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News **Notes**

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



Happy Groundhog Day. Thursday, today, is the big

WIBH Radio in Anna reports that it has wrapped up its annual coat campaign, "raising more money than ever before." Thanks to more than \$12,000 in donations, the 2022 WIBH New Coats, New Hope Campaign was able to purchase 576 new winter coats for children in need in Southern Illinois. More on this to come...

Sophomore accounting major Lexie Lingle of Anna is a member of a national champion Southern Illinois University Carbondale business student team. More on this to come, too...

Thank you to all of the street, road and highway crews who have worked so hard during our two winter storms

There will be no second Thursday worship service in February at Kornthal Church near Jonesboro. Second Thursday worship is scheduled to resume at 7 p.m. on March 9.

The Union County Board of Commissioners had a Tuesday, Jan. 24 very short meeting last Friday morning.

Pre-kindergarten students at Lick Creek School celebrated the 100th day of school. A variety of special activities highlighting the number 100 were featured.

Southern 7 Health Department reports that it is offering flouride varnish through its Bright Smiles program to area children up to age 3.

More than half a foot of snow, ice pellets measured in Union County

Two rounds of winter storms impact region

Two winter storms dur- snow on Jan. 24, 2 inches under a winter storm warn-County area with snow, sleet, ice and cold.

The first storm happened Tuesday and Wednesday, Jan. 24-25. The second round of wintry weather occurred Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 30-31.

Local weather observer Dana Cross recorded more than a half a foot of snow and ice pellets (sleet), along with an icy glaze, during the two winter storms.

Frozen precipitation recorded in the Union County area included 3 inches of

Weather

Snow, ice pellets;

Union County's weather

during the period of Jan.

24 through Jan. 30 was

highlighted by two winter

storms and fluctuating tem-

The winter storms were

accompanied by a variety

of frozen precipitation,

Jan. 24: 3 inches of snow

Jan. 25: 2 inches of snow

Jan. 26: a trace of snow

Jan. 30: 1.25 inches of

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ing the past week and a of snow on Jan. 25, a trace half blanketed the Union of snow on Jan. 26 and 1.25 inches of ice pellets and snow on Jan. 31.

Winter Storm Warning on Monday, Tuesday

Parts of Southern Illinois, Southeast Missouri and Western Kentucky were

ing from Monday afternoon through 9 a.m. Tuesday.

The warning was issued by the National Weather Service office in Paducah.

The weather service was calling for the possibility of heavy mixed precipitation. Sleet and snow accumula-

tions of up to 1 inch, along Conditions have quickwith ice accumulations of less than one-tenth of an past several hours and are inch, were possible in the region.

'Difficult travel conditions are likely as roadways are icy," the weather service advised late Monday night. "Union County Road

ty Sheriff David Wilkins shared in a message posted Monday night on social

ly deteriorated over the

expected to continue to

get worse," Union Coun-

media. (continued on page 2)



Sleet on Anna street

A layer of sleet was covering West Vienna Street in Anna early Monday evening. The frozen precipitation fell during the second of two winter storms which swept through region during the past week and a half.



Snow plowed in Alto Pass

Snow which had been plowed in Alto Pass was seen Wednesday morning, Jan. 25. The snow had fallen the night before.

Dancing in the Moonlight...

Union County Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development hosted its annual Gala on Saturday, Jan. 28, in Alto Pass. The theme of the event, hosted at the Havisham House event venue, was "Dancing in the Moonlight."

Awards were given out to Union County businesses and individuals in recognition of their special achievements. Aeriz Aeroponic Cannabis won the award for business of the year. Kenz Boutique was named new business of the year. Pizza Villa was recognized as most improved business. Dawson Montfort of Rise Performance was named citizen of the year.

Members of the Union County CEO program volunteered to help at the event. Catering was done by Abernathy's Original Buffalo Tro and by The Kitchen on Lafayette. Entertainment was provided by Deja Voodoo. Photo by Benjamin Marxer.





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Union County reported at low community level for COVID-19

As COVID-19 continues throughout Illinois, Southern 7 Health Department reports that as of Jan. 27, no Southern 7 counties reported at high transmission level for COVID-19 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 levels, as of

Union, Alexander, Hardin, Pope and Pulaski counties each were at a low level. Johnson and Massac counties each were at a medium level.

This came just days after Illinois marked its third year since the first reported case of COVID-19 on Jan. 24, 2020.

IDPH announced that the CDC reported no Illinois counties were at a high community level as

of Jan. 27. With COVID-19, flu and RSV continuing to be reported across the state, IDPH is urging Illinoisans to take action to protect themselves and their loved ones by updating their CO-VID booster and getting a

flu shot if possible. 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.

Adults can also get their shots, without an appointment, at 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.

"Talk with a health care provider as soon as possible to see if you are eligible for one of these treatments. You will need a prescription," Southern 7 Health Department advised in a news release.

To find the Southern 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. 22: 6,804 cases.

69 deaths.

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.

Johnson County Genealogical, Historical Society plans meetings

Genealogical and Historical Society has announced plans for programs which will be presented at meetings which are scheduled in March, April and May.

The meeting dates and programs follow:

Sunday, March 19: Ed Annable plans to present a program about "Paradise."

The presentation will be a genealogy and history program about his latest

Annable plans to share how to gather family stories to compile a family history for future generations.

Sunday, April 16: The society will welcome students

The British abandoned and destroyed Fort de Chartres in 1772, leaving behind a small garrison in Kas-

The Johnson County from the Goreville High School Beta Club.

The students plan to present a program about genealogy and the history of Goreville.

Sunday, May 21: Ed Annable plans to present a program titled "Incredible But True Stories of Tragedy in Johnson County."

The program will highlight the history of Johnson County and is based on an Annable Publishing Company book.

The programs will be presented in the meeting room at the Vienna Public Library. All of the programs are scheduled to begin at 2:30 p.m.

More information about the programs is available by calling Gary Hacker at 618-771-6877 and leaving a message.

Winter storms

(continued from page 1)

"If you can stay home please do so, if you must get out use caution, allow extra room between you and the cars ahead of you, reduce your speed, always wear your seat belt.

"Our Highway department and road crews are working hard and as fast as they can, as well as our city crews.

The Union County Sheriff's Office on Tuesday morning reported that a few traffic accidents had occurred. No major injuries were reported.

Monday night's storm and the resulting icy and hazardous conditions led to the closing of local government offices, including the Union County Courthouse in Jonesboro and Anna City Hall.

The two rounds of winter storms led to early dismissals, days off and remote learning for public schools in Union County.

Last Week's Storm

The weather service office in Paducah reported that a winter storm impacted the region from the evening of Jan. 24 into the morning of Jan. 25.

The bulk of snow accumulations occurred across Southeast Missouri and Southern Illinois.

These areas remained

Veterans of Foreign Wars

Carroll P. Foster Post No.

3455 of Anna has a full

slate of activities planned

during February. The post

is located at 70 VFW Ln.

ments: The post plans to

host corn hole tournaments

on Thursday, today, and

again on Thursday, Feb.

9, Thursday, Feb. 16, and

Thursday, Feb. 23. The

Sign-up for the tourna-

ments starts at 6 p.m. Play

begins at 6:30 p.m. Food

will be available for pur-

chase. No outside food or

Benefit Tournament: A

benefit corn hole tourna-

ment is planned Sunday,

Feb. 19. The tournament

with expenses for high

school student Clayton

Richardson, who received

a kidney transplant and is

uled to play from 4 p.m.

Brian Pender is sched-

Fish Fry: The post plans

to serve a monthly fish fry

on Friday, Feb. 3. Serving

will be from 4:30 p.m. to

now battling cancer.

to 7 p.m.

6 p.m.

The tournament will help

public is welcome.

public is welcome.

begins at 2 p.m.

Corn Hole Tourna-

near Anna.

Lots going on during

February at Anna VFW



Snow at the courthouse

Piles of snow were seen around the parking lot at the Union County Courthouse in Jonesboro Thursday afternoon, Jan. 26. The snow had been removed following a winter storm which happened during the night of Jan. 24-25. Another winter storm happened Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 30-31, in the area. Due to the impact of that storm, the courthouse was closed for the day.

far enough northwest of a surface low that moved from Memphis, Tenn., to Murray and Owensboro, Ky., that cold air remained in place once temperatures cooled during the evening of Jan. 24.

Amounts in excess of 3 to 4 inches occurred along and northwest of a line from Poplar Bluff, Mo., and Cape Girardeau to a line including Marion and Mt. Vernon in Southern Illinois.

Due to the heavy wet na-

The menu will include

two pieces of fish, potato

salad and baked beans for

ture of the snow combining with wind gusts of 15 to 20 miles per hour, significant power outages occurred across the Ozark Foothills of Southeast Missouri.

There were over 75,000 customers without power across south central and Southeast Missouri on the morning of Jan. 25.

Numerous downed trees also occurred in these areas. The morning commute was impacted by snow covered roads, especially in areas that received in excess of 2 inches.

Highest snowfall amounts from this system were across the Ozark Foothills of Missouri into extreme southwest Illinois.

Amounts of 5 to 8 inches a donation of \$12. Fish can occurred from Van Buren to be purchased at a cost of \$2 Marble Hill and Perryville in Southeast Missouri into the Murphysboro and Carbondale areas.

> There was a sharp southeast cutoff to where no snow accumulated from New Madrid, Mo. to Paducah and Henderson, Ky.

The official snowfall

measurement for Paducah was 1 inch at the weather service office in West Paducah, while most of the city proper observed no measurable snow.

Snowfall amounts in the region included 9.4 inches in Ellsinore, Mo.; 7.5 inches in Marble Hill, Mo.; 6.0 inches in Perryville, Mo.; 4.8 inches in Cape Girardeau; 4.8 inches in Carbondale; 4.5 inches in Poplar Bluff, Mo.; 4.0 inches in Marion; 3.6 inches in Mt. Vernon; and 1.0 inch in Paducah.

