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News Notes

Items of interest from throughout the Union County area, from social media and beyond...

Union County Chamber of Commerce & Economic Development’s eighth annual gala is planned Saturday, Jan. 28. “Dancing in the Moonlight” is the theme for the event, which will be from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. at Havisham House in Alto Pass.

A Union County Galentine’s Boutique Crawl event is planned Friday afternoon/evening, Feb. 3, in Anna and Jonesboro.

Illinois attorney general’s office senior communications outreach liaison Marsha Griffin plans to offer a consumer fraud presentation at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 25, at Anna City Hall.

Reminder: Cobden High School’s fourth annual Purple Out basketball game day is set for Saturday, Jan. 28, at Jonesboro School. The Cobden girls are scheduled to play Webber at 2 p.m., followed by a boys’ game. All proceeds go to the Taylor Tomazzoli scholarship fund.

Weather

High 64, low 20; 1.62 inches of rain

High temperatures were in the 40s, 50s and 60s during the period of Jan. 17-23 in Union County.

The high for the period was 64 degrees. The low was 20.

Precipitation included 1.55 inches of rain on Jan. 18 and .07 of an inch on Jan. 22.

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

	H	L
Tuesday, Jan. 17	64	42
Wednesday, Jan. 18	54	43
Thursday, Jan. 19	51	39
Friday, Jan. 20	43	24
Saturday, Jan. 21	44	20
Sunday, Jan. 22	40	33
Monday, Jan. 23	47	28

Midweek winter storm in forecast for region

A midweek winter storm was expected to impact Southern Illinois and Southeast Missouri.

Winter Weather Advisory

The National Weather Service office in Paducah early this week issued a winter weather advisory for parts of Southern Illinois and Southeast Missouri.

Union, Alexander, Pulkaski, Williamson and Johnson

counties in Southern Illinois were in the area under a winter weather advisory.

The advisory went into effect at 6 p.m. Tuesday and continued through noon Wednesday.

Wet snow was expected in the areas under the winter weather advisory. Total snow accumulations of up to 2 inches were expected, along with winds gusting as high as 30 miles per hour.

“Plan on slippery road conditions,” the weather service advised. Hazardous conditions may have had an impact on the Wednesday morning commute.

Winter Storm Warning

The weather service also issued a winter storm warning for parts of Southern Illinois and Southeast Missouri.

Jackson County in Illinois and Cape Girardeau

County in Missouri were among the counties under the winter storm warning. The warning was in effect from 6 p.m. Tuesday through noon Wednesday.

The weather service advised that heavy, wet snow was expected in the areas under the winter storm warning.

Total snow accumulations of 4 to 6 inches were possible. The weather service

noted that “sharp gradients of little snowfall to significant snowfall across a few miles” were possible.

Slippery road conditions and hazardous travel conditions were possible Wednesday morning.

“Winds will be rather strong and gusty. The combination of gusty winds and heavy wet snow could stress power lines,” the weather service stated.

Iconic image: Anna Plaza Motel sign comes down

East Vienna Street in Anna lost an iconic image on Tuesday, Jan. 17, as construction crews worked to take down the Anna Plaza Motel sign.

The last large glass neon sign in the area was purchased by Brock Buckner, a

local collector and restorer of vintage neon signs.

“I’m trying to save it from going to the scrap yard,” said Buckner.

According to Buckner, with the sign’s original neon glass still intact, restoring the sign to working

condition should be possible.

Buckner worked with Chris Plott of Plott Construction on the project, which was a difficult undertaking due to the proximity to the power lines. The location also is along one of

Anna’s busiest streets.

The property of the former Anna Plaza Motel is set to be the new location of the Our World of Learning Child Development Center.

According to owner Heather Casner, OWL CDC is hoping to be open by the

end of March and will be available for children aged 6 weeks to kindergarten age.

More information can be found on their facebook page at facebook.com/Owlcde or email Owlcde@gmail.com.



Local landmark

The Anna Plaza Motel sign was taken down by a construction crew on the morning of Tuesday, Jan. 17. The iconic sign, which has been a regional landmark for over half a century, has been purchased by a local collector and restorer of vintage neon signs. The property will be the new home of the OWL Child Development Center. Photo by Benjamin Marxer.

CEO program accepting online applications

The Union County CEO program is accepting online applications from 2023-2024 juniors and seniors in Union County who are interested in participating in next year’s CEO (Creating Entrepreneurial Opportunities) program.

CEO is a two-credit hour high school class that meets daily in local businesses. Not just for future business majors, the class could be called Leadership 101.

This will be the eighth school year for the class in Union County. The class

is unofficially capped at 15 students to allow for deeper relationships with local business and community leaders and among the entire team.

The digital application is accessed online through unioncountyceo.org. A

click on “Student Recruitment” sends potential candidates a link to more student-centered information, and then, instructions on how to begin the process.

Starting Jan. 24, the applications could be completed on a phone or computer and are due Feb. 10.

Applicants then will have until Feb. 17 to have three references complete a short reference form online.

While in the application program, the students may stop and resume or edit. Submitted applications will have all personal and school information redacted so that selection is a blind process.

Students may contact any Union County high school counselor for more information.

Home-schooled or private school students are welcome to apply as well and may contact UCCEO Board member Evelyn Bailey at 618-697-4038 for process details.

Union County CEO alumni, whether going to college or joining the workforce, have high praise for the program that almost daily gave them opportunities and challenges to learn many skills and to build their confidence.

Drake Roach is attending Southern Illinois University and is preparing for next season’s SI Pressure Wash services.

“CEO was my favorite and most helpful class in high school. I started my own business and kept the money from it. It has made me a lot of connections, and I’ve gotten many opportu-

nities through this class,” Roach said.

“CEO has taught me exceptional skills that I will carry over in my life,” SIU junior Joe Brumleve said.

“I learned how to run a business with my peers, run a business by myself, and how to speak professionally to customers in both businesses. CEO helped me win a very prestigious scholarship from SIUC that covers my tuition, fees and housing costs for four years.”

Current CEO team member, Reese Reynolds shared her thoughts about applying for the program.

“I do love money, so I was initially interested in starting my own business, but I quickly learned there is so much more to it than that,” Reynolds said.

“We have learned life skills that will help us become better hires and leaders in the future, and they are skills that don’t even relate to owning your own business. I think one thing people fail to realize is that no matter your job, you are working in a business. All of these lessons in CEO can be taken along with you for life, even if you decide being an entrepreneur isn’t your ideal way of living.”

CEO exposes students to business practices, connects them with leaders in their community, and allows them to practice communication, problem solving, and networking in a variety of settings which improves soft skills for many kinds of future jobs.

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CEO Mingle and Jingle breakfast

Union County CEO program Team 23 recently hosted a Mingle and Jingle breakfast event at PAST’s Heritage House in Jonesboro. Guests included investors, mentors, board members and alumni. Even though it was finals week for the college students and the holiday season for those in the workforce, the following alumni were able to join the group: Luke Lasley, Lexie Lingle, Kyle Hall, Erin Dillow Coleson, Hunter Boyd, Olivia Capel, Olivia Brumleve, Kirstin Guardian, Meghan Smith, Mackenzie Howell, Samantha Smith and Jayclynn Presutti. Photo provided.



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Ultimately, CEO guides each team member through starting and running their own functioning small business, all while cultivating essential communication skills and an expansive, long-lasting network of community members and business owners.

These skills and experiences also assist with scholarship applications, internships, pageants, employment and related interviews.

Union County CEO is entirely supported by local

businesses and organizations as well as individual investors.

Investors may choose to fulfill their pledges with \$84 per month or \$1,000 a year. More investors are needed to keep the program strong in Union County.

The local program is a chapter of the Midland Institute for Entrepreneurship which supports almost 70 CEO programs that are long term economic development programs for nationwide forward-thinking communities.

News Notes

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On Jan. 5, Anna-Jonesboro Community High School FBLA members attended the Southern Area Conference at Southern Illinois University Carbondale. Advancing to state in the competitive events were Avery Osman in insurance and risk management, Jessica Sartin in human resource management, Jolie Barger in political science and Jaden Ebberts in job interview.

A-JCHS students Sydney Waun, Kosie Tripp and Carmin Smith are winners in the Little Egypt Art Show.

Cobden High School students Karleigh Ellis, Mary Pender, Rhylee Sauerbrunn, Sophie Lingle, Brady Bundren and Makenzie Hilliard have been recognized as Southern Illinois Society for High School Achievement outstanding seniors.

A Southern Illinois Junior High School Athletic Association boys' basketball regional tournament is underway this week at

Jonesboro School.

Shawnee School junior and senior high cheerleaders hosted a Junior Tribe Cheer Camp for students in kindergarten through 4th grade.

The Friends of Stinson Memorial Library District are planning to have a winter book sale Feb. 10-12. The sale will be at Stinson Memorial Library in Anna.

Southern 7 Health Department announces that February Wellness on Wheels van clinics scheduled during February include a Feb. 22 stop at the Dollar General Store in Anna.

Practice sessions for the Saints Community Choir are scheduled to begin at 6 p.m. Monday, Jan. 30. Practices will continue through April 3 in the band room on Shawnee Community College's main campus near Ullin. The community choir plans to present an Easter cantata on Thursday, April 6.

Assault weapons ban focus of legal action

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SPRINGFIELD – Illinois Attorney General Kwame Raoul on Monday filed a petition asking an appellate court to vacate a temporary restraining order that was issued late Friday afternoon, Jan. 20, blocking enforcement of the state's recently-passed assault weapons ban.

Raoul's office filed the petition in the 5th District Appellate Court in Southern Illinois, arguing that Effingham County Judge Josh Morrison had abused his discretion and the plaintiffs are unlikely to succeed in their lawsuit, thus the restraining order was granted incorrectly.

Morrison's late Friday order applies to only the 800-plus plaintiffs in the case filed by Tom DeVore, the unsuccessful 2022 GOP candidate for attorney general.

"Although disappointing, it is the initial result we've seen in many cases brought by plaintiffs whose goal is to advance ideology over public safety," Gov. JB Pritzker said in a statement shortly after the order was announced.

House Speaker Emanuel "Chris" Welch, D-Hillside, and Senate President Don Harmon, D-Oak Park, issued similar statements within hours of the judge's decision.

"We passed the Protect Illinois Communities Act to get dangerous weapons off the street and create a safer

state," Harmon said in a statement. "This ruling will be appealed. We look forward to our day in court to zealously advocate for our neighbors who are weary of the gun violence epidemic."

