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News Notes

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

A message for the season is being shared at Anna-Jonesboro Community High School.

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The Cobden High School Beta Club is planning to sponsor an Easter egg hunt on Saturday, April 16. The egg hunt is set for 10 a.m. at the Cobden Community Park.

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Ugh...the forecast for the Union County area which was posted Thursday, April 7, on the website for the National Weather Service office in Paducah was calling for "a slight chance of rain and snow showers" early last Friday morning.

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Turned out there were indeed snow and rain showers last Friday in the area. And, at about 2 p.m., the wind chill in Union County was 33 degrees.

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A UNITE at the Cross Christian Musical Festival is planned July 16-17. The event will be at the Cross of Peace on Bald Knob Mountain near Alto Pass.

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Union County Commissioner Darryl Harvell reports there are plans being considered to establish a friends of the Trail of Tears State Forest group. A meeting is planned at 9 a.m. on April 30 at the state forest.

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April is Community College Month. Shawnee Community College, which has an extension center in Anna, notes that it offers 47 different degrees and certificates.

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Enhanced risk for severe weather Wednesday

Freezing temperatures, gusty winds and a threat for severe storms highlighted the Union County area's weather during the past week.

Severe Weather

The National Weather Service office in Paducah was alerting area residents about an enhanced risk for severe weather Wednesday afternoon and evening.

The weather service office stated on its website that a few severe storms might have developed as early as daybreak on Wednesday.

The majority of storms were likely Wednesday afternoon and evening along and ahead of a cold front.

Main hazards were expected to be damaging winds of 60 to 70 miles per hour, large hail up to 2 inches and a few tornadoes, both ahead of, and within, a long line of thunderstorms. Brief, torrential rains were expected to accompany the storms.

Wind Advisory

Last Sunday, parts of Southern Illinois and Southeast Missouri were under a wind advisory.

The advisory area included Union, Alexander, Jackson and Perry counties in Southern Illinois. The advisory was in effect from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday.

South winds of 15 to 25 mph, along with gusts up to 40 mph, were expected.

Shortly before 6 p.m. Sunday, the weather service reported on its website that 32 mph winds, with gusts as high as 46 mph, had been recorded at the Southern Illinois Airport near Carbondale.

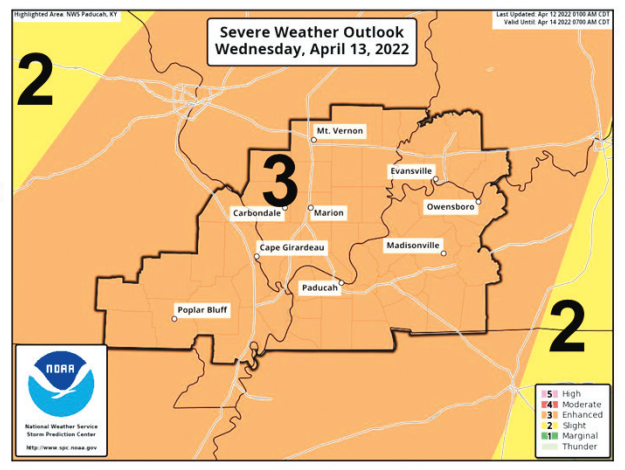
Freeze Warning

The weather service issued a freeze warning which was in effect early last Saturday morning for parts of Southern Illinois and Southeast Missouri.

Southern Illinois counties which were included in the warning included Union, Williamson, Saline, Johnson, Alexander and Pulaski. The warning was in effect from 3 a.m. to 8 a.m. Saturday.

Sub-freezing temperatures as low as 30 degrees were expected.

Low temperatures recorded in Jonesboro during the past week included 36 degrees on April 8, 34 on April 9 and 35 on April 10. Snow was recorded on April 8.



'All weather hazards possible'

A graphic posted on the website for the National Weather Service office in Paducah showed that the Southern Illinois, Southeast Missouri and Western Kentucky areas faced a level 3, enhanced risk for severe weather on Wednesday. The weather service advised that severe thunderstorms were likely Wednesday afternoon and evening. The Storm Prediction Center had the entire region under an enhanced risk, "with all weather hazards possible." On the map, Union County is between the listings for Carbondale and Cape Girardeau.

Easter sunrise service planned at Bald Knob Cross

The 86th annual Easter sunrise service is planned at the Cross of Peace on Bald Knob Mountain near Alto Pass.

The service is scheduled to begin at 6:30 a.m. on Easter Sunday, April 17. Gates are scheduled to open at 5 a.m.

Handicap parking and on-site golf cart shuttles will be available.

Worship leaders for the service are scheduled to be Chris Parton and Kevin and Tricia Edwards, along with a worship band.

Pastor Casey Pollard of the Shawnee Worship Center in Vienna is scheduled to be the keynote speaker.

Two food trucks are scheduled to be on site for the service: Cold Blooded Coffee Co. of Murphysboro and Dave's Bagels of Anna.

This year, the service will be both in-person and live-streamed.

The first Easter sunrise service at Bald Knob was held in 1937.

"In 1937, two men led an effort to unify Southern Illinoisans through an Easter sunrise service," Bald Knob Cross of Peace executive director Jeffrey Isbell said in a news release.

"Today, we continue to fulfill their vision with this service featuring long standing traditions as well as a contemporary worship experience."

Isbell recalled that after the first Easter sunrise service, "the organizers began to develop plans for the site. In 1959, a groundbreaking was held for the Bald Knob Cross of Peace, which was completed in 1963. Today, we host several signature events at the Cross in addition to the Easter sunrise service."

Isbell noted that the event "is sponsored by the generous giving of local businesses and community partners."

More information about the 86th annual Easter sunrise service can be found online at www.baldknobcross.com, on Facebook at www.facebook.com/baldknobcross or by emailing info@baldknobcross.com.

Weather

High 76, low 34

Temperatures ranged from a high of 76 degrees to a low of 34 in the Union County area during the period of April 5-11.

Local weather during the period also featured a trace of snow.

Precipitation during the period included .07 of an inch of rain on April 5, .34 of an inch of rain on April 6, .03 of an inch of rain and a trace of snow on April 8 and .62 of an inch of rain on April 11.

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

	H	L
Tuesday, April 5	69	49
Wednesday, April 6	65	46
Thursday, April 7	56	41
Friday, April 8	43	36
Saturday, April 9	60	34
Sunday, April 10	76	35
Monday, April 11	73	58

CEO participants visit Cross of Peace

The Union County CEO program's participants recently visited the Cross of Peace at Bald Knob Mountain near Alto Pass, where they met with Jeffery Isbell. Isbell is the Union County landmark's executive director. The annual Easter sunrise service is planned Sunday morning, April 17, at the Cross of Peace. The photograph was posted online by the CEO program.

COVID cases no longer declining

The Illinois Department of Public Health, IDPH, on Friday, April 8, reported 10,786 new confirmed and probable cases of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) in Illinois, including an increase of 71 deaths since April 1.

The number of new cases reported in Illinois has continued to tick upward for the past few weeks. On April 1, 8,426 new cases were reported.

The number of cases reported in Union County has remained fairly steady.

As of April 8, IDPH was reporting a total of 3,080,436 cases, including 33,465 deaths, in 102 counties in Illinois since the beginning of the pandemic.

As of Thursday night, night, April 7, 502 individuals in Illinois were reported to be in the hospital with COVID-19. Of those, 62 patients were in the ICU and 24 patients with COVID-19 were on ventilators.

Of Illinois' total population, more than 76 percent had received at least one COVID-19 vaccine dose, more than 68 percent of Illinois' total population was fully vaccinated and more than 50 percent had been boosted, according to data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

All data are provisional and are subject to change.

IDPH noted that data indicates the risk of hospitalization and severe outcomes from COVID-19 is much higher for unvaccinated people than for those who are up to date on their vaccinations.

The case rates for COVID-19 are no longer declining and were rising in some areas of the state and had plateaued in other areas over the previous two weeks.

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Anna Kiwanis Club sponsors Easter egg hunt

A long-standing tradition in Union County...and a time to create special memories...continued last Saturday when the Anna Kiwanis Club hosted a community Easter egg hunt. The egg hunt once again was at the Anna City Park and was very well attended. The Easter bunny was on hand to greet everyone...and to pose for photographs. The Kiwanis Club shared the following message about the event on social media: "One of the most cherished activities we do, is our Easter Egg Hunt! We are already planning for next year, by rearranging age groups! Thank you for letting us join you in your Easter memories."

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COVID cases

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However, hospitalizations and deaths continued to remain low as of April 8.

Given that the spread of COVID-19 is not showing signs of further waning, IDPH advised that it is critically important that those who continue to be at high risk for serious illness take the following precautions:

Getting vaccinated and staying up-to-date on recommended booster shots is the best way to protect yourself, your loved ones and friends.

If you are in an area with rising COVID-19 infections, wear a mask if entering indoors spaces with other people present and consider avoiding large gatherings.

Stick to well-ventilated areas if you are not wearing a mask indoors around others people.

If you feel flu-like symptoms, self-isolate and stay home from work; and obtain a test as quickly as possible.

If you test positive, talk to your healthcare provider immediately so you can get COVID-19 treatment within five days of starting to feel sick. Also, communicate about the positive result with any persons you have been in close contact within two days of falling sick or testing positive.

Continue to frequently wash your hands and cover coughs and sneezes.

In addition, on March 29, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, CDC, issued updated guidance that authorized a second booster dose for certain segments of the population at least four months after the first booster dose.

This applies to adults over 50 years of age, and to immunocompromised individuals over 12 years old.

Union County COVID Cases Update

April 10: 5,369 total cases. 64 deaths.

April 1: 5,365 total cases. 64 total deaths.

March 1: 5,334 total cases. 63 deaths.

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

Telecommunicators Week commemorated

National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week is being commemorated April 10-16.

Each year, during the second week of April, those serving as telecommunications personnel are honored.

The Union County Sheriff's Office shared on social media that it has eight full-time and one part-time telecommunicator.

The telecommunicators are responsible for dispatching Union and Alexander county non-emergency and emergency 911 calls for six law enforcement agencies, two ambulance services and12 fire and rescue departments.

In addition to dispatching, the telecommunicators also are jailers and are responsible for new arrest processing, booking, releasing and handling inmates for court.

The sheriff's office noted that "Union County is blessed to have a modern and state of the art dispatch center." The center is located in the Union County Courthouse in Jonesboro.

The center has three active dispatch console stations, with room to utilize a fourth console position if needed for growth in the future.

Each dispatch station has four computers which the telecommunicators are required to monitor at all times.

Six different communications frequencies are constantly monitored, including a 911 terminal, a CAD/mapping/recorder terminal, a LEADS system and a radio console.

In addition to the computers, the telecommunicators also are required to monitor security cameras for detention holding cells and the courthouse.

The telecommunicators also monitor weather conditions so alerts can be sent to storm spotters and the people in Union and Alexander counties.

Telecommunicators are certified to handle 911 emergencies. They are required to obtain 12-plus hours of training every year to maintain their credentials to answer 911 calls and to give pre-arrival instructions to callers waiting on responders to arrive on scene.

During calendar year 2021, the telecommunicators handled 17,732 calls for service and processed 1,102 new arrests.

During the first quarter of 2022, they have handled 4,743 calls for service and processed 436 new arrests.

The sheriff's office added that "these ladies and gentlemen wear many hats..." and said they are "required to multi-task and are a very important piece of emergency services.

"Without their service all of the duties they are responsible for would go undone."

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The Anna Police Department plans to participate in the National Prescription Drug Take Back Day on Saturday, April 30. Officers will be collecting prescribed medications for disposal between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. at the Anna Police Department at 201 E. Vienna St. in Anna.

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Unlimited Play Playgrounds has made a contribution to the Hadley's Haven all-inclusive playground project which is planned at the Anna City Park.

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April is Safe Digging Month. The City of Anna reminds everyone: "Before you dig, call 811."

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The City of Anna has been receiving a good response to an online survey regarding walking and biking options along Vienna Street.

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Anna School District No. 37 art students are planning to paint picnic tables at the Anna City Park.

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Anna City Council member Martha Ann Webb last week commended the work done by the Anna Police Department. A grateful community member had voiced appreciation for the work done by the police department to Webb.

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Southern Seven Health Department is encouraging families to schedule routine back-to-school vaccination appointments "to avoid the last minute rush in August."

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Stinson Memorial Library District's Cobden branch facility was closed last week. The branch was scheduled to reopen Monday afternoon. Stinson Memorial Library in Anna was open for curbside service only; full hours and services were set to resume Monday morning.

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The Trail of Tears in Southern Illinois is set to be the topic of a presentation at an April 24 meeting of the Johnson County Genealogical and Historical Society in Vienna. The meeting is planned at 2:30 p.m. at the Vienna Public Library.

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Educators Rising members from the Cobden School District attended a "Community Over Competition" team building event at the Touch of Nature Center near Carbondale. One-hundred-fifty future teachers from 12 different Southern Illinois schools attended the event. Cobden Education Pathway student Molly Smith was awarded a $1,000 scholarship from the Southern Illinois Future Teacher Coalition.

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Shawnee School District bus driver Alicia Bade has earned a First Student Five Star certificate in recognition of her continued efforts to ensure student safety.

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Shawnee School and Cobden School 8th grade students participated in a Real World Experience program which was presented by University of Illinois Extension staff. Students were given a salary and spending options for situations representing real life expenditures at age 25.

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Shawnee High School students are scheduled to participate in a team building activity day on April 22 conducted by the Army National Guard.

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Shawnee High School freshmen and sophomores are scheduled to take the PSAT state assessment on the morning of April 20.

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Cobden High School is planning to present performances of "The One-Act Play That Goes Wrong" at 7:30 p.m. April 29-30 at the Varsity Theater in downtown Carbondale. Tickets are available at the high school ahead of time and at the box office on the nights of the performances.

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The scholarship committee of the Cobden Village Board of Trustees plans to meet Monday, April 25. The meeting is set for 6 p.m. at Cobden Village Hall.

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The City of Anna offers a reminder: videos of Anna City Council meetings are available for viewing on YouTube. The council's most recent meeting was Tuesday evening, April 5. The budget for the city's new fiscal year was a major topic of discussion.

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The 50th anniversary of the dedication of the Heron Pond-Wildcat Bluff Nature Preserve at the Cache River State Natural Area in Southern Illinois was celebrated Saturday, April 9.

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Just over 2,000 pounds of trash was picked up and removed during a work day on April 1 at Ripple Hollow near McClure.

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The Girl Scouts of Southern Illinois organization is working to promote summer day camps and residential camps. Resident day camp session locations include Ozark and Makanda.

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Brock Buckner shares that he is "saving history by acquiring and restoring old signs."

Jonesboro deputy clerk honored

On Thursday, March 31, the City of Jonesboro celebrated the retirement of deputy clerk Beverly Boyd. Boyd was honored with a lunch, cake and gifts in recognition of her 20 years of dedicated service to the City of Jonesboro. The city, mayor, council members and employees wish her the best of luck in her retirement. Photo provided.

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From left are Dori Bigler, Martha Ann Webb, Carrie Gaddis, Emma Thurston, Elina Chen, Tom Caldwell, Madalyn Perez and Camron Easterly. Photo provided.

From left are Dori Bigler, Tom Caldwell, Martha Ann Webb and Marie Dallas. Photo provided.

Anna city officials present trees to students in Anna School District

Anna city officials last week dropped off more than 600 tree saplings to Anna School District 37 students.

Each student in the school district received a red oak tree. At Lincoln School, flyers, stickers and tattoos, along with a planting guide and a poster, were shared.

A planting guide/poster was given with the trees presented at Anna Junior High School/Davie Elementary School.

This was part of the city's Tree City USA program. The trees were donated by Living Lands and Waters.

Tom Caldwell wrapped each of the trees in newspaper, wet them and tied them into a bag.

The stickers were provided by the U.S. Forest Service.

The planting guides and posters were provided by the University of Illinois Extension office.

The planting guide/poster was titled "Under the Canopy."

Carrie Gaddis was also presented with a bird feeder for the future outdoor education classroom at Davie School.

The project was intended for Earth Day, but was celebrated early because the trees became available in time for spring break.

County board hears update about Extension programs, services in area

An update about University of Illinois Extension programs and services was shared at last week's regular meeting of the Union County Board of Commissioners.

The meeting was Friday morning at the Union County Courthouse in Jonesboro.

Jody Johnson, Extension director for Union, Alexander, Johnson, Massac and Pulaski counties, attended Friday's meeting.

Johnson presented copies of an annual report to county officials.