Freezing Rain Possible Wednesday, Thursday

The weather service office advised that freezing rain was possible from Wednesday night through Thursday morning for portions of far Southern Illinois, Southeast Missouri and Western Kentucky.

The forecast posted early this week was calling for sunshine and a high temperature near 33 degrees on Friday.

High temperatures in the upper 40s and lower 50s are expected by Saturday and Sunday.

Worship at Kornthal

There will be no second Thursday worship in February at Kornthal. Second Thursday worship will resume March 9th at $7:00 \ p.m.$

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Events set at Giant City

A winter tree identification program and an accessible full moon hike are planned at Giant City State Park near Makanda.

Both activities are free and open to the public. Registration is required. Registration, and more information, are available by calling the visitor center at the park at 618-457-4836.

Winter Tree ID: The winter tree ID program is scheduled from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 4.

Missouri Department of Conservation community forester Jennifer Behnken is scheduled to present the program.

Full Moon Hike: Interpretive guide Steve Gariepy plans to lead a full moon hike from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 5, on the accessible Post Oak Trail.

per piece. Dine in, carry out or drive-thru will be available. Drive-thru pick up can be arranged by calling 833-7737 prior to noon on Friday.

Star Karaoke is scheduled to be at the post from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Diamond Dog: The VFW post and its Auxiliary plan to host the well-known local band Diamond Dog from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Satdrinks are allowed. The urday, Feb. 4.

Business Meetings: The VFW post and Auxiliary plan to have monthly business meetings on Thursday, Feb. 9.

The Auxiliary meeting starts at 6 p.m. The post meeting starts at 7 p.m.

Valentines Dinner: The post is planning to serve a Valentines dinner on Tuesday, Feb. 14. Serving begins at 6 p.m.

The menu will include New York strip steak, a baked potato, salad and dessert for a donation of \$20 per person.

The VFW noted that reservations must be made for the dinner. Reservations can be made at the VFW any day after 1 p.m. Payment is required when a reservation is made.

"Surprise your sweetheart with flowers or candy from one of the local florists, have it delivered to the VFW and we will present it to her at your table," the VFW shared.

Mystify Music: Mystify Music is scheduled to be at the post from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 18.

Whiskey River Band: The Whiskey River Band is scheduled to be at the post from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. Friday, Feb. 24. There will be a \$5 cover charge for this event.

Taco Tuesday: Taco Tuesday is planned at the post on Feb. 28. Serving will be from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Hard shell tacos, soft shell tacos and taco salads will be served. The public is welcome.



Assisting at Gala

Once again, CEO team members assisted with the Union County Chamber of Commerce/Economic Development Corporation Gala. The event was Saturday night in Alto Pass.

The Union County CEO program was first brought to the community's attention by Alan Eddington, director of the UCEDC at the time.

The UCEDC hosted the first community meeting asking businesses, organizations, and individuals for financial support to start a CEO program

Since 2014, there have been more opportunities for the students and more growth and appreciation for Union County.

Those helping at the Gala included, from left, Reese Reynolds, Sienna Morrison, Jaden Ebberts, Drake Campbell, Marissa Simmons, Lia Mays, Orie Dover and facilitator, Melanie Smith. Abigail Smith and Kaylee Hall could not be present. Photo provided.

Community support welcomed for program

CEO applications close Feb. 10

of Feb. 10 has been set for students who may be interested in being a part of the next Union County CEO program team.

CEO program Team 24 has been busy with recruitment activities at all four of the county's high schools.

The recruitment presentations are excellent opportunities for sophomores and juniors to ask questions and to hear about the ways the program has affected the current class.

The online application process is simple to complete. Though all personal and school information is redacted for the selection committee, prospective students have a chance to "sell themselves" in the narrative

There they are encouraged to discuss their personality type, how they work with others, special skills, how they spend their after-school time, future goals and why they want to be a part of the CEO program.

They are also required to submit three references from teachers and employers, if applicable.

Union County high school juniors or sophomores are encouraged to visit unioncountyceo.org for more information.

More information is also available from the Union County CEO Facebook page and the schools' coun-

selors. Team member Sienna Morrison recently shared her thoughts about being a

part of the CEO program.

"One of the reasons I love CEO is because it has taught me so much about how to work with other people," Morrison shared.

"I have always been more of an independent person, so having to work with more people than I'm used to was a bit challenging for me.

"However, it taught me so much and has improved my ability to be able to work with others. I am grateful for being a part of this team.

"Another reason I love CEO is because of all the opportunities that it has given me. If I wouldn't have joined this program, I wouldn't have met the people I've met, or been able to have learned so much more about Union County like I have.

"CEO has shown me all the amazing things Union County has to offer that I never knew before. It has shown me that there is a place for me here if I choose to stay.

"There are so many other reasons why I love CEO.

An application deadline Even if they are small reasons, they are big to me, and I wouldn't trade this opportunity to be a part of this amazing program for anything!"

> UCCEO is an economic development program which is training future leaders – and many of them will make Union County home in their futures.

As the program grows, more funding is required. The UCCEO Board is looking for more investors (\$1,000/year or \$84/month for three years) and financial supporters of lesser amounts.

Board treasurer Stephanie Cox at Anna-Jonesboro National Bank can be contacted for more information.

Valentine's Day steak dinner planned at Anna VFW post

Veterans of Foreign Wars or drive thru options are Carroll P. Foster Post No. 3455 near Anna is planning to serve a steak dinner on be made any day after 1 p.m. Valentine's Day, which is Tuesday, Feb. 14.

The post invites everyone to "stay close to home and support a local business."

The menu for the dinner will include New York strip steak, a baked potato, salad and dessert for a donation of \$20 per person.

Dinner starts at 6 p.m. A 6 p.m. seating or a 6:30 p.m. seating can be requested.

public. Dine in, carry out

available.

Dinner reservations can at the VFW post.

The post notes that payment must be made at the time a reservation is made. Only 76 steaks will be available.

"Surprise your sweetheart and call your local florist and order flowers for her to be delivered to the VFW and we will bring them to your table," the Anna post noted.

More information is The dinner is open to the available by contacting the post at 833-7737.

County Line News (Mill Creek and Upper Elco)

through a shattered glass? Everything is distorted and fragmented. It's hard to find a portion where it's clear to see through. We give up and become frustrated.

This was how many of us started our Sunday morning off. We had a fellowship dinner planned for after church services and prep for that, oversleeping, important phone calls, family demands and such put nearly all of us running late for one reason or the other and very frustrated with it.

We have to wonder how many didn't come at all for one of those various reasons.

We were late receiving His word, by the clock standards, but God had a message for Brother Bobby Newberry to bring to us about that very thing, in His time.

Matthew 14 has much to tell us. It starts with the beheading of John the Baptist, a powerful prophet and Jesus'

Jesus wanted to isolate and grieve, instead God sent a multitude with needs which led to the miracle of feeding the 5,000 from a meager five loaves of bread and two fish.

The disciples were frustrated at the crowd, but Jesus did what was needed, he preached, he healed, and he fed them. Then he sent his disciples out to sea while he went up onto the mountain alone. This is where we hear of Jesus' walking on water to rescue his disciples, who had lost their faith.

In Mark 6:52 we read where Mark recounts that event and states that they had hardened their hearts to the multitudes during the attempt to isolate and grieve the loss of John, and their faith was tested.

Events happen that harden our hearts and keep us from seeing and understanding God's will. Where is our faith during stressful times? Things happen as they are meant to, when they are meant to.

Brother Bobby recounted an event during a mission trip he was on once. Supplies had been lost, they were frustrated and couldn't do what needed done.

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Psalm 27:14, Isaiah 40:31

Have you ever tried to look and Psalm 37:7 are just a few of the passages where God sends his message to be still and wait. Naturally God worked it all out, and better than they had planned, and the mission was accomplished.

We need to stand still and wait at times too. God's working. While it's hard, try not to be frustrated, and keep your faith strong. There may be a better blessing in store.

Prayer List

Our prayer lists this week added a praise that Allison Rider doesn't have cancer and that shoulder surgery to remove a tumor is all that is required.

Lula Belle Tripp is recovering from her surgery at home. Brother Bobby Richardson is doing much better, but is still at Barnes. Jeff Starr is a bit better, but still in the hospital too.

Buck McDaniel is much better and was back in church this morning. Shirley Harvel is healing nicely from her surgery too.

Those in need include Reba Short, who is having good and bad days, so keep her in prayer; a co-worker of mine is having heart issues and needs prayer; Billie Henderson is also in need of prayer; as is Dawn Rider, who is still awaiting news from her tests; and Bon Kohler, who is having trouble getting around, so we placed him on our prayer list. My husband took him several plates of food after the fellowship dinner.

Plates were also fixed for Lula Belle and Junior Tripp, which Brother Bobby Newberry and his wife Debbie delivered; Shirley Harvel, which we delivered; Reba Short, which her son Dean and his wife Gail delivered, and several others from the bounty of our dinner. God is working, folks, never doubt

Visitors

Shirley Harvel had company this past week. Her grandson Sam Harvel, his wife Bethany, and their seven children, with pup, Etta, of Cobden, came to visit and open late Christmas goodies. Her son, Chuck Harvel, and his wife, Martha, and their pup Ella, of Tamms, were By Suzan Harvel

also in attendance. **Daniel Chapman Chap-**

Daniel Chapman Chapter, NSDAR is happy to report that their end of year report, called the CMR, is completed and turned in.

Registrar Marilyn Meisenheimer reports that several prospective members will be in attendance at the next meeting. Our official welcoming of two new additions will occur also.

This next chapter meeting is planned at 11 a.m. on Feb. 13 at the PAST Heritage House in Jonesboro. District VII director Lisa Thomas is scheduled to bring the program. Julia Mowery will be catering the luncheon.

Members will be voting for the new officers for the 2023-2025 term. Delegates for both the state conference and Continental Congress will also be chosen.

Librarian, Deborah Simmons, has given us a list of good reading choices, so check those out ladies. She would like us to consider doing a book club and would like your input on that.

After the luncheon, program and business meeting, a tour of the PAST House will be available.