But the Illinois State Rifle Association, which has filed a separate challenge to the law in federal court, applauded Morrison's ruling, saying the ruling is "a clear indication" that Pritzker and lawmakers "rammed this law through improperly."

In his ruling Friday, Morrison sided with the plaintiffs' argument that there were legitimate issues about whether the law violates their rights to due process and equal protection because it limits most people's Second Amendment right to keep and bear certain firearms, while at the same time exempting some groups of people from the law but not others.

But Morrison also devoted much of the opinion to the procedural shortcuts lawmakers used to pass the bill – shortcuts routinely used in order to pass legislation quickly, especially when the General Assembly is facing statutory or constitutional deadlines.

In this case, the law's underlying bill, House Bill 5471, passed through both chambers in its final form during the final two days of the legislature's "lame duck" session earlier this month, with Pritzker signing the bill the night of Jan. 10. At noon the next day, Jan. 11, newly-elected lawmakers were sworn in

and a new biennial session began, meaning the process would have had to start over after that point.

A House committee held multiple hearings on the bill in December, but at that time the draft language of the bill was contained in HB5855.

The Illinois Constitution requires that bills be read by title into the record on three different days in each chamber, a process that would normally take at least five days to complete. But at the tail end of the lame duck session, lawmakers didn't have that much time, so engaged in a commonly-used maneuver known as "gut and replace."

That means the Senate took a bill that had already passed the House – in this case, one amending a portion of the state's Insurance Code dealing with public adjusters – gutted it of all its content and replaced that content with the language of the assault weapons ban. Then they sent the "amended" bill back to the House for an up-or-down concurrence vote.

"This Court finds that the Defendants unequivocally and egregiously violated the Three Readings Rule of the Illinois Constitution in order to circumvent the Constitutional requirements and avoid public discourse," Morrison wrote.

Morrison also said he believes the legislation violates the Constitution's requirement that bills be limited to only one subject, unless they deal with appropriations, codification,

revision or rearrangement of laws. He said the assault weapon bill violates that provision because it contains provisions that also relate to human trafficking and drug trafficking.

The Illinois Supreme Court, however, has historically declined to strike down legislation based on either of those two arguments, ruling repeatedly that if the speaker of the House and president of the Senate both certify that a bill was properly passed, the court would not second-guess that decision.

Morrison was just elected as a 4th Circuit judge in November. Prior to that, he had been the state's attorney in Fayette County and was among a group of state's attorneys who sued the state to challenge the constitutionality of the sweeping criminal justice reform law passed in 2021 known as the SAFE-T Act.

In 2020, during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic, Morrison also wrote to Raoul to question the enforceability of Pritzker's emergency orders at the time. DeVore later cited that letter as part of his 2022 campaign for attorney general.

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Union County at medium level for COVID

Southern 7 Health Department reports that as of Jan. 20, none of the area counties which it serves were reported to be at a COVID-19 high transmission level for another week, according to Illinois Department of Public Health, IDPH, and the CDC.

All counties in the Southern 7 region were at a low or medium level.

Union, Alexander, Johnson, Massac and Pulaski counties each were reported to be at a medium level.

Hardin and Pope counties each were reported to be at a low level.

With COVID-19, flu and RSV continuing to be reported across the state, IDPH continues to urge the people of Illinois to take

action to protect themselves and their loved ones.

This came as the CDC reported on Friday that 28 Illinois counties were at an elevated community level for COVID-19, compared to 61 a week earlier.

The information was being provided to help residents know their county's transmission level and what they should do to reduce the spread of COVID-19.

"While it's been a few weeks since we had one of our counties at a high community level, we continue to see cases rise and fall in nearly every county," Southern 7 Health Depart-

ment community outreach coordinator Shawwna Rhine said in a news release.

"We're asking everyone to protect themselves when traveling throughout the region...making sure they are up-to-date on their boosters if needed and to do their part to keep our most vulnerable safe."

COVID-19 and flu vaccines are available for adults and children 6 months and older by appointment only at each Southern 7 public health clinic. Southern 7 has a public health clinic in Anna.

Adults can also get their shots, without an appoint-

ment, on the Wellness on Wheels, WOW, Van. Most forms of insurance, including Medicare and Medicaid, are accepted.

IV medications and oral pills can now be used to treat COVID-19. Southern 7 urges area residents to talk with a health care provider as soon as possible to see about eligibility for one of the treatments. A prescription will be needed.

To find a Southern 7 public health clinic or WOW Van clinic in an area county, visit southern7.org, download the Southern 7 app or call 618-634-2297, extension 9161.

Union County COVID Cases Update

Jan. 15: 6,786 cases. 69 deaths.

Jan. 4, 2023: 6,712 total cases. 69 deaths.

Dec. 30, 2022: 6,680 total cases. 67 deaths.

Dec. 1, 2022: 6,585 total cases. 67 deaths.

Jan. 18, 2022: 4,378 total cases. 58 deaths.

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health website. Numbers represent statistics since the start of the pandemic.

COVID continues into winter months

As cases of COVID-19 continue into the winter months, Southern 7 Health Department is encouraging Illinois residents to take advantage of preventative and treatment services available, including requesting free rapid tests to have on hand.

The Illinois Department of Public Health, IDPH, is helping residents of the state to prepare for a winter surge by offering 1 million free COVID-19 rapid antigen tests to Illinois residents in all Zip Codes, outside the City of Chicago, through a

partnership with the Rockefeller Foundation's public charity, RF Catalytic Capital and its Project ACT (Access COVID Tests) program.

A total of five, free rapid tests will be delivered to every household that requests them.

Households are eligible to request tests on a monthly basis while supplies last at <https://www.accesscovidtests.org/>.

Public health officials said that after performing a data analysis, there are still quite a few Zip Codes (just over 300) in Illinois

where no households have requested free tests. This includes all Zip Codes in Hardin, Johnson, Massac, and Pulaski counties, Southern 7 Health Department reported.

Illinois residents can also benefit from free or low cost COVID-19 testing locations available throughout the state. For more information or to find a Southern 7 public health clinic or WOW van clinic in the region, visit southern7.org, download the Southern 7 app or call 618-634-2297, extension 9161.

Coming and going...
Southbound...and northbound...freight trains were about to pass by each other on a recent January afternoon on tracks near Ware. The Cross of Peace on Bald Knob Mountain near Alto Pass can be seen in the upper right corner of the photograph.

News from

By Glenn Heisner

First Baptist Church, Jonesboro

On Sunday, Jan. 22, during the morning worship service, Pastor Perry Williams spoke about the cycles of a Christian life and “the need for a love of spending time with God, both in prayer and reading God’s Word.” The message was based on scripture from Mark in the New Testament.

The service was sent via transmitter for worshippers who stayed in their cars on the church’s lower parking lot while tuned in to their radios on station 87.9 FM.

The service also was live streamed on Facebook, where it can be viewed.

The church’s Facebook page, Jonesboro FBC, has videos and the latest information about possible closings.

Music director Dee Rose led the worship. Debbie York was the pianist. Marlee Smith sang the song “Less Like Me.”

Women’s and men’s Bible study were planned at 7 p.m. Monday.

The Dig-In Children’s program planned to have a pajama

night on Wednesday.

A youth spaghetti dinner is planned at 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 28, in the church’s fellowship hall.

Communion is planned at next Sunday morning’s service.

An area 5th Sunday Singing is planned Jan. 29 during the evening service at 4 p.m. at Jonesboro First Baptist Church.

Birthdays: Jerri Tehandon, Jan. 24; Jerri Miller, Jan. 25; Shirley Kohler, Jan. 27.

Anniversary: Marion and

Joyce Hill, Jan. 22, 51 years.

The regular schedule for worship at Jonesboro First Baptist Church includes Sunday School classes on Sunday at 9 a.m., Sunday morning worship at 10 a.m. and Sunday evening worship at 6 p.m.

The Dig-In Children’s program for children ages 4 through 6th grade is scheduled from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesdays.

Youth are scheduled to meet from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Sundays and from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesdays.

Adult Bible study is scheduled at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays.

Hess News

Our son Danny recently spent three days on tornado cleanup in Georgia for disaster relief through a church.

Delores Pribble celebrated her birthday with relatives from Texas as well as Southern Illinois.

Upward Basketball at Anna Heights finished the second week Saturday with good reports.

The Baptist men’s wild game supper at Big Creek Church was well attended.

Friends of Arlean Jorgensen helped her celebrate her 99th birthday Friday at the


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Daily Bible Readings						
Matthew 19:13-30	Acts 3:1-26	Acts 4:1-22	Acts 4:23-37	Acts 5:1-16	Acts 5:17-42	Acts 6:1-15
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Public Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment entered in the above entitled matter on October 18, 2022; David Wilkens, Sheriff, 307 W. Market, Jonesboro, IL 62952, will on March 1, 2023 at 9:00 AM, at Union County Courthouse, 309 W. Market Street, Jonesboro, IL 62952, sell to the highest bidder for ten percent (10%) at the time of sale and the balance within twenty-four (24) hours, the following described premises situated in Union County, Illinois.

Said sale shall be subject to general taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate and any prior liens or 1st Mortgages. The subject property is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title or recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition.

Upon the sale being held and the purchaser tendering said bid in certified funds, a receipt of Sale will be issued and/or a Certificate of Sale as required, which will entitle the purchaser to a deed upon confirmation of said sale by the Court.

Commonly known as 208 1/2 Williford, Jonesboro, IL 62952
Permanent Index No.: 14-00-07-920
Improvements: Single Family Residential
The property will NOT be open for inspection prior to the sale and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the

HELP WANTED

HELP WANTED:

Looking for full and part-time Custodians for Shawnee Community College in Ullin. Apply at Main Campus front desk. Phone 618-634-3200, ext. 3436.

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HELP WANTED

Village of Olmsted

Part-Time Maintenance

The Village of Olmsted is accepting applications for a full-year, part-time, maintenance/laborer position. Applicants must be 18 or older, with a high school diploma or equivalent, and have a valid Drivers' License. The position will consist of 16 hours weekly, or more as needed.

Candidates must have a positive and professional attitude, be able to multi-task, work well with the public, reliable and work independently without direct supervision.

Application deadline is February 10, 2023.

Applications may be picked up at Olmsted City Hall, 150 N. Front Street, Olmsted, IL 62970, or resumes e-mailed to villageofolmsted@yahoo.com.

Contact City Hall, 618-742-6487, for more information.

