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## News

### Notes

Items of interest from throughout the Union County area

If you haven't been yet, the Union County Fair continues through the weekend at the Anna City Park.

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Friday night should be busy in Anna: there's a demolition derby at the Union County Fair and a football game at Anna-Jonesboro Community High School.

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Worth noting: Many people put in a lot of very hard work to ensure the success of the Union County Fair. This year is no exception.

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Democrat Party gubernatorial candidate JB Pritzker and his wife, Juliana, are scheduled to be at the Union County Fair on Friday. They plan to be at the Union County Democrats stand at the fair at noon.

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Multiple generations were represented at last Saturday evening's gaited and western horse show at the Union County Fair.

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The carnival on the midway at the Union County Fair started on Monday, instead of Tuesday, which originally had been announced.

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Last Saturday's harness racing slate at the Union County Fair was cancelled. A small number of entries was cited.

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Good luck to the Anna-Jonesboro Wildcats in their season opening football game this Friday night.

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One of the four new troopers who have been assigned to Illinois State Police District 22 is Trooper Nicholas Sumner, not Summer, as we reported last week. The editor erred.

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On the first day of the 2018-2019 academic year, the Cobden School showed strong support for the Moore family.

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Just a reminder: the first installment of Union County property taxes is due Sept. 5. The second installment is due Nov. 5.

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## Union County Fair continues in Anna

The 2018 Union County Fair continues through Sunday, Aug. 26, in Anna. The fair takes place at the Anna City Park.

The fair opened last Friday and continued with a full slate of activities over the weekend.

Thursday, today, is Veterans Day at the fair. Two nights of demolition derby

action are coming up Friday and Saturday. Big crowds traditionally have been in attendance for the demolition derbies at the fair.

Here's a look at the schedule:

### Thursday, Today

Thursday is Veterans Day at the fair. All veterans who show a veteran's organization membership card or are wearing a veteran's organization cap will be admitted free to the fair.

5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Exhibit building open.

5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Carnival open.

6 p.m. Junior livestock auction, junior show arena.

7:30 p.m. Championship rodeo. General admission tickets: adults \$8, children \$5.

### Friday, Aug. 24

5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Exhibit building open.

5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Carnival open.

7 p.m. Demolition derby. General admission tickets: adults \$10, children \$5.

### Saturday, Aug. 25

5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Exhibit building open.

5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Carnival open.

7 p.m. Demolition derby. General admission tickets: adults \$10, children \$5.

The carnival at the fair is scheduled to be open from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 21, through Saturday, Aug. 25.

### Sunday, Aug. 26

1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Exhibits to be claimed in the exhibit building. Exhibitor checks available at the fair office.



### 2018 Union County Fair queen

Addison Osman, 16, of Anna, is the 2018 Union County Fair queen. Addison was crowned during the queen pageant, which was Sunday night at the fair in Anna. For more information and pictures from the pageant, please see page 3 in Section A of this week's paper. Photo by Tiffiny Dillow for The Gazette-Democrat.

## Saturation Saturday initiative planned by Illinois State Police

Illinois State Police District 22 will be participating in a Saturation Saturday enforcement effort.

Capt. Michael Alvey, the commander of District 22, announced plans for the initiative. Union County is in District 22.

The initiative is set to occur on Saturday, Aug. 25, in conjunction with the Labor Day Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over campaign, which began Aug. 20 and continues through Sept. 4. Labor Day is Sept. 3.

Saturation Saturday is a statewide initiative with Mothers Against Drunk Driving which is designed to raise awareness about the dangers of drunk and

drugged driving, and to increase enforcement to remove and arrest individuals driving under the influence.

Troopers across the state will join county and local law enforcement agencies for increased enforcement during the evening hours of Aug. 25 and early morning hours of Aug. 26.

"District 22 will use directed patrols and dedicate personnel to DUI enforcement to support this enforcement initiative," Alvey said in a news release.

"If you are going to drink, make sure you have a designated driver, or call for a ride, because there will be zero tolerance for individuals who decide to

drive impaired."

As the summer season draws to an end, Alvey encouraged motorists to remember some important tips:

Never let family or friends drive impaired.

Plan ahead, give your keys to a designated driver before you go out, call a taxi, take mass transit, or use your favorite ride sharing service.

Promptly report drunk drivers to law enforcement by pulling over and dialing 911.

Make sure everyone in your vehicle wears his or her seat belt. It is their best defense against a drunk/impaired driver.

## Heritage House Bicentennial Talks continue

The PAST organization of Union County continues to offer a series of Bicentennial Talks.

The talks are being presented on Sunday afternoons at PAST's Heritage House Museum, which is located at 102 S. Main St. in Jonesboro. The talks begin at 2 p.m.

The series is scheduled to continue through Oct. 14. There is no charge to attend the programs and reservations are not needed.

On Sunday, Aug. 26, Evelyn Goodman Gillespie is scheduled to present a program about Pioneers from Union County: Christian and John Miller.

## Sheriff issues monthly report

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

Highlights from the report follow:

Felony arrests, five. Misdemeanor arrests, 13. Traffic arrests, 46. Warrant arrests, 12. Total arrests, 76.

Cases opened, 36. Drug investigations, six. Crash reports, 16. 911 calls received, 570. Miles patrolled, 11,957.



### Pets on parade

A menagerie of pets dressed in their Sunday best were on hand Aug. 19 to participate in this year's Union County Fair pet parade. For years, this pet pageant has been a mainstay of the county fair festivities, with children entering their furred and feathered friends to be judged in a number of categories, including best dressed, smallest and best in show. Animals of all sorts were represented, with dogs being the most common entry, as well as less common pets like goats, a goose, a chicken, some crawdads and a frog. Winners of each of the categories were awarded cash prizes and a medal. The pet parade was sponsored by the Anna-Jonesboro Rotary Club. Prize money was sponsored by Anna-Jonesboro National Bank. Ribbons were donated by Moreland EyeCare. Photo by Benjamin Marxer.





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## State police District 22 welcomes four troopers

The Illinois State Police had 81 troopers join the ranks on Friday, Aug. 10, after CC 127 graduated from the Illinois State Police Academy in Springfield.

The officers were assigned to 17 different districts throughout the state, with four being assigned to District 22 in Southern Illinois.

The officers have begun a 14-week field training program in the district. The troopers will be working with a field training officer to implement the knowledge and skills they learned in the academy.

District 22 is welcoming the following officers:

**Chase Wiggs:** Trooper Wiggs is a graduate of Vienna High School and Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

Wiggs served four years in the U.S. Marine Corps, where he served as military police officer and SWAT team member.

Wiggs worked as a federal police officer at USEC for five years, as a police officer with the Vienna Police Department for five years, and as a correctional officer with the Illinois Department of Corrections for four years prior to working for the state police.

**Nicholas Sumner:** Trooper Sumner is a graduate of Harrisburg High School and Southeastern Illinois College.

Sumner served four years with the U.S. Air Force prior to working for the state police.

## News Notes

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An ice cream supper is planned Saturday evening, Sept. 8, at Kornthal Church near Jonesboro.

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Did you happen to see the double rainbow in the eastern sky over Anna Monday evening?

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Looked like a new sign was being installed Monday at Mt. Moriah Lutheran Church in Anna.

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Some activity was spotted Monday at the Yellow Moon Cafe in downtown Cobden.

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Katilyn Sullivan celebrated a birthday on Aug. 17.

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A double Ferris wheel is being offered at this year's Du Quoin State Fair.

**Matthew Smithpeters:**

Trooper Smithpeters is a graduate of Harrisburg High School and SIUC.

Smithpeters worked as a police officer at SIUC for four years prior to working for the state police.

Smithpeters graduated as Valedictorian of CC 127.

**Derik Kraus:** Trooper Kraus is a graduate of Steelville High School.

Kraus served 25 years in the Army National Guard, with a deployment to Operation Iraqi Freedom, and is a command sergeant major in the Illinois National Guard's 123rd Engineering Battalion.

## Burglary suspect apprehended

A burglary suspect was taken into custody Thursday afternoon, Aug. 16, in Anna.

Anna Police Chief Michael Hunter gave the following account:

At approximately 1 p.m. on Aug. 16, the Anna Police Department responded to a residential burglary which had just occurred.

The reporting party gave a description of the suspect which was relayed to responding officers.

While en route to the residence, an Anna Police Department officer spotted the suspect on foot approximately two blocks away from the victim's residence.

As the officer approached the suspect, the suspect fled on foot and the officer gave chase.

With the assistance of the Union County Sheriff's Office and its K-9 unit, the suspect was apprehended and taken into custody.

## Landscaping program set

Fall and winter landscaping in Southern Illinois will be the topic of a program which is planned Monday, Aug. 27, in Carbondale.

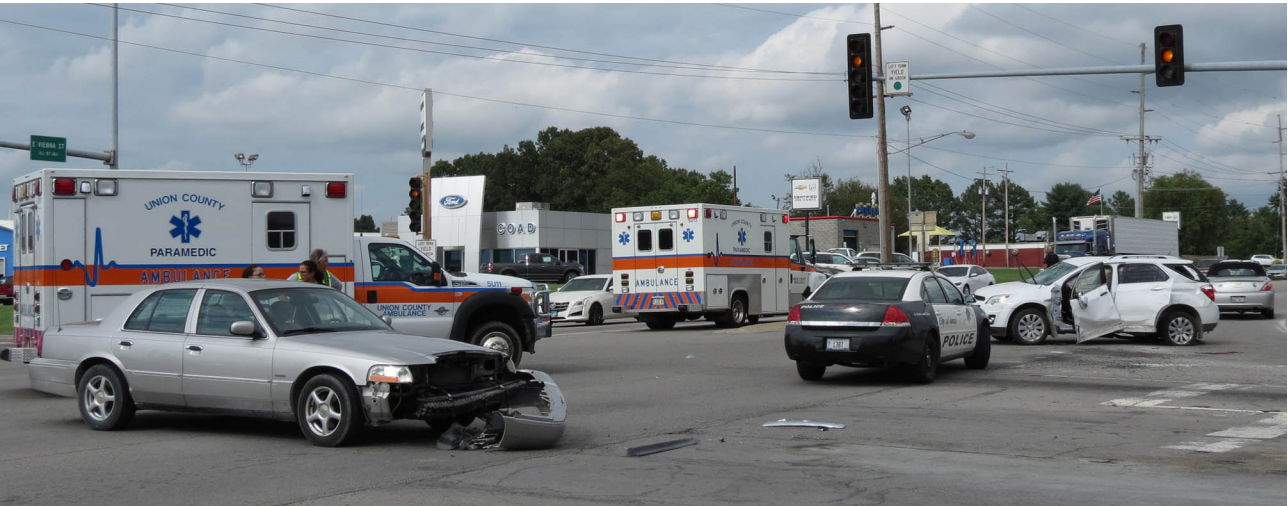
The program is set for 7 p.m. at the Carbondale Township Building, which is located at 216 E. Monroe St. Entry is through the green door on the alley, in the back of the Newell House.

The guest speaker is scheduled to be Laurel Toussaint, who has more than four decades of native landscaping experience.

The program is being presented by the Tupelo Wild Ones.

## Traffic accident, vehicle fire Friday in Anna

State and local emergency services personnel were kept busy when a traffic accident and vehicle fire occurred within minutes of each other at about 4 p.m. last Friday in Anna.



A traffic accident involving several vehicles and resulting in injuries occurred at the intersection of new U.S. Route 51 and Illinois Route 146.



While emergency services personnel were at the scene of the accident, a vehicle caught fire just south of the intersection of Routes 51 and 146. A minivan was reported to have caught on fire. The Anna Fire Department, which was already at the scene of the traffic accident, responded to the fire. The fire may have been result of an electrical problem in the vehicle's dashboard. Firefighters were at the scene for about an hour.

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“I’d love to rise from the grave every ten years or so and go buy a few newspapers.” Luis Bunuel

“All I know is what I read in the papers.” Will Rogers



## ***2018 Union County Fair queen pageant held Sunday***

The 2018 Union County Fair queen was crowned Sunday night in Anna.

A Junior Miss Union County Fair and Little Miss Union County Fair also were crowned during the pageant.

The new fair queen is Addison Osman, 16, of Anna. Addison is the daughter of Eric and Janice Osman. Her sponsor was Tooth Tech.

The first runner-up in the queen pageant was Madison Lingle, 18, of Anna. She is the daughter of Terry Lingle and Angela and Rick Johnson. Her sponsor was the law offices of John Foley.

The second runner-up was Meghan Smith, 19, of Jonesboro. She is the daughter of Tom and Angie Smith. Her sponsor was WIBH Radio.

Brooklyn Cast, 20, of Cobden, was named as Ms. Congeniality. She is the daughter of Buddy and Melodie Cast. Her sponsor was Jordo's Pizza.

Avery Osman, 13, was crowned as Junior Miss Union County Fair. She is the daughter of Eric and Janice Osman.

Junior Miss Union County Fair first runner-up was Kaylee Stover, 13, of Bun-

combe. She is the daughter of Aaron and Paula Stover.

Mattilyn Houseman, 12, of Anna, was crowned as Little Miss Union County Fair. She is the daughter of Matt Houseman and Becky Hileman.

Little Miss Union County Fair first runner-up was Brooklynn Eastman, 11, of Anna. She is the daughter of Adam and Jennifer Eastman.

Little Miss Union County Fair second runner-up was Avery Stegle, 11, of Wolf Lake. She is the daughter of Jason and Abbie Stegle.



## Fair queen, court

The 2018 Union County Fair queen and her court are Madison Lingle, first runner-up; Addison Osman, the 2018 Union County Fair queen; Meghan Smith, second runner-up; and Brookelyn Cast, Ms. Congeniality. Photos by Tiffany Dillow for The Gazette-Democrat.



## Junior Miss

**The 2018 Union County Fair Junior Miss is Avery Osman. Kaylee Stover was first runner-up.**



## Little Miss

**The 2018 Union County Fair Little Miss is Mattilynn Houseman. Brooklynn Eastman was first runner-up. Avery Stegle was second runner-up.**

## County schools hire staff members

In preparation for the start of the 2018-2019 school year, the boards of education of schools across Union County held special meetings to discuss, vote on and approve the filling of a number of staff and faculty positions.

Minutes from an Aug. 1 special meeting of the Anna School District No. 37 Board of Education showed a number of new hires.

Stacy Plott was approved as the pre-kindergarten teacher for a new half-day session which is being added for the school year, and will be working in the capacity as an extraordinary care, EOC, aide for the other half of the day.

