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Notes

Items of interest from throughout the Union County area.

Happy Thanksgiving to all of our readers.

Be sure to attend the Christmas in Downtown Anna events.

The filing period for the 2018 primary election is slated from Nov. 27 through Dec. 4.

The Convenient Care Clinic at Union County Hospital in Anna planned to close at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 22, and will be closed all day on Thursday, Nov. 23.

The Union County Alliance of Churches plans to begin its Bell Ringing for Goodness Sake campaign on Friday, Nov. 24, at Kroger and Walmart, both in Anna.

A coat drive and giveaway are scheduled to begin Dec. 4 at Union County Counseling Service in Anna.

Southern Illinois University Carbondale chancellor Carlos Montemagno is scheduled to be the guest speaker at a Dec. 7 meeting of the Union County Chamber of Commerce. The meeting is scheduled at Keller's Crossing at Stone Creek, near Makanda.

A Christmas at the Cross celebration is planned Sunday afternoon, Dec. 3. The holiday season event will be at the Cross of Peace on Bald Knob Mountain near Alto Pass.



The final walk out of the season...

The Anna-Jonesboro Community High School Wildcats football team made its final walk out of the 2017 season last Saturday during a playoff game at Pleasant Plains. The host team scored a victory in the Illinois High School Association Class 3A semifinal round playoff game. Photo by Tiffany Dillow for The Gazette-Democrat.

Illinois State Police District 22 highlights activities

Illinois State Police District 22 has released a monthly activity report for the months of September and October.

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

October Activities

The following statistics

were included in the report for the month of October:

District 22 officers responded to 92 calls for service.

Officers issued 525 citations and 951 written warnings.

One motorist was arrested for driving under the influence, DUI.

Officers handled 14 crashes.

A total of 412 motor carrier safety inspections were conducted; 35 inspections led to either the driver or the vehicle being placed out of service for safety violations.

A total of 100 motorists on the side of the road were assisted.

Officers made nine criminal arrests.

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

DUI, one. Speeding, 240. Occupant restraint, 88. Distracted driving, 57.

The District 22 safety education officer made 76 presentations. The presentations were attended by 11,788 people, including students, school staff members, parents and residents.

September Activities

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

District 22 officers responded to 84 calls for service.

Officers issued 567 citations and 1068 written warnings.

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

Officers handled 14 crashes.

A total of 900 motor carrier safety inspections were conducted; 55 inspections led to either the driver or the vehicle being placed out of

service for safety violations.

A total of 109 motorists on the side of the road were assisted.

Officers made 10 criminal arrests.

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

DUI, two. Speeding, 270. Occupant restraint, 101. Distracted driving, 46.

The District 22 safety education officer made 34 presentations. The presentations were attended by 1,460 people, including students, school staff members, parents and residents.

Reminder About Scott's Law

District 22 reminds motorists who travel on area highways about Scott's Law, "The Move Over Law."

The law requires motorists to reduce the speed of their vehicle, to yield the right of way by changing lanes away from an authorized emergency vehicle and to proceed with due regard to safety and traffic conditions.

Sheriff, state's attorney remind public: Don't drink, drive for holiday

Union County Sheriff Scott Harvel and Union County State's Attorney Tyler R. Edmonds remind the public not to drink and drive this Thanksgiving Eve.

Holiday events slated in Anna

The holiday season will get underway this weekend with Christmas in Downtown Anna activities.

A wide range of special events are planned.

For a listing of Christmas in Downtown activities, please see page 3 in Section A.

Beginning with the Wednesday night before Thanksgiving, the long holiday weekend is statistically the most deadly holiday on the nation's highways.

More than 800 people died in alcohol related crashes during the Thanksgiving holiday weekend between 2012 and 2016.

The Union County Sheriff's Office, Illinois State Police and municipal police departments will be patrolling for drunk drivers.

Harvel and Edmonds said that everyone who will be drinking is reminded to choose a designated driver.

First time driving under the influence offenders are subject to thousands of dollars in fines and court costs, jail time and loss of driver's license for six months.

Repeat offenders can be subject to up to \$25,000 in fines, a felony conviction and prison time.

In a joint news release, the sheriff and state's attorney shared an important message for motorists: "Driving drunk is not worth the consequences. Have a safe and enjoyable holiday. Don't drink and drive."

Big sendoff for A-J football team Friday evening



Band performs

The Anna-Jonesboro Community High School band performed at last Friday evening's pep rally.

The Anna-Jonesboro Community High School football team's 2017 season came to a disappointing end over the weekend.

However, on the evening before an appearance in a state semifinal round playoff game, A-J's fans gave the Wildcats a rousing sendoff. "A-J Proud" was a prominent message which was shared at the event.

The Wildcats fell to host Pleasant Plains last Saturday afternoon in an Illinois High School Association Class 3A semifinal game.

On Friday evening, fans and the community came together to support the Wildcats at a pep rally

which was held in the auditorium at the Union County school.

"It's just been amazing to watch all year," A-JCHS athletic director Rick Livesay said in reflecting on a Wildcat football team which had compiled a 12-0 record headed in the semifinal game.

Livesay praised the hard work of many people which contributed to the success of the team. A lot of that work, he noted, was done behind the scenes. Members of the A-J Huddle Club were among those who did a lot of the work.

The A-J athletic director voiced appreciation to the parents of the players of the team.

"Parents are never thanked enough," he said. "You should be very proud."

On its road to the Class 3A semifinals, A-J had "amazing support" from the community.

A-J head coach Brett Detering voiced his appreciation for the strong support which has been shown to the team during the 2017 season.

"We take you with us when we go out on the field," Detering said.

Detering said that he was "very, very proud to be a part of this community. All I can do is say thank you."



Backing the Wildcats

The A-JCHS cheerleading squad and mascots joined with fans to cheer for the Wildcats as they prepared for a semifinal playoff game.



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From left are Union County Presiding Judge Mark Boie, new Union County assistant state's attorney Katherine Bray and Union County State's Attorney Tyler R. Edmonds.

Oath of office administered for new assistant state's attorney

Union County's new assistant state's attorney went right to work after taking her oath of office.

Katherine Bray took the oath on Monday morning, Nov. 13, during a ceremony at the Union County Courthouse in Jonesboro.

The oath of office was administered by Union County Presiding Judge Mark Boie.

Bray is a native of Pinck-

neyville, who now lives in Murphysboro.

She earned a bachelor of arts degree in 2012 from Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, with a major in criminal justice and a minor in political science.

Bray worked as a child abuse investigator and case manager for the children's division in the State of Missouri.

Bray started law school

in August 2014 at SIU. She earned her law degree in May of this year.

She was an intern in the Union County state's attorney's office for two years, from May 2015 to May of this year.

Bray said she was "very excited" about beginning work.

After taking the oath of office, Bray went straight to work at a jury trial.

Jury finds Anna man guilty on five counts

Union County State's Attorney Tyler R. Edmonds reported on Nov. 15 that Roderick Lynn Hileman, 48, of Anna, was found guilty today after a three-day jury trial on three counts of obstructing a peace officer, one count of escape and one count of aggravated assault, all Class A misdemeanors.

In the early morning hours of July 20, 2015, Hileman threatened an Anna Police Department officer in the parking lot of an Anna business.

Hileman then pulled away from police as he was being arrested and fled on foot. He was arrested following a brief foot pursuit.

A sentencing hearing has been set for Nov. 30 at the Union County Courthouse in Jonesboro.

The Class A misdemeanors carry a maximum penalty of one year in jail.

The case was prosecuted by assistant state's attorney Daniel Klingemann and assistant state's attorney Katherine Bray.

Father, daughter fatally injured when tree falls on mobile home

A father and daughter sustained fatal injuries when a large tree fell on their mobile home early last Saturday morning.

Union County Coroner Phil Hileman said that the incident happened at about 6 a.m. Saturday at a residence located about 4 miles east of Anna, just off Illinois Route 146.

Hileman said that it appeared as though the tree blew over as the result of very windy conditions which occurred on Saturday.

The tree fell on one end of the mobile home, where a master bedroom was located.

The father, Jared Newman, 32, and daughter, Echo Blue Newman, 1, were asleep in the master bedroom at the time.

Two other people were in the mobile home at the time: the mother and the couple's son. The mother and son were not injured. The mother was getting ready to go to work at the time.

The coroner said that both of the victims were pronounced dead at the scene.

Multiple local and state emergency services agency personnel responded to the scene.

Illinois freight plan released

The Illinois Department of Transportation has released its 2017 freight plan, which outlines the state's strategy for facilitating the successful and efficient movement of goods.

Public comments about the plan will be accepted through Nov. 30.

Freight in Illinois is moved by truck, rail, water and air.

The 2017 plan examines road congestion, the importing and exporting of goods, workforce trends and other factors that impact effective movement of freight.

The plan highlights the existing system of freight traffic and envisions po-

tential improvements in the future.

Illinois' freight system transports more than 1 billion tons of freight per year, valued at \$2.97 trillion.

More than 450 million tons of freight are moved by rail alone, representing more than \$1.6 trillion.

The freight plan also accounts for cargo origins and destinations both domestic and abroad.

Goods from Illinois travel across the globe, from Asia to Europe and Africa to South America.

The public can view the plan in its draft form and provide comments by visiting www.idot.illinois.gov/home/freight_plan_feedback.

County board member announces he will resign

One of the five members of the Union County Board of Commissioners plans to resign his post this week.

Commissioner Dale Russell said last week that he planned to resign from the board, effective Nov. 22. He cited personal reasons for the move.

Russell, of Lick Creek, has served on the board for eight years, and was in his second term.

Russell is a Republican. He must be succeeded in office by a Republican.

Representative welcomes input about legislative ideas

An area legislator is asking Southern Illinois residents to reach out to her constituent service office to suggest new ideas for legislation that they believe will benefit the area and the state as a whole.

"I want to encourage the folks that I represent to share any ideas they may have for legislation that would help our region and

The Union County Republican Party will submit a name of a candidate to fill Russell's seat. The county board will vote on the proposed candidate.

Russell has four years left in his second term. However, whoever is appointed to fill the post will run in the 2018 election.

During his service as a commissioner, Russell said that one of his key accomplishments was the completion of several major road projects in the county.

make things better for the people that live in Illinois," State Rep. Natalie Phelps Finnie, D-Elizabethtown, said in a news release.

"I truly believe that there are some commonsense reforms that can be put into place to cut bureaucratic red tape and get Southern Illinois back on track."

The Illinois General Assembly is scheduled to reconvene for the spring session beginning in January.

Phelps Finnie is asking constituents who have ideas for possible future laws to share their thoughts with her by contacting her constituent service office by calling 618-253-4189 or by emailing RepPhelpsFinnie@gmail.com.

"Input from the people that I represent helps me better understand what is wanted and needed across Southern Illinois, which helps me to do a better job as your state representative," Phelps Finnie said.

"I want to work with the folks that I represent to help Southern Illinois prosper both now and in the long run."

Phelps Finnie represents all or portions of the following counties: Alexander, Gallatin, Hamilton, Hardin, Jackson, Johnson, Massac, Pope, Pulaski, Saline and Union.

Be sure to attend Christmas in Downtown Anna



Patriotic tribute

Recent visitors to the Anna Cemetery may have noticed flags on display at several locations. Townsend F. Dodd Post No. 344 of the American Legion had flags on display at several locations in the cemetery, including around the Legion's monument. The special effort paid tribute to veterans. Nearly 100 flags could be seen, just in time for the 2017 observance of Veterans Day.

What Is The Value Of A Community Newspaper?

What is the value of a community newspaper?

What does it bring to that community that no other institution can provide?

The local newspaper is a basic institution in any community, like the post office, the schools and the churches.

The local community newspaper, whether it be a 2,000 circulation weekly or a 50,000 circulation daily, serves to keep people connected to their community, by telling them what's happening with their neighbors, as well as the institution serving the community.

The publication of obituaries, birth announcements, weddings and other significant events in our lives remind us of poet John Donne's words, "no man is an island."

Community newspapers alert members of the community to problems needing attention.

The community newspaper facilitates the exchange of ideas and opinions through its editorial page and letters to the editor.

There are so many things of value community newspapers provide: the recording of local history and helping to maintain a healthy local economy through effective advertising for local businesses are just a few areas of value.

The community newspaper's value to its community is unquestioned.

— from Publishers Auxiliary, a publication of the National Newspaper Association

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Christmas in Downtown Anna activities planned

Pancake breakfast, bbq lunch offered

Shawnee Hills Christian Academy is planning a pancake breakfast, bbq lunch and craft sale on Saturday, Nov. 25 at the Main Street Center in Anna.

The pancake breakfast is from 7 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. and the bbq lunch is from 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Meals are by donation only and carry out is available.

Breakfast will be pancakes, sausage, fruit, milk, juice and coffee.

Lunch will be bbq pork sandwiches, slaw, green beans, desserts, tea, lemonade and coffee.

The craft sale will include a Christmas tree decorated with ornaments that students made. The ornaments will be available for sale along with other things.

Christmas concert slated

A Christmas Concert, part of Christmas in Downtown Anna, is scheduled on Saturday, Nov. 25, at 7 p.m. at St. Anne's Church.

The church is located at 507 S. Main Street in Anna. Music will be by Steve Hornbeak with guest guitarist Nicky V.

It will be an evening of original music by Steve Hornbeak along with Christmas and Gospel favorites with lots of special guests.

An offering will be donated to St. Anne's Church.

Craft/vendor expo planned

The Auxiliary to the VFW is hosting a Craft/Vendor Expo at Anna-Jonesboro Community High School on Saturday, Nov. 25, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Over 50 vendors will be available. There will be lots of various gifts, jewelry, candies, cookies, crafts of all kinds, books and raffles.

Poor Boys BBQ will be serving lunch. They will also have ribs for sale for \$20 a rack.

To pre-order ribs, call Linda Jackson at 833-7737.

Holiday Bazaar set at arts center

The Anna Arts Center is planning to host a Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 25, from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The arts center is located at 125 West Davie Street in Anna.

Girl Scouts will be singing Christmas carols from 9:30 a.m. to 9:45 p.m. The 4th grade through high school art exhibit will also be on display.

At the bazaar will be artists, crafters, colorful original paintings, PAST ornaments and gifts, Christmas decorations and wreaths, unique pieces of jewelry, It Works!, Anna walking tour books, handmade soaps, lotions, candles, handmade and crocheted items, quilts, Family Creations 4 You, wood crafts, baked goods, Girl Scouts' crafts, Scentsy, Origami Owl, Younique skin care and makeup, Lipsense and Plunder Jewelry.

Reindeer 5K Run/Walk set

The fourth annual Reindeer 5K Run/Walk is scheduled on Saturday, Nov. 25 at 8 a.m., beginning at the Anna Arts Center.

A kids fun run will begin at 9 a.m.; afterwards, they will have the opportunity to make Christmas ornaments to take home. The fun run and crafts are free.

Runners and walkers are asked to wear their most festive Christmas running gear.

Registration is \$20 before the race and \$25 on race day.

To register online, go to www.active.com. Race fees are non-refundable.

Free gift wrapping for local items

Remax Southern, Union County Chamber of Commerce and Union County Women in Business is offering free gift wrapping on Small Business Saturday, Nov. 25, beginning at noon, for locally purchased items.

Bring boxed items and receipt to Remax Southern/chamber office at 301 S. Main Street in Anna.

Jus10's hosting Holiday Bazaar

A Holiday Bazaar is planned at Jus10's Frozen Yogurt and Dessert Shoppe, located at 334 S. Main Street in Anna, on Saturday, Nov. 25.

The bazaar is scheduled from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Vendors include Shelly Glasco-Pearl from Norwex and Thirty-One, Mary Kay Miller with Airmoji, Stacey Plott with The Pampered Chef, Paige Lacy with Avon, Shelly Pender with Jamberry, Becky Hileman with Paparazzi Jewelry and Alice Jolene Boutique and Sharon Laster with First Class Cookies.

Open house set at This N That

This N That Resale and Boutique is planning to host their annual Christmas open house on Saturday, Nov. 25.

There will be special sales, foot tastings, sweet treats and more.

The shop is over 9,000 square feet and is home to over 20 vendors.



Mobile operating center on display

The Union County Amateur Radio Club gave the public an opportunity to get a firsthand look at the county's mobile operating center during an event which was held last Saturday at the First Baptist Church in Anna. Members of the Union County Amateur Radio Club were on hand to welcome visitors. From left are Thom Beebe of Marion; Dale Russell of Lick Creek; Larry Grant of Anna; Lee Massey of Anna, president of the club and Union County emergency coordinator; and James T. Hinman of Walls, Miss. Community members could see how the mobile center is set up, and how it is used. The center has multiple ways to communicate in the event of an emergency or disaster, including radios, computers and telephones. Information also was available to learn how to prepare for an emergency, how to put together a "go bag" which can be quickly ready for use in case of an emergency, why a weather radio is needed, items that people should always carry that will help them if they are caught away from home during severe weather or winter weather and how to become an amateur radio operator.

New Coats, New Hope campaign continues

The 2017 New Coats, New Hope campaign led by WIBH radio in Anna continues.

Through early November, the campaign had collected more than \$2,500. The goal for this year's campaign is \$8,000, which is enough for 400 coats.

The purpose of the effort is to provide new, winter coats to children living in the lower 45 counties of Illinois who are affected by abuse, neglect, disaster and economic setbacks.

In addition, 5 percent of the donations received will go to the Operation Warm Disaster Relief Fund to help buy coats for kids recovering from the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey in Texas.

And 100 percent of all donations received will be used to buy coats.

The coats are purchased through the non-profit organization, Operation Warm and will be ordered Dec. 2.

WIBH sales and promotions manager Shawna Rhine noted that coats cost \$20 each.

