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## News

### Notes

Items of interest from throughout the Union County area.



Step into autumn and ColorFest. ColorFest activities continue this weekend in Union County.

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October is National Principals Month. Job well done to the principals at Union County schools.

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The Anna Fire Department is staying very busy this week with presentations at local schools and other venues. This is National Fire Prevention Week.

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The Union County Housing Authority is planning to sponsor fire safety events Thursday, today, at the Annavista highrise in Anna and in Cobden. The Anna and Cobden fire departments are scheduled to make presentations.

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## Union County treasurer won't seek reelection

Incumbent Union County Treasurer Darren Bailey said this week that he will not seek reelection in 2018. Bailey is serving in his second term as county treasurer.

Bailey issued the following statement on Tuesday, Oct. 10, about his decision:

"Today it is with great pride in the work done and great excitement about the future that I am announcing that I will not seek a third term as Union County Treasurer.

"Being a young man as a first-time candidate, I always knew I would likely serve just two terms.

"For one, I knew that my professional career was just starting. Also, I feel strongly that it is always important to have new perspectives and new ideas running our government. I'm excited to

see what this change will mean both for the office and for me.

"My parents instilled in all three of their children that those with opportunity have a responsibility to change their world.

"With so many rural communities suffering from the 'brain drain' phenomenon, it will forever be a highlight of my life that I was able to stay in my community and make such a positive impact on the lives of the people I care about the most.

"I thank the people of Union County for their belief, support and trust in me."

Bailey highlighted some of the accomplishments of which he is most particularly proud during his time in office:

Directly engineering

over \$6.5 million in savings to date for the taxpayers of Union County (representing roughly \$375,000 for every 1,000 residents).

Exposing the inefficiency of the previous liability insurance program, preventing the issuance of \$3.8 million in new bonds, which led directly to a reduction in tax rates in 2016, and means the county will be debt-free (besides courthouse bonds paid directly by sales tax revenues) in 2026.

Helping to lead the search for the new liability insurance plan which saves more than \$500,000 annually.

Composing a three-year plan to eliminate the inherited \$515,000 inter-fund loan obligation, then outperforming that plan by retiring the debt in under two years.



Union County Treasurer Darren Bailey/photo from county website.

Developing a reserve fund balance strategy, the first known in county history, which amassed nearly \$1.5 million in its first two years of existence.

Successfully designing and implementing a real-time, cloud-based account-

ing software system which is fully functional from any device that can access the internet, replacing the paper ledger system which was still in use upon my arrival in 2010.

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## State police report results of enforcement patrols

The interim commander of Illinois State Police District 22 has announced the results of nighttime enforcement patrols which were conducted during September in Union County.

The results were announced by Lt. Michael Alvey.

Alvey stated that the patrols allowed the state police "to focus on preventing, detecting and taking enforcement action in response to impaired driving and occupant restraint violations, especially between the hours of 9 p.m. and 6 a.m."

The following statistics were recorded during the enforcement patrols in Union County:

Other alcohol/drug cita-

tions, one. Occupant restraint offenses, one. Registration offenses, two. Driver's license offenses, one. Insurance violations, one. Total citations/arrests, 10. Total written warnings, 32.

Illinois State Police noted that alcohol and drug impairment is a factor in more than 30 percent of all fatal motor vehicle crashes in Illinois. Over half of all fatal crashes in Illinois occur at night.

Alvey said the nighttime enforcement patrols allows officers "to work even harder at removing dangerous impaired drivers from the road and making sure everyone is buckled up."

The patrols were funded through the Illinois Department of Transportation.



### Heavy rain in Anna Tuesday morning

Motorists found themselves driving through some high water in the 500 block of East Vienna Street in Anna following a Tuesday morning downpour. Very heavy rain fell in Anna at around mid-morning on Tuesday.

### Inauguration ceremonies scheduled at college

## Shawnee president transitioning into new role

**By Lindsey Rae Vaughn**  
Dr. Peggy Bradford, president at Shawnee Community College, has been transitioning into her new role.

In her new role, Bradford joined in the recent commemoration of Shawnee Community College's 50th anniversary.

Bradford will be formally inaugurated as the college's eighth president during ceremonies which are planned this week.

She's held community forums in Cairo, Vienna, Anna and Metropolis in

an effort to hear from area businesses, community leaders and students.

Those in attendance had an opportunity to express their interest in the college and some of their needs they have in terms of what the college can do in programming.

Bradford said one of the biggest needs she heard was expanding dual enrollment and dual credit in high schools.

Another interest is offering courses to continue education for realty and

supervisor and management positions in hospitals.

In addition, Bradford said the forums gave her a chance to see the communities first hand to see what's available.

She has met with 10 of the 12 school district superintendents in the district to hear their suggestions and recommendations.

Bradford said she found the meetings to be "very eye-opening." She also found that the superintendents are "supportive of the college."

Bradford used the exam-

ples of the Meridian High School Fast Track program and Vienna High School CNA program as good partnerships with the college and area high schools.

The Meridian Fast Track program allows seniors at Meridian to be full-time college students and be on campus all day, all while finishing their last year of high school.

Vienna High School is looking to expand its CNA program. Vienna has the largest number of students who graduate with their high school diploma at the

same time as their associate degree in the district.

"We have to meet the needs of different high schools," Bradford said.

She said school officials would like to see more Meridian students come to Shawnee College through the Fast Track program.

They would like to see more students in Metropolis get involved with their center, which is only 2 miles away from the high school, by students going there after school or because of early release and get involved.

For Dongola, Century and Joppa schools, satellite classes are utilized in which the instructor is able to interact with those students and they are still able to take advantage of classes that, just based on their numbers, would be too small for the college to offer the courses there.

The Cairo site has just been started up again. It is now located at Cairo High School.

Bradford said they have started a small cohort in the Alexander County community, building classes to keep a college presence in Cairo.

Bradford said that superintendent Andrea Evers and the Cairo School District Board of Education have been accommodating and lets the college use the space free of charge.

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### Shawnee Community College presidents

Shawnee Community College recently celebrated its 50th anniversary. Former presidents, and the current president, were among those present for the celebration. From left are Dr. Jack Hill, Dr. Larry D. Choate, Dr. Barry Gowin, Dr. Loren E. Klaus (founding president), Dr. Peggy Bradford (current president) and Dr. Larry E. Peterson. Dr. Tim H. Bellamey and Dr. Terry Ludwig were not present. Photo by Tiffany Dillow for The Gazette-Democrat.





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**News Notes**

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A rare harvest moon in October could be seen in the sky over Union County on Thursday night, Oct. 5.

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The City of Jonesboro is in the process of acquiring a new fire truck.

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The City of Anna continues to work on a plan to install security cameras at the Anna City Park.

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A worship service is set for 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 19, at Kornthal Church near Jonesboro.

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Congratulations to the Anna-Jonesboro Community High School Marching Wildcats band on its recent achievements.

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Congratulations, also, to the A-JCHS girls' and boys' golf teams. Both teams advanced to sectional competition.

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While the rain which fell during the past week was welcomed, the downpours apparently caused some problems for flat roofs and at least one street in Anna.

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Plans for Illinois' bicentennial celebration were highlighted at an Oct. 5 meeting of the Union County Chamber of Commerce. The meeting was at the Union County Courthouse in Jonesboro.

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The Cobden Lions Club on Monday evening honored local groups which volunteered to help with the 2017 Cobden Peach Festival.

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A fall clean-up day is scheduled Oct. 18 in Cobden.

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Hydrant flushing is planned in the Village of Cobden: this week on the east side of the community and on the west side of town during the week of Oct. 23.

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A prescription drug take back event is planned Oct. 28 at Cobden Village Hall. The event is sponsored by the Cobden Police Department and the

Federal Drug Enforcement Administration.

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Two hikes with homeless dogs are planned Saturday, Oct. 14, at Giant City State Park near Makanda.

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A "trek n' treat" hike is planned Saturday afternoon, Oct. 28, at Giant City State Park.

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Signage would suggest that Jeff's Auto Body, on the hill between Anna and Jonesboro, now is Curt's Auto Body.

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Lou's Room in Anna has a beautiful new awning.

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The Cobden Appleknocker Athletic Boosters are planning to sponsor an Appleknocker Jeepin event on Oct. 28.

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Members of the Anna-Jonesboro Community High School class of 1957 are planning a 60th reunion Oct. 21 at the Brick House Grill in downtown Anna.

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The Shawnee Hills Arts Council is offering several art classes at the Anna Arts Center in Anna.

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The Anna Arts Center is making plans for a Nov. 6 Celebration of Freedom salute to veterans and active duty military personnel.

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Auditions are underway for the Nov. 19 presentation of a Las Posadas skit at the Anna Arts Center.

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Homecoming celebrations are underway this week at Southern Illinois University Carbondale and at Southeast Missouri State University in Cape Girardeau.

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The annual Fort Massac Encampment is scheduled Oct. 21-22. The popular event is held at Fort Massac State Park in Metropolis.

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A Heartland Book Festival on the Mississippi is planned Oct. 28 at the Osage Centre in Cape Girardeau.

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The U.S. Postal Service now has "informed delivery," which allows postal patrons the ability to check their incoming and processed mail without going to the mailbox. The service is free and can be uploaded to computers and hand-held devices.

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Looking ahead (and it's not all that far away): The ninth annual Christmas in the Village holiday celebration is planned Saturday, Dec. 2, in Cobden.

**Seven sentenced on variety of charges**

Union County State's Attorney Tyler R. Edmonds on Oct. 4 announced the sentencing of seven persons to the Illinois Department of Corrections on a variety of charges.

Tiffany B. Townley, 27, of Buncombe, has pleaded guilty for her role in an April home invasion and robbery in Dongola.

Townley has been sentenced to serve 14 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections after pleading guilty to one count of home invasion, a Class X felony, and will serve three years of mandatory supervised release (formerly known as parole).

Townley was arrested in June following an investigation by the Union County Sheriff's Office.

Matthew P. Wettig, 28, of Anna, has been sentenced to four years in the Illinois Department of Corrections, with an impact incarceration recommendation, after pleading guilty to one count of residential burglary, a Class 1 felony, and two

counts of burglary, both Class 2 felonies.

Wettig will serve a two-year term of mandatory supervised release.

Wettig was arrested in August following an investigation by the Anna Police Department.

Rosa M. Parks, 38, of Anna, has been sentenced to four years in the Illinois Department of Corrections after pleading guilty to one count of unlawful possession of methamphetamine, a Class 3 felony. Parks will serve a one-year term of mandatory supervised release.

Parks was arrested in July following a traffic stop by the Illinois State Police.

Parks was also sentenced to a concurrent sentence of four years in the Illinois Department of Corrections after admitting a petition to revoke probation for the original offense of burglary, a Class 2 felony.

Andrew James Quintana, 54, of Anna, has been sentenced to concurrent three-year terms in the Illinois

Department of Corrections after pleading guilty to violation of the Sex Offender Registration Act - failure to report annually, a Class 2 felony.

Quintana also admitted to a petition for revocation of probation for the original offense of violation of the Sex Offender Registration Act - failure to report annually, a Class 3 felony, in a separate case.

Quintana will serve a two-year term of mandatory supervised release.

Quintana failed to report to the Union County Sheriff's Office to update his annual registration in June as required by the Illinois Sex Offender Registration Act.

Edward E. Pearl, 66, of McClure has been sentenced to two years in the Illinois Department of Corrections after pleading guilty to one count of driving while his license was revoked, a Class 3 felony.

Pearl will serve a one-year term of mandatory supervised release.

Pearl was arrested in

September 2016 following a traffic stop by the Anna Police Department.

Troy L. Guynn, 41, of Anna, has been sentenced to one year in the Illinois Department of Corrections after pleading guilty to one count of driving while his license was revoked, a Class 4 felony.

Guynn will serve a one-year term of mandatory supervised release.

Guynn was arrested in August following a traffic stop by the Cobden Police Department.

Marin F. Amesquita, 37, of Cobden, has been sentenced to one year in the Illinois Department of Corrections after pleading guilty to one count of driving while his license was revoked, a Class 4 felony.

Amesquita will serve a one-year term of mandatory supervised release.

Amesquita was arrested in April following a traffic stop by the Cobden Police Department.

**County treasurer won't seek reelection**

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Saving approximately \$651,000 in wages and benefits in the treasurer's office to date while simultaneously raising staff performance and professionalism.

Reducing operating expenses of the treasurer's office by nearly 50 percent in the first year alone.

Operating within a fiscal year 2018 treasurer's office budget which will be \$20,000 less than that of fiscal year 2010.

Architecting a fund accounting system which consolidated funds into fewer accounts, eliminating the county's cash flow concerns

for the foreseeable future.

Designing and implementing a new accounts payable system which requires invoices and receipts for all payments (these documents are attached digitally to each transaction in the accounting software).

Saving tens of thousands of dollars and hundreds of hours of labor annually by privatizing the printing, stuffing and mailing of tax bills.

Reducing number of checking accounts from 86 to 32, with eight more designated for closure in 2018.

Working with the other tax-related departments to tighten the property tax

schedule, resulting in more timely disbursements of tax revenues to local schools.

Developing new metrics, reports and graphics which have been made available to the public to better inform the county residents and decision-makers about where their tax dollars go.

Helping to design a website that provides complete real estate tax information and allows for online payments.

Starting the trustee program, which clears the forfeited tax rolls and puts unpaid parcels back in the possession of tax-paying owners, resulting in more real estate tax revenues for our governments and schools.

Drafting the new Hotel Operators' Occupancy Tax ("Hotel/Motel") ordinance and adjoining policy which established a council of stakeholders to directly influence the spending of those tax revenues.

Identifying and addressing numerous additional operational inefficiencies throughout the government

(including centralizing postage and office equipment), saving hundreds of thousands of dollars annually.

Co-authoring the plan that saw Union County improve from a failing grade to earning the sixth-best transparency score in downstate Illinois, according to the Illinois Policy Institute.

"More than anything else, I am proud of the professionalism and passion with which my office continues to work to provide the best possible future for the people of Union County," Bailey stated.

"I have had the good fortune to have the help and support of friends, family, and staff, and to have worked during an era when the Union County government enjoyed a unique collection of talent which has righted the ship and set a course for future success.

"The stage is set for further accomplishments in the coming years, and I look forward to enjoying them as I engage in my own new challenges."

**Shawnee College president**

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In exchange, the college is committed to using a wide variety of courses in Cairo and is making sure they are not only able to offer courses in the credit area, but will offer truck driving adjacent to the high school and make more courses available in the dual enrollment program.

In the Anna-Jonesboro area, Bradford said they have an emphasis on college transfers and Allied Health courses.

The needs are different in the Anna area because they have lots of students.

"That's been a booming center for us," Bradford said about the Anna Extension Center.

She said the college is hoping to get more students from the Cobden area in dual enrollment and increase the number of students going to the Anna center.

Because of many of these programs, many students "are able to complete the first two years of their education virtually free while in high school," Bradford said.

As for future projects for the college, they are currently looking to expand agreements with their four-year partners, which is Southern Illinois University, Southeast Missouri State University and McKendree University.

These agreements help the students, so when they transfer, they are assured that their courses will seamlessly transfer to those institutions.

"We are trying to develop and expand our partnerships with them," Bradford said.

Bradford said she was very proud of the colleges' nursing program.

The LPN program is ranked No. 3 in Illinois and the college will have a 100 percent pass rate from those who recently took the LPN exam.

In addition, Shawnee College has been the location of cultural and community activities, including an event for the August total solar eclipse, performing "The Little Mermaid" on Nov. 3-4, and they recently held their annual high school regional band performance. The college hopes to partner with the Paducah Symphony for future events as well.

More than 500 people attended the college's recent 50th anniversary celebration.

"I was very pleased that the community came out and supported the college," Bradford said.

**Inauguration Ceremonies**

The inauguration of Dr. Peggy Bradford as president of Shawnee Community College is scheduled on Friday, Oct. 13, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Shawnee Community College in Ullin.

The Vienna High School band is scheduled to perform. There will also be a bagpipe player from Marion.

The Shawnee College choir, directed by Lee VanAlstine, will sing. SCC student Taylen Ashby will sing the National Anthem and a color guard will present the colors.

Vienna High School industrial arts teacher Brian Rick is designing and making a mace, which is a part of the ceremony.

Past college presidents, state representatives and other government officials will be in attendance, along with community members. The ceremony is free and there will be refreshments.

"We're reconnecting with area businesses and making sure that we're meeting those needs and then try to bring cultural enrichment. We want to be a location where we can provide some of the arts in the area," Bradford said.

She said the staff is working hard to see everyone in the community.

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Jerry L. Reppert, Publisher  
 October 10, 2017

# WIBH Radio launches annual New Coats, New Hope campaign

Since 2011, WIBH Radio in Anna has made it an annual mission to provide new coats to children through the New Coats, New Hope Campaign.

The campaign is a fund-raising effort presented by WIBH and Operation Warm, which is a 501 c3 charitable organization that provides new, winter coats to children of low-income families.

The effort is held in cooperation with the Children's Medical & Mental Resource Network, CMMHRN, Two Rivers Child Advocacy, TRCAC, and Head Start.

The purpose of the campaign is to provide new coats to children ages 3 to 16 living in the lower 45 counties of Illinois.

Now heading into its seventh year, the New Coats, New Hope Campaign has raised funds to purchase approximately 1,194 new coats for kids in Southern Illinois alone.

Due to the overwhelming distribution to Southern Illinois families over the last two years, the campaign's annual goal has increased from 200 coats to 400 coats for 2017.