The Village of Olmsted is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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HELP WANTED

Village of Olmsted

Part-Time Clerk/ Librarian

The Village of Olmsted is accepting applications for a full-year, part-time, clerk/librarian. Applicants must be 18 or older, with a high school diploma or equivalent, and have a valid Drivers' License. The position will consist of 16 hours weekly, or more as needed.

Candidates must have a positive and professional attitude, be able to multi-task, work well with the public, reliable and possess basic computer and bookkeeping skills.

Application deadline is February 10, 2023.

Applications may be picked up at Olmsted City Hall, 150 N. Front Street, Olmsted, IL 62970, or resumes emailed to villageofolmsted@yahoo.com.

Contact City Hall, 618-742-6487, for more information.

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HELP WANTED:

Jonesboro Elementary School District #43 is accepting applications for the following position:

School Nurse

Please send letter of interest, resume and credentials to: Tom Stark, Principal, Jonesboro Elementary School, 309 Cook Avenue, Jonesboro, IL 62952.

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HELPWANTED:

The Voyage Senior Living of Anna is hiring CNA positions, 3 p.m. to 11 p.m. and 11 p.m. to 7 a.m. \$15.50-\$16.50/hr. Please call Katie at 618-833-5495.

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WANTED

WANTED TO BUY:

CASH PAID FOR - Old Hunting and Fishing Items, Knives, Watches, etc. Call 618-833-3584

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WANTED IMMEDIATELY:

Someone to trap & remove moles from property, must have own traps. Union County Area. Please call 630-659-7637.

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BUSINESS

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF DISPOSITION:

Notice is hereby given of the disposition of the following described personal property which is stored at the self-storage facility known as Wyatt Storage II, 201 1/2 E. Chestnut Street, Anna, IL 62906.

1. Name of Occupant: Kristian Johnson

2. Property to be disposed of: Misc. personal property

3. Date & place of disposition: Friday, February 10, 2023, Wyatt Storage II, 201 1.2 E. Chestnut Street, Anna, IL 62906. Phone: 317-460-0507.

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

ANNA-JONESBORO NATIONAL BANK, a National Chartered Bank, Plaintiff, vs MICHAEL J. SMITH, ANGELA C. SMITH, STATE OF ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TAX LIEN UNIT, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants. Case No.: 2022-FC-3

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above captioned matter on 25th day of October, 2022, the Sheriff in Union County, will by public sale on February 8, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in the Union County Courthouse, in Jonesboro, Illinois, sell at public venue to the highest and best bidder, for cash, or cashier's check drawn on a federally or state chartered bank or savings and loan, the following described real estate:

EXHIBIT A

A Two (2) Acre tract of land located in the South part of the Southeast Quarter (SE1/4) of the Northeast Quarter (NE1/4) of Section Thirty-five (35) and the South west Quarter (SW1/4) of the Northwest Quarter (NW1/4) of Section Thirty-six (36), all in Township Eleven (11) South, Range One (1) East of the Third (3rd) Principal Meridian, described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a point on the North line of the Northwest Quarter (NW1/4) of the Southwest Quarter (SW1/4) of Section Thirty-six (36) which is 14 rods East of the Northwest Corner thereof, thence West on said line 14 rods to the Northwest Corner thereof and continuing West on the North line of the Northeast Quarter (NE1/4) of the Southeast Quarter (SE1/4) of Section Thirty-five (35) a distance of 4 rods to a point; thence North parallel with the West line of the Southeast Quarter (SE1/4) of the Northeast Quarter (NE1/4) of Section Thirty-five (35) a distance of 19 rods to a point, thence Easterly 4 rods to the West right-of-way line of the County Road, thence following the South line of said road in an Easterly direction 14 rods to a point, thence South parallel with the East line of the Southwest Quarter (SW1/4) of the Northwest Quarter (NW1/4) of Section Thirty-six (36) to the North line of the Northwest Quarter (NW1/4) of the Southwest Quarter (SW1/4) of Section Thirty-six (36) which is the

point of beginning, situated in Union County, Illinois.

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

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

Keri E. Clark
Circuit Clerk

Document prepared by: JOHN R. SCHNEIDER JOHNSON, SCHNEIDER & FERRELL, L.L.C. 212 North Main Street Cape Girardeau, MO 63701 Telephone: 573-335-3300 Facsimile: 573-335-1978 www.johnsonschneider.com

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Request for Bids
OPEN: January 11, 2023
DEADLINE: February 13, 2023 by 5 p.m.

The Village of Olmsted is currently seeking bids for the provision of comprehensive, high-quality solid waste and recycling collection services and options with contractor provided containers.

The Village intends to enter into a contract with a firm for such services, and accordingly, is furnishing herein a set of specifications by which such proposals shall be judge. Any Contractor desiring to furnish a proposal for such services, shall submit bid in person or by email, by February 13, 2023 by 5 p.m.

Main Contract Specifications:

- Provide WEEKLY curbside pick-up for approximately 175 residential homes within City Limits of Village for the duration of 5 years, starting March 1, 2023- February 29, 2028.
- Provide one (1), 4-yard dumpster behind City Hall for Village usage.
- Provide Village with roll off dumpster, 2 times per year, during city wide clean-up weeks, scheduled in Spring and Fall for City Limit residents.
- Contractor will provide Village with 24 hours' notice with any changes or delays in service pick-up. This will ensure customers are notified of any changes.

All bids should be delivered by February 13, 2023 by 5 p.m. to Village Clerk at City Hall, 150 N. Front Street, Olmsted, Illinois 62970 or by email, villageofolmsted@yahoo.com

Any questions, contact City Hall during regular business hours @ 618-742-6487.

Award of contract will be awarded on February 13, 2023, at regular scheduled Board of Trustees meeting.

*Award granted contingent on final contract signed and agreed upon by Village and awarding contractor.

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ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME ACT

State of Illinois

SS

County of Union

Notice is hereby given pursuant to "An Act in relation to the use of an Assumed Name in the conduct or Transaction of Business in the State," as Amended that a certification was filed by the undersigned with the County Clerk of Union County. Filed this 17th day of January, 2023, under the Assumed Name of Anytime Truck Service with the place of business located at 130 Howell Lane, Dongola, Illinois 62926, and that the True Name(s) and Residence Address of the sole owner(s) and Proprietor(s) of said Business is:

Trent Tollison
130 Howell Lane
Dongola, IL 62926

Lance Meisenheimer
Union County Clerk

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State of Illinois

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County of Union

Notice is hereby given pursuant to "An Act in relation to the use of an Assumed Name in the conduct or Transaction of Business in the State," as Amended that a certification was filed by the undersigned with the County Clerk of Union County. Filed this 3rd day of January, 2023, under the Assumed Name of Fresh Express Meals with the place of business located at 585 Bridwell Lane, Cobden, Illinois 62920, and that the True Name(s) and Residence Address of the sole owner(s) and Proprietor(s) of said Business is:

Natalie Ellis
585 Bridwell Lane
Cobden, IL 62920

Lance Meisenheimer
Union County Clerk

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STATE OF ILLINOIS

CIRCUIT COURT

UNION COUNTY

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

REQUEST OF: JAMA ANN STAPLETON 2023-MR-1

There will be a court date on my Request to change my name from: JAMA ANN STAPLETON to the new name of: JAMA ANN CARPENTER.

The court date will be held on MARCH 15, 2023 at 11 a.m. at the Union County Courthouse, 309 W. Market Street, Jonesboro, Illinois, in Courtroom 1.

JAMA STAPLETON

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Anna-Jonesboro Community High School District #81 is soliciting bids for the provision of the following service for the 2023 calendar year:

- Mowing property located on Brady Mill Rd. in Anna, IL (commonly known as the Union County Soccer Complex)

Proposed details and bid sheets are available by visiting or contacting the district office. Deadline for bids is 1 p.m. on February 10, 2023. Please contact Rob Wright, Superintendent at Anna-Jonesboro CHSD #81, 608 S. Main Street, Anna, IL 62906 or call 618-833-8421 for more information.

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Union County Clerk

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REQUEST FOR COUNTY PHONE SYSTEM

Request for Proposal (RFP) packets are available in the Union County Clerk's office and on our website at www.unioncountyil.gov under Records-Requests. Any questions regarding specifications will be answered at the pre-proposal meeting on Tuesday January 31, 2023 at 9 A.M.

Sealed bids should be submitted to the Union County Clerk by 4 P.M. on Tuesday February 14, 2023 at the Union County Courthouse.

The County reserves the right to reject any and all bids received and to waive or not waive any informalities or irregularities in bids or bid procedures, and to accept or further negotiate costs, terms, or conditions of any bid determined by the County to be in the best interest of

the County.

Union County Clerk
309 West Market Street,
Room 116
Jonesboro, Illinois 62952
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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Southern 14 Workforce Investment Board, Inc., Subgrant Recipient for Workforce Investment Act programs is seeking applications interested in being selected as Operator of Services for One-Stop Career Services Center and serving the 14 counties of the Southern 14 counties of the Southern 14 Workforce Investment Board (LWIA #26), which include Alexander, Edwards, Gallatin, Hamilton, Hardin, Johnson, Massac, Pope, Pulaski, Saline, Union, Wabash, Wayne, and White.

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) of 2014 (HR803) authorizes local Workforce Investment Boards with the development and oversight of a local one-stop delivery system for the provision of workforce services. LWIA #26 is committed to providing their customers with a universal, seamless, customer driven One-Stop Career Service Center system. This solicitation also provides proposing organizations the opportunity to assist in the redesign of the One-Stop Career Service Centers. Organizations selected through this procurement process must also participate in a one-year commitment, with the option of three additional years, the period of performance for this contract will not be earlier than July 1, 2023 or later than June 30, 2024 and contracts may be extended for service during PY24 (July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025); PY25 (July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026) and PY26 (July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026). Bidders should also include anticipated costs associated with staffing and operating the One-Stop Career Service Center. Preference will be given to agencies that demonstrate the capacity to offset operational costs with matching funds.

Additional information and applications may be obtained by contacting the offices of the Southern 14 Workforce Investment Board Inc., P. O. Box 186, Carmi, IL. Phone 618-382-5024 between the hours of 8 A.M. and 5 P.M. Monday through Thursday. Request for Proposals may also be obtained on the Southern 14 website www.SO14LWIB.com. Responses must be received by close of business on February 20, 2023.

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

REGIONS BANK DBA REGIONS MORTGAGE SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO UNION PLANTERS BANK, N.A PLAINTIFF,

-vs-

Billy Graves a/k/a Billy G. Graves; Tamara Graves; Capital One Bank (USA), N.A.; DEFENDANTS NO. 22 FC 16

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

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Said sale shall be subject to general taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate and any prior liens or 1st Mortgages. The subject

property is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title or recourse to Plaintiff and in “AS IS” condition.