Rhine said that check or money order donations must be made payable to Operation Warm, not WIBH and sent to WIBH,

330 S. Main Street, Anna, Ill. 62906, or given to one of the campaign's sponsoring locations by Nov. 30.

Sponsoring locations include Integrity Health Care, 5 Star Auto Wash, Anna-Jonesboro National Bank, Trainor Ag Products, Wright Bros. Body Shop & Rod's Towing, Jonesboro

First Baptist Church, Union County Sheriff Scott Harvel, Union County 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 Warehouses, Auto Tire & Parts NAPA, New

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

For more information about the campaign, contact Rhine at WIBH, phone 833-9424, extension 301.

Emergency management officials urge Illinois residents to prepare for winter

To help people prepare for potentially dangerous winter weather, the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, IEMA, the National Weather Service, NWS, and local emergency management agencies are highlighting winter weather preparedness.

"According to the Na-

tional Weather Service, there hasn't been a winter in Illinois without at least one winter storm in the past century," IEMA director James K. Josep said.

"During the winter of 2014-15, we had nine winter storms. To ensure you and your family stay safe no matter how bad the weather

is this winter, please take a few minutes now to prepare."

Joseph said IEMA and the NWS developed a winter weather preparedness guide to help people understand winter weather risks, along with tips for staying safe at home, in the car and at school.

The guide also includes lists of suggested items for home and vehicle emergency supply kits.

The guide is available on the Ready Illinois website at www.Ready.Illinois.gov.

"The past two winters across the state of Illinois have been rather mild with little snow and ice. That may not be the case this coming winter season," said Chris Miller, warning coordination meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Lincoln.

"People traveling need to be aware that most winter time traffic accidents occur with minor amounts of snow or ice, particularly when it has been a long time since we've faced those types of road conditions. "The key is to just slow down to give yourself enough time and distance to stop your vehicle."

The Ready Illinois Facebook (www.facebook.com/ReadyIllinois) and Twitter (twitter.com/ReadyIllinois) pages can be followed to see more winter preparedness tips throughout the season.

Carols at Candlelight set at St. Anne's

The PAST organization of Union County is planning to host its annual Carols at Candlelight event on Sunday, Dec. 3, in Anna.

Carols at Candlelight is scheduled from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at historic St. Anne's Church, which is located along South Main Street.

Parking is available half a block away, behind Stinson Memorial Library.

Music will be presented by The Back Porch Company. Members of the group are Warren and Carla Anderson, Stuart Anderson and Richard Johnson.

The Back Porch Company performs bluegrass music. The group has performed at many events in the area.

Following the presentation by The Back Porch Company, group caroling is planned. Refreshments will be served.

All are welcome to attend. Visitors can come and go, or come and stay according to their schedule.

Thanksgiving weather reviewed

The weather on Thanksgiving Day in the region generally features a high temperature in the mid-50s, along with occasional precipitation.

The National Weather Service office in Paducah has been recording climate data since 1949.

The weather service reports that normal high temperatures in the region are in the range of 52 to 56 degrees.

The warmest high temperature recorded in Paducah was 74 degrees in 1941. The coldest high temperature was 33 in 1958.

Measurable precipitation has fallen about 28 percent of the time.

The wettest Thanksgiving on record was in 1968, with 1.94 inches of rain.

The snowiest Thanksgiving was in 1950, with 1.3 inches.

In 2016, the weather service recorded a high of 54 degrees and a low of 45, along with a trace of precipitation.

Announcing . . .

Bethany Village 2017 fundraising event

"A HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS"

Family Crisis Resource Center

Where: Great Boars of Fire

When: December 3, 2017

Time: 5:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Cost: \$25.00 per person

Good Meal, Good Cause - Silent Auction

50/50 raffle - Live Music by BJ Beach

All proceeds from this event will provide food, shelter, clothing and supportive services to the homeless and those who are at risk of becoming homeless.

For information call 618-833-1777

Purchase your tickets at Bethany Bazaar, at the door, or at www.villageanna.com through PayPal. Please specify how many tickets.

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SPORTS

IHSA Class 3A playoffs

Pleasant Plains defeats A-J in semifinal round action

For the first time this season, the Anna-Jonesboro Community High School football team was defeated when it fell 41-2 to host Pleasant Plains Saturday, Nov. 18, in Illinois High School Association postseason playoff action.

"The margin of win was unexpected," A-J coach Brett Detering said. "We made some mistakes we didn't make all year. It was disappointing for us we didn't play like we did all year."

The loss in the semifinals of the Class 3A playoffs eliminated the Wildcats, who finished 12-1.

Pleasant Plains advances to the championship with a 10-3 record.

"We've had a lot of success running the football but we couldn't get our running game going," Detering said.

The Cardinals stopped a potent Wildcat running attack which has featured Jayce Turner, Bryce Osman and ArieH Hart.

The Wildcats had only 106 yards of total rushing yardage. Turner led the way with 89 yards rushing on 29 carries, Osman had 19 yards on 10 carries and Hart had 11 yards on seven carries.

The Cardinals finished with 309 yards rushing. Running back Nik Samson led the way with 208 yards rushing on 22 carries. Lucas Western added 100 yards on nine carries.

"They were not that explosive on (game) film," Detering said. "They have a good running back in Samson. They were very successful keeping the ball on the ground and we needed some defensive stops."

A-J quarterback Osman was 2 of 7 passing for 36 yards, but had two interceptions. Damian Chrisp had

one reception of 26 yards and Hart the other for 12 yards.

"We had to throw a bit because we couldn't get our running game going," Detering said.

The Cardinals wasted little time taking charge.

Receiving the opening kick off on the 20-yard line, Samson closed out a nine-play drive with a 6-yard touchdown run.

Kai Carlberg's extra point kick put Pleasant Plains ahead 7-0 with 7:47 remaining in the opening quarter.

The Wildcats moved to midfield and were forced to punt, but the Cardinals were offside on the punt and A-J picked up a first down.

A-J put up its best offensive showing of the game as it marched downfield, and on a fourth down play, Osman was halted an inch short of the goal line.

After two plays, running back Carlberg was tackled in the end zone for a safety.

The Wildcats pulled to 7-2 with 1:36 remaining in the opening quarter.

Hart fumbled the free kick and Tristen Tewes recovered at the A-J 37.

Five plays later, Samson scored on a 5-yard run. The kick was good and the Cardinals led 14-2 with 8:33 remaining in the second quarter.

After the teams traded punts, A-J was forced to punt again. Punter Eric Massey was tackled for a 10-yard loss after a low snap from center at the Wildcats' 27 yard line.

Samson then scored on the first play and after the extra point kick the Cardinals led 21-2 with 3:21 remaining in the opening half.

The Wildcats were driving near midfield when the

first half ended.

After A-J punted to start the second half, Western scored on a 7-yard run after a 4-play drive. The kick boosted Pleasant Plains to 28-2 with 9:25 remaining in the third quarter.

Tristan Davis picked off an Osman pass to thwart the next Wildcats' drive.

The Cardinals were forced to punt again and the Wildcats next drive stalled on another intercepted pass by Carlberg.

After the Wildcats punted again, the Cardinals were on the move.

Pleasant Plains scored on a 48-yard TD run after a four play drive. The extra point kick was no good and Pleasant Plains closed out the scoring with 11:49 left in the game.

"It was unfortunate it had to end like this," Detering said. "But I'm real proud of our kids. We kind of surprised a lot of people."

Detering said the high finish was unexpected because when the seniors were freshmen they finished 4-4 overall and as sophomores were under .500.

"I'm really proud of our seniors," Detering said. "They have a lot to be proud of. We lose 14 seniors and there will be a lot of big shoes to fill. We'll miss a lot of offensive production, but we return a lot of linemen. But it happens every year and people graduate and kids have to step up."

"But I was very, very proud of our kids and they had great support," from the fans, the A-J coach said.

This was the third time a team coached by Detering has advanced to the semifinals, going in 2003 and 2006. He finishes his 21st season as head coach of the Wildcats.

A-J boys' basketball team returns all of its starters from last year

The Anna-Jonesboro Community High School boys' basketball team returns all of its starters from last year's 11-17 squad to build around this season.

"We're excited about this season," A-J coach Mike Chamness said. "They really had a good summer."

In summer play, the Wildcats finished 22-3 overall.

The five seniors who are returning include 6-2 forward Jake Parr, 5-9 guard Sheldon McGrath, 6-4 center Logan Sawyer, 5-9 guard Ross Pinnon and 5-10

guard Jacob Zimmerman.

Parr is an All-South selection from last season, as well as a two-year all-conference selection.

"We'll have to find ways to get him the ball," Chamness said.

Beside those five starters returning, the top eight players from last year's team are included in the mix to build a winning team around.

The other senior is 6-0 guard Noah Smith.

Juniors on the squad are 6-0 guard Carson Reynolds and 6-2 guard Tyler Smith.

Sophomores who could see playing time are 5-10 guard Blake Pena and 6-5 center Noah McFarland.

McGrath, Pinnon and Noah Smith each played on the A-J football team that advanced to the semifinal round last Saturday.

"We've got some depth this season," Chamness said. "We'll try to play a style that is a little more fast-paced. Hopefully, it

Turner all-state

Anna-Jonesboro Community High School football player Jayce Turner has been selected to the Illinois Coaches Association's Class 3A All-State team.

Turner was chosen as a fullback-linebacker on the squad.

He finished his high school football career with 1,899 yards rushing on 308 carries, along with 34 rushing touchdowns.

will be exciting to the fans."

Chamness looks to Pinckneyville, Du Quoin, Nashville and Carterville as top contenders in a competitive Southern Illinois River-to-River Conference Mississippi Division race this season.

"Our conference is really good," Chamness said. "It should be a dogfight every night."

The Wildcats are scheduled to open their season at the Goreville Tournament next week. A-J opens tourney play in an 8:30 p.m. game against Benton on Monday, Nov. 27.

Hike planned

The River-to-River Trail Society plans to sponsor a guided hike on Saturday, Nov. 25, from the Hitching Post to the Old Stone Face, by way of Horton Hill and Eagle Mountain.

Those who want to go on the hike are asked to meet at 10 a.m. at the Hitching Post parking lot, about 1 mile north of the Herod Post Office on Gape Hollow Road, also known as Eagle Creek Road.

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

Boots or sturdy shoes and hiking sticks are strongly recommended. Hikers are advised to bring their own water and a snack, and to not bring dogs.

For information or directions, call 618-499-2337.

A-J plays in Class 3A semifinal game Saturday at Pleasant Plains



Anna-Jonesboro quarterback Bryce Osman, number 14, calls out the signals. Photo by Tiffany Dillow for The Gazette-Democrat.



Anna-Jonesboro's Kyle McMahan, number 25, waits for the ball. Photo by Tiffany Dillow for The Gazette-Democrat.



Anna-Jonesboro's Jayce Turner, number 42, Bryce Osman, number 14, and ArieH Hart, number 1, in action. Photo by Tiffany Dillow for The Gazette-Democrat.



Anna-Jonesboro's ArieH Hart, number 1, looks for some running room. Photo by Tiffany Dillow for The Gazette-Democrat.



Anna-Jonesboro Jayce Turner, number 42, Bryce Osman, number 14, and Damien Chrisp, number 27, in action. Photo by Tiffany Dillow for The Gazette-Democrat.

Marion Medical Mission

Local man returns home after nearly three weeks in Africa



Returns home

Joshua Samuel Hathy has returned home after spending nearly three weeks in Africa, where he worked with Marion Medical Mission to provide safe water sources. Photo provided.

The Marion Medical Mission reports that Joshua Samuel Hathy of Mill Creek recently returned from approximately three weeks partnering with African communities to provide safe water sources to more than 2,800 villages in remote areas of Malawi, Zambia and Tanzania.

Hathy was in Africa from Sept. 15 through Oct. 10 for his first mission trip with Marion Medical Mission.

Thirty-seven U.S. volunteers, along with Marion Medical Mission founders Tom and Jocelyn Logan, worked in remote villages to help the people in the villages provide sustainable, life-saving fresh-water wells to areas which previously had none.

The group plans to install 2,860 wells during this year's well season. Hathy personally completed 150 wells during his visit.

"I'm grateful for the opportunities I had with Marion Medical Mission," Hathy said.

"I lived and worked next to families that are just trying to provide the necessities they need to live, while most of my life I worked to provide a material life.

"This is where I reevaluated what life truly means. Water is life for so many in the world. Thank you to all who helped and continue to help. God bless you."

UNICEF reports that in sub-Sahara Africa, one in five children die before their 5th birthday because they lack potable water.

A total of 663 million people around the globe rely on ponds, streams and other exposed and untreated sources for their drinking water.

For a \$400 donation, Marion Medical Mission provides an African village of approximately 150 people with a sustainable source of safe drinking water.

Hathy said he is looking for speaking opportunities at churches, civic organizations and small groups who might be interested in learning more about the organization or helping to fund the 2,800 wells the group will install in 2017.

Founded in 1985, the Marion Medical Mission has built more than 29,000 wells, and approximately 90 percent of them are still functional.

Marion Medical Mission has provided over 4 million people (2.25 million children) with a sustainable source of safe water.

They partner with local villages. The local citizens dig the wells, make the brick and provide the sand and stone.

Marion Medical Mission supplies only what the villages cannot, which makes the wells inexpensive, practical and sustainable. The wells are easy to repair, and even the extreme poor can afford to maintain them.

Information about Marion Medical Mission can be found online at www.mmmwater.org.

World War I maps used by Illinois National Guard digitized, available online

Illinois Secretary of State and State Archivist Jesse White recently announced that in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of America's participation in World War I, the Illinois State Archives has repaired and digitized 57 maps used by the Illinois National Guard during the war.

The maps may be viewed by the public in the Illinois Digital Archives, and can be found at <http://www.idaillinois.org/cdm/search/collection/p16614coll33/page/1>.

"More than 350,000 Illinois residents served in the American military during World War I and more than 5,000 died," said White.

"It is important that we as a state take the time to remember their sacrifices and honor their efforts."

The Illinois State Ar-

chives have military topographical maps that show activities in France during World War I.

The maps show terrain exercises, the enemy order of battle and the locations of trenches, land mines, railroads, supply dumps and the front lines.

Also included with this group of materials is a rare German poster showing the locations of ships sunk by German submarines in British waters.

White, who served in the U.S. Army and the Illinois National Guard and Reserve, said the maps show the importance of Illinois' contribution to the war effort.

These sets of maps feature the 33rd division of the Illinois National Guard, which was the only distinctly Illinois division that

saw active service in France during the war.

The United States entered the war on April 6, 1917, and, unlike previous wars, most soldiers did not serve in units specific to their home states.

The war ended on Nov. 11, 1918, a date now commemorated as Veterans Day in the United States.

In addition, the Illinois State Archives have daily correspondence of battlefield orders (October-November 1918) and approximately 150 post-war enemy intelligence and location maps which show the day to day battle lines from Oct. 1, 1918, to shortly after the end of the war. These maps show enemy activities such as shelling, air plane missions and gas attacks.

The Illinois Secretary of State's office is a participating member of the Illinois World War I Centennial Commission, whose website can be found at: <http://www.worldwar1centennial.org/index.php/illinois-wwi-centennial-home.html>.

Historical society Christmas Shop open on Black Friday

The Union County Historical Society's Christmas Shop is scheduled to be open on Black Friday.

The shop opened on Nov. 18 for its 15th consecutive year.

The shop is scheduled to be open on weekends through Dec. 16.

The Christmas Shop is located at 117 S. Appleknocker in downtown Cobden, next door to the Union County Museum.

Hours are scheduled from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on

Saturday and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday.

On Black Friday, Nov. 24, the shop is scheduled to be open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

On other Fridays, the shop will be open by chance and to groups, by appointment.

Once again, the Christmas Shop will feature a variety of trees, trim, ornaments, vintage Dept. 56 and Lemax, AnnaLee dolls, Santas, Mikasa, garland, sleds, skates, lights, wreaths, ribbon, gift wrap, art pottery, Nikko dinnerware and gift items. New and gently used merchandise will be priced below retail value.

The Christmas Shop is the primary fundraiser for the museum and historical society programs.

For more information, call 893-2567 or the museum at 893-2865.

Pfc. Young Marine graduate



Pfc. Hayden Young
Pfc. Hayden Young, 19, of Cobden, graduated from the U.S. Marine Corps Recruit Depot at San Diego, Calif., on Nov. 9.

Young successfully completed 13 weeks of intensive basic training at MCRD San Diego as one of the 87 recruits in his Training Platoon 3267.

Following 10 days at home on leave, Young was to report to Camp Pendleton for Marine Combat Training; then Occupation School there also.

Saluki Sports Update

By Fred Huff

Thankfully SIU's 2017 football season is over. Completed. Finished. Not pretty, but hardly a major surprise or shock.

So the college football coaching carousel is now underway and, yes, a few fans are talking about whether SIU's Nick Hill should be allowed to return. Hey, guys and gals, don't be ridiculous.

Coach Hill has just completed his second year at SIU.

Of course he should be back next season and SIU's administration must honor this three-year contract.

It's a modest one, reportedly for just \$175,000, and SIU receives that much in return by the exemplary manner in which Hill conducts himself both on and off the field.

He's a classy young guy who is learning the coaching trade the hard way. Losing.

The Salukis have struggled through back-to-back 4-7 seasons under Hill's head coaching reign.

The toughest thing about this season is that only one of SIU's four wins was even close to being against a quality opponent. That being Illinois State.

Not including the Redbirds, SIU's three other wins were against teams that had unimpressive records: Indiana State 0-11, Southeast Missouri State 3-8 and Mississippi Valley State was a lower division opponent with a losing record.

In his post-game interview following the 28-14 loss to Western Illinois last Saturday, Hill remained upbeat. Classy, not placing blame on any one or two players. Not offering the season-ending injury to his quarterback three weeks ago as an excuse. No excuses.

Instead Hill was quoted as saying, "You can see the improvement, but

to the outside world, you won't. Same record and same record in the conference. We're still 4-7 and have to do something about that. We have to trust that we recruited well in the more than 60 players who are first- and second-year guys. We have to keep developing and it has to pay off in wins."