Also for 2017, the cam-

paign's mission has expanded to aide in the relief efforts to families affected by Hurricane Harvey.

As the hurricane continues to displace hundreds of families, Operation Warm has begun relief efforts to provide 1,000 coats to children in need in southeast Texas.

Each coat is \$20, which covers the cost of the coat plus shipping.

Campaign organizers said that through the generosity of Postal Pal in Anna, shipping of coats will be covered, allowing 100 percent of all donations to go directly to purchasing the coats.

Five percent of the total donations received (\$1 of every \$20 donated) will go to the Operation Warm Disaster Relief Fund. If the goal is reached, this will provide a minimum of 20 coats to help children in Texas who have lost so much already.

"This campaign was designed to bring hope to kids, and their families, when they are in need. Keeping kids warm, dry and feeling safe and secure should never be an issue," says Shawna Rhine, WIBH sales manager.

"Although our primary focus is to insure that our local families' needs are met, WIBH, and the agencies this effort serves, agree that being there for the victims of Hurricane Harvey had to be part of our mission for this year."

Many local businesses, organizations, individuals and others are showing their support for this year's campaign by helping WIBH get the message to donors.

Those helping to support the campaign include:

5 Star Auto Wash, Anna-Jonesboro National Bank, Trainor Ag Products, Wright Bros. Body Shop & Rod's Towing, Jonesboro First Baptist Church, Sheriff Scott Harvel, State's Attorney Tyler Edmonds.

Postal Pal, Southern Bank, L&P Carpet, Hebrewz Coffee House, Spanish Oaks Center, From the Heart Flowers & Gifts, Cook Portable Warehouse, Auto Tire & Parts NAPA, New Wave Communica-

Anna Tire & Auto Center, Cobden Auto Repair, Title Cash, Goddard's Barn & Grill, Norm's Woodworking and Seafood Specialties.

In addition to coats, donations of new gloves, mittens and hats will be accepted at various locations throughout Southern Illinois.

A complete list of collection sites will be available at [www.wibhradio.com](http://www.wibhradio.com) and on Facebook at WIBH New Coats, New Hope Campaign in the coming weeks.

Rhine said that monetary donations of any amount must be sent to WIBH Radio, 330 S. Main St., Anna, Ill. 62906 by Nov. 30. All checks and money orders must be made payable to Operation Warm, not WIBH. Coats will be available for distribution in mid-December.

For more information, or to learn how to get a coat for a child in need, contact Shawna Rhine at WIBH at 833-9424, the Children's Medical & Mental Health Resource Network at 618-833-6488 or the Two Rivers Child Advocacy Center at 833-7470.



## A-JCHS homecoming queen, king

Coronation of a homecoming queen and king was one of the highlights of the recent 2017 Anna-Jonesboro Community High School homecoming celebration. Jasmine Foster was crowned as homecoming queen. She is the daughter of Hollie Harrell. Arieh Hart was crowned as homecoming king. He is the son of Easter Smith. Jaycee Clutts and Hank Goss were the crown and sash bearers. Jaycee is the granddaughter of Sherilyn Baker and Jake Steele. Hank is the son of Michael and Katie Goss. Photo by Tiffany Dillow for The Gazette-Democrat.

## Critter Night scheduled at Lincoln Picnic Grounds

A Critter Night event is planned Friday, Oct. 20, at the Lincoln Memorial Picnic Grounds in Jonesboro.

Critter Night is scheduled from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

The event will be presented by the U.S. Forest

## Blood drive set in Anna

An American Red Cross blood drive is planned Thursday, today, at The First Baptist Church at 409 Morgan St. The blood drive will be from noon to 6 p.m.

There will be free t-shirts given away while supplies last.

**Be sure to attend ColorFest activities.**

Service, the Friends of the Shawnee National Forest and Unimin Minerals Inc.

Critter Night will feature activities and crafts centered around nocturnal animals.

The event will offer an opportunity to visit a "bat cave" and activity stations, and to go for a walk around the pond at the picnic grounds.

Free Again Inc. plans to present a live birds of prey program.

Those who plan to attend are asked to bring a lawn chair or blanket.

Large groups, such as scout troops and 4-H clubs, are welcome - they are asked to preregister by calling the Forest Service's Mississippi Bluffs Ranger District office in Jonesboro at 833-8576.

## Cherokee Trail of Tears topic of program planned in Vienna

The Cherokee Trail of Tears crossed through Southern Illinois.

The trail's path is through Pope, Johnson and Union counties and it is the path of the tragic re-location of native Americans from the southeastern part of the United States in 1838-1839 to the Indian Territory in the present day State of Oklahoma.

The Illinois Chapter Trail of Tears Association and the Johnson County Genealogical and Historical Society plan to have a joint meeting on Sunday, Oct. 15, in Vienna.

The meeting, which begins at 2:30 p.m., will be at the Vienna Public Library. The library is located on the south side of the public square.

Members of the public are invited to attend and learn more about the Trail of Tears in Southern Illinois.

The Illinois Chapter Trail of Tears Association works with the National Trail of Tears Association and the National Park Service to preserve and promote the

Trail of Tears, which is a national historic trail.

The program is scheduled to be presented by Dr. Mark Wagner, who is the director of the Southern Illinois University Center for Archaeological Investigations.

Wagner will be presenting information about his research and investigation of the Bridges site and Wayside Store in Johnson County, which is on the path of the Trail of Tears.

The Cherokee not only travelled by the Bridges Wayside Store, but reportedly traded there as they

camped in the area for several weeks during the winter of 1838-1839.

Wagner and his group spent several weeks doing archaeological digs on this site searching for artifacts and the history of the site. He will present his findings and conclusions.

Both organizations encourage the public to attend and learn more about the rich history of Southern Illinois and to find out more about the activities of each organization.

For more information about the program call 618-771-6877.

## Salem Lutheran Church plans to celebrate 125th anniversary

Salem Lutheran Church in Jonesboro is planning to celebrate its 125th anniversary.

The anniversary celebration is set for 10 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 29. The church is located at 101 E. Market St.

Salem plans to have a joint parish service with Mt. Moriah Lutheran Church in Anna.

Historical photographs

and other memorabilia will be on display in the Salem narthex on the day of the celebration.

Previous pastors of the church and their families have been contacted and are planning to attend the celebration.

Following the service, a meal will be served at the church.

## Book sale set at SIU Press

The Southern Illinois University Press plans to have a homecoming book sale Oct. 12-13, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day.

The homecoming book sale will be at the SIU Press at 1915 University Press Dr., behind the McLafferty Annex.

## IT'S PUMPKIN TOWN TIME!



**Be sure to visit Pumpkin Town on the grounds of Choate Mental Health and Development Center October 13-22. The theme this year is Dr. Seuss.**

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# Sports

## With division title on line, A-J defeats Du Quoin 42-36

With the Southern Illinois River-to-River Mississippi Division Conference title on the line, the Anna-Jonesboro Community High School football team prevailed in a 42-36 win over visiting Du Quoin at The Pit Friday night, Oct. 6.

"I was really proud of the kids," A-J football coach Brett Detering said. "They made some mistakes, but they never quit they continued to fight."

The Wildcats improved to 7-0 overall and 4-0 in the conference. The Indians fell to 5-2 and 2-2 in the league.

A-J has one league game remaining with 1-6 Sparta. The other league front runner, Carterville, is 5-2 overall and 3-1 in the league.

"You've got to give Du Quoin a lot of credit," Detering said. "They had a lot of speed and they made some big plays. If they win we probably tie (Carterville) for the conference."

It didn't come easy for the Wildcats.

With the game tied 36-36 with 1:34 remaining, Du Quoin moved to midfield before quarterback Hank Stewart's pass was picked off by A-J safety Noah Smith, who dove toward the ball and held on as he slid to the ground.

"We had to get a defensive stop and Noah Smith was in the right spot," Detering said.

Going into that final pass play and his first interception of the game, Stewart was 10 of 15 passing for 178 yards.

Prior to the interception, with the game knotted at 36-36, the Wildcats were on the move.

Fullback Jayce Turner scored on a 21-yard run to cap a 6-play drive. The extra-point kick was off and A-J held a 6-point advantage with 2:06 remaining in the game.

"Our offense got shut down a little in the second half," Detering said. "But the last drive we got it going."

The interception sealed the win for the Wildcats, as they made one play and then quarterback Bryce Osman took a knee to run out the clock.

The Indians wasted little time getting rolling to open the game.

## Du Quoin's Westly Mi-Co-op soccer prepares for postseason

The host Anna-Jonesboro/Cobden/Dongola High School boys' soccer team and Carbondale played to a 0-0 tie in the final regular season game Thursday, Oct. 5.

Goalie Jake Parr played 80 minutes in goal and had seven saves.

**A-J 3, Massac County 0:** Jaryt Tripp, Blake Pena and Carlos Valencia scored a goal apiece to lead the host team to the win Tuesday, Oct. 3.

Pena, John Russell and Valencia added an assist apiece.

A-J, 12-5-3, is the No. 2 seed in the Class 2A regional at Marion next week. Carbondale is the top-seeded team.

The Wildcats open regional play against the winner of Olney-Mount Vernon at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 17.

lam scored on a 3-yard run to cap a 5-play drive. Kameron Johnson's extra point kick put the Indians ahead 7-0 with 9:46 remaining in the first quarter.

The Wildcats countered as Arie Hart broke loose for a 71-yard run on the first play from scrimmage.

Four plays later, Turner scored on a 7-yard run.

The extra point kick was blocked and A-J trailed 7-6 with 7:52 remaining in the first quarter.

The Indians were forced to punt on their next drive. The ball sailed over punter Charley Mercier's head and he recovered at the 1-yard line.

On the next play, Turner scored. The conversion run was stopped and A-J led 12-7 with 6:02 remaining in the first quarter.

After A-J was forced to kick again after the first attempt went out of bounds, the Indians took over at their own 35-yard line.

Quarterback Stewart then rambled 65 yards for a TD. Johnson's kick put Du Quoin ahead 14-12 with 5:51 left in the opening quarter.

The Wildcats bounced right back. Osman scored on a 20-yard run to cap an 11-play drive. Sheldon McGrath's extra point kick put A-J ahead 19-14 with 11.8 seconds remaining in the first quarter.

The Indians were then stopped on a fourth down run at midfield. The Wildcats' next drive was thwarted when Lawson Ridgeway intercepted an Osman pass.

Reid Morrison sacked Stewart for a big loss to stop the next Indian drive.

Centered around a long pass to Hart from Osman, Luke McMahan scored on a 26-yard run after a 7-play drive. Turner ran in the conversion points and A-J led 27-14 with 47 seconds remaining in the second quarter.

On the ensuing kickoff return, the Indians' Donovan McBride made a big run and was halted by A-J's Damian Chrisp on the Wildcats' 1-yard line.

Milam then scored and following Johnson's extra point kick, Du Quoin pulled to 27-21 with 28 seconds remaining in the

first half.

Hart made a nifty return on the ensuing kickoff, but time ran out to end the first half.

Punter Zach Massey was then called in to punt for the Wildcats' for the first time in the game in their opening drive to start the second half.

The Indians were forced to punt on their following drive, but a bad snap from center sailed over punter Mercier's head and it went in the endzone for a safety to build A-J's lead to 29-21.

"They struggled in their punting game," Detering said. "We took advantage of some opportunities. But we certainly made mistakes, too, and didn't always have great coverage on them."

The teams then traded punts again and Du Quoin had another high snap. A-J was able to recover this time at the Indians' 8-yard line.

Morrison then scored but fumbled in the end zone and teammate McMahan recovered for the TD.

McGrath's kick put A-J ahead 36-21 with 3:23 remaining in the third quarter.

After three plays, Du Quoin's McBride scored on a 63-yard run. Johnson's kick pulled the Indians to 36-28 with 2:09 remaining in the third quarter.

After another A-J punt, the Indians were on the move again. Milam scored on a 1-yard run after a 5-play drive.

Smith passed to Mercier for the conversion points and the score was knotted at 36-36 with 6:25 remaining in the game.

Turner then closed out the scoring with the game-winning TD.

Du Quoin was held to 139 yards rushing, while A-J rushed for 308 yards.

Turner led the way with 114 yards rushing on 21 carries. Osman had 99 yards on 18 carries. Hart had 62 yards on 9 carries and McMahan added 37 yards on 4 carries.

Osman was 4 of 7 passing for 53 yards with that lone interception. Hart led the way with 43 yards on 3 receptions.

## Wildcats seek win, outright division title

The Anna-Jonesboro Community High School football team can clinch a Southern Illinois River-to-River Conference Mississippi Division title outright with a victory over host Sparta this Friday.

The Wildcats are 7-0 and 4-0 in the league. The Bulldogs are 1-6 overall and 1-3 in the league.

Game time is set for 7 p.m. The game will be aired on WIBH Radio in Anna.

Despite the record, the Wildcats are not looking past Sparta.

"Sparta has got big play abilities," A-J football coach Brett Detering said.

Sparta's lone victory this season was over Pinckneyville by a score of 28-7.

Junior Kijah Banda, 6-0, 170 pounds, leads Sparta at quarterback. He was 5 of 15 passing for 134 yards in the Bulldogs' 68-20 loss to Carterville last Friday.

Senior Ostin Connors, 5-8, 150 pounds, was the

top receiver with 83 yards on 2 receptions.

Senior Ethan Evans, 5-8, 140 pounds, was the leading rusher with 52 yards on 7 carries. Sophomore Tony Williams, 5-9, 160 pounds, is another top Bulldog running back.

The squad's kicker is senior Nate Mierotto, 5-9, 140 pounds.

The top defensive player is senior Clayton Sheldon, 6-2, 230 pounds. He was an all-conference linebacker last season. Another top defender is senior defensive back Jonathan Williams, 5-9, 170 pounds.

With their record, the Wildcats have assured themselves a spot in the 2017 playoffs.

A-J closes out its 2017 regular season next week against Benton.

Detering noted that every game is still important. He said that with "every win you get now, you get a better playoff position."

## A-J scores win over Du Quoin

The host Anna-Jonesboro Community High School Wildcats football team scored a big 42-36 win over visiting Du Quoin last Friday night. The accompanying pictures are from Friday night's game. Photos by Tiffany Dillow for The Gazette-Democrat.



A new inflatable A-J helmet was featured as the Wildcats came on to the field for the game.



A-J senior quarterback Bryce Osman, number 14, carries the ball against the Du Quoin defense.



Seniors Arie Hart, number 1, Kyle McMahan, number 25, and Jayce Turner, number 42, in action.



Seniors Noah Smith and Arie Hart show that A-J improved to 7-0 with Friday night's victory.



## Shawnee students of the month for September

Shawnee Elementary School in Wolf Lake has named students of the month for September. The students include River Kelley, pre-kindergarten; Tinley Qualls and Adalyn Follis, kindergarten; Jacob Pickel, 1st grade; Kyle Shirley, 2nd grade; Crown Ford, 3rd grade; Juliana Avila, 4th grade; and Mallory Follis, 5th grade. Photo provided.

# Saluki Sports Update

**By Fred Huff**

The first week of October was good/bad. Hopefully this one will be better as some prospects are encouraging while others are... well, SIU's football opponent: Illinois State is 4-1 and perfect in Missouri Valley Conference play at 1-0.

It's homecoming week at SIU. That's good. Several highlights are scheduled. Walt Frazier is returning as parade marshal.

SIU's 1967 football team, which pulled off one of the biggest upsets in Saluki history, a 16-13 win over a nationally ranked Division I Tulsa team, is returning and Illinois State will provide opposition the Salukis need to pull off what would be a mild MVFC shock.

One might question why the use of "shock" when mentioning SIU possibly upsetting Illinois State.

The two teams have exchanged wins for decades. Why would another be surprising?

Because the Redbirds have won the last three

while the Salukis have struggled. That plus the fact ISU is considered as being one of the better teams in the league while SIU is coming off one of its most decisive losses in recent years.

The "loss" was a rout. South Dakota State 49, SIU 13. It was 35-0 at half-time. In listening to the game, one got the feeling the hosts could have scored another 35 in the second half if needed.

The Salukis need to put on a good show. If not winning, at least a strong effort which would give their fans reason to return...well after Frazier, Carl Mauck and his aging teammates of 50 years ago have returned home.

SIU actually does have a couple of near-sure wins remaining on its schedule, but only two. That doesn't leave much room for error or sloppy play. Besides, SIU needs to surprise someone and Illinois State seems to be a perfect candidate.

As to last week...it started off good with a get-together of old, retired coaches, referees and administrators

basically from the southwestern Illinois area.

Rich Herrin and myself prevented a shutout of the "deep South" and there may have been another one or two there that we missed.

As enjoyable as that session was, it was totally nullified by the death of our good friend, Jim Gibbons.

That name probably doesn't cause many heads to turn in Southern Illinois, but, take our word for it, Jim Gibbons was a great man in every sense of the word.

Our close relationship developed over the years he was the color guy for MVC televised basketball games.

The fact that he was one of the greatest ever athletes, coaches, administrators, whatever, for a lifetime at the University of Notre Dame is another story. He was buried Monday.

So now we'll be looking forward to another good week in sports...a renewal of friendships with athletes and coaches from 50 years ago as well as a surprising strong win for the Salukis over Illinois State.



**A-J girls' golf**  
From left are Hannah Hileman, Sydnie Ralls, Britni Helton, Connor Hadley, Molly Ellis and Emma Ray. Assistant coaches are Steve Taylor and Jerry Ellis.



**A-J boys' golf**  
From left are assistant coach Matt Lang, Carson Reynolds, Peter Hauser, Levi Hall, Jax Watkins, Hunter Ralls and head coach Brandon Bierstedt.