Upon the sale being held and the purchaser tendering said bid in certified funds, a receipt of Sale will be issued and/or a Certificate of Sale as required, which will entitle the purchaser to a deed upon confirmation of said sale by the Court.

Said property is legally described as follows:

LOT 6 IN I.O. KARRAKER'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ILLINOIS AS SHOWN BY THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 41, IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE OF UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as 208 1/2 Williford, Jonesboro, IL 62952 Permanent Index No.: 14-00-07-920

Improvements: Single Family Residential

The property will NOT be open for inspection prior to the sale and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property.

The judgment amount was \$52,553.55. Prospective purchasers are admonished to check the court file and title records to verify this information. IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701 (C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

For Bid Amount contact: Sale Clerk LOGS Legal Group LLP 2121 Waukegan Road, Suite 301 Bannockburn, IL 60015 ILNOTICES@logs.com (847) 291-1717

REGIONS BANK dba REGIONS MORTGAGE SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO UNION PLANTERS BANK, N.A One of Plaintiff's Attorneys

LOGS Legal Group LLP Attorney for Plaintiff 2121 Waukegan Road, Suite 301 Bannockburn, IL 60015 (847) 291-1717 ILNOTICES@logs.com

Randal S. Berg (6277119)

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Mallory Snyderman (6306039)

Thomas Belczak (6193705)

Debra Miller (6205477)

Amy Aronson (6206512)

THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT IF YOUR PERSONAL LIABILITY FOR THIS DEBT HAS BEEN EXTINGUISHED BY A DISCHARGE IN BANKRUPTCY OR BY AN ORDER GRANTING IN REM RELIEF FROM STAY, THIS NOTICE IS PROVIDED SOLELY TO FORECLOSE THE MORTGAGE REMAINING ON YOUR PROPERTY AND IS NOT AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT THE DISCHARGED PERSONAL OBLIGATION. 8221-929589

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

ESTATE OF BOBBIE D. GLASCO, DECEASED NO. 2023-PR-1 IN PROBATE

NOTICE OF DEATH

INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION, AND CLAIM DATE

NOTICE IS GIVEN to creditors of the death of Bobbie D. Glasco, of Cobden, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on January 13, 2023, to Larry T. Glasco, 3723 Upper Salem Road, Metropolis, IL 62960, as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Elvis C. Cameron, 205B N. Main St., Anna, Illinois.

Within 42 days after the effective date of the original Order of admission, you may file a petition with the Court to require proof of the Will by testimony of the witnesses in open Court or other evidence, as provided by Section 5/6-21 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/6-21.)

You also have the right, under Section 5/8-1 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/8-1), to contest the validity of the Will by filing a petition with the Court within six (6) months after admission of the Will to probate.

The estate will be administered without Court supervision unless, under Section 5/28-4 of the Probate Act (Ill. Compiled Stat. 1992, Ch. 755, Par. 5/28-4), any interested person terminates Independent Administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the Clerk of this Court.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of this court at the Union County Courthouse, 309 W. Market St., Jonesboro, Illinois, or with the Independent Executor, or both, on or before July 26, 2023, or

if mailing or delivery of a notice from the Executor is required by Section 5/18-3 of the Probate Act of the State of Illinois, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the Executor and to the attorneys within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

Dated: January 18, 2023.

LARRY T. GLASCO

CAMERON LAW FIRM, LLC

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

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STATE OF ILLINOIS CIRCUIT COURT UNION COUNTY

PUBLICATION NOTICE OF COURT DATE FOR REQUEST FOR NAME CHANGE (MINOR CHILD)

REQUEST OF: LACEY NICOLE DIXON TO CHANGE THE NAME OF MINOR CHILD 2023-MR-3

Publication is not necessary if both parents, confirmed on birth certificate, agree to the name change or have been given notice.

There will be a court date on a *Request for Name Change (Minor Child)*:

Current Name of Minor Child: RAELYNN NICHOLE ROY

Proposed New Name of Minor Child: RAELYNN NICHOLE DIXON

The court date will be held on WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 2023, at 11 a.m. at the Union County Courthouse, 309 W. Market Street, Jonesboro, Illinois, in Courtroom 1.

LACEY NICOLE DIXON 7-9gc

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

IN THE INTEREST OF: SADDILYN LAYTON, A Minor. NO. 2021-JA-18

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION PURSUANT TO 705 ILCS 405/2-16

ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

TAKE NOTICE that on 10/3/2022 a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 by TYLER E. TRIPP, Union County State's Attorney, by his Assistant State's Attorney, J. Jeremy Lloyd, in the Circuit Court of Union County entitled "In the interest of SADDILYN LAYTON, a minor", and that in Judge Tyler R. Edmonds' courtroom at Union County Courthouse, 309 West Market Street,

Jonesboro, Illinois on Thursday, the 9th day of March, 2023, at the hour of 9:00 AM, or as soon thereafter as this cause may be heard, a Motion for Termination of Parental Rights hearing will be held upon the petition to have the child declared to be a ward of the court under that Act. THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS PROCEEDING TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS, AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND THE APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD. Unless you appear you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental rights.

Now, unless you appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order or judgment entered.

Keri E. Clark Clerk of the Circuit Clerk Dated: January 26, 2023

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Television Listings

THURSDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local Local	Local Programs	College GameDay	Young Young	US Figure Skating Champ. (Live)	Hamster & Big City	"Cold Pursuit" (19)	(5:00) "Movie"	"Mr. Ripley" (99) (HD)
7 PM :30	Celebrity Jeopardy!	Young Ghosts	Hell's Kitchen (HD)	Law & Order (HD)	Worm. College Basketball (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD) Bang (HD)		"Diary Wimpy Kid: Dog Days"	The Last of Us	"Movie"	★ ★ ½ "Bandit" (22) Crime Criminal spree. (HD)
8 PM :30	The Parent Test	(01) So Help Me Todd	Welcome to Call Me	Law & Order: SVU	Organized Crime (HD)	Bang (HD) Bang (HD)	Chrisley Chrisley	Hamster & Last of Us			
9 PM :30	To Be Announced	CSI: Vegas (HD)	Local Programs Local info.	Organized Crime (HD)	Australian 2023 Australian Open Tennis Women's Semifinal #1 (Live)	Bang (HD) NFL	US Figure Skating Champ. (Live)	Big City Hamster & Miraculous Miraculous	★ ★ ½ "Regression" (15) Women's accusations.	"Movie"	(05) Your Honor (HD)
10 PM :30	Local	Local		Local							★ "Panama" (22) U.S. invasion. (R)
11 PM :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(35) Tonight (HD)					Jessie Jessie	★ ★ ★ "Hereditary" (18)	"Movie"
	Nightline	Corden		Late Night		"Ocean's 8" (18) (HD)	Law & Order: SVU				"Crank"

JANUARY 26, 2023

FRIDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	PGA Tour Golf (Live)	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	NHL Hockey	Young Young	9-1-1 "Kids Today"	Jessie BUNK'D	"Saraha's Key" (15)	(5:00) "Movie"	Boys in Blue (HD)
7 PM :30	Shark Tank (HD)	S.W.A.T. (HD)	WWE Friday Night SmackDown (HD)	Lopez vs. Young Rock	World of X Games (Live) (HD)	★ ★ ½ "Ocean's 8" (18) Jewelry heist. (HD)	9-1-1 "Sink or Swim"	BUNK'D	"Amsterdam" (22) Christian Bale. Framed for murder. (R)	"Movie"	Boys in Blue (HD)
8 PM :30	(01) 20/20 Investigative news. (HD)	Fire Country (HD)	Local Programs Local info.	Dateline NBC Investigative news.			9-1-1 "The Searchers"	BUNK'D	"Cars" (06, Comedy) Car learns lessons. (HD)		Your Honor (HD)
9 PM :30	Local	Blue Bloods (HD)				(16) "Ocean's Eleven" (01, Crime) Ex-conv robs casinos.	9-1-1 "Triggers" (HD)	BUNK'D	Real Time Maher (19, Action)	"Movie"	"Agent Game" (22) Mel Gibson.
10 PM :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	Local			9-1-1 "Rage"	BUNK'D	Game		Your Honor (HD)
11 PM :30	Nightline	Corden	Local Programs	(35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (Live)	"Ocean's 12"	9-1-1 "Monsters" (HD)	Jessie Jessie	(35) Real Time Maher	"Movie"	Gen. Q

JANUARY 27, 2023

SATURDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	NBA Basketball (Live)	PGA Tour Golf (Live)	Bball (HD) FOX (HD)	Local Programs	College Basketball	★ ★ ★ "Pitch Perfect 2"	IMSA Sports Car (Live)	"Inside Out" (15)	★ ★ ★ "American Ultra"	(5:00) "Movie"	Your Honor (HD)
7 PM :30	NBA (Live)	To Be Announced	College Basketball Teams TBA" (Live) (HD)	Law & Order (HD)	College Basketball Kentucky (Live)	Burgers Burgers	US Figure Skating Champ. (Live)	Louder Louder	"The Cabin in the Woods" (12)	"Movie"	Your Honor (HD)
8 PM :30	NBA Basketball Los Angeles vs Boston (Live) (HD)	To Be Announced		Dateline NBC		Burgers		Big City	(40) The Last of Us		★ ★ ★ ★ "Everything Everywhere All at Once" (22) (R) (HD)
9 PM :30	Local	48 Hours (HD)	Local Programs	Saturday Night Live	World of X Games (Live) (HD)	★ ★ ★ "Pitch Perfect" (12) A cappella group.	IMSA Sports Car (Live)	Hamster & Louder	Real Time Maher (19, Action)	"Movie"	
10 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs Local info.	Beat Shazam (HD)	Local Saturday Night Live (HD)				Louder Louder	"Captain Phillips" (13) Pirates seize ship.		Your Honor (HD)
11 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local Programs		SportsCenter (Live)	"Pitch 2"	Chicago P.D. (HD)	Miraculous Miraculous		"Movie"	Your Honor