In the report, Johnson shared in a letter that "2021 proved to be another challenging year, but staff were able to overcome all the obstacles that we faced."

"Looking forward to 2022, it appears we may face many of the same challenges as last year. Staff have proven time and time again the ability to adapt to challenges and provide high-impactful programming," Johnson wrote, adding that the five-county Extension program is looking forward to more success in 2022.

Last year, the program established a food donation garden in Cairo. A similar garden is located in Metropolis.

Extension provided Illinois Junior Chef cooking camps with several partners last year. Security opportunities for 4-H shows were presented.

"We will continue to address food security in the region, working to provide both short-term and long-term solutions," Johnson stated in the letter.

"Our efforts remain vigilant in 4-H to provide youth opportunities they might not otherwise receive. The unit staff do all this while remaining diligent to all audiences with the same efforts and determination."

Johnson noted that Extension continues to reach underserved audiences. He shared that one of his proudest accomplishments was receiving recognition from the NAACP for efforts to reach underserved audiences."

Johnson said that local county support allows Extension to offer its programs. He welcomed input regarding needs for Union County.

In addition to presenting an update about Extension programs and services in the five counties, Johnson addressed a budget agreement with Union County.

He requested an increase of $2,500 in the amount of funding allocated annually by the county to Extension. The allocation has been $40,000 for many years. The county board will take the increase under consideration.

In other business, the county board approved an update to the courthouse's building automation system. The system is used to operate the courthouse's heating, ventilation and air conditioning.

A proposal in the amount of $19,826 from Trane for the update was approved.

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County Line News

(Mill Creek and Upper Elco) **By Suzan Harvel**

Spring Storms

More of those spring storms are coming in this week. Hopefully, none that are severe. There's been enough of that this year, and, thankfully, the cool down isn't going to be as bad this go-round.

My cousin, Doug Meiron, sent me video of his place in South Dakota where they were hit with a spring snowstorm last week and it appears they are getting another over that way, this week.

Sorry, but while it's pretty, I'm glad we only had those few flakes last week.

Reunion

Doug and I are spreading the word of a reunion of the Oliver and Agnes Arnold Smiddy clan on the weekend of Nov. 12.

We'll have more information at a later time, but it's been years since we've been able to get together and we are all looking forward to it.

The old house is gone but, we will gather anyway with our memories, many stories, photos and food.

Golf Champion

Congratulations to Scottie Scheffler for his win at the 86th Masters Golf Tournament. Imagine, at 25 years of age, winning a purse of $11,500,000…wow. Yes, folks…that's millions. Boggles the mind. Rory McIlroy gave him a run for it though and it sure got close.

Tiger Woods, a five-time champion, who had an amazing comeback from a horrific car accident that nearly claimed his life was also there and that's just phenomenal.

The Augusta National Golf Course was beautiful as ever (I watched some on television). I've been to a Masters Tournament, in the early 1970s, and spent a great many years living in Augusta, Georgia. So, I can attest, she is just stunning this time of year.

Trip to Poplar Bluff

I made a trip to Poplar Bluff, Mo., this past weekend to help move one of my children to Cape Girardeau.

She's starting a new job soon and will only have a few weekend days to pack up and get moved.

Part of the parenting job requires helping, but mercy, I sure hope my back holds out…it's not like when we moved her into a dorm room at college a long time ago. She's had a decade-plus to acquire more.

I missed church this past Palm Sunday, since I was in Missouri. I always feel out of synch when that happens. Even visiting other churches, where ever I go…it's just not the same.

Prayer List

We had some new additions to the prayer list I knew of before I left: Jeff Starr is in the hospital; Amelia Marshall has stomach flu; Dennis Weaver is having tests run; Louise (Tyne) Thompson is not doing well; Sandra Norris, Dillon Battles and Christine Kennedy have health concerns, and we need to remember all the sports teams that are traveling for games…both students, parents, and leaders.

Keep in prayer all the families that are on spring break too.

We also pray that Don Crumley's health improves so that he can have the surgery that keeps being pushed off.

Church Services

We will be having the Lord's Supper, Thursday, April 14, at 6:30 p.m. in observance of Maundy Thursday, which commemorates the Last Supper Jesus had with his apostles.

This weekend we'll be hosting our annual Easter egg hunt at Mill Creek Baptist Church. The hot dog roast starts at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 16, and the egg hunt will follow. All are welcome.

Sunday, we'll have our Easter sunrise service at 6:30 a.m. Then, will have breakfast with the regular 10:30 service to follow.

Happy Easter everyone.

Southern Seven offers mobile health services

Through a partnership with Illinois Department of Public Health, IDPH, Southern Seven Health Department has acquired the use of the state agency's Wellness on Wheels, WOW, van.

The resource gives Southern Seven an opportunity to provide health screenings and other services, including free NARCAN training, to those living in high health-risk areas.

The WOW van is scheduled to visit each of the counties served by Southern Seven in an effort to take many health services to people who may find it difficult to seek care.

Clinics are scheduled Wednesday, April 20, at two locations in Union County:

•Dongola, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., downtown parking lot in front of the village hall.

•April 20, Anna, 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m., Shawnee Community College extension center.

In addition to NARCAN training, Southern Seven plans to offer free blood pressure and colorectal cancer tests.

For a fee, blood lead, hemoglobin and cholesterol screenings, STD tests (including chlamydia, gonorrhea, and syphilis), HIV, pregnancy and TB skin tests will be available.

All services will be offered while supplies last and are covered by most insurance carriers.

No appointment will be necessary for services. Walk-ins are welcome.

More information is available by contacting Shawnna Rhine at Southern Seven Health Department, phone 618-634-2297, extension 9161, or by visiting Southern Seven on Facebook and at www.southern7.org.

Easter egg hunt planned in Ullin

An Easter egg hunt is planned Saturday, April 16, in Ullin.

The event is set to begin at noon at the Ullin Ball Park. Children ages 12 and under are invited.

The egg hunt is sponsored by the Ullin Fire Department.

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Sports

A-J baseball outscores Pinckneyville, Nashville

The Anna-Jonesboro Community High School baseball team defeated host Pinckneyville 8-0 Friday, April 8.

Ethan Ames was 2-for-3 with a home run and 3 RBIs to lead the Wildcats.

Dylan Ahlberg was 2-for-3 with a double and an RBI. Drake Hartline was 2-for-4 with an RBI. Dylan Harvel was 1-for-2. Landon Trammel and Gavin Osman were both 1-for-3.

Kyle Jerrell was the winning pitcher with a one-hitter to go with 3 walks and 12 strikeouts.

Carterville 6, A-J 1: Hayden Ralls led the hitting by going 2-for-3 with a pair of doubles for the host Wildcats in the loss Tuesday, April 5.

Ahlberg was 2-for-3 with a double. Ames was 1-for-3 with a double.

Ames and Ahlberg pitched in the loss. Ames pitched 6 innings and allowed 4 hits to go with 3 walks and 9 strikeouts. Ahlberg pitched an inning and didn't give up a hit or walk to go with 2 strikeouts.

A-J 4, Nashville 1: Trammel was 2-for-3 to lead the visiting Wildcats to the win Monday, April 4.

Harvel was 1-for-2 with an RBI. Ahlberg was 1-for-2 and scored a run. Osman was 1-for-3.

Hartline, Aaron Sheffer and Ahlberg pitched. Hartline pitched 4 innings and allowed 4 hits to go with a walk and 4 strikeouts. Sheffer pitched 1 2/3 innings and didn't allow a hit and gave up 2 walks and 2 strikeouts. Ahlberg pitched 1/3 of an inning and allowed 2 walks.

A-J, 6-7 overall, plays Thursday, today, at home against Nashville.

Proud young hunter

Aubrey Burns, 6, harvested her first turkey on Sunday, April 3, after three tough spring morning hunts. Photo provided.

A-J softball team went 1-2 in action last week

The Anna-Jonesboro Community High School softball team posted a 1-2 record last week.

Pinckneyville 13, A-J 8: Shea Thorn was 4-for-4 with a pair of doubles to lead the visiting Lady Wildcats in the loss Friday, April 8.

Ariana Turner was 2-for-4 with a home run. Payton Seip was 2-for-4. Jenna Sadler was 2-for-5. Avery Osman had one hit for a home run and Hallie Plott, Cassidy Janke and Chesnee Marks each had a hit.

Sadler and Marks pitched in the loss. Sadler pitched 3 2/3 innings and allowed 9 hits to go with 4 walks and 4 strikeouts. Marks pitched 2 1/3 innings and allowed 3 hits to go with no walks and a strikeout.

Carterville 12, A-J 1: Thorn was 2-for-2 to lead host A-J at the plate in the loss Tuesday, April 5.

Osman was 1-for-2 with a home run and Seip was 1-for-2 with a double.

Marks and Abigail Dahmer pitched in the loss. Marks pitched 3 2/3 innings and allowed 7 hits to go with 2 walks and a strikeout. Dahmer pitched 1 1/3 innings and allowed 3 hits to go with a walk and no strikeouts.

A-J 11, Nashville 1: Seip was 3-for-4 to lead host A-J to the win Monday, April 4.

Osman was 2-for-4. Sadler, Cassidy Janke, Turner, Dahmer and Plott had a hit apiece.

Sadler pitched 7 innings and gave up 8 hits to go with 3 walks and 3 strikeouts.

A-J, 9-6, is scheduled to play Thursday, today, at home against Nashville.

River-to-River Trail society plans hike

The River-to-River Trail Society plans to offer a guided hike on Saturday, April 16, in the north part of Burden Falls Wilderness near Stonefort. The hike is free and open to the public.

The trail society said this will be a hike of between 5 and 6 miles. The hike will be of moderate difficulty and is intended for people who are in good health who have done some walking.

Hikers plan to visit Sand Hill and the iron bridge. Organizers said it is hoped that wild bluebells will be found in profusion.

The trail society advised that hiking sticks and boots or sturdy shoes are strongly recommended. Hikers are asked to bring their own water and a snack. Hikers are asked to not bring dogs.

Those who want to go on the hike are asked to meet at 10 a.m. at the Durfee residence at 418 Appel Rd. in Stonefort. For more information or directions, call 618-922-2579.

A-J/Cobden 3, Pinckneyville 1

Riley Cruse scored 2 goals to lead the visiting Anna-Jonesboro/Cobden co-op girls' high school soccer team to a 3-1 win over Pinckneyville, Thursday, April 7. Lakelynn Carter scored the other goal.

Cruse played 40 minutes in goal and had 3 saves. Hannah Webb played 40 minutes in goal and had 8 saves.

Murphysboro 1, A-J/Cobden 0: Goal keeper Cruse had 15 saves in the loss to the host Lady Red Devils Monday, April 4.

A-J/Cobden, 1-2 in the Southwest Egyptian Conference and 2-4 overall, does not play this week because of spring break and is scheduled to play again Saturday, April 16, at Centralia.

Cobden 11, Woodlawn 0

Tyler Franklin was 4-for-4 with 2 RBIs to lead the visiting Cobden High School baseball team to an 11-0 win over Woodlawn Monday, April 4.

Xach Roberts was 2-for-3 with a double and 2 RBIs. Jesus Zamora was 2-for-3 with an RBI. Dawson Short was 1-for-2. Brock Reynolds was 1-for-4 with 2 RBIs. Reese Hand and Nolan Hand were each 1-for-4.

Reese Hand and Franklin pitched in the win. Hand pitched 4 innings and allowed 2 hits to go with 2 walks and 7 strikeouts. Franklin pitched an inning and had no walks or strikeouts.

Cobden, 3-1, has no games scheduled this week because of spring break.

Trico tops Shawnee

The Shawnee High School baseball team lost 16-1 to host Trico Wednesday, April 6.

Chase Woodard and Braden Freeman were each 1-for-2 for Shawnee's only hits.

Cole Pender and Ryan Libbert pitched in the loss, allowing 14 hits to go with 12 walks and a strikeout.

Shawnee, 2-2, is off this week because of spring break and does not play again until Tuesday, April 19, at home against Joppa.

Cobden softball falls to Woodlawn

The Cobden High School softball team was held to one hit in a 15-0 loss to host Woodlawn Monday, April 4.

Katelyn Shadowens had the lone hit for the Appleknockers and finished 1-for-1 with a double.

Bianca Vicente pitched in the loss, allowing 11 hits to go with 4 walks and a strikeout.

Cobden, 4-6, is on spring break this week and doesn't play again until Tuesday, April 19, at Century.

Local wrestlers compete at nationals

Rage and Titan Henderson of Jonesboro went to Jacksonville, Fla., to compete at the Spartan Nationals April 7-10. Rage wrestled in Greco-Roman, freestyle, folkstyle and duals competition. Rage placed first in all four competitions and had the fastest pin of the tournament at 11 seconds. Titan wrestled in Greco-Roman, freestyle and the duals competition. He had two first-place finishes and one second-place finish.

They wrestled with Team Olympia in the duals competition. Their duals team placed first in the competition. Rage and Titan had the opportunity to wrestle opponents from multiple countries.

They are trained in all three wrestling styles by Joe Johnson of Gladiator Elite. Their strength and conditioning coach is Dawson Montfort with Rise Performance in Anna. The Henderson brothers' next competition will be in Virginia Beach. Photo provided.

Break-a-thon held for a good cause

Coffman's Martial Arts Academy in Anna hosted its ninth annual "Break-a-thon" fund-raiser event on Saturday, April 2, at the academy's dojang in Anna.

Students got to showcase their talents for family and friends by breaking boards with various strikes in exchange for sponsored donations. Tae kwon do students raised $1,400 for the Children's Medical and Mental Health Resource Network.

Part of the SIU School of Medicine, the CMMHRN provides specialized medical evaluations and support for children who are reported victims of child abuse or who are at risk of child abuse.

The accompanying photographs feature some of the participating students and their instructors. Photos by Benjamin Marxer.

Raelynn Bonner with instructor Cooper Johnson.

Bella Cook

Jeffery Stout

Marcellus Taylor with instructor Heather Coffman.

Ribbon cutting at Anna business

Friends and family joined Wildcat Nutrition owners Alison and Joseph Flamm for a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Friday, April 1, in Anna. The event was held in conjunction with the Union County Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development. Those present for the ribbon cutting included, from left, Tracey Smith, Stephanie Cox, Dori Bigler, Alison Flamm, Joseph Flamm, Lily Flamm, Rebecca Atkinson, Toni Flamm and Tanya Loveless.

Located at 113 Lafayette St. in Anna, Wildcat Nutrition offers meal replacement shakes, as well as specialty teas and coffees. The menu changes frequently, rotating in new items and seasonal options. Wildcat Nutrition is also now offering delivery to the Anna-Jonesboro area for orders over $20. For more information or to place an order, call 618-202-0947.

Wildcat Nutrition has expanded its hours and is now open from 6:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday, and from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday. More can be found on social media at facebook.com/wildcatnutritionannalL. Photo by Benjamin Marxer.

Civil War nurse's story to be shared

A live reenactment presentation about Ann Bradford Stokes is planned Saturday, April 23, in Mound City.

The presentation will be given by Marlene Rivero at 10:30 a.m. at the Rawlings Reservations at 315 S. Fourth St. Admission is free.

Ann Bradford Stokes was a Civil War nurse aboard the USS Red Rover, which made frequent trips to bring patients to a hospital in Mound City during the war.

She was born into slavery in 1830, escaped in 1863 and died in 1903 at Belknap.

Refreshments will be served at the April 23 event. The program is made possible by the Mound City National Preservation Commission through a grant from Illinois Humanities.

Community Child Find screenings planned at Union County schools

Parents with children under age 5 who are diagnosed with a developmental delay or disability can often find it difficult to get the services their child needs prior to kindergarten.

To help, Southern Seven Head Start and Union County area pre-kindergarten programs have scheduled their annual free community Child Find screening events throughout the region.

The purpose of the events is to identify children, ages birth to 5, who live in the lower seven counties in Illinois who require services and are enrolling in the programs for the 2022-2023 school year.

The events are conducted as part of the Preschool for All, PFA, program, which is funded by the Illinois State Board of Education, ISBE, that brings together qualified staff, a proven curriculum and parent involvement to help prepare children for success in school.

Screenings for children consist of game like activities and are conducted by Child and Family Connections.

In Illinois, the Child Find Project provides public awareness services as part of the comprehensive Child Find system.

Child Find is a component of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, IDEA, that requires states to identify, locate and evaluate all children with disabilities, aged birth to 21, who are in need of early intervention or special education services.

Head Start programs focus on children age birth to 5 years, while pre-kindergarten programs are for those children age 3 to 5.