## Union County Hospital shares information

# Breast cancer awareness: Know risk factors, get tested

During the observance of Breast Cancer Awareness Month in October, Union County Hospital in Anna reminds the community about the different types of risk factors including lifestyle changes that can reduce the chance of developing the disease and when to get tested.

The chance that a woman will die from breast cancer is about 1 in 37, according to the American Cancer Society.

Breast cancer is the most common cancer among American women and it's estimated that more than 252,000 will be diagnosed with new cases of invasive breast cancer this year.

Several risk factors of the disease are beyond control, but there are some lifestyle changes that can be made to help reduce the risk of developing the disease.

Additionally, understanding early detection methods and when to get screened can be critical in the survival rates of women who are diagnosed.

Women have a much higher likelihood of being diagnosed with breast cancer than men; however, men can develop the disease too.

White women are the most likely to develop breast cancer, yet African-American women who develop it have higher mortality rates.

Age is another contributing risk factor of the disease,

with most invasive breast cancers detected in women 50 and older.

About 5 to 10 percent of breast cancer cases are considered hereditary and result when certain gene mutations are present, which greatly increase the risk of diagnosis.

Genetic testing can be done in some cases to identify whether or not the mutated genes are present. These are just some of the uncontrollable risk factors of developing the disease.

Some breast cancer risk factors are linked to lifestyle behaviors that can be changed. Drinking two or more alcoholic beverages a day has been shown to result in a 20 percent higher risk of developing breast cancer.

Being overweight, especially after menopause, raises estrogen levels and can also increase risk.

Additionally, more evidence is showing that exercising regularly can help lower the risk of developing breast cancer.

While there is very little known to directly prevent breast cancer, most doctors feel that early detection and regular screenings are the best way to help increase survival rates.

Some symptoms of breast cancer are easy to detect, while others may only be found during screenings.

You should contact your physician immediately if

you experience any of the following:

Discharge from nipples, especially blood and/or puss.

A new lump, particularly if it is painful and doesn't leave after a menstrual cycle.

Breast pain that does not go away.

Breast infection, which include centralized redness, puss or fever.

Nipple changes such as pulling inward, enlargement or itching.

Change in the size or shape of breast.

An asymmetrical breast. Skin changes on breast or swelling.

Lump in the underarm.

In general, starting at age 45 women should get mammograms every year until they reach 55.

After age 55, women should switch to mammograms every two years, unless instructed differently by their doctor.

Mammograms are the most common tests of breast cancer, but there are other tools that can be used depending on a woman's medical history.

It is important for women to begin discussing risk factors with their doctor early on so the right screening and testing plan can be developed.

For more information about scheduling a screening digital mammogram, call 618-833-4511 or visit UnionCountyHospital.com.

# A-J girls', boys' golf teams advance to sectional play

The Anna-Jonesboro Community High School boys' and girls' golf teams each advanced to the Class 1A sectionals following third-place finishes in regional play last week.

"It's been a while since we've advanced to sectional with both teams," A-J boys' and girls' golf head coach Brandon Bierstedt said. "It's a big accomplishment."

The top three regional finishers and top 10 in-

dividuals not on a first to third place team advance to sectional play.

**Girls' Regional**

The Wildcat girls advanced with a third place finish at the Class 1A regional played at the Union County Country Club course in Anna on Tuesday, Oct. 3.

Massac County won with 333. Pinckneyville was second with 353 and A-J finished in third place with 365.

Molly Ellis led the Lady Wildcats with a score of 85. Emma Ray was next with 87, followed by Britni Helton 95, Sydnie Ralls 98, Connor Hadley 99 and Hannah Hileman 110.

The A-J girls were scheduled to compete this week in the Alton Class 1A sectional.

**Boys' Regional**

The Wildcat boys advanced with a third place finish at the Franklin County golf course in West Frankfort Tuesday, Oct. 3.

Trico was first with 340 and Eldorado finished second with 348. A-J finished in third place with 352.

A-J's Levi Hall finished in first place to win medalist honors at the boys' regional with a score of 75. He shot four strokes better than second place finisher Braden Unthank of Eldorado.

A-J's Carson Reynolds finished 4th overall with 82. Other Wildcat finishers for the boys were Peter Hauser 95, Hunter Ralls 99 and Jax Watkins 119.

The A-J boys were scheduled to compete this week at the Class 1A sectional at Carlyle.

## Trail society hike planned

The River-to-River Trail Society plans to sponsor a guided hike on Saturday, Oct. 14, from Sand Cave to Hunting Branch in Pope County.

Those who want to go on the hike are asked to meet at 10 a.m. at the main parking lot at the Bell Smith Springs Recreation Area.

The hike is free and open to the public. The trail society said the hike will be moderately strenuous and is intended for people in good physical condition, who have done some walking.

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**WANTED TO BUY: Junked & wrecked automobiles and scraped metal. Clark & Son, 100 Kelly Cemetery, Cobden. Call (618)-893-2195.**

**WANTED TO BUY:** Old hunting and fishing items, duck calls, fishing lures, pocket & wrist watches, old guitars. Call (618)-833-3584.

**WANTED TO BUY:** Aluminum cans and other junk. Will pick up junk appliances. ALSO, APPLIANCES FOR SALE. Call (618)-833-3544.

**WANTED TO DO:** Mow yards. Call (618)-614-2720.

### YARD SALE

**5 FAMILY GARAGE SALE:** Thursday & Friday, October 12 & 13, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. 107 Park Lane, Jonesboro.

**GIANT MOVING/YARD SALE:** Friday & Saturday, October 13 & 14, 8 a.m. to ??? 624 S. Main Street, Anna, IL 62906.

**HUGE SALE:** Friday & Saturday, October 13 & 14, 8 a.m. to ??? On 146 across from Caseys in Jonesboro. Furniture, gang box, portable smoker on wheels, collectibles, never been used items, clothing, lots of misc.

**HUGE YARD SALE:** Friday, October 13, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday, October 14, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Located at 7975 State Route 146 E. (2 miles east of I-57). Clothing, houseware, large amount of tools, furniture, repurpose items, wide range of books, jewelry, and much more. Look for signs!

**YARD SALE:** Bedroom suites, futon, other furniture, lamps, lift chair, chair pads, etc., clothing, and lots of misc. items. Saturday, October 14, 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. 303 South Street, Anna.

**YARD SALE:** Saturday, October 14, 8 a.m. to noon. 102 Bainbridge, Cobden. Girls clothing size newborn to 6, some men's & women's, household items, queen mattress, toys, and books.

**YARD SALE:** Saturday, October 14, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Lots of baby boy clothing and baby items, women's clothing (name brand), and much more. 125 Turner Avenue, Anna.

**40 ACRES  
4 SALE**  
 Union County, 20 wooded acres, 2 stocked ponds, wetland, house and barn. Great hunting and fishing. Call 618-203-9106. 42P43G

**BIG YARD SALE:** Saturday & Sunday, October 14 & 15. Furniture, clothing, tires, and misc. 1 mile from 4-way stop on Old Hwy. 51 N.

**YARD SALE:** Saturday, October 14, 7:30 to noon. 2 miles past Wal-Mart on 146 E. Lots of everything. Clothing (kids & adults), shoes, household. Don't miss this one!

### BUSINESS

**BUSH HOGGING: Small or Large Acreage. Insured. (618)-697-1204**

**Duck Works Lawn Care LLC (618)-201-5712**

**Full Service Lawn Care: Mowing, Landscaping, Cleaning Gutters, Fall Clean Up, Leaf removal, Flower Bed Maintenance, Mulch, Lawn Weed Control, Bush Trimming, Retaining Wall Construction, Power Washing. FREE ESTIMATE! duckworkslawncare@gmail.com www.duckworkslawncare.com (618)-201-5712 Serving Southern IL for over 15 years!**

**MILLER'S CONSTRUCTION:** Remodels, Repairs, Doors, Windows & Siding, Decks, Interior & Exterior Painting. Fully Insured. Jason Miller, (618)-697-6373

**TREECE Backhoe & Hauling Skid Steer Trenching Gravel & Sand (618)-833-6197 or (618)-697-0453**

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT**

**UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS ESTATE OF RICHARD SEWARD, IN PROBATE DECEASED. NO. 2017-P-39**

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

**NOTICE IS GIVEN** to creditors of the death of Richard Seward of 6030 Route 146 W., Jonesboro, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on September 20, 2017, to Patricia Seward, 2440 E. Tudor # 134, Anchorage, AK 99507, as Independent Executor, whose attorneys are Elvis C. Cameron and Natalie B. Hatfield, 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

*To Place Your Ad In The Gazette-Democrat Call (618) 833-2158*

**Fleet Services Technician Dyno Nobel Transportation Inc. Wolf Lake, IL.**

Technician is responsible for diagnosing truck and trailer problems and performing truck repairs and routine maintenance. Technician uses maintenance software to create work orders, DOT required maintenance records, and maintain small parts inventory. Technician is responsible for communicating updates with Lead Service Technician on a daily basis. Technician must maintain an organized toolbox and is responsible to maintain shop to be clean and safe for maximum efficiency.

**Duties and Responsibilities**

- Basic diesel engine knowledge
- Perform routine service and repair work on semi tractor-trailers that includes PM Service, oil changes and brake jobs.
- Must possess the drive and responsibility to work independently and without direct supervision
- Must have own toolbox and basic tools
- Hands on shop floor experience is preferred
- Parts and VMRS code knowledge
- Maintain maintenance records and vehicle inspection reports using computer software, in compliance with U.S. Department of Transportation record keeping requirements
- Maintain small part inventory using maintenance software
- Demonstrated proficiency in relevant software and basic computer skills
- Must complete online computer training when it is designated to you
- Ability to work safely and follow all company policies and procedures
- Perform facilities maintenance duties
- Interacts with drivers to properly determine nature of complaint once assigned a task
- Must provide verified work history
- Ability to lift 50 pounds from time to time

**Qualifications Required**

- High School or greater equivalent required
- A minimum of 4 to 5 years' experience performing repairs and maintenance on semi tractor-trailers
- Knowledge of shop equipment and their functions
- Requires excellent communication skills and the ability to read and write English
- Class B CDL for commercial motor vehicles at a minimum
- Must be certified in Air Brakes and A/C
- Must be at least 25 years old
- No convictions for DUI, or DWI in the past 5 years.

**Call Kevin at 417-359-2279**

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 West Market, Jonesboro, Illinois, or with the Independent Executor, or both, on or before March 28, 2018, 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: September 20, 2017.

PATRICIA SEWARD CAMERON LAW FIRM, LLC  
 ELVIS C. CAMERON ATTORNEY NO. 6244394  
 NATALIE B. HATFIELD ATTORNEY NO. 631247  
 ATTORNEYS FOR PETITIONER  
 205B N. MAIN ST. ANNA, ILLINOIS 62906  
 PHONE: 618-833-2220 41-43g

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

**ANNA-JONESBORO NATIONAL BANK, an Illinois Banking Corporation, Plaintiff,**

**vs ROBERT GORE, LINDSEY GORE, ANNA HOSPITAL CORPORATION, d/b/a UNION COUNTY HOSPITAL, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants. Case No.: 2017-CH-24**

**PUBLICATION NOTICE**

The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to you, Robert Gore and Lindsay Gore, and Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, Defen-

dant in the above entitled suit, that the said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of Union County, Illinois, by the said Plaintiff against you and other defendants to foreclose a certain Mortgage covering the following described premises, to-wit:

LOT NUMBERED FOUR (4) IN W. DAVIE'S ORIGINAL PLAT TO THE TOWN (NOW CITY) OF ANNA, SITUATED IN UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Lot Numbered Four (4) in W. Davie's Original Plat of the Town (Now City) of Anna, situated in Union County, Illinois.

and for other relief, that summons was duly issued out of the said Court against you as provided by law, and that said suit is still pending.

Now, therefore, unless you, the said Defendants, Robert Gore, Lindsay Gore, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, file your answer to the Complaint in the suit, or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Circuit Court of Union County, Illinois, in the County Courthouse in the City of Jonesboro, Illinois, on or before the **5th day of November, 2017**, default may be entered against you and each of you at any time after that day and a decree entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint.

Tiffany Busby Clerk of the Circuit Court

Prepared by: JOHN R. SCHNEIDER JOHNSON, SCHNEIDER & FERRELL, L.L.C. 212 North Main Street Cape Girardeau, MO 63701 Telephone: (573)-335-3300 Facsimile: (573)-335-1978 42-44g

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

**ANNA-JONESBORO NATIONAL BANK, f/k/a ANNA NATIONAL BANK, an Illinois Banking Corporation, Plaintiff,**

**vs JOHN D. HAND, ANGELA R. HAND a/k/a ANGI R. HAND, DISCOVER BANK, STATE OF ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, (STATE OF ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE LIEN UNIT), and UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants. Case No. 2015-CH-17**

**NOTICE OF SALE**

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cap-

tioned matter on March 29, 2017, the Sheriff in Union County, will by public sale on **1st day of November, 2017 at 9 a.m.** in the Union County Courthouse, in Jonesboro, Illinois, sell at public venue to the highest and best bidder, for cash, or cashier's check drawn on a federally or state chartered bank of savings and loan, the following described real estate:

**EXHIBIT A**

**Legal Description:**

**Tract 1:**

A parcel of land being a part of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter and a part of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, all in Section 10, Township 12 South, Range 2 West of the third principal Meridian. Said parcel is also intended to be the same property described and recorded in Book 96, Page 322 in the Union County Courthouse in the name of Angela R. Glidewell and Marla S. Rendleman, dated September 30, 1992. Said parcel being more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the Northwest corner of said Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, same being the Southwest corner of said Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, being marked by an iron rod set; Thence S 0°-02'-00" W 5.90 feet along the west line of said Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter to an Iron Rod Set, this being the Northwest corner of said parcel and the point of beginning; Thence N 64°-22'-46" E 323.82 Feet, Passing into said Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, to an Iron Rod set at the Northeast corner of said parcel; Thence S 0°-02'-00" W 200.00 feet, passing into the said Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, to an iron rod found at the Southeast corner of said parcel; Thence S 64°-22'-46" W 323.82 Feet, passing an iron rod set at 229.53 feet, passing an iron rod found at 322.25 feet, to an iron rod set in the West line of said Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, this being the Southwest corner of said parcel; Thence N 0°-02'-00" E 200.00 feet along the West line of said Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, to a point of beginning. Said parcel to contain 1.340 acres, more or less. Said parcel being subject to all rights-of-way and Easements, recorded or otherwise.

**Tract 2:**

A perpetual, Non-Exclusive Easement for the benefit of Tract 1 described as follows: An Easement for right of Ingress and Egress and for all utilities, being a part of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 10 and a part of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 9, All in Township 12 South, Range 2 West of the Third Principal Meridian. Said Easement is also a part of property described and recorded in Book 96, Page 318, In the Union County Courthouse in the names of Lee Roy Rendleman and Marla S. Rendleman dated September 1992. Said Easement being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Southwest corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter. Being marked by a roof bolt found; Thence N 0°-02'-00" E 659.69 Feet along the West line of said Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, same being the East line of said Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, to an iron rod set, this being the point of Beginning; Thence along the South line of said Easement the following three calls: Thence S 48°-58'-39" W 83.53 feet; Thence S 37°-08'-47" W 128.14 Feet; Thence S 57°-02'-00" W 75.35 Feet to an iron rod set in the East right-of-way line of F.A.S. Route 923; Thence N 24°-12'-06" W 50.59 feet along the East right-of-way line to an iron rod set; Thence leaving said East right-of-way line the following three calls: Thence N 57°-02'-00" E 58.87 feet; Thence N 37°-08'-47" E 124.55 feet; Thence N 48°-58'-39" E 132.26 feet to an iron rod

set in the West line of said Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter; Thence N 0°-02'-00" E 443.90 Feet along the West line of Said Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter to an iron rod set at the Southwest corner of property described and recorded in Book 96, Page 322, In the name of Glidewell and Rendleman; Thence N 64°-22'-46" E 94.29 feet along the South Line of Said Glidewell and Rendleman property to an iron rod set; Thence S 0°-02'-00" W 477.00 feet, leaving last said line, passing an iron rod set at 410.69 feet, to an iron rod set, This being the Southeast corner of said Easement; Thence S 48°-58'-39" W 112.72 feet to the point of beginning.

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

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

Tiffany Busby  
Circuit Clerk

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 1ST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT UNION COUNTY - JONESBORO, ILLINOIS**

**ESTATE OF MICHAEL E. TALAGA, DECEASED. 17P 37**

Notice is given to creditors of the death of the above named decedent.

Letters of office were issued to ERIKA TALAGA, 1454 CANTIGNY WAY, WHEATON, ILLINOIS, 60187 as Independent ADMINISTRATOR, whose attorney of record is LISA M. KNAUF; PANKAU LAW OFFICE, P.C., 105 E IRVING PARK ROAD, ITASCA, ILLINOIS, 60143.

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.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the clerk

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Rm 101  
Jonesboro, Illinois 62952  
or with the representative, or both, on or before APRIL 12, 2018, or, if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by section 5/18-3 of the Probate Act, 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 representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

LISA M. KNAUF  
PANKAU LAW OFFICE,  
P.C.  
105 E IRVING PARK  
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**ILLINOIS CLASSIFIED NETWORK**

AIRLINE CAREERS for New Year - Become an Aviation Maintenance Tech. FAA approved training. Financial aid if qualified - Job placement assistance. Call AIM 800-481-8312



**Heron at area pond**

A heron was seen recently at a pond in Union County. The bird stayed in place long enough for a couple of photographs to be taken, and then flew away across the pond.