That summarizes the season. It isn't that Coach Hill is unaware of the situation. Whether or not he can do anything about it is what he has another season to prove.

If there is no improvement in the 2018 season, then athletics director Tommy Bell will have a decision to make.

And, with SIU's financial situation being what it is, it will be a difficult one. Experienced, veteran coaches are expensive.

And, that leads to SIU's other problem and believe me, it is a problem.

Fan support. Lack of. Particularly from SIU's student body.

Yes, there have been

studies. Meetings. Discussions. Sorry, but I do not see positive results.

Hopefully the upcoming basketball season will be a partial answer. Hopefully students will fill the SIU Arena's north end bleachers and react favorably to Coach Barry Hinson's entertaining theatrics.

Even though there's some hesitancy on our part about "talking about the old days," I still must remind that when the SIU Arena was first opened (the 1964-65 season) and for several years thereafter, the entire, as in all, total, west one-half of the Arena was reserved for students.

We were not allowed to sell any seats to the general public until one hour before game time. And, in the event there were still any available.

Times change. Granted. But we're hoping for more student support in the near future, both for this year's basketball season and next fall's football season, with Coach Hill on the sidelines.



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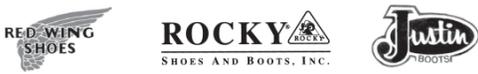
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In the Matter of the Estate of John Boyd, Deceased. Case No. 2017-P-42

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given to creditors of the death of John Boyd. Letters of Office were issued November 2, 2017 to Autumn Carter, whose address is 10375 Chayla Road, Marion, Illinois 62959, as Independent Administrator, whose attorney of record is Mark A. Kochan, Kochan & Kochan, 121 West Cherry Street, Herrin, IL 62948. Claims against the estate may be filed in the Circuit Clerk's Office, Union County Courthouse, Jonesboro, Illinois, or with the representative, or both, on or before the 10th day of June, 2018. 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 ten (10) days after it has been filed.

AUTUMN CARTER, INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN BOYD

Mark A. Kochan Kochan & Kochan, P.C. 121 West Cherry Street Herrin, IL 62948 Tel. (618) 942-8850 48-50g

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-28

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ANNA, ILLINOIS, AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SURPLUS PUBLIC REAL ESTATE LOCATED AT 209 W. VIENNA STREET, ANNA, ILLINOIS

THAT WHEREAS, the City of Anna, Illinois is the owner of surplus public real estate located at 209 W. Vienna Street, Anna, Illinois, which is more particularly described as:

Lot Number 3 in George W. Norris' First Addition to the City of Anna, Situated in Union County, Illinois; and **WHEREAS** The City Council for the City of Anna desires to sell the subject real estate; and

WHEREAS 65 ILCS 5/11-76-4.1 provides the Statutory authority for the sale of the aforementioned surplus public real estate by the City of Anna; and

WHEREAS the following additional information is provided in accordance with said statute, to wit:

Parcel Number- 14-00-08-631; Size- 66' x 132' or 8,712 square feet; Use- Residential Zoning- R-2; Terms of sale- cash at time of sale; and **WHEREAS** the value of

the surplus public real estate is SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$6,000.00) as determined by a written certified appraisal prepared by a State of Illinois licensed real estate appraiser, a copy of which appraisal is available to the public for inspection at the Anna, Illinois City Hall; and

WHEREAS the City Council for the City of Anna directs the sale of the said surplus public real estate shall be conducted by the staff of the City of Anna; **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**

(1) That the City of Anna's surplus public real estate located at 209 W. Vienna Street in Anna, Illinois is placed for sale and shall be sold in accordance with the provisions of 65 ILCS 5/11-76-4.1.

(2) That this Resolution shall be published at the first opportunity following its passage in The Gazette-Democrat newspaper in the City of Anna, Illinois;

(3) That written offers for the purchase of the subject real estate will be accepted at Anna City Hall for Thirty (30) days immediately following the first publication of this Resolution in The Gazette-Democrat newspaper. Offers received will be submitted to the Anna City Council for review and consideration at the Council's next regularly scheduled meeting;

(4) The City Council may, at that time, accept a contract proposal determined by them to be in the best interests of the City of Anna by a vote of Two-Thirds of the City Council members then holding office, but in no event at a price less than 80% of the appraised value;

(5) Upon sale, title to the subject real estate will be transferred from the City of Anna to the purchaser by Quit-Claim Deed- AS IS.

ADOPTED: NOVEMBER 7, 2017

APPROVED: STEVE HARTLINE, MAYOR 48-49g

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

CITY OF ANNA ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the City of Anna Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on the 12th day of December, 2017 at 6 p.m. at the Anna City Hall, 103 Market Street, Anna, Illinois 62906 to consider a Zoning Change filed by Brooke's Development LLC for the following described real estate.

EXHIBIT "A"

ALL THAT PART OF THE WEST HALF OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTH-EAST QUARTER LYING SOUTH OF THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF STATE ROUTE 146. ALSO, THE NORTH-WEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER. ALL IN SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, SITUATED IN UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS. CONTAINING 21.094 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

FOR LOCATION OF PROPERTY, REFERENCE IS MADE TO A PLAT OF SURVEY PREPARED BY MITCHELL R. GARRETT, ILLINOIS LAND SURVEYOR NO. 3085, RECORDED ON NOVEMBER 19, 2001, IN RECORD BOOK 203 AT PAGE 896 IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF DEEDS FOR UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

ALL SITUATED IN UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Excepting therefrom: THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, TANGE 1 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS, CONTAINING 10.79 ACRES, MORE OR LESS. and

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along with and also conveying:

A PERPETUAL AND NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR EGRESS AND UTILITIES DESCRIBED AS THE SOUTH SIXTY FEET (60') OF THE WEST ONE HUNDRED FEET (100') OF THE WEST ONE-HALF (W 1/2) OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTH-EAST QUARTER LYING SOUTH OF THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF STATE ROUTE 146, ALL IN SECTION TWENTY-ONE (21), TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Petitioner seeks a Zoning Change from an R-1 Zone to a B-2 Zone as defined in the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Anna, Illinois.

The Petition in its entirety is available for inspection and copying at the Anna City Hall. All persons interested in such petition should attend and will be given an opportunity to be heard. The Public Hearing may be continued from time to time without further public notice.

City of Anna Zoning Board of Appeals 103 Market Street Anna, Illinois 62906 49g

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Obituaries

Valarine M. Tucker Thomas

Valarine M. Tucker Thomas, 89, of Jonesboro, died Friday, Nov. 17, 2017, at Integrity Healthcare in Anna.

She was born on Dec. 11, 1927, in Saratoga, the daughter of Alva and Emma Wall Tucker.

She married William H. Thomas on Feb. 2, 1946, in Jonesboro. He preceded her in death on July 15, 1994.

She is survived by her daughter, Linda (Robert) MacNiff-Kolb of Inverness; four grandchildren, Colin (Beth) MacNiff, Emily MacNiff (Todd), Jessica Kolb (Justin) Jones and Angele Kolb; four great-grandchildren, Charlotte and Thomas Alexander, and Alaina and Ryleigh Jones; a step-daughter, Inis Thomas Houseman of Florissant, Mo., and her children, Diane, Brian, Richard and Toy; two sisters, Geneva Elkins of Jonesboro and Eva Anderson of Normal; three nieces, Sheryl Elkins Netherton, Cathy Elkins Freeman and Darla Tucker Corzine; three nephews, Rodney Anderson, Vernon Tucker and Randy Tucker; many other family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, William H. Thomas; three brothers, Leon, Clifton and Ralph Tucker; two nephews, and one great-nephew.

She was a devoted and faithful member of the Apostolic Faith Tabernacle in Jonesboro, where she and her husband were founding members of the church. Throughout the years she found abiding friendship and family through the Apostolic Faith Tabernacle.

Funeral services for Mrs. Thomas were at noon Monday, Nov. 20, at the Apostolic Faith Tabernacle in Jonesboro, with the Rev. Mark Goins and the Rev. Jim Galbraith officiating. Interment was in the Casper Cemetery near Anna.

Memorials can be made to the donor's choice.

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

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



Joan Mixen

Joan Mixen, 67, of rural Anna, died at 1:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 13, 2017, at her home.

She was born on April 1, 1950, in Anna, the daughter of Otis and Marjorie Camden Dirden.

She married Bobby Mixen on Feb. 4, 1966, in Jonesboro. He preceded her in death on July 24, 1996.

She is survived by her daughter, Carla (Mike) Cremeens of Anna; a son, Eddie (Mary) Mixen of Anna; three grandchildren, Brayden Cremeens, Austin Mixen and Ryan Mixen; one brother, Jim Dirden of Dongola; and many other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; one brother, Steven Dirden; and one sister, Cynthia Dirden.

She was an animal lover, especially her dog Tigger and cat Peppers. She was a member of the VFW Auxiliary, loved keeping up with A-J football, was an avid Cubs baseball fan and liked to take a chance on her scratch off tickets.

She worked at JoAn Laundry, AJ One Stop and Food World. She will be remembered for her love of decorating cakes.

Funeral services for Joan Mixen were at 1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 16, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna, with the Rev. Paul Sadler officiating. Interment was in McGinnis Cemetery near Anna.

Memorials can be made to the American Diabetes Association.

To leave online condolences for the family, visit www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com.

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



Brenda Kane

Brenda Kane, 53, of Jonesboro, died at 9:10 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 14, 2017, at her home in Jonesboro.

She was born on Nov. 12, 1964, in St. Louis, the daughter of Franklin Delano and Florence Marie Dunlap Kane.

She was a loyal member of Faith Community Church in Anna. She enjoyed crocheting, shopping and going to the casino. She treasured her family and her canine companion, Max.

She is survived by her five children, Deborah (Kevin) Roach of Jonesboro, James Dunlap of Carbondale, Michael Dunlap of Cape Girardeau, Rebecca (Christopher) Parks of Vienna and Steve Dunlap of Lick Creek; nine grandchildren, Brandon Kane, Brittany Kane, Brittany Roach, Bryan Dunlap, Montannah Parks, Trenady Parks, Makenzie Parks, Jaxsen Bloodworth and Brookelynn Dunlap; siblings Terry Kane, Franklin Kane, Dennis Kane and Dorothy Maynard; nieces, nephews and many other relatives.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and by a brother, John Kane.

Funeral services were at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 17, at Crain Funeral Home in Anna-Jonesboro, with the Rev. Bon Reynolds officiating. Interment was in the Anna City Cemetery.

Memorials can be made to the funeral home.

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

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



Jared Newman

Jared Newman, 32, of Anna, died Saturday, Nov. 18, 2017, at his home.

He was born on Sept. 16, 1985, in Cape Girardeau, the son of Bruce and Kay Halterman Newman.

He married Heather Freeman on May 25, 2013, at Ferne Clyffe State Park near Goreville.

Jared is survived by his wife, Heather Newman of Anna; a son, Jet Newman of Anna; parents Bruce and Kay Newman of Buncombe; two sisters, Allison Manenti of Ellisville, Mo., and Valerie Jones of Jonesboro; aunts and uncles; cousins; other family and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Echo Blue Newman.

Jared was an art teacher. He loved music, art, his children and his wife, Heather.

Funeral services were at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 22, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Jonesboro, with the Rev. Paul Tirey officiating. Interment was in Ebenezer Hall Cemetery in Lick Creek.

Memorials can be made to the family.

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

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



Lavern L. 'Hardrock' Johnson

Lavern L. "Hardrock" Johnson, 77, of Morris, and formerly of Elwood, and Anna-Jonesboro died Tuesday evening, Nov. 14, 2017, at Morris Hospital, surrounded by family.

Born on April 27, 1940, in Union County, Lavern Leon was a son of Earl Edward and Blanche Agnes Freeman Johnson. He was raised in Union County and graduated from Shawnee High School in Wolf Lake with the class of 1958.

He served in the U.S. Air Force.

On May 13, 1967, he married Patricia Bailey in Washington, Ky.

He was elevated to a Master Mason on Nov. 22, 1968, and remained a member of the Matteson Lodge No. 175 AF&AM in Joliet, for the past 48 years. He belonged to First Presbyterian Church in Morris, and was a regular of the Morris McDonald's coffee club.

Hardrock also known as "Rocky" up north, retired from the Dresden Nuclear Station after 22 years, where he was a maintenance foreman. Following his retirement, he gained employment with the Grundy County Sheriff's Office, where he has worked for the past 19 years, currently as a process server.

He was a great sports enthusiast, who avidly followed Illinois basketball and the St. Louis Cardinals. He also enjoyed tending to his lawn; watching westerns and World War II movies, and traveling to all four corners of the United States. He took great pleasure in attending his grandchildren's activities, and will be remembered for not only collecting coins, but sharing coins.

Survivors include his wife of 50 years, Patricia; daughter Karen (James) Hinds of Shorewood; son Mark (Lori) Johnson of Morris; five grandchildren, Brett, Noah and Emma Hinds and Alexis and Colby Johnson; one brother John (Judi) Johnson of Hollister, Calif.; sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law Ervina Johnson of Jonesboro, LouAnn Johnson of Fresno, Calif., Betty (James) Collins of East Bernstadt, Ky., Richard (Eileen) Bailey of Irvine, Ky., and Charles (Bonnie) Bailey of Mt. Sterling, Ky.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one sister and brother-in-law, Mary Ada (Dale) Bailey; and two brothers, Donald Johnson and Howard Johnson.

Per his wishes, cremation rites have been accorded.

A memorial service was held Monday, Nov. 20, at 10:30 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church in Morris, with the Rev. Dr. Roy Backus officiating.

Inurnment with full military honors was in Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery in Elwood.

Family and friends can sign the guest book, upload photographs or share Lavern's memorial page online by logging onto www.ReevesFuneral.com.

Cremation services and memorial arrangements were by Reeves Funeral Homes LTD. in Morris.

Robert M. Wilson Jr.

Robert M. Wilson Jr., 76, of Walnut, died Monday, Nov. 13, 2017, at his home.

He was born on Dec. 10, 1940, in Cape Girardeau, the son of Robert Sr. and Juanita Vincent Wilson.

He married Joan Devine on Aug. 16, 1969, in Cape Girardeau. She preceded him in death on Sept. 15, 2013.

He was a speech teacher and librarian at Walnut High School for 30 years and was also employed at Avanti Foods for several years. He was a member of St. John Catholic Church and the Walnut Masonic Lodge No. 722 since 1965. He was an avid St. Louis Cardinals fan.

Survivors include two sisters, Sheila (Alan) Otten of Altenburg, Mo., and Lori (Dale) Foster of Anna; five nieces, Tina Otten, Paula Dorsey, Angie (Roger) Levan, Heather Wright and Kyli Foster; and three nephews, Casey (Beth) Otten, Chad (Tracy) Otten and Sean Foster.

He was preceded in death by his wife, parents and one brother.

A celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was Friday, Nov. 17, at 11 a.m. at St. John Catholic Church in Walnut, with the Rev. Thomas Shaw officiating. Burial was in Walnut Cemetery.

A memorial has been established to St. John Catholic Church. Guests may also donate to their charity of choice.

Online condolences may be sent to www.garlandfuneralhome.com. Garland Funeral in Walnut was in charge of arrangements.

Echo Blue Newman

Echo Blue Newman, 1, of Anna, died Saturday, Nov. 18, 2017, at her home.

She was born on Nov. 20, 2015, in Carbondale, the daughter of Jared S. and Heather Freeman Newman.

Echo is survived by her mother, Heather Newman of Anna; a brother, Jet Newman of Anna; paternal grandparents Bruce and Kay Newman of Buncombe; maternal grandparents Billy (Kim) Freeman of Tamms; maternal great-grandfather Billy J. Freeman of Waxahachie, Texas; maternal great-grandparents Lloyd (Dorothy) Majors of Seabee, Ky.; many aunts and uncles; cousins; other family and friends. She was preceded in death by her father.

She was an energetic spitfire and will be dearly missed by all her family.

Funeral services for Echo Blue Newman were at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 22, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Jonesboro, with the Rev. Paul Tirey officiating. Interment was in Ebenezer Hall Cemetery in Lick Creek.

Memorials can be made to the family.

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

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



Francis Joseph Lingle

Francis Joseph Lingle, 94, of West Frankfort, and formerly of Cobden, died at 8:55 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 18, 2017, at Helia Healthcare in West Frankfort.

He was born on July 13, 1923, in Cobden, the son of Frank and Josepha Patterson Lingle.

He married Helen Craig on Nov. 27, 1954. She preceded him in death in May 2010.

Born during the Great Depression, he worked for Civilian Conservation Corps as a teenager. He became a career military man who served as a gunner's mate with the Navy aboard the U.S.S. Wichita in World War II (Pacific) during the largest naval battle in history, the Battle of Leyte Gulf. He was also a member of the occupying forces at Nagasaki. He continued his military career with the Army-Air Corps, fighting in the Korean War, and had his last tour of duty with the Air Force in the Vietnam War.

After retiring as a master sergeant from the Air Force in 1964, he worked for over 20 years as a master carpenter. He was a member and former treasurer for the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America (Local 683) in Carbondale. He was also a 32nd Degree Mason and member of the Masonic Order's Fairfield-Suisun Lodge 55 in California.

He is survived by his son, Joseph (Kelly) Lingle of St. Louis; two daughters, Jeanne (Pat) Casey of DeSoto and Jane Lingle of Frankfort, Ky.; two granddaughters, Samantha Jo and Madison Grace Lingle, both of Ewing; one sister, Mary Dehen of Springfield; two brothers, Robert (Cynthia) of Columbia, Miss., and Fred (Carol) Lingle of Sherwood, Ore.

He was preceded in death by his wife; his parents; and his brother, Louis Lingle.

Per his request, he will be cremated and his ashes will be mixed with those of his wife's. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 1, at St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery in Cobden.

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

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

Opal L. Treece

Opal L. Treece, 95, of Breese, and formerly of Anna, died Saturday, Nov. 18, 2017, at her home.