JANUARY 28, 2023

SUNDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Videos (HD)	(5:30) NFL Playoffs "AFC Championship Game" (Live) (HD)	To Be Announced	"Sing" Koala produces singing competition.	(5:30) World of X Games (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD) Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	★ ★ ★ ½ "Wreck-It Ralph" (12) (HD)	(4:52) "The Batman" (22) Killer in Gotham.	(5:19) ★ ★ "Killers" (10)	"Good Will Hunting"
7 PM :30	"Marvel's The Avengers"	Superheroes unite against global threat.	Simpsons (31) North	America's Got Talent: All-Stars "Auditions 3"		Bang (HD) Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	BUNK'D		★ ★ ★ ★ "Anna" (19) Action Feared assassin. (HD)	Your Honor (HD)
8 PM :30			Burgers			Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	BUNK'D	The Last of Us		Your Honor (HD)
9 PM :30		Fire Country (HD)	Local Programs		NFL Primetime (HD)	★ ★ ★ "Aquaman" (18, Action) Search for ancient power source. (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Jessie Jessie	The Last of Us "Long Long Time"	"Lone Survivor" (14) Teen terrorist capture. (HD)	Your Honor (HD)
10 PM :30	Local Programs Local info.	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local Programs Local info.	SportsCenter with Scott (Live)		Law & Order: SVU	Big City	The Last of Us "Long Long Time"	★ "Panama" (22) U.S. invasion. (R)	
11 PM :30		Local Programs	Local Programs		SC (Live)		Law & Order: SVU	Big City		(01) "Six Days" (98)	Your Honor

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MONDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local Local	Local Programs	College Basketball Virginia vs Syracuse (Live)	Young Bang (HD) Bang (HD)	Chicago Fire (HD)	Hamster & Big City	(5:40) The Last of Us	★ ★ ½ "Geostorm" (17)	"Agent Game" (22)
7 PM :30	The Bachelor (HD)	Neighbor. Bob Hearts	9-1-1 (HD)	The Voice Hopefuls coached. (HD)		Bang (HD) Bang (HD)	WWE Monday Night Raw (Live) (HD)	"Up" (09) A flying house. (HD)	"Cold Pursuit" (19) Hunting killer. (R) (HD)	★ ★ ★ "Danny Collins" Aging rock star.	Your Honor (HD)
8 PM :30		NCIS "Unearth" (HD)	The Cleaning Lady		College Basketball (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD) Dad (HD)		Hamster & Big City		(47) "What's Eating Gilbert Grape" (94)	"Pulp Fiction" (94) A day in the crimes of Los Angeles.
9 PM :30	The Good Doctor	NCIS: Hawai'i (HD)	Local Programs Local info.	Quantum Leap (HD)		Dad (HD)		Hamster & Miraculous	The Last of Us		
10 PM :30	Local	Local		Local	SportsCenter (Live)	Dad (HD)	Nikki Bella Says I Do	Miraculous Miraculous	"Captain Phillips" (13) Pirates seize ship.	"Profile" (21) British journalist. (R)	(35) Your Honor (HD)
11 PM :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (Live)	Dad (HD)	(01) Chicago Fire	Jessie Jessie		"X" (22)	

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TUESDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	College Basketball (Live) (HD)	Young Young	Law & Order: SVU	Hamster & Big City	(05) The Last of Us	"Lone Survivor" (14)	"Dawn 2"
7 PM :30	The Rookie (HD)	FBI "Love is Blind"	The Resident (HD)	The Voice (HD)		Bang (HD) Bang (HD)	WWE NXT (Live) (HD)	"Alvin & Chipmunks: Squeak"	The Last of Us	★ ★ ★ "Alpha Dog" (07) Teen kidnapped. (HD)	(45) "Moneyball" (11) Brad Pitt. Changing baseball. (HD)
8 PM :30	The Rookie: Feds	FBI: International	(02) Monarch (HD)	La Brea (HD)	College Basketball (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD) Bang (HD)		Hamster & Big City	(20) ★ ★ ★ "Law Abiding Citizen" (09, Crime)	(58) ★ ★ ★ "RocknRolla" (08) Real estate con. (HD)	"Men" (22) Solo vacation. (R) (HD)
9 PM :30	Will Trent	FBI: Most Wanted	Local Programs Local info.	New Amsterdam (HD)		Bang (HD)	Chicago P.D. "Gone"	Big City	"The Cabin in the Woods" (12)		
10 PM :30	Local	Local		Local	SportsCenter (Live)	Young Young	Chicago P.D. "Closer"	Miraculous Miraculous			
11 PM :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (Live)	Young Young	Chicago P.D. "Adrift"	Jessie Jessie		(53) "The Mule" (18)	Your Honor

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WEDNESDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	NBA (Live)	Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Hamster & Big City	(5:00) "Movie"	★ ★ "Abduction" (11)	★ ★ ½ "Terminator" (15)
7 PM :30	Schoolhou.	The Price Is Right at	The Masked Singer	Chicago Med (HD)	NBA Basketball Brooklyn Nets at Boston Celtics (Live)	Bang (HD) AEW Dynamite (Live)	Law & Order: SVU	Big City	"Movie"	"Johnson Family Vacation" (04)	★ ★ ★ "Beverly Hills Cop" (84) (HD)
8 PM :30	Elementary Elementary	Lingo "Episode 4"	(02) Lego Masters	Chicago Fire (HD)			Law & Order: SVU	BUNK'D		(37) "Let's Be Cops" (14) Axel Foley returns.	★ ★ ★ "Beverly Hills Cop II" Axel Foley returns.
9 PM :30	Press Your Luck (HD)	Tough as Nails (HD)	Local Programs Local info.	Chicago P.D. (HD)	NBA Basketball Atlanta Hawks at Phoenix Suns (Live)	Power Slap	Law & Order: SVU	Big City	"Movie"	(22) "Momma" (87)	★ ★ ½ "Beverly Hills Cop III" (94)
10 PM :30	Local	Local		Local		Young Young	Law & Order: SVU	Miraculous Miraculous			
11 PM :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(35) Tonight (HD)		Young Young	Law & Order: SVU	Jessie Jessie			
	Nightline	Corden		Late Night	SC (Live)	Young Young				"Fault"	

Obituaries

Marvin Lee Harris

Marvin Lee Harris, 76, of Jonesboro, died Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2023, at his home.

He was born on June 27, 1946, in Chester, the son of Ralph Lee and Francis Louise Weherhime Harris.

Mr. Harris is survived by his sons, Brian and Bill Harris; siblings Nancy Williams of Jonesboro, Phillip Harris of Du Quoin, Ralph Harris, Leo Harris and Anita Harbor, all of Clinton, Ky., Roger Harris of Wolf Lake, Paul Parker and Steven Parker; a niece, Tammy Williams-McKee of Ripley, Tenn.; a nephew, Joe Williams of Jonesboro; many other nieces and nephews; other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife; one sister, Mary Keefer; and two brothers, Daniel and Ernie Harris.

Mr. Harris was an over the road truck driver until his retirement. Anytime Marvin was not out driving the truck, you could find him in his vegetable garden or fishing.

At this time no services are scheduled.

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

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



Dorothy A. Kacinski

Dorothy A. Kacinski, 74, of Buncombe, died Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2023, at her home.

She was born on Feb. 4, 1948, in Streator, the daughter of James and Anne Churney Wilkinson.

She married Larry Kacinski on May 17, 1969.

She is survived by her husband, Larry Kacinski of Buncombe; three children, Alan (Jennifer) Kacinski of Goreville, Lori (Bryan) Murphy of Palm Desert, Calif., and Michael (Colleen) Kacinski of Island Lake; grandchildren Emily, Allison, Jillian, Kirstyn, Kaitlyn and Jaidyn; three great-granddaughters; a brother, Richard (Diane) Wilkinson of The Villages, Fla.; other relatives and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Denny Wilkinson.

She was a loving wife, mother and grandmother. She loved her family and spending time with them. She enjoyed camping and traveling. She was a member of the Cowgirls of the Shawnee and loved horseback riding.

Funeral Mass for Dorothy Kacinski was held at 10 a.m. Friday, Jan. 20, at St. Mary Catholic Church in Anna, with Father Uriel Salamanca officiating. Interment followed at Cedar Grove Cemetery.

A Rosary service was held at 4 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 19, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Jonesboro.

Memorials can be made to the Multiple Myeloma Foundation.

To visit her memorial page and to leave online condolences for the family, visit the Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home website at rendlemanhilemanfh.com.

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



Reynoldsville News

By Sue Eudy

Happy anniversary wishes to Sue and Leon Rendleman of Anna who were married 60 years on Jan. 18.

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

Davie and Kristy Miller of St. Charles, Mo., visited with Shirley Miller of McClure.

Gary Gibbs of Jonesboro visited with Maxine and Fred Pender.

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

Nancy Lee Cox

Nancy Lee Cox, 79, of Dongola, died at 1:25 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 18, 2023, at her home. At the time of her passing, she was surrounded by members of her family.

She was born on Jan. 29, 1943, at the family home in Dongola. She was the daughter of Marion Dewitt Lingle and Catherine Hartline Lingle.

On Nov. 11, 1961, she married Charles Cox in Anna. He preceded her in death on Oct. 25, 2000.

Mrs. Cox is survived by: her children, Kevin Dewitt (Wendy) Cox of Cobden and Rhonda Kay (Robert) Duty of Dongola; four grandchildren, Kassi (Justin) Needling, Kyle Cox, Cali (Ivan) Basler and Charlie Duty; two stepgrandchildren, Halle Short and Dawson Short; five great-grandchildren, Jayci Needling, Kynlee Needling, Charlee Needling, Avery Golliher (who thought of his Maw-Maw as his best friend) and Stevie Kay Basler; a sister, Marion Kay Thompson of Dongola; a brother, Clarence Burrow (Othela) Lingle of Lady Lake, Fla.; a niece, Sharon Welch; and a nephew, Dave Burkholder.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband.

She was a 1961 graduate of Dongola High School. She had played the French horn in the school band and participated in the alumni band until she was in her 40s.

She attended Shawnee Community College, where she earned her certification in cosmetology. For over 50 years, Mrs. Cox operated a beauty shop in her home in Dongola, Nancy's Styling Porch.

She enjoyed fishing, gardening, canning and cooking. She also enjoyed playing the slots on trips to the casino.

She was an avid fan of Quality Value Convenience, the QVC network. She was a former member of Lodge No. 1346, Loyal Order of the Moose, in Anna.

In accordance with her wishes, there will be a private family gathering to celebrate her life.

Memorials can be made to the American Cancer Society, 5 Schiber Port, Suite C, Maryville, Ill. 62062; or to Hospice of Southern Illinois, 204 Halfway Rd., Marion, Ill. 62959.

To share a memory or to leave an online message of condolence for her family, visit www.baileyfh.com.

Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna is in charge of arrangements.



Lee Trexler

Lee Trexler, 63, of Anna, died at 12:40 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 22, 2023, at his residence.