**You put your back foot in...**

...a turtle didn't seem to be doing the hokey pokey when this picture was taken recently during a visit to the pond at the Lincoln Memorial Picnic Grounds in Jonesboro.



**A tribute to our area veterans . . .**

The Gazette-Democrat will publish on November 9, 2017, a special commemorative issue in honor of our area veterans and service members currently serving on active duty. There will be no charge for this service.

Don't miss this opportunity to pay tribute to those who have proudly served or are still serving our country.

Please mail or bring on a picture of your veteran (living or deceased) or your family member still on active duty to:

**The Gazette-Democrat  
112 Lafayette Street  
Anna, IL 62906**

If you wish to repeat information about a veteran which was part of last year's section, you must notify the newspaper by writing or calling 618-833-2158. The deadline to submit an item is October 20.

Please include the following information:

- Name: \_\_\_\_\_
- Branch of Service: \_\_\_\_\_
- Service Dates: \_\_\_\_\_
- Rank: \_\_\_\_\_
- War Served in: \_\_\_\_\_
- or Peacetime Service: \_\_\_\_\_
- Awards and notes on service: \_\_\_\_\_

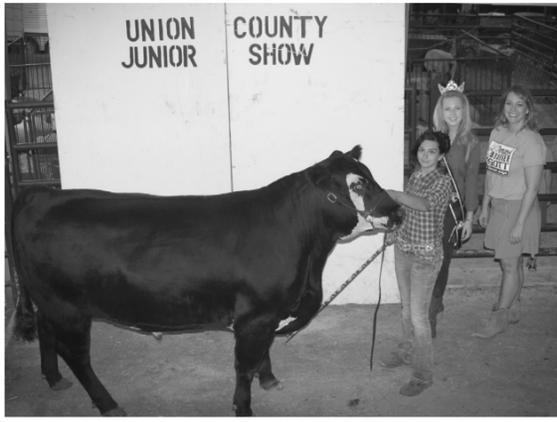
Pictures may be picked up after publication date.

# 2017 Union County Fair Junior Livestock Auction

## Market Steers



Jared Collier (right) raised this Grand Champion Market Steer. It was purchased by Crain Funeral Home, Whitney Accounting and Honey's. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Shaylee Lingle (left) raised this Reserve Grand Champion Market Steer. It was purchased by Amanda Byassee Gott. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Campbell Belcher (right) raised this Grand Champion Bull. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



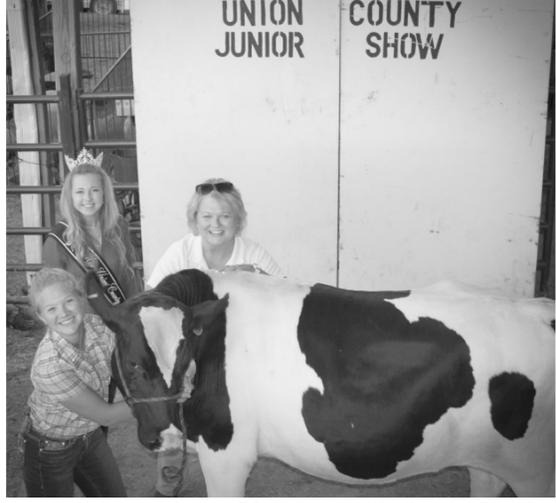
Shelbie Britton (right) raised this Grand Champion Female. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Ben Miller (right) raised this Reserve Champion Bull. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Jared Collier (right) raised this Reserve Champion Female. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Abigale Dahmer (left) raised this Market Steer. It was purchased by Terri Bryant. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Amanda Plott (center) raised this Market Steer. It was purchased by Plott Construction. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Cheyenne Lingle (left) raised this Market Steer. It was purchased by Steve Jones, Merschman. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



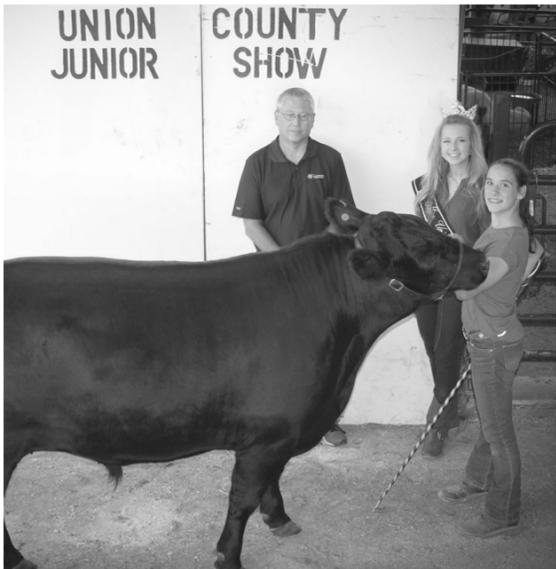
Edward Dahmer (second to right) raised this Market Steer. It was purchased by Anna State Bank.



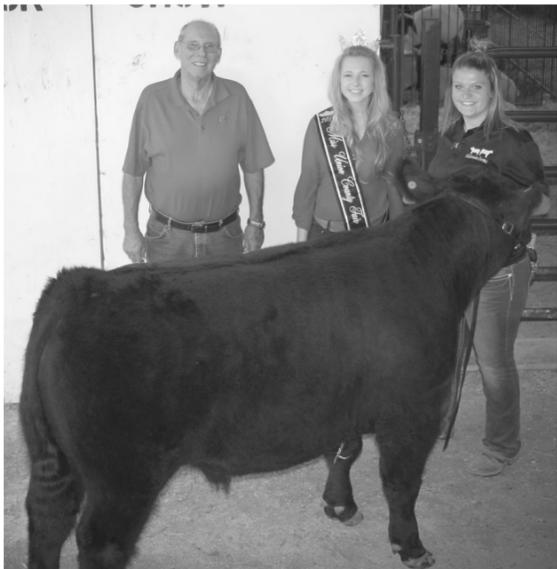
Evan Treat (center) raised this Market Steer. It was purchased by Cache River Chevrolet. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



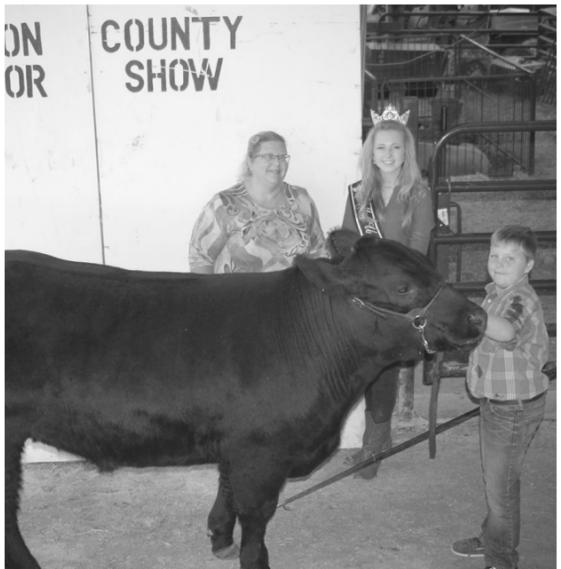
Kinley Lingle (right) raised this Market Steer. It was purchased by Joe Ollis. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Kaylee Stover (right) raised this Market Steer. It was purchased by Anna-Jonesboro National Bank. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Karlie Eddleman (right) raised this Market Steer. It was purchased by CG&B. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Lane Murray (right) raised this Market Steer. It was purchased by 3D Auctions. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Maci George (center) raised this Market Steer. It was purchased by Rusty's Home Center. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Timothy Plott raised this Market Steer. It was purchased by FWC Mark Wilman. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.

**Saluting Union County Fair Junior Livestock Auction buyers and sellers**

# Market Hogs



Julia Ellis (center) raised this Grand Champion Market Hog. It was purchased by DTM. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



J.P. Wilkins (right) raised this Reserve Grand Champion Market Hog. It was purchased by LKB Trucking. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Tyler Rich (right) raised this Market Hog. It was purchased by Anna State Bank. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Alex Palmer (right) raised this Market Hog. It was purchased by Operating Engineers. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Clay Schultz (center) raised this Market Hog. It was purchased by Best One Tire. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Brad Glasco (right) raised this Market Hog. It was purchased by Amanda Byassee Gott. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Brenni Jo Tripp (center) raised this Market Hog. It was purchased by Aces. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



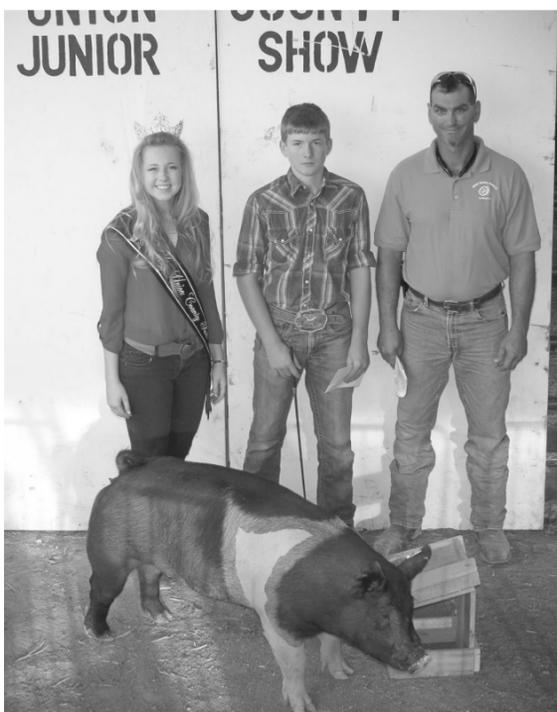
Ethan Palmer (right) raised this Market Hog. It was purchased by Operating Engineers. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



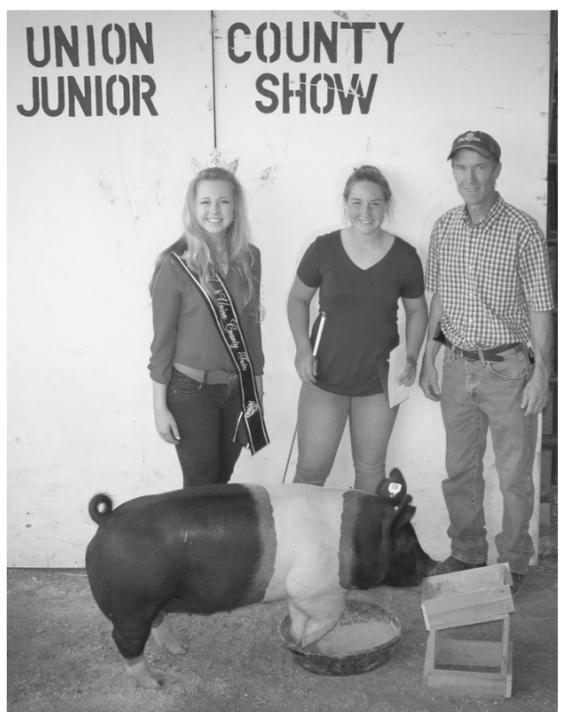
Katie McAlister (right) raised this Market Hog. It was purchased by Crain Funeral Home. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Jacob Ellis (right) raised this Market Hog. It was purchased by 3D Auctions. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Ben Miller (center) raised this Market Hog. It was purchased by Triple C. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Kaitlyn Shadowens (center) raised this Market Hog. It was purchased by Southern FS. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Mason Dunn (center) raised this Market Hog. It was purchased by Aisin. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.

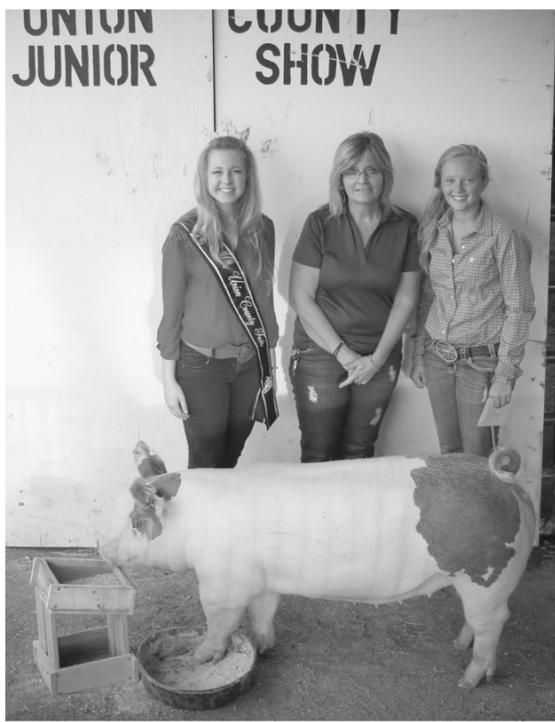


Payton Lingle (right) raised this Market Hog. It was purchased by MFA. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Seth Eddleman (right) raised this Market Hog. It was purchased by Dekalb. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.

# Market Hogs



Kirsten Brewer (right) raised this Market Hog. It was purchased by Aces. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Logan Rich (right) raised this Market Hog. It was purchased by Country Companies. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Madilyn Gawrych (right) raised this Market Hog. It was purchased by Basler Trucking. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Makayla Schultz (center) raised this Market Hog. It was purchased by Anna-Jonesboro National Bank. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Nicole Nance (right) raised this Market Hog. It was purchased by Baker Implements. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Brett Gawrych (center) raised this Market Hog. It was purchased by Anna-Jonesboro National Bank. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.

# Market Lambs



Haley Schultz (right) raised this Grand Champion Breeding Ewe. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Haley Schultz (right) raised this Reserve Grand Champion Breeding Ewe. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Carlie Claussen (center) raised this Market Lamb. It was purchased by Southern FS. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.

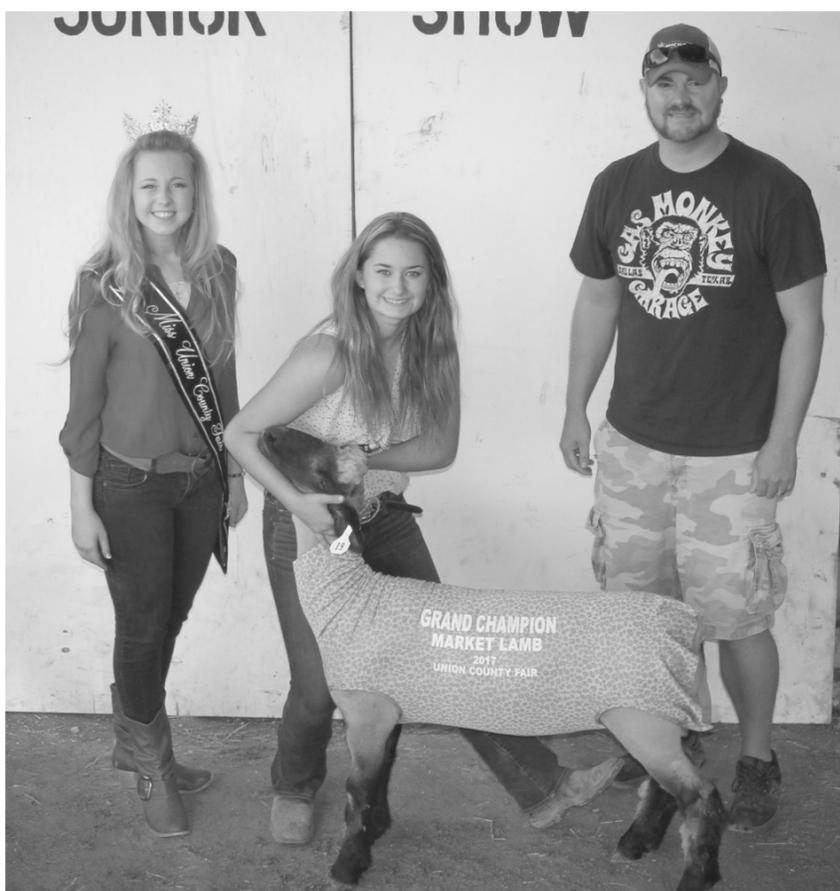


Carlie Junker (center) raised this Market Lamb. It was purchased by ACBL. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Colton Claussen (center) raised this Market Lamb. It was purchased by Terri Bryant. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.

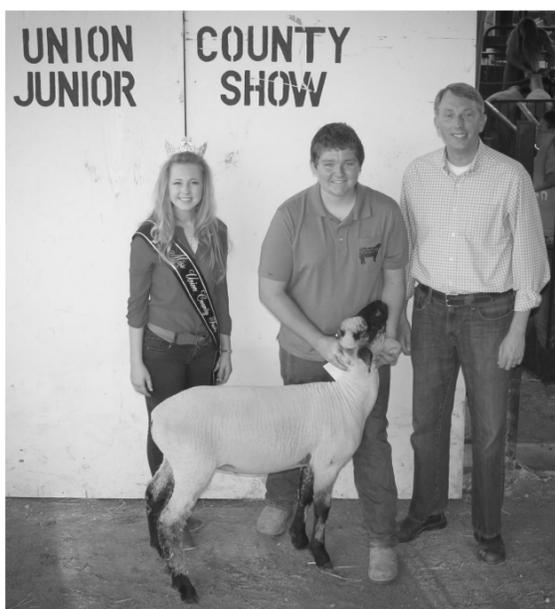
# Market Lambs



Haley Schultz (center) raised this Grand Champion Market Lamb. It was purchased by Best One Tire. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Cash Hodges (second from left) raised this Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb. It was purchased by Trainor Ag. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Dalton Browning (center) raised this Market Lamb. It was purchased by Jason Wentworth. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Hunter Craft (right) raised this Market Lamb. It was purchased by Cameron Law Firm. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Shelby Browning (center) raised this Market Lamb. It was purchased by Anna-Jonesboro National Bank. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.

