music DJ & Karaoke Services owner Michael Cunningham was at the free swim day at the Anna city swimming pool. Pictured: back row Ed Mangrum, James Garrett, Michelle Cunningham; front: Ninette Mangrum.



Kathy Bryan and Martha Ann Webb signed children up for the door prizes and collected school supplies at the free swim day Saturday at the Anna City Pool. Bryan Miller is in the back carrying items to the swimming pool. There were around 250 who came to swim.

for students and local community to see first hand the incredible experience that is DCI.

**Band Camp**

A-JCHS Marching Wildcats freshmen band camp was this week getting ready for Field Show Competitions.

**Anna-Jo Women's Club**

The GFWC Illinois Anna Jonesboro Women's Club will meet Monday, Aug. 5, at 1:30 p.m. at the United Methodist Church in Anna for their planning meeting for the new year 2019-2020.

They are always looking for new members if you would like to join. The ladies will be hosting the District 25 meeting in Anna next year.

**Guest**

Melba Nork's sister Carol Kleespies from Iowa is visiting her.

**Wedding Anniversary**

Happy 58th wedding an-

niversary to Dale and Jean Denny who celebrated their anniversary July 28.

**United Methodist Church, Anna**

Sunday morning Rev. Richard Sullins and Dean Corbit welcomed everyone.

Bringing in the light were Natilyn and Easton Corbit. Personal witness was by Marilyn Miller.

Children's Time was by Terry and Jessi Riley about how we should always put our eyes on Jesus.

Rev. Sullins' sermon was "Teach Us to Pray," with gospel lesson from Luke. Special Music "The Holy City" was by Teri Goldsberry.

There was a dinner and ice cream social after church in the fellowship hall.

Thank you to Earl Miller for agreeing to serve as a representative of United Methodist Church to the Union County Alliance of

Churches monthly meetings. The next meeting will be Wednesday, Aug. 7, at 8 a.m.

Loaves and Fishes is planned Aug. 20, from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. for hot dogs, baked beans, chips, and dessert with lots of fellowship. At the July meal 150 people were served.

**Birthdays for August**

Friday, Aug. 2 Ayla and Owen Corbit, 8 Remington Hindman, 9 Suzie Lehman, 12 Bethenie Nork, 13 Caitlin Bowen, Lola Lehman, 14 John Lehman, 15 Dale Toler, 17 Callysta Borders, 19 Terry House, Peggy Walter, 20 Jane Nimmo, 23 Rita Neighbors, Cassie Watkins, 25 Noble Robbins, 26 Gaylon Cates, Tina Riley, 27 Marchetta DeWitt, 28 Doris Womick.

**August Anniversaries**

Aug. 5 Warren and Carla Anderson, 13 Rich and Wanda Dillow, 27 Bill and Nancy Hooks.

**Red Hat Ladies**

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 and 1/2 by 12 and 1/2 square.

The ladies will meet at El Jalapeno's in Anna on Aug. 21 at 1 p.m.

**CCHS Class of 1959**

The Carbondale Community High School of 1959 reunion will be Sept. 20-21.

Their annual luncheon was planned Monday, July 29, in Carbondale.

**Casper Church**

Pastor Randy Wheaton is preaching at Casper Church. Sunday service at 10 a.m. and Bible study Thursdays nights at 6 p.m. Everyone welcome.

**Celebrating 60th Wedding Anniversary**

Congratulations to Freddie and Linda (Eaves)

Clutts. Their 60th wedding anniversary is Aug. 7.

They welcome family and friends Sunday, Aug. 11, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. to come help them celebrate at Southern Illinois Christian Campgrounds at Makanda. Go to Cedar Creek Road, 1/4 mile, turn left to Church Camp Road and follow the signs.

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.

**AFSCME**

The AFSCME union donated \$200 worth of GatorAde to the flood victims and was taken to the McClure school where the drop off is for supplies.

Congratulations to president Jim Wright for win-

ning the door prize for June and July.

If you are a retired state worker and not a member you are welcome to join us Tuesday, Aug. 27, at 1 p.m. at Anna Heights Baptist Church.

**Military Prayer List**

Jacob Schaefer, Jerod Schaefer, Creighton Laster, Reagan Morrison, Josh Steveson, Josh Williams, Faith Odum, Jim Bonner, Jennifer Ann Bishop, Arin jam session, horseshoes, washers, fishing available. No alcohol. No gifts: your presence will make their celebration even more special. 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
<b>6 PM</b> :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	The Basketball Tournament "Quarterfinal"	Seinfeld	"Halloween"	Just Roll	"The Nun"	"The Take" (16) (HD)	★★½ "The Ledger" (11)
<b>7 PM</b> :30	Holey Moley (HD)	Love Island (HD)	MasterChef (HD)	NFL Preseason Football "Hall of Fame Game" Denver vs Atlanta (HD)	X Games Minneapolis 2019 (Live)	Bang (HD)	(4:5) ★½ "Tyler Perry's Madea's Big Happy Family" (11)	BUNK'D	"Share" (19) Alarming video. (HD)	"Traffik" (18) A travelling couple.	The Loudest Voice
<b>8 PM</b> :30	Family Food Fight	Big Brother (HD)	Spin the Wheel (HD)			Bang (HD)		Coop & Cam	Euphoria (HD)	"Blood Simple" (84) John Getz.	"Bad Company" (02) Risky weapons deal.
<b>9 PM</b> :30	Reef Break (HD)	Elementary (HD)	Local Programs Local info.			Bang (HD)	Queen of the South	Amphibia	★★★ "Reality Bites" (94) (HD)	(20) Jett "Rosalee"	DESUS & Gigolos
<b>10 PM</b> :30	Local	Local	(3:35) Late Show (HD)		Local	Conan	(01) Pearson (HD)	BUNK'D	Divorce	(20) "Merchant"	DESUS & Shaquille
<b>11 PM</b> :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live			(3:35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Seinfeld	Queen of the South	Andi Mack	"Halloween"		
	Nightline	Corden		Late Night	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan		Raven			

**AUGUST 1, 2019**

**THURSDAY**

**7:00pm**  
**MAX Traffik** ★★½ (2018, Thriller) Paula Patton, Omar Epps. A travelling couple encounters a biker gang during their romantic getaway deep in the mountains, and they must find a way to protect themselves. R (HD)

**8:00pm**  
**DISN Coop & Cami Ask the World** Two middle school siblings co-host an online show with the help of their little brother and a best friend while they navigate their adventurous home life. TV G

**FRIDAY**

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
<b>6 PM</b> :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	The Basketball Tournament "Quarterfinal"	Burgers	Law & Order: SVU	BUNK'D	"BlacKkKlan"	"Isle Dogs"	"Den of Thieves" (18) \$30 million heist. (HD)
<b>7 PM</b> :30	Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D. "The Sign; New Life"	Love Island (HD)	Responders (HD)	American Ninja Warrior (HD)	X Games Minneapolis 2019 (Live)	"Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2" (17) Chris Pratt. Peter's lineage.	★★★ "The Fast and the Furious" (01) Fierce street races.	Andi Mack	"Descendants 3" (19) Isle of the Lost.	★★★ "Boy Erased" (18) Conversion program.	Shangri-La (HD)
<b>8 PM</b> :30		Hawaii Five-0 (HD)	MasterChef Beef dish.								
<b>9 PM</b> :30	(01) 20/20 (HD)	Blue Bloods (HD)	Local Programs Local info.	Dateline NBC (HD)				"Descendants 3" Isle of the Lost.	Real Time Maher (HD)	Jett "Dillion" (HD)	"The Shining" (80) A crazed man stalks his family. (HD)
<b>10 PM</b> :30	Local	Local	(3:35) Late Show (HD)	Local	Prelims	ELEAGUE (HD)	Family	Sketch	Sketch	(55) Jett	
<b>11 PM</b> :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live			(3:35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	"Jack Reacher" (12)	Family	Real Time Maher (HD)	"Descendants 3" Isle of the Lost.	★★★ "The Island" Utopian society.	City Hill
	Nightline	Corden	Local	Late Night	SportsCenter (HD)		Family	Sketch			