Donations of ground coffee and snacks, or other donations, for the Illinois Veterans Home in Anna also be collected and delivered. Those donations are for the residents use at their annual Valentine's Day bingo event.

Heavy Snow

Clean up is still going on after the heavy snow we received last week. The little bit of rain did quite a bit in removing the snow. Limbs are down in many yards though, ours included.

Winter is hardly over, as seen by the ice at the first of this week, so we'd all best prepare for more.

I'm really hoping we've seen the worst, but it is February at this reading and that tends to be our worst weather

We're still stocked up on salt for the walk and patio, the shovels are still at hand, and I've plenty of coffee to drink and books left to read. What better way to spend a chilly, winter day?

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Sports

Visiting A-J outscores West Frankfort in OT

School boys' basketball line. team defeated West Frankfort 60-58 in overtime Saturday, Jan. 28.

The game was tied 11-11 after one quarter. The host Redbirds were ahead 31-17 at halftime.

A-J pulled ahead 40-39 after three quarters. The game was tied 50-50 going into overtime.

Dylan Harvel led A-J with 21 points and 5 rebounds. Dawson Trammel had 13 points and a rebound. Payton Denny had 13 points and 7 rebounds. Drew Page had 6 points. Aiden McFadden had 4 points and a rebound. Evan Hall had 3 points and a rebound.

A-J was 13 of 23 from the floor, 8 of 22 from 3-point range and 10 of 20 from the free throw line.

The Redbirds were 19

The visiting Anna-Jones- from 3-point range and 12 boro Community High of 14 from the free throw

> Carterville 61, A-J 40: Host A-J was shut out in the first quarter 17-0 in the game played Friday, Jan. 27.

Harvel led A-J with 21 points, including 19 points in the second half. Trammel had 7 points and 4 rebounds. Hall had 6 points and 10 rebounds. Page had 3 points. Denny had 2 points and 5 rebounds. Hall and Dawson Nichols had 2 rebounds each and Noah Cavens had 3 rebounds.

A-J was 8 of 25 from the floor, 6 of 24 from 3-point range and 3 of 4 from the free throw line.

The Lions were 16 of 30 from the floor, 6 of 22 from 3-point range and 11 of 18 from the free throw

A-J, 9-16, plays Friday, of 31 from the floor, 2 of 8 Feb. 3, at Pinckneyville.

Shawnee tops Egyptian in tournament action

School boys' basketball team defeated Egyptian 51-34 in action at the Zeigler-Royalton Mid-Winter Classic Saturday, Jan. 21.

Shawnee led 12-6 at the end of the first quarter, 23-16 at the half and 39-30 at the end of three quarters.

Brody Wills led Shawnee with 22 points and 2 rebounds. Dryden Wills had 11 points and 3 rebounds. Noah Mayberry had 7 points and 8 rebounds. Kayman Ford had 6 points and 6 rebounds. Ryan Libbert had 4 points and 7 rebounds. Austin Kinder had 1 point and 2 rebounds.

Zeigler-Royalton 62, Shawnee 56: The host Tornadoes were ahead 38-28 at the end of the first half and went on to win the game played Thursday, Jan. 26.

Libbert led Shawnee with 12 points and 4 rebounds. Brody Wills had 12 points and 3 rebounds.

The Shawnee High Dryden Wills had 11 points and 5 rebounds. Ford had 9 points and 3 rebounds. Mayberry had 9 points and 4 rebounds. Gabe Ellet had 2 points.

4-H air rifle, air pistol meetings set

4-H air rifle and air pistol are currently meeting weekly through Feb. 28.

Practices start on Tuesdays at 6 p.m. at the gym at the Shawnee Worship Center in Vienna.

Eligible young peole in Alexander/Pulaski, Massac, Johnson and Union counties who were 8 years old or older as of Sept. 1, 2022, are eligible to participate. All equipment and supplies will be provided.

For more information or to learn how to get involved, contact AJMPU 4-H shooting sports coordinator Rhonda O'Neal at jcshootingsports@gmail.

A-J wrestlers close regular

season at home The Anna-Jonesboro

Community High School wrestling team closed its regular season with home matches against Sparta and Murphysboro on Tuesday, Jan. 24.

The Wildcats defeated Sparta 75-6 and lost to Murphysboro 43-35 to finish with a 20-9 dual team record.

A-J finished in second place in the Mississippi Division of the Southern Illinois River-to-River Conference with a 6-1 mark.

A-J is scheduled to host the Class 1A regional Saturday, Feb. 4.

Shawnee girls in action

The Shawnee High School girls' basketball team fell to Joppa and Elverado in recent action.

Joppa 35, Shawnee 18: Host Shawnee couldn't hold an 8-4 first quarter lead in the game played Friday, Jan. 27.

Emma Young led Shawnee with 6 points. Alie Myers scored 4, Kelsi Bader and Alaina Charles 3 each and Avery Stegle 2.

Elverado 42, Shawnee 27: Visiting Shawnee was behind 11-10 in the first quarter in the game played Tuesday, Jan. 24.

Myers led Shawnee with 14 points. Young scored 5, Bader 4 and Stegle and Charles 2 each.

Shawnee plays again Tuesday, Feb. 7, at Century.

Cobden 1-1 in recent play

The Cobden High School boys' basketball team went 1-1 in action last week.

Webber Township 73, Cobden 41: The host Appleknockers couldn't recover from a 17-11 first quarter deficit in the loss Saturday, Jan. 28.

Tyler Franklin led the Appleknockers with 36 points. Jeff Kuhn scored 4, Matthew Howell 2 and

Brady Bundren 1. Cobden 56, Joppa 41: Host Cobden led 13-11 after one quarter on the way to the win Friday, Jan. 27.

Franklin led Cobden with 35 points. Mitchell Howell scored 8, Thomas Coleman 6, Bundren 4 and Kuhn 2.

Wildcats win one, lose one in dual meet

The Anna-Jonesboro Community High School wrestling team hosted two teams for a pair of meets at home on Tuesday, Jan. 24. The Wildcats won big against visiting Sparta with a team score of 75-6 with 12 pinfall victories.

Later in the evening A-J came up short against conference rival Murphysboro, losing a close meet 44-33. With the loss, A-J finished second in the conference with a conference record of 6-1. The team finished with a record of 20-9 for the season heading into the regional tournament, which will be hosted at A-J on Saturday, Feb. 4. Photos by Benjamin Marxer.



Drew Holshouser, right, of A-J, grapples for advantage against Trevor Faith, left, of Sparta. Holshouser would score a second-period pinfall win for the Wildcats in the 152-pound weight class.



Daniel Cowan of Sparta struggles to keep off his back against Matteo Vaca Diez of A-J. Vaca Diez earned a pinfall victory.



Wildcat Carson Bracken, right, faces off with Ethan Ledbetter, left, of Sparta.



George signs with Kaskaskia

Anna-Jonesboro Community High School senior Macie George will be headed to Centralia for the next school year after signing a letter of intent to play basketball for Kaskaskia College. A signing ceremony was held at A-JCHS. Those present included, in the first row, from left, Kaskaskia coach Jay Jenkins, Macie George and her mother, Terri George. In the second row are her father Greg George and A-J coach Dave Sullivan. George plans to study speech pathology.



A-J wrestler Daniel Dover sweeps the leg of his opponent prior to scoring

a pinfall win for the Wildcats in the 126-pound weight class.



Thorn signs with Shawnee

Anna-Jonesboro Community High School senior Shealyn Thorn has signed a letter of intent to join the Shawnee Community College Saints softball team. Thorn was joined by family and coaches at A-JCHS for the signing. With Shealyn are, in the first row, her father Ronnie Thorn, left, and mother Amy Thorn, right, as well as coaches, in the second row, A-J coach Rodney Seip, left, and Shawnee coach Kyle Smith, right. Shealyn plans to study either criminal justice or physical therapy at Shawnee.



Smith signs with Shawnee

Anna-Jonesboro Community High School softball player Carmin Smith has signed a letter of intent to play for the Shawnee Community College Saints. A signing ceremony was held at A-JCHS. Those present included, in the first row, from left, Carmin's mother Stacy Smith, sister Pyper Smith, Carmin Smith, father Joey Smith and sister Pippi Smith. In the second row are A-J coach Rodney Seip, brother Tytan Smith and Shawnee Community College coach Kyle Smith. Carmin plans to study either criminal justice or



U of I Extension plans Master Naturalist volunteer training

tension is planning to host a hybrid training in early 2023 for the next cohort of Master Naturalists.

The training consists of science-based educational opportunities offered through self-paced assignments, in-person activities and discussions.

Regional experts will teach class sessions about ecology, invasive species, aquatic life, forestry, geology, herpetology, entomology and much more.

The program includes videos, a manual, reading materials, and activities. U of I Extension noted that a strong internet connection is highly recommended to participate in the program.

Following the training, participants complete a 60-hour volunteer internship to become certified as Master Naturalists within two years.

After certification, volunteers continue learning and volunteering to remain active Master Naturalists by completing 10 hours of continuing education and 30 hours of volunteering each vear.

The fee for the spring

Garden club meeting set

Anna-Jo Garden Club plans to meet Feb. 8 at Giant City State Park near Makanda.

The meeting is set for 1 p.m. at the nature center at the park. All are welcome. The center is located at 235 Giant City Rd.

Guest speaker Jennifer Randolph-Bollinger plans to give a talk about spring flowers on the forest.

cludes nine weeks of online materials and live sessions.

Training sessions are scheduled on Thursdays, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., starting April 13 and continuing until June 8.

The group will meet at the Williamson County Extension office at 1301 Enterprise Way, Suite 60, in Marion, with field trips planned to the Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge.

An orientation session is scheduled from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on April 13.

An application packet can be downloaded on-

University of Illinois Ex- course is \$250, which in- line at go.illinois.edu/ajmpuMN. The deadline to

apply is March 31. To learn more about becoming a Master Naturalist, contact local Master Nat-

uralist coordinator Anne

Townsend at 833-6363 or

at cupquake@illinois.edu. University of Illinois Extension provides equal opportunities in programs and employment.