**The Junior Livestock Auction was one of the highlights of the 2017 Union County Fair in Anna. These pages feature area young people who raised the livestock and those who made the purchases at the auction. The Union County Fair Queen, Erin Dillow, also attended the auction. Appreciation goes to all of those who supported the Junior Livestock Auction.**



Megan Theis (right) raised this Market Lamb. It was purchased by FB McAfoos. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Jace Lintz (center) raised this Market Lamb. It was purchased by Tyler Edmonds. Also pictured is Erin Dillow, 2017 Union County Fair Queen.



Junior Livestock Auction 2017.

# Obituaries

## Judy Vaughn

Judy Vaughn, 58, of Jonesboro, died at 6:25 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 3, 2017, at Integrity Healthcare of Cobden.

She was born on Aug. 25, 1959, in Cairo, the daughter of Walter and Louise Kelly Kelley.

She married Richard Vaughn on Nov. 6, 1981, in Anna.

She is survived by her husband, Richard Vaughn of Jonesboro; her mother, Louise Kelley of Anna; daughters Sara (Charlie) Ebersohl of Anna and Tracey Vaughn of Jonesboro; grandchildren Lexi, Logan, Dylan and Mathew; best friend Sue Holland of Belvidere; niece Michelle Hartline of Dongola; other family and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her father, Walter Kelley; and a brother, David Woodworth.

She was a member of the New Beginning Church in Anna. She loved scrapbooking, working in her flower garden, yard sales and spending time with her grandchildren at sporting events.

Funeral services for Judy Vaughn were at 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 7, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Jonesboro, with Pastor Lonnie Lewis officiating. Interment was in the Jonesboro Cemetery.

Memorials can be made to the American Cancer Society.

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

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



# Pedal-Pa-Looza event planned at Vienna Park

Pedal-Pa-Looza, a family friendly event, is planned Oct. 14 at the Vienna City Park in Vienna.

Area residents are invited to join State Sen. Dale Fowler, R-Harrisburg, and various Johnson County officials for a day of bicycling, which is the official state exercise of Illinois.

Pedal-Pa-Looza is geared toward younger children who may want to learn more about bike safety.

"Every kid loves riding their bike, but not every kid has learned basic bike safety. Pedal-Pa-Looza is a great opportunity to spend some quality time with your family, and learn a little along the way," Fowler

said in a news release.

Fowler's legislation to designate cycling the official state exercise of Illinois was recently signed into law.

Representatives from local bicycling groups will be on hand. Helmets are required to participate, but no rider will be turned away for being without a helmet.

Organizers asked that anyone without a helmet reach out to Fowler's office, as a limited number of helmets will be available.

Helmets will be sent home with participating children. Participants are also asked to please bring a bike in good working order.

"This event also gives

us a great opportunity to showcase the Tunnel Hill Bike Trail, which was created on what used to be a rail line bringing passengers in Pullman cars south," said Fowler.

"The 55-mile trail extends from Eldorado to Vienna and ends just outside of Karnak. It's a great way to enjoy one of the most scenic routes in Southern Illinois."

Pedal-Pa-Looza is scheduled to take place at the Vienna City Park, located along Illinois Route 146, East, from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Free food, soft drinks and balloons will be provided. Additionally, there will be a chance for partici-

pating young people to win one of several bicycles that have been donated.

Event sponsors include the City of Vienna, the Johnson County Board, the Vienna City Park, Phoenix Cycling, Wiggs Bicycles in Benton, the Vienna Masonic Lodge, the Vienna Elks Club, Vienna Modern Woodsman, the Vienna VFW, Sheriff Woody and local residents Phillip Fritts, Mike Scott and Phillip Morris.

A copy of the event flier, and more information, can be found at [www.senatorfowler.com](http://www.senatorfowler.com).

Information also is available by contacting Fowler's Harrisburg office at 618-294-8951.

# Jonesboro School Menu

## Jonesboro School Menu

Monday, Oct. 16: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, fresh fruit, orange juice, choice of lowfat milk. Lunch: Elementary: Chicken nuggets with mojo sauce with chips and salsa or crispy chicken patty sandwich, broccoli with cheese, salsa, fresh delicious apple half. Middle: Chicken nuggets with mojo sauce, tortilla chips; broccoli with cheese; ham and turkey chef salad with croutons and dinner roll; pepperoni pizza, cheese pizza, chicken patty sandwich; Caesar salad, salsa, fresh apple half, fresh whole fruit.

Tuesday, Oct. 17: Breakfast: Ham, egg and cheese burrito, fresh fruit, apple juice, choice of lowfat milk. Lunch: Elementary: Taco Tuesday: Taco turkey crumble or turkey and cheese sandwich, seasoned corn, seasoned pinto beans, peachy summer salad. Middle: Soft shell tacos; seasoned corn; chicken Caesar salad with croutons and dinner roll; pepperoni pizza, cheese pizza; turkey and cheese sandwich, Caesar salad, seasoned pinto beans, peachy summer fruit salad, fresh whole fruit.

Wednesday, Oct. 18: Breakfast: Food court smoothie/cinnamon toast, apple, choice of lowfat milk. Lunch: Elementary: I Luv Pasta: Chili mac with dinner roll or chicken Caesar salad with dinner roll, tender green beans, cranberry spinach sesame salad, orange wedges. Middle: Chili mac with dinner roll or chicken Caesar

salad with roll; tender green beans; ham and turkey chef salad with croutons and dinner roll; pepperoni pizza, cheese pizza; spicy chicken sandwich; cranberry spinach salad, orange wedges, fresh whole fruit.

Thursday, Oct. 19: Breakfast: French toast sticks with syrup, fresh fruit, grape juice, choice of lowfat milk. Lunch: Elementary: Biscuit and gravy with sausage patty or

turkey hot dog, home fried potatoes, marinated tomato and cucumber salad, orange juice. Middle: Biscuit and gravy, sausage patty; home fried potatoes; chicken Caesar salad with croutons and dinner roll; pepperoni pizza, cheese pizza; hot dog; Caesar salad, marinated tomato and cucumber salad, orange juice, fresh whole fruit.

Friday, Oct. 20: Breakfast: Sausage biscuit sand-

wich, fresh fruit, apple juice, choice of lowfat milk. Lunch: Elementary: Pepperoni pizza or blueberry muffin fun lunch, tater tots, fresh grape tomatoes, pineapple tidbits. Middle: Classic cheese pizza; tater tots; ham and turkey chef salad with croutons and dinner roll; pepperoni pizza, cheese pizza; spicy chicken sandwich; Caesar salad, grape tomatoes, pineapple tidbits, fresh whole fruit.

# Reynoldsville News

by Sue Eudy

Happy birthday wishes to our granddaughter, Emily Wachter of Marble Hill, Mo., on Thursday, Oct. 12.

Sunday visitors of Sue and Steve Eudy were Ryan Wachter of Jonesboro, Jonathon Bohnert of Cape Girardeau and Emma and Kevin Eudy of Jackson, Mo.

Greg and Amy Reynolds and Dolores and Jack Reynolds, all of Reynoldsville, and Barb and Edwin Livesay of Anna ate at Texas Roadhouse in Cape Girardeau on Sunday.

Those attending a birthday celebration Sunday afternoon at the home of Jonathon and Betsy Oxford in Anna celebrating the September birthdays of Brylee, 16 years old, Nash, 13 years old, and Kendyl, 3 years old, were Jackie and Jay Jennings of Reynoldsville, Gracie Wilson of Cape Girardeau and Dolores Reynolds.

Brad and Lori Pender of Jonesboro and Kristin Pender of Indiana visited Sunday with Maxine and Fred Pender of Fair City.

Tony and Richard Pender of Metropolis visited Saturday with Fred and Maxine Pender.

Shirley Miller of McClure and Elva Scantlin of Harrisburg met Tuesday at

Cracker Barrel in Marion for lunch.

Those helping Berniece McRaven of Fair City celebrate her 83rd birthday on Sunday, Oct. 8, at Habachi House in Cape Girardeau were Donna McRaven and Chet Hudgins of Dongola, Don and Mary McRaven of Belknap, Darrell W. McRaven of Cape Girardeau, David and Brandy Renshaw, Renee Renshaw, Tara Farrell and Daphne Huffman, all of Thebes, Chelsea and Athena Clover of Park Hills, Mo., Angela Strong, Kyle Strong, Kameron Strong, Jacob and Devon Jennings, Eva and Junior Salb, all of Goreville, Joel and Kelsey Huffman and Juniper, Tina and Zeb Boles. Joining them for cake and ice cream at Berniece's home were Darrell McRaven of Jonesboro, Diane Hudgins, Clint and Jessie Hudgins, Killian Hudgins, Ariana and Tasha Cosenza, all of Dongola.

Venita and Robert Lingle of Anna were supper guests of Sue and Steve Eudy Monday night.

October is Pastor Appreciation Month. Our pastor at Reynoldsville Missionary Baptist Church is Rev. Jamie Bridgeman of Cape Girardeau.

# Cobden Elementary School students honored for showing responsibility

Students at Cobden Elementary School were honored for displaying excellence in regards to the August/September character education trait of responsibility. Three students from each classroom in kindergarten through 5th were selected by their teachers to receive an excellence certificate and to attend an excellence breakfast. Following the breakfast, a raffle was held for Barnes & Noble gift cards, which were provided by the Cobden Elementary PTO. The character education trait for October is respect. Photos provided.



Gift card winners: Gift card winners included, from left, Natalie Marks, Mackenzie Jackson, Selena Flores, Dash Garrison and Gus Stevens.



Students honored for showing responsibility included, by grade: Kindergarten: Cooper Duckworth, Clara Long, Kate Mason, Jesse Miller, Gus Stevens and Jaylyn Stroehlein. First grade: Juan Carlos Aguilar-Garcia, Jose de Jesus Carmona, Melisa Carmona-Murillo, Maggie Clutts, Matthew Marks and Henry Pearson. Second grade: Scarlett Bergseth, Keela Kaszubski, Carter Miller, Jennie Murillo-Lopez, Madge Stevens and Shane Underwood. Third grade: Brisa Calderon, Selena Flores, Dash Garrison, Evaline Kaszubski, Lupita Zamora and Elisa Vicente. Fourth grade: Autumn Ebersohl, Alyssa Fabian, Natalie Marks, Ana Olvera-Amezquita, Ana Rafael and Ava Rothweiler. Fifth grade: Wyatt Fisher, Mackenzie Jackson, Maria Martinez, Madison Moreland, Fatima Murillo and Emma Roberts.

Obituaries Online at **anna news .com**

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Honored for reading achievements Cobden Elementary School has honored students who reached their goals during September in the school-wide Accelerated Reading program. Students are required to read books and to take comprehension tests on a computer to achieve their points. Students who were in the 25 Point Club for September included, from left, Grant Miller, Autumn Mosely and Mallory Adamitis. Photo provided.

# Farm Bureau plans to commemorate 100th annual meeting

The Union County Farm Bureau continues to make plans for its 100th annual meeting. The meeting is planned on Thursday, Nov. 2, at the Great Boars of Fire Lodge between Anna and Cobden.

**100th Annual Meeting**  
The 100th annual meeting of Union County Farm Bureau on Nov. 2 at the Great Boars of Fire Lodge will feature displays of historical significance, including Farm Bureau memorabilia from the collection of Illinois Farm Bureau, as well as items from other local collections.

**Photos, Other Documents**  
As the organization approaches the 100th annual meeting and celebration of this important milestone, the planning committee is seeking any old photos of agriculture and farming history of Union County, especially photos of barns, and ag businesses, including feed stores and equipment dealers.

Pre-meeting and dinner entertainment will include music by the Hollerboys. The meal begins at 6 p.m., followed by a business meeting at around 7 p.m. The purpose of the meeting will be for members to receive, consider and, if approved, confirm and ratify the reports of the board of directors for the fiscal year which ended June 30, 2017; to elect directors; and for the transaction of other business which may properly come before the meeting.

Annual meeting committee members Paul Rich, Larry Hale, Halford Dillow and Mark Eddleman are asking community members to bring photos or copies of photos and past documents that will be helpful in commemorating 100 years of progress in Union County agriculture, the organization and paying tribute to members.

Following the business meeting, a special program will highlight Union County Farm Bureau milestones from the last 100 years.

Items will be scanned by staff at the Union County Farm Bureau office in Jonesboro. Copies of old annual meeting programs are welcome as well.

Guest speaker for the event is scheduled to be Illinois Farm Bureau president Richard Guebert.

Already scanned images can be emailed to unionfb@frontier.com.

The Farm Bureau noted that reservations are required in advance for those who plan to attend.

Anyone with information or questions can contact the manager at the Farm Bureau office by calling

To RSVP, or for more information, contact the Union County Farm Bureau office at 833-2125 by no later than Oct. 20.



## Welcoming visitors

Those who are out and about for the upcoming ColorFest activities in Union County will have an opportunity to see a unique creation which is on display at Flamm Orchards near Cobden. Betsy and Alan Flamm of Cobden created a display which features Goo, Milo the dog and Nellie the horse. The main characters were created using a variety of locally grown items. Flamm Orchards is located along old U.S. Route 51, north of Cobden.

## Inaugural Southern Illinois Piano Festival planned at SIU

The School of Music at Southern Illinois University Carbondale plans to present a new music festival during October.

Junghwa Lee, associate professor of piano and an accomplished performance musician, said interest in piano is fairly high in the Carbondale area, with many piano teachers maintaining waiting lists for future students.

Lee, with Yuko Kato, associate professor of piano and coordinator of keyboard at SIU, both plan to present piano clinics and master classes during the festival.

Lee and Kato were available at the same time. And that's part of the idea of the festival, to present various performers to students and the community, and to provide a higher level of piano education."

The inaugural Southern Illinois Piano Festival is planned Oct. 14-18.

This is encouraging for music educators and piano teachers," she said.

The guest artists are scheduled to be Nina Ferrigno and Sanro Russo.

Attendance at recitals and master classes is free. Fees apply to clinics.

The festival is scheduled to feature guest musicians, the SIU piano faculty, recitals, master classes and clinics.

"The idea for the Southern Illinois Piano Festival came to fruition this October partly because we had two

Ferrigno is a teacher of applied music at Washington University in St. Louis.

A complete schedule, and registration information, is available at [cola.siu.edu/music/camps-festivals-outreach/festivals/piano-festival.php](http://cola.siu.edu/music/camps-festivals-outreach/festivals/piano-festival.php).

## Cache River Watershed area van tours scheduled

Plans are being made for guided van tours of the Cache River Watershed area in Southern Illinois on Friday, Oct. 27.

location of the Barkhausen Cache River Wetlands Center and Cache River State Natural Area.

She is a founding member of the Boston-based Calyx Piano Trio performing ensemble. She presents a concert for two pianos with Cato at 5:30 p.m. Oct. 16 at Shryock Auditorium.

## Open studio tour set at SIU

Organizers noted that the tours are designed for senior citizens and persons with physical limitations. Reservations are required.

For information about the tours and their departure times, or to make a reservation, call 618-657-2064.

Russo, a native of San Giovanni Gemini, Italy, is

The School of Art and Design at Southern Illinois University Carbondale invites the community into its creative space during its annual open studio event, which is set for Oct. 13.

Three tours are being planned. Various departure times are scheduled.

## Weather Rain recorded

## Wurst Mart set in Jacob

Those who go on the tours will have an opportunity to experience the change of seasons, to see fall wildflower and leaf colors, and to learn more about the wildlife, history and hydrology of the Cache River Watershed.

The Union County area received some welcomed rainfall during the period of Oct. 3-9.

Christ Lutheran Church in Jacob is planning to host the 59th annual Wurst Mart on Sunday, Oct. 15.

## Dunn reunion set in Vienna

The tour will explore a section of the Tunnel Hill State Trail between Vienna and the Rago area, now the

Precipitation included .39 of an inch of rain Oct. 7, .10 of an inch of rain Oct. 8 and .55 of an inch of rain Oct. 9. Heavy rain fell Monday night and Tuesday morning.

A church service starts at 9 a.m. Dinner will be served from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be numbered meal tickets.

Here's a look at the schedule of events:

Big Creek Baptist Church near Anna is planning to host a free family fun event on Saturday, Oct. 21.

High temperatures during the period generally were in the 80s.

The dinner will be served in the Christ Lutheran gym, rain or shine.

3 p.m. Foundry, 1506 W. Pleasant Hill Rd., sculpture, and the site for metal pours.

## Big Creek plans family event

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

An all-you-can-eat dinner will be served. Cost for adults is \$11, children under 12 are \$5 and children under 5 eat for free.

5 p.m. Glove Factory, 432 Washington Ave.; for painting, drawing, print-making and sculpture.

Activities are scheduled to begin at 4 p.m. The event will feature a hay ride, a chili cook-off, games, a bounce house and more.

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Tuesday, Oct. 3	81	66
Wednesday, Oct. 4	85	63
Thursday, Oct. 5	84	61
Friday, Oct. 6	85	60
Saturday, Oct. 7	85	64
Sunday, Oct. 8	75	62
Monday, Oct. 9	86	67

On the menu will be fresh whole hog pork sausage, mashed potatoes, sauerkraut with backbones, green beans, applesauce, dessert and drinks.

Lunch is planned at 12:30 p.m. Meat, drinks and paper products will be provided.