Jessica Stark and Lindsey Goddard will also be joining the school district as EOC aides.

as speech and language pathologist and William McKenzie II as a PE teacher. Keelie Bartruff will be joining the staff as a cook.

All hiring motions were approved unanimously by all board members present.

Anna-Jonesboro Community High School superintendent Rob Wright and the A-JCHS District No. 81 School Board approved two new faculty hires at a special meeting on August 6.

A motion was approved to hire Jeff Robertson as custodian for the campus. David Dawley was also hired as credit recovery supervisor.

Minutes from an Aug. 14 special meeting of the Shawnee Unit School District No. 84 Board of Education also showed some changes in staff as well.

Upon leaving closed session, the board voted on and approved the resigna-


tions of Kaleigh Zeigler, April Bartnick and Rebecca Bastien.

A number of new hires were approved as well. Elena Houston will be joining the staff in the speech and language department, and Nicole Derossett was hired as a title aide.


Some coaching positions were approved by the board as well. Rachel Griffin was hired as the junior high girls softball coach. Nicole Derossett will also be employed as the junior high girls assistant coach and Elana Houston will fill the role of high school cheerleading coach.

The board also approved a transportation resolution with First Student Inc to provide transportation for the school for 90 days.

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# Good luck to the A-J Football Team on their kickoff game of the season



Anna-Jonesboro Community High School Wildcat varsity football team.

Photos by Tiffiny Dillow for The Gazette-Democrat.

#	NAME	YEAR	#	NAME	YEAR
1	Tyler Smith	12	28	Reid Morrison	12
2	Nate Kisat	12	31	Kaleb Meier	11
4	Aden Hopkins	10	32	Colyn Girtman	12
5	Cameron Tweedy	12	34	Derek Nelson	11
6	Nate Baggott	10	35	Justice Kostal	11
7	Conner Jerolds	12	42	Nate Belcher	10
8	John Michael Ligon	10	45	Lucas Carmack-Morse	10
9	Wyatt Johnston	12	51	Bryce Bowers	10
10	Brandon Wright	10	53	Reece Barrow	11
11	Carson Pengress	10	54	Parker Turner	10
12	Nick Mcgrath	10	56	JD Mains	11
13	Devon Toliver	12	60	Nick Sanders	12
14	Kaden Mayberry	10	61	Kevin Wright	12
15	Noah Hobson	11	63	Jacob Doss	10
16	Chase Stoffel	11	66	Hunter Smith	12
17	Gavin Tripp	12	70	Noah Craig	12
20	Nathan Plott	10	72	Dylan Cunningham	12
21	James Peterson	11	73/44	Garrett Fabec	12
22	Zach Griffin	12	75	Draven Rowley	11
24	Drake Roach	11	76	Shawn Wells	12
25	Kyle McMahan	12	77	Eli Cripps	10
27	Damien Chrisp	12	78	Carsten Christy	12



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Hallee Menees  
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## 20 seniors return for A-J football

The Anna-Jonesboro Community High School football team lost a lot of talent last year on the 12-1 team that finished in the semifinals of the Class 3A Illinois High School Association playoffs.

But the cupboard is not bare this season. The Wildcats will be bolstered by the return of 20 seniors.

Lost to graduation were standouts in quarterback Bryce Osman and running backs Jayce Turner and Arie Hart.

Quarterbacking the Wildcats this season will

be senior Conner Jerolds, 5-10, 165 pounds.

The senior backfield will feature Reid Morrison, 6-3, 215 pounds; Kyle McMahan, 6-1, 175 pounds; Damien Crisp, 5-11, 175 pounds. Nate Kisat, 5-11, 175 pounds, who broke a collarbone last year, will also add depth to the backfield.

Downfield receiver candidates are more seniors in Wyatt Johnston, 6-0, 180 pounds; Tyler Smith, 6-3, 170 pounds; Cameron Tweedy, 6-2, 170 pounds and Zach Griffin, 6-1, 200 pounds. Transfer student

Devon Toliver, 6-1, 185 pounds, will also add depth to the receiving corps.

Rounding out the offensive line are more seniors in Dylan Cunningham, 6-0, 270 pounds; Carsten Christy, 6-9, 295 pounds; Noah Craig, 6-3, 295 pounds; Kevin Wright, 5-11, 220 pounds; Nick Sanders, 5-9, 205 pounds; Garrett Fabec, 6-3, 220 pounds and Shawn Wells, 6-2, 235 pounds.

On defense, linebacker candidates include Morrison, Kisat and McMahan.

There are 10 juniors, 14 sophomores and 23 freshmen out for football this season.

The Wildcats open their 2018 season at home against West Frankfort at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 24.



### FRESHMAN FOOTBALL

08/25/18	Frankfort Community HS	10:00 A.M.
08/30/18	Murphysboro HS	6:00 P.M.
09/06/18	Massac County HS	6:00 P.M.
09/13/18	Nashville Community HS	6:00 P.M.
09/20/18	Carterville HS	6:00 P.M.
09/27/18	Pinckneyville HS	6:00 P.M.
10/04/18	Du Quoin HS	6:00 P.M.
10/11/18	Sparta HS	6:00 P.M.
10/18/18	Benton HS	6:00 P.M.

### SOPHOMORE FOOTBALL

08/27/18	Frankfort Community HS	6:00 P.M.
09/03/18	Murphysboro HS	6:00 P.M.
09/10/18	Massac County HS	6:00 P.M.
09/17/18	Nashville Community HS	6:00 P.M.
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10/01/18	Pinckneyville HS	6:00 P.M.
10/08/18	Du Quoin HS	6:00 P.M.
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# Sports

## Lick Creek softball opens with two wins

The Lick Creek School Lady Eagles softball team opened the 2018 season with a pair of wins.

Lick Creek won its season opener against Dongola 12-9.

Backed by strong pitching from Morgan Smith, who fanned 11 players, and outstanding fielding, the Lady Eagles started their season in mid-season form. There is no “I” in team as all of the players contributed to the victory.

Lick Creek’s speed and quickness paid off as both the outfield and infield contributed with some very outstanding plays. The team only committed one error.

The team came out strong and stepped up as they scored six runs in the first two innings.

Dongola made a run in the first three innings, scoring four runs.

However, Lick Creek countered with two more insurance runs in the fourth to increase their lead to 8-4.

Both teams rounded out the game by scoring nine additional runs. The Lick

Creek Lady Eagles played well down the stretch and kept their composure.

The Lick Creek Lady Eagles scored a 9-3 win over Unity Point.

The Lady Eagles started fast, scoring seven runs in the first two innings, while holding Unity Point to only three runs through three innings.

The Lady Eagles just kept fighting and picked up two additional runs in the fourth while holding Unity Point scoreless in the last four innings. Their attitude was to keep on playing hard and they didn’t have time to celebrate.

Lick Creek continued to play good defense and pulled out a nice win over a quality team. The players stepped up and played an inspired game.

Top hitters for Lick Creek are as follows: Brinley Corbit, 2-5; Matti Houseman, 3-5; Shea Thorn, 4-5; and Sammi Turner, 3-4.

Morgan Smith fanned 12 batters. Danielle Dunaway has done an admirable job catching the hard throwing Morgan Smith.



**Special donation**

The Union County Museum in downtown Cobden recently received a special donation. Roy Witthoft, formerly of Cobden, donated his letterman’s jacket to the museum during the Cobden Peach Festival. The Peach Festival was held in early August. Witthoft played on the 1963-1964 Cobden High School Appleknockers basketball team that went to state. This was the jacket that he wore during the season. The jacket will be stored at the Union County Historical and Genealogy Resource Center and will be used when the museum conducts special displays about the Appleknockers. Photo provided.

# New law allows blaze pink clothing for hunters in Illinois

Legislation which legalizes blaze pink hunting gear and increases penalties for wildlife poaching in Illinois has been signed into law.

House Bill 4231 permits hunters to wear blaze pink clothing in addition to blaze orange.

Both colors of clothing are equally visible to the human eye; however, deer are believed to be color blind to red and can see very little orange or pink.

The legislation was signed Aug. 18 by Gov. Bruce Rauner.

“We want to make sure that Illinoisans are able to hunt and enjoy the outdoors safely,” Rauner said.

“The new legislation provides more variety in hunting gear while preventing tragic hunting accidents in Illinois.”

Blaze orange clothing has been credited for a reduction in hunting-related injuries and deaths.

“Blaze pink can be easier to see, making it a safer option when hunters are in fields or woods,” said State Sen. Neil Anderson, R-Andalusia, who sponsored the legislation in the Senate.

“At the same time, many believe deer can’t see the pink color. Giving hunters this option will only enhance their hunting experience and improve safety.”

Wisconsin, Colorado,

Louisiana, Minnesota, New York and Virginia have also authorized fluorescent pink as an alternative color to orange.

“Blaze pink laws have already passed in several other states, so this change in the law sends the message that our hunting laws put safety first,” said State Rep. Dave Severin, R-Benton, lead House sponsor of the bill.

“This action gives the consumer a choice, and though I’m no fashion expert, I believe blaze pink will look good on sportsmen and women in Southern Illinois.”

“As a lifelong hunter and supporter of the Second Amendment, I was proud to help sponsor this important safety measure,” said State Rep. Terri Bryant, R-Murphysboro, House co-sponsor of the bill.

“Though I am quite partial to the color pink, the scientific research I have seen shows that people see the color pink better than the color orange. I am grateful that the governor recognizes the importance of hunting safety and that hunting is an important part of the culture and a tourism driver for Southern Illinois.”

The initiative was supported by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, IDNR, and the

# A-J boys’ golf opens fall season

The Anna-Jonesboro Community High School boys’ golf team opened the fall season by hosting the McDonald’s Challenge at the Union County Country Club course in Anna Saturday, Aug. 18.

The Wildcats finished in fourth place with a score of 337. Benton won the 15-team event with 308.

Carson Reynolds led A-J with a second place finish of 73. He was edged by Herrin’s Drew Ringle in a one-hole playoff.

Reynolds’ teammate Luke Lasley also finished among the top 10 with an 8th place score of 77.

Others finishers for A-J were Peter Hauser with 82 and Ayden Bailey with 105.

Cobden’s Christian Goins finished with 109.

The Wildcats compete in a three-team match against Goreville and Vienna Thursday, today, at home.

# Cobden set to open fall baseball season

If work ethic carries over, the Cobden High School baseball team should have a good team this fall.

“I like the attitude of our kids,” first-year Cobden baseball coach Dana Pearson said. “We gave them the summer off and they are hungry and working hard.”

Pearson, who is also the Cobden American Legion baseball coach, cancelled the Legion schedule for this past summer.

Only two players from last season’s 13-9 squad were lost to graduation.

Several seniors will be returning, including infielder/outfielder/pitcher Cody Wieseman; third baseman/shortstop/pitcher Bayden Ditterline; catcher Bryce Reynolds; infielder/catcher Zane Nance; first baseman Bayden Clark; outfielder/pitcher Chandler West and middle infielder Jase Hutchason.

Reynolds returns to the lineup after an elbow injury last season.

Wieseman, Ditterline and West will handle the pitching duties.

The team is bolstered by numerous juniors.

“It’s a big class and they’re pushing each other



**Preparing for season opener**

The Anna-Jonesboro Community High School football team was practicing last Friday afternoon in preparation for its 2018 season opener. A-J is scheduled to kick off a new season this Friday night at home against West Frankfort.

# West Frankfort travels to A-J for 2018 high school football opener

The West Frankfort High School football team finished 5-4 last season and returns several players from that squad.

“We have a lot of experience coming back,” West Frankfort head coach Brian Beery said. “But we don’t have a lot of depth this year.”

West Frankfort opens the 2018 season by traveling to Anna-Jonesboro to play at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 24.

The Redbirds will be led at quarterback by 5-foot-11, 180 pound junior Conner Eaton.

The top running back threats are both seniors: 6-0, 190-pound Madison Allen and 6-0, 190-pound Sam Cooksey.

The main offensive linemen protecting that backfield will both be seniors in 6-4, 270-pound Jackson Sailliez and 6-3, 240-pound Max Pernitsky.

The top defensive player returning is Allen, who also doubles over as a linebacker. He has been a Southern Illinois River-to-River Conference Mississippi Division all-conference linebacker selection the last two seasons.

A key defensive lineman is also senior Bryce Gunther, 5-10, 240 pounds.

Two other top defensive backfield candidates are both seniors in 6-2, 185-pound Brycen Forgatch and 5-11, 165-pound Kyle Hammers.

Beery said the main thing for a successful season for the Redbirds because of the lack of numbers is to avoid key injuries.

He knows what to expect from Anna-Jonesboro.

“Every year I can’t say enough about (A-J coach Brett) Detering. He’ll have them ready to play. They do have a lot of two-way players back from last year,” he said.

“This will be a big game for us to start the year with,” Beery said.

# Cobden volleyball has four returning seniors

The Cobden High School volleyball team advanced to the Class 1A super-sectional last season for the first time in school history before being defeated.

Head coach Nathan Emrick would like to repeat that feat.

Four seniors graduated from last season’s school record 26-11 squad.

“We graduated four really good seniors,” Emrick said. “We’ve got some big shoes to fill. But we’ve got a good core coming back.”

Four returning starting seniors are outside hitter Megan Rhodes; outside hitter/right side hitter Elle Mason; middle hitter Lexi Miller and libero/defensive specialist Harleigh Braden.

Other seniors in the mix are setter Morgan Bass and right side hitter/server Mad-

die Bundren.

Juniors who could contribute are right side hitter/server Liv Schroeder; libero/server Lauren Sweitzer and middle hitter Jamison Cowart.

Underclassmen could contribute as well to the team’s success.

“We’ve got some freshmen on the team that at some point in the year are going to have a chance to sub for us and really help us out,” Emrick said.

The team has had some good practice sessions in preparation for the season.

“The girls have all been working hard,” Emrick said. “I think we’ll have more depth than in the past.”

Cobden, which opened its season earlier this week, plays at Anna-Jonesboro Thursday, today.

# Scramble results

The team of Brock Goforth, Chuck Goforth, Rich Gross and Dan Smith won first place at a men’s golf scramble which was played Aug. 15 at the Union County Country Club course in Anna.

The team of Thomas Bailey, Darren Inman, Joe Mason and Walt Zeschke finished second.

The team of Eric Hoffman, Bubba Kobler, Matt Lasley and Mark Willman was third.