**AUGUST 2, 2019**

**FRIDAY**

**7:00pm**  
**ABC Marvel's Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D.** "The Sign; New Life" The team finds themselves forced to suffer through hellish conditions as they are critically pressed for time to prevent everything they know from ending. (HD)

**9:00pm**  
**CBS Blue Bloods** "Past Tense" Danny and Baez seek a murdered woman's daughter for help with the case; Jamie and Eddie are chosen as the victims of a smear campaign. TV14 (HD)

**SATURDAY**

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
<b>6 PM</b> :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local Programs	2019 Pro Football Hall of Fame Enshrinement Ceremony	"Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2" (17) Chris Pratt. Peter's lineage.	(5:40) "Fast and Furious: Tokyo Drift" (06)	"Movie"	"Bohemian" (18)	(05) Jett "Dillion" (HD)	(4:15) "Four Weddings and a Funeral" (94)
<b>7 PM</b> :30	Shark Tank (HD)	Million Dollar Mile Obstacle course. (HD)	PBC Fight Night (Live)	Bring the Funny (HD)				Raven	★★★½ "The Favourite" (18) Royal companion.	"Casino Royale" (06, Thriller) Daniel Craig. High stakes.	"Peppermint" Woman's revenge.
<b>8 PM</b> :30	Press Your Luck (HD)			Dateline NBC Investigative news. (HD)				Andi Mack	Sketch		
<b>9 PM</b> :30	Card Sharks (HD)	48 Hours (HD)	Local Programs					BUNK'D	Sketch	★★★ "Crazy Rich Asians" (18) Wealthy family.	(25) "Quantum of Solace" (08)
<b>10 PM</b> :30	Local Programs	Local Programs Local info.	MasterChef Junior	Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Claws (HD)	(15) "2 Fast 2 Furious" (03) Street racing.	Amphibia	Raven	(15) Jett "Dillion" (HD)	(45) City on a Hill
<b>11 PM</b> :30	Local Programs		Local Programs	Sat. Night Live Sketch comedy.	SportsCenter (HD)			Andi Mack	"Favourite"		DESUS & The Loudest Voice

**AUGUST 3, 2019**

**SATURDAY**

**7:00pm**  
**CBS Million Dollar Mile** "I Was Born Ready for This" Former football player Tim Tebow hosts as contestants overcome an obstacle course that includes elite athletes who stand between them and the \$1,000,000 prize. (HD)

**9:00pm**  
**DISN Amphibia** An independent and fearless teenager is suddenly transported into a magical realm that is populated by frog people who live in a rural marshland. TVY7

**SUNDAY**

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
<b>6 PM</b> :30	Videos (HD)	60 Minutes (HD)	Man (HD)	Hollywood (HD)	MLB Baseball Boston Red Sox at New York Yankees (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD)	"Fast Furious" (09)	Raven	★★★ "Mean Girls" (04)	"The Ice Harvest" (R)	City on a Hill
<b>7 PM</b> :30	CMA Fest Country performance. (HD)	Big Brother (HD)	Simpsons	America's Got Talent "Judge Cuts 3" (HD)		Bang (HD)	"Fast Five" (11, Action) Vin Diesel. Former cop and ex-con team up.	Sydney	(55) "The Favourite" (18) Royal companion.	"Tomb Raider" (18) Daughter's mission. (HD)	The Loudest Voice
<b>8 PM</b> :30		Instinct (HD)	Fam Guy			Bang (HD)		Andi Mack			City on a Hill
<b>9 PM</b> :30		The Good Fight (HD)	Local Programs Local info.	Bring the Funny (HD)	SportsCenter with Scott (HD)	Claws "Melba Toast"		BUNK'D	Euphoria (HD)	★★½ "Sucker Punch" (11) (HD)	The Loudest Voice
<b>10 PM</b> :30	Local Programs Local info.	Local Programs		Local Programs Local info.	SportsCenter with Scott (HD)	"Madea Goes to Jail" (09) Misfits in prison.	Family	Amphibia	Oliver		City on a Hill
<b>11 PM</b> :30	(3:5) Local	Local					Family	BUNK'D	(35) Euphoria (HD)	★★½ "The Take" Pick-pocket helps.	The Loudest Voice

**AUGUST 4, 2019**

**SUNDAY**

**7:00pm**  
**NBC America's Got Talent** "Judge Cuts 3" Actress Ellie Kemper gets to use a Golden Buzzer to send an act to the live shows; the participants have one final opportunity to make an impression. TVPG (HD)

**9:00pm**  
**CBS The Good Fight** "Chaos" Diane takes on a new client accused of cyber-terrorism; Kurt gets in an accident; Maia learns new details about the financial scandal from her father. TV14 (HD)

**MONDAY**

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
<b>6 PM</b> :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	SportsCenter (HD)	Fam Guy	Family	BUNK'D	"Widows" (18) Husbands' debt.	(5:20) "Traffik" (18)	★★★ "Den of Thieves"
<b>7 PM</b> :30	Bachelor in Paradise Blake's date. (HD)	Love Island (HD)	Beat Shazam (HD)	American Ninja Warrior (HD)	ESPN Monday Night Baseball "Teams TBA" (Live)	Fam Guy	WWE Monday Night Raw (HD)	Raven		Jett "Dillion" (HD)	City on a Hill
<b>8 PM</b> :30		Bang (HD) Neighbor.	Think You Can Dance			Fam Guy		Raven	(50) Euphoria (HD)	(55) "The Island" (05) Utopian society. (HD)	The Loudest Voice
<b>9 PM</b> :30	(01) Grand Hotel (HD)	Bull Doctor on trial.	Local Programs Local info.	Dateline NBC (HD)		Fam Guy		Coop & Cam	Divorce		City on a Hill
<b>10 PM</b> :30	Local	Local		Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Dad (HD)	Space	Sydney	"Share" (19) Alarming video. (HD)	"Red Eye" Onboard kidnapping.	The Loudest Voice
<b>11 PM</b> :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(3:35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(3:35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Seinfeld	Family	Amphibia	Andi Mack	Divorce	"Boogie Nights" (97)
	Nightline	Corden	Local	Late Night		Conan	Family	BUNK'D	BUNK'D	Sketch	"Simple"

**AUGUST 5, 2019**

**MONDAY**

**8:00pm**  
**FOX So You Think You Can Dance** "Final Cut - The Top Ten Guys" The Top Ten male competitors who passed the Academy rounds return to the stage with their All-Star female partners and perform a choreographed duet. TV14 (HD)

**11:00pm**  
**HBO Divorce** "Knock Knock" Frances and Robert's relationships approach a moment of truth; Frances tries to convince her colleagues to get out of their comfort zones. TVMA (HD)