She was born on Oct. 24, 1922, in Dongola, the daughter of Elbert Henry and Iva Eve Ury Dillow.

She married Martin Leon Treece on May 7, 1942. They shared 67 years together. He preceded her in death on May 31, 2009.

She is survived by her daughters, Carol Lavon Otrich and Devra Lane Treece, both of Breese; three grandchildren, Christine Noel (Ronald) Gramann, Zachary Michael Treece and Jackson Thomas Treece; one great-grandchild, Spencer John Gramann; other family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Martin Leon Treece; a son, Dr. Michael Leon Treece; four sisters, Blanche Allen, Ruth Angel, Hazel Davis and Jean Crocker; and one brother, Walter Dean Dillow.

She was a member of the Anna First Baptist Church for over 55 years. She was a devoted Christian and over the years she has read her Bible in entirety more than 30 times. She was a lifetime member of the American Legion Women's Auxiliary, joining in 1984. She was a skilled seamstress and enjoyed needlepoint and crocheting in her spare time. She was a dedicated mother to her children and made raising them her life's work.

Funeral services for Mrs. Treece will be at noon Friday, Nov. 24, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna, with the Rev. Les Sinks officiating. Interment will be in Casper Cemetery near Anna.

Friends can call after 10 a.m. and until the service hour at noon Friday, Nov. 24, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna.

Memorials can be made to Casper Cemetery or to the Anna First Baptist Church.

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

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



Bill J. Ford

Bill J. Ford, 82, of Anna, died at 11:39 a.m. Monday, Nov. 13, 2017.

He was born in Vienna on Nov. 4, 1935, the son of Lorán and Freda Lee Hester Ford.

He married Anna Ruth Rink on June 7, 1958, at St. Patrick's Church in Cairo. They shared over 53 years of happiness together. She preceded him in death on Jan. 17, 2012.

Over the years, he worked for Prudential Life Insurance Company, the State Highway Department out of Cairo and also ran a daycare with his wife, Ruth. He also ran Teen Town for many years.

He served in the U.S. Army, where he obtained the rank of SP4. While serving, he received the Good Conduct Medal.

He was involved in his community, being a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, the Knights of Columbus and Kiwanis. He was also a Union County School Board Member and an Anna City Park Board Member.

He loved doing yard work and fishing, but most of all he enjoyed attending various school and sporting events in which his grandchildren and great-grandchildren were involved.

He is survived by his two sons, Mike (Rhonda) Ford of Buncombe and Jeff (Diane) Ford of Charleston, Mo.; one daughter, Amy (Rich) King of Buncombe; grandchildren Joey (Adria) Ford of Cobden, Ryan (Jen) Ford of Charleston, Mo., Jodi South (Evan) of Carbondale, Haley Ford (Bryant) of Charleston, Mo., Justin Ford of Buncombe, Cody King (Laurelin) of Anna, Zach (Whitney) Ford of Anna and Jacqueline Ford (Vicente) of Anna and Katy Jo (Noah) Prater of Anna; great-grandchildren Raleigh and Rider Ford, Jamie, Kaylee and Colton Ford, Mia Guzman, Kenslie Ford; and brothers Robbie (Marietta) Ford of Vienna and Ralph (Ella) Ford of Vienna.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife; a son, Mark Ford; brothers Donald and Loren Ford; and sisters, Sue, Wilma and Gertrude.

Visitation was Wednesday evening, Nov. 15, at Crain Funeral Home in Anna-Jonesboro with the Rosary said at 7:30 p.m.

Funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, today, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Anna, with Father Federico Higuera officiating. Interment will follow in Calvary Cemetery in Villa Ridge.

Memorials can be made to St. Mary's Catholic Church. To view the full obituary or to leave an online condolence for the family, visit www.crainsonline.com.

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



Wilson L. Dover

Wilson L. Dover, 70, of rural Anna, died Saturday, Nov. 11, 2017, at Memorial Hospital in Carbondale.

He was born on Sept. 1, 1947, in Anna, the son of Carl and Edna Lucille Webb Dover.

He married Sharon Gibbons on June 30, 1992, in Paducah.

He was a long time member of the Church of God. He served in the U.S. Air Force for over 20 years, retiring as a master sergeant. He later went on to work as a correctional officer for the State of Illinois.

He was a lifetime member of the VFW, Moose Lodge, Anna Masonic Lodge and Eastern Star. He was an avid hunter and fisherman. He dearly loved his family and spending time with his grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife, Sharon Dover of Anna; his mother, Edna Dover of Anna; a son, Carl (Judy) Dover of Hebron, Ky.; a stepson, Bryan Harvell of Anna; a stepdaughter, Shannon Palmier of Anna; grandchildren Brett (Gina) Dover, Brandon (Alex) Dover and Brienne Dover; a step-grandson, Caleb Harvell; great-grandchildren, Jeremiah, Ava, Preston, Paxton and Phoenix; and one sister, Carla Sims of Anna.

He was preceded in death by his father, Carl Dover. Funeral services were at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 14, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Jonesboro, with the Rev. Carl Dover officiating. Interment was in Casper Cemetery in Anna.

Graveside military rites were conducted by the Scott Air Force Base honor guard military funeral honor team. Masonic rites were conducted at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

Memorials can be made to the American Cancer Society.

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

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



Mary Ada Pope Parks

Mary Ada Pope Parks, 97, passed away quietly at 11:21 a.m. Friday, Nov. 10, 2017, at Southeast Hospital in Cape Girardeau. A few days earlier it had been determined she had heart and kidney problems.

She was born on Jan. 4, 1920, the daughter of Jeanette Austin and Hugh Kennefy Pope in Yorkville.

She grew up on the family farm, which raised cattle, sheep and hogs. Her father's Red Polled cattle herd was well known at the national level. Farm life was always special to her. As a farm girl, 4-H was part of her life and she gained an early appreciation of sewing. Throughout her teen years her annual 4-H project was to make a dress. This training led to her bachelor of science degree in home economics education at the University of Illinois.

While attending the U of I, she met Walter D. Parks at the Wesley Foundation. They became engaged as Walter entered the Army in 1942. Walt's first furlough was delayed until December, 1944. Upon returning to the United States on Dec. 24, 1944, he phoned Mary Ada and said it's time to get married. One week later, on Jan. 1, 1945, they were married.

Walt returned to the war for another six months. During the war years Mary Ada taught high school home economics in Normal and Ashton. After the war, they lived in Galesburg, Moweaqua, and Effingham, before moving to Anna in 1955.

Upon arrival in Anna word got out that Mary Ada had taught home economics. Dongola High School was in need of a teacher, and although not looking for a job at that time, she agreed to go back to teaching. She taught in Dongola for two years, then transferred to Anna-Jonesboro Community High School in 1957. Mary Ada loved teaching and she received a master's degree from Southern Illinois University.

After 32 years of teaching, both she and Walt retired from their jobs in 1984 and spent the next 25 years traveling and enjoying the fruits of their life-long labors.

Mary Ada was a member of the Anna United Methodist Church, the Illinois Retired Teachers Association, the Monday Club and Thursday Club (she was an avid bridge player), and was an inactive member of the Daniel Chapmen Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Mary Ada has several delights in her later years. Of course, being surrounded by children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren was number one, barely. Getting to play bridge was a close second. On bridge day her step quickened and enthusiasm increased.

A third delight concerned Mary Ada's uncanny memory of her many students. When a former student would walk up to her and introduce herself, the student may not have been immediately recognized, but the mention of her name brought back memories and Mary Ada was usually able to let the student know that she was remembered.

Mary Ada is survived by her four children, W. David (Linda) Parks of Jonesboro, Floyd W. (Carole) Parks of Wellington, England, Diane M. Ward of Fort White, Fla., and Darryl W. Parks of Anna; five grandchildren, Maria J. (Jamie) Bridgeman of Cape Girardeau, John D. Parks of Anna, Rebekah S. (Allen) Plott of Anna, Charles F. (Tripp) Ward III and Allison D. (Garrett) Courville of Fort White, Fla.; 14 great-grandchildren, Clayton Bridgeman, Erikah, Emily, Esten and Evan Parks, Curtis, Amanda, Timothy and Daniel Plott, Charlie Ward, Nathan Benson, Landon, Mikalah and Madison Courville. She is also survived by a sister, Miriam Orr of Underhill, Vt.; a sister-in-law, Grace Pope of Harvard, Ill.; two brothers-in-law, Daniel Parks of Florence, Mont., and Roger Parks of Moweaqua; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Walter; two brothers, Charles and Austin Pope; and one brother-in-law, John Parks.

Mary Ada's body has been donated to the Southern Illinois University Medical Department.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 19, at the First United Methodist Church in Anna, with Pastor Carl Johnston officiating. Visitation will be from noon until the hour of service at the church.

Memorials can be made to the First United Methodist Church of Anna or the Union County Historical Society and will be accepted at the church.

Crain Funeral Home in Anna-Jonesboro is in charge of local arrangements.

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



Ruth Cavaness

Ruth Cavaness, 85, of Roswell, Ga., and formerly of Anna, died Thursday, Nov. 9, 2017.

She was born on July 1, 1932, in Pomona, the daughter of Augusta May Casper.

She married Donald Clifford Cavaness on July 15, 1952, in Cobden. Later, she married Don R. Shadowens.

She is survived by one daughter, LaDonna Wallace of Villa Park; one son, Mark (Grace) Cavaness of Roswell, Ga.; and three grandchildren, Jaela, Justin and Jonathan Cavaness, all of Roswell, Ga.

She was preceded in death by her mother; her husbands; and one sister, Jean Lamer.

She was of the Baptist faith. She worked for several years at Florsheim Shoe Factory and Walmart.

Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 17, at the Alto Pass Cemetery in Alto Pass, with the Rev. Paul Sadler officiating. Friends are asked to go directly to the cemetery.

To leave online condolences for the family, visit www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com.

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



Christina 'Evelyn' Rumfelt

Christina "Evelyn" Rumfelt, 71, of Wickliffe, Ky., and formerly of Anna, died at 11:25 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 2, 2017, at her home.

She was born on Feb. 16, 1946, in Wolf Lake, the daughter of John and Pearl Smith Morse.

She married Christopher Paul Rumfelt in Indianapolis, Ind. He preceded her in death.

She is survived by her two daughters, Natalie Rumfelt of Kansas, and Paula Garcia of Indianapolis, Ind.; one son, Christopher Paul Rumfelt Jr. of San Pablo, Calif.; 11 grandchildren; five sisters, Karen Gentry of Anna, Alice Brimm of Anna, Cindy Sue Scharell, Betty Sutton and Sue Richardson, all of Kansas City, Kan.; two brothers, Milas Morse of Indiana and Bob Morse of Kansas City, Kan.; a very special niece she lived with, Helena Gentry of Wickliffe, Ky.; other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; one sister and five brothers.

She served in the U.S. Army. She was a member of the Philadelphia Church of God. She worked as an accounting bookkeeper for several years.

Funeral services for Christina "Evelyn" Rumfelt were at 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 10, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Jonesboro, with the Rev. Paul Sadler officiating. Interment was in the Jonesboro Cemetery.

Memorials can be made to Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home.

To leave online condolences for the family, visit www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com.

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



Russell S. Brinker

Russell S. Brinker, 85, of Makanda, died Saturday, Nov. 4, at home.

Graveside services were at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 14, at Mound City National Cemetery.

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



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

Joan Mixen

Joan Mixen, 67, of rural Anna, died at 1:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 13, at her home.

Arrangements were pending at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna.

To leave online condolences for the family, visit www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com.

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



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.

Congratulations

Congratulations to the A-JCHS Wildcats football team you had a great season. We are proud of you. You worked hard and played your best.

Happy Thanksgiving

Wishing everyone a very blessed and happy Thanksgiving.

1st Birthday

Tina and Louie Bryant's great niece Ava Lorene celebrated her 1st birthday Saturday, Nov. 11, in the fellowship hall at Jonesboro Pentecostal Church.

The party theme was Farm Girl. Her parents are Robert and Amber Mayberry. She has a sister, Alexandria. Family and friends attended.

Alabama Trip

Barbara House enjoyed a trip to Alabama.

Prayers Appreciated

Karen and David Stanley Sr. wanted to let everyone know that David Stanley Jr. was recovering very well and how thankful they are for everyone who has prayed for him.

Sympathy

I was saddened to learn of the death of dear friend Opal Treece, formerly of Anna.

Guest

Guest of Gaylon and Clara Cates was their son Gaylon Wayne of Chicago.

He enjoyed deer hunting, getting a deer and Thanksgiving week with his parents.

Congratulations

Many of the Girl Scouts were given awards for volunteer hours they did above and beyond their duties. Proud of the work you do for our communities.

They also passed out Thanksgiving papers they decorated for the seniors at Sunshine Inn at Goddard's Barn and Grill.

Enjoying The Gazette-Democrat

I received an email from Wilma Thomas formerly from Anna and now lives in Norris City.

She didn't get all of The Gazette-Democrat this week. She told me how much she misses it when it doesn't come. She said sometimes it takes three or four newspapers to just keep up with local news and it has already happened by the time she gets it.

I really appreciate her telling me how much she enjoys reading the Anna news article I write. That's what keeps me going is getting emails, letters and phone calls like this.

A lot of newspapers do not have hometown local news so we are blessed to have this.

Wilma enjoys where she

lives and said she wasn't ready to move back to civilization yet. She said they had a parade of wild turkeys marching across the road by her house. They were really big, maybe 30 or 40 pounds each. She asked: "Anybody need a turkey for Thanksgiving?"

Wilma said her grandpa Thomas was a carpenter and had a small shop next door to his house in Harrisburg.

It always smelled like wood shavings, paint, wood-burning heater, and he had miniature samples of the porch swings he made. Wilma loved the aroma and the miniature samples.

Through the years she has collected some of his work, two sample swings and a little quilting frame, a spinning wheel (the wheel even turns), a small wheelbarrow (completely made of wood, even its wheel) that he made.

They have managed to locate and buy several of his "what-nots" that's corner shelf that hangs on the wall.

They have small ones and one that is about 4 feet tall and stands on the floor, it even has carved feet. It is the only big one she ever saw.

After her grandpa died in 1951 the shop was abandoned and eventually fell down. Eventually the house and property was sold, the buildings torn down.

Contents were either stolen or burned. But Milly and Wilma rescued as much as they could. Wilma used to beg her dad to drive by their old home site whenever they went to Harrisburg.

While Wilma was in high school, she made her grandma a dress in Mary Ada Parks home economics class. Her grandma was delighted with it. Wilma said she will always remember her smile. Many happy memories in sewing class with Mary Ada.

Another Student

I, Martha Ann Webb also was in Mary Ada's home economics class, loved it, and kept the two piece dress I made and actually wore it. I think I still have it somewhere.

I loved the cooking group. She taught me to make a dinner with a big round steak and baking it with tomato sauce on top. A fruit salad, a baked Alaska and loved those brownies. Every time we had company this was my meal I cooked for years.

I remember one girl made a beautiful dress but when she was cutting the threads she cut the material right around the waist and ruined the dress.

We learned what colors went with other colors but that doesn't hold true today. That was 54 wonderful years ago.

Trip

Darla Womick enjoyed a trip to Eldon, Mo., to spend the Thanksgiving holidays with her brother Bob and Jodi.

Jake, Mary, Mayli, Aden and Jake's sister went to St. Louis so they can see the Thanksgiving parade there so Mayli can experience a real Thanksgiving parade.

Congratulations

Lana Kaye Glasco's granddaughter Erika signed a contract with Babes and Beaus modeling and talent agency out of Chicago.



Saturday, Dec. 2, at 10 a.m. at Walmart, Jamie Watkins invites you to Holiday Stuff a Truck.

54th Anniversary

Weldon and Judy Brown will celebrate their wedding anniversary Nov. 30.

Birthdays

Nov. 18 Beverly Tweedy, David Wilkins, 19 Delaine Moreland, Dec. 3 Bob Bennett, 5 Patty Weatherington, 8 Maranda Hartline.

Thanks

A special thanks to Jennifer Melton Cleghorn for making all the t-shirt and head band designs for the A-JCHS football games and to everyone for everything they did.

We could call or text Jennifer to see if she had something and it wouldn't be long till we would get a text back to come get it.

Anna Arts Center

Saturday there is a lot going on in Anna. Start your day at 8 a.m. with a run walk 5K. At 9 a.m. kid's fun run. Afterwards the children will be able to make a ornament to take home. There will also be a Christmas bazaar also from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Anna Moose Lodge

The family of Wilson Dover really appreciated the meal prepared after his funeral.

VFW

The auxiliary will be hosting its annual craft vendor expo Nov. 25. at A-JCHS.

The post and auxiliary wish everyone a very happy Thanksgiving and hope everyone has a wonderful day and remembers to give thanks for all the blessings we have in our lives. They will be closed so employees can spend the day with their families. A special thanks to all our service people for serving our country.

Star Karaoke will be at the VFW Sunday, Nov. 26, 3 p.m to 7 p.m. Barbeque and chips for a \$4 donation.

They will be shopping for children's Christmas presents.

Red Hats

Twenty-nine Little Egypt Red Hat Ladies met at the Golden Corral in Carbondale for their Thanksgiving dinner and meeting.

The theme of the meeting was the military. Hostesses were Martha Schwegman, Queen Mom Joan Graves Edwards and Brenda Lovelace.

Martha Schwegman read the poem In Flanders Fields. Joan Graves Edwards made red, white and blue napkin rings.

Mary Hafley won an American flag. Linda Clutts had her to unfold it and Lula Belle and Mary held it up and Linda led singing "You're a Grand ol' Flag."

Linda had everyone say the Pledge of Alliance to our America Flag then sing "God Bless America."

Linda Clutts, Joanne Vaught, Theresa Monaco and Corinne Steveson, sang "Christmas in Dixie." Linda told a Thanksgiving joke.