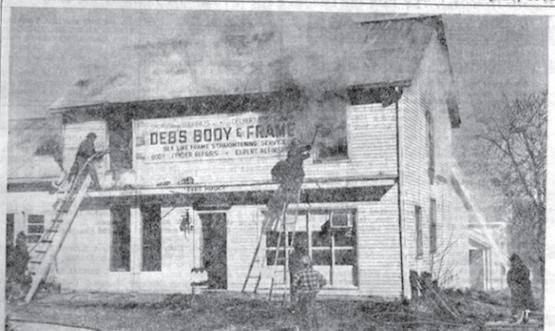
Work is being done to create a picture album which will be created for the bicentennial.

Those working on the project are seeking old pictures of Jonesboro - anything 50 years of age or older which features people, groups, buildings, businesses and advertisements.

A Sunday sale of fresh whole hog sausage and liver sausage is planned until they are sold out.

Reunion organizers ask those who plan to attend to bring covered dishes and desserts (but they are not required).

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**Fire at Deb's Body & Frame, 1976. Photo provided.**



**The Ferrills, with Jonesboro School in the background. Photo provided.**

## Wanted Old pictures of Jonesboro; can be brought to city hall Oct. 14

Area residents are invited to share the old pictures of Jonesboro for a project which is underway to help celebrate the 2018 bicentennial of the Union County community.

Work is being done to create a picture album which will be created for the bicentennial.

Those working on the project are seeking old pictures of Jonesboro - anything 50 years of age or older which features people, groups, buildings, businesses and advertisements.

Pictures can be brought to Jonesboro City Hall on Saturday, Oct. 14, between 9 a.m. and noon. Pictures will be scanned on computer equipment while those who bring them in wait.

The organizers of the project noted that it would be helpful if the following information can be written down and shared: the name and location of the picture, any people who are included and an estimated date of the picture.

All of the pictures which are shared may not be used in the album; however, all of the pictures will be preserved digitally for future generations.

Digital pictures and information can be emailed to [hileman14@frontier.com](mailto:hileman14@frontier.com). For more information, call Jonesboro City Hall at 833-2712.



**A-JCHS class of 1962 reunion**  
Members of the Anna-Jonesboro Community High School class of 1962 had their 55th reunion last Saturday evening in Anna. Linda Warren was chairperson of the event planning for the reunion, which spanned three days.

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## Pumpkin People coming to Choate

The Pumpkin People are coming to visit Clyde L. Choate Mental Health and Developmental Center in Anna this October.

Twenty area businesses/organizations have committed to setting up displays, which can be viewed Oct. 13-22.

The trail of pumpkin people will depict various scenes from Dr. Seuss stories.

Using approximately 110 pumpkins from St. Mary's Pumpkin Patch, 95 bales of straw donated by Stegle Plumbing and 55 mums from the Choate greenhouse, it seems the Pumpkin People cast a spell and the campus dons a new look.

## Counseling service plans run/walk event

Union County Counseling Service, UCCS, plans to host its third 5K run/walk on Oct. 21.

The event is set for 9 a.m. at the Anna City Park in Anna.

The counseling service works to improve the mental health of children and adults throughout the communities it serves.

Proceeds generated by the run/walk will be used to support activities for the counseling service's clients of all ages.

Corporate sponsorships and donations are welcomed to help support the event.

To learn more about the run/walk, contact Susie Adams at 833-8551 or susie.adams@uccsinc.org.

Registration and sponsorship forms are available through Union County Counseling Service's Facebook page.

## Colors at Cross set at Bald Knob

Fall Colors at the Cross is scheduled on Saturday, Oct. 21, at the Bald Knob Cross of Peace on Bald Knob Mountain near Alto Pass.

The event is planned from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Music, food and more are planned.

For more information, call 618-893-2344 or visit [www.baldknobcross.com](http://www.baldknobcross.com).

## Monster Bash scheduled

A Monster Bash is planned Saturday, Oct. 14, at the Kroger store in Anna.

The bash is scheduled from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m.

The day will feature games, music, a raffle, candy, vendors, a yard sale and free soda.

## Youth group planning 5K

St. Mary's Catholic Church in Anna is planning a Youth Group 5K Run.

The run will be at Anna City Park on Saturday, Oct. 14.

The 5K begins at 8:30 a.m. and a one mile run begins at 9:30 a.m.

## Anna church planning 5K

Anna Heights Baptist Church is planning to host a 5K run on Saturday, Oct. 14, from 7 a.m. to noon.

The race will take place at Anna Heights Baptist Church, which is located at 100 Turner Ave. in Anna.

For more information, call 618-833-5916.

## Eastern Star to serve lunch

Anna Eastern Star is hosting lunch on Saturday, Oct. 14, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Shriners building at Anna City Park.

The menu includes ham and beans, corn bread and drink (water, tea or coffee) for \$4.

A continuous line of cars parade through the grounds, bringing thousands of visitors to witness the creativity and ingenuity of the displays.

Choate Mental Health and Developmental Center is located at 1000 N. Main St. in Anna.

Businesses and organizations participating include:

Anna-Jonesboro National Bank; Reppert Publications; Cobden School; Choate Rehab and staff; Jim & Dot's Western Store; RAVE Inc; Walgreens; Lick Creek Pre-K; Casey's General Store of Jonesboro; Horse-shoe Lakers 4-H; Jonesboro Rehab & Health Care; Tri-County School; SIU Credit Union; Sunrise Pre-school; Southern Seven Head Start; Illinois Guardianship and Advocacy Commission; JR Centre; Pearson Farms; Kroger; A-J Clever Clovers 4-H; and Integrity Healthcare of Cobden.

For more information, contact Southernmost Illinois Tourism Bureau at 618-833-9928.

## Pickin' at Patch slated

Pickin' at the Patch is scheduled on Saturday, Oct. 14, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Rendleman Orchards near Alto Pass.

A Fall Market Day with creative vendors of vintage, primitives, rust, junk, antique and handmade items is planned, featuring Big Blue's Que, unique shopping, fresh-picked apples, apple cider donuts and apple cider slushes.

There will also be an outdoor photo booth in the patch.

Admission is \$1, which will help support Bald Knob Cross of Peace.

For more information, visit <http://rendlemanorchards.com/>.

## Union County ColorFest Activities

### Union County Museum plans special hours for ColorFest

The Union County Museum, located in downtown Cobden on South Appleknocker Street, plans to have special hours for Union County ColorFest.

Hours are scheduled Saturday, Oct. 14, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday hours will be from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The museum is presenting a special exhibit titled "Southern Illinois Sports" that features photos of sports teams from various eras and locations.

### Jonesboro celebrates ColorFest

The City of Jonesboro is holding a ColorFest Celebration on Friday, Oct. 13, and Saturday, Oct. 14.

On Friday, dinner is from 4 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. On Saturday, dinner is from 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.

The Jonesboro Library will be serving chicken and dumplings, homemade cobbler, breads and other desserts on both days.

Music by Danny and the Dreamers is planned from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Friday.

On Saturday, music by Joe Miller is planned from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Music by the Hollerboys is scheduled from 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

The Jonesboro ColorFest events will take place in the parking lot west of the Jonesboro Post Office, between the post office and Dixie BBQ, on the corner of West Broad and North Illinois.

Vendors include Hickory Hog BBQ, Sinisi's El Fresco, Lu Laroe, SeneGence, Scentsy and a flea market.

## Kids' Fest features Wiener Dog events

Kid's Fest, featuring the 14th annual Wiener Dog Race and Wiener Dog Fashion show, is scheduled to take place on Saturday, Oct. 14, at the Anna City Park.

Admission is a suggested \$3 donation, but is not required. Donations will benefit endangered and abused children.

Kids activities are planned from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Activities include a bounce house, a Puppet Power Puppet Show, face painting, a Walgreens photo booth and train rides.

Hot dogs, hamburgers and other concession items will be available for purchase.

All proceeds go to the Children's Medical and Mental Health Resource Network.

Wiener dog race and fashion show registration is from 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

Opening announcements with wiener dog trivia is at 1 p.m.

The dapper dachshund costume contest begins at 1:10 p.m.

The dachshund derby begins at 1:30 p.m., with final closing announcements, awards and pictures at 2 p.m.

For more information or to volunteer, contact Ginger Meyer at 618-833-6488.

## Community, business group planning activities in Cobden

ColorFest activities are planned Saturday, Oct. 14, in Cobden.

Activities are scheduled from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the park in downtown Cobden.

The Cobden Community & Business Association is sponsoring the events. Food, music, vendors and more are planned.

The Cobden Fire Department will have trucks at the park and pictures with kids.

Rolling Hills Alpaca Farm will have alpacas for petting and viewing. Hand-crafted alpaca wool products also will be available.

Union County animal control will have dogs and cats for petting and adoption, as well as reduced price veterinary services.

The Cobden Art Club will be selling mums and pumpkins. An FFA informational booth will be on hand.

Kids face painting and other activities are planned. Music is planned throughout the day with The Country Gentlemen, as well as other acts.

A beard and mustache contest is planned. Vendor booths will be set up.

Food will be served, including bratwursts, hot dogs, pulled pork, ribbon fries, fresh cider and more.

## Cook-off set at Anna church

A "Burnt Offering BBQ Cook-Off" is planned Oct. 14 at the First Christian Church in Anna.

The men and women of First Christian Church in Anna are going to be in competition to determine who will be crowned as pit master.

The public is invited to come and enjoy the free food and show.

The competition is scheduled from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Judging is planned from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

A meal will be served starting at 5 p.m. The meal will include pulled pork sandwiches, cole slaw, potato salad, baked beans and desserts.



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Section B



**Country setting**  
The Anna-Jo Garden Club has presented its October garden of the month award to Carolyn Cates.

## Garden of month honored

The recipient for the October garden of the month award presented by the Anna-Jo Garden Club is Carolyn Cates.

Her garden is located at a country setting at 230 Cates Ln., Anna.

The garden club shared

the following information about the gardener and her garden:

With innovation, Carolyn has used past years' flower pouches to hold impatiens and stabilized them by a board placed on the antique hay rake.

Carolyn has been seriously gardening in three different places in her yard this year.

She has been busy watering almost daily with the ritual of lightly fertilizing every Thursday.

The area where she is standing is like a big beautiful welcome area as you drive in.

Her front porch, where she and husband Ed relax, is adorned with over-the-side hang me downs of creeping Jenny, accompanied by impatiens, Mandevilla, Boston ferns and begonias.

Somehow the creeping Jenny is quite the attraction in that area of the porch as it gracefully sprawls down towards the ground.

Carolyn had plantings of various begonias colorfully accenting her gardens.

To the back of the home site is yet another sitting garden area and a perfect spot for that wakeup cup of coffee in the morning.

This sitting garden has a running water feature installed by husband Ed. Carolyn brings wildlife into her garden with birdhouses and bird feeders and a water source. Gardening well done: thank you Carolyn Cates.

## Trail advocacy group members do volunteer maintenance work

The U.S. Forest Service reports that members from two trail advocacy groups recently joined forces to improve one of the most popular trails in Southern Illinois: the River to River Trail.

Members from Shawnee Trail Conservancy and Back Country Horsemen of Missouri volunteered for a service day hauling gravel by pack animal into Lusk Creek Wilderness.

Since designated wilderness provides a back country experience, mechanized/motorized equipment is not allowed, not even for trail maintenance.

To get heavy work done in these places, such as hardening trail surfaces with stone, pack animals carry in the stone. Then, hand tools are used to spread gravel on the trail.

Twenty-one volunteers joined three Forest Service employees and the Hoosier National Forest mule team to work on the project.

The trail maintenance project is just one of several River to River Trail improvements taking place along the 157-mile trail.

The project is made possible with a Forest Service grant from the National Stewardship Wilderness Alliance.

Organizations such as Shawnee Trail Conservancy not only contributed \$2,500 towards the matching grant, but also are providing volunteer hours on other River to River service work days.

Shawnee Trail Conservancy extended the hospitality even further by paying for camping fees of the Back Country Horsemen of Missouri at a local equine camp.

## Legislator hosting supply drive for Women's Center

To help bring more attention to Domestic Violence Awareness Month, State Rep. Natalie Phelps Finnie, D-Elizabethtown, is hosting a women's supply drive to benefit the Women's Center during October.

"The Women's Center is a great organization that provides shelter, counseling and other services to survivors of domestic violence, and they serve the entire southern region of our state," Phelps Finnie said in a news release.

"Unfortunately, during the budget impasse, the Women's Center came dangerously close to closing their doors for good, and that would have been catastrophic for our area.

"They are still feeling some of the impacts of the budget stalemate, so I am asking folks to help donate to ensure that the Women's Center is still able to help women and children in need."

Phelps Finnie is asking for donations of the following items: diapers of all sizes, baby wipes, pacifiers,

baby bottles, baby food, toothbrushes and toothpaste, deodorant, bars of soap, shampoo and conditioner, combs, brushes, toilet paper, paper towels, laundry detergent, cleaning supplies, large garbage bags and backpacks.

"To stop domestic violence, we must work together to ensure that survivors know that they have the support and resources needed," said Phelps Finnie.

"Not only will this help raise needed supplies for the Women's Center and help reduce some of their basic costs, but we are also able to bring more awareness to an issue that affects too

many women in Southern Illinois."

Donations can be brought to Phelps Finnie's constituent service office, located at 607 S. Commercial St. in Harrisburg, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Phelps Finnie also noted that if you or someone you know is suffering from domestic violence, call the following number:

The National Domestic Violence Hotline, 1-800-799-7233 (SAFE) or 1-800-787-3224 (TTY); or visit [www.domesticshelters.org](http://www.domesticshelters.org). Anonymous, confidential help available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.



**Flags at half-staff**  
Flags in front of Anna City Hall and the Anna fire and police station were flown at half-staff last week on behalf of the victims of the shooting tragedy in Las Vegas, Nev.

## Haunted house planned at arts center

A Halloween season "Haunted House of Horrors" is planned at the Shawnee Hills Arts Council's Anna Arts Center in Anna. The arts center is located at 125 W. Davie St.

Dates for the haunted house include Oct. 13, 14, 20, 21, 27, 28 and 31. Hours are from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. each day.

Admissions is \$5 per person, or groups of five for \$20.

Proceeds will be shared by the Anna-Jonesboro Community High School Theater Boosters and the Anna Arts Center.

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# News from Anna Nazarene Church

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

The offertory was provided by Randy Wright, with Mark Smith, Curly Ralls, T.J. Macy and Jacob Wright serving as ushers.

Special music was provided by Jessica Elkins and Abby Barlow.

The morning message, "When You're Under Pressure," was brought by Pastor McBride from 2nd Corinthians.

The message shared that "the world can only teach us to cope with pressure but God can convert it into producing godly character."

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

Special music was provided by Stanley and Marilyn Elkins, with Curly Ralls and Robert Smith serving as ushers.

The evening message, "Developing Authentic Relationships," was brought by Pastor McBride from Romans.

The message shared that "authentic relationship is

# News from First Baptist Church, Jonesboro

On Sunday, Oct. 8, Pastor Mike Turner presented the sermon, "Little Lights in a Darkened World," with scripture from Philippians. Interim music director Dee Rose led worship.

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

A school ministry meeting is planned at 9 a.m. Friday, Oct. 13.

Due to the Clear Creek Baptist Association's annual meeting on Sunday, Oct. 15, the evening service is cancelled.

Service times: Welcome and refreshments, 8:30 a.m.; Bible study small groups, 9 a.m.; Together in Worship, 10 a.m.

# Nelons to sing

The multi-Dove Award winning and Grammy nominated recording artists, The Nelons, will be featured at a service which is planned Friday night, Oct. 13, in Thompsonville.

The musical service is set to begin at 7 p.m. and will be at the First Baptist Church, which is located at 21238 Shawneetown Rd. For more information, call 618-200-0578 or visit www.thenelons.com.

# Friends, Family Day set at church

Friends and Family Day is planned at Alexander Free Will Baptist Church near Olive Branch on Sunday, Oct. 15, starting at 11 a.m.

Special music will be presented by The Jean Family.

The church is located at 23335 Brownsville Rd., 2 miles north of Olive Branch on Route 3. For more information, call 618-776-5317.

# Hinson to sing at area church

Trinity Assembly of God church in Olive Branch plans to present a free gospel sing with Ronny Hinson at 11 a.m. on Sunday, Oct. 15.

For more information, call Pastor Stephen Clardy at 573-225-8580 or 618-833-3089.

# Nurses receive greater authority to administer health services in Illinois

HB 313, which will grant greater authority to registered and licensed nurses in Illinois in administering health services and lift burdensome licensing regulations, has been signed into law.

Gov. Bruce Rauner signed the measure. The governor said the bill "will empower nurses to administer the services that they

are fully equipped and educated to perform."

"I'm happy that Illinoisans across the state will be able to rely more on highly qualified and skilled nurses to deliver care when access to a physician may be inhibited due to costs or geographic barriers."

After the successful completion and notarized attestation of 250 hours

of continuing education or training, and at least 4,000 hours of clinical experience working with a physician or in a hospital, advance practice registered nurses would qualify for full practice authority.

For example, APRNs will now have ability to prescribe certain con-

trolled medications.

The expansion of nursing practice authority aligns Illinois with the policies of 25 other states.

Furthermore, the overall modernization of this law will increase regulatory efficiency and decrease licensing processing times.

# Church celebrates 200 years

Shiloh Baptist Church in Villa Ridge is planning to celebrate 200 years of service and spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Shiloh Baptist Church was organized on Oct. 17, 1817, over a year before Illinois became a state in 1818.

The celebration of the 200th birthday of Shiloh Baptist Church is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 13, with Bill Martin, a missionary from Mexico, bringing the message. Mar-

tin grew up attending Shiloh.