**TUESDAY**

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
<b>6 PM</b> :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	Little League Baseball (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD)	Family	Raven	Real Time	"Valentine's Day"	(15) "Black 47" (18) Homeland famine. (HD)
<b>7 PM</b> :30	Bachelor in Paradise Man's high hopes. (HD)	Love Island (HD)	Spin the Wheel (HD)	America's Got Talent "Judge Cuts 4" (HD)		Bang (HD)	WWE SmackDown (Live) (HD)	Sydney	(55) "The Favourite" (18) Royal companion.	"Deadpool 2" (18) Cyborg from future. (HD)	City on a Hill
<b>8 PM</b> :30		NCIS (HD)	9-1-1 (HD)			Bang (HD)		Coop & Cam			
<b>9 PM</b> :30	Bless Mess black-ish	Blood & Treasure	Local Programs Local info.	(01) Bring the Funny	The Basketball Tournament "Championship"	Bang (HD)	Miz & Mrs	Sydney	Hard Knock (HD)	(35) ★★ "Overnight Delivery" (98)	The Loudest Voice
<b>10 PM</b> :30	Local	Local		Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Detour	Growing Up	Big City	Euphoria (HD)	(05) Jett "Dillion" (HD)	City on a Hill
<b>11 PM</b> :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(3:35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(3:35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan	Family	Andi Mack	Divorce	"The Town" (10) (HD)	"The Mechanic" (11)
	Nightline	Corden	Local	Late Night		Seinfeld	Family	BUNK'D	BUNK'D		

**AUGUST 6, 2019**

**TUESDAY**

**7:00pm**  
**ABC Bachelor in Paradise** The next man to get a date card has high hopes for the lady he asks out, but he must face an unexpected visit from a female friend; three women are sent home. TV14 (HD)

**8:00pm**  
**TBS The Big Bang Theory** "The Monetary Insufficiency" Sheldon decides to try winning more money for science by visiting Las Vegas; Penny and Bernadette take Amy to shop for her wedding dress. TVPG (HD)

**WEDNESDAY**

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
<b>6 PM</b> :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	ESPN Wednesday Night Baseball "Teams TBA" (Live)	Burgers	Law & Order: SVU	Sydney	Hard Knock	"Men of Honor" (00)	"City Slickers" (91)
<b>7 PM</b> :30	Press Your Luck (HD)	Love Island (HD)	MasterChef (HD)	Games "Oh Ship."		Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Just Roll	★★★½ "The Favourite" (18) Royal companion.	★★½ "The Take" Pick-pocket helps.	City on a Hill
<b>8 PM</b> :30	Card Sharks (HD)	Big Brother (HD)	BH90210 (HD)	Songland (HD)		Bang (HD)	Suits "Cairo" (HD)	Coop & Cam			"Tombstone" (93) No peace for Earp. (HD)
<b>9 PM</b> :30	Match Game (HD)	S.W.A.T. "Cash Flow"	Local Programs Local info.	The InBetween (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Bang (HD)	Pearson New agenda.	Sydney	Real Sports (HD)	"Unknown" (11) Liam Neeson. Identity theft.	
<b>10 PM</b> :30	Local	Local		Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan	Law & Order: SVU	Big City	Hard Knock (HD)		"Silverado" (85) Kevin Kline. Guns for justice.
<b>11 PM</b> :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(3:35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(3:35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Frontal	Seinfeld	Andi Mack	Euphoria (HD)	"Armageddon" (98) Bruce Willis.	
	Nightline	Corden	Local	Late Night		Seinfeld	(01) Suits "Cairo" (HD)	BUNK'D	BUNK'D		

**AUGUST 7, 2019**

**WEDNESDAY**

**7:00pm**  
**HBO The Favourite** ★★½ (2018, Drama) Olivia Colman, Emma Stone. While a queen deals with her poor health, her friend governs the country, but when a servant arrives, the queen decides to take the young woman under her wing. R

**8:00pm**  
**FOX BH90210** Old flames, feelings and feuds are reignited before one of them suggests a series reboot. TV14(HD)

# Opinion and Commentary

## Help keep our community strong by keeping Anna VFW post going strong

There are many great things about our Anna-Jonesboro community and one of them is a Veterans of Foreign War (VFW) post that is still open.

However, that is not the norm in Illinois, nor for the country. VFW membership is going down and VFW posts are closing at an alarming rate.

We need support from our brothers and sisters in our community to keep our VFW post open and the VFW thriving. Help us, help our community and our veterans.

Here are just a few reasons why a thriving VFW is good and it's worth your support:

- Veterans' Services: I bet you didn't know that the VFW spends about a half million dollars a year for veteran service offices. Even a non-VFW member veteran can visit a service office for support. Paid for by the VFW.

- Veterans' Legislation: We've all heard of the GI Bill that was pushed for by the VFW back in the day. More recently, the "Forever GI Bill" was pushed through with great help by the VFW. The Illinois Veterans Grant was made possible by organizations including the VFW. There is a long list of legislative acts that happened because of the push by the VFW and other veteran organizations.

- Funeral Ceremonies: If you've ever been to a loved one's funeral that had the VFW perform honors, you know how moving it is. The Anna VFW does these for all vets, not just VFW members. Getting enough members who are able to execute the rites are a challenge. We need more folks to help.

- Parades and Monuments: We are all so proud of our community monuments, parades, color guard, floats, etc. Please help us get the folks needed to support these events. Take a look at the VFW Honor Guard next time you see them. They're a handsome group for sure, but not the youngest....

- Member Benefits: The primary benefit to being a VFW member is the solemn pride you have continuing the service you once did in uniform. However, there is a list of more material benefits that you can ask a member about them anytime.

I hope I have you hooked and you are thinking "How can I help?" Well, I'm glad you asked.

- Are you a friend or family with one of the 279 Anna VFW members? If so, tell them thank you. Then tell them to get off their...ah...couch and get involved. Only about a dozen or so of the 279 members actually make the 7 p.m. meeting the second Thursday of the month.

- Are you a friend or family of a veteran qualified to join the VFW but who has not joined? If so, get them to give us a look – join. It's worthwhile, it's rewarding and it's gratifying. What it is not is just a bunch of old guys in a bar telling war stories. It's good men and women serving their community.

- Are you a veteran qualified to be a VFW member? See the notes above. Believe me, getting involved is honorable and your membership helps all veterans.

- Do you eat dinner on Friday nights? Of course you do. Come down to the Anna VFW on Friday nights for chicken and dumplings (most third Fridays of the month) or a fish fry (most first Fridays of the month.) A bargain at \$8 for great meal.

- Are you a spouse, child, parent, sibling, etc of a person qualified to be a VFW member? Outstanding, you can be a member of the VFW Auxiliary, providing (I love their motto) "Unwavering Support for Uncommon Heroes." As with VFW membership, this is a very worthy and rewarding effort.

Thank you for taking the time to read my note. Our community is too proud, too patriotic, and too supportive of our veterans to let our membership dwindle, our ceremonies cease, and possibly our post close.

It happens in other communities far too often. Carbon-dale VFW is closed, Harrisburg is closed, Cairo is closed: just Google "VFW closure" and your screen will fill up with on-line articles with bad news.

Come out and support our VFW as you all so proudly support our troops. Yes, we are all older now, most of us are fatter, but we all wish to continue to serve our community and country. Please support us in that endeavor.

Clay W. Mitchell, Junior Vice Commander, Carroll P. Foster, VFW Post 3455

### Anna VFW to serve fish fry

Veterans of Foreign Wars Carroll P. Foster Post No. 3455 plans to serve a fish fry on Friday, Aug. 2.

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

The menu will include fish, potato salad and slaw for a \$10 donation. The fish fry is open to the public. Carry outs will be available.