Joan donated gifts that were given as door prizes. Several of her donations were giving plates that a person fills the plate with food and then gives to someone else.

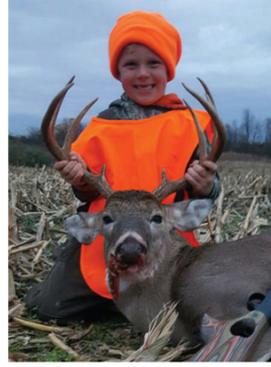
That person fills the plate and passes it to someone else. The plate keeps going from friend to friend. Special birthdays celebrated were Cathy Ziegler, Theresa Monaco, Lillian



Mariah Faire and Kaden Baltzell won the Shawnee High School carnival. The carnival is an annual fundraiser for the music department. They are both freshmen.



Ariana Moutell performed in the Southern Illinois Civic Orchestra's presentation of music by Russian artists Tchaikovsky and Borodin on Nov. 14 at Shryock Auditorium on the Southern Illinois University Carbondale campus. Ariana is a music education major at SIUC. She plays the clarinet. She also is a member of the Marching Salukis. She is pictured with her grandmother Carolyn Fuller, Shad Turner and Pauline Turner, Shad's grandmother.



Titan Henderson, the 6 year old son of T.J. and Tannette Henderson, harvested his first deer on the opening day of shotgun season. His buck had 9 points. Titan has hunted many hours with his bow this season. He also hunted during youth gun season.



Noah Treece was one of the 70 young people out of 1,000 who attended the Barcelona Showcase over the last two years who was chosen to attend and showcase his soccer skills to various academies across England. He will spend 12 days in England, starting in Manchester, St. George's Park and London.



Susan Sherwin baked a cake in honor of the Marines birthday for the Blue Star ceremony on Friday, Nov. 10.



For the first time in 10 years, Tammy Weaver Wheaton enjoyed her birthday with her family. They recently moved back from Columbia, Mo.



Abigail Dahmer celebrated her 14th birthday Nov. 17 with a party and cake made and decorated by her great-grandmother Geneva Jackson. Her brother Edward was helping.



Little Egypt Red Hat Ladies met at the Golden Corral for their Thanksgiving dinner and meeting.



Ava Lorene Mayberry celebrated her 1st birthday on Saturday, Nov. 11.

spoke. The closing prayer was by Rev. Bill Minor. The family really appreciated the United Methodist Church preparing the meal.

A Thanksgiving dinner was served to the community with a community worship service afterwards. Christmas gifts are being bought for children.

The Rev. Carl Johnston is starting a new worship service on Thursday nights starting Dec. 7 at 6:30 p.m. for people who have to work on Sunday mornings to be able to attend worship service.

Anna-Jonesboro Women's Club

GFWC Illinois Anna-Jonesboro Women's club will meet at United Methodist Church in Anna at 11 a.m. Dec. 4. Members of the Jonesboro band will perform for the group and then enjoy pizza and

Calling America Back to God

Thursday, Dec. 7, everyone will gather around the cross in the sanctuary for a candlelight service at Anna Heights Baptist Church for Calling America Back to God.

Special will be by Kathy Wheaton "Mary wrapped a present." Everyone is welcome.

Shop Local

Free gift wrapping with your boxed items and receipt to ReMax Southern/Chamber office at 301 S. Main St. Anna on small business day Saturday, Nov. 25, beginning at noon. Sponsored by ReMax Southern, Union County Chamber of Commerce and Union County Women in Business.

Deer Hunting

I have gotten calls that a lot of people do not like to see the pictures of the deer in the paper when people go deer hunting but they will have to realize it is a sport and food for the table.

I personally couldn't kill one. If people didn't teach their children to deer hunt we wouldn't be able to drive our cars because of all the deer. This used to be the only way people got food to eat.

The deer are a real danger to the highways and have cost people their lives and totaled cars. A lot of people like deer meat and it saves them a lot of money to have the meat in their freezer for the winter.

Mt. Moriah Bazaar

Mt. Moriah Lutheran Church Hands of Faith

ladies have announced the third annual Gingerbread House Bazaar as a part of Christmas in Downtown Anna on Nov. 25.

In addition to craft and food items, guests may expect to find other holiday gift choices in Granny's Attic (gently used decorations and things).

There will be a kids table with a make and take craft. Christmas music and holiday spirit at Mt. Moriah on the corner of Jefferson and Main streets, will help launch Christmas in Downtown Anna.

Proceeds from the bazaar are used for community outreach missions such as the Weekend Backpack Nutrition program to District 37 school students.

State Retirees Meeting

AFSCME Retirees Chapter 90 meets at Anna Heights Baptist Church, 100 Turner Ave., Anna, at 1 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month.

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, CJ Youngerman, Freddy Morse, Reagan Morrison, Josh Steveson, Josh Williams, Faith Odum, Tommy Goff and family Janette, Jamison and Kaylynn, Creighton Laster, Brandon Eaker, Jim Bonner, Jacob Schaefer, Jerod Schaefer, Jennifer Ann Bishop, Robert Jr. McMeely, James McWhorter, Arin White-mountain.



Students in Amy Allen's 3rd grade class work with their Kindles.



Students in Christina Poirier's 3rd grade work with their Kindles.

Cobden Elementary School offers use of tablets for all students

By Lindsey Rae Vaughn
Cobden Elementary School has increased technology for the students' benefit.

Every student in kindergarten through 5th grade recently received Kindle Fire HD 8s tablets, one for each student to use.

Students in 1st through 5th grade have the opportunity to take the Kindles home and use them.

They use the myON

reading program, which gives students access to 10,000 books that range in genres.

Teachers are able to give them reading assignments and find books that go with the curriculum with this program.

School district superintendent Edwin Shoemate says they've seen an upswing in reading since the students received the tablets.

In one week, 3rd grade

read 5,928 pages and spent a total of 33 hours reading.

Students can even take their Accelerated Reading tests over the books with their tablets.

Technology is prevalent in other ways throughout the school. They recently received four 3D printers, one of them already being used in one of the 5th grade classrooms.

Fifth graders and junior high students also have access to Chromebooks.

News from First Baptist Church, Jonesboro

On Sunday, Nov. 19, Pastor Mike Turner's sermon was titled "The Most Important Thing Saved People Do," with scripture from Isaiah.

Interim music director Dee Rose led worship. Gerry and Cynthia Boehne provided special music.

The office will be closed Thursday and Friday, Nov. 23-24, in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

Birthdays: William Molter, Nov. 21; Valerie Pender, Nov. 23.

The schedule for worship includes three services on Sunday at 8:15 a.m., 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Thanksgiving closings noted

All Illinois Secretary of State offices and facilities are scheduled to be closed on Thursday and Friday, Nov. 23-24, in observance of Thanksgiving.

Facilities which are open Tuesday to Saturday are scheduled to reopen on Saturday, Nov. 25.

Offices and facilities open Monday to Friday are scheduled to reopen on Monday, Nov. 27.

Reynoldsville News

by Sue Eudy

We extend our sympathy to the family of Lavern "Harkrock" Johnson of Morris, who died Tuesday, Nov. 14, in Morris. He was raised in Union County and graduated in 1958 from Shawnee High School. He was the brother-in-law of Ervina Johnson of Jonesboro.

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

On Sunday, Barb and Edwin Livesay of Anna and Jack and Dolores Reynolds ate at Texas Roadhouse in Cape Girardeau and then went for a drive.

Maxine Pender of Fair City, Lori Pender of Jonesboro, Kristin Pender of Indiana and friend Allison attended the craft fairs in Cape Girardeau.

Those enjoying pizza at the home of Brad and Lori Pender on Saturday night to celebrate the birthday of Fred Pender were Maxine Pender, Kristin Pender, Austin Pender of Anna and

fiancee Allison and other friends.

Shirley Miller of McClure, Elva Scantlin of Harisburg and Rita Hardin of Marion enjoyed eating at Cracker Barrel in Marion on Thursday.

Penny Hill of McClure and Shirley Miller enjoyed lunch in Cape Girardeau after church on Sunday.

Those enjoying breakfast Sunday morning with Sue and Steve Eudy were Kevin and Emma Eudy of Jackson, Mo., Jonathan Bohnert and Hunter Parrish, both of Cape Girardeau.

Hope everyone has a safe and blessed Thanksgiving with family and friends on Thursday and give thanks for our many blessings and our freedom.

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

News from Camp Ground Church, Community

Filling Camp Ground Church's pulpit for November and December is the Rev. Dr. Bernice Belt from Paducah.

Her sermon Sunday was titled "It Takes Courage to be a Christian," with scripture from the Acts of the Apostles.

The message shared that "whatever comes our way, we need to be consistent in our Christian witness.

"The first thing the world wants to do is to challenge us, to see if we live what we say. This is

especially true when bad things happen to us.

"If we are firmly rooted in God, we may be wounded, but cannot be defeated."

Receiving the offering Sunday were Tymber Roach and her grandfather, Rodney Miller.

Loaves and Fishes boxes were returned and blessed during service Sunday before being forwarded to the selected mission project.

Following morning worship, all present gath-

ered in the fellowship hall to enjoy the church's annual Thanksgiving potluck.

Sandy Boaz will be the elder in charge during December.

Having birthdays since the beginning of November have been Teresa Rogers on Nov. 3 and Brittany Roach on Nov. 12.

Following morning worship on Sunday, Nov. 26, the church will have a soup and finger food lun-

cheon and then decorate the sanctuary and fellowship hall for Advent.

The church's sympathy and prayers go out to the Newman family, and to the family of the church's pastor who have lost loved ones the past week.

Camp Ground Church has Bible study at 10 a.m. on Sunday, with worship at 11 a.m. The church is located at 50 Tunnel Ln., east of Anna.

Zeta Phi Sorority meeting held

Zeta Phi Sorority's November meeting was held at the home of Holly Wohlwend.

Members were served dessert before a business meeting was held.

Member's pecans which had been ordered arrived. Pecan sales are the sorority's yearly fund raiser.

Anyone who may want to buy pecans can call Linda Warren at T&I Office Equipment in downtown

Anna, phone 833-8004.

The price is \$10 for a one-pound bag of pecan halves.

The sorority noted that pecan sales are going fast and have exceeded their expectations.

Members received a thank you note from Anna Christianson for the sorority's donation to veterans. The group also donated to the veterans Honor Flight.

For December in service, members are going to take a family which is given to them by Pay It Forward to buy Christmas gifts.

The sorority voices its appreciation to everyone who has bought pecans so that it can help the community.

The meeting was closed by president Linda Warren. Refreshments were served. Shirley West won the door prize.

News from Anna Church of the Nazarene

The Sunday morning worship service was opened by Tiffany McBride sharing about the Meals on Wheels Soup Kitchen Thanksgiving meals which were prepared on Saturday, Nov. 18, for several families in the community.

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

Special music was presented by Jaida Smith, Lottie Smith and Tiffany McBride, with Curly Ralls, Noah Wiseman, T. J. Macy and Mark Smith serving as ushers.

The morning message, "Dealing With The Ghost In Our Past," was brought by Pastor McBride, with scripture from the Psalms.

The message shared that "names or labels are so important in life and we can be in bondage to a label that is given us in our past. Our past can overshadow us but Christ gives us a new name."

A monthly missionary service was held Sunday evening.

Following a meal, Tammy Vicenzi, the local mis-

sionary president, gave a presentation about a Feed My Starving Children event which is planned Dec. 1-3 in Cape Girardeau.

This is a non-profit organization that utilizes volunteers to assist in hand-packing nutritionally complete meals for malnourished children.

Tammy Vicenzi can be contacted to learn how to help at the event.

Birthdays and anniversaries: Nov. 19, Marie Mowell; Nov. 20, Jeff and Michelle Sadler; Nov. 21, Matt Odum.

An all-church Thanksgiving/Christmas dinner is planned Dec. 3, following morning worship.

A Christmas open house is planned at the parsonage from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Dec. 9.

A children's Christmas program, "How the Grinch Found Christmas," is planned at 10:35 a.m. on Dec. 17.

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

Hess News

By Glenn Heisner

(Intended for last week.) The pumpkin patch on Halloween night at Anna Heights had more than 640 people who registered and ate 600 hot dogs.

Fred and Josh Schlenker gave carriage rides at Sikeston, Mo., this past weekend.

A Thanksgiving meal was served Sunday evening, Nov. 12, at Anna Heights.

The Union County Saddle Club plans to meet at 6:30 p.m. Nov. 18 at Stinson Memorial Library in Anna.

Entries in the Veterans Day parade were down this year, possibly due to the football game. The bands were great in the parade.

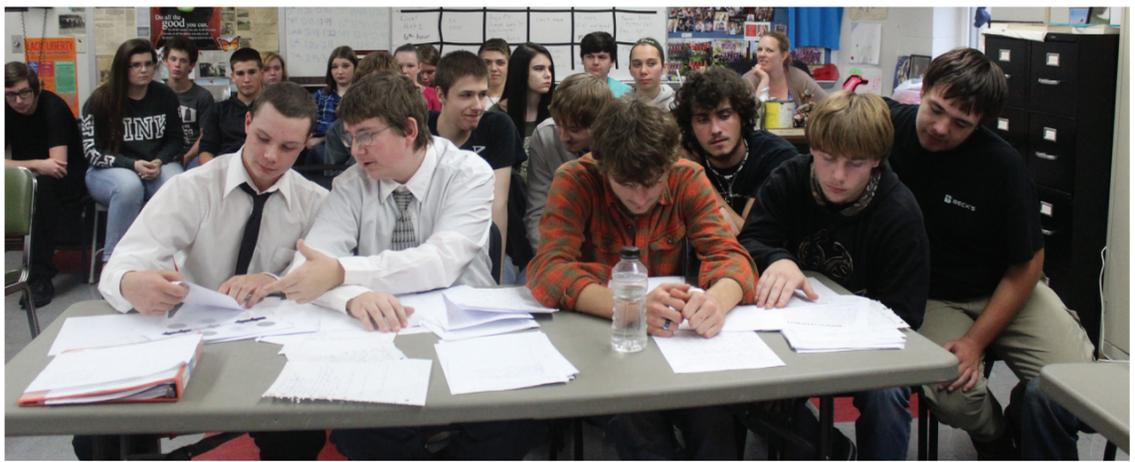
Congratulations to A-J for its win on Saturday.

Shawnee High School government class conducts mock trial

A mock trial concluded a five-week unit on the judicial system presented in teacher Jamie Nash-Mayberry's class at Shawnee High School in Wolf Lake. Students in both government courses first studied concepts about both criminal and civil law. Then they visited the Union County Courthouse in Jonesboro and met their elected officials. Students then watched criminal court in action and were able to ask Union County Sheriff Scott Harvel, Union County State's Attorney Tyler Edmonds and Union County Presiding Judge Mark Boie questions about what they witnessed. Back in class, the students then studied a number of famous trials over the past years, and their outcomes. Finally, the students spent a week investigating and preparing for the trial around a scenario Nash-Mayberry wrote. Students were on one of three teams: jury, defense or prosecution. All worked hard then during a three-day trial, staying in their roles. Photos provided.



Lead prosecutor Chapman Hill delivering his opening statement.



Prosecution team strategizing, while students from other classes sit in the background to observe the trial.



Lead defense attorney Levi Boren questions the "defendant" Kannen Willis on the stand while Bailiff Trace Faire and Judge Nash-Mayberry kept order in the court.



Defense team strategizing, while students from other classes sit in the background to observe the trial.



The jury looks up for a smile, after taking careful notes.

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Wreaths Across America Day ceremony scheduled

Local volunteers are working hard to ensure that all of the veterans who have been laid to rest at the Mound City National Cemetery are honored in December on National Wreaths Across America Day. This year, ceremonies are planned simultaneously across the country at more than 1,200 locations on Saturday, Dec. 16, in observance of National Wreaths across America Day. Organizers note that the goal is to place a live, balsam fir wreath at the headstone of every veteran who is buried at the national cemetery in Mound City. Achieving the goal is part of an effort to spread patriotism while also commemorating the ultimate sacrifices veterans made for the country. Organizers noted that sponsorships are being accepted through Nov. 26 for wreaths which are needed to honor every veteran at the Mound City National Cemetery. Each wreath sponsorship costs \$15. "Every donation and wreath sponsorship is a meaningful gift from an appreciative supporter who knows what it means to serve and sacrifice for all the freedoms we enjoy," said Karen Worcester, executive director of Wreaths Across America. "We are so grateful to the Mound City National Cemetery Preservation Commission for participating in our mission to Remember, Honor and Teach." Remember, Honor, Teach is carried out in part each year by coordinating wreath-laying ceremonies in December at the Arlington National Cemetery, as well as at more than 1,200 veterans' cemeteries and other locations in all 50 states and beyond. Information about sponsoring a wreath at the Mound City National Cemetery can be found online at moundcitynationalcemetery.org. Information also is available by calling 618-759-0239.

shows average declines of 2,300 jobs per month from August to October. The six-month trend shows an increase of 1,900 average monthly job gains from May to October. Both the three-month and the six-month changes were better than reported last month. In October, the three industry sectors with the largest gains in employment were trade, transportation and utilities. The three industry sectors with the largest payroll declines were government, construction and information. The state's unemployment rate was 0.8 of a percentage point higher than the national unemployment rate reported for October 2017, which decreased to 4.1 percent.

Illinois unemployment rate falls to 4.9 percent in October

The Illinois Department of Employment Security, IDES, reports that the unemployment rate in the state dropped by 0.1 of a percentage point to 4.9 percent in October. Nonfarm payrolls increased by 3,400 jobs, based on preliminary data provided by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, BLS, and released by IDES. September job growth was revised up to show a smaller decline of 7,900 jobs than the initially reported 10,800 jobs. IDES reported that October's monthly payroll drop kept over-the-year job growth well below the national average. While Illinois job growth has had its ups and downs since the beginning of the year, the three-month trend

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 We need to see the vast difference between God and man! God is so immense and awesome in His being that it's hard for us to grasp or appreciate who He is. I'm not saying we can't know something about Him, but I am saying He is greater than our ability to fully comprehend.
 Learn more about God and His will for you at the Anna church of Christ, 104 Nile St. Also, thank God for all of your blessings - not just on the Thanksgiving holiday, but every day. We hope you'll visit us soon and wish you a Happy Thanksgiving!
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Section B

Legislator's youth advisory council meets for first time



Legislator meets with students

State Sen. Dale Fowler, R-Harrisburg, left, brought together area students for the first meeting of his new youth advisory council in Harrisburg. Fowler answered questions and discussed state government during the meeting. Photo provided.