The goal of the Child Find Project is to educate the public about the importance of early intervention and early childhood special education services for eligible children as early as possible in their development.

The project is in charge of the development and statewide dissemination of resources and service information to Illinois schools, early intervention providers, health care providers and the general public.

Head Start is a comprehensive child development program funded by the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services and serves families with young children age birth to 5.

Services include the areas of education, school readiness, social service, health and family involvement.

Illinois state pre-kindergarten is a preschool education program funded by the ISBE Early Childhood Block Grant Program and serves children ages 3 and 4 and is designed to improve school readiness through education and parent education services. Both programs are available at no cost to parents.

Union County Child Find Locations, Dates

This year's Child Find screening location dates and appointment information for Union County follow:

Anna: April 26, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Lincoln Elementary School in Anna. Call 833-6851 for more information.

Cobden: May 6, from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Cobden Elementary School in Cobden. Call 893-2311.

Dongola: May 2, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Dongola Elementary School in Dongola. Call 827-4441.

Jonesboro: April 29, from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Jonesboro Elementary School in Jonesboro. Call 618-833-5148.

Lick Creek: May 24, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at United Missionary Baptist Church, which is located at 125 United Missionary Baptist Ln. in Buncombe. Call 833-2545 to schedule an appointment beginning the week of April 19.

The following items are to be brought to the screening:

The child's certified birth certificate. Current physical and shot records. Proof of family income (one month of pay stubs or 2021 W2's, taxes, TANF or SSI).

More information about the Community Child Find screenings is available by contacting Southern Seven Head Start enrollment specialist Sharity Gaddis by phone at 618-634-2297, extension 9127.

SIU announces change in spring graduation ceremonies

Southern Illinois University Carbondale has announced a change in spring 2022 commencement ceremonies, which are planned Saturday, May 7.

There will now be two, rather than three, commencement ceremonies at Banterra Center that day.

Commencement for the SIU School of Law will still be on Friday, May 6, in Shryock Auditorium.

The revised schedule for the colleges, announced April 7, follows:

Friday, May 6

1 p.m. SIU School of Law.

Saturday, May 7

9 a.m. College of Agricultural, Life, and Physical Sciences; College of Health and Human Sciences; SIU School of Medicine (SOM Ph.D. and master's only).

1:30 p.m. College of Arts and Media; College of Business and Analytics; College of Engineering, Computing, Technology, and Mathematics; College of Liberal Arts; School of Education.

There is no ticketing for guests, and guest seating for all of the ceremonies is on a first-come, first-served basis.

Ceremonies will be compliant with campus and state pandemic safety protocols which are in place at the time.

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News from

Anna Nazarene Church

A Sunday morning worship service was held April 10 in the church and on Zoom.

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

The message given by Pastor Wright was titled "Palm Sunday." Scripture was from Luke, Mark, Romans and Galatians.

The message can be found on the church's website at annanaz.com and on the church's Facebook page.

The church's prayers and sympathy are extended to Jacob and Jennifer Partridge in the loss of their son, Corbin Jacob Partridge, on April 7.

Birthdays: Wendy Wiseman, Kaeden Ames, April 11.

Anniversary: Scott and Marlena Wright, April 16.

A Passover meal is planned at 6:30 p.m. Friday, April 15, in the fellowship hall.

An Easter egg hunt is planned at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 16, at the Graham Farm.

Easter Sunday is April 17. Breakfast will be served at 9 a.m. Sunday School is planned at 9:30 a.m. A morning worship service is planned at 10:35 a.m. Quizzing is planned at 5 p.m.

A Wednesday night service is planned at 6:30 p.m. on April 20 in the sanctuary and on Zoom, with the youth group meeting and children's Bible quizzing in the fellowship hall. The pastor can be texted prior to the meeting for the Zoom password.

An Illinois district children's quiz is planned at 10 a.m. April 23 at Salem Grace Church of the Nazarene.

Annual elections are planned in the fellowship hall from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. on April 24.

Breakfast will be served at 9 a.m. Sunday, April 24.

Sunday School is planned at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, April 24.

A morning worship service and Carolyn Murray's Memorial Roll Certificate Service are planned planned at 10:35 a.m. Sunday, April 24. Following the worship service, and continuing until 12:30 p.m., annual elections are planned 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.

News from

First Baptist Church, Jonesboro

On Sunday, April 10, in the morning service, Pastor Perry Williams addressed the fact that "ultimately Palm Sunday is a choice, a decision which path in life you will take. Once you go down one path, you've rejected the other path." The message was based on scripture from Luke 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 worship. Debbie York was the pianist. Robert and Margaret McCain presented a song, "Blessed Redeemer."

Men's Bible study was planned at 7 p.m. Monday.

A monthly business meeting was planned at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

Women on Mission plan to meet at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, today.

A Good Friday service is planned at 7 p.m. Friday, April 15.

On Saturday, April 16, at 10 a.m., the church plans to host an Easter egg hunt for children from birth to 6th grade. Free train rides and treat bags are planned. Children under 5 must be accompanied by an adult.

On Easter Sunday, April 17, the Celebration Choir plans to present a cantata, "The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power," at 10 a.m.

Birthday: Brooke Sheffer, April 15.

Anniversary: Tom and Diane Wright, April 13, 37 years.

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

The Dig-In Children's program and a youth group meeting are scheduled from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesdays.

Prayer and Bible study are scheduled at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays.

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Daily Bible Reading

John 12:12-36a	John 12:36b-50	John 18:1-18	John 18:19-40	John 19:1-16a	John 19:16b-30	John 19:31-42

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86th Annual Easter Sunrise Service at Bald Knob Cross

Sunday, April 17th beginning at 6:30 a.m.

This annual service remains one of the longest standing traditions in the region. The gates will open at 5:00 a.m. Handicap parking and on-site golf cart shuttles will be available. Worship Leaders for the event are Chris Parton and Kevin and Tricia Edwards along with a worship band. Pastor Casey Pollard of the Shawnee Worship Center in Vienna, Illinois will be the keynote speaker.

"In 1937, two men led an effort to unify Southern Illinoisans through an Easter Sunrise Service. Today, we continue to fulfill their vision with this service featuring long standing traditions as well as a contemporary worship experience. This 86th annual event will be held in-person and streamed online." commented Jeffrey Isbell, Executive Director of Bald Knob Cross of Peace.

Two food trucks will be on site during the event with Cold Blooded Coffee Co of Murphysboro and Dave's Bagels of Anna.

"After that first Easter Sunrise Service, the organizers began to develop plans for the site. In 1959, a groundbreaking was held for the Bald Knob Cross of Peace which was completed in 1963. Today, we host several signature events at the Cross in addition to the Easter Sunrise Service," Isbell continued.

Bald Knob Cross of Peace is situated in the Shawnee National Forest near the small town of Alto Pass, Illinois, and towers above the landscape at a height of over 111 feet. After the inaugural Easter Sunrise Service in 1937, construction of the Cross began in 1959 with completion in 1963. The Cross attracts over 35,000 visitors annually from across the world making it one of the most popular destinations in the region. The site is managed by Bald Knob Cross of Peace, Inc, a 501(c)3 charitable organization.

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17gp tfn

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FOR RENT: Large 1 bedroom upstairs apartment overlooking Main Street in Anna. Recently remodeled, 2 decks. $575.00 rent plus $575.00 deposit. No pets. References required. Call (618)-833-6432.

18gp

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

HELP WANTED: Hiring Exterior Cleaning Technicians. Tasks include: pressure washing, gutter cleaning, deck staining, etc. Starting at $14.00 per hour. Text (618)-697-5968 for more information.

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16g-18pc

HELP WANTED: Full-time Insurance Receptionist position. Please send resume to Taylor, Dodd & Wood Insurance, 521 E. Vienna Street, Anna, IL 62906.

17-18gp

JOB POSTING

Anna-Jonesboro CHSD #81 is accepting applications for the following vacancy:

• **Guidance Secretary**

Interested applicants should pick up an application or print one from our website at www.aj81.net and return to Anna-Jonesboro CHSD #81, Attn: Brett Detering, Principal, 608 S. Main St., Anna, IL 62906. Please contact the Principal's Office at (618)-833-8502 for more information. Applications will be taken until position is filled.

18-19gp

VACANCY NOTICE

Dongola Unit #66 is seeking applicants to fill the following positions for the 2022-2023 School Year :

• K-12 Music and Band Teacher
• HS English Teacher
• Two Paraprofessional Positions
• Elementary Education Teacher
• Jr High/High School Social Studies Teacher

Please send letter of interest, transcripts, and three letters of recommendation to:
Dr. Paige Helm Maginel
1000 High Street
Dongola, Illinois 62926

16p-18g

HELP WANTED: Anna First Baptist Church in Anna, IL, is actively seeking a pastor to provide spiritual, administrative and visionary leadership to their church which has served God in Southern Illinois for 162 years. Preferred candidate should have a Bachelor's degree and possess a minimum of 5 years of pastoral or professional ministry experience. He should exhibit strong preaching, teaching and managerial skills and have an open and engaging personality. Duties would include biblical counseling for the congregation, visitation and community outreach and involvement to help their church grow. Candidate should have a clear testimony of faith in Jesus Christ with no Calvinist beliefs. A personal, challenging, and Scripture-filled preaching style is ideal. Please send resumes to: pastorsearchanna3@gmail.com or 409 Morgan Street, Anna First Baptist, Anna, IL 62906.

18-19gp

HELP WANTED: Greenhouse worker. Flexible schedule. Must provide own transportation & childcare. Part to full-time. 4 miles south of Anna. Call (618)-759-0028.

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20 years experience
Call (618)-697-6772

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ARROWHEADS! Amateur Archeologist is obsessed with the hobby. I am building a museum of artifacts from Missouri & Illinois, and would like to buy individual finds or whole collections. ALSO, looking for sites to buy or lease that have a lot of "flint". Happy to answer any questions! Call Sean, (314)-608-2692.

52p-1g tfn

YARD SALE

HUGE MOVING/YARD SALE: Friday & Saturday, April 15 & 16, 8 a.m. to ??? 107 Plum Street, Anna. Lots of furniture, girls clothing, women & men's clothing, household items.

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4 FAMILY YARD SALE: Friday, April 15, 7 am. to ??? 120 Kirk Street, Anna. Furniture, tanning bed, hutch, kids clothing, toolbox, a lot of household items, toys.

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YARD SALE: Saturday, April 16, 8 a.m. to ??? 143 W. Vienna Street, Anna. Lots of stuff.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME ACT

State of Illinois
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County of Union

Notice is hereby given pursuant to "An Act in relation to the use of an Assumed Name in the conduct or Transaction of Business in the State," as Amended that a certification was filed by the undersigned with the County Clerk of Union County. Filed this 23rd day of March, 2022, under the Assumed Name of Just Peachy Cleaners with the place of business located at 200 Pine Tree Lane, Cobden, Illinois 62920, and that the True Name(s) and Residence Address of the sole owner(s) and Proprietor(s) of said Business is:

Tiffany Bowles
200 Pine Tree Lane
Cobden, IL 62920

Lance Meisenheimer
Union County Clerk

16-18gc

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

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.
PLAINTIFF
Vs.
Tiffiny D. Farris;
Felix Mumba;
Cavalry SPV I, LLC;
State of Illinois - Department of Revenue;
Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants
DEFENDANTS
2022FC4

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU:
Felix Mumba
Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants

That this case has been commenced in this Court against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit:

COMMONLY KNOWN AS:
100 Williams Street
Anna, IL 62906
and which said Mortgage was made by:
Tiffiny D. Farris
Felix Mumba

the Mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for American Bank, a Federal Savings Bank, as Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Union County, Illinois, as Document No. 2013R1981; and for other relief; that summons was duly issued out of said Court against you as provided by law and that the said suit is now pending.

NOW, THEREFORE, UNLESS YOU file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this case in the Office of the Clerk of this Court,

Keri Clark, Circuit Clerk
P.O. Box 450
Jonesboro, IL 62952

on or before May 9, 2022, A DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY AND A JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRAYER OF SAID COMPLAINT.

CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C.
Attorneys for Plaintiff
15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100
Burr Ridge, IL 60527
(630) 794-5300
DuPage # 15170
Winnebago # 531
Our File No. 14-22-00649

NOTE: This law firm is a debt collector.

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Notice for Bid

The Dongola Unit School District #66 is accepting bids for milk for the 2022-2023 school year. For more information or bid specifications, please contact the unit office at (618) 827-3841. Bids need to be submitted to Dr. Paige Helm Maginel, Dongola Unit #66, 1000 High Street, Dongola, Illinois 62926. Sealed bids will be accepted until May 20th, 2022.

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Notice for Bid

The Dongola Unit School District #66 is accepting bids for lawn services (mowing) for the 2022-2023 school year. For more information or bid specifications, please contact the unit office at (618) 827-3841. Bids need to be submitted to Dr. Paige Helm Maginel, Dongola Unit #66, 1000 High Street, Dongola, Illinois 62926. Sealed bids will be accepted until May 20th, 2022.

17-18gp

CITY OF ANNA, ILLINOIS
NOTICE OF SALE OF SURPLUS PROPERTY

Pursuant to 65 ILCS 5/11-76-4 of the Illinois Municipal Code, the City of Anna has declared the following Exhibit A Surplus Property List, as surplus personal property and offers the same for sale. Said property may be inspected at the Public Works Garage located at 105 Market Street in the City of Anna and is sold in "AS IS" condition, without any implied or expressed warranties.

EXHIBIT A
Surplus Property
2004 Ford F350
minimum bid $1,000.00

Sealed bids, identifying the above-described item(s), shall be received by the City Clerk during normal business hours, Monday through Friday at the Anna City Hall, 103 Market Street, Anna, Illinois through May 3, 2022. The minimum bid has been established for each surplus item. Please see Surplus Property List for the Minimum bid, as no bid for less than that amount will be accepted. A check or money order shall accompany all bids for not less than 10% of the bid.

All bids will be opened and read at the regular meeting of the Anna City Council to be held on May 5, 2022 at 5 p.m. at the Anna City Hall. The City of Anna reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Dori Bigler
City Clerk

18-19g

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

ANNA STATE BANK
Plaintiff,
v.
GREAT BOARS OF FIRE
DAVID FOMBELLE
EAST PERRY TIMBER PROCUREMENT, LLC
Defendants.
No. 2022FC8

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

Notice is hereby given to Unknown Owners and Non-record Claimants of the Complaint for Foreclosure filed in the above case on April 05, 2022, and they are named Defendants in the above-entitled case, pursuant to the provisions of Illinois Compiled Statutes, Chapter 735, Act 5, Sections 2-206, 15-1218 and 15-1502, and that the above-entitled mortgage foreclosure suit is now pending in said court and unless you file an appearance or answer to the complaint the day on or after which a default may be entered against the above named parties for failing to file an appearance or answer is, May 16, 2022. 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.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp or contact your local circuit clerk's office.

The following information applies to said foreclosure proceeding:

1. The names of all Plaintiffs and the case number are identified above.

2. The court in which said action was brought is identified above.

3. The name of the title holder of record is: David Fombelle

4. The legal descriptions of the real estate sufficient to identify them with reasonable certainty and the mortgages sought to be foreclosed are as follows:

A PARCEL OF LAND BEING A PART OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER AND A PART A PART OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 18, TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN. SAID PARCEL IS A PART OF PROPERTY DESCRIBED AND RECORDED IN BOOK 128, PAGE 420 IN THE UNION COUNTY COURT HOUSE IN THE NAME OF DAVID FOMBELLE AND PATRICIA FOMBELLE, DATED JULY 8, 1977. SAID PARCEL BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT AN IRON ROD FOUND AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER; THENCE N 89°50'44" E, 1485.42 FEET ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER TO A COTTON GIN SPINDLE SET IN THE CENTERLINE OF KRATZINGER HOLLOW ROAD, THIS BEING THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE N 64°26'31" W, 204.29 FEET ALONG SAID CENTERLINE TO A COTTON GIN SPINDLE SET; THENCE ALONG NEW LINES THE FOLLOWING FIVE (5) CALLS: THENCE N 40°33,38" E, 202.80 FEET, PASSING AN IRON ROD SET AT 20.00 FEET, TO AN IRON ROD SET; THENCE N55°3 I'M" E, 101.57FEET-TO AN IRON ROD SET; THENCE N 00°09'16" W, 845.74 FEET TO AN IRON ROD SET; THENCE N 89°50,44" E, 348.52 FEET TO AN IRON ROD SET; THENCE S 00°09'I6" E, 1145.37 FEET TO AN IRON ROD SET IN THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER; THENCE S 89<,50,44" W, 380.62 FEET ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER AND THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID PARCEL TO CONTAIN 10.001 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, PER SURVEY BY BILLY J. ABERNATHY, IL PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR NO. 3536, DATED 8/19/2010. SAID PARCEL BEING SUBJECT TO THE EXISTING RIGHT-OF-WAY OF KRATZINGER HOLLOW ROAD, AND ALL OTHER RIGHTS- OF-WAY AND EASEMENTS, RECORDED OR OTHERWISE. ALL SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Date of mortgage: December 26, 2018

Name of mortgagor: David Fombelle

Name of mortgagee: Anna State Bank

Date and place of recording: December 28, 2018 in the Union County Illinois Recorders Office

Identification of recording: Document No.: 2018R2395

Lance Meisenheimer
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Union County Courthouse
Anna, IL 62906

Scott P. Hendricks
Attorney at Law
206 W. College,
Ste. 12
Carbondale, IL 62901
phone: (618) 529-2274
fax: (618) 529-1638
email: shendricks@global-eyes.net

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND THAT ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM YOU IN MY ATTEMPT TO COLLECT THIS DEBT WILL BE USED FOR PURPOSES OF COLLECTING THE DEBT.