*From "100 Years of Progress," a centennial history of Anna, published in 1954: A group of overseas veterans met at the City Hall in Anna on January 10, 1946, for the purpose of organizing a V.F.W. organization. Their first order of business was to name the post, and immediately Carroll P. Foster was selected as the newly organized veterans. Foster was the first Union County veteran killed in World War II and was the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Carroll B. Foster of Anna.*

The V.F.W. received their charter on March 14, 1946, with 77 members.

The consolidation of Union County Post No. 3455 of Jonesboro and Carroll P. Foster Post No. 5149 was made in 1948. With the consolidation, the post name, Carroll P. Foster was retained, and the post number 3455 was taken from the Jonesboro Post.

## Please read this...

By Geof Skinner

### 'Stupid Is, As Stupid Does'...the sequel...and birds, too

This week...we bring you a sequel: "Stupid Is, As Stupid Does – Episode 2: The Return of the Pain..."

...and, if we get around to it, you'll get a bit of an explanation about the photographs of the birds.

You may, or may not, recall that a couple of weeks ago, your writer, for reasons unknown, decided to pick up a dish which was fresh out of the oven. In itself, that would not have been so bad, if the oven had not been turned on.

However, as noted in the public confession which I previously shared, the oven had, indeed, been turned on, to a comfortable 350 degrees. That was a very nice temperature for baking potatoes. Not so nice for bare fingers.

Fortunately, the oven and "Stupid Is, As Stupid Does – Episode 1: Or Dumb Can Be Even Dumber," didn't do a lot of damage...

...which I suppose leads to the sequel...

...one evening last week, yours truly went to get something out of our refrigerator. At the same time, I decided to get something out of the freezer, which, in this case, is on the top part of the refrigerator. You know...it's one of those fridge/freezer combos.

On our particular appliance, and maybe on the one you have, there's a small gap between the top of the door for the compartment which keeps things cold and the bottom of the door where frozen things are kept, well, frozen.

I had never thought about such things before, but...

...if you happen to put the thumb on your left hand in just the right place...at just the right time...

...the dynamics of opening both doors at the same time will be just right...

...TO SMASH THE TIP OF ONE'S THUMB.

Yup.

Really happened.

The initial response: "That hurts." Which immediately was followed by: "That was dumb."

The hurt didn't seem to last nearly as long as the dis-

comfort which accompanied applying one's bare skin to a dish fresh out of a hot oven.

Fast forward to last Sunday evening. Yours truly was cooking dinner for my sweetheart. Came time to pull a dish out of the oven, which was set at 350 degrees.

You're probably thinking that Dumb and Dumber was about to become Dumbest.

Wrong.

I actually managed to take three dishes out of the oven without a single burn. I can tell you that I paid very, very close attention to what I was doing.

Anyway, given my recent experiences, I'm keeping a close eye on things when what I'm doing involves an appliance of some sort. I'm just hoping that there isn't a way to hurt myself when I'm putting really, really, super sharp knives in the dish rack...

...oh, about those birds...

...one evening last week, while I was on a daily walk-about, I happened to spot a dove and a robin perched nearly side-by-side on a utility wire.

The birds were facing in opposite directions when I spotted them. Then, the dove did an about face, perhaps wanting to keep an eye on the robin. After all, you never know about those robins.

The robin apparently noticed that somebody was taking their picture and decided it wanted to be the top bird, so to speak. So, the robin did a bit of bird shuffle, and changed its position on the wire. At that point, the dove decided it had had enough and flew away. I sensed a certain smugness coming from the robin.

I guess the good thing is that I didn't hurt myself by taking some pictures of two birds on a wire. That's worth something.

Enough for now...be sure to make a stop or two or three at the Peach Festival in Cobden this Friday and Saturday. I'll be there. But, I think I'll stay away from the Spin and Win game...I'd probably figure out a way to get hurt...



Birds on a wire...a dove and a robin did a little bit of a do-si-do on a utility wire on a summer evening last week...

## A Page from the Past

from the files of The Gazette-Democrat

Thursday, July 31, 1969

Union Countians joined with people all over the world in waiting and watching for the return of the three American astronauts, Neil Armstrong, Edwin Aldrin and Michael Collins from their long journey to the moon, Thursday morning, July 24.

Construction of permanent and temporary structures continues at Shawnee Community College. Five buildings which will be used for classrooms this fall, and will later be used for vocational training, are now standing.

The Anna-Jonesboro High School Board accepted a \$21,900 proposal estimate Wednesday, July 23, on a new metal building to be constructed on the A.J.C.H.S. campus.

The Civil Defense siren will be tested Tuesday, Aug. 5, at 10:30 a.m.

Mrs. Marie Belcher, School Nurse, has announced that it is imperative that all kindergarten and fifth grade students must have their physical examinations completed by their family doctors before registering for school for the school year 1969-70.

A total amount of \$42,691.50 is being offered in premiums at this year's Anna Fair, to be held August 17-22.

From the Camp Ground news: A large crowd attended the Saratoga homecoming Saturday night. It seems to grow larger each year. We heard a party say it was like a fair and the other person answered she enjoyed it more than the fair. So if you have never been make plans now to be there next year.

From the Shiloh news: Several of our young people are working at the co-op helping pack vegetables. Well, so are some of the men and women.

**Eight Page Vacation Issue:** We want to again express our appreciation to everyone for cooperating and allowing The Gazette-Democrat staff to have a weeks vacation.

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2019 Cobden Peach Festival Section

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Photograph by Tiffany Dillow

***Grace Pitts***  
***Reigning Cobden Peach Festival Queen***



**Peach Festival banner**

Banners promoting the Peach Festival are on display throughout the Village of Cobden. This banner is on display in front of the Union County Museum in downtown Cobden.

**Peach Festival set Aug. 2-3 in Cobden**

The 82nd annual Cobden Peach Festival is planned Friday and Saturday, Aug. 2-3.

Again this year, the festival will be sponsored by the Cobden Lions Club, with the support of many in the community.

Most of the Peach Festival activities will be at the Cobden Lions Club property. The property is adjacent to the Cobden School and the Cobden Community Park.

Peach Festival activities are scheduled to begin at 5 p.m. each day.

Each year, the festival celebrates the local peach harvest. The festival also is a homecoming for many people.

The festival will feature a wide range of special events, including Bounce Blast in-

flatables, games, bingo, food, t-shirts, a raffle and bubble kicks.

A Peach Festival queen pageant is scheduled to begin at 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 2. The new queen will be named Saturday evening, Aug. 3. Grace Pitts is the reigning Peach Festival queen.

A 5K run/walk and 1-mile fun run are scheduled Saturday morning, Aug. 3. The events begin at 7:30 a.m. near the Cobden Community Park. The run/walk and fun run are sponsored by the Cobden Runners/Walkers Club.

Free live entertainment is planned on Friday and Saturday. Uncle Pacos is scheduled to perform at 6 p.m. Friday. The Tucker Kuhnert Band is set to perform at 6 p.m. Saturday.

A Peach Festival parade is set for 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 3. The parade route goes through downtown Cobden. The parade is sponsored by the Village of Cobden.

The theme for this year's parade will be "Celebrating Our Agricultural History."

The members of the Cobden Women's Club will serve as grand marshals for the parade.

**About this section**

This year's Cobden Peach Festival is scheduled Friday and Saturday, Aug. 2-3.

Most of the Peach Festival activities will be at the Cobden Community Park.

The celebration is sponsored by the Cobden Lions Club. Many volunteers from the community also help with the celebration.