State Sen. Dale Fowler, R-Harrisburg, on Nov. 15 welcomed dozens of high school students from across the 59th Senate District in Southern Illinois to his first youth advisory council meeting, which was in Harrisburg.

Fowler said the council offers a unique, hands-on opportunity for area students to learn about and experience state government and public policy.

"Today is about giving high school students a look into how state government operates and providing insight into the legislative process," Fowler said in a news release.

"This is about giving students an experience that explores and simulates what they spend years in school learning about from books and in classrooms.

"Beyond that, my objective for hosting this event

is to inspire and empower students to find their voice, be innovative and get involved.

"Each and every student here has the potential to be future leaders, intellectuals and role models, and it is important that I do what I can in my position to encourage their interest and motivate their growth."

Fowler hosted the all-day youth advisory council meeting at the Southeastern

Illinois College in Harrisburg.

The meeting brought together students who were selected by the principals and teachers from Anna-Jonesboro Community High School, Shawnee High School at Wolf Lake, Crab Orchard High School, Galatia High School, Gorville High School, Sesser-Valier High School, Zeigler Roylton High School, Harrisburg High School, Massac County High School, Cartersville High School, Herrin High School, Pope County High School, Eldorado High School, Thompsonville High School, Carrier Mills High School, Vienna High School, Joppa High School, Marion High School, Meridian High School and Cairo High School.

Fowler kicked off the event by welcoming the students and congratulating them on their selection for the council, before providing some personal insight into his experience as an area businessman, state legislator and philanthropist in Southern Illinois.

Students then spent the morning hearing from local leaders in the community, including:

Russell Williams, director of the Brehm Foundation; Matt Lees, chair of the social science division and professor of political science and sociology at Southeastern Illinois College; Raj Nayar, founder and CEO, Innov8: Entrepreneurship and Humanitarianism in Medicine; Connor James, founder and CEO, Meaningful Books.

The guest speakers gave the students insight about their different careers, advice about leadership and other tips on how to be successful.

Afterward, the students broke into small groups to debate, discuss and craft policy proposals for consideration later in the day.

Fowler worked with each group, answering questions, discussing the legislative process and helping the students finalize their legislation topics.

"From what I heard today, these kids have definitive opinions, unique perspectives and are ready

to make their mark on the world," Fowler said.

"Each group had really great ideas and I'm excited to see what happens during our next meeting in the spring."

"Everyone should be involved in state government, and it's great to have this opportunity and explore any possibilities for a future career," said Sam Hirsch from Vienna High School.

"I feel like this is a great opportunity for the youth of today to participate in government since we're the next generation that's going to be in charge of the Illinois system," said Trevor Whittington from Cartersville High School. "It's important to be a leader and

it was a great opportunity to come out and be here."

"It was nice to get involved and talk about what you've been feeling," said Tucker Murphy from Pope County High School. "I think it's important for everyone to get their voice heard so it's all equally represented."

In the spring, Fowler's youth advisory council is scheduled to meet again in Springfield, continuing the discussion about the legislative process from the Capitol and giving the students the opportunity to participate in a mock committee hearing and hear from legislative leaders about their role in state government.



Check presented

U.S. Bank Cobden branch manager Glenda Boone, right, presented Union County CEO program board member Beth Marks with a \$3,500 check. Photo provided.

Union County bank supports CEO program

The Union County CEO program continues to receive support from one of its most loyal investors.

For the fourth year in a row, the U.S. Bank Foundation has awarded a grant to the high school entrepreneurship program.

"We're very excited to receive this grant," said Whitney Accounting owner and CEO treasurer Mark Chamness. "U.S. Bank has been a huge supporter of CEO from the beginning."

On Nov. 7, U.S. Bank Cobden branch manager Glenda Boone presented CEO board member Beth Marks with a \$3,500 check.

Former CEO chairman Rollie Hawk assisted by writing the grant and

was very complimentary of Boone and the Cobden branch.

"This is the second year that Glenda has agreed to pledge all of the Cobden branch's grant funds to Union County CEO," Hawk said.

"That's an incredible commitment to the future of not only these students but the future of the Union County economy."

Union County CEO is an entrepreneurship program for high school juniors and seniors that is funded entirely by investors.

For more information about the program, or to learn how to make an investment, visit UnionCounty-CEO.org.

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A Page from the Past

Taking a look back at Thanksgiving week, 1967

LET'S TRY AGAIN!

Today is Thanksgiving Day throughout the continental United States and Americans everywhere are asked to join in prayer for those who will be absent from the family gatherings traditionally held on this day.

Thanksgiving Day is a day for family, friends and a time to give thanks for the many blessings still remaining to us all. Even though the world is in a state of unrest, including the United States of America, it is well to recall the good things we do have and be thankful for them.

As we all know, the first Thanksgiving Day was held long ago when the Pilgrims invited their enemy, the Indians, to join with them and partake of the good food they had harvested throughout the long summer. Perhaps it would be well if we would make the same sort of gesture now. Certainly our country is more beset by enemies today than it was at the time of the first Thanksgiving.

A story with a headline about "fleeting terror" greeted readers of The Gazette-Democrat during the week of Nov. 23, 1967.

"It was a beautiful morning in Anna, although a little chilly, Saturday, Nov. 18, when the dreaded sound of the fire siren tore through the Anna area," the story began.

Readers would learn that the "dread sound of the siren...was a drill..."

...more on the drill to come, as The Gazette-Democrat takes a look back at the events which unfolded in the Union County area, as reported during Thanksgiving week 50 years ago.

Special Thanksgiving services were featured in the paper that week, along with plans for the upcoming Christmas holiday season in Union County.

Readers also learned about a Shawnee Junior College election, an upcoming sesquicentennial planning committee meeting, winter-like temperatures and read a reminder that "it is illegal to shoot hawks and owls."

Here's a look back of some of what was happening in Union County in November of 1967...

Mock Drill Brings Fleeting Terror To Area Residents

On that beautiful Saturday morning 50 years ago, shortly after "the dreaded sound of the fire siren tore through the Anna area... the sound of ambulances screaming through the streets broke the serenity of the morning. Reports began to be heard of the crash of a bus loaded with school children with a train near the Hartline farms on Route 51, just outside of Anna.

Then one by one, ambulances rushed the injured students to the Union County Hospital. It was reported that 30 children were aboard the bus

when the crash occurred.

As no doubt, our readers have gathered by this time, this was a drill, all under simulated conditions.

Many townspeople expressed displeasure with the simulated drill, as they felt there should have been advance warning of the drill to the public; however, should such a disaster occur, there would be no advance warning, naturally; and it is well to be prepared for such an emergency, particularly when so many people would be involved to care for the injured.

While the mock drill was the "lead" story in the paper for the week of Nov. 23, 1967, lots more was happening, too...

Christmas Lights To Shine on Thanksgiving Night

Christmas street lighting has been installed in the City of Anna and the lights are scheduled to go on at dusk on Thanksgiving evening, Nov. 23.

A special feeling is beginning to prevail in Anna and surrounding communities as the season of Christmas draws nearer. Churches are beginning to plan for Christmas observances and clubs and organizations are planning special parties and events.

Stores are decorated in the Christmas motif and many have displays of household furnishings, toys and gifts of clothing for all the family.

Although it does seem as though the Christmas season comes a little earlier each year, perhaps it is just as well, as people can purchase their gifts at their leisure, wrap them, hide them or mail them overseas, and then be free to observe the Christmas season in the true meaning: the birth of the Christ Child.

Happy Shoppers Are Early Shoppers

The happy shoppers

are the early shoppers, because as the holidays draw nearer, life becomes increasingly hectic.

Local merchants have their shelves well stocked and it would be well to read the advertisements carefully in this, our Christmas Opening issue.

Thanksgiving Services Both Wednesday, Thursday

Thanksgiving services will be held in many of the Union County Churches on Wednesday, Nov. 22, and Thursday, Nov. 23.

Many churches are scheduled to observe Thanksgiving services at their regular prayer meeting services on Wednesday evening. Others will observe the occasion on Thursday morning, Nov. 23.

A combined service will be held Wednesday evening, Nov. 22, to be known as a Union Thanksgiving Service, sponsored by the Union County Ministerial Alliance. This service will be held at the First Baptist Church in Anna on Wednesday, Nov. 22, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Sesquicentennial Meeting Set for Thursday, Nov. 30

The meeting of the Sesquicentennial Planning Committee, which was to have been held on Thursday, Nov. 16, and was postponed, will be held at Stinson Memorial Library on Thursday, Nov. 30, at 7:30 p.m.

Much activity is presently going on all over the state as the various counties are making preparations for their part in the celebration. Here in Union County, we will

A note

to readers

The advertisements and other items which appear on pages 2 and 3 originally appeared in The Gazette-Democrat during the week of November 23, 1967.

be celebrating the 150th anniversary of the State, County and Jonesboro.

Stores to Stay Open Late For Your Convenience

For the convenience of shoppers, stores will remain open until 8:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Dec. 1 and 2; Dec. 8 and 9 and Dec. 15 and 16 and the entire week of December 18 through 23.

However, for the best selection, one should shop at the earliest possible time. All stores are well

stocked at present and it would be well to take advantage of this wide assortment of ideal gifts for Christmas giving.

Lockard Elected Member of Federal Reserve Bank

Melvin C. Lockard has been elected a member of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago for a term of three years.

He is presently president of the First National Bank of Mattoon.

Mr. Lockard is a former resident of Cobden and is

now serving as chairman of the board of the First National Bank of Cobden.

Mrs. Jennie Bowen Is 92 Years Young

Mrs. Jennie Castle Bowen celebrated her 92nd birthday Wednesday at the home of her son, William Bowen, of Jonesboro.

Several friends and relatives gathered to share in the traditional birthday cake and Mrs. Bowen received many nice gifts and cards on the occasion.

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WE HAVE MUCH
TO BE
THANKFUL FOR



In the world there are many who wonder whether to be thankful even for life itself, surrounded as it is by misery, death, and destruction.

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Wiley's Book Store

Thanksgiving week, 1967

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Record Low of 26 Degrees Thursday

With the first day of winter just 30 days away, December 21, it is beginning to look like winter already in the Union County area.

Cloudy skies have prevailed in the area the past two days, with rainfall in the amount of .25 recorded on Monday, Nov. 20.

4-H Awards Presented At Achievement Program

4-H Club members in Union County were honored at the annual Achievement Program Thursday evening, November 16, 1967, in the Jonesboro Public School Gym, reporters Joan Cummings and Charles N. Glover, extension advisers.

4-H Club Notes

The annual 4-H Leaders Recognition Dinner and Program will be held Thursday, Nov. 30, at 6:30 p.m. in the Farm Bureau Basement, Jonesboro.

Three From A-J on SWE All Conference Football Team

Last Tuesday night, the coaches of the Southwestern Egyptian Conference met in Murphysboro to pick an all-conference team.

Among the players chosen were three from Anna-Jonesboro: Bill Bass, Larry Bartels and Terry Russell. Tom Belcher and Duane Cerney received special mention.

Ticket Agent on Hand at IC Office From 2:00 to 5:00

A ticket agent is on duty at the Illinois Central Railway passenger office in Anna from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday, when tickets may be purchased for the four trains which presently serve the Anna area.

Round trip tickets may only be purchased from a ticket agent, although one-way tickets may be pur-

chased from the conductor on a train.

Christmas Tour of Homes December 10

The Christmas Tour of Homes in the Anna and Jonesboro area will be held on Sunday, Dec. 10, from 2-5 p.m. with tickets available from any member of the Anna-Jonesboro Junior Women's Club or at Capel Pharmacy and Robinson Florists.

This will be the first tour of its kind in the area and is creating quite a good deal of interest amongst towns people.

World War I Vets to Meet Sunday

World War I Buddies of Barracks 344 and their auxiliary will have their regular monthly meeting Sunday, Nov. 26, at 2:00 p.m. at the American Legion Hall.

All members are urged to attend. Odo Cerney, Commander.

Homemakers Have Colorful Exhibit

The Homemakers Extension of Union County held their annual display at the former Davis Shoe Mart in Anna on Friday, Nov. 17, attracting a large number of persons to the very informative and colorful exhibit.

A table of gourd and squash displays held the center of interest to most viewers. This was made by the St. John's Unit and rated a blue ribbon with a star.

Cobden High Forms Student Council By Elaine McCann

The students of Cobden High are now forming a Student Council. Mrs. Kolsky, English, and Mrs. Muse, Librarian, have volunteered to sponsor the students. The students really appreciate this understanding gesture from them.

There will be four officers elected by the student body (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer). Elected from

each class will be two representatives.

The students running for an office gave a speech on Tuesday, Nov. 21. Those running for representative did not give speeches. Voting was held on Wednesday.

Hunters Not Getting Too Many Geese

Union County Game Warden Wayne Wilson reports that due to moonlight nights prevailing in the area recently, goose hunting has been a little slow in the past week.

The season officially opened on Monday morning, Nov. 13, at sunrise and will end at 3:00 p.m. on December 24.

Remember It Is Illegal to Shoot Hawks and Owls

A reminder that it is illegal to shoot hawks and owls comes from Dr. Glen C. Sanderson, Illinois Natural History Survey wildlife specialist and head of the survey's wildlife research section.

This is because of the birds' beneficial feeding habits and their graceful beauty appreciated by many Illinois citizens.

Delta Kappa Chapter Has Banquet Thursday

The Delta Kappa Chapter of Delta Theta Tau met Thursday, Nov. 16, with Mrs. Maxine Driscoll of

Wichita, Kan., the National Western Counselor, as guest of honor.

A banquet was held at the Elks Club, followed by the tri-annual inspection, held at the Stinson Memorial Library, with all 11 members present.

From the Wolf Lake News

The musical "Oklahoma," presented by the Shawnee School Chorus, under the direction of Mrs. Meta Cozby, was well attended Friday night and enjoyed very much.

From the Friendship News

I hope all will stop this Thanksgiving to give thanks to God for the wonderful blessings he has given us. I am afraid we rush Thanksgiving and get the Christmas spirit too soon.

I suppose everyone is wondering what become of the two dove families I mentioned some time ago.

Well I only know about the one that set here in the yard. She raised one baby and the last time I saw him he was fully feathered so I suppose he made it but the other nest was over in the field, so I haven't been back to see what happened to that family.

Anna Star Chapter Has Installation

The Anna Star Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, No. 522, held their instal-

lation of officers on Thursday, Nov. 16, at 7:30 p.m., at the Masonic Lodge.

Many Good Things

Thanksgiving is a time for appraising the many good things of life that are ours. Although our country is in the midst of conflict, we still have faith.

Four of our presidents (or their wives) have kept caged mockingbirds as pets - Washington, Jefferson, Cleveland and Coolidge.

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Debbie McLane, Hexa earn IPO 1 title at trial event held in St. Louis

Hexa du Chenile de Chasseur (Hexa) and Debbie McLane earned their IPO 1 title on Oct. 21.

The trial was hosted by the Wildwood Schutzhund Club in St. Louis under SV Judge Marcel Ehrenreiche.

Hexa scored 288 points out of a possible 300 points. Hexa earned high in tracking with a score of 97 points, 93 points in the obedience phase and 98 in the protection phase.

Hexa also earned her AD title, which is a 12-mile bike ride.

McLane shared the following information about the special accomplishment:

It is important to note that temperament is a very important aspect in all levels.

There are multiple things that are integrated into the testing for evaluating temperament.

If a dog cannot pass these elements (by showing fear, nervousness, extreme aggression, sound reactivity, weaker nerves, etc.), the dog will not be able to pass the test.

There are three elements of an IPO Title. These elements are:

Obedience: There are a possible 100 points for the dog to earn in this phase.

The obedience work is of a high level that is designed to test the dog's intelligence, desire to work and please its handler, its ability to take directions from its handler, and its ability to work under stress (heeling around other people, during noises like gunshots, etc.).

The obedience work includes heeling work, retrieval work (including over an A-frame obstacle), recalls, send outs, stay, along with position related work such as sit and down. It is important that the dog be a happy worker and interested in what he is doing.

Tracking: The tracking phase also has 100 possible points for the dog to earn.

The depth of difficulty differs based on the title being worked towards, but tracking is all about testing a dog's ability to not only scent but also about his ability to stay focused



Debbie McLane and Hexa du Chenile de Chasseur. Photo provided.

enough to follow the scent without distraction or frustration.

It is also a test of how confident a dog is and how well he works in front of his handler.

Tracking is not something that a dog can ask for his owner to hold his hand during.

The dog will be required to properly identify articles (by alerting in some fashion such as lying down on or near the object) to his handler that have been left on the track by the track layer.

Protection: The Protection phase has 100 possible points.

This is the most misunderstood of the three phases of training and is normally the one the general public focuses on.

In the protection phase, the judge has an assistant, called the "helper," who helps him or her test the dog's courage to protect himself and its handler and its ability to be controlled while doing so.

The helper wears a heavily padded sleeve on one arm. There are several blinds, placed where the helper can hide, on the field.

The dog is directed to search the blinds for the helper. When it finds the helper, it indicates this by barking.

The dog must guard the helper to prevent them from moving until recalled by the handler.

There follows a series of exercises similar to police work where the han-

dlar searches the helper and transports them to the judge.

At specified points, the helper either attacks the dog or the handler or attempts to escape.