Saturday at 7 p.m., the celebration is scheduled to continue, with Johnathon Martin and Family from Murfreesboro, Tenn.

Sunday at 10 a.m., Sunday School is scheduled. Church will begin at 11 a.m., with the Rev. Tim Sadler, followed by an old-fashioned basket dinner on the grounds and an afternoon of entertainment.

The Rev. Larry Miller is pastor of the church.

# Olive Branch church plans revival services

Trinity Assembly of God church in Olive Branch plans to host a Harvest Revival.

The revival is scheduled to begin Friday, Oct. 13, at 7 p.m. with special speaker Jimmy Russell, who is the pastor of Abundant Life Church in Marion.

Saturday, Oct. 14, at 6 p.m., the guest speaker is scheduled to be Tim Turner, the pastor of Christ Community Church in Paducah. Sunday, Oct. 15, at 11

a.m., the service will feature Ronny Hinson, songwriter and singer with The Original Hinsons from Nashville, Tenn. Hinson will be ministering in song and word.

Trinity Assembly of God church Pastor Stephen Clardy will be ministering at 6 p.m. Sunday.

For more information about the revival, contact Pastors Stephen and Carrie Clardy at 618-833-3089 or 573-225-8580.

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Daily Devotional Reading

Isaiah	Psalm	Psalm	Psalm	Psalm	Psalm	Psalm
26	50	52	72	73	75	82

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# 67th annual Pearson reunion held at Giant City State Park

The 67th annual Pearson reunion was Saturday, Sept. 10, at Giant City State Park near Makanda.

Registration began at 10 a.m., with everyone signing up for the events of the day.

Lunch began with a prayer by Donald Pearson.

Dawn, Chris and Matt Hand supervised a basketball free throw contest. Trophy winner in the 12 and under group was Reese Hand, with five out of 10.

Trophy winner in the adult contest was Henry Hand, with 10 out of 10.

Drawings for free t-shirts were won by Craig Hagler,

Kenny Pearson (two), Richie Pearson, Brooks Pearson and Leneisha Pugh.

Farthest away went to Dean Pack from California. Newlyweds were Matt and Jessica Pearson. Senior citizens were Donald and Goldie Pearson. Youngest baby was Gabriel Rombaut.

Raffle items were a Scent Lok camouflage jacket won by Ken Pearson and a water pump fountain, also won by Ken Pearson.

The winner of the children's M&M candy game was Reese Hand.

Trophy winners in the washer tournament were

Henry Hand Jr. and Matt Hand.

Winners in the horseshoe tournament were Wayne and Brooks Pearson.

Henry Hand Jr. and Chris Hand supervised the annual auction.

Children's games were supervised by Stephanie and Geoff Ritter. They received ribbons, candy, toys and there were two pinatas, one each for the young and older groups.

Those in attendance were Dean Pack, California; Daniel and Stephanie Reed, Hammond, Ind.; Ruth Fisher, Lebanon, Tenn.; Nicole, Jordan and Landon Hagler, Alton; Craig, Rachel, Hunter and Leah Hagler, Wood River; Jerry and Bonnie Coffman, Foley, Mo.; Reena, Corbin and Raya Robinett, Advance, Mo.

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## Congressman addresses concerns about bump-stocks

Following the Oct. 2 concert shooting in Las Vegas, Nev., U.S. Rep. Mike Bost, R-III., signed a letter with other members of Congress to the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, ATF, urging a thorough re-evaluation of bump-stocks.

Bost noted that bump-stocks are devices that were reported to have been used by the perpetrator to dramatically increase the discharge rate of his firearms as he carried out the attacks.

"As we mourn the victims and pray for the families of the Las Vegas attacks, we must resist the urge to retreat to our ideological corners as a response," Bost said in a news release.

"Now is the time for common sense solutions, not political finger-pointing. Reports indicate the

shooter may have utilized a bump-stock device to modify a semi-automatic firearm into what is effectively a fully-automatic weapon.

"As the investigation into the tragedy continues, it's critical that the ATF closely re-evaluates the impact of these devices and whether they violate federal law."

## Heron Pond walk planned

A guided walk to Heron Pond and Little Black Slough near Belknap is planned Saturday, Oct. 14.

The walk is scheduled from 9 a.m. to noon and will begin at the Cache River State Natural Area's Heron Pond Trail parking lot.

The walk will highlight the area's natural and cultural history. For more information, call 618-657-2064.

## Cobden students tour Union County Museum

Students in Ashley Taylor's 8th grade class at Cobden Junior-Senior High School toured the Union County Museum on Friday, Sept. 29. The museum is in downtown Cobden.

The students have been studying the Civil War. During their visit to the museum, the students learned information about Union County during the Civil War. The students also had an opportunity to see the many exhibits at the museum. Photos provided.



Students from Cobden Junior-Senior High School visited the Union County Museum Sept. 29.



During their visit, the students had an opportunity to see the many exhibits at the museum.



Author Mike Estel, right, of Anna, was present to help with the tour. Estel presented one of the books he has written to a student who won a raffle. The winner was Noel Fabian, left.

## SIU's McNair Program funded for five years

A program that has helped dozens of disadvantaged students earn college degrees will be around for another five years at Southern Illinois University Carbondale, thanks to federal grant that honors the memory of an astronaut.

The university will receive five more years of funding for the Ronald McNair Post Baccalaureate Achievement Program, known on campus as the McNair Scholars Program.

The grant provides \$241,556 annually for five years.

The program is part of the U.S. Department of Education's TRIO outreach program, which is designed to identify and provide services for individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds.

Established at SIU in 2003, McNair Scholars are typically first-generation college students from low-income families or groups that traditionally are underserved in higher education.

The program serves about 29 participants each year, focusing on enhancing students' scholastic and research skills while also

providing the mentoring and support that prepares them for success in graduate school.

The program is named for the late Ronald E. McNair, a physicist and astronaut who died in the 1986 explosion of the space shuttle Challenger.

Karen Renzaglia, director of the McNair Scholars Program, wrote the initial grant for the SIU effort in 2002, securing the first few rounds of four-year funding cycles.

Funding cycles changed to five-year periods as of 2012, and the latest funding is for 2017-2022.

Since the program's start at SIU, 158 participating students have earned bachelor's degrees, 76 earned master's degrees and 11 earned doctoral degrees.

Currently, 23 participants are enrolled in master's programs with another nine enrolled in doctoral programs. The program has had a total of 178 participants.

Renzaglia said the program supports students from disadvantaged backgrounds who do not have the cultural capital to successfully navigate higher education.



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The Union County Farm Bureau Annual Meeting will begin with a meal at 6 p.m. The business portion of the meeting will begin at 7 p.m. *Reservations are required in advance for all who plan to attend.*

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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.



Clayton Bridgeman, great-grandson of Mary Ada Parks, played his violin at United Methodist Church in Anna Sunday.

**Congratulations A-J Football Team.** A-J Marching Wildcats you sounded great and looked really good at the game.

Good luck Saturday at Potosi at the marching band competition.

**Congratulations A-JCHS Marching Wildcats.** It was a beautiful afternoon hot with some winds for the A-JCHS Marching Wildcats to be in the Lions' Classic High School Marching Band Competition Saturday, Oct. 7.

A special thanks to Cartersville for hosting. This was their first year of being hosts.

The sun was shining as everyone stood to honor our flag as the National Anthem was played by the Carbondale Middle School Marching Cougars.

Kelly High School Marching Hawks from Benton, Mo., were just getting ready to enter the field when they announced lightning had been spotted so everyone must take shelter in the high school or junior high. Don't know why the weather forecast had to be so good that day but the clouds covered the sun and it began to pour.

In about an hour they decided the bands would play in the gym so everyone

moved there.

The bands did an excellent job. It was sad after they worked so hard that they didn't get to do their field competition but it was nice to hear them all play in one spot also.

The A-JCHS Marching Wildcats were the second band to perform. They received a first in their class. They were honored with a plaque.

Other bands were from Pinckneyville, Cape Girardeau, Carbondale and Exhibition Cartersville.

**Proud of Bryon.** Congratulations to Bryon Kluesner on his 12 years as professor at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga.

Bryon grew up in Anna and I know there are many happy teachers out there who helped him get where he is today.

**Trip.** Sheree Fahlberg spent one week helping her son Todd move from Washington, D.C., to Gaithersburg, Md.

Todd works for the American Nursing Association as a computing analyst.

While he worked his mom packed up, movers came and took all items, and then she unpacked items into the new apartment.

One of the many high-

lights of this trip was eating out at several of the fantastic restaurants in D.C. and his new town.

On Sheree's last day there, they checked out the National Zoo. The weather was a bit cooler so the outdoor animals were more active.

**Chicago Trip.** Lisa Spiess visited her sister Mary Anne in Chicago. They enjoyed the Da Baffone Cucina Italiana restaurant at Crystal Lake, a painting class and many other places.

**A-JCHS Class of 1962.** It was good to see the class of 1962 at the A-JCHS ball game Friday night. They enjoyed their 55th class reunion last weekend.

**Guests.** Guests of Jim and Sandy Carter were Peggy Metzger of Chicago and Mary Jane Miller Lasley from Arizona. They were both here for their A-JCHS class of 1962 reunion.

**Birthday Celebration.** Lois J. Glasco was honored with an early birthday party with her family Sunday.

**A-J Women's Club.** The GFWC Illinois Anna-Jonesboro Women's Club met Monday, Oct. 2, at the Davie School Inn.

GFWC stands for General Federation Women's Club. The Anna-Jonesboro club is a member of the 25th District and state. Our state joins with women's clubs all over the United States in helping our country.

Club president Jane Bauer called the meeting to order and everyone stood and said the Pledge of Allegiance to our American Flag and the Club Collect.

Club secretary Suzie Kessler read the minutes of the last meeting and also the treasurer's report in the absence of treasurer Debbie Rossberg. A special thanks was given to Suzie for fixing the papers of the meetings for the new year.

Jane Bauer gave the Devotion on the Christian Pumpkin and led everyone in singing two Halloween songs. Pumpkin Bells and Shivery Bells.

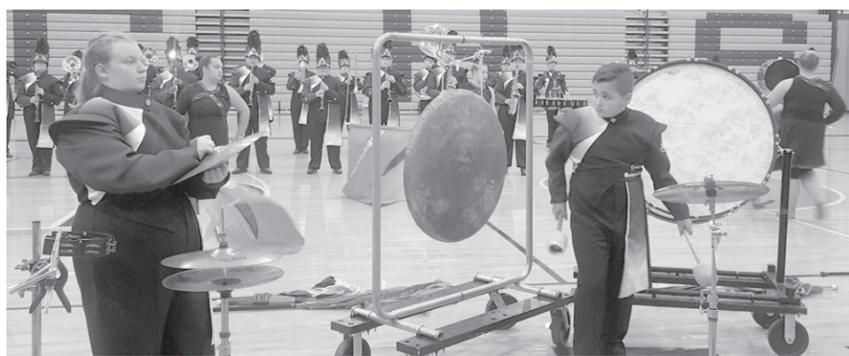
Public relations and communications Martha Ann Webb gave current events.

Joan Graves Edwards had the program on public affairs, respecting our American flags.

Joan is a patriotic in-



Members of the A-JCHS class of 1962 enjoyed their 55th class reunion and watching the A-J football team win their game last Friday night.



Congratulations to the A-JCHS Marching Wildcats for winning first place at the Cartersville band competition on Saturday.



The Anna-Jonesboro Women's Club met at the Davie School Inn on Oct. 2.

structor for the National Women's Relief Corps. As a patriotic instructor, she promotes patriotic education in homes, schools, organizations, etc. as well as respect to our military. Our military bought our freedom with their lives through the years.

The National Women's Relief Corps encourages the study of America's history and respect of our country's freedom to be shared and encouraged every way possible starting in the homes with our children. The instructors teach respect no matter what culture they come from.

They encourage schools to recite the Pledge of Allegiance. Some will or do, and others rebel. This is not a worship time, this is a respect time for a country that's free and where people and freedom are united.

You have seen the national flag many times. We are encouraged to display the state flag in the county and state-wide. There are proper ways to display and fold the flag.

The National Women's Relief Corps instructors are always available to work with organizations as they encourage patriotism. Joan displayed the American flag, the Illinois state

flag (before "Illinois" was added to the flag) and also the state flag now.

Joan also displayed the POW flag and Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War 1861-1865.

She led the ladies in singing our Illinois State Song By the rivers gently flowing, Illinois, Illinois.

Hostesses were Tammy and Lyle Woodrum, new owners of the Inn.



Asa Starratt cooked the dinner at his new business, The Kitchen on Lafayette, and catered for the chamber of commerce meeting at the Union County Courthouse last Thursday.



Joan Graves Edwards, patriotic instructor for the National Women's Relief Corps, spoke at the Anna-Jonesboro Women's Club meeting at the Davie School Inn Oct. 2.



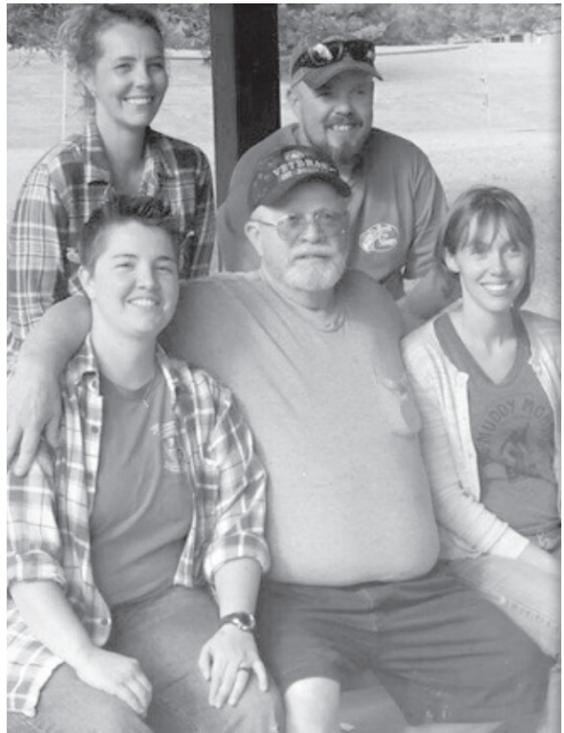
Amie McLaughlin displayed 1/8th of her Campbell's Soup collection she has donated to the Anna Arts Center Sunday afternoon. Amie is pictured with Lee Hackney. There is more of her collection to come.



Seven year old Rage Henderson harvested his first deer with a bow the opening day of deer season. Rage is the son of T.J. and Tanette Henderson. Rage's little brother, Titan, had the opportunity to shoot at a couple of deer but was unsuccessful. The Henderson brothers both thoroughly enjoyed their first bow hunts.



Karon Halterman Marzec, Linda Mangold Warren, Mary Ada Parks, Carol Treece Otrich Class of 1962 at their 55th class reunion lunch at Starview Vineyards. All former students of Mrs. Parks.



Brad Ellis, with his children Heather, Curt, Kelly and Alysha at their family reunion Sunday.



Lyle and Tammy Woodrum, the new owners of the Davie School Inn, hosted the Anna-Jonesboro Women's Club on Oct. 2.



The quilt shown here with Ann Collins of Crab Orchard will be given to a lucky person on Nov. 4 at the annual HCE of Williamson Co. Bazaar. All tickets must be purchased prior to Nov. 4 from a HCE Community Education member or by calling Charlene Morris, county president, at 618-982-2307. The embroidered quilt top was donated by Jo Barger and is hand quilted. HCE members are busy creating crafts for the free admission bazaar from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Marion on Saturday, Nov. 4, at the Third Baptist Church at 1102 East Blvd. near the fair grounds.

Lyle made the desserts that were served and they are some of the foods served for breakfast to their guests.

The ladies enjoyed strawberry and blueberry cheese cake, chocolate chip cookies and Danish apple rose.

Tammy told the ladies about the inn how they have remodeled and their plans for the future. The ladies toured the rooms at the inn and enjoyed the beautiful new deck that was just built outside.

Others present were Pat Jones, Mary Light, Martha Schwegman, Lillian Milam, Clara Nell Butler, Judy Smith, Geneva Jackson, Barbara House, Barbara Bauer, Marie Samuel.

A card was sent to Dorothy Hilliard, one of the oldest members, who has moved to be closer to her daughter. She is missed.

The next meeting will be at Hebrewz Coffee House in Jonesboro at 11:30 a.m. Nov. 6.

Ellis Reunion. The Ellis reunion was held at the Cobden Park Sunday afternoon.

Those attending were Brad Ellis, Cathy Sharp and Jayden, Curtis and Bessie Ellis, Elijah Ellis and Al-leigh Curtis, Martha Ann Webb, Brent, Jessica and Quinn Ellis, Heather Ellis-Stanton and Peyton, Kraus, Abbey and Alex Heath, Kelly, Elizabeth and Kloe Ellis, Alysha Ellis, Milly Masuda, Masa Masuda.

Red Hat Ladies. Little Egypt Red Hat Ladies will meet in Anna at Anna Pizza Hut Oct. 18 at 11 a.m. for a Halloween party. Everyone is welcome.

Calling America Back To God. Last Thursday there was a large group attended the rally at Anna Heights Baptist Church led by Bob Caraker. Bernice Pyle and Melanie Mattheis led the singing.

David Isom sang. Randy Wheaton sang and played the piano. Songs were also sung by everyone.

Rev. Larry Miller and Mark Mattheis prayed. Prayers were said for the pastors who were there. Many prayers were said for our country and world.