This section takes a look back at past Peach Festivals and at some of the events which happened in Cobden 50 years ago, during the year 1969.

Articles which are reprinted from 1969 are noted, along with when they originally appeared in the newspaper.

Information about this year's Peach Festival also is featured in this section.

The Gazette-Democrat encourages everyone to support the Cobden Peach Festival.

**22 carloads of tomatoes shipped in 1882**

(Reprinted from the 1883 "History of Alexander, Union and Pulaski Counties, Illinois.")

There are more fruit and vegetables shipped from Cobden than from any other point on the Illinois Central Railroad.

As an illustration of this fact, we are informed that there were twenty-two carloads of tomatoes alone shipped from this place in one day during the fall of 1882.

This was, perhaps, the largest shipment of tomatoes ever made in one day, but it merely shows the quantities of fruits and vegetables grown contiguous to this station.

George E. Walker, now

deceased, did as much, perhaps, to develop the fruit interests of this region as any one man.

His father was the first permanent settler of Ottawa, Ill., and George was the first Sheriff of La Salle County.

After accumulating a large fortune in the mercantile business, he retired, on account of poor health, and came to this county.

Here he opened up a number of the best fruit farms in the vicinity of Cobden, and assisted others in the same business.

After the Chicago fire, in which he lost heavily, he went to that city and erected the Oriental building, on La Salle street, and died there soon after.

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 5 P.M. ~ Peach Festival opens both days  
 8 P.M. ~ Queen Pageant Competition  
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**Saturday, August 3rd**  
 7:30 A.M. ~ Cobden Peach Festival  
 5K Run/Walk, 1-Mile Fun Run.  
 Sponsored by Cobden Runners'/Walkers' Club.  
 4:30 P.M. ~ Peach Festival Parade  
 Coronation of 2019 Peach Festival Queen.  
**AND MUCH MORE**

**Free Entertainment Friday and Saturday**  
 Uncle Pacos will perform beginning at 6 P.M. Friday.  
 The Tucker Kuhnert Band will perform beginning at 6 P.M. Saturday.

*A number of raffle prizes will be awarded Saturday night at the festival.*

# Cobden Peach Fest queens

Presenting the Cobden Peach Festival Queens:

- 1930s
- 1938, Delores Flamm Osbourne
- 1939, Mary Jane Lamer Norton
- 1940s
- 1940, Ruth Rich Davidson
- 1941, Corinne Goodman Rich
- 1942, Annette Wallace Gardiner
- 1943, Mary Jane Norris
- 1944, Carol Casper Bostian
- 1945, Faye Lamer Balance
- 1946, Lorraine Wallace Seiner
- 1947, Sue Jacques Lingle
- 1948, Mary Lou Lence Duryea
- 1949, Hazel Tripp Harvey
- 1950s
- 1950, Sharon Bell Mullin
- 1951, Margaret Flamm Arter
- 1952, Jo Ann Griffith Geiselman
- 1953, Marjorie Miller Kimbro
- 1954, No Queen
- 1955, Nancy Kelley Wiesser
- 1956, Kay Guthrie Cotton
- 1957, Jackie Sue Ferrill Blackman
- 1958, Glenda Blessing Ridgeway
- 1959, Pam Hudgens Koch
- 1960s
- 1960, Sue Rodgers Abney
- 1961, Linda Mangold Warren

- 1962, Bobby Sue Parker McCall
- 1963, Antoinette Flamm Campbell
- 1964, Shirley Sweitzer Razick
- 1965, Marilyn Draper Winn
- 1966, Gayle Baggott Fox
- 1967, Maribeth Inman Smith
- 1968, Sherry Goodman Stull
- 1969, Kathy Flamm Reeves
- 1970s
- 1970, Debbie Clutts Strochlein
- 1971, Sharon McKinney Harris
- 1972, Betsy Hutton Flamm
- 1973, Martha Smith Sensmeier
- 1974, Trina Schaefer Lyons
- 1975, Belinda Davis Hatfield
- 1976, Karen Kay Schlenker Boyd
- 1977, Norine Stadelbacher Keller
- 1978, Crystal Walker Cerny
- 1979, Carolyn Rich Ortiz
- 1980s
- 1980, Malina Heil Bonifield
- 1981, Barbara Flamm James
- 1982, Pam Keil Boyd
- 1983, Tina McClelland Orsborn
- 1984, Rebecca Keil Dillman
- 1985, Terri Hogue Harfst
- 1986, Diane Williams Ward
- 1987, Cari Lucas Kosydor

- 1988, Kelly South Hand
- 1989, Tara Yancey Brokovick
- 1990s
- 1990, Gretchen Berkheimer Mason
- 1991, Rebecca Bruchhauser Farris
- 1992, Tammy Bailey Smith
- 1993, Pamela Rich
- 1994, April Poole Meriman
- 1995, Jill Dillon Bolin
- 1996, Cherie Reeves Wright
- 1997, Dr. Amber Moreland
- 1998, Amanda Smith Sheridan
- 1999, Rebecca Taylor Guest, Sarah Sullivan
- 2000s
- 2000, Elizabeth Lloyd
- 2001, Kasey Evans
- 2002, Rhiana Hopkins
- 2003, Dori Lloyd
- 2004, Amy Heinrichs
- 2005, Andrea Mays
- 2006, Laura Dillow Smithey
- 2007, Sarah Panici
- 2008, Jenna Harner
- 2009, Kaci Clary
- 2010s
- 2010, Lindsey Pitts
- 2011, Crystal Davis
- 2012, Lindsey Carter
- 2013, Valerie Pender
- 2014, Clare Bunyan
- 2015, Wendy Flamm
- 2016, Karlyn Furry
- 2017, Janna Harner
- 2018, Grace Pitts



Peaches are the prize at the popular Spin and Win game which is featured each year at the Cobden Peach Festival. The key to winning the game is as easy as picking the right number.

## Apollo 11 exhibit at museum

The Union County Museum in Cobden is hosting an exhibit through the end of August to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 moon landing which occurred on July 20, 1969.

The exhibit features memorabilia from the collection of the late Galen Weakley, who lived in Cobden.

He was assigned to the Saturn/Apollo program in 1963 and worked at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida for seven years.

Mr. Weakley was at the space center during the moon landing. He was the first IBM Saturn/Apollo engineer and charter member of the launch team.

The display includes Kennedy Space Center patches, plaques received by Mr. Weakley for his service, photos, booklets, newspapers covering the moon landing and other artifacts.

Mr. Weakley died in 1995 in Cobden. His widow, Mary Anna Weakley of Cobden, loaned the items for the exhibit.

The Union County Museum is located in downtown Cobden.

Museum hours are scheduled from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays, and on Friday afternoons by chance.

## Cobden businesses around 1870

Fifteen Cobden businesses were advertising in the Jonesboro Gazette newspaper around 1870.

Among the businesses were:

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**COBDEN LIONS ADMIRE PEACHES**—These four members of the Cobden Lions Club are shown admiring these baskets of Cobden grown peaches. Left to right: Roger Gray, Rev. Clifford Heil, Carl Wilkins and Mayor R. Wallace Rich.—Photo by Charles Bare.

Photograph reprinted from Aug. 14, 1969.

From May 8, 1969

### New Cobden Village Board Sworn In Monday Night; Approve Appointments Made By Mayor

**Many Changes in Making; Business Men to Meet Tuesday at Village Hall**

Members of the new Cobden Village Board took over their duties as of Monday, May 5.