The dog must stop the attack or the escape by biting the padded sleeve. When the attack or escape stops, the dog is commanded to "out," or release the sleeve.

The dog must out or it is dismissed. At all times the dog must show the courage to engage the helper and the temperament to obey the handler while in this high state of drive.

Again, the dog must show enthusiasm. A dog that shows fear, lack of control, or inappropriate aggression is dismissed.

McLane thanked the Capaha Schutzhund Club and the Wildwood Schutzhund Club, Lindsey Sommer for all of her training guidance, introducing her to an awesome dog, and for entrusting her with Hexa.

She also wanted to thank Joeri Veth for all the helper work and training guidance, they both really were instrumental in helping Hexa and her achieve their goals.

VFW, Auxiliary announce Voice of Democracy winners

Students from two Union County schools have been named as winners in the Voice of Democracy contest sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars Carroll P. Foster Post No. 3455 of Anna and its Auxiliary.

Aubrey Fisher, a freshman, was the winner at Cobden High School. Levi Boren, a senior, was the winner at Shawnee High School at Wolf Lake. Aubrey and Levi each were presented with a certificate and a monetary award. Their essays advanced to district level competition. Photos provided.



From left are Auxiliary president Phil Wright, Cobden High School student Aubrey Fisher and post commander Weldon Davis.



From left are Auxiliary president Phil Wright, Shawnee High School student Levi Boren and post commander Weldon Davis.

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Thanksgiving: By the numbers

In the fall of 1621, the Pilgrims – early settlers of Plymouth Colony – held a three-day feast to celebrate a bountiful harvest.

Many regard this event as the nation's first Thanksgiving.

The Wampanoag Indians in attendance played a key role. Historians have recorded ceremonies of thanks among other groups of European settlers in North America. These include the British colonists in Virginia as early as 1619.

The legacy of thanks and the feast have survived the centuries, as the event became a national holiday 154 years ago, on Oct. 3, 1863, when President Abraham Lincoln proclaimed the last Thursday of November as a national day of thanksgiving.

Later, President Franklin Roosevelt clarified that Thanksgiving Day should always be celebrated on the fourth Thursday of the month to encourage earlier holiday shopping, never on the occasional fifth Thursday.

The U.S. Census Bureau shares the following facts about Thanksgiving as the nation prepares to observe the holiday in 2017:

Where to Feast
118.9 million

The number of occupied housing units across the nation in the second quarter of 2017: all potential stops for Thanksgiving dinner.

4
The number of places in the United States named after the holiday's traditional main course.

Turkey Creek in Arizona, had 405 residents in 2015, followed by Turkey city, Texas (367); Turkey Creek village, La. (357); and Turkey town, N.C. (280).

4
The number of places and townships in the United States named Cranberry, a popular side dish at Thanksgiving. Cranberry township (Butler County), Pa., was the most populous of these places in 2016, with 30,739 residents. Cranberry township (Venango County), Pa., was next with 6,452 residents.

34
The number of counties, places and townships in the United States named Plymouth, as in Plymouth Rock, the landing site of the first Pilgrims.

The two counties named Plymouth are in Massachusetts (513,565 residents) and Iowa (25,200 residents).

Plymouth city, Minn., is the most populous place, with 77,216 residents in 2016.

There is one township and one census designated place in the United States named Pilgrim. Dade County township in Missouri had a population of 129. A census designated place in Michigan had a population of 50.

There are also Mayflower city, Ark., which had a population of 2,430, and Mayflower Village, Calif., with a population of 5,421, significantly different from each other.

Participants in the First Feast
23.8 million

The number of U.S. residents of English ancestry as of 2016. Some could very well be descendants of the Plymouth colonists who participated in the autumn feast that is widely believed to be one of the first Thanksgivings, especially the 636,000 living in Massachusetts.

6,500
The number of members of the Wampanoag American Indian tribal grouping as of 2010, roughly half of whom resided in Massachusetts.

The Wampanoag attended the first Thanksgiving, playing a lead role in the historic event, and were essential to the survival of the colonists during the newcomers' first year.

Preparing the Feast, Enjoying the Day, and the Aftermath
98.6 percent

The percentage of households in 2011 with a gas or electric stove, essential for cooking their Thanksgiving feast.

Another 96.8 percent had a microwave, also helpful in preparing the meal.

244.0 million
The forecasted number of turkeys raised in the United States in 2016. That is up 4.5 percent from the number raised during 2015.

44.5 million
The forecasted number of turkeys raised in Minnesota in 2016. Minnesota topped in turkey production, followed by North Carolina (33.5 million),

Arkansas (26.0 million), Indiana (19.5 million), Missouri (19.2 million) and Virginia (17.2 million).

\$25.8 million
The value of U.S. imports of live turkeys in 2016, with 99.9 percent of them coming from Canada and the remaining from France.



Elks backpack program
Members of Anna-Jonesboro Elks Lodge No. 1641 are filling backpacks with food for their program called "To Stop 68 Hours of Hunger." The backpacks are sent home over weekends with local children who are in need of a supplemental food supply. Photo provided.

When it comes to sweet potatoes, the Dominican Republic was the source of 49.6 percent (\$6.4 million) of total imports (\$12.9 million).

The United States ran a \$13.7 million trade deficit in live turkeys during the period but had a surplus of \$159.4 million in sweet potatoes.

859.0 million pounds
The forecasted weight of cranberries produced in the

United States in 2016. Wisconsin was estimated to lead all states in the production of cranberries, with 521.0 million pounds, followed by Massachusetts (estimated at 207.0 million pounds).

New Jersey, Oregon and Washington were also esti-

ated to have substantial production, ranging from 19.4 to 58.8 million pounds.

3.1 billion pounds
The total weight of sweet potatoes, another popular Thanksgiving side dish, produced by major sweet potato producing states in 2015.



Thank a Vet breakfast
On Nov. 11, members of Anna-Jonesboro Elks Lodge No. 1641 hosted a Thank a Vet biscuit and gravy breakfast for all veterans and Elks members. From left are Marilyn Crawford, Elks veteran committee chairperson; Erick Hallam; Graydon Marks; Justin Marks; and Frankie Williams. The Elks Lodge voiced appreciation to all veterans, past, present and future, for their service to the country. Photo provided.

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Daily Devotional Reading

Psalm 81	Psalm 84	Psalm 87	Psalm 92	Psalm 100	Psalm 104	Psalm 105
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Cobden Elementary students honored for showing respect

Students at Cobden Elementary School recently were honored for displaying excellence in regards to the October character education trait of respect. Three students from each classroom in kindergarten through 5th grade 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 and Noble gift cards, which were provided by the Cobden Elementary PTO. The character education trait for November/December is caring. Photos provided.



Gift card winners: From left are Annaleigh Kaszubski, Parker Fisher, Henry Pearson, Oliver Shalosky and Mason Oliphant.



Cobden Elementary School students who were honored for showing respect included, by their grade in school: Kindergarten: Daniel Amezquita, Aubrie Banker, Annaleigh Kaszubski, Finnean Kaszubski, Oliver Shalosky and Caroline Taylor. First grade: Maggie Clutts, Gabryle Eubanks, Parker Fisher, Autumn Mosley and Henry Pearson. Second grade: Skyla Lietz, Miguel Mendez-Ambrocio, Mason Oliphant, Tyler Shoemate, Naomi Stone and Samantha Vicente. Third grade: Isabella Bartolo, Justin Campbell, Miriam Murillo-Rafael, Eugenio Olvera, Tradon Stroehlein and Layla West. Fourth grade: Orlando Juarez, Amelia Long, Grant Miller, Mariana Palmerin. Roxie Royster and Cerriana Ward. Fifth grade: Sophie Barnhart, Garrett Basler, Evelyn Campbell, Grace Hawkins, Omar Martinez and Lindsey Windings.

Christmas in Village scheduled in Cobden

A holiday season tradition is slated to continue this year in a Union County community.

Cobden is planning to celebrate the holiday spirit on Saturday, Dec. 2, when it hosts the ninth annual Christmas in the Village.

Holiday bazaars and open houses highlight a variety of events that climax with the presentation of the Christmas lights in the village's downtown park.

The Old Feed Store on Appleknocker Street is scheduled to host an open house, with a hospitality table offering refreshments along with other activities from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

A visit from Santa Claus is scheduled during the afternoon and goody bags for children will be given out.

Bazaars featuring decorations, gifts, crafts and homemade treats are planned at the Union County Museum's Christmas Shop, the St. Joseph Catholic Church parish hall and other locations. St. Joseph Catholic Church plans to serve soup for lunch. Both bazaars open at 8 a.m.

The Union County Museum plans to host an open house at its resource center, which is located in a former medical clinic along Appleknocker Street.

The open house will fea-

ture a nativity exhibit and a collection of "Noel" vintage Christmas decorations. An entire tree decorated with "Noel" ornaments will be on display.

Other holiday activities include carolers, a live nativity scene and a variety of other activities.

Christmas in the Village is scheduled to close when Santa Claus will lead a walk from The Old Feed Store to the downtown park for a presentation of Christmas lights at 4 p.m.

Cobden is located in the heart of the Shawnee Wine Trail. For tourism and lodging information, visit www.southernmostillinois.com or shawneewine.com.

The Union County Museum in downtown Cobden reminds shoppers about The Christmas Shop.

The Christmas Shop was scheduled to open Saturday, Nov. 18, and run every weekend through Dec. 16. Hours are planned from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sundays.

The shop features Christmas decorations, gifts and other holiday items at reasonable prices. Proceeds go to the operation of the museum.

For more information, visit the Village of Cobden's website at www.cobden.com or call Cobden Village Hall at 893-2425.

A schedule of Christmas in the Village events will be available at the Union County Museum and most of the shops.

Scholarship Tree program underway

The Union County Hospital District Auxiliary's Scholarship Tree program is underway.

Leaves and/or branches may be designated in honor of, or in memory of, a family member or someone special in the donor's life.

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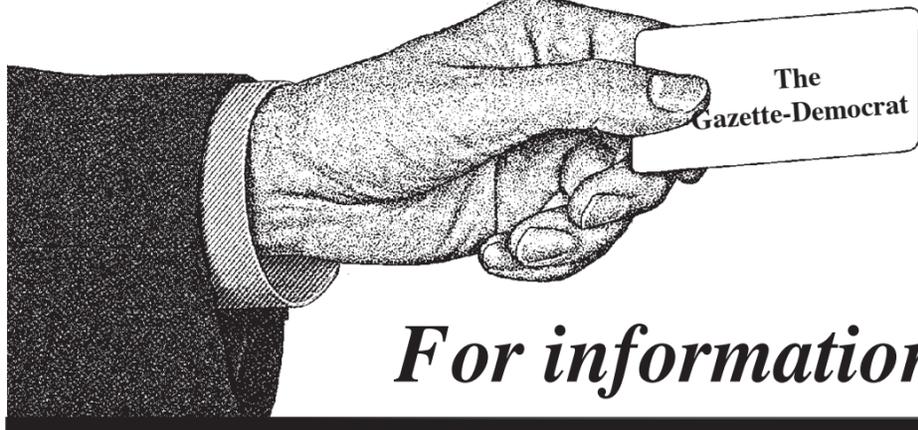
Donations for the Scholarship Tree allow the auxiliary to award a \$1,000 scholarship to someone in

the community who is continuing his or her education in a health care field.

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Donations can be sent to: Scholarship Tree, c/o UCHD Auxiliary, 517 N. Main St., Anna, Ill. 62906.

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Lamb family gathers for reunion in Anna



Mae (Black) Jacobs, who will be 97 in December. The main focus of the book is on Charles L. and Matilda (Hornback) Lamb, their son George L. and Mary E. (Schreiber) Lamb, and their son Henry Louis and Melissa Bessie (Porter) Lamb Burchyett. The book briefly discusses more than 200 relatives of these six individuals.

Family history presented

Larry Lovell presented the Lamb Family History book to his aunt, Elsie Marie Lamb Lingle. Photo provided.

The Lamb family gathered for a reunion Aug. 6 at the parish hall at St. Mary Catholic Church in Anna.

Larry Lovell, whose mother Georgia was the daughter of Henry Louis and Melissa Porter Lamb Burchyett, wrote a Lamb Family History book to record and provide pictures of previous generations of the Lamb family.

Lovell dedicated the book to "two wonderful relatives who throughout the years discussed family history, told interesting stories and provided the motivation for him to research and write the book."

Those two relatives are his mother's only surviving sibling, Elsie Marie (Lamb) Lingle, who will be 85 in December, and his mother's first cousin Elsa

The oldest relative in the book is Lovell's third great-grandfather, Samuel Fry, who was born about 1794.

The youngest relatives are Charles L. Lamb's great-great-grandchildren (Lovell's first cousins), who were born between 1946 and 1972.

Most of the Lamb family history occurs in northern Alexander County around McClure.

Some of the other extended family surnames mentioned in the book are Greathouse, Welsh, Wehking, Gurshwheeler, Edmundson, Jaynes, Phillips, Lakowski, Blythe, Miller, Eudy, Boyd, Black, Morris, Jacobs, Presley, Durham, Reynolds, Lovell, Webster, Starr, Orick, Marshall, Jordan, Lingle, Kerr and McBride.

Copies of this book are available from Larry Lovell and the publisher, Susan A. (Sitter) Whitemountain, at the Gathering Place at 313 S. Main St. in Anna, phone 833-6525, email gathermyhistory@gmail.com.



A-JCHS class of 1957 reunion

Members of the Anna-Jonesboro Community High School class of 1957 gathered for their 60th reunion on Oct. 21 at the Brick House Grill in downtown Anna. Forty-seven classmates attended the reunion, and a total of 82 people were present. Those attending came from Alabama, Arizona, California, Florida, Idaho, Indiana, Michigan, Missouri, Virginia and Wisconsin, as well as from Union County and the surrounding area. Photo provided.



Counseling service sponsors run, walk

The third annual Union County Counseling Service Inside Out 5K run/walk was held Saturday, Oct. 21, at the Anna City Park in Anna. The event had 40 registered walkers and runners, who ranged in age from 7 to 60-plus. Some of the participants brought their pets to walk/run with them. The counseling service noted that Taylor, Dodd and Wood were among the many area businesses which helped to sponsor this year's event. The counseling service voiced appreciation to all of the businesses which donated to support sponsorships and door prizes. All of the proceeds generated by the event will help to support Union County Counseling Service's programs for children and adults. The run/walk takes place on the third Saturday in October. Photo provided.

Student, teacher honored

Michael Bigler, owner of the Goosehead Insurance agency in Anna, has recognized an October student athlete and teacher of the month in Anna School District 37. Photos provided.



The student athlete for October was 8th grader Payton Seip. Payton was recognized for her achievements on the softball field and in the classroom.



The teacher of the month was Tamara Mucher. Tamara is a 3rd grade teacher. She received a \$50 gift card from Kroger.



Champion caller

Hunter Chapman, 12, of Anna, won first place in the goose calling contest and second place in the duck calling contest at the recent Hunting and Fishing Days at John A. Logan in Cartersville. Hunter won a shotgun, decoys, a free mount and other hunting prizes. He is an avid hunter and enjoys waterfowling any time that it is possible. Photo provided.

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7 PM :30	Kevin Saves "Pilot"	Big Bang Young	Gotham (HD)	(20) Thanksgiving Special New York Giants at Washington Redskins (Live)	College Football	Seinfeld	Chrisley	(05) "Descendants 2" (17) Life in Auradon.	"Hidden Figures" (17) Women cross lines.	★★★ "Dolores Claiborne" Woman faces past.	White SMILF
8 PM :30	The Good Doctor	Mom (HD) Pieces	(01) The Orville "Kill"	Local Programs	SportsCenter (HD)	Big Bang	Chrisley				
9 PM :30	The Good Doctor	S.W.A.T. "Radical"	Local Programs	Local Programs	Conan Ellen Page.	Big Bang	Chrisley	Stuck Mid.	"John Wick: Chapter 2" Out of retirement.	★★★ "The Hand That Rocks the Cradle" (92)	Shameless (HD) Gigolos SMILF
10 PM :30	Local	Local	Local Programs	Local	College Basketball (Live) (HD)	Conan	Mod Family	Bizaard			
11 PM :30	Jimmy Kimmel	(35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(05) Tonight (HD)	Drop Mic	Conan	Mod Family	Stuck Mid.	(15) Night Many Stars	"Maps to the Stars"	Shameless (HD)

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 24, 2017

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Basketball Extra (HD)	Local Programs	Basketball Countdown	Seinfeld	(5:30) ★★½ "Green Lantern" (11) Powerful ring.	Andi Mack Raven	(5:45) ★★ "The Accountant" (16) Gifted man.	★★★ "Notorious" (09)	★★ "Mother's Day" (16) Relationships. (HD)
7 PM :30	Santa Claus Is Comin'	Frosty	College Football Texas Tech Red Raiders at Texas Longhorns (Live) (HD)	Grinch	College Football (Live) (HD)	Seinfeld	"Now You See Me" (13) Illusionists take on bank heists.	Andi Mack Undercover		"Mike and Dave Need Dates"	
8 PM :30	(01) 20/20 "A Killing on the Cape" (HD)	Grammy's Greatest Stories Special moments.	Dateline NBC Investigative news. (HD)	Trolls	SportsCenter (HD)	Big Bang	"Journey 2: The Mysterious Island" (12)	Bizaard Raven	(5:55) "Suicide Squad" (16) Villains team-up.	(4:0) "The Wedding Singer" (98)	SMILF "The Edge of Seventeen" (16)
9 PM :30	Local	Local	Local	Local	College Basketball	Big Bang	"The Bourne Identity" (02, Action) Amnesia agent. (HD)	Stuck Mid. Liv Maddie	Ullman's	(2:00) "Crocket" (15) Shameless (HD)	
10 PM :30	Jimmy Kimmel	(35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(35) Tonight (HD)	College Basketball	Frontal	The Sinner "Part I"	Andi Mack Undercover	"Get Out" (17) Terrifying truth. (R)	(2:00) "Crocket" (15) Shameless (HD)	
11 PM :30	Nightline	Corden	Local Programs	Late Night		Joker Wild	The Sinner "Part II"	Undercover	BUNKD	"Autopsy Jane" (16)	