Those who need a reasonable accommodation to participate in programming are advised to contact Townsend. Early requests are strongly encouraged to allow sufficient time for meeting participant needs.



Five generations

An area family, with members from Alto Pass and Metropolis, is celebrating five generations. The five generations include, seated, Virginia Bittle and Isabella Windings; and standing, Caleb Windings, Jennifer (Bittle) Windings, Everett Bittle and Bob

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First Baptist Church, Jonesboro

On Sunday, Jan. 29, during the morning worship service, Pastor Perry Williams spoke about "legacy, relationship with the Lord and each other and the importance of knowing true doctrine."

The message was based on scripture from 2 Timothy 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. Jayson Rose provided special music, "Bless the Lord, Oh My Soul."

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

The senior adult group, Living Longer and Loving It, plans to meet at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 7, with Dr. Jason Ozbourn as guest.

A date night, with dinner and games, is planned at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 14. Anniversary: Marc and

Amy Sheffer, Feb. 2, 21

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.

Secure Choice investments top \$100 million

Workers who participate in the Illinois Secure Choice retirement savings program have set aside more than \$100 million of their own money for their retirement, Illinois State Treasurer Michael Frerichs said Jan. 17.

The state treasurer said the threshold signals a growing recognition that workers understand Social Security alone will not provide enough

income after their working days are over and reflects data that shows workers are more likely to save for retirement if they can do so through workplace payroll deductions.

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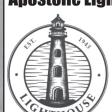


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Obituaries

Robert 'Butch' Weddel

Robert "Butch" Weddel, 81, of Dongola, and formerly of Crete, died at 2:50 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 28, 2023, at his residence.

He was born on June 13, 1941, in Chicago, the son of Dolphia and Rose Marie Neuman Weddel.

Mr. Weddel worked at, and retired from, the Ford Motor Company stamping plant located in Chicago Heights.

He lived his life to the fullest. After retirement he

Color Guard.

enjoyed the country life. He loved to ride his Harley and socialize with friends. He also enjoyed his American Legion family in French Lick, Ind. He was a member of the Motorcycle Riders Association and was part of the



He is survived by his daughter, Deborah Eubanks (Randy Theis); stepdaughter Missi Lisdero (Donnie Carl); sister Carol Steiner; grandsons Nick (Kylie) Petrus and John Nowicki; three great-grandchildren; niece May Kay (Doug) Keeton; and nephew Joe (Barbara) Tripodi.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his son, Robert "Bobby" Weddel; and a brother-in-law, John Steiner.

Visitation will be from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 3, at Crain Funeral Home in Dongola.

Funeral services for Robert "Butch" Weddel will be held Friday, Feb. 3 at 1 p.m., at Crain Funeral Home in Dongola. Military services will be conducted by Carroll P. Foster

VFW Post No. 3455 of Anna. Reflections by family and friends will follow. Inurnment will follow at a later date. Memorials can be made to the Motorcycle Riders Association and/or the American Legion Color Guard in

French Lick, Ind. Crain Funeral Home in Dongola is in charge of arrangements.



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

Floyd Junior Tellor

Floyd Junior Tellor, 70, of Lick Creek, died at 12:12 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 24, 2023, at his residence.

He was born on Aug. 13, 1952, in Anna, the son of Floyd William and Katherine Beltz Tellor.

He was a genealogist and loved Civil War reenactments. He was a member of the Laborers International Union of North America No. 1330. He also loved his dog, Scooter.

Survivors include daughters Jennifer (Pat) Casey and

Deborah Durham; sons Floyd Eric (Jenny) Tellor, Floyd Michael Tellor, and William Jacob Tellor, eight grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren; sisters Darlene Brown and Belinda Peterman; brothers Walter Smith, Robert Smith, and Elmer Tellor; and other nieces, nephews, friends and relatives.

He was preceded in death by his parents; an infant sister, Deborah Lee Tellor; a brother, Larry Eugene Tellor; and girlfriend Shirley Williams.

Graveside services were held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 31, at Kelly Cemetery in Cobden, with the Rev. Billy Carter officiating. Interment followed.

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



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

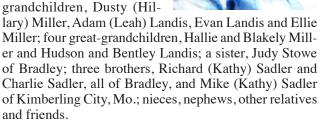
Marilyn L. Sadler

Marilyn L. Sadler, 84, of Anna, died Tuesday, Jan. 24, 2023, at her home.

She was born on Nov. 28, 1938, in Union County, the daughter of Eugene and Louise High Sadler.

She married Jerry "Bud" Sadler on Jan. 27, 1960, in Jonesboro. He preceded her in death on Sept. 25, 2012.

She is survived by two daughters, Doris (Mitch) Miller and Darlene (Kenny) Landis, all of Anna; four



She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; and by two brothers, Bill and Harold Sadler.

Mrs. Sadler was a member of New Hope Church. She was a very active member of her church and a faithful Christian lady who shared her love of the Lord with others.

Funeral services for Marilyn Sadler were held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 28, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna, with the Rev. Paul Sadler and the Rev. Mike Miller officiating.

Private interment will take place at a later date at Ebenezer Hall Cemetery. Memorials can be made to New Hope Church.

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

Dr. Bill L. Goodman

Bill Goodman, 93, of Makanda, died on the morning of Tuesday, Jan. 24, 2023, at Union County Hospital Long Term Care in Anna.

He was born on Jan. 21, 1930, in Pauls Valley, Okla., the son of William W. Goodman and Zola L. Phillips Goodman.

He married Joy B. Elkins of Sulfur, Okla., on Sept. 8,

He attended Oklahoma A & M and received a bachelor of science degree in 1951 and a master of science degree

in 1953. He earned a Ph.D. from Ohio State University in 1959.

He moved to Illinois in 1958 and taught for 32 years at Southern Illinois University Carbondale. He was a professor in animal science specializing in poultry science and genetics. He led and trained the SIUC poultry judging team, winning many awards and championships.

He was a tremendous example of a kind, selfless, humble, generous person, who never wanted to burden anyone.

He was an excellent teacher who truly cared about his students, and an avid gardener and baker, well known for his beautiful tomatoes and delicious sour-dough bread.

He enjoyed bird-watching, finding morel mushrooms, fishing and hunting. Most of all he enjoyed being with his family. He will be dearly missed, but we know he is in his eternal home with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

He is survived by his four sons, Phil (Connie) Goodman of Jonesboro, Mark (Kathy) Goodman of Paducah, Ron (Cherie) Goodman of Ramsey, Ind., and Anthony Goodman of Jonesboro; 14 grandchildren; 34 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Joy; a daughter, Barbara (Keith) Lay; a grandson, Brandon Lay; a brother, Clifford Goodman; and a sister, Dorothy Blackwell.

Funeral services were at noon Monday, Jan. 30, at Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Funeral Home. The Rev. Scott Harner and Pastor Darryl Williams officiated. Entombment was in Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Cemetery.

Memorials can be made to his church, Anna Heights Baptist Church, or to Lottie Moon International Missions, c/o Anna Heights Baptist Church, 100 Turner Ave., Anna, III. 62906.



Crain Funeral Home in Anna-Jones-Funeral home boro was in charge of arrangements.

Russell Morgan

Russell Morgan, 89, of Buncombe, died Thursday, Jan. 26, 2023, at his home.

He was born on March 30, 1933, in Anna, the son of Rollie and Mollie Russell Morgan.

He married Marion Talley on Sept. 3, 1955, in Ware. She preceded him in death on June 20, 2022.

Mr. Morgan is survived by his daughters, Tammy (Steve) Pearman, Cindy (Anthony) Edwards, Shari (Tim) Spurlock and Tricia Morgan; his grandchildren, Andrea

(Ron) Kosydor, Jane (Andrew) Inman, Jordan Edwards, Joshua Spurlock, Lisa (Justin) Presson, Amanda (Eric) Flamm and April Pearman; great-grandchildren

Taylor (Joseph Goins) Ridenhour, Zachary Kosydor, Evan Inman, Sophia Nadine Flamm and Saylor Presson; a brother, Everett (Nancy) Morgan; a sister, Mary Morgan; nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Marion Morgan; his parents; and four siblings, Wesley Morgan, Helen Jeanette Harley, Sarah Freeman and Juanita Sadler.

Mr. Morgan served in the U.S. Army 118th Infantry Unit from 1953 to 1955. His working life was spent as a machinist and later a truck driver.

He was an avid outdoorsman. He loved fishing and spending hours in the woods sharing his knowledge with his family and friends. He enjoyed making homemade maple syrup.

A celebration of life will be held at noon Saturday, Feb. 11, at the First Pentecostal Church of Goreville. Family and friends can gather from 11 a.m. until the service hour at noon at the church.

Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna is in charge of arrangements. In lieu of flowers and to honor his love of the woods, the family has requested that a tree be planted in his memory.

To visit his memorial page, to leave online condolences for his family and to plant a tree

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Reynoldsville News

By Sue Eudy

Kevin Eudy of Cape Girardeau visited Saturday with Sue and Steve Eudy of Anna.

Penny Hill of McClure visited with Shirley Miller of McClure.

Emma Eudy and Jonathan Bohnert of Cape Girardeau visited Sunday with Sue and Steve Eudy for brunch.

Sue and Steve Eudy en-

joyeed eating at the Grecian Steakhouse in Cape Girardeau Friday night.

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

Obits Online at **annanews.com**

Robert Leland Osman

Robert Leland Osman, 80, of Dongola, died Wednesday, Jan. 25, 2023, at his residence.

He was born on Jan. 17, 1943, in Anna, the son of Leland Osman and Mary Belle Penrod Osman.