Rev. Cleatus Zimmerman from Come and Dine Radio Ministry WXAN 103.9 FM was there. Bernice was on his radio station from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Church Bells Ringing. Nov. 1 Churches will ring their bells 50 times at 4:15 p.m. in honor of Celebration of the Protestant Reformation 500 years. There will be a potluck dinner afterwards at the Main Street Center.

Anna Moose Lodge. Saturday, Oct. 14, the Women of the Moose are having a bake sale and breakfast starting at 7 a.m. and ending at 11 a.m.

There will be shredded pork barbeque meat smoked by Danny Gibbons. This will be available in quart and gallon bags for sale inside the lodge.

Saturday night, Oct. 14, the band Southern Comfort will perform from 8 p.m. until midnight.

On Thursday, Oct. 19, the lodge is hosting a Halloween party from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. There will be hot dogs and chips served. Lots of games and prizes for those little ghosts and goblins that attend. Please bring your children; everyone is welcome.

Friends Book Sale. Thanks to everyone who came to the Stinson Memorial Library Book Sale over the weekend.

A special thanks to all those who volunteer many hours of their time to work in the book sale and all year.

Class Reunion. Rev.

Steve and Elaine Shepherd attended Rev. Steve's 1962 class reunion at Webb City, Mo., High School. Elaine won the door prize a beautiful crocheted hat and scarf.

Birthdays. Oct. 3 Tiffany Dillow, Rodney Plott, Steve Kelley, Laura Evans, Angie Smith, Stacy Smith, Susan Kamp, 4 Edward Dahmer, 5 Jackie Burns, Michael Davis, 6 Laura Honey-Stringer, Elaine Dunn, Edwina Murray, Jenny Hall, Tana Cummins, 7 Linda Kelley, 9 Sherry Trexler, Monica Russell, 13 Bessie Mae Ellis, Masa Masuda, 15 Amanda Carter, 22 Betty Lingle, Hortencia Swink Delgado.

Anniversaries: Oct. 3 Roy and Christina Walker 3 years, Terri and Rick Bryant 36 years. 6 Tammy and Kyle Woodrum 36 years.

Octoberfest. Anna Eastern Star will have ham and beans and cornbread at the Shriners food building beside the grandstand at Anna City Park, Oct. 14, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. for a donation of \$4.

Immanuel Praise and Worship Center, Cobden. A chicken and dumplings dinner will be served Oct. 14 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Trip. Darla and Jason Lingle and daughters Cheyenne and Shaylee enjoyed a trip to New Orleans, La.

A-JCHS Class of 1961. The class had their annual get-together at Fred and Barbara Pitts Friday night. Saturday, they had breakfast at Blue Boar and then went to Blue Sky for dinner.

United Methodist Church, Anna.

Rev. Carl Johnston's sermon was on what will he do? Gospel lesson from Matthew. Hebrew scripture from Exodus was read by Lynn Steveson.

Special Music was by Clayton Bridgeman playing Blessed Assurance on his violin, accompanied by Carla Anderson on the piano. The ladies choir also did a special A Great Day Coming. Lingle is the great-grandson of Mary Ada Parks.

Mary Ada's wish was that every pew in the church be filled. All her children were there, David, Floyd from England, Darryl, and Diane from Florida. Many other family members attended. Many of Mary Ada's students attended also, Emily Shepard, Mary Frick, Judy Boyd, Linda Bass, Martha Ann Davis, Jane Nimmo, Connie Arnold, Carla Orr, Jeni Boyd and Jerry Goddard. Chris Dale was also a guest.

Prayers were said for district superintendent Roger and Carol Russell, who were in an accident Saturday night.

Game night will be at 6

p.m. Friday.

Annual church conference will be Sunday, Oct. 15 at 4 p.m. There will be a reception afterwards.

Fall bazaar will be Nov. 18. The ladies, with the help of some gentlemen, have been working hard all year making very nice gifts for Christmas and Christmas decorations of wooden wreaths, snowmen, angels, and much more.

Children's mission offering will be taken Sunday, Oct. 15. October is New Coats, New Hope month and next Sunday's offering will go toward new coats for kids this winter.

Parks Reunion. The Parks reunion was held at Becky and Allen Plott's home.

Kincaid Mounds Historic Site Archaeology Field Day, Massac County. The Kincaid Mounds Archaeology Field Day program is scheduled Saturday, Oct. 28, at the Kincaid Mounds Historic Site.

Formal programs will start at 10 a.m., noon, and 2 p.m., with a walking tour to Mound 8, and there will be Mississippian artifact displays.

New this year is a display of native plants used by the people of Kincaid Mounds and a children's pottery workshop. The program is free of charge.

The Kincaid Mounds archaeological site is a series

of Mississippian Mounds located in Massac County. The Mounds are an Illinois historic site.

The Kincaid Mounds Support Organization volunteers their services for the preservation and management of the site.

This historic site includes the Massac County Mounds with a public observation and interpretation area.

More information on the Kincaid Mounds and directions to the Historic Site can be found at www.kincaid-mounds.com or Facebook-Kincaid Mounds Support Organization.

Women's Conference. Jane Bauer attended the United Methodist Women's Conference meeting last Saturday at the First United Methodist Church in Springfield, along with Elouise Hahs from St. Louis. Her son Billy and Sharon Hahs drove them to Springfield.

There were 170 women in attendance and three from Cache River District. Her other son Jamie and wife attended the meeting too.

Visiting Anna. Terry and Carla Brooks from St. Louis visited friends in Anna.

VFW. Tuesday is Taco Tues. from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 11, was the second annual Veteran's Day of giving at Black

Diamond Harley Davidson. This event helps the ritual teams.

Thursday is thirsty Thursday all day long. Oct. 22 is the cookout/picnic.

Free Community Dinners. Loaves and Fishes free community meal is on the third Tuesday of each month from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. at United Methodist Church Anna fellowship hall.

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

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

Military Prayer List. Nona Elizabeth Luke, William Nathaniel Frankell, Ethan Maze, Lukas W. Davis, Kiefer Stull, Garrett Goins, David Jordan Glasco, Ryan Hampton, Brittany Michelle Lence, Killian Jesse, Molly Noyes, C J Youngerman, Freddy Morse, Reagan Morrison, Josh Steveson, Josh Williams, Faith Odom, Tommy Goff and family Janette, Jamison and Kaylynn, Creighton Laster, Brandon Eaker, Jim Bonner, Jacob Schaefer, Jerod Schaefer, Jennifer Ann Bishop, Robert Jr. McMeely, James McWhorter, Arin Whitemountain.

# Television Listings

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# Opinion and Commentary

## National Fire Protection Week commemorated

The Office of the State Fire Marshal, OSFM, is joining in the commemoration of the 2017 observance of National Fire Prevention Week.

Gov. Bruce Rauner proclaimed Oct. 8-14 as Fire Prevention Week in Illinois to encourage residents to learn and prepare for emergency situations.

This year, the theme is "Every Second Counts: Plan 2 Ways Out." Firefighters across the state will be visiting schools to teach students the importance of fire safety.

In fire emergencies, seconds can mean the difference between life and death. It is crucial to have an escape plan in place for your home. Each occupant should know multiple exits and paths to safety.

"Fire is everyone's fight and can occur in any building," said Illinois State Fire Marshal Matt Perez. "Always be aware of your surroundings whether you are at home or at work. Have a plan A and plan B in case of emergency. This October, please take the time to prepare and protect yourself and your family."

In 2016, fires occurred in more than 15,000 homes in Illinois. Additionally, Illinois fire departments reported over 500 civilian fire-related injuries and 121 civilian fatalities.

The National Fire Protection Association recommends the following:

Draw a map of your home that clearly identifies pathways to two exits.

Practice your home fire drill twice a year, one at night and one during the day, with everyone in the family.

Teach children how to escape on their own in case you can't help them.

Clearly mark your home so fire departments and first responders can find it easily.

Close doors behind you as you leave to slow the spread of smoke and fire.

Once you get outside, stay outside. Never go back inside a burning building.

## Time for a flu shot

As soon as the influenza (flu) vaccine is available, the Illinois Department of Public Health, IDPH, recommends everyone 6 months of age and older to be vaccinated.

Because of concerns about how well the nasal spray vaccine worked during the past two flu seasons, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices is recommending people get a flu shot and not the nasal spray.

Getting an annual flu vaccine is the first and best way to protect yourself and your family from the flu, IDPH said in a news release.

"We recommend people get a flu shot by the end of October, if possible. It takes about two weeks after vaccination for the body's immune response to fully respond and for you to be protected," IDPH director Dr. Nirav D. Shah said. "Therefore, it's better to be vaccinated before flu viruses start circulating."

The flu season typically begins in October and peaks between December and March.

The flu is a contagious respiratory illness that can cause mild to severe illness. Serious cases of flu can result in hospitalization or death.

Getting a flu shot can reduce flu illnesses, doctors' visits, and missed work and school due to flu, as well as prevent flu-related hospitalizations.

The more people who get vaccinated, the more people will be protected from flu, especially those who may not be able to be vaccinated, such as babies under six months, IDPH advises.

Anyone can get the flu, even healthy people. Getting a flu shot is the first and most important step in protecting you and those around you against flu viruses.

Flu symptoms can include fever or feverish/chills, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, muscle or body aches, headache, tiredness and some people may have vomiting and diarrhea, though this is more common in children than adults.

Flu is typically spread by droplets when someone with the flu talks, coughs or sneezes. People can also get the flu by touching something, like a door handle, that has the virus on it and then touching their mouth, eyes, or nose.

On average, it's about two days after being exposed to the flu before symptoms begin. However, you can pass the flu to someone roughly a day before you start experiencing those symptoms, and up to five to seven days after becoming sick.

In addition to getting a flu shot, IDPH recommends following the 3 C's: clean, cover and contain.

•Clean: frequently wash your hands with soap and warm water.

•Cover: cover your cough and sneeze.

•Contain: contain your germs by staying home if you are sick.

Influenza antiviral drugs can be a second line of defense for treatment of some who get sick with the flu.

Many observational studies have found that in addition to lessening the duration and severity of symptoms, antiviral drugs can prevent flu complications.

Because it is important to start antiviral medication quickly, high-risk patients should contact a health care professional at the first signs of influenza symptoms, which include sudden onset of fever, aches, chills, and tiredness.

To find a location to get a flu shot in your community, check with your health care provider or local health department.

## Please read this. . .

by Geof Skinner



Could a squirrel write this column? Could this squirrel write this column? I'm guessing that if a monkey could write a column, then a squirrel could have a shot at it, too. This one could write about pondering one of those questions that really matters: Why did the squirrel cross the road?

## Fake gnus and some other musings...

FAKE NEWS ALERT. NUMBER ONE. Rhinoceroses seen in Balcom. Rhinoceroses? Preposterousness.

Somebody told me one day last week that rhinoceroses had been seen in Balcom. I figure that if somebody tells me something, in good faith, it's kind of like finding something on the internet. After all, every thing you see on the internet is true. Right?

Truth be told, I just wish the big animals seen in Balcom would have been critters that are easier to spell. Rhinoceroses is not easy to spell on a good day.

And then there's the family name for those big, horned creatures which most of us just get to see at a zoo. Rhinoceroses belong to the family Rhinocerotidae. Sure hope I spelled that right.

Furthermore, according to the editor's official laptop dictionary, the origin of the word "rhinoceros" goes back to the Middle English, via Latin, from the Greek (of course it's not going to be simple): "rhinokeros," from "rhin," or "nose," plus "keras," or "horn."

FAKE NEWS ALERT. NUMBER TWO. Your internet scribe learned late last week that there appears to be a shortage of tiny orange sticker thingies. Somebody needs to look into this. I'm guessing that a rhinoceros took all of them to Balcom.

FAKE NEWS ALERT. NUMBER THREE. Saturday afternoon. Going for a walk. A gorilla on a bicycle pedaled by. The gorilla said something about going to a yard sale. The gorilla also said something about a camera at the yard sale.

By the way, you get to figure out which of the FAKE NEWS items are really FAKE NEWS.

All right, now that we've bored you with some FAKE NEWS, let's move on to some good stuff.

A fellow traveler on the Journey Through Life shared a column written by a scribe named David Porter. Porter's creation, called "The Ramblin' Man," appears in The Cairo Citizen newspaper and, I'm guessing, in other publications, too.

Porter wrote a column about writing columns which appeared in the October 5 edition of the Cairo newspaper. Porter shared that writing a column is hard to do, "mainly because it's difficult to come up with a topic week after week." Amen, brother.

Porter did note that there are lots of folks who do jobs that have real challenges and difficulties. Doctors. Nurses. Law enforcement personnel. Teachers. Electricians. The list is endless. As Porter the columnist noted: "There are a lot of hard jobs out there. This isn't one of them."

While those folks are doing real work that matters, some of us are writing stories (or columns) and taking pictures for a living.

Porter also focused on what is called the "infinite monkey theorem." The idea behind this little gem is that "if you put a bunch of monkeys in a room with a bunch of typewriters, they will randomly strike let-

ters that eventually will spell out actual stories like the complete works of Shakespeare."

This got me to thinking, which is a bad thing, sometimes, and a not an all that frequent occurrence. Just ask The Other Half. She's the thinker in our Journey Through Life, which is a good thing.

If monkeys can create epic literature, could other animals do the same thing? Let's consider some of the possibilities.

Rhinoceroses: They're probably too busy finding fun things to do in Balcom. I haven't been to Balcom in a while, so I don't know what a rhinoceros would do there.

Squirrels: Squirrels would be my first choice as writers. 'Cause they're nuts. The squirrels and I would get along quite well. We could work together.

Cats: Some cats, maybe. Not Bob, though. Bob's our cat. Bob is crazy. Bob would write the column, and then he would shred the computer into thousands of tiny little pieces.

Woodchucks: How many words could a woodchuck write if a woodchuck could write?

Skunks: Whatever they created would be straightforward. Black and white. Sadly, everything they wrote would stink.

Grizzly bears: Grizzly bears could write whatever they wanted to write. Nobody would argue with a grizzly bear.

Wunderpus. Spiny lumpsucker. Pleasing fungus beetle. Raspberry crazy ant. Satanic leaf-tailed gecko. Tasseled wobbegong: Don't know if any of these critters can write. Just liked their names. Found them online (so they have to be real) on a website called Mother Nature Network. The critters were featured in an article headlined "21 animals with completely ridiculous names." Can't argue with that.

Gnus: Real gnus. Not fake gnus, 'cause we don't need any more fake gnus. The good thing is that gnus knows news. Especially nosy gnus. That don't like to take naps. Yup. Nosy snoozeless gnus knows gnus.

The Cat in the Hat: I know. The Cat in the Hat is not real. Or is he?

Think about, if you dare. Think about, if you care. The Cat in the Hat is one smart kitty. If he can't write a column, that would be a pity. But, I think he could write, that Cat in the Hat. And when he did, that would be that.

Porter closed his column by pointing out that there's supposedly a laboratory in Sweden "with a dozen monkeys and as many typewriters...After 30 years, there's been no Shakespeare manuscripts. But there's been an amazing number of columns that look just like this one."

Yup.

Um, pardon me, there's a wunderpus using my computer...

## Page from the Past from the files of The Gazette-Democrat

### 50 Years Ago, October 12, 1967

Appelknocker country not only produces nationally known basketball players, but now has come up with another winner.

This one, an apple, unnamed at present, developed as a sprout from an accidentally mowed down apple tree in one of the orchards formerly owned by Ralph W. and R.B. "Bud" Griffith of Cobden.

The outstanding features of this new apple are its good finish, much deeper yellow, pink blush, firmness, flavor somewhat similar to a Jonathan, heavy producer, late harvester and has a long storage life.

Stark Brothers of Louisiana, Mo., purchased the tree from the Griffiths three years ago, and expect it to develop into one of the largest grown varieties in this country.

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The Carroll P. Foster Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars held groundbreaking ceremonies for their new building Tuesday evening, Oct. 10.

Temperatures in the Union County area steadily dipped from a high of 88 on Thursday, Oct. 5, to a low of 34 degrees on Wednesday, Oct. 11.

The merchants of Anna are offering many bargains to their customers at the Sidewalk Sale to be held in Anna on Friday and Saturday, October 13 and 14.

Anna City Police are busy with plans for the annual Halloween Party to be held Tuesday, Oct. 31, at the City Park.

The festivities for this year's Anna-Jonesboro Community High School Homecoming will commence on Thursday evening, Oct. 19, with a snake dance along South Main Street climaxed by a huge bonfire at the school, where the opposing team, Metropolis, will be burned in effigy. Friday, Oct. 20, is the day of the big game and parade with this year's theme, "A Trip Through History," beginning at 2 p.m.

The A-J Wildcats extended their conference record to 2-0 by downing Pinckneyville 14-8 at A-J Friday night.

High Jewish Holidays are being observed at Anna State Hospital. October 14 is Yom-Kippur, the Day of Atonement, the holiest day of the Jewish Year.

From the Bethel news: The Baptismal Service was postponed and will be held Sunday afternoon at 2 at the Emanuel Baptist Church in Cobden.

A new clothing store for men and boys will open soon in Anna, the M/C Shop, owned by Bob Crain and R.C. Mallams.

The Davie School Parent-Teacher Association will meet in the school gymnasium on Tuesday, Oct. 17, at 2 p.m.

The Sixth Annual Homemakers Meeting was held recently at the Farm Bureau Building in Jonesboro.

From the Water Valley news: Soybean harvest is progressing here, as elsewhere, as quickly as combines can be procured. Fall foliage is colorful, almost at its peak, so let's not forget to enjoy it to the fullest. It will soon be time for another year.

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