18-20g

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

ESTATE OF OLIVER RIDGWAY, DECEASED.
IN PROBATE
NO. 2022-PR-10

NOTICE OF DEATH INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION, AND CLAIM DATE

NOTICE IS GIVEN to creditors of the death of Oliver Ridgway, of Anna, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on April 8, 2022, to Randy Brown, 205 Pine Hills Drive, Nashville, IN 47448, as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Elvis C. Cameron, 205B N. Main St., Anna, Illinois.

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

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

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

Notice is further given to STACY RIDGWAY and STEPHANIE RIDGWAY, believe to be heirs at law of Oliver Ridgway, and other unknown heirs of Oliver Ridgway, if any, as to the proceedings herein and to any rights such heirs may have

under the Illinois Probate Act. (755 ILCS 5/et seq).

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 October 14, 2022, 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: April 11, 2022.

RANDY BROWN

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

State of Illinois
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County of Union

Notice is hereby given pursuant to "An Act in relation to the use of an Assumed Name in the conduct or Transaction of Business in the State," as Amended that a certification was filed by the undersigned with the County Clerk of Union County. Filed this 5th day of April, 2022, under the Assumed Name of The Closet Ministries with the place of business located at 112 Leigh Avenue, Apt. 110, Anna, Illinois 62906, and that the True Name(s) and Residence Address of the sole owner(s) and Proprietor(s) of said Business is:

Andrea Hutcheson
112 Leigh Avenue
Apt. 110
Anna, IL 62906

Lance Meisenheimer
Union County Clerk
18-20gc

Notice of Public Hearing On The Tentative Annual Budget For The City of Jonesboro, Illinois For 2022-2023

A Public Hearing on the Tentative Annual Budget for the City of Jonesboro, Illinois for 2022-2023, will be held on Monday, May 2, 2022, at 7 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Jonesboro City Hall, 1101 Public Square, Jonesboro, Illinois 62952.

After such hearing and the adjournment thereof, the Tentative Annual Budget, as presented and/or as revised, shall be passed and adopted without any further notice, hearing, or opportunity for inspection or change.

The Tentative Annual Budget will be posted on the bulletin board in the lobby area of the Jonesboro City Hall, 1101 Public Square, Jonesboro, and upon posting, will be available for public inspection during normal business hours 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Dated April 12, 2022.

Barbara Casper
Jonesboro City Clerk
18-19g

Southern Seven promotes awareness about STDs

April 10-16 is STD Awareness Week. Southern Seven Health Department says the week is a time to increase awareness about sexually transmitted diseases, STDs, to decrease the stigma of STDs and to encourage open conversations with healthcare professionals to prevent life-long health issues.

Southern Seven says that according to the Illinois Department of Public Health, IDPH, STDs are some of the most commonly reported diseases in the United States, with an estimated 20 million new STD infections in the nation each year.

Of the new infections, half are among young people ages 15 to 24.

While there are more than 20 types of STDs, some of the most common in Illinois are chlamydia, gonorrhea and syphilis.

Public health officials say that many STDs can be easily diagnosed and treated. Treatment may include antibiotics or antivirals, depending on the disease.

According to Southern Seven, it is common that many people will not have any symptoms when they are infected with an STD.

This makes screening for such diseases important to prevent serious health problems from untreated infections.

While treatment is often the common course of action with sexually transmitted diseases, prevention plays the biggest role, and that includes vaccines.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, CDC, recommends vaccines for two common STDs: Hepatitis B, HBV, and Human Papillomavirus, HPV.

The health department advises that each vaccine is safe, effective and a recommended way to prevent transmission of the diseases.

HPV vaccination is recommended for preteens, both male and female, ages 11 or 12 (or can start at age 9) and everyone through age 26, if not vaccinated already. This vaccine is best known in the prevention of several cancers including cervical, genital and throat.

Southern Seven also advises that you should also get vaccinated for Hepatitis B if you were not vaccinated when you were younger. This vaccine prevents liver cancer and other liver related illnesses later in life.

Southern Seven Health Department offers testing for chlamydia, gonorrhea, syphilis and HIV at each of its public health clinics.

Vaccination for HBV and HPV are available by appointment by calling a local clinic or 618-634-2297.

More information about STD treatment and prevention can be found online by visiting dph.illinois.gov or southern7.org.

News from

Camp Ground Church, Community

Rev. Dee Ann Thompson's Palm Sunday sermon was titled "In the Upper Room," with scripture from the Gospels of John and Mark.

The sermon recalled that the "week leading up to Christ's crucifixion began with His entering Jerusalem surrounded by a joyous throng; Christians worldwide refer to this date as Palm Sunday.

"Jesus chose to spend His final week with his closest friends, including commemoration of the Passover feast with His twelve disciples.

"Until Christ's death on the cross, forgiveness for sins always required a sacrificial animal.

"As Jesus shared this 'Last Supper' with His closest friends, He introduced a new definition to the elements of the Passover celebration. He broke the bread and poured the wine and told them it was symbolic of His body being broken and blood sacrificed for mankind's sins.

"The disciples didn't understand what Jesus was telling them; they couldn't imagine what the remainder of the week would bring about.

"Jesus was the final sacrifice necessary for reconciliation of mankind; He willingly gave His life on the cross that we might be made right with God.

Following the sermon, Holy Communion was served; assisting Rev. Thompson were Elders Karen Vaughn, Rodney Miller and Tony Gerard.

During children's time, they discussed the meaning of the elements of Holy Communion.

Kayton Crane, assisted by her grandfather Rodney Miller, rang the bell to start the worship service. Raelynn Bonner and Reed Crane took up the offering.

All are welcome to services each Sunday at Camp Ground Church, especially this Sunday, which is Easter Sunday. Bible study begins at 9:30 a.m. Worship is at 10:30 a.m.

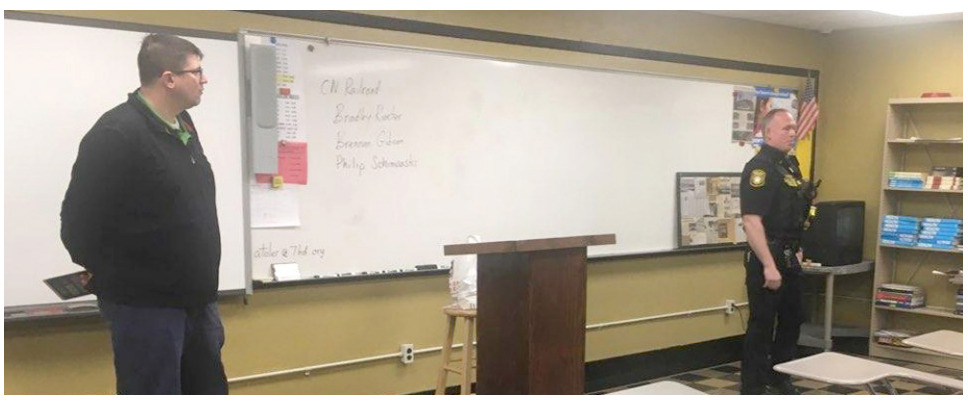
Worship also is available on Zoom. Those who would like to join in worship via Zoom can leave a message on the church phone (833-9000) with their email address or cell phone number and the link will be sent Sunday morning.

This week, greetings go to Raelynn Bonner, whose birthday was Tuesday, the 12th.

Congratulations are extended to the Rev. Dee Ann and Kenneth Thompson, whose wedding anniversary is tomorrow, the 15th.

Camp Ground Church and community wish the staff and readers of this newspaper a very blessed Easter.

Students hear about railroad safety



On April 6, Bradley Rueter, Brennan Gibson and Philip Schimanski of the CN Railroad came to Shawnee High School in Wolf Lake to speak to teacher Bob Hathaway's driver education classes about railroad safety and careers with the railroad. Photos provided.

Yard Sales are back!

Check out the Yard Sales in this week's paper and Yard Sale Safely. To place yours call 618-833-2158.

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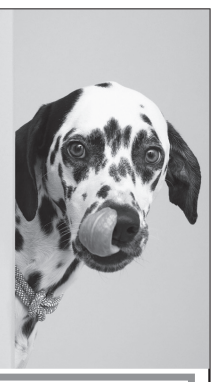

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Reports	7,437
Properties	1,153,833
Cash	$229,665,345
Shares	24,427,926

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Number of paid claims	268,771
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Anna News

By Martha Ann Webb

Please have news to me by Sunday night. Email me at marthaannwebb@gmail.com, mail to me at 118 W. Monroe St., leave news in the back of the green box at the right of my front door or call me at 833-5717.

Happy Easter

Wishing everyone a very blessed Easter.

Bald Knob Service

Bald Knob Easter sunrise service will be at 6:30 a.m. Easter morning.

Special Thanks

To Jack Brimm for giving me credit when he renewed his subscription to The Gazette-Democrat.

Honor Wreaths for Veterans

Special thanks to Jack Brimm for his donation of four Honor Wreaths for Veterans for our Anna Cemetery to honor veterans and their resting place.

Visitors

Of Gaylon and Clara Cates have been Clara's cousin and his wife Orley and Shema Cain from Elgin.

Wedding Anniversary

Terry and Barbara House are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary today, Thursday, April 14. Give them a call and wish them a very blessed day and many more wonderful healthy and happy anniversaries.

50th Anniversary

Walt and Robin Wareing Jackson was honored on their 50th wedding anniversary with a surprise party given by their children, Andrea, Lori, Philip and Andy. Many family members and friends attended.

Visit to Anna

Cathy Ziegler of Carbondale attended the Anna Arts Center to hear Dennis Stroughmatt last Tuesday night and got a bonus of seeing Lynn and Paul Steveson.

Dennis came to Cathy's classroom over 20 years ago. Cathy said it was a great show.

Anna-Jonesboro Women's Club

GFWC Anna-Jonesboro Women's Club met April 4 at the United Methodist Church Anna fellowship hall.

President Jane Bauer called the meeting to order with everyone standing and saying the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and the Club Collect.

Guests were Cheryl Graff, regional office of education, and Nancy Bitner, assistant regional superintendent. Cheryl was guest speaker and told of their duties in the schools and answered many questions.

Devotion was by Martha Ann Webb. Current events by Jane Bauer. Secretary's report by Susie Kessler. Treasurer's report by Debbie Rossberg. Other members present were Barbara House, Martha Schwegman and Lillian Milam.

The GFWC District 25 convention was held at First Baptist Church in Herrin. Susie Kessler, Lillian Milam, Marie Samuels and Jane Bauer attended. The club received several awards from the district and state for all the club's volunteer work all year.

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month and the club decorated a tree at our Anna Park.

It was voted to give a donation to Safe Celebration at Anna-Jonesboro Community High School and a donation for the veterans activities at the Illinois Veterans Home in Anna.

Red Hat Ladies

The Little Egypt Red Hat Ladies will meet Wednesday, April 20, at El Jalapeno in Anna at 11 a.m. All members will be the hostesses. If you would like to be in the gift exchange bring a gift. Everyone welcome to attend and bring a friend.

Birthdays

April 10 Vicky Sadler 27 David Ray, 29 Aaron Hart in Florida.

A-J Band

Congratulations to the Anna-Jonesboro Community High School band on their trip to Florida this week.

Kentucky

A lot of people went to Turkey Bay at Land Between the Lakes in Kentucky this weekend to ride the trails on their Razors and 4 wheelers.

United Methodist Church, Anna

Palm Sunday Jane Bauer did the Lenten candle litany and prayer.

A beautiful Christ is Risen cantata was presented by the choir. Musical directors were Marcy Morris and Carla Anderson. Narrator was Janet Boyd. Solos were by Ben Twitchell and Terri Goldsberry.

Everyone was given a palm branch as they entered the church. They waved them as they sang songs.

Rev. Tim Gossett asked the children if they had ever been in a parade and told them about Jesus triumphant entry into Jerusalem. They then marched around the church waving their palm leaves in remembrance of Jesus and Palm Sunday.

Sara Sullivan had all her family members present. Guests of Lovella Graig and family were Maria and Ryan Uteg, Harley, Olivia and Carter Hand, and Janet Bowning. There were several guests.

Praises were given and prayers were said for those who were sick and have lost loved ones.

Thursday, April 14, at 7 p.m. at the church there will be a Maundy Thursday service for Anna and Vienna and anyone who would want to attend in the upper room (chapel).

Friday, April 15, there will be a Good Friday service at 7 p.m.

Easter Sunday service will be at 10:45 a.m. Everyone is invited to attend the church services.

Anna First Baptist Church

Palm Sunday reminds us that the reign of Christ is far greater than any the mind of man could ever conceive or plan.

Man looked for someone to fight their battles in the present day world. Yet God had the ultimate plan of sending His Son to fight the final battle over death.

This is the greatness

Anna City Hall staff associate in charge of Anna City Cemetery records Tracee Foley carefully holds the only old paper cemetery plat of record. All others were destroyed years ago when the sexton's office building was destroyed by fire. Behind Mrs. Foley is a large wall chart showing cemetery sections and plots. The public record managed by Mrs. Foley is a remarkable resource for the City of Anna and community. Barbara Bauer was very impressed with the help Tracee Foley at Anna City Hall gave her with old document and charts.

Lillian Milam, education chairman, and Jane Bauer, president of GFWC Illinois Anna-Jonesboro Womens Club, welcomed guest speaker Cheryl Graff, regional superintendent of education, and Nancy Bitner, assistant regional superintendent, to their meeting Monday, April 4, at the fellowship hall at United Methodist Church Anna.

GFWC Illinois Anna-Jonesboro Women's Club met April 4: from left are Susie Kessler, Martha Schwegman, Barbara House, Lillian Milam, Martha Ann Webb, Jane Bauer, guests Nancy Bitner and Cheryl Graff. Photographer Debbie Rossberg.

Chase Dugger and Joni Bavwick were at the Union County Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development meeting at Union County Courthouse. Joni was guest speaker.

Swing by the Anna Moose Lodge in beautiful downtown Anna on Saturday, April 16, beginning at 8 a.m. for the Women of the Moose annual Easter bake sale. Let us provide your Easter dinner dessert. Also, there will be baby back ribs being sold. You are welcome to call 833-2733 to preorder ribs.

Guest speaker at the GFWC Illinois District 25 convention was Cheryl Ranchino Trench. Her topic was "Sisterhood & Support." Cheryl has written a book "Snapshots & Footnotes."

Rob Wright, superintendent at Anna-Jonesboro Community High School, accepted a check for Safe Celebration from GFWC Illinois Anna-Jonesboro Women's Club, represented by Martha Ann Webb, publicity chairman, and Jane Bauer, president.

Jacob Hileman visited Anna recently when he worked in St. Louis for a couple of weeks. Jake Hileman and his family live in Paris, France. He works for a St. Louis based company so comes periodically to the home office. Doug and Beth Hileman and Norm and Barb Bauer enjoyed having him for a few days. Pictured here Doug, Jake and Barb admired wooden bowls Norm learned to make in Florida.

Melissa Tripp, activity director at the Illinois Veterans Home in Anna, was presented a check for the veterans activities by GFWC Illinois Anna-Jonesboro Women's Club, represented by president Jane Bauer and publicity chairman Martha Ann Webb.

