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News Notes

Items of interest from throughout the Union County area.

A reminder: If you are planning to have a ColorFest activity during October, please share information about your event with the newspaper by Friday, Sept. 23. Thank you for your help. ***

Happy homecoming week to everybody at Anna-Jonesboro Community High School. ***

Today, is the first day of autumn. ***

The Great Downhill Derby is planned Saturday morning, Oct. 1, in Alto Pass. ***

A community yard sale day is planned Oct. 1 in Cobden. Nearly 20 yard sales are scheduled. ***

The Children's Medical Resource Network is planning to host Kid's Fest, featuring wiener dog races and a wiener dog fashion show, on Saturday, Oct. 8, at the Anna City Park in Anna. ***

Gov. Bruce Rauner has signed an executive order which created an Illinois Bicentennial Commission and the Governor's Office of the Illinois Bicentennial to lead planning for the celebration of the state's 200th anniversary, which will be in 2018. ***

The editor is dedicating this week's paper to James "Blackie" Mueller. Thank you for all you did, for so many years. We'll miss you.



Encourages support of programs for children which prevent crime

State's attorney journeys to Washington, D.C.

Union County State's Attorney Tyler R. Edmonds joined prosecutors, police chiefs and sheriffs from across the country recently in Washington, D.C., to encourage lawmakers to fund programs for children that prevent crime.

Edmonds and other members of the Illinois delegation met with Illinois Congressmen Rodney Davis and Randy Hultgren in Washington on behalf of the more than 300 police chiefs, sheriffs and prosecutors who are members of Fight Crime: Invest in Kids Illinois.

They urged Congressional support for investments in early childhood education, home visiting for at-risk families and science-based child nutrition.

"Getting kids off to a solid start in life is a research proven way to keep kids on the right track and out of the criminal justice system" Edmonds stated in a news release.

"I appreciate our leaders in Washington for listening to how these investments

in children in Southern Illinois can promote progress in school and lead to reductions in juvenile delinquency.

"This saves taxpayer money in the long run and gives kids a better chance at happy and productive lives."

Edmonds and other members were joined in Washington by members of the Council for a Strong America.

The council is a national bipartisan nonprofit that unites five organizations comprised of law enforcement leaders, retired admirals and generals, business

executives, pastors and prominent coaches and athletes who promote solutions that ensure the next generation of Americans will be citizen-ready.

Edmonds was joined in representing Illinois by Riverside Police Chief Thomas Weitzel of Fight Crime Invest in Kids and retired Lt. General Randall Rigby of Mission Readiness.

Mission Readiness is a partner organization of retired admirals and generals which is working to strengthen national security by ensuring that young people stay in school, stay fit and stay out of trouble so they can serve the nation in whatever way they choose.



From left are Riverside Police Chief Thomas Weitzel, retired Lt. Gen. Randall Rigby and Union County State's Attorney Tyler R. Edmonds in Washington, D.C. Photo provided.

Ambulance service receives funds for new equipment

The Union County Ambulance Service has been awarded \$1,625 from the Illinois EMS Assistance Fund for the purchase of a new stair chair with tracks for the service.

Application for the funds was made by ambulance service director Grant Capel in September 2015 and

funding was completed for the purchase and issued to Union County in August.

Union County Ambulance Service has received the new equipment and it will be added to the new generation of patient removal devices that have been part of an ongoing safety campaign for more

technologically advanced equipment to aid in the safe removal of patients from the home, Capel explained in a news release.

The design of this particular type of equipment relieves the burden of lifting from the responder and allows for a controlled decent on stairways within

the home.

This, coupled with a new generation of power cots, helps to reduce the risk of injury to the responder and provides a safer and more secure positioning for the patient in a time of need, the ambulance service director explained.

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St. John's Lutheran Church near Dongola

Faith community celebrates 200th anniversary

By Amber Skelton

St. John's Church near Dongola celebrated its 200th anniversary Sept. 17-18 with an open house and a celebration service.

Sunday's celebration included a service, lunch, games and surrey rides.

The church welcomed visitors to an open house on Saturday. Visitors could tour the church and learn about the history of St. John's.

Several former pastors who served as far back as 1973 returned to remember with the congregation.

The church's history dates back to 1816, when it was formed by early settlers, just 40 years after the United States declared its independence from Great Britain.

Though none of the towns in existence today in Union County had yet been established, some farmers had settled in the area.

The Miller and Rendleman families are thought to have donated the land for the church's first building,

believed to be located in the current cemetery.