**Anna Kiwanis Club hosts soccer club**

The Anna Kiwanis Club on Thursday evening, Aug. 16, hosted the players and coaches, as well as some family members, of the Union County Soccer Club at the Kiwanis barbeque stand at the Anna City Park in Anna. More than 80 people who were in attendance were served pizza purchased from Jordo’s of Anna. A short program was presented by team members.

The club wanted to take the opportunity, along with the Union County Goal Club (which provided desserts) to wish the team much luck as it begins the 2018 season. The Anna Kiwanis Club has been very involved as a sponsor of many different athletic groups, but especially of the Union County Soccer Club over the past several years. Funding for this involvement comes strictly from the barbeque sales that the Kiwanis Club has during various times of the year, as well as during the Union County Fair.

The support of the community through the purchase of the barbeque is what makes these sponsorships possible. All of the profits from the Kiwanis Club barbeque sales are funneled directly to charitable interests that benefit the young people of Union County. Photos provided.





**Horse show at Union County Fair**  
Young riders were among the participants in a gaited and western horse show which was held last Saturday evening at the Union County Fair in Anna.

IMAGE Center at SIU plans to host open house

Ever wondered what that “stuff” really is? Members of the public and students at Southern Illinois University Carbondale can find out during an open house planned at one of the university’s high-tech instrument centers.

The Integrated Microscopy and Graphics Expertise Center, the IMAGE Center, is inviting the public and students who are new and potential users of the facility for an open house scheduled from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Aug. 24.

The center is located at 750 Communications Dr. on the SIU campus.

The IMAGE Center provides training, technical service and research assistance with scanning electron, transmission electron, atomic-force and light microscopy.

There is no charge for the event, and refreshments will be provided.

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*Public notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act (820 ILCS 130/0.01 et al), the City of Anna, by the action of the City Council at its public meeting held on August 7, 2018, has determined, adopted and declared a prevailing wage for July 2018, for any and all laborers, workers or mechanics employed on any public works project as defined by the Act.*

*A copy of Anna Resolution 2018-16, adopting said prevailing wage, shall be posted for public inspection and/or viewing in the Anna City Hall, located at 103 Market Street, Anna, Illinois, in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois.*

*Steve Guined*  
*Anna Interim City Clerk*



**Working on quilt**  
Those working on a quilt include, from left, Debbie Rossberg, Suzie Kessler, Judy Huckleberry, Lois Clutts, Jane Bauer and Betty Bland. Photo provided.

Union County HCE supports community in variety of ways

Union County Home Community Education, HCE, is involved in doing a lot of things for the community.

Members craft a hand-made quilt each year to be raffled off for a 4-H scholarship.

They help 4-H with other projects. They do this by doing consignment quilts for people to make money to fund these projects.

They quilt during October, January, February and March of each year.

They are looking for quilt tops to quilt now for hand quilting. They charge according to size of quilt. The work is done by experienced quilters.

HCE will be making quilts for the Children’s Medical Resources Network this fall, starting at 9 a.m. on Sept. 20 at the University of Illinois Extension office in Anna.

Union County HCE is planning a meeting on Nov. 15 at the Extension office. The theme will be “Down on the Farm.” Registration will be at 11 a.m. and meal will be served at 11:30 a.m. There will be a farmer potluck with lots of country food; everyone is asked to bring a dish to share.

Entertainment will be special music by Linda Clutts, and possibly sing-alongs and some country music.

There will be updates about what is going on in HCE and Extension in the area.

Those who plan to attend are encouraged to wear their favorite jeans and plaid shirt.

Members of the Union County HCE Board attended a recent workshop in Effingham for Districts 6 and 7.

Those who attended the workshop included president Suzie Kessler, secretary and treasurer Debbie Rossberg, second vice president Judy Huckleberry and public relations person Jane Bauer.

HCE offers fellowship and opportunities to learn new skills.

Information about quilting and joining the group is available by calling Lois Clutts at 618-697-2291.

Freecycle Exchange scheduled

Anyone who is looking to downsize, or just clear clutter, is invited to bring items, in good condition, that are no longer needed to a Freecycle Exchange which is planned at Gaia House, which is located at 913 S. Illinois Ave. in Carbondale.

Anyone who is looking for household goods or clothing can come and browse and help themselves.

The event is scheduled Thursday, today, Friday and Saturday, Aug. 23-25.

Hours are scheduled from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday and Friday, and from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, when people can drop off or pick up re-usable items.

At 4 p.m. Saturday, the Freecycle Exchange will close and all remaining items will be donated to the Thrift Shop in Carbondale.

Organizers said that the motivation for the exchange is to save items that are in decent shape from the landfill and to give everyone a chance to give something away for free.

Information about the Freecycle Exchange is available by calling the Gaia House at 618-305-0537.

Senator to attend conference

State Sen. Paul Schimpf, R-Waterloo, has accepted an invitation by President Donald Trump and the White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to attend a conference with Illinois state and local leaders.

Schimpf is scheduled to visit the White House in Washington, D.C., in September.

His trip’s agenda will consist of a tour of the White House, as well as a discussion with key administration officials and policymakers about pertinent issues impacting the State of Illinois.

“I’m grateful for this opportunity to represent my constituents and the State of Illinois,” Schimpf said in a news release.

“This is a critical opportunity to make sure the administration understands the unique trade and infrastructure needs of our region.”

Schimpf represents the 58th Senate District. Part of Union County is in the district.

Pageant seeks applicants

Applications for the 2018 Illinois Snow Angel pageant are available for girls and young women, ages 4 to 24.

The pageant is set for 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, at Shawnee Community College near Ullin.

Miss and Teen applications are due Sept. 29.

For an application, or for more information, contact director Jenna Herbst at snowangelpageant@gmail.com or on Facebook by searching Illinois Snow Angel Pageant.

Last year, the pageant awarded nearly \$3,000 in scholarships.

Chorus sets meetings, auditions

The Little Egypt Barbershop Chorus schedules meetings each Tuesday at Carbondale Community High School.

Meetings are planned from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the music room at the school.

The chorus has scheduled open auditions on Tuesday, Oct. 2. The auditions will be in the music room.

For more information, call 618-303-9579.

Concert set

The Chateau Girardeau Sundays at Three series is scheduled to open the 2018-2019 season with “Baffoni, Braddock, Lin and Lopes” at 3 p.m. Aug. 26 in the Robert F. and Gertrude L. Shuck Music Recital Hall at Southeast Missouri State University’s River Campus in Cape Girardeau.

Series director Gabrielle Baffoni will join with Ching-Yi Lin, Andy Braddock and Zachary Lopes of Western Kentucky University to present a program of music for clarinet, violin, viola and piano.

Ticket information is available by contacting the River Campus box office, which is open weekdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., by calling 573-651-2265 or by going online at RiverCampus.org.

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**"The Preaching Pen"**  
**Jesus, Master Carpenter**

When a carpenter sees a piece of wood, how does he look at it? He sees it differently from the way most other people see the wood. Most people would look at a piece of wood out here and say, "It's got all these knots in it; it's got cracks in it; it's got some ink on it where they stamped it at the lumber yard, it's a little bowed" and so forth. A carpenter doesn't look at wood that way - he sees the potential. A carpenter says, "I can find a place for that imperfect board - maybe I can plane it and make it useful." The carpenter sees the potential of the wood, not the problems of the wood!

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In the same way, when Jesus Christ looks at us today, what does He see? Does He see all of the flaws that will doom us eternally? That's how we look at people. We see their imperfections; Christ, though, sees their potential. Christ looked at a fisherman by the name of Simon (Jn. 1:42). And Christ said, "You're Simon, the son of John; you'll be called Cephas" which means "Peter" or "rock." Can you imagine what Peter's friends must have said? "You mean, Simon - this guy - is going to be a rock in Your kingdom some day? You've got to be kidding! This guy's nothing but a braggart. He's nothing but a show off. He's not going to amount to anything!" But Christ saw his potential. Jesus Christ said, "I'm going to rename him 'the rock' because he will be a rock in My kingdom."

A carpenter, therefore, sees the potential in that wood, and not the flaws and imperfections that might doom it in the eyes of others. Dear Reader, The Great Carpenter is still working with us today. We urge you to allow Him to work with you and bring out your potential. Let us at the Anna church of Christ help you.

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Said property was sold on 2/11/2016 for the general taxes for the year 2014. The period of redemption will expire on 11/29/2018. On December 12, 2018 at 1:00 P.M., the petitioner will make application to such court in said County for an order for Tax Deed should the real estate not be redeemed.

Vinod C. Gupta, Petitioner 34-36g

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TO: Albert Theodore E III, Albert Tracy, Anna State Bank, Anna Hospital Corp R/A CT Corp System and unknown owners, occupants or parties interested.

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TAKE NOTICE Certificate No. 2014-00043

TO: Dexter Richard, Dexter Sandra, Worldwide Asset Purchasing II assignee to Direct Merchants Bank NA R/A Ill Corp Service C, Union County # 90-24525 & Southern Five Plnng Comm and unknown owners, occupants or parties interested.

A petition for Tax Deed on premises described below has been filed in the Circuit Court of Union County, IL Parcel No. 05-34-04-196-S34 T12 R1W PT SW SE 85 X 200 Said property was sold

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on 2/11/2016 for the general taxes for the year 2014. The period of redemption will expire on 11/29/2018. On December 12, 2018 at 1:00 P.M., the petitioner will make application to such court in said County for an order for Tax Deed should the real estate not be redeemed.

Vinod C. Gupta, Petitioner 34-36g

TAKE NOTICE Certificate No. 2014-00060

TO: Smith Andrew R, Trexler Heather D, Vernons Furniture and unknown owners, occupants or parties interested.

A petition for Tax Deed on premises described below has been filed in the Circuit Court of Union County, IL

Parcel No. 06-30-04-957-S30 T13 R1W E PT NE SW

Said property was sold on 2/11/2016 for the general taxes for the year 2014. The period of redemption will expire on 11/29/2018. On December 12, 2018 at 1:00 P.M., the petitioner will make application to such court in said County for an order for Tax Deed should the real estate not be redeemed.

Vinod C. Gupta, Petitioner 34-36g

TAKE NOTICE Certificate No. 2014-00067

TO: Stearns Jacqueline J, Heirs of Jacqueline J Stearns C/O William B. Ballard Jr, Attorney and unknown owners, occupants or parties interested.

A petition for Tax Deed on premises described below has been filed in the Circuit Court of Union County, IL Parcel No. 07-15-05-399-S15 T11 R2W PT NWNW 70'x384'

Said property was sold on 2/11/2016 for the general taxes for the year 2014. The period of redemption will expire on 11/29/2018. On December 12, 2018 at 1:00 P.M., the petitioner will make application to such court in said County for an order for Tax Deed should the real estate not be redeemed.

Vinod C. Gupta, Petitioner 34-36g

TAKE NOTICE Certificate No. 2014-00120

TO: Holcomb, & Son Welding & Machine works INC and unknown owners, occupants or parties interested.

A petition for Tax Deed on premises described below has

been filed in the Circuit Court of Union County, IL

Parcel No. 14-00-09-264 LOT 11 BLK 8 Forest Place ADD.

Said property was sold on 2/11/2016 for the general taxes for the year 2014. The period of redemption will expire on 11/29/2018. On December 12, 2018 at 1:00 P.M., the petitioner will make application to such court in said County for an order for Tax Deed should the real estate not be redeemed.

Vinod C. Gupta, Petitioner 34-36g

TAKE NOTICE Certificate No. 2014-00139

TO: Haddock, Bobby and unknown owners, occupants or parties interested.

A petition for Tax Deed on premises described below has been filed in the Circuit Court of Union County, IL

Parcel No. 14-00-10-588 LOT 32 Except 10' S End L Meisenheimer ADD. 403 Cross

Said property was sold on 2/11/2016 for the general taxes for the year 2014. The period of redemption will expire on 11/29/2018. On December 12, 2018 at 1:00 P.M., the petitioner will make application to such court in said County for an order for Tax Deed should the real estate not be redeemed.

Vinod C. Gupta, Petitioner 34-36g

TAKE NOTICE Certificate No. 2014-90002

TO: Hileman, William Joseph, Fifth Third Mortgage Company R/A Ill Corp Service C, US Bank Trust National Association, American General Financial Services of Illinois INC and unknown owners, occupants or parties interested.

A petition for Tax Deed on premises described below has been filed in the Circuit Court of Union County, IL

Parcel No. 02-010 VIN : 00000000 Square Footage: 1,248 Model Year: 2000

Said property was sold on 2/11/2016 for the general taxes for the year 2015. The period of redemption will expire on 11/29/2018. On December 12, 2018 at 1:00 P.M., the petitioner will make application to such court in said County for an order for Tax Deed should the real estate not be redeemed.

Vinod C. Gupta, Petitioner 34-36g



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**TO: Bird, Kim, Bird Michael, Portfolio Recovery Associates LLC R/A III Corp Service C , Capital One Bank, Midland Funding LLC R/A Midland Credit Funding Management Inc, Cavalry SPV I LLC R/A CT Corp System and unknown owners, occupants or parties interested.**

A petition for Tax Deed on premises described below has been filed in the Circuit Court of Union County, IL  
Parcel No. 05-696  
VIN : 0000000 Square Footage: 2880 Model Year: 2010  
Said property was sold on 2/11/2016 for the general taxes for the year 2015. The period of redemption will expire on 11/29/2018. On December 12, 2018 at 1:00 P.M., the petitioner will make application to such court in said County for an order for Tax Deed should the real estate not be redeemed.

Vinod C. Gupta,  
Petitioner  
34-36g

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

**ESTATE OF RICHARD J. CERNY, DECEASED. NO. 2018-P-37 IN PROBATE**

**NOTICE OF DEATH INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION, AND CLAIM DATE**

NOTICE IS GIVEN to creditors of the death of Richard J. Cerny of 1840 Spanish Bluff Rd., Anna, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on August 6 , 2018, to Richard Eric Cerny, of 17905 Wild Horse Creek Rd., Chesterfield, MO 63005, as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Elvis C. Cameron, 205B N. Main St., Anna, Illinois.  
Within 42 days after the effective date of the original Order of admission, you may file a petition with the Court to require proof of the Will by testimony of the witnesses in open Court or other evidence, as provided by Section 5/6-21 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/6-21.)  
You also have the right, under Section 5/8-1 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/8-1), to contest the validity of the Will by filing a petition with the Court within six (6) months after admission of the Will to probate.  
The estate will be administered without Court supervision unless, under Section 5/28-4 of the Probate Act (Ill. Compiled Stat. 1992, Ch. 755, Par. 5/28-4), any interested person terminates Independent Administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the Clerk of this Court.  
Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of this court at the Union County Courthouse, 311 W. Market St., Jonesboro, Illinois, or with the Independent Executor, or both, on or before February 9, 2019, or if mailing or delivery of a notice from the Executor is required by Section 5/18-3 of the Probate Act of the State of Illinois, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the Executor and to the attorneys within ten (10) days after it has been filed.  
Dated: July 6, 2018.