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 25, 2017

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Coll. Ftbl Extra (HD)	Local Programs	College Football "Teams TBA" (Live) (HD)	Seinfeld	Law & Order: SVU	Stuck Mid. Bizaard	"John Wick 2" (17)	"Risky Business" (R)	Shameless (HD)
7 PM :30	(07) College Football "Teams TBA" (Live) (HD)	Robbie Hooves	College Football "Teams TBA" (Live) (HD)	The National Dog Show Dog competition.	College Football (Live) (HD)	Big Bang	Law & Order: SVU	Andi Mack Undercover	★★★ "Kong: Skull Island" Realm of monsters.	"The Breakfast Club" (85) (HD)	Shameless (HD)
8 PM :30	Local	Local	Local	Dateline NBC (HD)	Scoreboard	Big Bang	Law & Order: SVU	Andi Mack Undercover		(4:0) "Sixteen Candles" (84) (HD)	"Bad Moms" (16) Mom goes wild. SMILF
9 PM :30	Local	Local	Local	Local	College Football "Teams TBA" (Live) (HD)	Frontal	The Sinner "Part V"	Walk Prank	Boxing (Live) (HD)	"Mike and Dave Need Wedding Dates" (16)	SMILF
10 PM :30	Local	Local	Hell's Kitchen (HD)	(29) Saturday Night Live (HD)	Search	Search	The Sinner "Part VI"	MECH-X4	Undercover	"Don't Knock" (17)	SMILF
11 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local	Local	Joker Wild	Joker Wild	Undercover	Undercover	Cotto Show		

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 26, 2017

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Home Videos (HD)	NFL (Live) 60 Minutes (HD)	The 66th MISS UNIVERSE Competition Beauty competition. (HD)	Football Night (Live) (HD)	Sports	Big Bang	Law & Order: SVU	"Descendants 2" (17) Life in Auradon. (HD)	★★★ "Suicide Squad"	"Blood Work" (02)	Shameless (HD)
7 PM :30	Home Videos (HD)	Wisdom of the Crowd	College Football "Teams TBA" (Live) (HD)	(20) Sun. Night Football Green Bay Packers at Pittsburgh Steelers (Live) (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Big Bang	Law & Order: SVU	Andi Mack Undercover	★★★ "Kong: Skull Island" Realm of monsters.	"The Nice Guys" (16) Huge conspiracy. (HD)	White SMILF
8 PM :30	Shark Tank (HD)	NCIS: L. A. (HD)	Local Programs Local information.	Dateline NBC (HD)	College Basketball from Moda Center in Portland, Ore.	Big Bang	Law & Order: SVU	Andi Mack Undercover	Curb Your	"CHiPs" (17) Unlikely partners.	SMILF
9 PM :30	Shark Tank (HD)	Madam Secretary	Local Programs Local information.	Local	College Basketball from Moda Center in Portland, Ore.	Search	Law & Order: SVU	Stuck Mid. Raven	Ullman's	(15) Curb Enthusiasm	White Shameless (HD)
10 PM :30	Local Programs	Local	Local Programs	Local	Meet the Press (HD)	Search	Mod Family	Undercover	World Champ. Boxing (R) (HD)	"Low Down Dirty Shame" (94)	White SMILF
11 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local	Local	"The Change-Up" (R)	Mod Family	Undercover	Cotto Show		

MONDAY NOVEMBER 27, 2017

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	Monday Countdown	Family Guy	NCIS: Hacker infects.	BUNKD	"LEGO"	"Semi-Pro" (08) (16)	"Mother's Day" (16)
7 PM :30	CMA Country Christmas Reba McEntire.	Kevin Wait Man Plan Superior	Lucifer (HD)	The Voice "Live Top 11 Performances" (HD)	Monday Football Houston Texans at Baltimore Ravens (Live) (HD)	Family Guy	WWE Monday Night Raw (Live) (HD)	Andi Mack Undercover	"Terminator Salvation" (09) Rebels rise up.	"Now You See Me 2" (16) Impossible heist.	White SMILF
8 PM :30	Local	Local	Local Programs Local info.	A Very Pentatonix	College Basketball Duke vs Indiana (Live)	Family Guy	Law & Order: SVU	Raven		Shameless (HD)	
9 PM :30	The Good Doctor	Scorpion (HD)	Local Programs Local info.	Local	SportsCenter with Scott Van Pelt (HD)	Am. Dad	Mod Family	Stuck Mid. Liv Maddie	"Meth Storm" (17) (NR) (HD)	"Kill the Messenger" (14) Journalist's story.	SMILF Behaviour
10 PM :30	Local	Local	Local Programs	Local	Local	Conan (HD)	Mod Family	Bizaard	World Champ. Boxing (R) (HD)	(05) "The Take" (16)	White SMILF
11 PM :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(35) Tonight (HD)	Local	Conan	Mod Family	Stuck Mid.	BUNKD		

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 28, 2017

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	CFB Playoff: Top 25	Big Bang	NCIS "Two-Faced"	BUNKD	"Get Out" Tonight	"Breakfast Club" (R)	"Hell or High Water" (16)
7 PM :30	The Middle	Rudolph Red-Nosed	Lethal Weapon (HD)	The Voice (HD)	College Basketball Houston Texans vs Purdue (Live)	Big Bang	WWE SmackDown (Live) (HD)	Andi Mack Undercover	"John Wick: Chapter 2" Out of retirement.	"How to Be Single" City guide.	Shameless (HD)
8 PM :30	black-ish	NCIS (HD)	The Mick	This Is Us (HD)	College Basketball Louisville vs Purdue (Live)	Big Bang	Law & Order: SVU	Bizaard		"Mike and Dave Need Wedding Dates" (16)	Inside the NFL (HD)
9 PM :30	Kevin Wedding plans.	The Victoria's Secret	Local Programs Local info.	(01) Chicago Med	NBA Basketball Denver Nuggets at Utah Jazz (Live) (HD)	Big Bang	Damnation (HD)	Stuck Mid. Liv Maddie	Curb Your	Football	Behaviour
10 PM :30	Local	Local	Local Programs	Local	SportsCenter with Scott Van Pelt (HD)	Joker Wild	Law & Order: SVU	Bizaard	"Mechanic: Resurrection" (16)	"A Cure for Wellness" (17) (HD)	White SMILF
11 PM :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(35) Tonight (HD)	Local	Conan (HD)	Mod Family	Stuck Mid.	World Champ. Boxing (R) (HD)		

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 29, 2017

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	Basketball College Basketball "Big Ten/ACC Challenge"	Big Bang	Law & Order: SVU	BUNKD	"Day Earth" Tonight	"The Nice Guys" (R)	"Seraphim" (12) President seeks to pass 13th Amendment.
7 PM :30	Goldbergs	Survivor: Heroes vs.	Empire (HD)	85th Tree lighting.	College Basketball Houston Texans vs Purdue (Live)	Big Bang	★★★ "Faster" (10) Avenging a brother. (R) (HD)	Andi Mack Undercover	"John Wick: Chapter 2" Out of retirement.	"Man on the Moon" (99) Man's road to fame.	White SMILF
8 PM :30	Mod Family	Survivor: Heroes vs.	Star Jealousy grows.	Law & Order: SVU	College Basketball Duke vs Indiana (Live)	Big Bang	Mr. Robot (HD)	Bizaard		"Totem" (17) Supernatural totem.	"The Autopsy of Jane Doe" (16)
9 PM :30	Designated Survivor	Bruno Mars	Local Programs Local info.	Chicago P.D. (HD)	NBA Basketball Denver Nuggets at Utah Jazz (Live) (HD)	Big Bang	Mod Family	Stuck Mid. Liv Maddie	Ullman's	(35) Rolling Stone: Stories fr (HD)	SMILF Behaviour
10 PM :30	Local	Local	Local Programs	Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Frontal	(01) "Faster" (10) Avenging a brother. (HD)	Bizaard	World Champ. Boxing (R) (HD)		
11 PM :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(35) Tonight (HD)	Local	Conan	Mod Family	Stuck Mid.	BUNKD		

Opinion and Commentary

Proclamation of Thanksgiving

This is the proclamation which set the precedent for America's national day of Thanksgiving. During his administration, President Lincoln issued many orders similar to this. For example, on November 28, 1861, he ordered government departments closed for a local day of thanksgiving.

Sarah Josepha Hale, a 74-year-old magazine editor, wrote a letter to Lincoln on September 28, 1863, urging him to have the "day of our annual Thanksgiving made a National and fixed Union Festival."

She explained, "You may have observed that, for some years past, there has been an increasing interest felt in our land to have the Thanksgiving held on the same day, in all the States; it now needs National recognition and authoritative fixation, only, to become permanently, an American custom and institution."

Prior to this, each state scheduled its own Thanksgiving holiday at different times, mainly in New England and other Northern states. President Lincoln responded to Mrs. Hale's request immediately, unlike several of his predecessors, who ignored her petitions altogether.

In her letter to Lincoln she mentioned that she had been advocating a national thanksgiving date for 15 years as the editor of Godey's Lady's Book. George Washington was the first president to proclaim a day of thanksgiving, issuing his request on October 3, 1789, exactly 74 years before Lincoln's.

The document below sets apart the last Thursday of November "as a day of Thanksgiving and Praise." According to an April 1, 1864, letter from John Nicolay, one of President Lincoln's secretaries, this document was written by Secretary of State William Seward, and the original was in his handwriting.

On October 3, 1863, fellow Cabinet member Gideon Welles recorded in his diary how he complimented Seward on his work. A year later the manuscript was sold to benefit Union troops.

Washington, D.C.

October 3, 1863

By the President of the United States of America.

A Proclamation.

The year that is drawing towards its close, has been filled with the blessings of fruitful fields and healthful skies. To these bounties, which are so constantly enjoyed that we are prone to forget the source from which they come, others have been added, which are of so extraordinary a nature, that they cannot fail to penetrate and soften even the heart which is habitually insensible to the ever watchful providence of Almighty God.

In the midst of a civil war of unequalled magnitude and severity, which has sometimes seemed to foreign States to invite and to provoke their aggression, peace has been preserved with all nations, order has been maintained, the laws have been respected and obeyed, and harmony has prevailed everywhere except in the theatre of military conflict; while that theatre has been greatly contracted by the advancing armies and navies of the Union.

Needful diversions of wealth and of strength from the fields of peaceful industry to the national defence, have not arrested the plough, the shuttle or the ship; the axe has enlarged the borders of our settlements, and the mines, as well of iron and coal as of the precious metals, have yielded even more abundantly than heretofore.

Population has steadily increased, notwithstanding the waste that has been made in the camp, the siege and the battle-field; and the country, rejoicing in the consciousness of augmented strength and vigor, is permitted to expect continuance of years with large increase of freedom.

No human counsel hath devised nor hath any mortal hand worked out these great things. They are the gracious gifts of the Most High God, who, while dealing with us in anger for our sins, hath nevertheless remembered mercy. It has seemed to me fit and proper that they should be solemnly, reverently and gratefully acknowledged as with one heart and one voice by the whole American People. I do therefore invite my fellow citizens in every part of the United States, and also those who are at sea and those who are sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November next, as a day of Thanksgiving and Praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the Heavens.

And I recommend to them that while offering up the ascriptions justly due to Him for such singular deliverances and blessings, they do also, with humble penitence for our national perverseness and disobedience, commend to His tender care all those who have become widows, orphans, mourners or sufferers in the lamentable civil strife in which we are unavoidably engaged, and fervently implore the interposition of the Almighty Hand to heal the wounds of the nation and to restore it as soon as may be consistent with the Divine purposes to the full enjoyment of peace, harmony, tranquillity and Union.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington, this Third day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, and of the Independence of the United States the Eighty-eighth.

By the President: Abraham Lincoln

William H. Seward,

Secretary of State

Editor's note: The Proclamation and Thanksgiving and the accompanying article originally appeared on the "abraham lincoln online" website.

Please read this. . .

by Geof Skinner



OK. You've had one more slice of pumpkin pie. With lots and lots and lots of whipping cream on top. Before you fall asleep, put your imagination to work. Imagine the bright colors of fall. A bright blue sky. The colors of an autumn landscape in Southern Illinois. Apply what you are seeing in your mind to this picture, which was taken last Thursday morning at the Lincoln Memorial Picnic Grounds in Jonesboro. Such images are just one of the things that I am thankful for, especially at this special time of the year.

Before you take a Thanksgiving nap...

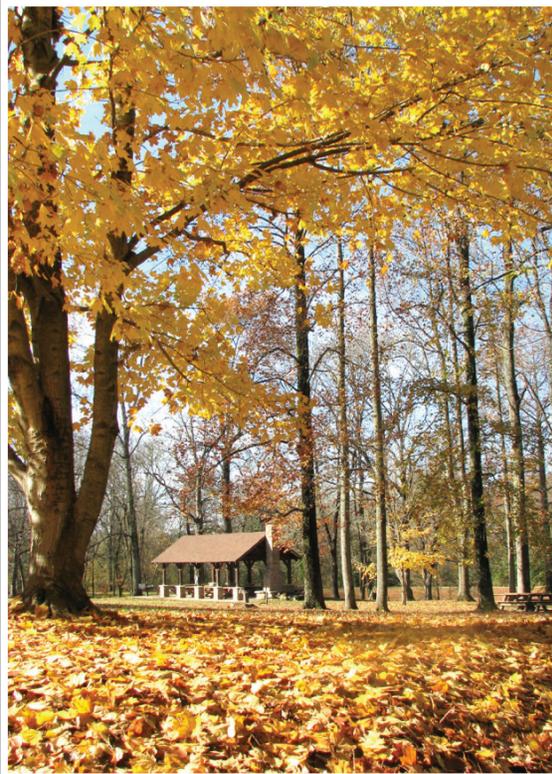
As often happens for your scribe, one thing often leads to another. Such is the case in a lot of situations.

And so it goes for this week's colyum. Instead of getting what I thought you were going to get, you're going to get something else, altogether.

Blame it on a walk I took on a brisk, but sunny, Thursday morning in November. The walk was at the Lincoln Memorial Picnic Grounds in Jonesboro. As you may recall, I've been paying frequent visits to this little gem of an area quite often during 2017. Stay tuned. More on that to come, as the year comes to an end.

The black and white photograph which accompanies this week's colyum simply does not do justice to the images which unfolded in front of me as I went for that walk.

Upon further reflection, it occurred to me that what



Same goes for this pic. Plug in your imagination. The lighter parts of the scene actually were amazingly bright yellow. Well, except for the crunchy brown leaves on the ground.

Commentary

Time for action

By Mike Estel

When you think you have seen it all, something else usually comes to the forefront to even top that.

I watched a television broadcast recently that said the terrorist organization ISIS is recruiting American youth over the internet.

A military marine sergeant was being interviewed and he discovered that his son had been coaxed into becoming a member of this cut throat organization.

The most recent terrorist tragedy in New York City brings a lot of this to the forefront.

What can be done to stop this cut throat organization from recruiting these guillible citizens of the good old United States?

It's bad enough that they recruit converts from their own countries, but thousands of miles away over here. Something has to be done to stop this type of thing.

The recruiting they do is on the internet so what can be done about it?

Well, we have the know how and hackers prove that every day with the incredible feats they accomplish on the internet. They are constantly getting personal information off the internet about individuals and cashing in on bank accounts.

Why can't we somehow block those recruiting transmissions from being seen on the internet?

I know some will say this is stepping on freedom to prevent this from happening. But all it is doing is sending these young gullible people to an early grave. And, this is mainly innocent individuals who obviously don't know any better.

We can block out these transmissions. I'm all but sure of that.

The country just needs to put the right people in charge of an operation like this and start getting the job done.

I saw at the picnic grounds would be just one of the many things I am thankful for. We'll state the obvious here, but this week is all about giving thanks.

Over the years, yours truly has gotten a little bit mushy when it came to a colyum for Thanksgiving week. Humor me, if you will, with another round of such things.

Indeed, I am thankful for the amazing beauty which surrounds us here in Union County and Southern Illinois. I've lived in a lot of places, and visited a lot of places, around the world (well, maybe just halfway around the world), and our little corner of the planet is about as good as it gets.

I am still thankful to be able to go for a walk in the woods and, maybe, just maybe, find a trilobite fossil. Doesn't happen all the time. Doesn't happen very often, to tell you the truth. When it does happen, it's like finding a pot of gold at the end of a rainbow.

I am thankful to have the opportunity to cook a Thanksgiving feast for family and friends – and friends who are family. At this point in our lives, The Other Half and yours are truly blessed. We can have a turkey. And dressing. And cranberries (real cranberries, folks, not that round stuff out of a can). And green beans out of the summer garden. And, maybe, some blueberries grown right here in Union County. And pumpkin pie. And whipping cream (the kind that comes out of a can).

I am thankful to live in a community where people care for their friends and neighbors, and even for complete strangers who may need some help at times.

I am thankful to spend Monday through Friday with a great group of folks who work hard to make sure you get to see this paper every week.

I am thankful for all of the folks who read our paper, and this colyum. For those of you who share your thoughts about the colyum, please know that your kind words mean more to me than any award which I could receive.

Most of all, I am thankful for The Other Half. She's always there for me, no matter how grumpy and cranky yours truly can get. No matter how crazy our schedule might be. She holds my hand, and assures me that everything will be all right. And it is.

As we take time to celebrate Thanksgiving, I hope you have lots to be thankful for, too. Most of all, I hope you get to spend this special time of year with family, friends and all of those who matter the most to you. Happy Thanksgiving.

Time is wasted talking about it. Action is what is needed here. There's little doubt in my mind it can be accomplished if the right people get involved to halting this unbelievable brain washing agenda.

We need to do something now instead of later when more of our citizens get hooked on this misguided hoopla they put out.

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