Mayor Carl Wilkins administered the new oath to the Village Clerk who in turn swore in all other officers.

Mayor is G. Wallace Rich; Ira R. Casper, Clerk; R.G. Williams was reappointed Treasurer.

Carryover trustees are T.A. Sitter, John Tripp and Donald Campbell. Reelected trustee is Lawrence DuBois. New trustees are Thomas G. Bailey, Jr. and Edward L. Acklin.

Committee chairmen appointments were made: Finance chairman, L.A. DuBois; Street & Buildings, John Tripp; Utilities, Donald Campbell; Cemetery, Edward Acklin; Fire, T.A. Sitter; Ordinances, Thomas G. Bailey, Jr.; Health Commissioner, Helmut Hartmann, M.D.; Attorneys, Twomey & Hines; Engineer, John Blankenship & Associates; Deputy Clerk, collector and office manager, Mrs. Patricia Williams.

In other business, the board approved the mayor's appointments to the following commissions and agencies:

Cobden Plan Commission, three-year terms, William Berkheimer and Robert Nebughr; Board of Appeals, Jack Martell reappointed to five-year term and chairman; Cobden representative on Union County Law Enforcement Planning Commission Carl Wilkins; Building and Electric inspector, Charles E. Veal; and Sanitary Inspector, William Gullede.

The mayor recommended the creation of a mayor's advisory committee to be composed of eight interested citizens who do not have official positions to survey and recommend projects and procedures for community development and improvement. These persons will represent all sections of the community.

Mayor Rich also reported that he has invited all Cobden merchants to an informal coffee hour at the Village Hall, Tuesday evening, May 13, for a general discussion on business and village cooperation and projects.

Board also approved changes in financial and accounting procedures and authorized its finance committee to develop improved systems. New salary schedules, representing increases, were established for Village employees effective May 1.

### Advertisements promoted 1969 Peach Festival

This page features advertisements which promoted the 1969 Cobden Peach Festival. The advertisements appeared in the Aug. 14, 1969, issue of The Gazette-Democrat.

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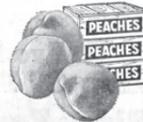
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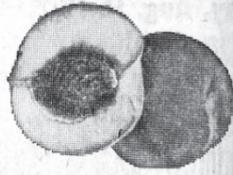
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(Advertisement recreated from August 14, 1969, issue of The Gazette-Democrat)



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- Dunking Of Prominent Cobden Businessmen
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Bring The Family And Enjoy Yourselves At The Peach Festival!



**Gothic Avenue mosaic**

A mosaic photograph was featured in Charles Swedlund's "Art & Fact" exhibit at the University Museum on the campus of Southern Illinois University Carbondale earlier this year. The mosaic consisted of approximately 650 photographs from Mammoth Cave in Kentucky.

# SIU exhibit highlighted beauty, history of caves

Photography by Charles Swedlund of Cobden featured

The beauty, history and mystery of caves were highlighted at an exhibit early in 2019 at the University Museum on the campus of Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

The exhibit, which was titled "Art & Fact: 35 Years of Cave Photography," featured hundreds of photographs taken by photographer Charles Swedlund of Cobden. Swedlund is a professor emeritus at SIUC.

The exhibit opened Jan. 22 in the SIUC University Museum's Mitchell, Continuum and Atrium galleries. The exhibit was scheduled to remain on display through July 20.

An opening reception and short gallery talk were held Friday evening, Feb. 1, at the museum.

Current and former Union County residents were among the many people who attended the reception and gallery talk.

After spending over 35 years absorbed in cave photography, Swedlund had quite the perspective on the subterranean world of Mammoth Cave, Carlsbad Caverns, Mystery Cave and other similar natural sites.

Starting in 1982, Swedlund's focus centered on the various aspects of caves and caverns.

At first, his attention was on the stunning natural forms found in the longest cave system known in the world, Mammoth Cave, which is located in south central Kentucky.

The landmark is in the National Park Service's Mammoth Cave National Park.

The park service explains on its website that "Mammoth Cave National Park preserves the cave system and a part of the Green River valley and hilly country of south central Kentucky. This is the world's longest cave system, with more than 400 miles explored."

Swedlund took multiple tourist trips with an altered 4 by 5 camera and captured the massive rock formations and unusual landscapes which can be seen at Mammoth Cave.

This turned into an official project to document all the historic and prehistoric inscriptions in the cave and to create a database of names and dates.

The effort was aimed toward cultural preservation and reclamation.

After dozens of trips through the historic national park and years of taking photographs, Swedlund turned his attention to wild caves, the areas not normally accessible to the public.

Some students offered to take him to a cave found on private property in Southern Illinois.

This was the beginning of a new journey of photographing in wild caves.

He joined a local grotto, Little Egyptian Grotto, and established a regular routine of weekend expeditions. For Swedlund, caving quickly turned into a passion.

"I find a great feeling of tranquility being in a cave," Swedlund said. "The darkness is not foreboding, but rather a welcome cloak."

"The relationship between dark and light intrigues me. A formation that took thousands/hundreds of thousands of years to form is in the dark sleeping. Light enables it to awake, be seen and appreciated," Swedlund said.

In his 35 years of cav-

ing, Swedlund visited 56 caves, including national parks, tourist caves and wild caves.

He also served for 12 years as one of the principal researchers at an Earthwatch Expedition in Mammoth Cave.

During the gallery talk last winter at the University Museum, Swedlund reflected on the beauty, history and mystery of the caves which he has visited over the years.

Swedlund said that he finds caves to be "absolutely fascinating." He described Kentucky's Mammoth Cave as "an incredible repository of history."

Mammoth Cave is the home of Gothic Avenue, which is featured in a mosaic photograph which is a part of the "Art & Fact" exhibit.

Information shared at the exhibit explains that the mosaic consists of approximately 650 photo-

graphs. Each seven-inch photograph is a record of a meter square area of Gothic Avenue's ceiling.

The ceiling is covered with the names - many, many names - left by visitors to Mammoth Cave.

Visitors, "probably with help" from their guide, "used a lit candle attached to a long stick. Being very careful to hold the candle close, but not too close to extinguish the flame, the smoke from the candle deposited its soot producing a black mark. This technique only worked on ceilings."

Swedlund shared that each of the names of the ceiling "are beautiful" and "have historical significance."

"The names are not just beautiful - they are links to wonderful stories," he said.

In addition to his years of caving, Swedlund taught aesthetics, techniques, methods and history of photography in SIU's cin-

ema and photography department for 29 years.

He also spent time teaching at Harvard University, the Institute of Design in Chicago, the Art Institute in Chicago and State University College at Buffalo.

He has won numerous awards and grants, and his work is in several permanent collections, including: The Museum of Modern Art in New York City. The Art Institute of Chicago.

Paul J. Getty Museum, Los Angeles, California. Bibliotheque Nationale in Paris, France.

The National Museum of

Art in Kyoto, Japan Bauhaus-Archive Museum fur Gestaltung in Berlin, Germany.

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(Editor's note: This article, which originally appeared last winter, includes information about the "Art & Fact" exhibit which was shared with The Gazette-Democrat prior to the Feb. 1 reception and gallery talk. The article also includes information from news.siu.edu, the National Park Service and from the reception and gallery talk which were held at the University Museum.)