RICHARD ERIC CERNY

CAMERON LAW FIRM, LLC  
ELVIS C. CAMERON  
ATTORNEY FOR INDEPENDENT EXECUTOR  
205B N. MAIN ST.  
ANNA, ILLINOIS 62906  
PHONE: 618-833-2220  
ARDC# 6244394  
34-36g

**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 1st day of August, 2018, under the Assumed Name of Tiny Might's Construction with the place of business located at 401 Dewey Street, Anna, Illinois 62906 and that the True Name(s) and Residence Address of the Sole Owner(s) and Proprietor(s) of said Business is:

Matthew Pearson  
Jessica Pearson  
401 Dewey Street  
Anna, IL 62906

Vonda Benefield  
Union County Clerk  
34-36gc

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

**BEVERLY BAKER, Plaintiff, VS  
BRADLEY J. JEROLDS and BELINDA J. JEROLDS, UNKNOWN OWNERS And NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants. Case No.: 2017-CH-31**

**NOTICE OF SALE**

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above captioned matter on may 25, 2018, the Sheriff in Union County, will by public sale on **September 5, 2018 at 9 a.m.** in the Union County Courthouse, in Jonesboro, Illinois, sell at public vendue to the highest and best bidder, for cash, of cashier's check drawn on a federal or state chartered bank of savings and loan, the following described real estate:

**EXHIBIT A**  
**General Description:** Part of the Northwest Quarter and part of the Northeast Quarter of Section 13, Township 12 South, Range 2 West of the Third Principal Meridian, Union County, Illinois.  
**Detailed Description:** Commencing at the Southeast corner of the said Northwest Quarter; thence westerly along the South line of the said Northwest Quarter a distance of 660.0 feet to a point; thence northwesterly along a line with a deflection angle to the right of 69° 27' 25" a distance of 1816.86 feet to a point; thence northwesterly along a line with a deflection angle to the right of 1° 57' 52" a distance of 794.98 feet to a point; thence easterly along a line with a deflection angle to the right of 100° 45' 46" a distance of 1445.13 feet to the point of beginning for this description; from said point of beginning, thence easterly along a line with a deflection angle to the right of 12° 33' 26" a distance of 317.06 feet to a point; thence southerly along a line with a deflection angle to the right of 83° 28' 04" a distance of 520.72 feet to a point in the northwesterly line of Parcel 5 as recording on Page 49 of Book 9 of the Office of the Recorder of Union County, Illinois; thence Southwesterly along the Northwesterly line of the said Parcel 5 with a deflection angle to the right of 44° 20' 48" a distance of 369.78 feet to the Northwest corner of said Parcel 5; thence Northwesterly along a line with a deflection angle to the right of 68° 18' 04" a distance of 61.25 feet to a point; thence northerly along a line with a deflection angle to the right of 67° 21' 08" a distance of 797.64 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to a reserved permanent roadway and utility easement described as follows: A strip of land 20.00 feet in width, adjacent to, parallel with and Northeasterly of the following described lines: Beginning at the Northwest corner of Parcel 7; thence Southerly along the Westerly line of said Parcel 7 a distance of 797.64 feet to a point; thence Southwesterly along a line with a deflection angle to the left of 67° 21' 08" a distance of 61.25 feet to a point and the end of the lines herein described, and a strip of land 20.00 feet in width, adjacent to, parallel with and Northwesterly of the following described line: Beginning at the Southeast corner of said Parcel 7; thence Southwesterly along the Southeasterly line of said Parcel 7 a distance of 369.78 feet to a point and the end of the line herein described.  
Potential buyers may contact John R. Schneider of the law firm of Johnson, Schneider & Ferrell, L.L.C., 212 North Main Street, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701, Phone Number (573)-335-3300 for information regarding this real estate.  
At said sale, the Court will give the purchaser a certificate showing the amount of the bid, a particular description of the property sold, and the time when the purchaser will be entitled to a deed for such property unless same shall have been redeemed according to law.

Tiffany Busby  
Circuit Clerk

Document prepared by:  
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William O. Charles  
5665 Old Cape Road  
Jonesboro, IL 62952

Vonda Benefield  
Union County Clerk  
35-37gc

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**State of Illinois  
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County of Union**

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Tyler E. Tripp  
2280 New Saratoga Road  
Anna, IL 62906

Vonda Benefield  
Union County Clerk  
36-38gc

**NOTICE BY PUBLICATION**

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **CHAD McELRATH** and **BRIAN NEAL**, that this case, 2018-P-36, has been commenced in this Court against

you, asking for GUARDIANSHIP of the minors D.H. and B.N., Jr. and for other relief.  
Unless you file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this case in the office of the Circuit Clerk of this Court at the Union County Courthouse, Jonesboro, Illinois, on or before September 5, 2018, a Judgment or Decree by Default may be taken against you for the relief asked in the Petition.  
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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 21st day of August, 2018, under the Assumed Name of Strandz with the place of business located at 128 W. Davie Street, Anna, Illinois 62906 and that the True Name(s) and Residence Address of the Sole Owner(s) and Proprietor(s) of said Business is:

Kassi Needling  
215 Swink Lane  
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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**In re THE Matter of the Clear Creek Levee And Drainage District No Case Number Assigned**

**NOTICE OF HEARING**

There has been filed in the office of the Union County Circuit Clerk of Union County, Illinois a PETITION OF THE COURT TO CHANGE METHOD OF SELECTING COMMISSIONERS FROM APPOINTMENT TO ELECTION.  
The Circuit Court has set the matter for hearing at 1:00 p.m. September 21, 2018, at the Union County Courthouse, Jonesboro, Illinois.  
Dated this 21st day of August 2018

Brandon Smithey,  
Lead Petitioner  
36-38g

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# Obituaries

## Henry Colson

Henry Colson, 78, of Carbondale, and formerly of Makanda, died Sunday, Aug. 19, 2018, at Integrity Health-care in Marion.

He was born on April 10, 1940, in Walnut Ridge, Ark., the son of Lonnie and Opal Crowe Colson.

He married Ethel R. “Dolly” Hagler on March 9, 1960, in Carbondale. She preceded him in death on Aug. 14, 2016.



Mr. Coleson is survived by his children, Virgil (Tabatha) Colson of Johnston City, Steve (Patsy) Colson of Jonesboro, Russell (Kelly) Colson of Cambria, Diane (Dennis) Nance of Cobden and John (Tammy) Colson of Makanda; 15 grandchildren, Brandon Nance, Tasha Williams, Michael Colson, Crystal Inchcliff, Carmen, Josh and Caleb Colson, Kellen Colson, Staff Sgt. Joseph Colson, Tracy Thompson, Stacy Kelley, Carla Burnett, Tanner and Nathan Cruse and Kimberlee Klump; nine great-grandchildren, Silas Gwaltney, Caden and Bryson Inchcliff, Troy Williams, Angel Colson, Xander Smith, Aiden, Bentley and Raelynn Colson; two sisters, Bertha Mae Fulk of Carterville and Pearl J. Billips of Jonesboro, Ark.; a brother, Billy Joe Colson of Vienna; other relatives and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Ethel R “Dolly” Colson; and two brothers, Kenny and Lonnie Colson.

Mr. Colson was a member of the Makanda Baptist Church for many years. He spent his life farming. He loved his family dearly and enjoyed hunting and fishing in his spare time.

Throughout his life Henry was surrounded by his friends and family, always ready for a cup of coffee and a good laugh. During his final weeks he was still surrounded by friends and family.

Funeral services for Henry Colson will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, today, at Makanda Baptist Church, with the Rev. Ivan Ryan, Joshua Colson and Dennis Nance officiating. Interment will be in Evergreen Cemetery in Makanda. Memorials can be made to the funeral home.

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

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

## Hilma Ann Keeley

Hilma Ann Keeley, 93, of Anna, died at 7:12 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 14, 2018, at her home.

She was born on Oct. 26, 1924, in Indianapolis, Ind., the daughter of Clarence and Ethel Rosberg Williams.

She married Charles W. Keeley on March 16, 1950, in Decatur. He preceded her in death on Sept. 14, 1974.

She is survived by her son, Dr. Richard (Brenda) Keeley of Anna; three grandchildren, Sarah (Mark) Hildebrand of Valparaiso, Ind., Richard Scott (Youngmei) Keeley of Mead, Neb., and Mary (Brad) Clayborne of Anna; four great-grandchildren, Richard Cole Keeley, Hannah Myers, Adam Myers and Allyson Keeley; other relatives and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Charles W. Keeley; a daughter, the Rev. Sherrie Keeley; and by two sisters, LaVerne Enzor and Elizabeth “Betty” Hoenshel.

Mrs. Keeley was a member of the Anna Nazerene Church. She worked in the payroll department for the Chrysler Corporation for over 30 years before her retirement in 1980.

Graveside services for Hilma Ann Keeley will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, today, at the Greenwood Cemetery in Greenwood, Ind., with the Rev. Paul White and Bruce Simon officiating. Friends are asked to go directly to the cemetery.

Memorials can be made to the Anna Nazarene Church. To leave online condolences for the family, visit [www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com](http://www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com).

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

## Martha Ondean Holbach

Martha Ondean Holbach, 68, of Anna, died at 9:15 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 15, 2018, at Parkway Manor in Marion.

She was born on Feb. 22, 1950, in Union County, the daughter of Paul Harold and Ruby Ondean Karraker Cunningham.

She married Tim Holbach on Oct. 16, 1971, in Anna. He preceded her in death on Jan. 13, 2015.

She is survived by her brothers, John (Jo) Cunningham of Buncombe and Willard Cunningham of Anna; numerous nieces and nephews; other relatives and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents and by her husband, Tim Holbach.

She was a member of the First Christian Church of Anna. She had a passion for animals.

Graveside funeral services for Martha Ondean Holbach were at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 18, at Trinity Cemetery near Anna, with the Rev. Paul Sadler officiating. Interment was in Trinity Cemetery.

Memorials can be made to Trinity Cemetery. To leave online condolences for the family, visit [www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com](http://www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com).

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

## Geraldine Dillow

Geraldine Dillow, 94, of Centralia, died Monday, Aug. 13, 2018, at her home.

She was born on Oct. 6, 1923, in Vienna, the daughter of Charles Bean and Lola Henderson Bean.

She married Dorris “D.L.” Dillow on Jan. 1, 1942, in Jackson, Mo. He preceded her in death on Feb. 8, 2010.

She is survived by three children, Pat Dillow of Centralia, David Dillow of New Baden and Kathy Tucker and husband Lee of Centralia; a beloved granddaughter: Allyna Tucker of Springfield; three nieces and a nephew, Shirley Harris and husband Jim of Anna, Dee Dee O’Bryant Seiker of St. Louis and Wanda Bean of Albuquerque, N.M., and Stephen O’Bryant of St. Louis; several cousins; and special care givers Margaret Guthrie and Haley White, both of Centralia.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband of 67 years, Dorris “D.L.” Dillow; a son, Michael Dillow; her twin sister, Imogene and husband Bob O’Bryant; a brother, Oel and wife Eloise Bean; and a nephew, Jim Bean.

She worked as a sales clerk at Montgomery Ward and then at JC Penney. She later worked at Warren G. Murray Development Center as an aide and then as supervisor over Cherry Cottage for many years.

She attended Faith Methodist Church in Centralia and then later she became a member of the Rock Church in Centralia. She assisted with establishing the Centralia church from the main Orchardville Church.

She and her husband were members of the Raccoon Ramblers. Her greatest enjoyment was spending time with her family and friends.

Funeral services for Geraldine Dillow were Saturday, Aug. 18, at 11 a.m. at the Rock Church in Centralia, with Pastor Steve Upchurch officiating. Burial was in Hillcrest Memorial Park in Centralia.

Memorials can be made to the Rock Church building fund and to Relay for Life and will be accepted by Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home, 235 N. Sycamore St., Centralia, Ill. 62801.

Online condolences can be made to the family by visiting [www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com](http://www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com).

Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home in Centralia was in charge of arrangements.

## Susie Robinson

Susie Robinson, 93, of Cobden, died at 10:15 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 16, 2018, at her home.

She was born on Dec. 18, 1924, in Pomona, the daughter of William Eugene and Lilly Grace Turner Stearns.

She married Warren R. Robinson in October 1944 in Jackson County. He preceded her in death on March 30, 1991.

She is survived by her children, Angie Middleton of Cobden, Howard “Butch” Robinson of Cobden, Herbert Robinson of Cambria, Nona J. Robinson of Anna and Susan J. Allen of Wood River; seven grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; seven great-great-grandchildren; two brothers, Sam Stearns of Marion and Cecil Stearns of Lick Creek; two sisters, Lilly Williams of Makanda and Kay Eskins of Tennessee; other relatives and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Warren R. Robinson; siblings Rosella Morfield, Ted Stearns, John Robert Stearns, Josie Jerdon and Violet Shingleton.

She was a member of Shiloh Baptist Church near Cobden.

A private service will be held by the family at a later date.

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

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

## Reynoldsville News

By Sue Eudy

Sue and Steve Eudy and Venita and Robert Lingle, all of Anna, visited Saturday evening with John Yates of Herrin. They all enjoyed going out to eat.

Sue Eudy of Anna visited Sunday afternoon with Ervina Johnson of Jonesboro.

Sue and Steve Eudy visited last Friday with Stan Eudy at Life Care Center in Cape Girardeau.

Shirley Miller of McClure visited with Ermadell Elkins of Anna and Deanie Hinkle of Jonesboro on Monday. She visited with Steve Eudy of Anna on Tuesday.

Those enjoying eating together at the Golden Corral on Tuesday were Dolores and Jack Reynolds, Barbara and Edwin Livesay, Doris and Ernie Rhodes, Garry Glasco, Vera Belcher, Joe Walker and Shirley Miller.

Shirley Miller visited Sunday with Paul and Jesse Wareing of Thebes.

Happy belated birthday wishes to David Miller of St. Charles, Mo., whose birthday was Sunday, Aug. 19.



## Farrell Virgil McCrite Jr.

Farrell Virgil McCrite Jr., 66, of Tamms, died at 2:31 a.m. Monday, Aug. 20, 2018, at his home.