Jane Bauer, president of GFWC Illinois Anna-Jonesboro Women's Club, received a state award from GFWC state president Teresa Sanford-Shipley at the District 25 convention held in Marion.

of why we celebrate this week. Because of Christ's ultimate sacrifice, we can be set free of death.

In this Holy Week may God direct our thoughts and attention towards what matters most, Jesus Christ our King. (Christianity.com).

The ladies ensemble sang "I Believe in a Hill Called Calvary" on Palm Sunday and plan to sing again on Easter Sunday.

All are welcome to a Good Friday service at the church at 6 p.m. as well as Easter Sunday at 10:15 a.m. at 409 Morgan St. Also the Sunday service is on YouTube at Anna First Live Feed.

Anna Heights Baptist Church

Pastor Darryl Williams continued his sermon series Questions and Answers. This week why aren't certain books included in the Protestant Bible.

April 3 attendance: 8 a.m. service 94. 10:30 a.m. service 113. 6 p.m. service 38. Small group Bible study 207.

Preschool Easter egg hunt Sunday, April 17, 9:15 a.m. Men's breakfast Saturday, April 23, at 8 a.m.

Young at Heart Azalea trip to Charleston, Mo., April 28. Bus leaves at 9:30 a.m.

Momma Lou's Crafters will meet Thursday, April 28, at 6:30 p.m. in the chapel. This month's project is a board wood cross.

April birthdays: 16 Jessi Watson, 17 Bailey Mix, 18 Kathy Pengress, 20 Kim Brimm, Marc Korb, 22 Payton Seip.

Anniversary: Kendall and Charlotte Echols.

Rhymer News

Visitors in the Rhymer home in Dongola were Andy Rhymer and his friend Melissa and her three daughters from Junction City, Kan. They all ate out at the Giant City Lodge. Sunday, they all were joined by Jamie and Rebecca Yates for lunch.

Anna VFW

Star Karaoke Friday night, April 15, from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Fish dinner starting, 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Historic Kornthal Church

Barbara Bauer said it was a beautiful sunny spring afternoon for the Sunday, April 10, special Palm Sunday fellowship and worship service at Historic Kornthal Church near Jonesboro.

Pastor Bill Littrell captivated his audience with the scriptural story of Jesus life, passion, death and resurrection. Along with some life experiences of his own, Littrell brought to his listeners "sometimes laughter" and "sometimes tears."

In addition to spirited congregational singing (of which Littrell said Mrs. Cozby would be pleased), an ensemble, "Deloris and Family," sang a litany of hymns that told the passion story.

Folks from at least two states, and many denominations made up the full house audience. It seemed that all departed feeling blessed to have been a part of Kornthal's Palm Sunday remembrance.

Call from Australia

I, Martha Ann Webb was very surprised and excited to get a phone call from my cousin Gretchen Corbitt Robinson from Australia on Palm Sunday. It was 11:24 p.m. Sunday night here and 2:24 p.m. Monday in Australia.

I was telling her we received a palm branch in church Sunday morning and she said they had several palm trees in their yard but when the seeds came on them giant bats would come eat the seeds.

Gretchen and David son Adam's mother-in-law came to visit and help with the new baby Sarah and Adam just had.

Bad thing before she and her husband left the states she fell down the elevator and didn't get her arm checked until she got to Australia and had to sit in an emergency room all day Saturday. They said her arm was to swollen to tell if it was broke but it had a sprain. Please keep them in your prayers.

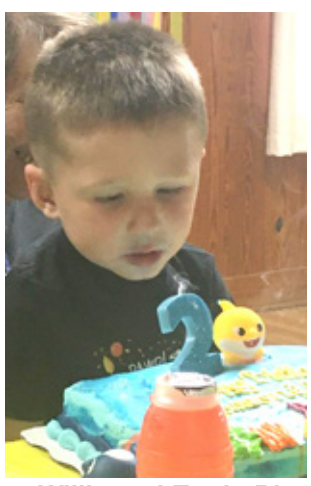
Gretchen and I reminisced about our childhood growing up and about our children and grandchildren.

Donna Duty was honored March 27 at the Apostolic Lighthouse of Cobden on her retirement from the office of secretary and treasurer. She has been a faithful servant of God in that for 49 years. Donna received a nice gift, and lunch was enjoyed by everyone.

Vickie Sadler celebrated her birthday April 10 with her husband Matt, family and friends.

On Saturday, April 9, the Anna Kiwanis Club held their annual Easter egg hunt for children through age 10. Bringing this annual event to our community of children, is a joy to our members. Join us on April 23 when we partner with the Union County Soccer League for a fish fry from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Kiwanis building.

Violet Yates planted the tree given to her at Anna District 37 in her grandparents Willie and Terrie Rhymer's yard in Dongola.



Willie and Terrie Rhymer attended the birthday parties of Emersyn and Jaxson Rhymer at the Dongola Community Center. They celebrated with many families and friends.

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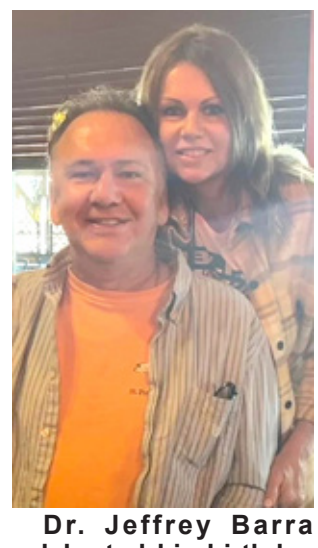
Congratulations new business in Anna. Angie Miller Stoner has opened a beautiful spa in the former Bunny Bread building.



Dr. Jeffrey Barra celebrated his birthday with his wife Christy April 5.

Walt and Robin Jackson were honored on their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday, April 9, with a party given by their children.

Television Listings

THURSDAY — APRIL 14, 2022

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local	Local Programs	SportsCenter (HD)	Bang (HD)	9-1-1 *"Pinned"*	Big City	(5:55) Winning	**"True Crime"** ('99) (R)	(5:15) **"48 Hrs."** ('82)
:30			Local			Bang (HD)		★★★½ **"Zootopia"** ('16) *First rabbit.*			
7 PM	Feud (HD)	Young	MasterChef Junior	Law & Order (HD)	NHL Hockey *Minnesota Wild at Dallas Stars* (Live)	Bang (HD)	9-1-1		Winning	★★★½ **"Collateral"** ('04) *Hitman's hostage.* (HD)	**"Beverly Hills Cop"** ('84) *Detroit cop in L.A.*
:30		The United				Bang (HD)					
8 PM	Press Your Luck (HD)	Ghosts	Call Me	Law & Order: SVU		Bang (HD)	9-1-1 *"Eddie Begins"*	Big City	★★★½ **"King Richard"** ('21, Drama) *Venus and Serena.*		
:30		How We	Welcome to			Bang (HD)		Big City			
9 PM	Economics	Bull *"Dark Horse"* (HD)	Local Programs *Local info.*	Organized Crime (HD)		Bang (HD)	9-1-1 *Blind woman.*	Big City		**"Riddick"** ('13) Vin Diesel. *Battling predators.*	Super Pump (HD)
:30	Economics				SportsCenter with Scott (HD)	Bang (HD)		Big City			
10 PM	Local	Local		Local		Last O.G.	Law & Order: SVU	Miraculous			DESUS &
:30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(:35) Late Show (HD)		(:35) Tonight (HD)		Young		Miraculous	The Invisible Pilot		Billions (HD)
11 PM	Nightline	Corden	Local Programs	Late Night	SportsCenter (HD)	Young	Law & Order: SVU	Jessie		★★½ **"Backtrack"** ('16)	DESUS &
:30						Frontal		Jessie	Phoenix		

FRIDAY — APRIL 15, 2022

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	NBA Basketball *"Play-In Game"* (Live) (HD)	(:03) **"Movie"**	Chicago Fire (HD)	Jessie	My Brilliant Friend	**"Reservoir Dogs"** (R)	**"The Green Knight"**
:30								Raven			
7 PM	Shark Tank (HD)	Come Dance with Me (HD)	WWE Friday Night SmackDown (Live) (HD)	The Blacklist (HD)			Chicago Fire (HD)	Raven	★★★ **"We're the Millers"** ('13) *Fake family.* (HD)	**"Jumper"** ('08) *Instant transport.*	**"La Madrina: The Savage"** ('20)
:30								Amphibia			
8 PM	(:01) 20/20 *Investigative news.* (HD)			Dateline NBC *Investigative news.*			Chicago Fire (HD)	Owl House		★★½ **"I Am Number Four"** ('11)	The Circus
:30					SportsCenter (HD)			Big City			
9 PM		Blue Bloods (HD)	Local Programs *Local info.*			**"Movie"**	Chicago Fire (HD)	Big City	Bill Maher: #Adulting		Bellator MMA *"277: McKee vs. Pitbull 2"* (Live) (HD)
:30								Big City			
10 PM	Local	Local		Local	SportsCenter (HD)		Chicago Fire (HD)	Raven	Sketch	★½ **"Hellbenders"** *Elite exorcists.*	
:30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(:35) Late Show (HD)		(:35) Tonight (HD)				Raven	Bill Maher: #Adulting		
11 PM					SportsCenter (HD)	B/R Gaming (HD)	Chicago Fire (HD)	Jessie			
:30	Nightline	Corden	Local	Late Night				Jessie	Sketch	**"Spartans"**	

SATURDAY — APRIL 16, 2022

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM	Local	Local Programs	USFL	Local	(5:00) 2022 NBA Playoffs (Live)	(4:45) **"Movie"**	(3:01) **"Secrets"** ('02)	Big City	**"The Hobbit"** ('12)	**"Half Brothers"** ('20)	Showtime Boxing *"Butaev vs. Stanionis"* (Live)
:30	Local		USFL Football *New Jersey Generals at Birmingham Stallions* (Live)	USFL Football (Live)		**"Movie"**	**"Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them"** *Magical creatures.*	Big City	**"The Forever Purge"** ('21) (HD)	**"Reservation Road"** ('07) (R) (HD)	
7 PM	To Be Announced *Info unavailable.*	NCIS: L. A. (HD)			UFC Fight Night (Live)			Big City			**"The Wolf of Wall Street"** ('13) *Nefarious stock broker's pursuits.* (R)
:30								The Ghost			
8 PM		48 Hours (HD)						The Ghost	(:45) Winning	**"Basic Instinct"** ('92) Michael Douglas. *Ice pick murderer.*	
:30								Amphibia			
9 PM		48 Hours (HD)				Christmas (HD)		Amphibia			
:30			Local	SNL (HD)				Sketch			
10 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs *Local info.*	I Can See Your Voice	Local		Christmas (HD)	(:53) ★★★ **"Fantastic Beasts: Crimes"** ('18)	Owl House	Bill Maher: #Adulting		
:30				Saturday Night Live (HD)	Sports			Owl House			
11 PM	Local Programs		Local Programs		SportsCenter (HD)	Wipeout		Miraculous	**"Nightmare Alley"**	**"Blood Father"** ('16)	Super Pump (HD)
:30								Miraculous			

SUNDAY — APRIL 17, 2022

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM	Home Videos (HD)	60 Minutes (HD)	NASCAR Cup Series *from Bristol Motor Speedway* (Live)	American Song Contest *Original music.* (HD)	MLB Baseball *Atlanta Braves at San Diego Padres* (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD)	**"Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban"** *Magic and mystery.*	Big City	**"Man of Steel"** ('13) *Superman's origins.* (HD)	(5:20) **"Taken 2"** ('12)	Billions (HD)
:30						Bang (HD)		Miraculous			
7 PM	American Idol *"511 (Season 20's Top 20)"* Top 20 perform. (HD)	The Equalizer (HD)				Bang (HD)		Miraculous		**"The Untouchables"** *Fed battles the mob.*	The Circus
:30						Bang (HD)		Miraculous			The Circus
8 PM		NCIS: L. A. *"MWD"*		Weakest Link (HD)		Bang (HD)		Raven	Winning		The First Lady (HD)
:30						Bang (HD)		Raven			
9 PM		S.W.A.T. *"Cry Foul"*	Local Programs *Local info.*	Transplant *"Liberty"*	SportsCenter (HD)	The Flight Attendant	**"Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire"** ('05) *A wizard tournament.*	Jessie	Barry (HD)	**"War"** ('07) *Agent seeks revenge.*	The First Lady (HD)
:30								Jessie	Barry (HD)		
10 PM	Local Programs *Local info.*	Local Programs		Local Programs *Local info.*	SportsCenter (HD)	The Flight Attendant		Big City	Oliver		The First Lady (HD)
:30								Big City	Game	**"Stoker"** ('13) *Suspicious uncle.*	
11 PM		Local Programs				**"The Waterboy"** ('98)		Big City	(:10) Winning		The Circus
:30	(:35) Local		Local		TBA			Big City			First Lady

MONDAY — APRIL 18, 2022

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local	Local Programs	E60 (HD)	Bang (HD)	(4:00) **"Phoenix"** ('07)	Big City	★★★½ **"Free Guy"** ('21) *Guy in a video game.*	**"Strange But True"**	★★★ **"Seabiscuit"** ('03)
:30			Local			Bang (HD)		Big City			
7 PM	American Idol *"512 (Top 14 Live Reveal)"* (HD)	Neighbor.	9-1-1 *"Dumb Luck"*	American Song Contest *Original songs.* (HD)	ESPN Films (HD)	Bang (HD)	WWE Monday Night Raw (Live) (HD)	Amphibia		**"The X-Files"** ('98) *Agents seek truth.* (HD)	The First Lady (HD)
:30		Bob Hearts				Bang (HD)		Amphibia			
8 PM		NCIS *"Last Dance"*	(:01) 9-1-1: Lone Star			Bang (HD)		Jessie	The Invisible Pilot		★★★½ **"Selma"** ('15, Drama) *Gov't vs. MLK.*
:30						Bang (HD)		Jessie			
9 PM	The Good Doctor	NCIS: Hawai'i (HD)	Local Programs *Local info.*	The Endgame (HD)		Dad (HD)		Big City	My Brilliant Friend	**"X Files: I Want to Believe"** ('08)	
:30						Dad (HD)		Big City			
10 PM	Local	Local		Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Dad (HD)	Mud, Sweat & Beards	Miraculous	(:20) Gentleman Jack		(:10) The First Lady
:30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(:35) Late Show (HD)		(:35) Tonight (HD)		Dad (HD)		Miraculous		(:49) **"I Am Number Four"** ('11)	
11 PM			Local Programs		SportsCenter (HD)	Burgers	Mud, Sweat & Beards	Jessie	My Brilliant Friend		The Circus
:30	Nightline	Corden		Late Night		Burgers		Jessie			DESUS &

TUESDAY — APRIL 19, 2022

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	SportsCenter Special (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Big City	Sketch	★½ **"The Prince"** ('14)	**"Ferris Bueller"** ('86)
:30						Bang (HD)		Big City	(:35) ★★½ **"F9"** ('21) *Dom and the team fight Dom's brother.*		
7 PM	Judge Steve Harvey	FBI *"Fear Nothing"*	The Resident (HD)	Young Rock		Bang (HD)	WWE NXT *"NXT 666"* (Live) (HD)	Big City		**"Bad News Bears"** ('05) *Little league coach.*	The First Lady (HD)
:30				Mr. Mayor	30 for 30 *"Shark"* (HD)	Bang (HD)		Big City			
8 PM	black-ish	FBI: International	(:01) Name That Tune	This Is Us (HD)		Bang (HD)		BUNK'D			★★ **"Failure to Launch"** ('06) (HD)
:30	black-ish					Bang (HD)		BUNK'D			
9 PM	To Tell the Truth (HD)	FBI: Most Wanted	Local Programs *Local info.*	The Thing About Pam	NHL Hockey *Los Angeles vs Anaheim* (Live)	Bang (HD)	(:08) WWE Evil	Big City	Real Sports (HD)	(:53) **"The Bad News Bears"** ('76)	(:40) The First Lady
:30						Last O.G.		Big City			
10 PM	Local	Local		Local		Last O.G.	Law & Order: SVU	Miraculous	Winning		
:30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(:35) Late Show (HD)		(:35) Tonight (HD)		Young		Miraculous		**"Jumper"** ('08) *Instant transport.*	(:40) **"Schindler's List"** ('93) (HD)
11 PM			Local Programs		SC (HD)	Young	Law & Order: SVU	Jessie	Game		
:30	Nightline	Corden		Late Night	SC (HD)	Young		Jessie	**"King's Man"**		

WEDNESDAY — APRIL 20, 2022

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	SportsCenter (HD)	Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Big City	Winning	**"Waist Deep"** ('06) (R)	The First Lady (HD)
:30						Bang (HD)		Big City			
7 PM	Goldbergs	Survivor (HD)	The Masked Singer	Chicago Med (HD)	National Champ. (HD)	Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Big City	Bill Maher: #Adulting	**"Adventureland"** ('09, Comedy)	**"Cypress Hill: Insane In"** ('22)
:30	The Wonder					Bang (HD)		Big City			
8 PM	Conners	Beyond the Edge	(:01) Domino Masters	Chicago Fire (HD)	The Last Dance	Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Raven	**"Halloween Kills"** ('21, Horror)		**"The Green Knight"** *Headstrong nephew.* (R)
:30	Economics					Bang (HD)		Raven			
9 PM	A Million Little Things	Good Sam (HD)	Local Programs *Local info.*	Chicago P.D. (HD)	**"Movie"**	Bang (HD)	Temptation Island	Big City		**"This Is 40"** ('12) *Couple prepares to celebrate birthdays.*	
:30						Frontal		Big City	(:50) Winning		
10 PM	Local	Local		Local		Frontal	(:01) The Courtship	Miraculous			**"Cypress Hill: Insane In"** ('22)
:30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(:35) Late Show (HD)		(:35) Tonight (HD)		Young		Miraculous	(:50) My Brilliant Friend (HD)		
11 PM			Local Programs			Young	Law & Order: SVU	Jessie		**"Nice Dreams"** ('81)	
:30	Nightline	Corden		Late Night	SC (HD)	Young		Jessie			

Obituaries

Dorotha Mae Reynolds

Dorotha Mae Reynolds, 85, of Du Quoin, and formerly of Anna, died at 10:34 p.m. Friday, April 8, 2022, at the SIH Herrin Hospital in Herrin, surrounded by her family.