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*Welcome to the Cobden Peach Festival!*



**Leigh Burns**  
Union County Treasurer



**Paintings donated**

Jane Riley of Fort Worth, Texas, and formerly of Cobden, recently donated a pair of 19th century paintings to the Union County Historical and Genealogy Society. The paintings are of her great-grandparents, James and Liza Jane Mesler Bell. Bell was a prominent Cobden businessman and is the namesake of Bell hill and Bell mansion in Cobden. Riley also donated a group of family photographs and documents to the society. The artifacts will be housed in the Jane Clark Brown Resource Center in Cobden, which is operated by the society. Photo provided.

**From March 13, 1969**

**Cobden Legion's 50th Birthday Celebration to be Held Tonight**

Gala March Birthday Festivities throughout the nation will mark the 50th Anniversary of the founding of The American Legion in March 1919 and Commander Randall L. Lawrence, Jr. of the Cobden Post 259 has announced details of the local observance.

The American Legion was founded March 15-17, 1919, at a meeting in Paris, France, and attended by various outfits of The American Legion Expeditionary Force of World War I.

Commander Lawrence reports that the Cobden Post will hold its 50th Birthday Party tonight in Cobden, March 13.

The affair will begin with a potluck Supper for Legion and Auxiliary members

**From Aug. 14, 1969**

**Color Slides Can be Viewed at Festival**

Always an attraction at the Cobden Peach Festival are the beautiful color slides of area highlights, including fruits and vegetables during the growing and processing stage.

Festival goes new to the area will be able to acquaint themselves with beautiful Union County.

The Color Slides exhibition will be located at the Fruit and Vegetable Display, where they may also see many varieties of prize fruits and vegetables displayed.

There is no admission charge for this double attraction and all are invited to stop by on their visit to the Cobden Peach Festival.

and families in the Cobden Grade School Cafeteria at 6:30 p.m.

A specially decorated 50 Year Birthday Cake is being furnished by the Auxiliary. Table and general decorations will also be done by (the) Auxiliary.

Following the supper, a Formal Legion Ceremony of Remembrance and Salute will be conducted.

District guests have been invited. Mayor Carl Wilkins will bring greetings from the community.

Highlights of the program will included Initiation of Anniversary Year new members and presentation of Membership Awards in recognition of the tremendous membership strides which have been made in the past 5 years by (the) Cobden Post.

The major emphasis of the evening will be the Salute to the 50 Year Members and the presentation of these comrades of Special Awards and Achievement Recognition.

The Cobden Post has 18 comrades who highly prize their "50 Years of Legion Membership" Cards.

The spirit of celebration for The American Legion will also be highlighted nationally with a Legion Banquet honoring the Congress of The United States.

At that time the American Legion will formally present its "Gift to the Nation," permanently installed illumination of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery.

Funds for "Gift to the Nation," and its perpetual care, were raised through

contributions from individual Legionnaires and Auxiliary Members and many Legion organizations across the Nation.

Cobden Posst 259 is a contributing partner in this National Legion effort.

Cobden Post 259 will also strive during 1969 to establish a Flame of Freedom Memorial to be placed on the Legion Home Grounds.

This will be an eternal flame, housed in proper setting and landscaped. A community canvass will be made to develop general support for this Memorial.

At the present time, Cobden American Legion Post 259, also in its 50th Year, has 154 members, a strong and faithful Auxiliary, and an active Community Program.

As an active public expression, the Community Flag Disposal Program, carried on by The Legion since 1967 will add its salute by flying Flags in the Cobden community all day Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.

All Post 259 members and Auxiliary are encouraged to participate fully in these activities.

The Cobden Legion and Auxiliary greatly appreciates the recent Proclamation by Mayor Wilkins in declaring the month of March as "American Legion 50 Year Golden Anniversary Month."

**From April 17, 1969**

**Former Movie Star's Daughter Enjoys Visit in this Area**

A very charming young woman with homes in California, New York and Paris, visited Union County this past week.

Her name, Maria Riachi, and she is the daughter of the late movie star, Agnes Ayres, who is best known for co-starring in the movie "The Shiek" with Rudolph Valentino.

Agnes Ayers, a name she acquired after going to Chicago and going into the movies, was born Agnes Eyre Henkle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Solon A. Henkle of Cobden.

She was raised in Cobden and went to Chicago shortly after World War I to work in the Essanay Movie Studio,

**From May 29, 1969**

**Commencement at Cobden Tonight**

Cobden Unit School Commencement Thursday night will begin with the processional followed by invocation by the Rev. Robert Russell.

A song will be sung by Linda Dillon, Gayle Fox, Vickie Vitt, Karen Porter, Donna Brown, Barbara Brown. They will be accompanied by Debbie Pribble and will sing "The Water Is Wide.

Sharlotte Sweitzer, Salutatorian, will give a short address followed by special music by Cheryl Emery, Steve Craig, Bob Russell and Susan Lence.

After a few words by the valedictorian, David Busenbark, the Class of 1969 will sing "High Upon The Mountain."

Dorris Garner, superintendent, will present the class and Conrad Baggott, president of the board of education, will award the diplomas.

The benediction will be pronounced by the Rev. James E. Hart followed by the recessional which will conclude the program.

which moved to Hollywood in 1921 because the weather in Chicago curtailed the shooting time for making outdoor films. It later became a part of Paramount Studios.

Miss Ayers married Manuel Riachi, a commercial attache for the Mexican Consul with offices located in San Francisco, and Maria was born in California.

Miss Riachi, who had

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never visited her mother's birthplace before, had been visiting in Beverly Hills with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brady and was on her way back to New York.

She had planned to stay-only from Wednesday from Friday but said that she found the friendliness of the people coupled with the scenic beauty of the area so pleasing that she extended her stay until Sunday.

She examined court records and visited with many people who knew her mother as a young girl.

Her grandmother married Frank Rendleman after Mr. Henkle died and she visited the farm of her grandparents which is now owned by Charles Rendleman.

Mrs. Riachi expressed her deep appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. Bob Rich and to Mrs. Vesta Abernathy for taking her to many places of interest and said she felt as if she were re-living her mother's girlhood just by seeing the many places and friends who had known her as a girl.

Miss Riachi said, "I found the beauty of the country lovely but not as lovely as the people who live here."

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The Cobden High School Marching Appleknockers Band participated in the 2018 Peach Festival parade. The parade was held on Saturday afternoon in downtown Cobden during last year's festival.

## Awarding of raffle prizes planned Saturday

Raffle prizes will be awarded Saturday evening, Aug. 3, at the Cobden Peach Festival.

Tickets will be available at the festival. Ticket prices are \$1 each, \$5 for six, \$10 for 12 or \$20 for 24.

Sponsors of this year's raffle, and the prizes, include:

Bounce Blast, one Bounce House rental, \$300 value.

Rusty's Home Center, Blackstone stainless griddle, \$300 value.

S.I. Builders Supply, Whirlpool over-range microwave/hood, \$290 value.

Moreland Eye Care, Oakley sunglasses, \$150 value.

Anna-Jonesboro National Bank, \$100 cash.

Clark & Son Salvage, \$100 cash.

Farmers State Bank, \$100 cash.

The Old Feed Store, gift basket, \$100 value.

### Susan B. Anthony visits Cobden

The Sons of Temperance organization sponsored a lecture by women's rights activist Susan B. Anthony on March 1, 1877, at Horticulture Hall in Cobden.

Anthony was on a speaking tour in Southern Illinois when she came to Cobden. Attendance at her lecture was reported to have been small due to bad weather.

Pro-1 Auto Body, \$100 cash.

Re/Max Southern, \$100 VISA gift card.

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WIBH 1440 AM, two general admission tickets to Holiday World & Splashin' Safari, \$100 value.