The familiar white church building that is used today was built in 1855 and heavily remodeled in 1887. The building has been maintained in that state to the present.

While the earliest membership of the church is difficult to determine, it is believed that by the 1830s, roughly 130 worshippers called St. John's

their church home. The congregation was heavily Lutheran and German-reformed believers. Current membership is at about 60.

The congregation meets at First Lutheran Church in Dongola for Sunday School each Sunday and services each first, second and fourth Sunday. Services are held at St. John's every third Sunday of the month.

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A sign of faith

A sign in front of St. John's Lutheran Church notes that the faith community's history dates to 1816.



Current, former pastors

Former pastors of St. John's Church returned for the 200th anniversary. From left are Bill Horn, pastor from 1989-1994; Tim Heinecke, 2008 to present; Christine Hallemeier, 1980-1988; Gregory Mayer, 1973-1978; and Donald Poole, 1995-2005. Photo by Amber Skelton.



St. John's Cemetery

An arch is located at St. John's Cemetery, which is across the road from the church.



Welcoming visitors

Among those greeting visitors who attended an open house which was held Saturday at St. John's were, from left, Madilyn Turner-Gawrych of Jonesboro, Julia Ellis of Jonesboro, Carol Palmer of Jonesboro, Barbara Bauer of Anna, Lillian Milam of Jonesboro, Judy Smith of Jonesboro, Evelyn Gillespie of Anna, Paula Hasty of Jonesboro and Serena Hasty of Jonesboro.





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St. John's Lutheran Church anniversary

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Reflecting on Church's History

The current pastor at St. John's, the Rev. Timothy Heinecke, shared the following information in conjunction with the 200th anniversary celebration:

St. John's Lutheran Church, 5 miles northwest of Dongola on St. John's Road, is the oldest Lutheran Church in Illinois.

Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 17-18, members and friends celebrated her 200th anniversary.

The last five called pastors participated in Sunday's worship, renewal of wedding vows and celebration of the Lord's Supper.

They were the Rev. Gregory Mayer, 1973-1978; the Rev. Christine Hallemeier 1980-1988; the Rev. William Horn, 1989-1994; the Rev. Donald Poole, 1995-2005; and the Rev. Timothy Heinecke, 2008-present.

St. John's was started two centuries ago by German Lutherans from North Carolina, who were migrating to Southern Illinois. This was two years before Illinois became a state (in 1818).

The early leaders understood that the "Church" is the Bride of Christ, Ephesians 1:22-23, 5:25.

However they did not give up their "mother tongue" until 1869. On Jan. 10, their first English constitution was adopted and women gained the right to vote.



St. John's Lutheran Church near Dongola celebrated its 200th anniversary last Saturday and Sunday.

This "Bride of Christ" is also the mother church for 10 congregations or preaching points in Union County plus Zion Lutheran of Jackson County.

The daughter congregations in Union County include Casper, Mt. Pisgah, First Lutheran in Dongola, Messenheimer School, Mt. Moriah, Mt. Zion, Mill Creek, Cache Chapel, Luther's Chapel and Salem.

Messenheimer School ended up being Mt. Olive Baptist Church. Cache Chapel is now Methodist and Mt. Zion is Cumberland Presbyterian.

Luther Chapel seemed to just disappear but there is still a "Luther's Chapel" road a mile north of the Cache River Wetlands Center on Highway 37.

St. John's was the only Lutheran congregation in Illinois until Casper Church was born. From that time on, except for 1913-1927 St. John's has always been in a parish situation with at least one of its daughter congregations.

Today St. John's and First Lutheran of Dongola form the "Dongola Lutheran Parish."

Over the last two centuries St. John's has had a number of prominent pastors.

The Rev. John Lewis Markert, the founding missionary went on to organize the Indiana Lutheran Synod and become its first president.

The Rev. Daniel Scherer, like Abraham Lincoln, was a circuit rider. However Rev. Scherer was riding the Lutheran circuit before Lincoln was riding the judicial circuit. In fact Scherer was riding the Lutheran circuit before Lincoln even had a law license. Rev. Scherer served St. John's from 1831 to 1835 as part of his 300 mile route.

When Rev. Friedrich Heyer, did a missionary tour through Illinois in 1836 he made several stops at St. John's. He also made three trips to India. The churches that he and Rev. Valett started have grown to over 5,000 parishes in India with over 2.5 million members.

Perhaps the most recognizable name here in Southern Illinois would be the Rev. Edward B. Olmstead (1838-1846). The village of Olmsted is named after him.