He was born on Nov. 6, 1951, in Anna, the son of Ferrell and Lucille Smith McCrite.

He served in the U.S. Army. After his service, he was a union construction worker and enjoyed playing solitaire, and watching football, baseball and western movies.

He is survived by his daughter, Tammy McCrite-Moree of Jacksonville, Fla.; granddaughters Kayla (Joshua) McLoon of Jacksonville, Fla., and Stephanie McCrite of Jacksonville, Fla.; a great-granddaughter, Amelia McLoon of Jacksonville, Fla.; a sister, Beverly (Brad) Reid of Mexico, Mo.; nephews Phillip Reed of Mexico, Mo., David McCrite of Cape Girardeau, Paul Grace Jr. of Springfield, Mo., and Keif Thomas and Kwamemane Thomas, both of Tamms; nieces Rachel Reid of Jacksonville, Fla., Roslyn McCrite of Tamms, Ellen Kallaher of Jacksonville, Fla., Paula Phillips of Poplar Bluff, Mo., Crystal Baker of Springfield, Mo., Karrie McCrite of Alton, Robin McCrite of Alton, and Kayteuna Thomas and Kyleah Thomas, both of Tamms; 14 great-nieces and nephews; and five great-great-nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; by sisters, Kay McCrite, Lois McCrite and Wanda Grace; and by brothers Robert McCrite, Elvis McCrite and James McCrite.

Visitation will be from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Monday, Aug. 27, at Crain Funeral Home in Tamms.

Funeral services will follow the visitation at 11:30 a.m. at the funeral home, with the Rev. Larry Buckles officiating. Interment will follow in Mound City National Cemetery.

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

**Crain Funeral home** Crain Funeral Home in Tamms is in charge of arrangements.

## Agnes Eddleman

Agnes Eddleman, 89, of Dongola, died Thursday, Aug. 16, 2018, at her home.

She was born on Oct. 10, 1928, in Dongola, the daughter of Marshall and Bertha May Wright Ramage.

She married Cletus Cecil Eddleman on Nov. 24, 1948. He preceded her in death on Jan. 13, 2011.

She was a homemaker. She loved gardening and spending time with her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was a member of Maple Grove Baptist Church.

She is survived by her daughters, Charlotte (Rocky) Sickling of Ullin and Carolyn Eddleman of Dongola; a granddaughter, Carrie Hope (David) Epperson of Blue Springs, Mo.; a grandson, Joseph (Stephanie) Tobias Sickling of Anna; five great-grandchildren, Molly Nichole Sickling, Todd Louis Epperson, Lilly Grace Sickling, Adam Nicholas Epperson and Owen Tobias Sickling; a brother, Howard (Beth) Ramage of Anna; sisters Louise Aden of Marion, JoAnn Lessar of Elco, Annie (Kenneth) Rosson and Rita June Ramage; sisters-in-law Gladys Ramage of Olive Branch, Rose Ramage of Perks and Sharon Ramage of Olmsted; a daughter-in-law, Patricia Summers of Goreville; numerous nieces, nephews and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; one son, Troy Eddleman; five brothers, James Ramage, Ralph Ramage, Harvey Ramage, Ira Ramage and Homer Ramage; one sister, Ruth Stone; three brothers-in-law, Charles Aden, Orville Lessar, Junior Stone; ane one sister-in-law, Mildred Ramage.

Funeral services were at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 18, at Crain Funeral Home in Dongola, with Pastor Pete Vinson officiating. Interment was in Meisenheimer Cemetery.

Memorials can be made to Meisenheimer Cemetery or to Maple Grove Baptist Church.

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

**Crain Funeral home** Crain Funeral Home in Dongola was in charge of arrangements.

## Edward Smith

Edward Smith, 63, of Anna, died at 4:36 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 15, 2018, at St. Francis Medical Center in Cape Girardeau.

He was born on July 18, 1955, in Union County, the son of William and Freda Sharp Smith.

Mr. Smith is survived by his children, Patti Jordan of Belknap, Samantha Casper of Elkville, Nathaniel Smith of Cobden, Freda Smith of Jonesboro, Zachary and Brice Smith, both of Anna; seven grandchildren, Brooke Gibson, Kaeleigh Ralph, Justin Gibson, Hallie Casper, Brenden Casper, Jason Crabtree Jr. and Skylar Crabtree; one great-grandchild, Harmony Gibson; other relatives and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; by a son, Carl Smith; and by a brother, Carl Smith.

A private service will be held by the family at a later date.

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Section B



## CELEBRATING THE BICENTENNIAL OF ILLINOIS

STORIES FROM THE BOOK BY ED & DIANE ANNABLE, PUBLISHED 2017

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

### Welfare of the Poor

The law of the Illinois Territory provided for the poor in each county. Each township had “Overseers of the Poor” appointed from the beginning of Johnson County. Although their duties were not defined, it was obvious that they were to see that no person perished for lack of subsistence.

One of the strangest stories concerning the poor was that of Richard York and his wife. In a case about hog thievery, looking at the testimony from Samuel Simmons, he (Simmons) stated that Charles Mick had purchased hogs from Richard York. Why York sold his hogs has not been definitely determined but it may be because he was in a destitute state and needed help. Looking at information gleaned from these records, it becomes evident that York was most likely ill and could not care for himself and his wife at that time.

The next time Richard York shows up chronologically is just after Pope County was separated from Johnson County. That county being young, its first Court was held at the house of Thomas Ferguson on April 1, 1816. On August 28, 1816, the Pope County Court issued the following order:

“Ordered that Hezekiah Haile and Robert Scott overseers of the poor in Centre Township of this County, farm out Richard York and his wife at Sarahsville on the last day of the Election next at this place, to the lowest bidder from this time to the 1st Monday in May next.”

The idea of farming out these people was to allow someone to care for them

and get whatever work they could from them. Their sponsor would receive money from the county for their service.

Not long after this, specifically on February 24, 1817, an order came out of the Court at Pope County, stating that Samuel Simmons should be allowed \$15.00 for transporting Richard York and his wife to Johnson County.

Meanwhile, back in Johnson County Court, on October 8, 1816, that Court issued the following statement:

“Whereas a certain Richard York and Susannah his wife (paupers) have lately been sent into this county from the county of Pope by order of the overseers of the poor of that county as it appears – and whereas the said Richard & Susannah have never heretofore gained a legal settlement in this county whereby they ought to become chargeable to the same as paupers ordered that the overseers of the poor for the Township of Elvira cause the said Richard York and Susannah his wife to be reconveyed to the county of Pope from wherein they were brought.”

Johnson County appeared not too pleased to have Pope County dumping their poor on them. Their answer to that was to send them back to Pope. Let their Overseers of the Poor take care of this family.

Before Johnson could send Richard York back, he died. Johnson County paid for the care of the Yorks and for the funeral expenses of Richard York. Bradshaw took Susannah York and her son back to Pope County shortly after the death of her husband.

John Bradshaw was paid six dollars for taking care of York, his wife and

son for two weeks. He was also paid an additional four dollars for caring for Susannah York and her son after the death of Richard. He is also paid two dollars for funeral expenses including a coffin. He charged three dollars for taking them back to Pope County; considerably less than Samuel Simmons received for bringing them to Johnson. Bradshaw’s wife, Mary, made funeral clothes for York and received six dollars for her work.

Richard York was not the only encounter with the poor of the area. Orphan children were a problem and had to be cared for.

Overseers of the poor also had to see that orphaned children were cared for by someone or some family. Most orphaned children were cared for by neighbors and relatives. Quite often pioneer households had children living with them that did not belong to their immediate family. The Court seldom had to step in. There were cases, however, that drew the attention of the Court. The Courts always found homes and care for these children.

The poor of Old Johnson County that are enumerated in the book published by the Annables are too numerous to list here.

Elizabeth Elkins and her children needed aid when the father of the family deserted them.

Elijah Bryant, a young man that was too ill to work was not being cared for by his father and the Court had to step in.

The orphaned children that came into the Court and left with someone to care for them.

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### Reflection in summer sunshine

A turtle was reflected in the water of a pond in Union County when the picture was taken on a recent summer afternoon.

## Southern Illinois man among five inductees into state Outdoor Hall of Fame

The Illinois Outdoor Hall of Fame will welcome as new inductees five individuals with records of exemplary service in and commitments to improving conservation efforts and outdoor recreation opportunities in Illinois.

The Illinois Conservation Foundation, ICF, on Aug. 18 announced the inductees. One of the hall of fame members is from Southern Illinois.

The new hall of fame members were recognized during a presentation at Conservation World at the Illinois State Fair in Springfield on Saturday morning, Aug. 18.

They also will be honored at an Illinois Outdoor Hall of Fame Gala, which is planned Sept. 21 in Springfield.

Since 2002, the ICF has recognized Illinoisans for their significant contributions and unparalleled dedication in preserving, promoting, enhancing or supporting natural resources and outdoor recreation op-

portunities with induction into the Illinois Outdoor Hall of Fame.

Steve Widowski of Vienna is one of the hall of fame inductees.

IDNR stated that Widowski dedicated most of his professional career serving as a wildlife biologist for the U.S. Forest Service in the Shawnee National Forest in Southern Illinois.

His influence in enhancing wildlife habitat and outdoor recreation opportunities extends well beyond the forest in Southern Illinois.

The Chicago native was instrumental in the development, restoration and management of much of the critical wildlife habitat on the Shawnee, including the Big Muddy Bottomlands and the Oakwood Bottoms Greentree Reservoir, which provides an important migration and wintering area for waterfowl.

Widowski took the lead in coordinating a partnership involving the Forest Service, the Heartlands Con-

servancy, Ducks Unlimited and other conservation partners to acquire high-priority sites in the Mississippi River floodplain and to restore thousands of acres of wetland and bottomland forest habitat across Southern Illinois.

Now retired from the Forest Service, Widowski continues to work to protect and manage natural resources in the region as a special projects coordinator for the Heartlands Conservancy.

The new inductees also include Diane Banta of Chicago, Sylvan (Jerry) Beverlin of Petersburg, David F. Grohne of Wilmington and Sam Oliver of Barrington.

The Illinois Conservation Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation which was established in 1995 to help support the mission and programs of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources.

The ICF works to inspire young people by providing outdoor education and programs that instill interest in conservation, ecology and sustainability.

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**Community worship service held at Union County Fair**  
A community worship service was held Sunday evening, Aug. 19, at the Union County Fair in Anna. “Our Refuge” was the theme for the service, which was sponsored by the Union County Alliance of Churches.

News from

# Camp Ground Church, Community

Rev. Betts’ sermon Sunday was titled “Learning to be the Light.” Scripture was from Matthew and James. The message shared “as Christians, we have been bought by God through the blood shed by His Son Jesus Christ.

“Our evangelism is to be not only verbal, as we share the Gospel with others, but also obvious by the life we live.

“We should never put our faith in our pocket; rather we must be a light to those who know only the darkness of sin.”

Prior to the sermon, Rev. and Mrs. Betts sang “I Worship You.”

Receiving the offering Sunday were Aldi and Vondra Gerard, assisted by their father Tony.

Camp Ground’s elder for the month of August is Karen Vaughn.

Those celebrating birthdays the past couple of weeks have been LaDonna Miller on the 18th and Jerrie Clayton on the 19th. Lindsey Adams will have a birthday the 28th.

Camp Ground’s thoughts and prayers go Kohen Moore and family, and to all who are suffering from accidents and health maladies.

A large crowd attended

the community worship service last Sunday evening at the Union County Fair. Camp Ground distributed bulletins and took up the offering.

Best wishes to all the students, teachers and staffs at the schools who have returned to their studies.

Dwight and Sandy Boaz

were in Crown Point, Ind., to attend the Celebration of Life for her step-brother David Halterman, on Saturday, Aug. 11. On Sunday, David’s wife Kathy and daughters Beth and Sarah hosted out-of-town family for brunch before all returned to their homes.

The Boazes also visited

Sandy’s cousin Brandon Smick while they were in Crown Point.

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

News from

# Walnut Grove Church

On the 12th Sunday after Pentecost at Walnut Grove United Methodist Church, Layleigh and Emma lit the altar candles during the musical prelude played by Johnathan Cauble on piano.

The congregation sang “Happy Anniversary” to Carolyn Moore for 59 years of marriage to her husband Wayne.

The men’s choir sang a special, “The Old Rugged Cross.”

Pastor Bobbi Shultz read scripture from the Psalms. The scripture was about “how the Lord is watching us every day and knows us inside and out. His knowledge about us is complete. He is always with us, guiding us.”

Prayers were requested for Gylan and Terry Moore, Ray Long, Donna’s son-in-law Levi Lewis, Carolyn Moore, Karen and David Lamer and Gary Hartline. It was reported that Steve Brown is doing well.

The new front doors have been installed by Dean Corbit. He also repaired the handicap ramp. He will be replacing the rails on the

ramp in the near future.

Everyone thanked Diana Ward for her gardening skills and for taking the time to keep the flowers looking good.

A ladies lunch is planned Friday, Sept. 7, at a location to be determined.

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

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

News from

# First Baptist Church, Anna

In the morning worship service on Sunday, Aug. 12, the guest preacher was Bob Wagner. Don Kelley was the guest music leader.

In the morning worship service on Sunday, Aug. 19, the guest preacher was Eric Lam. Don Kelley was the guest music leader.

The next Soup and Serve is planned from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, Sept. 10, in the fellowship hall.

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News from

## Anna Nazarene Church

Music for the Sunday morning worship service was led by Randy Wright and Abby Barlow.

Curly Ralls, Robert Smith, Jason Elkins and Terry Wiseman Sr. served as ushers.

Special music was provided by Abby Barlow.

News from

## Mt. Moriah Lutheran Church, Anna

In the children’s sermon on Sunday, Aug. 19, Pastor Mark explained that “Jesus is our glue, and He is there to help us stay together in our church and in our personal lives.”

The main sermon was about how one of the sacraments, Communion, is a reminder that “we are partaking of the body and blood of Christ, which leads to eternal life.”

The congregation offered prayers for Will Eidson, Kenny Roach, Pam Wheaton, Charlotte White, John Kern, LaShawn Masania, Kevin Klump, Sandy Procter, Everet Rhine, Jan Smith, Teresa Ramage, Gary Davis, Skip Baiocchi, Donna Bunyard, Ricky Wright, Ron Tomme, Terry Reynolds and Kohen Moore.

The church prayed for those grieving for Russell Davis, Jay Buckner, Annette Roach, Maxine Foster and Phyllis Tweedy.