Wrightway Transportation, \$100 cash.

Gurley & Son Heating and Air Inc., seasonal check, \$84 value.

A&G Automotive, free oil change, \$40 value, two winners.

E.T. Simonds, \$75 gift certificate to Brick House Grill.

Peachbarn Cafe/Hedman Vineyard, gift certificates, \$30 value, two winners.

Southern Bank, cobbler making items, \$55 value.

Abbey Ridge LLC/DBA Downtown Abbey, \$50 gift certificate.

Alto Vineyards, \$50 gift certificate.

Anna State Bank, \$50 cash.

Anna Tire & Auto, \$50 cash.

Leigh Burns, Union County treasurer, \$50 gift certificate to Brick House Grill.

Cobden Auto Repair, \$50 cash.

Discount Mart/Cobden One Stop, \$50 cash.

Duck Works Lawn Care LLC, \$50 cash.

Committee to Elect Tyler Edmonds, Union County state's attorney, \$50 cash.

Lance Meisenheimer, Union County clerk, \$50 cash.

Steam Shovel on the Moon, four bags of Steam Shovel Coffee, \$45 value.

Little House of Tacos, \$40 gift certificate.

Health Promoting Massage by Cherry, \$40 gift certificate, two winners.

Star View Vineyards, \$31 gift certificate.

Duty's Country Store, \$30 gift certificate.

Hartline Investigations,

savings off one concealed carry class, \$30 value.

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## Richard Cobden paid visit to South Pass in 1859

(Editor's note: The following item is reprinted from "South Pass Revisited: A 150 Year History of Cobden, Illinois." The item makes reference to South Pass, which was Cobden's original name.)

In the spring of 1859 Richard Cobden, an em-

inent English statesman, member of Parliament, an ardent free trade supporter, and the man responsible for the repeal of the British Corn Laws, passed through the village of South Pass.

Richard Cobden strongly believed in the concept of equal rights and of helping the common man.

Even though Cobden has been referred to as "Sir Richard," he actually declined the royal title of "Sir" because he did not want to be elevated among others.

He was a major stockholder in the Illinois Central Railroad and had encouraged several associates to invest in the company.

He came to America to assess the railroad enterprise in which he had invested and to tour the United States. His trip included a visit with President James Buchanan.

South Pass was just emerging as a community but was attracting attention as a fruit and vegetable growing center.

Cobden traveled on the railroad from Chicago to New Orleans and made several stops along the way.

He does not mention South Pass or detouring in Union County in the

### David Green

David Green was considered to be one of Cobden's first entrepreneurs. While the railroad was being built through what is now Cobden, Green purchased land near the railroad right-of-way and built a store and boarding house.

diary he kept of his trip to America.

He does record "passing through Jonesboro" which he referred to as "the neighborhood of which is the garden of Illinois."

Cobden was either misinformed about the name of the community he was passing through or recorded the wrong name of the town at that time there was no railroad through Jonesboro.

Regardless, South Pass was referred to informally as Cobden shortly after Cobden's trip to America.

The identity of the person responsible for the village's name change remains a mystery.

An article titled "Genesis of Refrigerator Car" from the October 1928 Illinois Central Railroad magazine stated that George B. McClellan, vice president of the railroad at the time of Cobden's visit to Illinois, renamed the town in honor of the distinguished visitor.

Another source claims that William Osborn, Pres-

ident of the ICRR, asked that the town be renamed Cobden.

The people of the area and the railroad company embraced the name Cobden although it was not officially changed to Cobden until September 9, 1901.

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Off and running...a run, fun run and walking event have been held for a number of years early on Saturday morning during the Cobden Peach Festival. The events begin, and end, near the Cobden Community Park.

From Aug. 21, 1969

## Rain Fails to Dampen Spirits of Festival Go-ers; Crown Queen Sun.

The Cobden Peach Festival, which was to have been held this past Friday and Saturday, Aug. 14 and 15, was the victim of mother nature again this year.

Two years ago, the second night of the Festival was rained out, as it was this past Saturday; although the Festivities Saturday evening were "rained out," it did not dampen the spirits of the Cobden Lions Club, sponsors of the event.

The Festival re-opened Sunday afternoon at 2:00 p.m. and the queen was crowned at 9:00 p.m. that evening.

The new Miss Cobden Peach Festival Queen is

Miss Kathy Flamm, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Flamm, who was also named Miss Swim Suit, in competition Friday evening. She received a \$50 bond and a trophy.

Incidentally, Kathy is the niece of the first Miss Cobden Peach Queen, the former Miss Delores Flamm, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Flamm.

Kathy is also competing for the title of Miss Union County Fair.

The first runner-up was Miss Rebecca Throgmorton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Throgmorton of Alto Pass.

Miss Christine Jerdon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Jerdon, Alto Pass, was named second runner-up.

Miss Karen Porter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Hiestand, Cobden, was named third runner-up and also received the title of Miss Congeniality.

Judges were Homer Waddle, Lions District Governor; Hans J. Fischer, Carbondale architect; and Mrs. Linda Bentson, Anna Elementary teacher.

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### 'Unbroken Wilderness'

In 1852, geologist A.H. Worthen made a visit to a ridge area where Cobden is now located.

"I undertook to make a reconnaissance of this ridge from the Big Muddy to the Ohio, through what was then an almost unbroken wilderness, and on foot and alone with hammer in hand," Worthen wrote.

"I traversed this wild and picturesque region, reaching the Ohio in eight days after leaving the Big Muddy.

"The only signs of civilization to be met with then, in this region, was a log cabin now and then occupied by some squatters family from east Tennessee or North Carolina, who imagined themselves entirely secure from the encroachments of a higher civilization."

was the sponsor of the Queen's Trophy; Flamm's Cafe sponsored the Swim Suit Trophy; and Petty Oil Company sponsored the trophy for Miss Congeniality.

## Cobden 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 presented 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 new queen was crowned by retiring queen Miss Sherry Goodman, amid lovely surroundings.

Although the weatherman did not cooperate with the Cobden Lions Club in

this year's presentation of the Cobden Peach Festival, it was deemed a success.

Proceeds, as always, will go towards betterment of community projects.

Festival-goers enjoyed the color slides of fruits and vegetables, the peach pies and cobblers, (and) displays

of fruits and vegetables. They also enjoyed the rides and games on the midway.

From April 17, 1969

## Near Record Votes Cast In Cobden Election

### Casper Wins Over Opponent Gray by A Vote of 245 to 202

Residents in the election held for Cobden officials out in full force Tuesday and cast a total of 473 votes.

This, according to an authoritative source, is the second highest number of votes cast in such an election. In 1965, there were 247 votes cast.

G. Wallace Rich, who was unopposed in his bid for office of President of the Village Board, received 331 votes.

Ira R. Casper, incumbent, won with a vote of 245, the office of City Clerk. His opponent, Roger G. Gray, received 202 votes.

With six candidates running for the three offices of Trustess of the Village Board, Thomas G. Bailey, Jr. was high man with a total of 309 votes.

The other two elected were Lawrence A. DuBois, incumbent, who received 302 votes and Edward Acklin with 234.

Robert B. Nebughr got 218 votes; Verner Schroeder, 153; and William W. Fry, 77.

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Lots of folks play bingo during the Cobden Peach Festival. Bingo is one of the many attractions at the annual festival, which is held at the Cobden Community Park.



A pageant is one of the highlights of the annual Cobden Peach Festival. Coronation of a new Peach Festival queen takes place on Saturday night at the Cobden Community Park. File photo.

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