She had been a homemaker. Her happiest times were when the house was full of family laughing, talking and watching the grandkids running and playing everywhere.

Mrs. Reynolds was known by all who knew her and met her as the sweetest, most caring, wisest, loving and fun woman. She also had a gentle spirit and handled every obstacle she faced with grace and strength.

She was a woman of faith and depended on the Lord. She was a member of the Gospel Assembly Church in Du Quoin and formerly in Anna.

She always guided her family gently toward God. According to her family, the scripture that best depicts her is Prov. 31:28: "Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her."

All who knew her, loved her. She left a lasting impression on so many that she encountered throughout her life, even up until her last hours on this Earth.

She was born on Dec. 27, 1936, in Tallapoosa, Mo., the daughter of George and Jennie Eads Raney.

She married her sweetheart, Jimmie Jerald Reynolds, on Feb. 14, 1953, in Energy. They shared 69 blessed years together.

She is survived by her husband of Du Quoin; one daughter, Karen Holden and husband Gaylen of Du Quoin, five grandchildren, Brandon Reynolds (Traci), Rachel Holden Sargent (Jeremy), Nick Reynolds, Elizabeth Holden Gillespie (Ryan) and Jerald Reynolds; nine great-grandchildren and one on the way; two sisters, Linda Cook and Ann Upchurch; a sister-in-law, Betty Jo Raney; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one son, Steve Reynolds; and one brother, Jerry Raney.

Funeral services were at noon Tuesday, April 12, at the Gospel Assembly Church in Du Quoin, with the Rev. Gaylen Holden officiating.

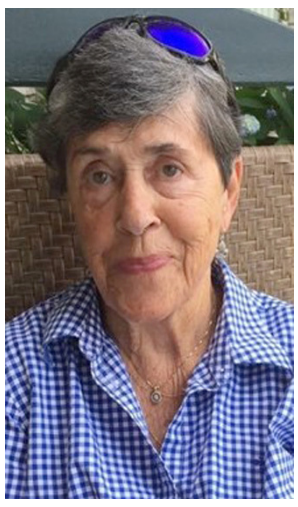
Graveside services were at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Anna City Cemetery in Anna. Burial was in the Anna City Cemetery.

Memorials can be made to the Gospel Assembly Church in Du Quoin.

Searby Funeral Home in Du Quoin was in charge of arrangements.

For additional information or to sign the memorial guest register, visit www.searbyfuneralhomes.com.

Nancy Lou Minton



Nancy Lou Minton, 83, of Wheatfield, Ind., and formerly of Louisville, Ky., Owensboro, Ky., and Cairo died Thursday, March 17, 2022, at 7:10 a.m. at Casa of Hobart in Indiana.

She was born on April 8, 1938, in Cairo, the daughter of Jamie Lee and Edna Marie Calvert Stevens.

She married Eugene H. Minton on May 27, 1961. Later in life, she reunited with her high school sweetheart, Bob Lentz. They shared over 20 years together.

She worked in the Louisville school system and at Kentucky Wesleyan College during her time in Kentucky.

She enjoyed watching all sports and cheering everyone on. She loved to explore nature, and especially doing so by hiking.

She loved her dear friends that she met throughout her lifetime, she always had a wonderful time when she was with them. When she entered a room she sparkled and soon everyone in the room was laughing and having a good time.

She was a member of Zion United Methodist Church in Louisville. Zion created the perfect foundation for building her circle of friends who were like family.

When she and Eugene left Louisville for Owensboro, a whole new circle of friends emerged at the college.

She attended Kentucky Wesleyan College and was a member of Sigma Kappa sorority.

She is survived by her daughter, Robyn (Rebecca) Minton-Holmes of Wheatfield; and many nieces, nephews, cousins, other family members and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Jamie and Edna Stevens; her husband, Eugene H. Minton; brothers Jamie Stevens and Charlie Stevens; and her sweetheart, Bob Lentz.

Graveside inurnment will be held at Spencer Heights Cemetery on Thursday, May 26, at 11 a.m.

Memorials can be made to the Eugene H. Minton Scholarship Fund at Kentucky Wesleyan College.

Crain Funeral Home in Cairo is in charge of arrangements.

Crain Funeral home

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

Obituaries Online at annanews.com

Marilyn Pender

Marilyn Pender, 81, of Cobden, died Sunday, April 3, 2022, at her home.

She was born on Jan. 7, 1941, in Carbondale, the daughter of Clarence E. and Mary Stanley Dillon.

She married Paul Pender on Nov. 5, 1983. He preceded her in death on March 17, 2022.

She is survived by her sister, Linda Dillon Garner Parks; a stepson, Karry (Sondra) Pender; step-grandchildren Justin (Lindsey) Pender and Christopher Pender; step-great-grandchildren Cole, Shelby and Jaydra; nieces and nephews Tami Garner Ury, Susan Witthoft, David Witthoft, Rick Garner and Austin Moore; great-nieces and nephews Bailey Street, Presli Garner, Dylan Witthoft, Grayson Garner and Drake Moore; as well as many close members of Paul's family.

She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents and a sister, Sharon Dillon.

She served in the U.S. Air Force; she spoke of her fear when she was required to jump out of an airplane. She continued to serve as a registered nurse at the Veteran's Medical Center in Marion. She loved to travel, line dance and take care of her many pets.

Memorial services for Marilyn Pender were at 1 p.m. Friday, April 8, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Cobden, with the Rev. Ed Falgout officiating.

Memorials can be made to PAWS.

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

Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Homes

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

Roy Marshall

Roy Marshall, 68, of Buncombe, died Sunday, April 10, 2022, at Herrin Hospital.

He was born on Dec. 5, 1953, in Las Cruces, N.M., the son of Lee Roy and Frances Wilson Marshall.

He married M. Irene Woods in Phoenix, Ariz. She preceded him in death on May 23, 2017.

Mr. Marshall is survived by his son, Terry (Shelley) Marshall of Buncombe; a daughter, Rebecca (Roger) Seyer of Scott City, Mo.; seven grandchildren; siblings Dorothy (Sonny) Deatherage of Phoenix, Ariz., Kim Kimbell of Phoenix, Ariz., and Nathan (Roberta) Marshall of Marion; other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and by his wife, M. Irene Marshall.

Mr. Marshall was retired from L & P Carpet after 37 years of laying commercial flooring all over the tri-state area. He took great pride in his workmanship. He loved carpentry and mechanics, especially when it came to problem solving and fabrication.

There will be no services held at this time.

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

Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Homes

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

John Calvin Lingle

John Calvin Lingle was born in Union County on Nov. 7, 1940, the son of Melvin and Hazel Sitter Lingle, and died on Jan. 11, 2022, in Bradenton, Fla., after a sudden illness.

He served in the U.S. Army from 1960 to 1966 (including Germany during the Berlin Crisis) and then graduated from Southern Illinois University Carbondale in 1970.

Mr. Lingle's service with the U.S. Postal Service began when he served as the U.S. postmaster in Alto Pass before joining the U.S. Postal Inspection Service in 1971, where he served as a postal inspector until his retirement in 1993.

His postings led Mr. Lingle and his family to move away from Southern Illinois, first to Huntsville, Ala., then to Nashville, Tenn., and Los Angeles, Calif. Mr. Lingle retired out of the Memphis office. Despite living a lifetime outside of Southern Illinois, he always considered it home.

After his retirement in 1993, John and Carolyn bought a gentleman's farm in Normandy, Tenn., planted a large garden and raised cattle for a few years.

Having both grown up in Southern Illinois, John and Carolyn enjoyed the slower pace and rural setting of the farm.

Likewise, the farm became a fun getaway for their children and grandchildren. The family enjoyed many weekends hanging out in the back yard, cooking out while the grandchildren played in the yard, sitting in front of an open fire and hiking over the 65-acre spread.

He loved taking the grandchildren for rides on the tractor or walks around the farm. The grandchildren also enjoyed swinging on the tire swing, chasing the chickens and guinea hens and playing in the creek.

A highlight of many of those weekend visits was hearing John tell stories of his youth, time in the army, or working years with the Postal Inspection Service; he was an animated storyteller.

After wintering in Florida for several years, John and Carolyn made Bradenton, Fla., their permanent home in 2014. They enjoyed bicycling the many trails in the Bradenton area and John enjoyed boating and fishing.

While they enjoyed the warmer climate in Florida, they missed being close to their children and grandchildren and always enjoyed their visits.

He is survived by his best friend and the love of his life, Carolyn Vogt Lingle; their children, Carla (Chris) Lovell, John (Kim) Lingle and Dana (Ron) Grover; grandchildren Caitlyn and Carson Lovell, Johnny and Jennie Lingle and Madelyn Grover; brothers James and Richard Lingle; and a sister, Sarah Barnhart. His parents and brother, Earl, preceded him in death.

Mr. Lingle had an engaging smile, a twinkle in his eyes (especially when talking to or about Carolyn) and an infectious laugh. He loved life, he loved his country and he loved his family. His legacy lives on in his wife, children and grandchildren.

His remains will be laid to rest at Alto Pass Cemetery on Saturday, April 23, at 11 a.m., with the Rev. Tom Murdock of First Christian Church in Tullahoma, Tenn., presiding.

Memorials can be made in his honor to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tenn., or to the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation in Williamsburg, Va.

Reynoldsville News

By Sue Eudy

Rodney and Vicki Reynolds of Wolf Lake visited Sunday with Dolores Reynolds of Reynoldsville.

Visiting Sunday with Maxine and Fred Pender of Fair City were Brad and Lori Pender of Jonesboro and Austin Pender and Allison of Tamms.

Gary Gibbs of Jonesboro visited during the week with Maxine and Fred Pender.

Maxine and Fred Pender attended the memorial services at Cobden for Marilyn Pender on Friday.

Sunday visitors of Sue and Steve Eudy were Kevin and Emma Eudy of Cape Girardeau, Kyle Eudy and granddaughter Kelly of Jackson, Mo., and Ginger Welker of Perryville, Mo.

Shirley Miller of McClure visited Wednesday with Deanie Hinkle of Jonesboro.

Penny Hill of McClure and Kacie and Derek Golliher of Fenton, Mo., visited Saturday with Shirley Miller.

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 pastor.

Hess News

By Glenn Heisner

We recently had visitors from Texas, Tennessee and Georgia.

Glenna and Allen Harris from Quinlan, Texas, spent several days here. Justin and Loni McClellan from Columbia, Tenn., came for the weekend.

Danny and Sam Heisner left today. Sam was on spring break from school.

Justin is coming back to help haul a truck to Texas. It is to be restored.

Will Halter celebrated his birthday with relatives and friends Saturday night in Carbondale.

Birthdays: Beth Schlenker, April 27. Robert Heisner will be 94 on April 18.

Billy and Donna Williams will celebrate their wedding anniversary on April 28.

Delores Pribble's brother Kenny visited her recently. He lives in Texas.

In Loving Memory

James A. Tellor
Dec. 17, 1926 - Feb. 27, 2007

Edna E. Tellor
Mar. 12, 1926 - April 11, 2014

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"The Preaching Pen"

Keep Pressing On!

Philippians 3:14 reads, "I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

I would like for us to focus on the word "press" in this passage. I am positive that we have heard the phrase uttered, "I feel pressed for time." Usually, this attitude is accompanied by anxiety and worry, but the Apostle Paul had none of those concerns when he spoke this passage to the saints at Philippi. According to W.E. Vine's Expository Dictionary of Bible Words, the word "press" in this passage is referring to a pursuit (485).

With that thought in mind, Paul stresses that the saints do not have time to be lax in their service to Christ; saints must push toward the future. The same holds true for us today. 1 Corinthians 15:58 reminds us, "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.' Our faithfulness should be ongoing, uncompromising, and enthusiastically working in our lives. After all, we are rewarded for doing such.

Finally, notice the direction of the pursuit, "toward the mark..." It is nice to have a clear goal to reach. The "mark" being spoken of is the standard which Christ set for salvation. Mankind had no hand in placing the standard where it is; no matter how hard man tries to "lower the bar" he is unable. Instead, we must reach up and strive to lift up our lives to reach Christ's standard. Acts 4:12 states, "Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

Let us not feel pressed by the pressures of the world, but rather focus our time and energy in the pursuit of our Lord's direction. After all, He holds a prize for each of us who do so.

Ryan Thornsberry
Anna church of Christ

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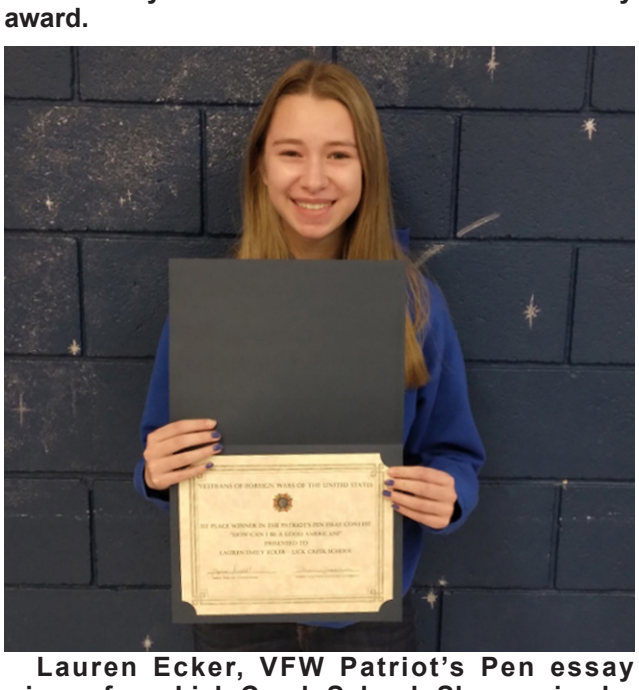
Patriot's Pen, Americanism winners announced by VFW, Auxiliary

Veterans of Foreign Wars Carroll P. Foster Post No. 3455 and its Auxiliary have announced American essay and Patriot's Pen winners from Union County school. Photos provided.

Ryley Nance, 2021/2022 VFW Auxiliary Americanism essay winner 4th grade, Jonesboro Grade School, and Emmalee Miller, VFW Patriots Pen essay winner, 6th grader at Jonesboro Grade School. Their teachers are Mrs. Bundren and Mrs. Turner. They received a certificate and a monetary award.



Lauren Ecker, VFW Patriot's Pen essay winner from Lick Creek School. She received a certificate and a monetary award. Her teacher is Ms. Coffman.

Brooke Meyer, VFW Auxiliary Americanism essay winner from Davie School in Anna. She received a certificate and a monetary reward. Her teacher is Ms. Sadler.

Brisa Calderon, VFW Patriot's Pen essay winner from Cobden Junior High School. She received a certificate and a monetary award. Her teacher is Mrs. Taylor.