Pastor Olmstead was a graduate of Gettysburg Lutheran Seminary long before it became ground zero for the famous Civil War battle of 1863. Olmstead was also one of the original trustees for Carbondale College in 1856. During the Civil War he served as a chaplain.

The Rev. William Jenkins, who came a couple of times as a guest preacher/missionary, went on to become the president of the "Synod of the West."

His younger brother Daniel served St. John's

from 1854 to 1861. Pastor Daniel Jenkins was the host pastor for the organizational meeting for the "Southern Illinois Synod," which was held at St. John's. He then became their first president.

In 1917 Rev. E.H. Gilmore hosted the Southern Illinois Synod at St. John's. This was in conjunction with St. John's 101st anniversary and more importantly with the 400th anniversary of the Reformation. The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther started the protestant Reformation by posting 95 Theses to the Wittenberg Church door on Oct. 31, 1517.

Over the years St. John's (and First Lutheran) have had three sons and a daughter enter the Ministry of our Lord.

The Rev. Elijah Miller (1842-1924) served in Sedgewickville, Mo. The Rev. Daniel C. Hurst (1847-1891) served in Southern Illinois and in Missouri.

The Rev. Nancy Schmidt, a current member served at Monument of Hope Church in Carbondale, Grace Christian and Fellowship in Mounds and Agape Love Church in Cairo.

Finally, Donald Schluter grew up in the parish and is now the senior pastor at New Horizons Community Church in Marion.

On Sunday, Sept. 18, St. John's members renewed their vows pledging to continue to love and cherish the Bride of Christ.

They promised to honor and respect Christ's Bride and vowed to read God's Word and to live following the Ten Commandments in a way that honors Christ the Groom.

So in several ways St. John's has been a faithful and fruitful Bride of Christ.

She has had numerous pastors who were extremely influential in the greater church. She has given birth to a handful of other congregations and she has had several sons and daughters enter the Ministry.

We pray that St. John's continues this trend for the next 200 years. Pastor Tim.

Ladies Nite Out held in Cobden

A little bit of rain didn't seem to put a damper on Ladies Nite Out last Friday in Cobden. The popular event, presented by the Cobden Community & Business Association, CCBA, welcomed more than 80 visitors. Ladies Nite Out featured food, shopping discounts, raffles, giveaways and other activities.



Those who attended could start their evening by picking up a gift bag at the park in downtown Cobden. Included in the gift bag was a map of the many Cobden businesses which were participating, as well as a list of events, specials, giveaways and entertainment. There were also two apple tokens and one entry for a CCBA raffle basket. The apple tokens could be used to receive a free gift or a discount at some of the participating businesses.



Meredith Lipe and Jacob, and Samantha Reh, all of Makanda, paid a visit to Southpass Beads & Fibers in Cobden.

Shawnee Parkway project focus of stakeholder's meeting set in Carbondale

A proposed Shawnee Parkway project will be the topic of a meeting which is scheduled Friday, Sept. 23, in Carbondale.

The meeting is set for 7 p.m. in the fellowship hall at the First United Methodist Church, which is located at 214 W. Main St.

The event is free and open to the public and is sponsored by the Southern Illinois Audubon Society.

Illinois Department of Transportation program development engineer Carrie Nelson is scheduled to present what is billed as an informational stakeholder's meeting about the Shawnee Parkway road project.

The Southern Illinois Audubon Society said in a news release that the presentation will provide the public with an opportunity to learn more about the feasibility study stage of the proposed Shawnee Parkway project, as well as ask questions about the project and voice their opinion.

The society said that questions which will be addressed at the meeting include:

Where would this proposed road be constructed and what type of roadway is being planned? What does "the study area" mean and where is it?

What is a stakeholder? Why is this road needed? How is the Shawnee Parkway study being funded?

Who will benefit from

the road? What is the cost to the local economy? How will it impact the Shawnee National Forest?

What is the Context Sensitive Solutions approach to this study and why is it being used?

Will IDOT offer more such meetings where the public can be kept up-to-date on the project?

For more information about the project, visit shawneeparkway.org and http://citizensforsouthernillinois.org/?page_id=2.

Ambulance service

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Since 2013, the Union County Ambulance Service has been the recipient of numerous funding grants and project awards to help update equipment and provide more advanced levels of service to the citizens of Union County.

These projects have been in conjunction with the Union County Board of Commissioners and represent a continued effort to offer the most up to date and advanced level of emergency medical services to the citizens and visitors of Union County, Capel noted.