Plans are being made for the 150th anniversary of Mt. Moriah on Feb. 17, 2019. Anyone who has photos and/or memories they would like to share can contact Patty Simpson, Kay Johnson or Liz at the church office, phone 833-5234, or mmlcanna@gmail.com.

The message, titled “Preparations,” was brought by Randy Wright from Luke.

The Sunday evening service was held in the fellowship hall, with a meal being served, followed by the local missionary service led by Mark Smith, who talked about Freedom Sunday (God’s People Working Together to End Human Trafficking), which will be on Sept. 16 during the next missionary meeting at the church.

A video was shown about the life of Hadley Ashby, a 19-month-old who passed away in December 2017.

Hadley was born with a birth defect where a part of her esophagus was missing and within the first several days she had multiple complications and corrective surgeries.

An offering was taken and will be given for the new all-inclusive playground at the city park in Anna which will be called Hadley’s Haven in honor of Hadley.

The church extends sympathy to the Richard Keeley family, a former pastor of the church, in the loss of his mother, Hilma Ann Keeley.

Graveside services for Hilma Ann Keeley will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, today, at Greenwood Cemetery in Greenwood, Ind., with the Rev. Paul White and Bruce Simon officiating.

Memorials can be made to the Anna Nazarene Church, where Hilma Keeley was a member.

Anniversary: Marshall and Carla Ramage, Aug. 21.

An NYI trip to Holiday World is planned Aug. 25.

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.



**Back to school event held**

Lincoln Elementary School in Anna hosted a Back to School Night event on Thursday evening, Aug. 16. The event gave students and their families an opportunity to visit the school and to meet teachers and administrators. School supplies were available from local churches. Outdoor activities also were offered, along with food and refreshments. Davie School in Anna also welcomed students and their families at a similar event, which was held Tuesday evening, Aug. 14. Lincoln and Davie are in Anna School District No. 37, which began its 2018-2019 academic year last week.

## Legislation designed to help Illinois seniors

Bills which were designed to increase Illinois seniors’ access to high-speed internet and to provide more convenience with permanent identification cards have been signed into law.

The measures were signed by Gov. Bruce Rauner.

House Bill 5752 creates the Broadband Advisory Council to explore ways to expand broadband access, often called high-speed internet, throughout the state, including in unserved and under-served areas.

The bill, initiated by AARP, provides specifics on the council’s membership, powers and duties.

The council will be administered by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, DCEO.

## Landis reunion scheduled

The Landis family and friends plan to celebrate their 44th annual reunion on Sunday, Sept. 2, at the home of Connie Lingle at 1895 Lick Creek Rd., Anna.

A potluck lunch is planned at noon. Those who plan to attend are asked to bring a dish and lawn chairs. Dishes, glasses, ice and silverware will be furnished.

Those who have served the country in the military will be recognized.

The first person documented to have served was James Manus, who died while serving in the Civil War.

He was the father of Laura Catherine Manus Landis, the wife of Christopher C. Landis. They began the Landis family’s heritage in Southern Illinois.

Anyone who may have old Landis pictures for a family picture table is asked to bring them to the reunion, for display only.

Just under four in 10 people ages 65 and older have high-speed internet access in their homes, compared to 77 percent of the 30- to 49-year-old demographic, according to AARP Illinois’ most recent data.

Many seniors need broadband access to benefit from web-based technologies that support aging in place, such as telehealth and “smart home” systems.

Other uses include self-management of chronic diseases that can help prevent or postpone functional decline, such as home-based smart medical services.

State Sen. Jil Tracy, R-Quincy, said that signing of the bill was “a positive step forward for those rural communities in Illinois that have had limited internet connectivity, they’ve been under-served and held back.

“In today’s world, this is a basic utility. I’m grateful we’re broadening our horizons and recognizing that everyone needs reliable access to this vital tool.”

The ability to work part-time from home online could be particularly valuable to older adults who are facing growing demands to manage complex health, retirement and care arrangements.

The bill was supported by AARP of Illinois, AT&T, the Illinois Farm Bureau, the Illinois Municipal League, the Illinois Telecommunications Association, the Illinois Department on Aging DCEO.

House Bill 4424 eases the renewal requirements for Illinois identification cards for the state’s seniors.

It provides that identification cards issued to

## Operation Christmas Child events scheduled in region

Operation Christmas Child, OCC, is planning to host programs featuring a “full-circle speaker” at two locations in Southern Illinois on Sunday, Aug. 26.

A full-circle speaker is someone who received a shoebox gift through the OCC ministry of Samaritan’s Purse when they were a child and now serves as a year-round speaker with Operation Christmas Child.

The first event is planned at Dorrisville Baptist Church, which is located at 1300 S. Feazel St. in Harrisburg.

Luis Gonzalez is scheduled to speak at the church’s morning worship service.

Gonzalez received a shoebox gift in Panama that he said changed his life forever. Today, he serves with Operation Christmas Child to tell the story of God’s faithfulness in his life.

From there, Gonzalez is scheduled to have lunch and fellowship with a local family.

He then is scheduled to travel to Fellowship Baptist

Illinoisans over 65 are permanent and do not need to be renewed. ID cards issued to those 65 and older will continue to be free of charge.

The bill also provides that Illinois Person with a Disability ID cards will expire after 10 years.

The initiative was supported by the Illinois secretary of state and the AARP.

Church at 890 Senior Ave. in Vienna for an OCC project leader workshop.

Gonzalez is scheduled to be a guest speaker at the workshop.

The workshop also will offer tips about the why and how of packing shoeboxes. Boxes and materials will be available for all who attend. Snacks will be served. Door prizes will be awarded.

For more information about the events, call 618-771-6414.

**Church welcomes guest speaker**

The First Baptist Church in Grand Tower is planning to host a guest speaker on Friday night, Aug. 24.

The Rev. Charles Jennings is scheduled to speak at 7 p.m. All are welcome.

**Be sure to attend the Union County Fair in Anna**

**Kornthal Church**  
**Ice Cream Supper**  
**Saturday, Sept. 8**  
Serving starts at 5 p.m.  
2.5 miles south of Jonesboro on Hwy. 127

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**BACK 2 School BLESSING EVENT**

To be held in honor of all Union County teachers, school administrators, faculty and staff. Sunday, August 26th 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Special speakers from area schools and a prayer of blessing to kick off the 2018-2019 school year. Private schools and homeschoolers from Union County also welcome. All Union County students are welcome. Refreshments will be served at the conclusion.

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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.

## Picnic Guests

Recent picnic guests of Norm and Barb Bauer were little Kira Schwarz and her parents Jaimi and Nick Schwarz from Chicago.

Nick was an exchange student from Tajikistan who lived with the Bauers in Anna in 2002 while he attended Anna-Jonesboro Community High School.

Norm and Barb are staying in their motorhome in Shamrock RV Park in Berrien Springs, Mich.,



Terry and Billie Henderson celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary Sunday, Aug. 19, at the pet parade at Union County Fair. Their grandson Rage won first for littlest and Titan won second for most unusual.



Jane Bauer, president of GFWC Illinois Women's Club District 25, presented Anthony B. Barnett Jr., adjutant/public service administrator at the Illinois Veterans Home in Anna, a check from the club. One of their community emphases is the veterans who have served our country.



A special thanks to Sue Ann Zimmerman and Jane Nimmo for the beautiful quilt they made and donated to PAWS, Pets Are Worth Saving. Jane made the quilt and Sue Ann quilted it: "Quilts in a Stained Glass Windows."



Recent picnic guests of Norm and Barb Bauer were little Kira Schwarz and her parents Jaimi and Nick Schwarz from Chicago. Nick was an exchange student from Tajikistan who lived with the Bauers in Anna in 2002 while he attended Anna-Jonesboro Community High School.



Norm and Barb Bauer welcomed visitors to their AMSOIL booth at the 2018 Berrien County Youth Fair in Berrien Springs, Mich. Norm grew up and went to school in Berrien Springs and enjoys seeing many of his old classmates and friends there. The superintendent of the Bauers' building is a former classmate of Norm's.

the family enrichment that comes from cultural exchanges.

Nick sends greetings to his many Union County friends and Bauer "relatives."

## A-J Football

Good luck A-JCHS football team at your first home game Friday night. Come see the Marching Wildcat band perform their field show.

## History Trip

Saturday, Stephen Burns and his sister Jane traveled to Godfrey. Their destination was Josephine's tea room for lunch.

Following lunch, they headed to the National Great Rivers Museum in Alton.

The museum is staffed by friendly employees of the Army Corps of Engineers and its purpose is to explain the complex history and various ecosystems of the Mississippi River and its tributaries. They accomplish this with exhibits, films, guided tours and community outreach programs.

Stephen's great delight was finding Union County represented in an exhibit. A stone chisel was discovered long ago that was made by Indians is on display.

All in all it was a great day as they explore more Illinois history during its celebration year.

## Bahamas

Matt and Vickie Sadler have returned from a trip to Paradise Island, Bahamas.

## Wedding Anniversary

Aug. 16 Avery Goins turned 16, Aug. 17, 27 years Doug and Jeanne Mixen, Aug. 18 Larry and Margie



Bowtie challenge: Shown with a craft shared at the August Red Hat meeting in Anna is Marie Samuel, whose puppy on the block reminded a few attending to share stories about their pets. To make a bow-tie quilt block was a challenge for volunteers at the National Quilt Museum in Paducah. The blocks were shown until May in the museum hall to go with a main gallery show featuring bow-tie quilt patterns.



Twenty-six Little Egypt Red Hat Ladies met at Anna Pizza Hut for their August meeting. In the front row are birthday lady Marion Parmly, hostess and birthday lady Kathy Milam, hostess Brenda Lovelace. In the back row are hostess Martha Ann Webb, friend from Florida Janice Lewellyn, song leader Linda Clutts and guest Kay Johnson.



Barbara and Norman Bauer from Anna and Brad and Shannon Stacey from West Frankfort pose for a photo at the 45th anniversary convention of AMSOIL Synthetic Lubricants in Duluth, Minn., in July. The Bauers and Staceys are Southern Illinois distributors for AMSOIL products.

Brymer, 19 Terry and Billie Henderson 40 years.

## Tweedy Reunion

Eighty-seven members of the Tweedy family met at the Strike Zone for a family reunion.

Mike and Bonnie Tweedy and Janice Lewellyn, formerly from Anna, came from Florida to attend the reunion and visit with family and friends in the area.



Ladies of the Moose Back to School bingo held Aug. 7. Twelve bingo winners chose a backpack full of school supplies while all bingo players received a bag of school supplies, no child left empty handed. The children were treated to a meal prior to the bingo fun provided by the Moose Riders.



Ladies of the Moose scholarship winners: Danny Gibbons presented Alaina Hartline from Cobden a \$500 scholarship and Judy Pitts presented Natalie Chauvin from Dongola a \$500 scholarship.



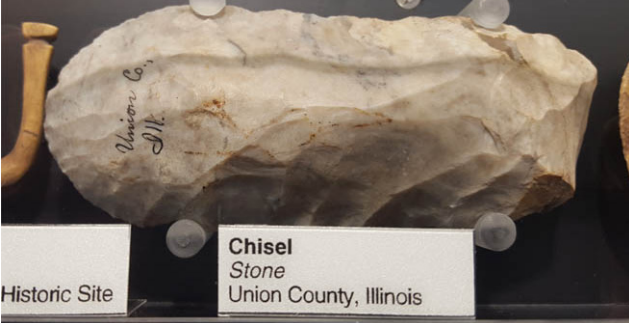
The Shawnee High School class of 1968 enjoyed renewing friendships at their reunion Saturday, Aug. 4, with the following in attendance: from left, in front, Sherry Ellet, Lisa Wilson Mosby, Dianne Kehr Trammel, Audrey Ballance Burchyette, Juvata Orr Donaldson, Bobbie Sue Kerley Wilson, Vickie McMahan Sadler, Betty Powless Livesay, Sharon Forehand, Shelby Davis Hediger, Brenda Browder McCann, Debra Ward Boyer, Ida Marie Webb Rouse, Jeannie Worthen Kraft, Debra Dodd Davis, Beverly Cain Earnhart. In the back row are Leslie Wright Dempsey, Greg Mosby, Don McRaven, Brad Burchyette, Daryl Hale, Alan Otten, Robert Watkins, Roger Boyer, Mike Turner, Lane Rhodes, Jane Jackson Tisdale, Bill Burke.



A Burns family reunion was held at the home of Lori Rich. Seventy-eight family members were present.



Aug. 22 Jack and Edward Shelby celebrated their 82nd birthdays with their wives Patsy and Avah.



Stephen Burns and his sister Jane found Union County represented in an exhibit at the National Great Rivers Museum in Alton. A stone chisel was discovered long ago that was made by Indians is on display.



Betty Duschl celebrated her 94th birthday Monday, Aug. 20, with her niece Stephanie Lingle and family.



Cathy Ziegler of Carterville and her husband Howard were on a car cruise with the Egyptian Antique Auto Club when they stopped at the Lincoln-Douglas Park in Jonesboro. They also went to the John A. Logan Museum in Murphysboro, to Bottoms Up in Jacob for lunch and ended up at Flamm's. There were 41 people and 19 cars.



5 p.m. and dinner at 6 p.m.

**Red Hat Ladies**  
Twenty-six Little Egypt Red Hat Ladies met at Anna Pizza Hut in the pouring rain.

It was good to have their friend Janice Lewellyn visiting from Florida. Also guest Kay Johnson.

Martha Ann Webb said the prayer. They enjoyed the pizza and salad buffet. Exchanged gifts, enjoyed door prizes. Signed a birthday card for Queen Mom Joan Grave Edwards’ 89th birthday that will be Sept. 3.

Marie Samuel showed a craft she was making.

Martha Ann Webb showed her crafts, flower arrangements she makes out of broken umbrellas.

Linda Clutts led the ladies in singing songs. They closed by standing and singing God Bless America.

Hostesses were Brenda Lovelace, Kathy Milam, and Martha Ann Webb. They always appreciate the hospitality given by the staff at Anna Pizza Hut.

**White Shrine**  
Joan Graves Edwards and Pat Jones attended the White Shrine state meeting in Marion.

Joan was honored to sit in the queens chair and was told how much she was an inspiration to other members.

**Tripp**  
Cheyenne and Jimmy Trambley have returned from Lawrenceburg, Tenn., for Davy Crockett Days.

They celebrated Jimmy’s birthday and are also celebrating their 1st wedding anniversary.