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Poshard Foundation announces $100,000 in donations to food pantries

The Poshard Foundation has announced $100,000 in donations to Southern Illinois food pantries.

Food pantries in the Union County area which are receiving financial support include:

Jesus es el Senor UMC-Joe's Mall Food Pantry, Cobden. Loaves and Fishes at the United Methodist Church in Anna. Salem Lutheran Church in Jonesboro. Grand Tower Food Pantry. Shawnee Development Council Inc., Karnak (which operates a food pantry in Union County).

In announcing the donation, the foundation noted in a news release that this is one of the most difficult times of the year for area food pantries.

The goodwill of Christmas and New Year's giving has significantly decreased, and the pantries struggle to get nutritious food which hungry children need.

"With this $100,000 distribution to 50 food pantries, we will have given out nearly $300,000 over the past two years to help feed the children," the foundation's Jo Poshard said.

"In working with vulnerable children over the past twenty-three years, we know that nutritious food is part of the healing process.

"The only requirement we ask of food pantries is that they make every effort to purchase food with the highest nutritional value for the children."

"In another month or so, we will be giving our spring grants to social service agencies that are working to heal the emotional and psychological damage inflicted on many Southern Illinois children, but our first step is to help heal the hunger," Glenn Poshard said.

"A several thousand dollar grant to a local pantry may not sound like much, but often the pantry can use that money to leverage greater purchasing power with federal food banks and other organizations with whom they work," Jo Poshard added.

Public Record

from the files at the Union County Courthouse, Jonesboro

Realty Transactions

The following real estate transactions were recorded at the Union County clerk's office in Jonesboro:

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Raymond Stewart, Tonya Stewart. Grantee: Shannon Victoria Davis. Subdivision Name: Pleasant Acres 2nd Add. Lot 17.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Aubry Page. Grantee: James H. Page II. Tract Section 7 Township 12S Range 1E.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: James H. Page II. Grantee: Anna-Jonesboro National Bank. Tract Section 7 Township 12S Range 1E.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Gary Gibbs, Judy Gibbs. Grantee: Brandon Pind, Cara Pind. Tract Section 28 Township 13S Range 2W.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Bradley S. Kohler. Grantee: Rebecca Kohler. Tract Section 15 Township 12S Range 1W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Anna-Jonesboro National Bank. Grantee: Dodd Properties LLC. Tract Section 21 Township 12S Range 1W.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Joyce Okrasinksi. Grantee: Dustin Salzman. Tract Section 24 Township 13S Range 1W. Subdivision Name: Leavenworth Add. of Dongola. Lots 113, 114, 115.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Judith A. Smith. Grantee: Noreen E. Griffin. Tract Section 34 Township 12S Range 1W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Joel R. Murray, Kelley Murray. Grantee: Village of Alto Pass. Tract Section 15 Township 11S Range 2W.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Charles William Mills Jr. Grantee: Rebecca Ann Mills. Tract Section 19 Township 12S Range 1W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Jordan L. Jansen. Grantee: Ryan S. Carter, Torie D. Carter. Tract Section 22 Township 12S Range 1W.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Teresa Lee Cavins, Teresa Lee Cripps. Grantee: Ada Ruth Cripps. Subdivision Name: Elmore Henley's 1st Add. of Anna. Lot 1.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Erin Sappington, Lucy Sappington. Grantee: Carl D. Melloway, Eugene A. Sappington. Tract Section 29 Township 11S Range 1W. Tract Section 20 Township 11S Range 1W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Galilee Baptist Church, Mindy Livesay, Wolf Lake Community Center. Grantee: Charles I. Jackson. Tract Section 19 Township 11S Range 3W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Gary Katz. Grantee: Andrew C. Williams, Ashley M. Williams. Tract Section 24 Township 13S Range 2W.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Robert D. Kimber. Grantee: Kimber Homestead LLC. Tract Section 27 Township 13S Range 1W.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Karen L. Johnson. Grantee: Dawn M. Hand. Tract Section 19 Township 12S Range 1E.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Deloris Harris. Grantee: Jackie Greer, Mechelle Greer. Tract Section 26 Township 13S Range 1W.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Robert Shane Boyd. Grantee: Jean Ellen Boyd. Tract Section 13 Township 12S Range 2W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Carole L. Eddleman, R. Edwin Eddleman. Grantee: Susan Nance. Tract Section 5 Township 13S Range 1W.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Mark Tyler Eddleman. Grantee: Katelan Eddleman. Tract Section 21 Township 13S Range 1W.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Leslie Doublin, Lisa Penrod, Linda Reynolds. Grantee: Damian Eftink. Tract Section 23 Township 12S Range 2W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Kimberly Jean Swain, Larry Scott Swain. Grantee: Jaime L. Watkins, James Bradley Watkins. Tract Section 19 Township 12S Range 1W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Jacquelyn Baldwin, Danny Ray Wright. Grantee: Paul W. Kotosky, Jessica R. Webb. Subdivision Name: BH Anderson 1st Add. Lot 1.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: William E. Groome. Grantee: Jason Inman, David L. Miller. Tract Section 12 Township 12S Range 3W.

Quit Claim Deed. Grantor: Dawson Montfort. Grantee: Dawson Montfort, Mahala Montfort. Tract Section 22 Township 12S Range 1W.

Traffic Citations

The following people were cited for the indicated violations and were assessed the accompanying fines and court costs as recorded at the Union County circuit clerk's office:

Ladarius D. Woodson, Anna, seat belt required/driver, $251. Miranda Estevez Efren, Cape Girardeau, drivers license expired more than a year, $432.

Brian Neal Thompson, Cape Girardeau, driving 15-20 mph above limit, $164. Kelly Denise Bartholic, Murphysboro, driving 1-10 mph above limit, $164.

Latoya M. Moore, Cordova, Tenn., driving 21-25 mph above limit, $164. Shirley M. Couch, Murphysboro, driving 21-25 mph above limit, $164.

Matthew R. Konecek, Energy, driving 15-20 mph above limit, $164. Martivas Quintezs Dotson, Memphis, Tenn., driving 15-20 mph above limit, $164.

Christopher L. Murphy, Metropolis, registration expiration, $257. Kareana Shawan Hawkins, Gainesville, Fla., driving 15-20 mph above limit, $257.

Carlos Elisea Alaniz, Pearland, Texas, driving 15-20 mph above limit, $257. Orlandis D. Ingram, West Memphis, Ark., driving 15-20 mph above limit, $257.

Krishna M. Ganji, Mundelein, driving 15-20 mph above limit, $164. Daniel W. Kelso, Cobden, driving 15-20 mph above limit, $164.

Chance H. Tanner, Jonesboro, seat belt required/driver, $164. Ashley Marie Kleinstiver O'Reilly, Harbor Springs, Mich., driving 15-20 mph above limit, $164. Christian DJ Abarca, Carbondale, head/tail/sidelight, $164.

Garden Clubs of Illinois district offers SIU scholarship

The District VII Garden Clubs of Illinois is offering a one-year, $1,000 scholarship to Southern Illinois University full-time juniors, seniors and graduate students who are pursuing a master's degree. Sophomores can make an application for their junior year.

The student must live in Southern Illinois and be from one of the following counties: Alexander, Franklin, Gallatin, Hamilton, Jackson, Jefferson, Johnson, Massac, Perry, Pope, Saline, Union, White or Williamson.

The scholarship is open to students who are majoring in fields of study which include agriculture education, floriculture, horticulture and others.

Applicants must first complete a District VII Garden Clubs of Illinois scholarship application form.

The form is available online at anneoutdoors.info, click on District VII, Garden Clubs of Illinois, Inc., then go to the Scholarship link. Other required information is posted on the website.

The application deadline for the scholarship is July 1, 2022.

Completed forms can be mailed to the District VII scholarship chairman. The address is on the application form.

The winner will be notified in writing immediately after the judging.

School districts awarded state library grant funds

More than $1.4 million in Fiscal Year 2022 School District Library Grant Program awards to 672 public school districts recently were announced by Illinois Secretary of State and State Librarian Jesse White.

More than 1.5 million Illinois students served by school library programs will benefit from the grants.

From Fiscal Year 2022 appropriations approved by the General Assembly and the governor, school library grants were awarded based on a formula of $.885 per student, with a minimum grant award of $850.

Area school districts which received $850 grants include:

Anna-Jonesboro Community High School District No. 81. Cobden School District 17. Dongola School District No. 66. Shawnee School District No. 84.

The School District Library Grant Program is used for:

Fiction and/or non-fiction books. Educational CDs and DVDs. Library subscriptions. Electronic resources. New computers. Wi-Fi connectivity improvements.

"As a former public school teacher and administrator, I know our school libraries are critical in helping students learn and prepare themselves for the future," White said in a news release.

"Illinois was the first state to implement a school district grant program, and I'm pleased that we can continue to provide school libraries with some of the financial resources they need to produce well-educated students."

Egg hunt set at Anna church

The First Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Anna is planning to host an Easter egg hunt Saturday, April 16.

The egg hunt will be at 2 p.m. on the church lawn. The church is located at 315 South St.

In case of rain, the egg hunt will be in the church.

All children 8 years old and under are welcome. There is no charge.

Promoting child abuse prevention awareness

Displays with a message of support for child abuse prevention awareness are on display through the end of April at the Anna City Park. The displays were created to commemorate April's observance of National Child Abuse Prevention Month. Union County Counseling Service is one of the organizations and businesses with a display at the park. This is the first year for a child abuse prevention awareness display at the park. The special event was organized by the City of Anna. Ten trees and seven light poles at the park were decorated. The color blue is featured in the displays, which include blue ribbons and blue pinwheels, which are symbols of child abuse prevention. Lights at the park and at Anna City Hall are blue during April.

Lake Egypt Water District receives national recognition

Gold Medal

Lake Egypt Water District general manager Chris Boyd is shown with the Great American Water Taste Test Gold Medal Champion honor. Photo provided.

This year's winner of the Great American Water Taste Test is from Southern Illinois.

The 23rd annual Great American Water Taste Test, GAWTT, was held March 30 in Washington, D.C.

Throughout the year, utilities from across the country vie for a spot to represent their state during the National Rural Water Association's Rural Water Rally each year in Washington, D.C.

Organizers noted that GAWTT is "the nation's most prestigious competition for the best tasting water in the United States."

Each state holds their own competition at their annual conference and the winner of the statewide contest moves on to compete in the GAWTT.

This year, NRWA received 37 entries from across the country.

During the Rural Water Rally, the preliminary judging narrowed the field of contestants to the top five.

The top five finalists were evaluated by industry leaders: Charles Stephens, assistant administrator, Water and Environmental Programs, USDA Rural Development; Mikayla Bodey, professional staff member, Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry; and Anna Lanier Fischer, professional staff member, Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Department of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies.

NRWA announced the 23rd Great American Water Taste Test Gold Medal Champion is Lake Egypt Water District from Illinois.

Second place and the Silver Medal went to the Town of Ten Sleep from Wyoming, and third place and the Bronze Medal went to Village of Bloomington Water Department from Wisconsin.

Rio Embudo MDWCA from New Mexico and the Wapello Rural Water Association from Iowa were top five finalists.

Lake Egypt Water District's service area includes part of Union County: the Lick Creek Public Water District, along with some retail customers.

Chris Boyd of Anna is general manager of Lake Egypt Water District.

Prior to earning the national recognition, Lake Egypt Water District won the award for having the best tasting water in Illinois.

In response to winning the national honor, Boyd posted a message on social media thanking the National Rural Water Association, the Illinois Rural Water Association "and especially the employees and the directors of the water district."

The Southern Illinois Water Operators Association congratulated Boyd and the staff at Lake Egypt Water District. In a social media posting, the associated stated: "We are proud to have some of the best water operators in America right here in Southern Illinois!"

Sheriff issues activity report

Union County Sheriff Dale Foster has released a Union County Sheriff's Office activity report for the month of March.

Highlights from the report follow:

60 911 calls. 452 actual service calls. 102 arrests. 33 traffic arrests. 24 misdemeanor arrests. 22 felony arrests. One civil citation arrest. Seven warrant arrests. Four drug arrests.

Budget on Anna Council's agenda

Discussion about a new budget was on the agenda at last week's regular meeting of the Anna City Council.

The meeting was Tuesday evening, April 5, at Anna City Hall.

City administrator Dori Bigler gave a presentation about the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 budget at the April 5 meeting. The city's fiscal year budget once again will be balanced.

The city's new fiscal year begins on May 1 and continues through April 30, 2023.

Following the meeting, the city administrator shared details regarding the budget and overall projected operating expenses:

Total, $8,916,873.52, which is up 15 percent from Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

General fund: $3,971,098, up 8 percent.

Fire: $456,714.02, up 8 percent. It was noted that a new fire truck now is expected to be delivered to the city in July; delivery had been anticipated in May.

Garbage: $423,613.16, down 4 percent.

Parks: $238,299.62, up 10 percent; funds are being set aside for development of the Hadley's Haven all-inclusive playground project at the Anna City Park.

Cemetery: $186,705.15, up 15 percent, mostly related to equipment maintenance and increased fuel costs.

Police: $1,217,908.23, up 8 percent.

Streets: $598,318.38, down 4 percent.

Pool: $101,468.57, up 23 percent; a higher minimum wage, utility and pool chemical costs are key factors in the increase.

Water: $1,820,900, up 14 percent.

Disposal: $909,425, up 20 percent.

Natural gas: $2,215,450, up 30 percent. Higher costs for water, disposal and natural gas related to several major projects are connected to increased consumption and use.

Following the presentation by the city administrator, the council passed a resolution which made the budget available for public inspection.

A public hearing on the budget is set for 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 19, at city hall. The council is expected to formally approve the budget at its regular meeting, which follows the public hearing.

In other business at last week's meeting:

The council approved a resolution authorizing and approving rescue call mutual aid with Union County Rescue. A similar agreement is in place with the Jonesboro Fire Department.

The city council authorized the police department to spend $9,075 in capital equipment funds for five car partitions.

A resolution was approved which added the Anna City Pool to a concession agreement with Just Chill. An agreement already was in place for Just Chill to provide concessions at the Anna City Park this year.

A special event liquor license application from the Southern Illinois Fair Association for the period of Aug. 19-27 was approved, pending final paper work. The association oversees the Union County Fair, which is held at the park.

The appointments of John Hughey and Frank LaFoon to the zoning board of appeals were approved. The mayor had recommended both appointments.

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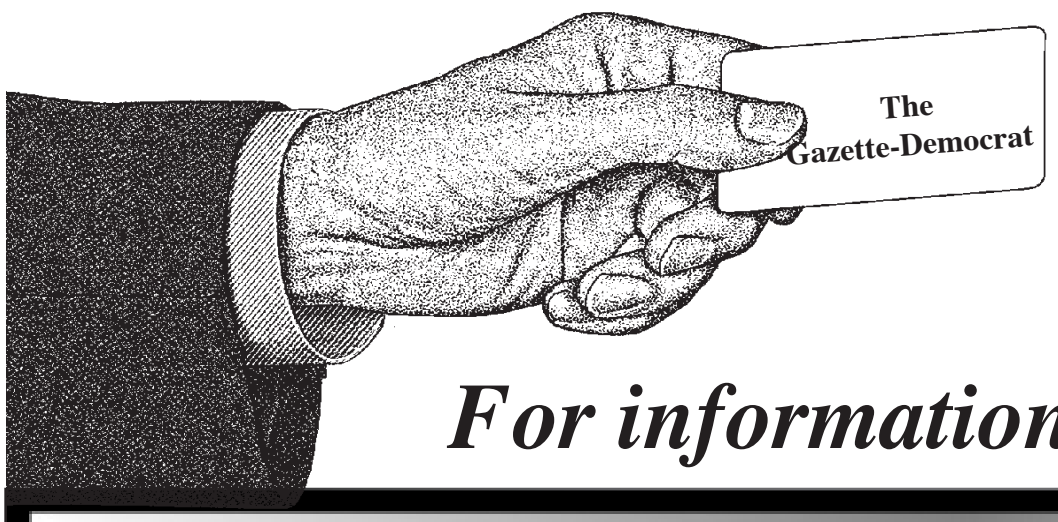

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Home-to-Market Act expands options for cottage food industry

Illinois' Cottage Food Law allows food entrepreneurs, local producers, and home cooks to sell non-potentially hazardous homemade foods and drinks to the public.

Prior to 2012, those foods had to be prepared in a licensed commercial kitchen, an expensive option for those running a small business.