He was born on May 1, 1959, in Springfield, the son of Charles Eugene and Anna Lee Turner Trexler.

He worked in the construction business as a roofer for many years and was a hard worker. He loved to collect antiques in his spare time. He was a loving brother who will be missed.

Survivors include his son, Mickey Lee Trexler; daughter Ida Mae Trexler; sister Nancy (Chris) Stuart; brothers Richard (Sharon) Trexler and Mark Semyck; sister-in-law Kathy Trexler; several grandchildren; and many other nieces, nephews, other friends and relatives.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Darrell Trexler; siblings Jesse Trexler, Linda Romaro, Arthur Trexler, Joyce Rains and Charles Trexler; and a niece, Megan Trexler.

Visitation will be from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. Friday, Jan. 27, at Crain Funeral Home in Anna-Jonesboro.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Friday, Jan. 27, at Crain Funeral Home in Anna-Jonesboro.

Interment will follow the funeral services at Alto Pass Cemetery.

Memorials can be made to Crain Funeral Home to assist the family with funeral expenses.

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

Crain Funeral Home

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



Robert L. Del Favero

Robert L. Del Favero, 91, of Palmetto, Fla., and formerly of Jonesboro, died Thursday, Jan. 19, at Blake Hospital in Bradenton, Fla.

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

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

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

County Line News

(Mill Creek and Upper Elco)

Mill Creek Village Board

The Village of Mill Creek Board had a monthly business meeting Tuesday, Jan. 17.

Seven village residents were present and one guest. It was brought before the board that an interest has been expressed from a company about setting up a relay station for internet service in the village.

Residents had received a letter about the proposed station, but most were thrown out due to the ambiguous wording.

The company has agreed to reformat and resend the letters, but another option has been given from the county.

Residents are asked to attend a meeting and express their opinion on either of these services, as the item has been tabled at this time.

Residents are highly advised by the county to obtain 911 address signs and post them on their homes or on a post at their driveways.

It is difficult to locate homes without these markers, should an emergency occur.

New street signs will be ordered soon and mounted, but it's the residents responsibility to mark their own homes.

A bid for mowing will be placed in the paper for the 2023 mowing needs.

The village is also seeking to add additional board members, these positions will need to be added to the ballot for the next election.

The Christmas lights were not hung this year due to the lack of a safe option to hang them. These decorations are extremely heavy and difficult to manage by one person.

It's been brought up that perhaps we need to seek lighter weight decorations that can be hung via a ladder, as purchasing a lift

truck is not an option.

Those with an interest in any of these areas are advised to attend the next village board meeting, which is scheduled at 6 p.m. Feb. 21.

Prayer List

Mill Creek Baptist Church members have been ramping up their prayer requests these last few weeks.

Their pastor, Brother Bob Richardson, has been moved to St. Louis due to additional health complications. He and his family need every prayer they can get for healing and peace of mind.

Bob Layman had brain surgery this past week, but is back home and doing well.

Lula Belle Tripp is having a pacemaker put in this week and we hope this takes care of the problems she's been having.

Debbie Newberry is doing fairly well, but can always use a boost with prayer.

Shirley Harvel will be having surgery this week and another is scheduled for next month.

Cathy Gibson starts chemo treatments soon. Jeff Starr is in the Carbondale Hospital and could sure use some visitors, he's not doing well.

Dean Short is still healing from his broken vertebrae and ribs in a fall during the last snow event, but was able to be in church Sunday with his son, Zack.

Prayer is asked for Allison Rider who has another area with a concern of cancer. Buck McDaniel is ill at this time.

My son-in-law, Erik Austad, who is in Canada has Covid. Clayton Richardson needs all the prayer we can muster up for him.

Randy Tucker is in the hospital and could use our prayers. Billie Henderson and Larry Ridenhour are also in need of prayer for

illness.

A friend of mine, Thomas Fiske, is in the hospital, in Cape Girardeau, from a severe spider bite. He underwent surgery this past weekend and more treatment may be necessary.

We need to remember the passages from James 5:13, "Is any among you suffering? Let him pray." Also James 5:15, "The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise him up." Please pray for these and others you know and pray often.

Mill Creek Baptist Church Messages

Brother Bobby Newberry brought the message last week from Ephesians 5, about putting on the Whole Armor of God.

The helmet protects our thoughts from attack; the belt protects our testimony and the truth of our salvation; the breastplate protects our hearts, the core of our being; the shin guards/boots are so that our feet are prepared to go and witness for the Kingdom of God, in the hope of peace; the shield is to protect our faith and deflect Satan's wiles; the sword is the Word of God.

All these are to be put on and taken up with prayer and supplication that we may boldly make known God's plans. Face the world and be on the defense.

This week he brought the message from John 7: 25-27 and asked us these questions: How do we see Jesus? Do you have a mental picture of Him? If he came today, would you know Him? They certainly didn't in His own time. Would He wear bibs and flannel, a suit, or slacks and a polo shirt?

They expected Him to come robed as royalty. We often can't see past our own image. Too many miss His message by looking for the complicated when His message is quite

simple.

Jesus doesn't fit a mold. Neither should our witness. We need to tailor it to circumstances and the person we are sharing it with.

The Lord God doesn't always speak His truths in the quiet peace of an early morning sunrise. It's often in the grip of pain and suffering.

Also, we need to not just seek Him in our own religion or theology but sometimes a truth will make itself known from the words of another faith.

We need to *listen*, and quit putting limits on God's reach. It's like knowing someone but only talking to them over the phone.

When you finally meet them in person you are often shocked, as the way you perceived them isn't at all what they look like.

However, when you hear their voice, you recognize them immediately. We need to know Jesus' voice. Will you know it when He calls?

January Weather

January is proving to be as complicated as the last three months have been in regards to the weather. I think the predictable is no more. So many extremes take place in the span of often just a single week.

The best advise is to watch the weather and step outside before you dress for the day, but it's certainly no guarantee.

Visitors

Shirley Harvel was blessed to have a visit from her daughter and son-in-law, Tina and Darron Moore of Poplar Bluff, Mo., this past weekend.

Tina is finally going back to work this week, since she's now recovered from her surgery.

They wanted to get in a visit while she had the time and they also just returned from a cruise and wanted to share their adventures.

Hopefully, the return to work, after such a long time off, will not be too hard on her.

Someone somewhere wants just what you don't need anymore.

Use a classified ad in The Gazette-Democrat to get yourself some extra cash.

To place your classified ad, call 833-2158.

The Big Eight

The director of two community economic development associations in Utah compiled the following tongue-in-cheek list of sure fire ways to "Ruin Your Town":

1. Stay away from town meetings and be sure to criticize the way things run. You don't have to be there to know that somebody else is not doing it right.
2. Complain bitterly about the climate. Dwell on cold winters, the hot summers and the generally tough conditions for the people who live here. Let the world know that this is the last place anybody would want to live and work.
3. Knock your city and county governments. Spread the word about the stupidity of your elected officials. After all, they are all just out to get you anyway.
4. Don't buy anything locally. Use discount stores in the city and direct mail catalogs for all of your purchases. It's a lot more important to save a buck than to save your local merchant.
5. Snipe at the local newspaper. Tell anyone who will listen that those media people are just no good and that they never print the news you want to read.
6. Boycott community events. Tell yourself and anyone else that it's not your job to show up for ball games, concerts and school programs. Who really cares if anyone participates in those things?
7. Be more negative. Everybody knows that all kids are delinquents, all business people are crooks and all public officials are just looking out for themselves. Try to get in as many bad remarks about the town as possible.
8. Be skeptical, cynical and critical about anything designed for the community's progress and betterment and do it as loudly as possible. Blame progress for every difficulty, economic development for changing things from the way they were in the good old days, and disagree with anything that makes things different in your town.

Most people interact with 10 or more people every day of their lives. That's 310 individuals this month alone. Think of the good you could do by keeping a more positive attitude when talking about your community.

Illinois Sheriffs’ Association planning to award more than \$58,000 in college scholarships

The Illinois Sheriffs’ Association, ISA, announces that it will be awarding over \$58,000 in college scholarships throughout the State of Illinois to students wishing to pursue higher education during the 2023-2024 academic year. The scholarships are to be applied to tuition, books and fees only. Students must be enrolled full-time at a certified institution of higher learning within the State of Illinois. Online learning is acceptable. Union County Sheriff David Wilkins will be awarding one scholarship in the amount of \$500. There will be no restriction on any applicant by reason of race, age, creed, color, sex or national origin. The only limitations are

University Museum at SIU offers spring semester exhibits

Works that showcase the diverse talents of regional artists and Southern Illinois University Carbondale alumni are among the highlights at University Museum this spring semester. The museum’s exhibitions include the works of Southern Illinois woodcarver Fred Myers. Some of the exhibits are already on display. Others begin during the course of the spring semester at SIU. “Natural Talent: The Carvings of Fred Myers” is on display through May 13 in the museum’s North Hall Continuum Gallery. From an early age Myers, who had no formal artistic

as follows: Applicants must be permanent Illinois residents. Scholarships must be utilized at institutions of higher learning within the State of Illinois. Students must be enrolled as a full-time student during the 2023-2024 school year (excluding summer session). Applications are available at the Union County Sheriff’s Office in Jonesboro or on the ISA website at <https://www.ilsheriff.org/youth-2/>. The sheriff’s office is located at the Union County Courthouse in Jonesboro. Students must complete the application, answer an essay question and return all documentation to the sheriff’s office in their permanent county of residence by March 15, 2023 (must be postmarked by this date).

training, displayed a natural affinity for his wood carvings from black walnut. Myers worked in several coal mines throughout the region as well as producing prehistoric anthropologic models for SIU while working for the Works Progress Administration, WPA, from 1939 to 1942. Admission to the museum is free, and it is open to the public. The museum, art galleries and both halls are open Tuesdays through Fridays, from noon to 4 p.m.; and Saturdays, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Public metered parking is available across from the SIU Student Center and beside Woody Hall.