**Honor Flight**  
My friend Weldon Brown from Sullivan, is who is going on the Honor Flight leaving on Sept. 25 out of Springfield. Sorry I had the last name wrong. He is very excited to be chosen.

He was named after Weldon Davis Sr., so that was how the mix up in name happened.

**Illinois Veterans Home**  
Cindy Hall, whose husband Larry is in the Illinois Veterans Home in Anna, asked if there is anyone out there that has time to come visit the veterans home.

There are many veterans who have no family to visit them. She said it would be nice if there could be a program to adopt a veteran to visit once or twice a week or more.

**Birthdays**  
Aug. 15 Travis Sims, Marsha Ridenhour, 16 Natlie Casper, 18 Roger Crews, Homer Cates, Christa Wheaton, Steve Landreth, Jill Boyd, Jasalynne Plott, 19 Terry House, Shawn Earnhart, LaDonna DisMore, Janice Garner, Nathan Wece, Amber Moreland, Lisa Livesay, Carol Nebughr, Dakota Cummins.

**Kohen Strong Fund Raiser**  
Our community has joined together in so many ways. A special thanks to everyone and all the businesses who have helped. Please continue to keep the Moore family in your prayers.

**United Methodist Church, Anna**  
Special music was by Brinley Corbit “I Can Only Imagine.”  
Rev. Sullins sermon was Spiritual Living.  
A special children’s offering was taken for the Anna food backpacks.

Sunday afternoon students of Carla Anderson’s studio had a recital at the church.  
Friday, friendship and sewing and Happy Scrap-pers meet from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**Replace That Roof**  
Benefit for Larry and Rosemary Dillow Sept. 1 at the Anna VFW post. Chicken and dumplings will

be served. There will be a silent auction, music, raffles and more. The costs are \$10, which includes a meal; \$5 with no meal.

**Cobden Class of 1958 Reunion**

The Cobden High School class of 1958 plans to have a 60th reunion Aug. 28 at the Blue Boar between Anna and Cobden. A social hour starts at 4:30 p.m.

For more information, contact Kittie Yates by e-mail at lgkmy58@gmail.com or text message at 618-218-7553.

**A-JCHS Marching Wildcats Band**

The AJ Band Boosters will have a BBQ raffle \$1 per ticket or six for \$5.

The winner will be drawn during the first home football game Aug. 24.

It you would like a ticket and can’t be at the game give one of the band members or parents a call or you can let me know.

Band Boosters will again



Brinley Corbit presented a special music interpretative dance of “I Can Only Imagine” on Sunday morning at the United Methodist Church in Anna.

be providing ice cream sales during the A-J home football games.

**State Retirees Meeting**  
AFSCME Retirees Chapter 90 meets at Anna Heights Baptist Church at 1 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month.

**Free Community Dinners**

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



Barbara House is song leader at the United Methodist Church in Anna.



Rev. Richard and Mrs. Marilyn Sullins, Jessi Riley, Jane Bauer, and Emily Belcher from United Methodist Church in Anna gave out pink erasers and book marks for the back to school carnival at Lincoln School.



Members Jane Bauer, Michelle and Anthony Wiseman of United Methodist Church in Anna passed out pink easers and bookmarks at Davie School back to school carnival.

# Television Listings

## THURSDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
<b>6 PM</b> :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(500) Local Programs	Local Programs	2018 Little League World Series (Live) (HD)	Seinfeld	Law & Order: SVU	BUNK'D	"Final" (HD)	"Scorpion" ('02) ('17) <i>Ill-fated heist.</i>	"Baby Driver" ('17) <i>Ill-fated heist.</i>
<b>7 PM</b> :30	The Gong Show (HD)	Bang (HD) Young	NFL Preseason Football Philadelphia vs Cleveland (Live) (HD)	Ellen's "Dizzy Dash."		Seinfeld	Law & Order: SVU	BUNK'D	★★★ "Three Billboards Outside" ('17) (R) (HD)		(25) "Lynyrd Skynyrd" ('18) (HD)
<b>8 PM</b> :30	The Story of the Royals - Part Two (HD)	Big Brother (HD)		Trial (HD)	ESPN Films "Crossroads" (HD)	Bang (HD)	Queen of the South	Stuck Mid. Stuck Mid.			
<b>9 PM</b> :30		S.W.A.T. "Ar-mory"		Law & Order: SVU	SportsCenter (HD)	Last O.G. Joker Wild	(01) Shooter (HD)	Andi Mack	Sharp Objects (HD)	★★★ "Kong: Skull Island" <i>Realm of monsters.</i>	America
<b>10 PM</b> :30	Local Jimmy Kimmel Live (HD)	(35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	Local (35) Tonight (HD)		Conan (HD)	The Sinner "Part IV"	Raven	Ballers	Shameless (HD)	
<b>11 PM</b> :30	Nightline	Corden		Late Night	SportsCenter (HD)	Brooklyn Conan	Queen of the South	BUNK'D	"Fugitive"	"Firewall"	The Affair

## AUGUST 23, 2018

## FRIDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
<b>6 PM</b> :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(500) Local Programs	Local Programs	SportsCenter (HD)	★★★ "Rush Hour 2" ('01) <i>Conspiracy in China.</i>	Law & Order: SVU	Raven	"Bad Boys"	"Something's" ('03)	"The Girl on the Train" <i>Shocking mystery.</i>
<b>7 PM</b> :30	Boat (HD) Speechless	NFL Preseason Football Detroit vs Tampa Bay (Live) (HD)	BIG3 Basketball "Brooklyn" (Live) (HD)	American Ninja Warrior (HD)	MLS Soccer (Live) (HD)		Law & Order: SVU	Raven	VICE (HD)		
<b>8 PM</b> :30	What Would You Do?					"Central Intelligence" ('16) <i>Unlikely partners.</i>	Family	Stuck Mid.			★★ "All I See Is You" ('17) <i>Altered vision.</i> (HD)
<b>9 PM</b> :30	(01) 20/20 (HD)		Local Programs <i>Local info.</i>	Dateline NBC (HD)	MLS Soccer Los Angeles FC at Los Angeles Galaxy (Live)		Family	Andi Mack	Real Time Maher (HD)	Outcast "Fire-flies"	
<b>10 PM</b> :30	Local Jimmy Kimmel Live	(35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	Local (35) Tonight (HD)		ELEAGUE (HD)	Family	Raven	VICE (HD)	Outcast	"Leaving Las Vegas" ('96) <i>One last tender.</i>
<b>11 PM</b> :30	Nightline	Corden		Late Night	Sports		Family	BUNK'D	Animals.	"Going in Style" ('17) <i>Bank heist.</i>	

## AUGUST 24, 2018

## SATURDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
<b>6 PM</b> :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(500) Local Programs	Local Programs	College Football North Carolina A&T vs Jacksonville State (Live) (HD)	"Intelligence" ('16)	"Iron Man 3" ('13)	"Freaky" Stuck Mid.	(455) "Hitman's" ('17)	Outcast "Fire-flies"	Shameless (HD)
<b>7 PM</b> :30	The Good Doctor	NFL Preseason Football New Orleans vs Los Angeles (Live) (HD)	MasterChef (HD)	America's Got Talent "Live Quarter Finals 2"		Bang (HD)	"Avengers: Age of Ultron" ('15) <i>Powerful robotic villain's evil plans.</i>	Stuck Mid.	"Father Figures" ('17) <i>Brothers' quest.</i> (HD)	"Conan the Barbarian"	Shameless (HD)
<b>8 PM</b> :30	The Good Doctor		MasterChef (HD)			Bang (HD)		Andi Mack		"Inglourious Basterds" ('09) <i>Brad Pitt. Soldiers kill Nazis.</i>	
<b>9 PM</b> :30	20/20 (HD)		Local Programs	Dateline NBC (HD)	Scoreboard Top Rank Boxing from Gila River Arena in Glendale, Ariz.	Bang (HD)		BUNK'D	Drew Michael (HD)	"Conan the Destroyer" <i>Princess rescued.</i>	
<b>10 PM</b> :30	Local Programs	Local Programs <i>Local info.</i>	Love Connection (HD)	Local		Frontal	"Avengers: Age of Ultron" <i>Robotic villain.</i>	Raven	Ballers		"The Rock" <i>Man seizes Alcatraz.</i>
<b>11 PM</b> :30	Local Programs		Local Programs	Sat. Night Live <i>Sketch comedy.</i>		Wrecked Joker Wild		Bizaard	Sharp Objects (HD)	Outcast	
						Joker Wild		BUNK'D	Insecure	"Hangover"	

## AUGUST 25, 2018

## SUNDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
<b>6 PM</b> :30	Videos <i>Birthday fails.</i>	60 Minutes (HD)	Burgers Simpsons	Dateline NBC (HD)	Baseball (Live) (HD)	"I Am Legend" ('07)	Law & Order: SVU	"Monsters" ('50) "Monsters, Inc." ('01) <i>Monsters in crisis.</i>	(5:45) "The Blind Side" ('09) <i>A boy gets help.</i>	"Inherent Vice" ('14)	Shameless (HD)
<b>7 PM</b> :30	Feud <i>Vanilla Ice</i> (HD)	Big Brother (HD)	Simpsons	NFL Preseason Football Arizona Cardinals at Dallas Cowboys (Live)	MLB Baseball New York Yankees at Baltimore Orioles (Live) (HD)	"Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice" ('16) <i>Superhero war.</i> (HD)	Law & Order: SVU		Sharp Objects "Milk"	★★★ "Kong: Skull Island" <i>Realm of monsters.</i>	"Captain Fantastic" ('16) <i>Urban world.</i> (HD)
<b>8 PM</b> :30	Pyramid Rita Moreno.	Bull Diana Lindsay.	Fam Guy				Law & Order: SVU	Raven	Ballers		
<b>9 PM</b> :30	To Tell the Truth (HD)	NCIS: L. A. (HD)	Local Programs <i>Local info.</i>				Law & Order: SVU	BUNK'D	Insecure	"Darkman" <i>Superhero's revenge.</i>	America
<b>10 PM</b> :30	Local Programs	Local Programs		Local Programs <i>Local info.</i>	SportsCenter (HD)	Wrecked	Family	BUNK'D	Sharp Objects "Milk"	"John Wick: Chapter 2" ('17) (R)	America
<b>11 PM</b> :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local Programs		Sports	Wrecked "Dawn of"	Family	BUNK'D	Ballers		

## AUGUST 26, 2018

## MONDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
<b>6 PM</b> :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(500) Local Programs	Local Programs	MLB Baseball "Teams TBA" (Live) (HD)	Fam Guy	Family	Stuck Mid.	Real Time	(5:15) "Get Out" ('17)	Cartoon
<b>7 PM</b> :30	Bachelor in Paradise (HD)	Mom (HD)	So You Think You Can Dance "Top 6 Perform"	American Ninja Warrior (HD)		Fam Guy	Family	Stuck Mid.	"It's Complicated" ('09) <i>A secret affair.</i> (HD)	"The Bourne Supremacy" ('04)	"Gone" ('12) <i>Sister abducted.</i>
<b>8 PM</b> :30		Pieces Salvation "Prisoners"				Fam Guy		Stuck Mid.		(50) "Confidence" ('03) <i>Drifter in trouble.</i> (HD)	America
<b>9 PM</b> :30	(01) The Proposal	Elementary (HD)	Local Programs <i>Local info.</i>	America's Got Talent	MLB Baseball "Teams TBA" (Live) (HD)	Dad (HD)		Andi Mack	Sharp Objects "Milk"		Cartoon
<b>10 PM</b> :30	Local	Local		Local		Dad (HD)	Miz & Mrs	Raven	Insecure	"Darkman" <i>Superhero's revenge.</i>	America
<b>11 PM</b> :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(35) Tonight (HD)		Conan (HD)	Family	Raven	Flyness	"The Client" ('94) <i>Boy in danger.</i>	Cartoon
	Nightline	Corden		Late Night		Brooklyn Conan	Family	DuckTales	Ballers	"CHiPs"	

## AUGUST 27, 2018

## TUESDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
<b>6 PM</b> :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(500) Local Programs	Local Programs	2018 U.S. Open Tennis "First Round" (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD)	Family	BUNK'D	"Orient"	"Walk in Clouds"	"Amistad"
<b>7 PM</b> :30	Bachelor in Paradise (HD)	NCIS Sara's mother.	Beat Shazam (HD)	America's Got Talent "Live Quarter Finals 3"		Bang (HD)	Family	BUNK'D	Tonight		"Enemy of the State" ('98) <i>A lawyer is framed for murder.</i>
<b>8 PM</b> :30		Bull "Absolution" (HD)	Love Connection (HD)			Bang (HD)	WWE SmackDown (HD)	BUNK'D	"Father Figures" ('17) <i>Brothers' quest.</i> (HD)		
<b>9 PM</b> :30	Castaways (HD)	NCIS: New Orleans	Local Programs <i>Local info.</i>	Making It "Inside Out"		Bang (HD)		Stuck Mid.		"Going in Style" ('17) <i>Bank heist.</i>	America
<b>10 PM</b> :30	Local	Local		Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Wrecked Drop Mic	Miz & Mrs	Andi Mack	Hard Knocks '18 (HD)		
<b>11 PM</b> :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(35) Tonight (HD)		Conan (HD)	Family	Andi Mack	The Shop	Outcast "Fire-flies"	Cartoon
	Nightline	Corden		Late Night	SportsCenter (HD)	Wrecked	Family	Raven	Insecure	★★½ "Lost River" ('15)	America

## AUGUST 28, 2018

## WEDNESDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
<b>6 PM</b> :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(500) Local Programs	Local Programs	2018 U.S. Open Tennis "Second Round" (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Raven	Hard Knock	"Happy Death Day"	"Bridge Terabithia"
<b>7 PM</b> :30	Goldbergs	Big Brother (HD)	MasterChef Firefighters. (HD)	America's Got Talent		Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Raven	Tonight		
<b>8 PM</b> :30	Family Housewife	SEAL Team (HD)		World of Dance "The Cut 2" <i>Top three acts.</i>		Bang (HD)	Suits (HD)	Raven	"The Devil Wears Prada" ('06)	★★★ "Underworld" ('03) <i>Monster war.</i> (HD)	"Leaving Las Vegas" ('96) <i>One last tender.</i>
<b>9 PM</b> :30	Shark Tank (HD)	Criminal Minds (HD)	Local Programs <i>Local info.</i>			Bang (HD)	The Sinner "Part V"	Stuck Mid.	(50) Real Sports		
<b>10 PM</b> :30	Local	Local		Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Frontal	Law & Order: SVU	Andi Mack	Sharp Objects "Milk"	"Conan the Barbarian"	"Kill Bill: Vol. 1" ('03) <i>Revenge spree.</i> (R) (HD)
<b>11 PM</b> :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(35) Tonight (HD)		Conan (HD)	(02) Suits (HD)	Raven	The Shop	★★½ "Lost River" ('15)	America
	Nightline	Corden		Late Night	SportsCenter (HD)	Frontal		DuckTales	(15) Hard Knocks '18	(15) "Get Out" ('17)	"Kill Bill: Vol. 2" ('04)