He married Lorene Dunkin on June 30, 1963. She sur-

Mr. Osman was a lifelong farmer in Southern Illinois. He was an avid reader, and had many friends, and was always there to help anyone in his community. He was of

the Baptist faith. He was an avid Kentucky Wildcats and St. Louis Cardinals fan.

a daughter, Kelly (Randy) Johnson; a granddaughter, Callie Osman; a grandson, Corbin Lee Johnson; brothers Ronald E. (Michelle) Osman and Edward E. Osman; nieces, nephews and other relatives, including his brothers-in-law, Bob (Bev) Dunkin, Larry Joe (Pat) Dunkin and Jerry (Louise) Dunkin.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his mother and father-in-law; a niece, Shawna Osman; a sister-in-law, Dorothy Henry; and a brother-in-law, Junior

Lee Dunkin. Funeral services for Robert Leland Osman were at noon Monday, Jan. 30, at Crain Funeral Home in Dongola, with

Brent Miller officiating. Interment was in Friendship Cemetery in Dongola.

Memorials can be made in Shawna Osman's name or in Robert Osman's name to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, 1972 Inner Belt Business Center, St. Louis, Mo. 63114 or online at www.ils.org and/or to the Friendship Cemetery Association of Dongola, P.O. Box 118, Dongola, Ill. 62926.

Crain Funeral Home in Dongola was in charge of arrangements.



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

Robert L. Del Favero

Robert L. Del Favero, 91, of Palmetto, Fla., and formerly of Jonesboro, died Thursday, Jan. 19, 2023, at Blake Hospital in Bradenton, Fla.



He was born on April 25, 1931, in Chicago, the son of Geno and Dorothy (Bonnert) Del Favero.

He married Jean Florence Stonell on Oct. 20, 1956, in Westchester. She preceded him in death on June 30, 2010.

Mr. Del Favero is survived by his son, William "Bill" Del Favero and daughter Jana Del Favero, both of Palmetto, Fla.; a sister-in-law, Joann (Paul) Prell of Downers Grove; other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Jean Del Favero; and two brothers, Paul L. and James G. Del Favero.

Mr. Del Favero served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean Conflict. He was a retired butcher, who worked many years for Jewell Foods and later Boyd's Butchering. He loved traveling, watching baseball and spending time with his family.

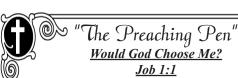
Graveside funeral services were at 11 a.m. Monday. Jan. 30, at the Anna Cemetery, with the Rev. Dr. David Fischler officiating. Interment immediately followed.

Military rites were conducted by Carroll P. Foster Post No. 3455 of the VFW in Anna and the Scott Air Force Base honor guard military honor team.

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

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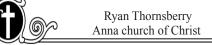
A study of Job is a study of endurance, patience, and steadfastness. Job was a man God chose to endure the challenges from Satan. Often, we view expectations as strong beliefs that someone will achieve something. For us, these thoughts are usually based in emotion; however, with God, His expectations are based upon knowledge.

God expects us to be Spiritually Mature (Perfect) This is not sinless perfection but spiritual maturity. Christ was sinless, Hebrews 4:15, and Job tells us he was not perfect Job 9:20. But he grew and matured in his relationship with God. Job cultivated his maturity through 2 Peter 3:18 knowledge, the second Christian Grace 2 Peter 1:5. Like Job, we must possess a spiritual desire to grow 1 Peter 2:1-2. If we really believe in 2 Tim **3:16-17**, we have no other choice but to grow.

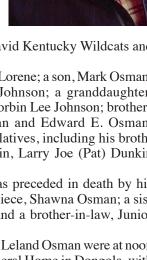
God expects us to be Honest/Fair (Upright) This is a way of describing the honesty and fairness of Job. Job was upright in his service to God, but also to his fellow man. To be upright, one is true/blameless, sincere in affections and intentions. That is why, **Titus 2:7**; **1 Timothy 3:2**, it is the first characteristic of a leader of God. An upright person has a heart conditioned by obedience **Hebrews 13:18**. To be upright requires an effort on our part Acts 24:16.

God expects us to Fear Him Job's reverence and awe toward God was not a partial or inconsistent reverence but a solid, continuing reverence. Job manifested his respect for God by adhering to God's authority and devoting his worship to God according to God's will and not Job's own. Ecclesiastes 12:13 tells us that fearing God is the "whole duty" of man. Man gets to decide when but not if they will fear God. **Deuteronomy 10:12** tell us it is our "duty to God."

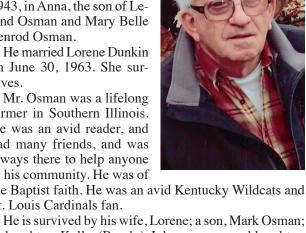
God expects us to Eschewed Evil Job dreaded the thought of doing evil because it would draw him away from God. He did not practice or encourage evil. It also means Job deliberately shunned evil 1 Thessalonians 5:22; Colossians 3:5-8. Job



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FOR RENT

CUT YOUR EXPENSES! Rent an ENERGY EFFI-CIENT 2 bedroom apartment starting at \$575.00 per month, laundry facilities, Anna/ Jonesboro! Classic Properties, 618-751-3025.

4p-5g tfn

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.

51gpc tfn

SEEKING PART-TIME CITY MAINTENANCE WORKER: The City of Mounds is currently taking applications to fill a Part-Time Maintenance Position. The candidate should be able to assist in the maintenance of the streets, alley, and the park. Read water meters as well as identify and fix water leaks. Basic knowledge and

familiarity with automotive/ mechanical repair. Perform maintenance on facilities, equipment, and grounds as the City Superintendent assigns.

Education/Certification High school diploma or general education degree (GED).

Must possess a valid Illinois driver's license, have a satisfactory driving record, and be insurable by the City of Mounds to operate city

All Part-Time positions do not exceed 29.5 hours weekly, starting pay will be \$13.00 an hour. Your schedule may fluctuate Monday through Friday between 7 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Any hours that exceed 29.5 must be approved before working.

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HIGH SCHOOL **ENGLISH TEACHER** Dongola Unit #66 is seek-

ing a High School English Teacher. Applicants must have IL PEL.

Please send letter of interest, resume, and three references to: Dr. Paige Helm Maginel, Superintendent, Dongola Unit #66, P.O. Box 190, 1000 High Street, Dongola, Illinois 62926.

8-9gp

WANTED

WANTED TO BUY: **CASH PAID FOR -**Old Hunting and Fishing Items, Knives, Watches, etc. Call 618-833-3584

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BUSINESS

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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 6-8gc

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

Public Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment entered in the above

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Proposed Tariff Changes Electric Service Schedule III. C. C. No. 1

To the Electric Patrons of Ameren Illinois Company d/b/a Ameren Illinois:

Ameren Illinois (or the Company) hereby gives notice to the public that on January 20, 2023, it filed with the Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC or Commission) proposed changes in its rates and charges for electric delivery services throughout its territory in Illinois to implement a Multi-Year Rate Plan pursuant to Section 16-108.18 of the Illinois Public Utilities Act (Act) for monthly billing periods inclusive of January 2024 through December 2027. The changes are applicable to Ameren Illinois Rate Zones I, II and III, as more fully described below. The changes in rate schedule are proposed to take effect with the January

The proposed delivery service charges for each year of the Multi-Year Rate Plan are determined from Ameren Illinois' reasonable and prudent costs of service over the term of the plan. Those expected costs, shown in Table 1, result in delivery service revenue requirements on which new delivery services rates are determined for the Multi-Year Rate Plan period including the 2024 deferred rate phase-in amount which will be recovered in 2026 in the annual adjustment proceeding to reconcile revenue requirements.

Table 1										
Year	2024	2025	2026	2027						
Delivery Services Revenue Requirement	\$1,194,455,000	\$1,373,139,000	\$1,477,054,000	\$1,555,522,000						

Proposed Rate Classes are uniform among Rate Zones. Proposed rates are uniform among Rate Zones, with two exceptions authorized in Docket No. 19-0877. The Pole Charge for DS-5 lighting customers in Rate Zone III and Meter Reassignment Charge for certain DS-3 and DS-4 customers in Rate Zone I will remain independent by Rate Zone

For the DS-1 Residential Delivery Service classification, the proposed increase in electric delivery service and electric distribution tax (EDT) cost recovery revenue is reflected in Table 2 below.

		Table 2		
	2024	2025	2026	2027
DS-1	12.1%	16.9%	8.3%	5.7%

The rates for delivery service and EDT cost recovery constitute only a portion of the total bill of a customer currently taking bundled electric service from Ameren Illinois or taking supply service from a thirdparty supplier. The following compares the Company's proposal to the bundled bill (delivery service charges that are in effect today and purchased power charges effective through May 2023) for residential customers:

1) For a residential customer using 5,000 kWh annually (or average of 417 kWh monthly), the effect of the delivery service bill changes being proposed by the Company produces an average monthly total bill increase of \$3.70 (4.5%) in 2024, \$5.98 (6.9%) additional in 2025, \$3.55 (3.8%) additional in 2026, and \$2.95 (3.1%) additional in 2027.

2) For a residential customer using 10,000 kWh annually (or average of 833 kWh monthly), the effect of the delivery service bill changes being proposed by the Company produce an average monthly total bill increase of \$6.07 (3.9%) in 2024, \$9.50 (5.9%) additional in 2025, \$5.47 (3.2%) additional in 2026, and \$4.04 (2.3%) additional in 2027.

3) For a residential customer using 18,000 kWh per year (or average of 1,500 kWh monthly), the effect of the delivery service bill changes being proposed by the Company produce an average monthly total bill increase of \$8.37 (3.4%) in 2024, \$13.00 (5.1%) additional in 2025, \$7.35 (2.7%) additional in 2026, and \$5.43 (2.0%) additional in 2027.