Demand for locally produced food and a growing cottage food industry has spawned statewide conversations around food entrepreneurism, resulting in the Home-to-Market Act, a set of legislative updates to the Cottage Food Law.

The amendment, which went into effect Jan. 1, gives owners the opportunity to grow their business by expanding the direct-to-consumer venues through which they can sell.

Before the legislation passed, food operators could only sell homemade foods through farmers markets.

Now, direct-to-consumer sales avenues also include fairs, festivals, public events, order pickup from the operator's home or farm, delivery to customer, and online sales within the state.

"It's an exciting time to be in the cottage food industry," says Mary Liz Wright, a University of Illinois Extension nutrition and wellness educator.

Significant Cottage Food Law changes resulting from the Home-to-Market Act include:

Point-of-sale avenues outside of farmers markets.

Buttercream icing no longer prohibited.

Clarification for acidified and fermented foods.

Regulations and certification processes have become more standardized and consistent.

Wright and fellow Illinois Extension educator Jenna Smith have been instrumental in helping to refine these changes that promote innovation while retaining safe food preservation practices that minimize the risk of exposing the public to foodborne illnesses.

The two educators have been working closely with members of nearly 40 organizations and state agencies, including Illinois Stewardship Alliance and Illinois Department of Public Health, to balance food safety recommendations with opportunities for local entrepreneurs to grow and thrive.

"Our role is to protect the health of the most people possible," says Wright. "As proposals and suggestions around Cottage Food Law surface, we evaluate them against research-based food preservation guidelines."

Wright says that the law's focus has shifted since its 2012 inception.

Instead of publishing a finite list of approved foods, it focuses on identifying 14 groups of potentially hazardous, prohibited foods that pose a greater risk of transmitting food-borne illness. This keeps public safety at the forefront but leaves the door open for entrepreneurial business growth.

"In the cottage food community, the artisan spirit is truly impressive," says Smith. "The laws are there to protect those food innovators, as well as the public."

A complete list of prohibited cottage foods can be seen on Illinois Extension's website at go.illinois.edu/CottageFoods.

Other foods may be permitted under certain circumstances, which may include recipe testing at a commercial lab, acidifying low-acid products, providing a written food safety plan to the local health department or maintaining product refrigeration throughout transport and holding.

Food operators are encouraged to reach out to their local health department or Illinois Extension office for guidance and clarification when in doubt.

Anyone preparing or packaging food for a home-based food operation must complete an American National Standards Institute, ANSI, accredited Certified Food Protection Managers, CFPM, course and exam.

Once certified, the operator must register with their local health department, which requires filling out an application, listing the foods intended for sale and paying any applicable fees.

Wright says that some health departments do not charge a registration fee, but those that do are capped at $50.

Illinois Extension's Cottage Food Operator checklist has more information about preparing for a new cottage food business.

PAWS fish fry planned

PAWS (Pets Are Worth Saving) is planning to serve a drive-thru fish fry on Friday, April 15.

Pick-up is planned between 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. behind Lou's Room, which is located at 109 W. Vienna St. in Anna.

The menu will feature fried tilapia filets, baked beans, potato salad and slaw. The cost is $12 for each dinner.

PAWS noted that reservations are required, since the number of meals will be limited.

Reservations can be made by calling 618-713-1709 or by contacting a PAWS board member (Kim Hughey, Pam McLean, Susan Askew, Mary Jo King or Kathy Swafford).

VFW plans to have fish fry

A fish fry is planned Friday, April 15, at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Carroll P. Foster Post No. 3455. The post is located at 70 VFW Ln. near Anna.

The fish fry will be served from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. The menu will include two pieces of fish, potato salad and baked beans for a donation of $12.

The public is welcome. Carry outs will be available.

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

Disaster preparedness seminar set

The public is invited to attend a disaster preparedness seminar which is planned for Wednesday evening, April 20, in Union County.

The seminar is scheduled to begin at 6:30 p.m. at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Carroll P. Foster Post No. 3455 of Anna. The post is located at 70 VFW Ln. near Anna.

Local emergency services personnel are scheduled to be guest speakers at the seminar.

News from

Mt. Moriah Lutheran Church, Anna

Hasely and Rowan LeFevre prepared to hand out palm crosses before Palm Sunday worship at Mt. Moriah. Photo provided.

Dallas Keller and Jaylyn Stroehlein handed out palm crosses before worship began at Mt. Moriah on Palm Sunday. Photo provided.

Holy Week Service Schedule

Maundy Thursday worship, 7 p.m., Salem Lutheran Church, Jonesboro.

Good Friday worship, 7 p.m., Mt. Moriah.

Easter Sunday: Mt. Moriah, 9 a.m. Salem, 10:30 a.m. Easter breakfast, 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. at Mt. Moriah.

Small group Bible study is planned at 7 p.m. on April 12 and April 26 at Salem Lutheran Church.

Ladies night out is planned April 19; they will meet at 5 p.m. in the parking lot at Mt. Moriah Lutheran Church.

DAR meeting held at Lockkeepers House along Ohio River, Golconda

By Dixie Terry

The regular meeting of the Daniel Chapman Chapter National Society Daughters of the American Revolution was Monday afternoon, March 14, at the Lockkeepers House in Golconda.

The meeting was called to order by regent Suzan Harvel. The ritual followed. The president general's message was read by Julia Mowery. The national defense report was given by Bonnie Hogue.

In officers' reports: regent's report credential forms for the state conference have been started.

Doda Starkey has volunteered to serve as a delegate at the Continental Congress.

Four members assisted in writing St. Patrick's Day cards to be taken to the Illinois Veterans Home in Anna and the VA Hospital in Marion.

Medals and certificates have been ordered for the ROTC and the community service awards. DAR brochures have been ordered to hand out at DAR information booths.

Years of service certificates, those not presented at the Feb. 14 meeting, have been mailed to recipients.

Registrar Loudene Lemme has submitted her resignation, effective June 2022.

District director Lisa Thomas has requested to change her attendance date with the chapter to Oct. 8 at 11 a.m., which will be confirmed if the Vienna Library community room is available.

In committee reports:

Chaplain: Carol Palmer reported. Conservation: Virginia Street reported for Melanie Penrod. Membership: Marilyn Meisenheimer chose two profiles at recent meetings with Lee Hackney identifying Carolyn Tripp and Juanita Broyles identified by regent Harvel, with gifts presented. The flag of the United States: presented by Juanita Broyles, co-chair.

The DAR booth will need volunteers at the Junque Jamboree in Vienna on April 23. Booths will also be held at the June Fest, Jonesboro, Annabelle Festival, Anna, June 11, Colorfest, Anna, Oct. 8. Anna Arts Festival Holiday Bazaar, Anna, November.

In new business, Virginia Street moved that the chapter apply for a conservation medal for member Martha Schwegman. The motion passed.

The state conference is scheduled April 21-24 in Bloomington, with these delegates attending: regent Harvel, Juanita Broyles, and Carol Palmer. State historian Doda Starkey will also attend.

The program, provided by Alice Thodoropoulos and Jeanne Boglino, included a tour and information about the facility overlooking the Ohio River that once provided housing for the lockkeepers of the locks and dam. They also served as hostesses and provided an afternoon tea.

The chapter's next meeting was planned Monday afternoon, April 11, with an awards and honors program, to be held at the First Christian Church in Anna.

Members in attendance included: Jeanne Boglino, Alice Thodoropoulos, Golconda. Juanita Broyles, Goreville. Lee Hackney, Susan Whitemountain, Carolyn Tripp, Ann Toler, Anna. Emily Meyer, Linda Hileman, Cobden. Bonnie Hogue, Virginia Street, Vienna. Lillian Milam, Marilyn Meisenheimer, Carol Palmer, Jonesboro. Cara Webb, Tunnel Hill. Julia Mowery, Buncombe. Suzan Harvel, Tamms.

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Opinion and Commentary

Daffodils are a symbol of the Easter season. Easter will be celebrated on Sunday, April 17.

Happy Easter

From the Gospel of Matthew: After the sabbath, and towards dawn on the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala and the other Mary went to visit the sepulchre.

And all at once there was a violent earthquake, for the angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled away the stone and sat on it. His face was like lightning, his robe white as snow.

The guards were so shaken, so frightened of him, that they were like dead men.

But the angel spoke; and he said to the women, "There is no need for you to be afraid. I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here, for he has risen, as he said he would.

"Come and see the place where he lay, then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has risen from the dead and now he is going before you to Galilee; it is there you will see him.' Now I have told you."

Filled with awe and great joy the women came quickly away from the tomb and ran to tell the disciples.

Happy Easter to all of our readers.

Exercise offers benefits for physical, mental health

Spring is here, and now is the time to get outside, get moving and enjoy the beautiful days ahead.

Union County Hospital Senior Solutions program director Karen Lawless says most of us are aware of the benefits exercise can bring to our physical health, but…

Did you know that it can also have a significant positive effect on our minds as well?

Did you know that just by adding four hours of exercise a week could lower the risk of a new episode of depression by 17 percent?

Did you know that even small amounts of physical activity can help keep your mind sharp and can significantly reduce your risk for dementia?

Did you know that moving your body each day can help prepare your body for a better night's sleep by helping to quiet your mind and stabilizing your mood?

Did you know that physical activity can help decrease anxious feelings, from providing a distraction from what is making you anxious to helping build up coping skills to combat future anxious feelings?

Lawless says that if you, or someone you know, would like further information concerning the Senior Solutions program at Union County Hospital, call 833-4505 or fax a referral to 833-4507.

Focus on the road

Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White is urging the motoring public to focus on the road while driving and to avoid driving distracted. April is National Distracted Driving Awareness Month.

"With the increased use of technological devices, distracted driving has become a serious problem on the roads throughout our state and the nation," White stated in a news release. "No driver should be texting while driving."

In an effort to further discourage distracted driving, White has instructed the Secretary of State Police to conduct targeted patrols statewide to crack down on distracted drivers.

"The goal is not to write tickets, but to save lives," said White. "We are reminding the public of the dangers of distracted driving, and police will be issuing tickets to motorists who are driving distracted."

Illinois law prohibits the hand-held use of cellphones and electronic devices in vehicles, unless reporting an emergency or while the vehicle is parked. Texting while driving is considered one of the most deadly forms of distracted driving.

The penalty for texting while driving results in a moving violation that will be reflected on the motorist's driving record, in addition to fines and court costs.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, NHTSA, distracted driving accounted for 15 percent of crashes and claimed the lives of 3,142 motorists in the United States in 2019.

The NHTSA has reported that sending or reading a text takes a motorist's eyes off the road for an average of five seconds. That means when travelling at 55 miles per hour, a motorist is essentially driving blindly for the length of a football field.

Please read this...

By Geof Skinner

Some folks just don't like these critters...

Some folks...actually a lot of folks...don't like snakes much...

I suppose it all goes back to that little encounter in the garden that involved our good friend Eve, an apple (or some other form of fruit) and a serpent (that was crafty, cunning and subtle).

As you may remember, yours truly has no problem with snakes. That's why I was interested to see that Illinois may soon have an official state snake. Thanks to a couple of our area legislators and a young gentleman from Southern Illinois, the eastern milk snake appeared to be on its way to becoming the official state snake of the Land of Lincoln.

After hearing that Illinois might have its own official state snake, I decided to do a bit of a refresher update about other "official" symbols of the state we call home.

Did you know that Illinois has an official artifact? An official soil? An official pie? An official fossil?

The Illinois Department of Natural Resources offers information about all of our symbols on its website. Read on...

The eastern tiger salamander was named Illinois' state amphibian after a vote of Illinois citizens in 2004 and approval by the General Assembly in 2005.

The white-tailed deer was selected by schoolchildren as Illinois' state animal in 1980.

Illinois designated the pirogue as the official state artifact in 2016. A pirogue is a canoe made by hollowing-out a tree trunk. The pirogue was promoted by 8th grade students at St. Joseph School in Wilmette as a tribute to the Native Americans who were the first inhabitants of Illinois.

Illinois was the first of seven states to select the northern cardinal as its state bird. The cardinal was chosen in 1929. Illinois schoolchildren voted for the state bird.

In 1990, the square dance was designated as the American folk dance of Illinois.

Cycling was designated the official state exercise in Illinois by the General Assembly. It was signed into law and became effective on January 1, 2018. (This writer's choice would have been walking. Oh, well.)

The bluegill was elected as the state fish in 1986 by Illinois schoolchildren. (Nothing like getting a bluegill on your fishing line.)

Corn was named the official Illinois state grain of Illinois as of Jan. 1, 2018.

Illinois was the first of four states to choose the violet as its state flower. It was selected by schoolchildren in 1908.

Tully's common monster, also known as the Tully monster, was selected as Illinois' state fossil in 1989. Fossils of the Tully monster have been found only in Illinois. (Not in Southern Illinois, though. At least not by this fossil fan, who would have picked the trilobite as the state fossil.)

The GoldRush apple was named the Illinois state fruit in 2007.

The monarch butterfly was chosen in 1975 to be Illinois' state insect.

The Illinois General Assembly named fluorite as the state mineral in 1965. Large amounts of fluorite are present in deposits in Southern Illinois.

Shelter dogs and shelter cats that are residing in or have been adopted from a shelter or rescue facility in Illinois were named as the official state pet of Illinois. The law became effective on August 25, 2017. (We have two of the official state shelter cats in our humble abode. Once they find out about being the official state pet of Illinois, they will become insufferable.)

Big bluestem was named the official state prairie grass in 1989.

A peaceful pose...on a chilly April morning...a Canada goose did not seem to be bothered much by light frozen precipitation which was falling from the sky last Friday at a pond in Union County land.

In 2015, a law was passed by the legislature and signed by the governor naming "pumpkin pie" as the state pie. (I do not know if there is an "official" state pumpkin pie topping. My vote would be for whipping cream...the kind that you spray out of a can.)

The painted turtle was named Illinois' state reptile following a vote by Illinois citizens in 2004 and official approval by the Illinois General Assembly in 2005.

Popcorn is the official snack food of the State of Illinois. The General Assembly made that designation official in 2003.

Drummer silty clay loam (fine-silty, mixed, superactive, mesic type Endoaquoll) is a rich, fertile prairie soil that was declared the Illinois state soil in 2001.

The State Tartan of Illinois is the Illinois Saint Andrew Society Tartan. Its designation was signed into law in 2012.

In 1908, Illinois schoolchildren voted for the state tree. The native oak was chosen as the state tree. There are many kinds of oak in Illinois, so a special vote was taken in 1973 to pick the type of oak for the state tree. Schoolchildren voted to make the white oak the official state tree of Illinois.

Sweet corn was designated as the state vegetable in 2015.

As far as I know, Union County does not have any "official" symbols. I don't know if counties even do such things. Maybe it's something to think about. Now, it's time for a slice of pumpkin pie (even though it's not Thanksgiving)...

A Page from the Past

from the files of The Gazette-Democrat

Thursday, April 13, 1972

It is possible that a record number of voters went to the polls Saturday, April 8, to elect candidates to positions on one of the seven man Boards of Education in Union County.

In addition to the number of votes cast, a record number of write-in votes were recorded as well as the great number of spoiled ballots.

A total of 4,069 votes were cast throughout the county, with 55 spoiled ballots and 468 write-in votes.

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The Union County area has experienced unusual weather this past week, including temperatures ranging almost into the eighties, below freezing temperatures, storm watches, rainfall and very rapid drops in temperature recordings.

Friday, April 7, the thermometer fell from a high of 71 degrees at noon to 24 degrees in a 12 hour period.

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More than 1,100 people have joined the Union County Hospital Auxiliary during its membership drive.

Members of the Union County Christmas Parade Committee met Monday to discuss plans for the 1972 parade. The committee officially decided on a date for the parade this year. Saturday, Dec. 2, has been set for the parade which will again be held in the morning.

The children from Lick Creek School won a first place rating in the Science Exhibit Saturday, April 8, held at Southern Illinois University.

The Anna Retail Merchants Association is sponsoring a Sunlight and Moonlight Madness Sale to be held Friday, April 21, in downtown Anna. Stores will open at the regular hour, but will remain open until 10 p.m. for the purpose of this sale.

Members of the Davie School Parent Teachers Association have planned a carnival for Friday, April 14, for the pupils, parents and friends of the school. Festivities will begin at 5:30 p.m.

National Library Week is April 16-22. The theme is "Reading Makes the World Go 'Round." A number of elementary classes are scheduled to visit Stinson Memorial Library in Anna during National Library Week.

The Oasis Shrine Club is sponsoring a wrestling match Saturday, April 15, starting at 8:30 p.m. at Shawnee High School.

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