## AUGUST 29, 2018

## THURSDAY

<b>7:00pm</b> <b>NBC Ellen's Game of Games</b> "Just Keep Spinning" Contestants compete in games for a big cash prize, which include "You Bet Your Wife," "One Eyed Monster," "Scary Go Round" and "Dizzy Dash." TVPG (HD)
<b>9:00pm</b> <b>TBS The Last O.G.</b> "Repass" Shay is upset that Tray is invited to a funeral reception for her mother; a former prison fling known as "Pooh Cat" unexpectedly begins to chase after Tray. TVMA

## FRIDAY

<b>7:00pm</b> <b>ABC Fresh Off the Boat</b> "Four Funerals and a Wedding" The death of Jessica's aunt leads the Huang's to visit Houston; Evan makes Eddie the executor of his will, which leads to a fight between Emery and Eddie. TVPG (HD)
<b>8:00pm</b> <b>TBS Central Intelligence</b> ★★★ (2016, Comedy) Kevin Hart, Dwayne Johnson. A geek-turned-lethal CIA agent recruits an accountant who used to be the most popular athlete in his high school to save the U.S. spy satellite system. PG-13 TV14 (HD)

## SATURDAY

<b>7:00pm</b> <b>HBO Father Figures</b> ★★★ (2017, Comedy) Owen Wilson, Ed Helms. Brothers Kyle and Peter set out on a journey to locate their biological father after learning that their mother was lying about his death. R (HD)
<b>8:00pm</b> <b>FOX MasterChef</b> "Just for the Halibut" The Top 12 face another skills test in which they must replicate how to properly break down a halibut and the under performers prepare a dish using their fish. TV14 (HD)

## SUNDAY

<b>7:00pm</b> <b>ABC Celebrity Family Feud</b> "Team Vanilla Ice vs Kim Fields and Team Ice-T & Coco vs Vivica A. Fox" "The Vanilla Ice Project" star Vanilla Ice's team competes against actress and director Kim Fields' squad; Ice-T's family faces Vivica A. Fox's team. TVPG (HD)
<b>8:00pm</b> <b>CBS Bull</b> "School for Scandal" Bull is put in an awkward situation after he learns Diana Lindsay is opposing him and the district attorney in a case involving the death of a billionaire. TV14 (HD)

## MONDAY

<b>7:00pm</b> <b>FOX So You Think You Can Dance</b> "Top 6 Perform" The Top 6 competitors give it all that they have in order to impress the judges and voters, but two dancers are forced to head home. TVPG (HD)
<b>10:05pm</b> <b>USA Miz &amp; Mrs</b> "Road Trip Mania" Mike, Maryse, Monroe, Marjo and their four pets make the big move from Los Angeles to Austin, Texas. TV14 (HD)

## TUESDAY

<b>7:00pm</b> <b>CBS NCIS</b> "One Step Forward" Sara asks for Gibbs' help to find out who killed her mother; Abby chooses one coworker to go with her to a dinner for two at a new five-star restaurant. TVPG (HD)
<b>8:00pm</b> <b>FOX Love Connection</b> "Armond & Grace" Armond Hill, a general manager at Equinox from Alexandria, Va., and Grace Wagley, a Claims Associate from Dallas hope to find love. TV14 (HD)

## WEDNESDAY

<b>7:00pm</b> <b>ABC The Goldbergs</b> "Adam Spielberg" Adam's love for director Steven Spielberg leads him to film an original script that he wrote about Indiana Jones, but his passion for directing is questioned. TVPG (HD)
<b>8:00pm</b> <b>CBS SEAL Team</b> "Takedown" Ray is sent to execute a high-risk money swap at a busy spice market; Ray comes to realize the unfortunate impact of the decisions he has made. TV14 (HD)



# Opinion and Commentary

## Thoughts on the world and issues that will affect our local communities

A number of unfortunate conditions ran through the media last week, and while they were generally stories about events and places far away, each of them casts a shadow on our own future that we need to understand to avoid.

Turkey, a U.S. ally in Europe, has spent itself into a very difficult position. Over the last week the value of the Turkish lira has dropped by 20 percent.

Clearly that makes it far more difficult to buy American products and greatly concerns American investors who have been seeking to gain income from investments in Turkey.

The interest rates, or return on investments, in recent times has been relatively low in the United States, causing investors to seek a better return in “developing” countries like Turkey.

Furthermore, based on predictions involving Turkey, which were until recently rosy, the sudden drop in the value of the lira may not be the last, or even the largest.

As American investment advisors seek higher returns, the corollary may be higher risks. In recent years the “wealthy” nations, such as the United States, Europe and Japan, have lent billions of dollars to governments in developing nations.

Despite more than a decade of intense effort, the U.S. strategy of training and equipping local forces in the Middle East and Afghanistan to take over the fight against ISIS and the Taliban, the results are at best mixed.

While the United States has made a major commitment to the fight in dollars and lives of U.S. servicemen, it is reported that our morale is low when Americans serving there observe large numbers of our “allies” surrendering. Some ask that, if after more than a decade of service in Afghanistan, we remain close to the same point where we began, is it likely to get much better?

Other forms of corruption and incompetence can lead to greater frustration. In a recent case, an Iraqi spy, who had spent months providing information from inside an ISIS camp was discovered and executed by ISIS.

Despite stories of his significant contributions to Iraqi intelligence agencies, and despite his death a year ago, his widow and children have not been able to collect his authorized pension. Bureaucrats in Bagdad have insisted the family produce his corpse to prove he died. For reasons that are obvious, ISIS has been unwilling to cooperate with the family of this successful spy by returning his body.

In Italy a major elevated bridge through Genoa collapsed last week, reigning death and destruction to those below the major thoroughfare.

A major investigation is now ongoing to determine how such a major thoroughfare in an urban area could reach such a degree of disrepair that it completely and suddenly collapsed.

Obviously the Italian authorities failed to take sufficient steps to identify early the degradation of the bridge before the tragedy. Hopefully U.S. and our local officials will learn an important lesson and assure that the next collapse of a bridge or major infrastructure project is better monitored and cared for as it ages,

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## A Page from the Past from the files of The Gazette-Democrat Thursday, August 22, 1968

The 88th annual Union County Fair which opened Sunday evening, August 18, drew large crowds who enjoyed cattle exhibits, youngsters enjoyed the rides, many of them new, on the Midway; with typical fair weather under blue skies prevailing.

There are two more days of excitement and fun at the Union County Fair, with the carnival remaining until Saturday, August 24, to complete this year’s 88th annual fair.

The Anna Retail Merchants Association has announced that Anna stores will close today, Thursday, at 4 p.m. to enable employers and employees to attend the fair.

Miss Cobden Peach Queen of 1968, Sherry Goodman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Goodman of Cobden, received her crown from Evelyn Huckleberry, Miss Union County Fair of 1967 and Miss Illinois Fruit Queen of 1967, during ceremonies held Saturday evening at the Cobden Peach Festival.

One of the most attractive additions to the City of Anna is the new City Hall located adjacent to the present quarters. The tentative move into the new offices is scheduled for sometime around September 1.

From Friday, Aug. 16, to the present the temperature recording has been in the nineties, with three days of 94 degrees, with more promised.

All Union County Schools will open Monday, August 26th, for the 1968-69 season.

Three Union Countians were inducted into the Armed Services Tuesday, August 13.

The regular board meeting of Alto Pass School District 202 was held August 15 with the following members present, Newbold, Hartline, Gibbs and Smith.

The 1958 Class of Cobden High School held its 10th year reunion at the Elks Lodge in Anna Saturday, August 10, with 18 out of 39 class members in attendance.

From the Camp Ground news: Several from this area attended the annual Fox Hunt which was held at Fern Cliff Park last week.

## Please read this...

By Geof Skinner

## Little Bunny Foo Foo...one weird rabbit

This one falls into the category of “I probably heard about such stuff, but didn’t really pay much attention.”

Lately, I’ve been doing my daily walkabouts in the evening hours. For one thing, evenings generally have been a little bit cooler. Not less humid, mind you. Just cooler.

For another thing, by the time yours truly gets home from various adventures involving The Paragraph Factory, gets a bit of an update on how The Other Half’s Day has gone, finds something for dinner and does a few chores, it’s almost midnight. Well, it’s getting close to dark.

Going for a walk after the sun goes down often can be more interesting than your regular day-time stroll. Creatures one does not see during the day can be spotted at night. Like whistling ducks. Or maybe vampires. Or ghosts.

Or, maybe, bunnies.

To be honest with you, I did not know that bunnies wandered around in the dark. Wouldn’t have had any reasons to know such a thing.

Yet, while on a stroll in the pretty much dark of the evening, there they were.



**Little Bunny Foo Foes? Don’t know for sure. Maybe we could call them Little Bunnies Two Two. The bunnies didn’t have much to say. I can tell you that it’s kind of hard to get a decent picture of a bunny in the dark.**

Two bunnies.

The two critters had paused from whatever they might have been doing right along the sidewalk I happened to be utilizing. I saw some motion down on the ground, and just figured that a cat was out catting around.

Upon closer inspection, however, I determined that the critters were rabbits. Two rabbits, to be more precise. To be honest with you, I was not expecting to see rabbits while I was out walking in the dark. I did not know that rabbits were night creatures.

And yet, there they were. They just kind of sat there, and allowed yours truly to take a couple blurry pictures. I apologize for the quality of the picture. I pretty much aimed the camera and starting shooting...and hoping for the best, which, as it turned out, didn’t turn out.

It may have something to do with the fact that my trusty camera went to camera heaven the next day. Do not know why.

I’m guessing, though, the bunnies may have put a curse on the camera. And why, you ask, would I consider such a thing?

Simple.

Little Bunny Foo Foo.

Perhaps you know about Little Bunny Foo Foo. Apparently, I was “supposed” to know about Little Bunny Foo Foo.

The Other Half seemed to think I should know about Little Bunny Foo Foo. After all, she sang the Little Bunny Foo Foo song at summer camp. And to our kids.

Well, I did not attend a summer camp where the Little Bunny Foo Foo song was sung. I did attend a summer camp where I learned to appreciate fossils, something that has stayed with me for a long, long time. That’s another story.

Little Bunny Foo Foo, it seems, is not nice, at least when it comes to field mice. Seems that for some reason,

Little Bunny Foo Foo goes hopping through the forest, scooping up field mice “and bopping them on the head.” Or, so the song goes.

Even better. Little Bunny Foo Foo had to deal with a Good Fairy, who apparently was the representative of some sort of bureaucratic government agency which prohibited the bopping of field mice on the head.

The Good Fairy levied a “three strikes and you’re out” penalty in Little Bunny Foo Foo’s direction.

“Little Bunny Foo Foo, I don’t want to see you Scooping up the field mice And bopping them on the head. I’m going to give you three chances, And if you don’t behave, And then, I’m going to turn you into a...Goooooon!” the Good Fairy declared. “And it won’t be pretty,” the Good Fairy added. In the third or fourth verse.

Little Bunny Foo Foo apparently was not deterred by the threat of punishment. The bunny kept on bopping field mice on the head. Finally, the Good Fairy had enough.

“That’s it,” the Good Fairy declared. Then, she turned Little Bunny Foo Foo into a Goooooon! Complete with an exclamation mark! But just one!!!!!!

Turns out that the Little Bunny Foo Foo song comes with a moral. That figures. You can’t just sing a silly song anymore. Everything has to have some sort of underlying meaning.

Just in case you were wondering, the moral to Little Bunny Foo Foo’s unfortunate outcome: Hare today, goon tomorrow.

Get it? Bunny? Rabbit? Hare? Goon tomorrow? Gone tomorrow? Oh, never mind...

(Thank you to allnurseryrhymes.com for posting information about the Little Bunny Foo Foo song that I was “supposed” to already know everything about. I am sorry that I led a deprived childhood. I grew up in the suburbs. There were not very many bunnies around.)

## Public Policy Institute schedules fall programs

As Illinois celebrates its 200th anniversary and gears up for high-stakes state and national elections this fall, Southern Illinois University Carbondale’s Paul Simon Public Policy Institute has developed a program of speakers that focuses on the state’s history and the role of leadership in our state and nation.

“During this bicentennial anniversary year for Illinois and with serious leadership challenges evident in both Springfield and Washington, D.C., the institute has invited speakers who illuminate our state’s history and underscore the need for elevated leadership in all realms of our public life,” institute director John T. Shaw said.

The institute’s fall agenda includes the following events:

Sept. 10: 5 p.m., Paul Simon Public Policy Institute, “Pizza and Politics” with Pamela Smoot, clinical assistant professor, history. Lecture on “Surprising Heroes and Inspiring Voices in Illinois History.”

Sept. 17: 5 p.m., Paul Simon Public Policy Institute,

“Pizza and Politics” with State Rep. Will Davis, D-Hazel Crest. Davis will give a lecture on “Illinois’ Current Challenges.”

Sept. 26: 7 p.m., SIU Student Center, auditorium, Morton-Kenney Public Affairs Lecture, Ira Shapiro, author of “The Last Great Senate” and “Broken: Can the Senate Save Itself and the Country?” A former U.S. trade ambassador and expert on international trade law and policy, Shapiro will present “Where Have All the Statesmen and Stateswomen Gone?”

Oct. 3: 7 p.m., SIU Student Center, Ballroom B, Sam Wheeler, Illinois State historian. Wheeler will give a lecture on “Statesmanship in Illinois History.”

Oct. 24: 6 p.m., SIU Student Center, Ballroom A, Jim Nowlan, author and former state representative. Nowlan will give a lecture on “Illinois’ Hard Half Century and the Way Ahead.”

For more information about the programs, contact the institute at 618-453-4078 or visit paulsimoninstitute.siu.edu.



**Spider web on a rainy morning**  
**A rainy morning left drops of water on a web weaved by a spider near a hummingbird feeder in Union County. The picture was taken in the morning. By noon, the web was gone.**