For non-residential customers, the proposed changes in electric delivery service and EDT cost recovery revenue are below in Table 3:

		Table 3		
	2024	2025	2026	2027
DS-2	4.4%	16.3%	8.2%	6.4%
DS-3	-5.6%	12.9%	7.8%	3.5%
DS-4	6.7%	15.4%	6.3%	4.8%
DS-5	12.3%	23.4%	12.2%	10.0%
DS-6	-7.7%	15.9%	5.1%	10.0%

The Commission has docketed the matter as 23-0082. A copy of the proposed change in schedule may be reviewed at the Ameren Illinois offices at 300 Liberty Street, Peoria, Illinois or online at

Customers should be advised that the Commission may alter or otherwise amend the rates or conditions of service after hearings are held pursuant to Section 16-108.18 of the Act and 83 III. Adm. Code Part 200, and may increase or decrease individual rates in amounts other than those requested by Ameren

All parties interested in this matter may obtain information with respect thereto either directly from Ameren Illinois or by addressing the Chief Clerk of the Illinois Commerce Commission, 527 East Capitol Avenue, Springfield, Illinois 62706.

AMEREN ILLINOIS COMPANY

By: Leonard P. Singh, Chairman & President

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.

Said property is legally described as follows:

LOT6INI.O.KARRAK-ER'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ILLINOIS AS SHOWN BY THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 41, IN THE RE-CORDER'S OFFICE OF UNION COUNTY, ILLI-NOIS.

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

Improvements: Single Family

Residential

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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

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 (III. 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

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 NICH-OLE 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

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

ANNA-JONESBORO NATIONAL BANK, a National Chartered Bank. Plaintiff,

ANDREW H. SADLER, and MIKA L. SADLER, STATE OF ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF

REVENUE TAX LIEN UNIT, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants. Case No.: 2023FC1

PUBLICATION NOTICE

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

EXHIBIT "A"

A PARCEL OF LAND BEING A PART OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 1 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL ME-RIDIAN SAID PARCEL BEING MORE PARTICU-LARLY DESCRIBED AS **FOLLOWS**

BEGINNING AT THE **SOUTHEAST CORNER OF** SAID QUARTER-QUAR-TER SECTION, THENCE N 84°32'19" W 21.19 FEET ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID QUAR-TER-OUARTER SEC-TION TO A POINT IN THE CENTERLINE OF PETRAS LANE, THENCE ALONG SAID CENTER-LINE THE FOLLOWING SIX (6) CALLS: THENCE N 59°19'43" W 147.24 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE N 50°26'25" W 173.45 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE N 82°07'18" W 515.70 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE N 83°38'45" W 197.73 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE N 87°17'07" W 207.38 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE S 89°37'34" W 126.29 FEET TO A POINT IN THE WEST LINE OF SAID QUAR-TER-QUARTER SECTION, THENCE N 00°16'12" E 330.52 FEET ALONG THE WEST LINE TO THE NORTHWESTCORNEROF THE SOUTH 15 ACRES OF THE SOUTHWEST QUAR-TER OF THE SOUTHEAST **OUARTER, THENCE S** 84°32'19" E 1331.29 FEET **ALONG THE NORTH LINE** OFSAIDSOUTH 15 ACRES TO A POINT IN THE EAST LINE OF SAID QUAR-TER-QUARTER SECTION, THENCE S 00°33'49" W 492.99 FEET ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID OUARTER-QUARTER

OF BEGINNING. SAID PARCEL CON-TAINING 10.37 ACRES, MORE OR LESS

SECTION TO THE POINT

SAID PARCEL BEING SUBJECT TO THE EX-ISTING RIGHT-OF-WAY OF PETRAS LANE, AND ANY OTHER RIGHTS-OF-WAY AND EASEMENTS, RECORDED OR OTHER-WISE. ALL SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF ILLINOIS.

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

Now, therefore, unless you, the said Defendants, Andrew H. Sadler, Mika L. Sadler, State of Illinois Department of Revenue Tax Lien, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, file your answer to the Complaint in the suit, or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Circuit Court of Union County, Illinois, in the County Courthouse in the City of Jonesboro, Illinois, on or before the 2nd Day of March, 2023, default may be entered against you and each of you at any time after that day and a decree entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint.

Keri E. Clark Clerk of the Circuit Court

Prepared by: JOHN R. SCHNEIDER JOHNSON, SCHNEIDER & FERRELL, L.L.C. 212 North Main Street

Cape Girardeau, MO 63701 Tel: (573) 335-3300 Fax: (573)335-1978

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

IN RE ESTATE OF SUSANNA HARTLINE, Deceased. 2022-PR-2

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of Susanna Hartline of Union County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on January 17, 2023, to Rosiland Sedlacek and Roxanne Smallwood, as Co-Independent Administrators, whose attorney is Edward J. Heller of Reed, Heller & Cannell, 1100 Walnut Street, Murphysboro, Illinois 62966.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Court at Williamson County Courthouse, Marion, Illinois, or with the representative, or both, on or before August 2, 2023, and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

Furthermore, the claimant shall file with the Court proof of any required mailing or delivery of copies. E-Filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit https:// efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit http://www. illinoiscourst.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp, or talk to your local circuit clerk's office.

> REED, HELLER & **CANNELL**

EDWARD J. HELLER, Attorney 8-10g

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

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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Anna School District names honor students

No. 37 announces second quarter high honor roll and honor roll students.

5th Grade, High Honor

Riley Benefield, Katryna Borders, Sabryna Borders, Paxton Boreup, Lima Brazil, Kaegan Craig, Meleigha Gomes, Miley Grant, Kameron Hall, Christopher

Matthew Lang, Landon Lee, Brooke Meyer, Savannah Miller, Aliyah Potter-Casey, Riley Rowan, Emma Sanders, Kendrix Schuster, Nolan Thurston. Wyatt Vaughn.

5th Grade, Honor Roll Raelynn Bigham, Kaitlyn Butler, Olivia Clark, Knox Colboth, Naomi Cook Tay-

Community

Grace" was the title of Sun-

day's sermon, which was

based on scripture from the

Bro. Brad Easton began

his sermon by asking several

questions about "how we

deal with adverse situations

The message shared that

"through Adam and Eve,

sin entered our world. Law

became necessary to reveal

how sinful we are and how

"In our humanness, man-

kind throughout time has

tried to attain eternal life

on their own merit, keeping

score of their good points

versus their sins. But God

to come to Earth to take our

sins upon Himself to the

cross. He provided the only

way for us to have eternal

God's grace is greater. When

we are at our worst, His

"Where sin abounds,

"Jesus loved us enough

does not keep score.

badiy we need a savior.

in our life."

5th chapter of Romans.

"Depending on God's

Camp Ground Church,

News from

Anna School District lor, Nicholas James, Mayli Knight, Brynlee Miller.

> Benito Orea, Ella Smith, Tillie Stanley, Lydia Thomas, Ben Thompson, Cheyenne Turner, Drew Werner, Violet Yates.

6th Grade, High Honor

Kaden Ames, Trystan Borders, Drake Bullard, Alison Carrillo, Abbey Del Rosario, Gwendelynn Eastman, Frank Gaddis, Bowan Graves, Zakira Kerr, Taryn

Adalyn Landis-Plott, Ava McDowell, Lola Pierson, Xavier Richardson, Shaylee Sadler, Jersey Shepard, Sophey Spurlock, Joseph Thompson, Sailor Waters, Blake Williams, Zachary Won.

grace is sufficient to restore

Him with our mouth, accept

Him in our heart and soul,

and live according to His

will so that we may be an

example for those who still

need to come to Him for

Conner and Callie Pind

Conner and Callie also

Birthday greetings this

The session met Sunday

All are welcome to ser-

afternoon to take care of first

vices 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.

of the year business.

week go to Erin Stute,

whose birthday was Tues-

took up the offering, assisted

by their grandmother Donna

rang the bell calling every-

forgiveness."

one to worship.

Williams.

day, Jan. 31.

"We just need to profess

Franklin, Avery Golliher, Vivienne Gooden.

Cristian Carrillo-Garcia,

Ruger Chick, Liberty Cook,

Sophie Cooley, David

R.J. Gottschall, Addison Lingle, Elijah Revelle, Alyssia Schexnider, Carter Sims, Ian Sullivan, Leah

Turner. 7th Grade, High Honor

Shooter Belcher, Joshua Binversie, Ave Boreup, Julian Brust, Elina Chen, Briley Clay, Joshua Dalton, Ava Frazier, Lera Hoehner, Hayden Keller.

Camryn Kelley, Xailex Morgan, Aryanna Ozment, Madalyn Perez, Elliott Poulos, Jaida Smith, Emma Thurston, Kai VanAlstine, Allie Yana.

7th Grade, Honor Roll Kaden Bailey, Landon Boyd, Kendall Carter,

Chance Davis, Aden Dou-

6th Grade, Honor Roll blin, Liam Fowler, Landon Grant, Jozilyn Kerr, Gabriel Morey, Sadie Randolph-Batteau, Reaslyn Shepard, Ella Whitaker.

8th Grade, High Honor

Courtney Brame, Lyra

Casper, Revolution Chaput, Faelyn Foss, Liz Hammer, Tyler Haywood, Milla Hunter, Evan Inman. Bodhi Law, Dillon Mo-

reland, Zane Plummer, Maxwel Ruddick, Jaron Taliseo, Brian Thompson, Beckett Thorpe, Lizbeth

8th Grade, Honor Roll Madelyn Ahlberg, Mackenzie Beegle, Jimena Flores, Jasmine Garcia-Ledbetter, Camiah Lowe-Betts, Daelan Mc-Nelly.

Zander Navarro-Ballard, Charlie Pierson, Kayleigh Shepard, Abbigail Shipley, Lucas Wright, Holly Yana.

SIU Craft Shop plans to offer variety of spring semester events

The Craft Shop in Southern Illinois University Carbondale's Student Center is planning to offer a variety of arts and crafts activities during the spring semester.

All of the activities are open to the public, but registration is limited and sign-up closes for each class one week before that session begins.

The Craft Shop reserves the right to cancel or reschedule workshops if nec-

There will be a diverse assortment of activities and workshops offered throughout the semester, from embroidery to metalsmithing, woodworking to creating stained glass and much

Wheel throwing, a perennial favorite, returns and participants can also make beautiful paper marbled Valentines and learn printmaking with linoleum.

Friday nights are for drawing and painting as the last Friday of each month the class will focus on using a different type of art medium.