Tax filing season begins

The Internal Revenue Service, IRS, announced Monday, Jan. 23, as the beginning of the nation’s 2023 tax season when the agency would begin accepting and processing 2022 tax year returns. The IRS announced in a news release on its website that more than 168 million individual tax returns are expected to be filed, with the vast majority of those coming before the April 18 tax deadline. People have three extra days to file this year due to the calendar. With the three previous tax seasons dramatically impacted by the pandemic, the IRS said it has taken additional steps for 2023 to improve service for taxpayers. As part of the August passage of the Inflation Reduction Act, the IRS has hired more than 5,000 new telephone assistants and added more in-person staff to help support taxpayers. The IRS urges people to have all the information they need before they file a

tax return. Filing a complete and accurate tax return can avoid extensive processing and refund delays as well as avoid the possibility of needing to file an amended tax return. In addition, the IRS encourages people to carefully review their tax situation to make sure they don’t overlook important tax credits they may be eligible for, like the Earned Income Tax Credit, EITC. The filing deadline to submit 2022 tax returns or an extension to file and pay tax owed is Tuesday, April 18, 2023, for most taxpayers. By law, Washington, D.C., holidays impact tax deadlines for everyone in the same way as federal holidays. The due date is April 18, instead of April 15, because of the weekend and the District of Columbia’s Emancipation Day holiday, which falls on Monday, April 17. Taxpayers requesting an extension will have until Monday, Oct. 16, 2023, to file.

News from Anna Nazarene Church

A Sunday morning worship service was held Jan. 22 in the church and on Zoom. Singing was led by Pastor Randy Wright and the worship team. The message given by Pastor Wright was titled “Be a Faithful Servant.” Scripture was from Matthew, the Psalms, 2 Corinthians, Acts and Hebrews. The message can be listened to on the church’s website at annanaz.com and on the Anna First Church of the Nazarene Facebook page. A Sunday evening service

was held in the church and on Zoom. Singing was led by Pastor Wright. Special music was provided by Tammy Hagler. The evening message, titled “More Christlike,” was brought by Pastor Wright. Birthdays: Joyce Johnson, Trevor Treece, Jan. 24; Larry Fuller, Jan. 25. Team Day South is planned Saturday, Jan. 28, at Salem Grace Church of the Nazarene, beginning at 9 a.m., with praise and worship and table discussions. Lunch will be \$10 per person. The day also will feature questions and answers and keynote speaker Steve Greene. Breakfast will be served at 9 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 29. Sunday School is planned at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 29. A worship service and Communion are planned at 10:35 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 29. Quizzing is planned at 5 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 29. An evening worship service is planned at 6 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 29. A Wednesday night service is planned at 6:30 p.m. Feb. 1 in the sanctuary and on Zoom. Youth group and children’s Bible quizzing are planned at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. The pastor can be texted prior to the meeting for the Zoom password. The church can be contacted by calling the church office at 833-6702 and leaving a message if necessary or by calling Pastor Wright at 618-534-7103.

News from Mt. Moriah Lutheran Church, Anna

On Sunday, Jan. 29, only one service is planned for both Mt. Moriah and Salem Lutheran Church in Jonesboro. The service will be at 10 a.m. at Salem.



A fellowship time was held Sunday morning after worship at Mt. Moriah. Photos provided.

News from Camp Ground Church, Community

Sunday’s sermon was titled “The Healing, or the Healer?” The main scripture was from the book of John. In the scripture immediately before Bro. Brad Easton’s selection, Jesus had fed 5,000 hungry men, plus women and children, from one young person’s meager lunch. The crowds followed Jesus as He and his disciples left, wanting more from Him. He “called their bluff,” accusing them of wanting more “food that would spoil” rather expressing gratitude for what He had done for them and seeking the “food that leads to eternal life” – accepting Him in their hearts. Bro. Easton then asked: “What is our interest in Jesus Christ? Are we after something for ourself – a ‘healing,’ rather than desiring Jesus in our hearts – the Healer?” “Just as a good shepherd looks out for the welfare of, and wants what is best for his sheep, Jesus looks out for us and wants what is best for us. “Sheep know their shepherd and will listen to him, trusting him completely. When we accept Christ in our hearts, we will know His voice and should listen to Him. “Of all the miracles, the greatest one is that He gave His life for us on a crude cross, then rose again so that we might have life with Him in Heaven after our earthly death.” Tanner Roach rang the bell calling everyone to worship. Tanner Roach and Rodney Miller took up the offering. Rodney Miller is the head elder during the month of January. Belated happy birthday wishes to Jennifer Herren, whose birthday was Jan. 20. All are welcome to services each Sunday at Camp Ground Church. A time of fellowship, with coffee and donuts for early arrivals, is followed by Sunday School classes for all ages at 9:30 a.m. Worship is at 10:30 a.m.

Senior Hall of Fame seeks nominations

The Illinois Department on Aging, IDoA, is accepting nominations for the Senior Illinoisan Hall of Fame. Nominations are open to adults aged 65 and older who excel in the categories of community service, education, performance and/or graphic arts and the labor force. Each year, four Illinoisans aged 65 or older are inducted into the Hall of Fame for their achievements. Nominations for 2023 inductees must be submitted by June 1. For more information or to submit a nomination, visit <https://ilaging.illinois.gov/resources/newspublication-sandreports/halloffame.html>.



Hands of Faith group’s mission: honor veterans For members of the Hands of Faith group at Mt. Moriah Lutheran Church in Anna, including Patty Simpson, Kay Rothschild, Kathy Stegle, Liz Kelley, Nancy Caldwell and Deb Rossberg, happiness is selecting pieced tops for making honor quilts. The current mission project of the Hands of Faith group is to make quilts for veterans. The Mt. Moriah project is inspired by a larger project called Quilts of Valor, which provides honor quilts for veterans of military service. Guidelines for the local group are not the same, but the mission is similar: to provide quilts with a patriotic theme to honor the service of local veterans. Photo provided.



Camp Ground Cemetery, Camp Ground Church and the Story of the Trail of Tears

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Anna News

By Martha Ann Webb

Please have news to me by Sunday night. Email me at marthaannwebb@gmail.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.

Celebration of Life
Norm and Barbara Bauer, and Beth Bauer Hileman of Anna recently attended a “Celebration of Life” for a cousin of Norm Bauer. Meyer Nelson, 96, died at her home in Paris, Ill., Sunday, Jan. 15, 2023. The celebration of her long Christian life was held in her childhood home and church, St. Paul’s Lutheran Church in Chicago Heights. It happens that Norman’s parents, Reinhardt and Clara Bauer, are buried in the St. Paul’s Cemetery. Along with her parents, Beth Hileman was pleased to have the opportunity to visit the monument of her grandparents.

80th Birthday
Philip Dillow will celebrate his birthday Jan. 28. **Guest**
Of Loyd and Carlene Thompson was their daughter Michelle from Florida. **Anna Height Baptist Church**
Birthdays: 23rd, Holly Barringer. 25th, Jason Leek. 28th, Riley Stockton. 30th, Willard Blevins.



Beth Hileman of Anna visited the monument of her grandparents, former Anna residents Reinhardt and Clara Abraham Bauer, in St. Paul’s Lutheran Church Cemetery in Flossmoor.



Left to right, Martha Schwegman who was honored for her birthday on Jan. 22, Marie Samuel who made the wall hanging of quilt blocks the Little Egypt Red Hat Ladies made with Judy Smith who will celebrate her birthday in February. All three ladies had made one of the quilt blocks and were proud to show it at their Red Hat meeting Jan. 18 at Don Sol in Anna.



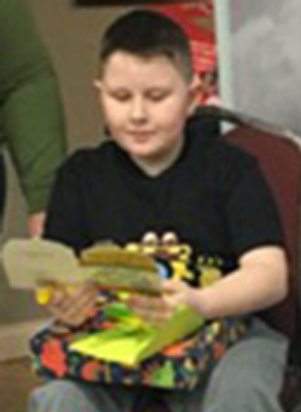
Eight Little Egypt Red Hat Ladies met at Don Sol in Anna. Left to right, Brenda Lovelace, Marie Samuel Hostess, Lillian Milam, Kathy Jackson Milam, Martha Ann Webb, Martha Schwegman, Dee Dillon, Judy Smith.

Community College extension center in Anna. The program is on education. The speaker will be Janet Ulrich, former regional superintendent of schools. Devotion by Marie Samuel. Community events by Lillian Milam. **United Methodist Church, Anna**
Third Sunday after Epiphany. Welcome to new members David Pedigo and Linda Cohee. Special music by the chancel choir. Rev. Tim Gossett’s sermon title was Drop Your Nets and Follow Me, with scripture from Matthew.

Anna First Baptist Church
Welcome and announcements were by Dale Denny. Jean Denny played the piano and led everyone in singing One Day and The King is Coming. Praise team Rev. Lupe Lopez, Luciano Lopez, Yadi Lopez, Vickie Wagner led everyone in singing How Great is Our God and Way Maker. Rev. Lupe Lopez’s sermon was New Life, with scripture from John. Rev. Lupe prayed for all those sick, who have lost loved ones, that there be a cure for cancer and for our military. Rev. Zach led children’s church. Also there is a youth program on Wednesday evenings.

Birthdays for February: 6 Dale Brooks, 14 Debbie Mighell, 17 Pat Mowell, 20 Dennis Womick, 26 Mildred Cunningham. There is a women’s Sunday School class that starts at 9 a.m. The lesson Sunday morning was How to Discern the Voice of God, do we listen when God is talking to us? Church in the sanctuary and children’s church up stairs start at 10:15 a.m. **Soccer**
UCSL encourages participation and passion in youth soccer. They have been approached about forming a special needs soccer team, celebrating players of all abilities.

This would be a social soccer program for children with physical and developmental disabilities and for players that might be more comfortable participating on a less competitive team. This team would be a part of UCSL and would participate under their guidance. They would like to gauge interest before deciding how to move forward.



Miles Yates celebrated his 8th birthday Jan. 22 with friends and family at Motel 7 swimming in their pool. He received many gifts.



Irene Jorgensen who turned 99 got a special surprise at Sunshine Inn when the children from Classical Conversations Homeschooling Community sang to her.



Sunshine Inn celebrated the birthday of Irene Jorgensen who turned 99. They honored her with a party last Friday.

Please spread the word, and reach out with any questions you may have. Please contact Lindsey Sadler, parent coordinator 618-713-5833 or Hannah Youngman, UCSL President 618-697-2433.

Honor Wreaths for Veterans
A note from our Honor Wreaths for Veterans President Jim Koonce: beginning on Feb. 1, the cost to sponsor a veteran’s wreath for placement on National Wreaths Across America Day will increase to \$17 to help offset the increased costs of our programs and administration.

A special thanks to Dee Dillon and Candy Huckleberry for their donation of an Honor Wreaths for Veterans for their dad Wilbur Haynes Army Staff Sgt. Every Honor Wreath for Veterans bought the rest of this year 2023 for \$17, \$5 of that will go on 2024. Be sure and make your check to Honor Wreaths for Veterans.