Look for local yard sales in the classifieds.

Human rights authority to meet

The Egyptian Regional Human Rights Authority of the Illinois Guardianship and Advocacy Commission plans to meet Thursday, today, in Carbondale.

The meeting is set for 5 p.m. at Pagliai's Pizza at 509 S. Illinois Ave.

The authority will review and discuss complaints concerning allegations that the rights of persons with disabilities are being violated at private and public facilities that provide mental health or developmental disability services.

The human rights au-

thority is a panel of nine citizen volunteers appointed by the commission.

The authority is empowered by statute to investigate alleged violations of the rights of persons with disabilities.

Cases tentatively set for this month's agenda include complaints involving alleged violations of the laws, regulations and other mandates that protect the rights of persons with disabilities.

For more information, contact the authority's regional coordinator at 833-4897.

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Former Union County Commissioner, Don Denny, endorses Stevie Guined for County Commissioner in the November election.



Queen, king candidates

Anna-Jonesboro Community High School homecoming queen and king candidates are, from left, Ethan Carlson, Kate Williams, Austin Dillow, Madison Root, Izzy Markovic, Kortnie Bonner, Aaron Lence, Scarlett Carter, Keaton Busby and Morgan Wright. Photo by Tiffany Dillow for The Gazette-Democrat.

Homecoming week planned at A-JCHS

A fall tradition will be renewed next week when Anna-Jonesboro Community High School has its annual homecoming celebration.

Homecoming week activities are planned for Sept. 26 through Oct. 1.

Highlights include a homecoming football game, a parade, coronation of a queen and king, and other special activities at the Union County school.

The A-JCHS Student Council is working on the 2016 celebration. The

theme for this year's homecoming is "Red Carpet."

Daily themes for the week include Pajama Day on Monday, Twin Day on Tuesday, Favorite Sports Team Day on Wednesday, Class Color Day on Thursday and Blue and White

Day on Friday. Blue and white are school colors.

A parade is set for 1 p.m. on Friday of homecoming week. The parade will step off from the Anna City Park.

Those who will be participating in the parade are asked to enter the park through the entrance by St. Mary's Church.

The parade route will be along East Davie Street to South Main Street in downtown Anna.

The parade route is slated to end at Stinson Memorial Library.

Coronation of this year's homecoming queen and king will be at 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 1, in the Union Hall gymnasium at the school.

For more information about homecoming, or being a part of the parade, contact A-JCHS Student Council adviser Hannah Maze at 833-8502, exten-

sion 219, or email ajchsstudentcouncil@aj81.net.

A-J Prowl

The National Honor Society at Anna-Jonesboro Community High School is inviting the community to promote its businesses and show support for the Wildcat football team at the A-J Prowl when they take on the Pinckneyville Panthers on Sept. 30 at 7 p.m.

The Prowl will be part of 2016 homecoming festivities which are planned at the Union County school.

Businesses are invited to sell merchandise, hand out promotions, set up games and more at the game.

Set-up will be at 5 p.m. and the prowl will start at 5:30 p.m. by The Pit. The cost is \$10 per booth.

For more information, contact National Honor Society sponsor Courtney Garner at cgarner@aj81.net or by calling 618-833-8502, extension 214.

Science, math event for girls slated at SIU

An event planned at Southern Illinois University Carbondale is designed to help young women explore careers in science and mathematics.

The annual Expanding Your Horizons in Science and Mathematics conference is set for Saturday, Nov. 19, at the SIU Student Center.

The 26th annual event provides girls in grades 5 through 9 with workshops, networking and hands-on experiences aimed at increasing their awareness of careers in such areas as science, technology and engineering.

Advance registration is required, with a deadline of Friday, Oct. 21.

Tickets are \$10 before the deadline and \$17 after the deadline until Nov. 10.

The conference is organized by the SIU Department of Mathematics in the College of Science.

Check-in is scheduled from 8:45 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. the day of the event. The program begins at 9:15 a.m. and runs until 2 p.m.

Kathleen Pericak-Spector, professor of mathematics at SIU, is chairperson of the event. For more information call 618-453-5302.

Weather

High 91, low 57; 1.45 inches of rain

Temperatures ranged from a high of 91 degrees to a low of 57 during the period of Sept. 13-19 in Union County.

Precipitation for the period totalled 1.45 inches. Rainfall included .33 of an inch on Sept. 14, .13 of an inch Sept. 15, .33 of an inch Sept. 16 and .66 of an inch Sept. 17.