Workshop costs vary; prices are reduced for SIU students.

Some workshops will offer multiple sessions, and many are open to all ages.

The complete workshop schedule, along with details, pricing and online registration, can be found on the Craft Shop at studentcenter.siu.edu.

For more information, visit the craft shop online, call 618-453-3636 or email craftshop@siu.edu.

News from

Anna Nazarene Church

A Sunday morning worship service was held Jan. 29 in the church and on

Singing was led by Pastor Randy Wright and the worship team.

The message given by Pastor Wright was titled "Be a Good Samaritan." Scripture was from Luke and Philippians.

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.

The evening message, titled "Delight Yourself in the Lord," was brought by Pastor Wright.

Birthdays: Jack Shepard, Jan. 30; Lottie Smith,

at 9 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 5.

Breakfast will be served

Sunday School is planned at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 5. A worship service and

Communion are planned at 10:35 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 5. Quizzing is planned at 5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 5.

An evening worship service is planned at 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 5.

A Wednesday night service is planned at 6:30 p.m. Feb. 8 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.

A combined NDI and church board meeting is planned at 6:30 p.m. Feb. 9 in the fellowship hall.

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.

Need some extra cash? Sell what you don't need in the classifieds. To Place Your Ad In The Gazette-Democrat Call (618) 833-2158

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.

Renewals

A special thanks to Philip and Sharon Dillow for giving me credit when they took out a subscription to The Gazette-Democrat and to Janis Carrington, and Aaron Hart for giving me credit when they renewed their subscriptions to The Gazette-Democrat and to Aaron Hart for his gift sub-

scription to Stephen Burns. Congratulations

Congratulations to A-J Wildcats wrestling team, which placed second in the conference.

Congratulations Meisenheimers

They won two high point awards this year at the Racking Horse Winter end of the year awards.



Anna city administrator Dori Bigler and Anna city commissioner Martha Ann Webb represented the city of Anna at the Union County Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development 8th Gala held at Havisham House in Alto Pass.



Kaitlin Rain McWhorter, Miss Rodeo Troy 2022/ assistant manager at Buckle Carbondale and Tiffany Bowles of Just Peachy Cleaners attended the Gala at the Havisham House.

Their Jazz horse won Stake Horse of the year and Pumped up Kicks won 12 and under Specialty Action with their granddaughter Reese.

Marilyn said "One of the best parts of this award is that the horse is on a piece of wood from our barn on the show grounds. It even has an H written on the bottom, which was our barn!"

United Methodist Church, Anna

Rev. Tim Gossett's sermon was In Pursuit of Happiness with scripture from Matthew. Special music was by Carla Anderson and Marcy Morris. Children's message was What Makes You Happy.

Anna First Baptist Church

Rev. Lupe Lopez sermon was on Hell, the Hottest Place in the Universe with scripture from Luke.

Preachers try so hard to tell people about the love of Jesus and if we accept him in our hearts, ask him to forgive our sins, believe he died on the cross for those sins, was dead, buried and risen from the dead and now lives in heaven preparing a place for all those who believe in him so that people will not go to hell, and how the angels rejoice when one lost person is saved.

The scripture told about the one lost sheep and how the shepherd hunted until he found him. Not everyone can preach but we can be doers of the word.

Dale Denny welcomed everyone. Jean Denny played the piano and led everyone in singing His Name is Wonderful and There's Something About that Name.

The worship team of Rev. Lupe Lopez, Yadi Lopez and Vickie Wagner led everyone in singing Amazing Love and Jesus Messiah.

Many people in the church have fallen sick or have lost a loved one. Rev. Lopez prayed for each of them and that the world would be healed from cancer. He prayed for all those in the military who are protecting our country and away from their families.

Carol Anne Baker taught the women's Sunday School Class The voice of God seeks to convict us of the truth. The class was sorry to hear their Sunday School teacher had hurt her back but enjoyed studying the Bible with Carol Anne. Everyone prayed for those who are sick.

Carlena Thompson thanked the class for the meal they fixed and brought them while Loyd is recuperating from a fall and their daughter Michelle was here from Florida helping them.

Next Sunday, Feb. 4, our Lord's Supper will be taken. **Anna Heights Baptist**

Church

Rev. Darryl Williams continued his sermon series on The Mission of Renewal. This week Sharing the Gospel.

WMU Gems will meet Thursday, today, at 1:30 p.m. at the Voyage. WMU Relentless is collecting food and snacks for the A-JCHS Comfort Closet. Please bring nonperishable food items to the collection center during February and March.

Sunday School and attendance contest Jan. 22, Feb. 12 Souper Bowl chili and dessert contest and fellowship, Sunday, Feb. 12, after the 10:30 a.m. service. Please bring canned food items for the food drive

February birthdays: 4th Teri Dover, Sherri Goforth,

Don Yates. 6 Logan Davis, Christopher Mowery, 7 Angela Harris, Kimberly Williams, 9 Donna Taylor.

January attendance: 8 a.m. worship service, 87. 10:30 a.m. worship service, 128. Small group Bible study, 196. 6 p.m. worship, 31

96th Birthday

Alfred Dammann celebrated his 96th birthday Jan. 28 at his home with friends and family.

Birthday

Don Trambley celebrated his birthday Jan. 26 and was honored with a birthday dinner and party by his family.

Women's Club

The GFWC Illinois Anna-Jonesboro Women's Club will meet Feb. 6 at 1:30 p.m. at the Shawnee Community College annex in Anna. The program is on education. The speaker will be Janet Ulrich, former regional superintendent of

schools. Devotion by Marie Samuel and community event by Lillian Milam.

event by Lillian Milam. Everyone is welcome to attend. The club is always

looking for new members.

Honor Wreaths for Veterans

A special thanks to Golda Kestler for her donation of Honor Wreaths for Veterans for her husband Donald Army Korean War, Jack Bennett Army Korean War, Bernoid Freeze Army World War II.

A special thanks to Wayne Dunn from Cypress for his donation of four Honor Wreaths for Veterans for a small cemetery. Wayne will pick his wreaths up in Anna and lay them.

AFSCME State Retiree Union Meeting

There was a large group of retired union members met in the Kiwanis building at the Anna City Park.

President Jim Wright



Congratulations new store owner Brandy Renshaw at Farmers Daughter Boutique located on South Main Street in the former Dr. Paul Jacobs Office.



A-JCHS Class of 1963 had a reunion planning meeting Thursday Jan. 26, at Hardees in Anna. Those present were Mary Carolyn Rendleman, Martha Ann Webb, Barbara Rhymer, Nancy Young, Donald Wayne Denny and Larry Rendleman. Their reunion will be homecoming weekend Sept. 22 and 23. They are planning to be in the homecoming parade with a tailgate party that evening at the game. They also plan to have their dinner in Anna on Saturday. More to come about their reunion as plans are being made.



A special thanks to the band Deja Voodoo from Springfield who entertained at the 8th Gala Dancing in the Moonlight at the Havisham House



Sen. Dale Fowler of Harrisburg, Brenda Allen of B.A. Design First, Jerry Reppert owner of The Gazette-Democrat and Martha Ann Webb attended the Union County Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development Gala at Havisham House in Alto Pass last Saturday night

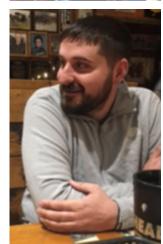


Laurie and Brett Whitnel with their grandson Coy Whitnel 9.5 months the youngest to attend the Gala at the Havisham House Saturday night. Brett works at Shawnee Community College and is their small business advisor. Laurie is a dialysis nurse for Fresenius Kidney Care in Metropolis.



The Rhymers granddaughter Violet Yates recently won first place for the DARE program poster contest at her school Anna District 37 Junior High. She is the daughter of Jamie and Rebecca Yates of Anna.





Willie and Terrie Rhymer attended the A-J youth wrestling meet at A-J Community High School on Saturday to watch their grandson Junior Rhymer wrestle. He won two matches out of three and won second place for his weight and age category.

They also motored to Lamberts on Jan. 29 to celebrate the 26th birthday of their first grandson Jordan Rhymer. In attendance were, Willie and Terrie Rhymer, Violet Yates, Jordan, Alexis, Junior, Jaxson and Rowan Rhymer.

called the meeting to order and everyone stood and said the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

The new insurance was discussed. New officers were elected. Tom Sadowski won the door prize.

Gala

The Havisham House in Alto Pass was beautifully decorated for the Gala sponsored by the Union County Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development last Saturday night.

Congratulations to all who were honored. A special thanks to the CEO class for helping. Thanks to all the sponsors and to everyone who came.

A-JCHS Class of 1963

A class reunion is being planned for the weekend of homecoming Sept. 22 and 23. If you have moved or changed your phone please email or call me and leave a message on my answering machine

We would love to have a float in the homecoming parade if anyone has a trailer or truck to pull it please let me know or a 1963 truck we could all ride in the back of. Looking forward to seeing everyone.

We have lost a lot of classmates since our last reunion sympathy to their families.

Little Egypt Red Hat Ladies

Marie Samuel is hostess for Feb. 15, 11 a.m. Little Egypt Red Hat Ladies in Jonesboro at the PAST Heritage House.

Marie hopes our Red Hatters will enjoy attending a Valentine tea luncheon from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. with a tour of the house and a special quilt turning event included.

We have 20 spots reserved for the event and need a check for \$15 made to PAST to reserve your spot. The checks will be given to Barbara Bauer who is in charge of reservations and can be mailed to her by Feb. 1 to reserve your spot.

Anyone who can bring okies or a dessert will be appreciated. Our \$15 includes teas, sandwiches, from Stephen. Stephen has

chips and a salad. There is no extra charge for tax or tips but donations are always welcome for the upkeep of the Promoting Appreciation of Structural Treasures.

Email

I received this email from Stephen Burns who lives in St. Louis.

Honor, Respect, Teach.

Are my thoughts upon learning of the death of my uncle, Edward R. Cullen. Uncle Ed passed yesterday, Jan. 28, 2023, at the age of 91 in Austin, Texas.