A special thanks to Steve Bundy Aeriz Illinois for the donation for Honor Wreaths for Veterans at Camp Ground Cemetery. **Countryside Variety**
Bessie Mae Ellis and Martha Ann Webb enjoyed visiting the new store at 80 Mt. Pleasant Rd., Buncombe.

They are open Monday to Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and closed on Sunday to worship our Lord. They have beautiful wall clocks that play music, alarm clocks that play music, cards, books, material, toys, rugs, pillows and even dog treats for your dogs.

Very sweet and friendly ladies who run the store. The Spice of Life at Countryside.

Red Hat Ladies
Little Egypt Red Hat Ladies will meet at the PAST House in Jonesboro Feb. 15 at 11 a.m. for a light lunch and a tour of the home. There will also be a quilt turning.

You have to make reservations by sending a check to Barbara Bauer for \$15. ASAP. Marie Samuel will be hosting.

Dinner
Willie and Terrie Rhymmer had dinner in Paducah with David, Tammy, Ashlea Emilee Chamness and their granddaughter Winrey on Saturday, Jan. 21.



It was in the 30s Sunday night when Ricky and Celeste Borders with their Girl Scout troop were selling Girl Scout cookies at Walmart. Take some extra cash with you, all the Girls Scouts will be selling cookies this week at different locations. A special thanks to all the Girl Scouts that helped with our Honor Wreaths for Veterans Ceremony and for helping lay the wreaths in our cemeteries.



Wedding congratulations to Nikki Hughes and Kylen Grant: Apostolic Faith Tabernacle in Jonesboro and Pastor Mark Goins, were honored to host the wedding of this sweet couple. Kylen, the son of Karen and Kyle Grant, and Nikki, the daughter of Robin Hamel who were married Jan. 14, 2023, in a winter wonderland themed wedding with navy, lavender and gold being the colors. Their church family prays for God’s blessings upon this new marriage.

Opinion and Commentary

Illinois Reads program books for 2023 unveiled

The Illinois Reading Council, IRC, has released the list of Illinois Reads books for 2023. Illinois Reads is a statewide program that promotes reading for all Illinois citizens.

The program promotes six books in six different age categories by authors and illustrators who have ties to Illinois. The books range from read-to books for infants to books for adult readers.

Illinois Reads books selections for 2023, by age categories, include:

Ages Birth to 4 Years

“Would You Come Too?” by Liz Garton Scanlon and illustrated by Diana Sudyka.

“This is Music: Drums” by Rekha S. Rajan.

“Chicago, Baby!” by Feather Flores, illustrated by Kelly Leigh Miller.

“ABC Animals!” by Stephen F. Majsak.

“I’ll Be Your Polar Bear” by Justin Roberts.

“Molly on the Moon” by Mary Robinette Kowal.

Grades K to 2

“The Most Haunted House” in America by Jarrett Dapier.

“Stella Keeps the Sun Up” by Clothilde Ewing.

“Elephant’s Big Solo” by Sarah Kurpiel.

“The Meaning of Pride” by Rosiee Thor and illustrated by Sam Kirk.

“Tortoise and Hare: A Fairy Tale to Help You Find Balance” by Susan Verde and illustrated by Jay Fleck.

“Yetis are the Worst!” by Alex Willan.

Grades 3 to 5

“Exquisite: The Poetry and Life of Gwendolyn Brooks” by Suzanne Slade and illustrated by Cozbi A. Cabrera.

“Buzzing with Questions: The Inquisitive Mind of Charles Henry Turner” by Janice N. Harrington.

“Pighearted” by Alex Perry.

“A Rover’s Story” by Jasmine Warga.

“Apple Crush” by Lucy Knisley.

“Three Strike Summer” by Skyler Schrempp.

Grades 6 to 8

“Courage” by Barbara Binns.

“The Civil War of Amos Abernathy” by Michael Leali .

“Pilar Ramirez and the Escape from Zafa” by Julian Randall

“Tumble” by Celia C. Pérez.

“ReThink the Internet: How to Make the Digital World a Lot Less Sucky” by Trisha Prabhu.

“Underground Fire: Hope, Sacrifice, and Courage in the Cherry Mine Disaster” by Sally M. Walker.

Grades 9 to 12

“A Man Called Horse: John Horse and the Black Seminole Underground Railroad” by Glennette Tilley Turner.

“Murder Among Friends: How Leopold and Loeb Tried to Commit the Perfect Crime” by Candace Fleming.

“As Fast As Her: Dream Big, Break Barriers, Achieve Success” by Kendall Coyne.

“Strike the Zither” by Joan He.

“The Wolves Are Watching” by Natalie Lund.

“Darling” by K. Ancrum.

Adult

“The Upstairs House: A Novel” by Julia Fine.

“Grace: President Obama and Ten Days in the Battle for America” by Cody Keenan.

“Eat, Drink, and Be Murray: A Feast of Family Fun and Favorites” by Andy Murray.

“Remarkably Bright Creatures: A Novel” by Shelby Van Pelt.

“The Two Lives of Sara” by Catherine Adel West.

“Last Summer on State Street: A Novel” by Toya Wolfe.

Illinois Reads is sponsored by the Illinois Reading Council, a nonprofit organization with close to 2,000 members across the State of Illinois. The mission of the Illinois Reading Council is to provide support and leadership to all who promote and teach lifelong literacy. More information is available online at www.IllinoisReads.org and www.IllinoisReadingCouncil.org.

Please read this... Mammoth bones...teeth from big ol' shark...

By Geof Skinner



Some treasured finds...trilobite fossils which were discovered while wandering around in Union County.

At least I don’t need insulated chest waders, boats, diving apparatuses or remote-operated cameras to enjoy one of my favorite pastimes. Last weekend, I was doing a little bit of catching up by reading copies of USA TODAY which had shown up in our mailbox just across the street. The mailbox, by the way, needs some tender, loving care. It’s leaning, just a bit...not as much as that famous tower in Italy, though.

A couple of stories piqued my interest. Both of the stories, strangely enough, were in the January 16 issue of the paper. And both were about fossils. As you probably know by now, yours truly likes fossils.

One of the stories reported that in New York City, “Treasure hunters have taken to the East River after hearing a guest on Joe Rogan’s podcast claim that potentially valuable prehistoric mammoth bones were dumped in the river in the 1940s.” The treasure hunters were using all kinds of special equipment in their search.

The article noted that the American Museum of Natural History said in a statement that “We do not have any record of the disposal of these fossils in the East River...”

I haven’t found any signs of mammoth bones while wandering around in Union County looking for fossils. Although, while crafting this week’s gem of a column, I did find information online which shared that a mammoth was discovered in 1927 near Golconda during construction of a dam on the Ohio River. Did not know that.

I’m guessing there were folks who figured they could find the mammoth bones in the river in New York City and get rich. After all, there are fossils selling for millions of dollars these days. I’m guessing they would just get wet.

To be honest with you, I don’t give much thought to the monetary value of the fossils I find. One time, I showed a fossil I had found to a fellow traveler on the Journey Through Life. He looked at the treasure and said: “Wow. That might be worth a lot of money.”

Just for the sake of knowing such things, I paid a visit to eBay and did a search for the kinds of fossils I bring home. When I am lucky enough to find them. My gems are worth a couple of bucks each. If somebody actually would be willing to pay for them. So much for that retirement fund...

The other story was about a 9-year-old Maryland girl who was fortunate enough to make a “once-in-a-lifetime find.” On Christmas morning, of all days. The fossil she discovered in the waters of Chesapeake Bay was a 5-inch tooth which belonged to a now extinct shark called a megalodon. The critter lived millions of years ago.

The young lady was quite surprised to find her very special Christmas gift. All I can say to her is “Good on you.” I hope she finds another fossil shark tooth that is 6 or 7 inches long.

The story in USA TODAY shared that the 9-year-old, along with her sister, had asked for insulated chest waders as Christmas presents. They wanted to wear the chest waders to go hunting for shark teeth. Each of the girls did

indeed recieve waders for Christmas...and it was off to the hunt that very day.

Just like mammoth bones, I have never found any shark teeth while on the hunt for paleontological treasures. However, the fossils I do find also are the remains of creatures which lived in our little corner of the world millions of years ago...when we were at the bottom of an ocean.

Generally, I will find fossils that resemble sea shells. Guess that’s because they are (or were) sea shells, belonging to critters called brachiopods.

Ultimately, though, my “dream” fossil find would be a complete trilobite. Trilobites also were critters that lived in the oceans millions of years ago. They looked a little bit like the sow bugs we find in our yards.

And, like the giant shark, trilobites are extinct. But they left behind some very nice fossils. I’ve found a fair number of trilobite fossils. Just not that special one. I know its out there...just waiting to be discovered...

So, I’ll keep looking. Most of the time, the search mostly will be about spending time outdoors...in the winter...spring...summer...fall.

Sometimes, after it’s been raining a lot in Southern Illinois, and I’m heading for a creek bed or two, I’ll put on my well-worn, comfortable, water-proof boots. But I’m thinking it may be time to get some insulated chest waders...



Not a fossil...at least not yet. Just liked the photo. The Other Half and yours truly spotted this hawk while we were on a walk last Saturday afternoon.

A Page from the Past from the files of The Gazette-Democrat Thursday, January 25, 1973

“This generation never knew peace, the next generation will know peace.”

President Richard Nixon spoke these words as he announced to the American people that the end of the War in Vietnam is in sight.

President Nixon told the American people Tuesday night that an agreement had been initialed in Paris Tuesday, Jan. 23, and would be signed Saturday, Jan. 27, by Secretary of State Rogers, representing the United States and officials of the countries involved.

The United States is now without a living former President with the death of Lyndon Baines Johnson, 64, in Texas Monday, Jan. 22.

The 36th President is the second former President to die in recent months. Harry S Truman, 33rd President, died December 26 in Kansas City.

The county will be faced with a number of elections this spring beginning with the primary to be held March 20. The only position to be voted on in this election is for that of County Commissioner. Four are seeking the nomination for this post, two from each of the major parties.

Civil defense sirens sounded in the Union County area as funnel clouds were sighted within 20 miles of the county Thursday afternoon, January 18.


Service improvements totaling \$1.53 million have been scheduled in the Anna exchange group during 1973 by the General Telephone Company of Illinois. The Anna group consists of Anna, Cobden, Dongola, Ullin and Villa Ridge.

From the Friendship news: What became of our pretty weather? We sure are having plenty of rain.

From the Shiloh news: There won’t be much news from here this week because about all I can write about would be going to the doctor and how many people were there. Some of the sick are out now and others (are) just getting sick.

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