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

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Tuesday, Sept. 13	90 57
Wednesday, Sept. 14	86 68
Thursday, Sept. 15	86 70
Friday, Sept. 16	91 69
Saturday, Sept. 17	82 67
Sunday, Sept. 18	84 63
Monday, Sept. 19	89 59

Pumpkin People coming to visit

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

Organizers report that 15 businesses/organizations have committed to setting up displays, which are scheduled to be available for viewing Oct. 7-16.

The trail of pumpkin people will depict various aspects of the Olympics.

This year's display will involve the use of approximately 110 pumpkins from the St. Mary's Church Pumpkin Patch, 95 bales of straw donated by Stegle Plumbing and 50 mums from the Choate greenhouse.

Those involved with planning the event shared that "the Pumpkin People cast a spell and the campus dons a new look. The smiles and laughter of children and adults alike shower the campus with joy as they explore the displays and make pumpkin people friends.

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

Choate Mental Health and Developmental Center is located at 1000 N. Main St. in Anna, and is also the starting location for the Colorfest Biathlon which is scheduled on Saturday,

Oct. 8.

Businesses and organizations which are participating in this year's Pumpkin Town include:

Anna-Jonesboro National Bank. Reppert Publications. Cobden School. Choate Rehab and staff. The administration/main building at Choate.

RAVE Inc. The Anna Arts Center. WIBH Radio. Casey's General Store in Jonesboro. Horseshoe Lakers 4-H. Jonesboro Rehab & Health Care.

Tri-County School. SIU Credit Union. Sunrise Preschool. Southern Seven Head Start. Illinois Guardianship & Advocacy Commission.

New tourism board welcomes applications for local grant funding

A recently formed board tasked with advising the Union County Board of Commissioners on the distribution of tourism grants continues to meet monthly and is encouraging applicants for Fiscal Year 2017.

The hotel operators' occupancy tax board, unofficially referred to as the tourism board, was established by the commissioners to develop an application process for those seeking the dollars generated by the occupancy tax and to make recommendations on what projects to fund.

While the Union County Board of Commissioners retains the final say on grant applications, the intention is to rely heavily on the individual expertise of the tourism board's members.

Board members are appointed to two-year terms and currently include the following members:

President Patrick Brumleve, at-large member.

Vice president Ken Pinmon, owner of Pinnon Lake Cabins.

Liason Tony Calabrese, owner of Shawnee Hills Bed and Breakfast.

Member Cindy Cain, executive director of the Southernmost Illinois Tourism Bureau.

Member Jeff Kelley, at-large member.

Member Max Miller, vice chairman of the Union County Board of Commissioners.

The grant application form is available online along with meeting minutes and agenda at union-countyboards.com.

Members of the tourism board encourage 2017 grant seekers to get applications in as early as possible.

ColorFest pageant planned on Oct. 8

The Union County ColorFest pageant is set for 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8, at the Anna Arts Center in Anna.

Contestants must be a resident of Union County and be between the ages of 4-13 by the day of the pageant.

Different age groups will be competing for the titles of Tiny/Little/Junior and Miss Colorfest.

The girls will wear a party/Sunday/holiday type of dress. No pageant dresses will be worn.

An informational meeting about the pageant is planned at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 27, at the Anna Arts Center. Pageant applications can be picked up

at that time. For those who want to be in the pageant, but cannot attend the Sept. 27 meeting, more information and applications are available by calling or texting Janice Osman at 618-833-7777. Registration forms also can be emailed.

The final deadline to enter the pageant is Saturday, Oct. 1. All registration forms and fees will need to be turned in by this date. No late entries will be accepted.

Photos are scheduled to be taken at 1:30 p.m. on Oct. 1 at the Anna Arts Center. Applications and registration fees can be turned in at that time as well.

Newspaper says goodbye to James 'Blackie' Mueller

The Gazette-Democrat said goodbye to a longtime coworker and special friend this week.

James H. "Blackie" Mueller, 86, of Anna, died Saturday morning at his daughter's home in Anna.

Blackie had been employed by The Gazette-Democrat and the Reppert family for 71 years.

Jerry L. Reppert, the publisher of The Gazette-Democrat, recalled that Blackie served longer than any other person who had worked for the newspaper

since it was established in 1849.

The publisher's tribute to Blackie can be found on page 8 of Section B in this week's paper.

Blackie had continued to work in printing and production at the paper until just a few months ago, when his health began to fail.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna.