As a retired Lieutenant Colonel of the U.S. Air Force, he was very often an example of integrity, duty to God, family and country. He lead an active life in retirement, even attending a family reunion in St. Louis last September 2022.

He earned his reward and may he rest in peace.

Honor, Respect, Teach also transcended through the generations.

One of my earliest experiences with this motto actually occurred in the Anna City Cemetery. I was nine years old when Grandpa and my Uncle Bob brought me to visit Anna. It was on this visit Grandpa told me of his grandfather who was a Civil War veteran and fought with the 9th Illinois as we visited the family graveside in the Anna City Cemetery.

So being grandpa's eager student of family stories I learned from Grandpa about his Grandpa, a man he knew.

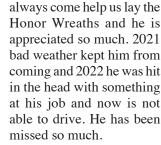
Honor, Respect, Teach is why I pursue family history the way I do.

No haystack is large enough to search for needles. My mother, Aunt Jean (wife of the late Edward R. Cullen) and Uncle Bob were and are by my side as we sought information about those who have gone before us.

Honor, Respect, Teach is a lasting way to remember those who fought for the freedoms we enjoy.

Thank you to Martha Ann for igniting this program in Union County,

I appreciate this so much



I laid the wreaths he always laid for him but would have to take pictures in the cemeteries and send to him of the Civil War ones to make sure I had the right monument.

Some of those older monuments you can't read anymore and some are almost buried in the ground. After Stephen would lay all those he would help us finish laying the other veterans wreaths.

Stephen also visited Anna many times to help with the PAST House and at the Anna Arts Center. His hope someday is to move to Anna. Please keep him in your prayers that his head injury heals, he can drive again and he finds the home of his dreams in Anna.



Weekend trip to Alabama for the Racking Horse Awards and Banquet. The Meisenheimer family had two horses to win year end awards. Their granddaughter Reese Lofton won the Juvenile Division on Pumped Up Kicks and their horse Jazz and the Blues was voted Stake Horse Champion of the Year. They were very proud and honored to receive these awards.



AFSCME retirees met at the Kiwanis building at the Anna City Park to discuss their new insurance and to vote on new officers. Tom Sadowski won the door prize.

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IAAF Fair Convention in Springfield: Union County Fair Board members Mike Meisenheimer and Dale Moreland with Avery Osman Union County Fair Queen, and second place runner up out of 72 candidates from all the county fairs in the state.



"Playing dolls" last week at PAST's Heritage House in Jonesboro: Barb Bauer helped Lillian Milam prepare exhibits for a couple of up-coming special Valentine parties at Heritage House. Lillian's extensive doll collection includes several special treasures appropriate to Valentine's Day. One of the special meetings will be hosted by Daughters of the American Revolution, DAR, and the other event is hosted by The Little Egypt Red Hats Society.

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Opinion and Commentary

A Resilient Illinois

Lessons learned from COVID-19 more important than ever

By Dr. Sameer Vohra, Director **Illinois Department** of Public Health

Three years ago today, on January 24, 2020, Illinois confirmed its first case of COVID-19. Since then, Illinois has recorded 4 million cases and 36,000 deaths – losses that have devastated families and communities across every part of our state.

The numbers have left us numb. We have started to shut COVID-19 out of our lives. But the threat remains. COVID-19 took the lives of more than 200 Illinoisians in December, more deaths than from Ebola in the entire world last year. Many of those deaths were preventable.

It is time to remind ourselves that in 2023, we have effective tools we didn't have in 2020. And we have something even more powerful: Knowledge and Experience. We know now what can protect us: a vaccine, a timely test, a pill, a mask, a portable air filter, an open window or just staying home if sick.

We are thankful to be in a better place. The deaths and strain on our healthcare system are nothing like the depths of the pandemic when Illinois recorded hundreds of deaths and thousands of hospital admissions each week. But, as new COVID-19 variants emerge and other respiratory illnesses circulate, we must remain vigilant to preserve hospital capacity and protect our most vulnerable.

As we move forward, we must understand where we are and how to maintain a health system that protects us from challenges ahead those we can anticipate and those we cannot.

What We Have Learned •Illinois is a State Full of Heroes

Illinois had no shortage bravery of our state's front-

line healthcare and public health workers who risked their lives to protect us. And the pandemic scientists who raced to understand the new virus and the steps needed to protect us, and created the lifesaving tests, vaccines, and treatments that helped limit the effects of this deadly disease.

The most unsung heroes were the essential workers who did not have the luxury of working from home. They kept our grocery stores open, cooked our food, drove our buses, made deliveries, and taught our children. Those in community and social services occupations had the highest death rate from COVID-19 followed by transportation workers. Society owes a debt to these heroes, many of whom suffered disease and death, we may never be able to repay.

•Health Inequities Must be Addressed

The pandemic shined a harsh spotlight on the disparities and fragmentation that has existed in our healthcare system for too long. The racial, socioeconomic, and geographic disparities we saw early in the pandemic revealed a health system that was not equitable for all.

Our scientific discoveries did not guarantee access or equitable distribution. It took leadership from Governor JB Pritzker and sustained efforts by local, city, county and state leaders to roll out vaccines and treatment equitably.

By May 2021, more than 10 million doses of vaccines were administered free to Illinoisans through a massive vaccination campaign involving local health departments and community groups in every corner of the state.

•Misinformation is Affecting Health

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By Geof Skinner



Please read this...

This was the view from the front porch late Tuesday night, January 24. At least there weren't any mosquitoes.

Staying inside would have made sense...

The item posted on the website for the National Weather Service office in Paducah Monday evening was a little bit discomforting. What I saw got me to wondering if Stephen King had hacked into the system...

"Unknown precip" the message declared. The message was accompanied by an image featuring two pair of what appeared to be glowing lights in the dark. One pair of glowing lights was white. One pair was red. Snow zombies? Abominable snow persons?

My first thought was that the folks at the weather service are the experts. Just what exactly would "unknown precip" be? I'm not much of a meteorologist, but it would seem like "precip" would be rain... or snow...or hail...or sleet... something fairly familiar.

And pairing "unknown precip" with a pair of what looked like a pair of sinister eyes glowing the dark... well, it was just a little bit creepy. Then again, my imagination may have been running a little bit wild in the midst of the "unknown precip."

I saw the message and the image with the glowing lights while checking for the latest update about the wonderful weather we were having Monday evening.

The first day of a new ork week had started on a rather icy, frigid note. When I looked out the front window Monday morning, I saw that the trusty mechanical steed which I depended on to get me to work was coated in what appeared to be a layer of ice. That did not surprise me, since freezing drizzle had been in the forecast for Sunday night into Monday morning.

Yes, indeed. The car was covered in a layer of frozen precipitation. Faced with that icy challenge, I headed out into the cold to warm up the car.

Surprise. All four door handles on the car were covered with a layer of ice. With a little bit of work, and a somewhat "creative" solution to the challenge, I managed to get the door on the driver's side of the car open.

I started the car and let it warm up for a white. And "warm up" is somewhat of a relative term. We'll just say that it was a little bit warmer in the car than it was outdoors.

The ice on the front windshield melted. Sort of. Same for the ice on the front windows on the driver's side and passenger's side. Again, sort of. As for the back windows...well...they needed a little bit of work...

As Monday progressed, I kept checking the weather service website for updates...which just seemed to get more and more interesting.

Due to the weather, the time spent at The Paragraph Factory on the first day of the new work week came to an early end. As I was getting ready to head for home, sleet was falling from the sky. The windows on the car which I had cleared just a couple of hours earlier were quickly being coated with another layer of frozen precipitation.

On the way home, the frozen mess that was falling from the sky seemed to get heavier. I made it home safely, thank goodness.

Common sense would have suggested that once I got home, I should just stay inside, where it was warm and no "unknown precip" was falling. So, I went for a walk. I'm here to tell you, that between the wind and a falling temperature, it was c-o-l-d. And the "unknown precip" just kept coming down.

Tuesday morning was pretty much a repeat of Monday morning, at least in terms of getting into the car and motoring to metropolitan Anna. But duty called. Once again, that guardian angel I mentioned last week was keeping me company. Hopefully, we'll get this week's paper finished, and with a little help from that angel, I'll get back home... and maybe stay inside...

A Page from the Past from the files of The Gazette-Democrat

Thursday, February 1, 1973

Church bells rang in the Union County area Saturday evening, January 27, 1973, at 6 p.m. when the cease-fire was scheduled to begin, ending the longest war in which Americans have been involved. Union County has given 11 of its men to the War in Vietnam.

All young men reaching the age of 18 must continue to register with their local Selective Service Boards within 30 days after their birth date, according to the local Selective Service Board.

Temperatures in the Union County area ranged from a high of 63 recorded Thursday, Jan. 25, to a low of 20 degrees on Monday, Jan. 29, for a differential of 43 degrees.

An Illinois Central Gulf Railroad representative appeared and spoke to the Union County Board of Commissioners Monday, Jan. 29, about abandoning a section of railway lines from the north county line to the south county line, more commonly known as the "Old Mud Line."

From the Friendship news: Oh boy our nice weather has gone bad now. This is Sunday night and we have had snow flurries all evening and it is turning much colder. I sure would have preferred the pretty sunshine but we should have known it couldn't last.

Letter to the editor Preserving local history

I want to say thank you to Brock Buckner for the plans he has to restore the Anna Plaza Motel sign. That sign has a special place in my heart. My grandmother, Ruth Davidson, along with her partner, Ralph Gray, built the motel in the early sixties. She lived there and operated the motel for several years. It's nice to see some history preserved.

Signed, Shirley Davidson Ray, Cobden

To the editor,

Heart 🤫 Smart 🔍 TAKE THIS INFORMATION **to Heart**

> You can take a proactive role in helping prevent heart disease from affecting you or those you love. The American Heart Association recommends taking the following steps to reduce your risk of developing heart disease:



Get Active



Lose Weight



Reduce Blood



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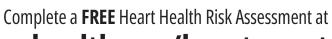


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