Burial, with military honors, was in the McGinnis Cemetery.

Thank you
to all who made this year's Student-Parent Information Night a big success!



Winners of scholarships at this year's event are Josie Walker of Cobden, Karlie Kelley of Dongola, Hannah Woodson of Egyptian, Elle Basler of Anna-Jonesboro, Tyler Knupp of Century and Nick Baltzell of Shawnee. Also pictured are A-J Bank representatives, Austin Smith and Stephanie Cox.

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SPORTS



A-J's Dylan Fox, number 21, looks for some running room. Austin Dillow, number 50, and Caleb Clover, number 6, are blocking for the A-J runner.



A-J ball carrier Arieh Hart leaves a Nashville tackler on the ground.

Saluki Sports Update

By Fred Huff

Realizing we may not get much response, we're going to do it anyway...talk about SIU's two forgotten sports: Gymnastics and wrestling.

It's been in the back of our mind for many months. Just can't convince myself that few, if anyone, might still be interested in being reminded of the good years...the great years, the two dropped sports once enjoyed at SIU.

Wrestling was the first to go down. It had slipped considerably in the six seasons before eventually being cut from the Salukis' 10-sport program in 1982. In its last season the Salukis were winless in 14 dual meets, but had only seven athletes still active in the sports and coach Linn Long had enjoyed only one winning year in wrestling's last six.

Yet, we're not placing any responsibility on the likeable guy from wrestling's stronghold of Oklahoma. It seemed as if it was just a sign of the time, whatever that means. We're not sure.

Wrestling had been a major happening at SIU from 1955 until Jim Wilkerson's last season as coach in 1968. His teams had won 96 while losing 51 and won conference championships with regularity.

In his final year as coach, the Salukis had two members on the Olympics team: Larry Kristoff and Bob Roop.

Kristoff was a wres-

Junior Wildcat wrestling sign ups slated

Sign ups are scheduled at the Anna City Park in Anna for A-J Junior Wildcat wrestling.

The sign ups are planned from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 1, and from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 5.

The program is open to girls and boys in kindergarten through 8th grade.

Registration fees are \$75 for the first child and \$55 for the second child.

Those who plan to sign up are asked to bring a copy of the child's birth certificate.

tlng legend. Still is in our mind. First of all, he was one of the few Saluki wrestling from this area. Carbondale, of all places. He toyed with football in his younger days at SIU, but concentrated on wrestling where he became a national standout as a heavyweight.

We'll never, like in ever, forget SIU's dual meets in what was then called "Men's Gymnasium," today's Davies Gym, when you couldn't find a seat. It must be noted that there were only 1,600 available at 2 o'clock in the morning, but seats were a premium for Saluki wrestling meets.

The excitement and tempo grew during the early matches. Most in the building were there to witness just how long it would take Kristoff to pin his opponent. More often than not, he'd get the job done within the first 30 seconds.

Even more exciting was the fact that the fans would absolutely explode when the referee's hand slapped the mat signalling the pin.

Yeh, I am aware that perhaps it doesn't take much to excite an old man. Nevertheless, those are memories that are still there.

And, as for gymnastics, there are even more: Three NCAA university-division championships in three years and another a few years later.

Much like wrestlers, few SIU gymnasts originated in Southern Illinois. As a matter of fact, SIU's outstanding gymnasts seemed to originate from further away from Carbondale than wrestlers as many of the latter group seemed to be from Granite City, Belleville and other southwest Illinois communities.

Obviously the success of these two sports was included in our "Saluki Sports History" book out slightly more than 10 years ago. Our point, our concern, is that they were not given enough space. Not enough was said about the outstanding athletes responsible for the success.

One thing is for certain. All were disappointed when the two sports were dropped at SIU.

So were we and now we don't know what to do about it as we still have all the records. And, we're running out of time.

A-J hosts Nashville

Friday night
Anna-Jonesboro hosted Nashville in high school football action last Friday night. The home team held on to score a win over the visitors. Photos by Tiffany Dillow for The Gazette-Democrat.

A-J hits the road to face Carterville

Records don't mean a whole lot in football with some teams.

That would be the case with Carterville, which is Anna-Jonesboro's next opponent.

A-J head coach Brett Detering said that Carterville "is a good football team. Don't let a 1-3 record fool you. It will be a battle again."

The Wildcats will travel to Carterville Friday. Game time is set for 7 p.m. The game will be aired on WIBH radio in Anna.

The Lions are 1-3 following a 34-20 loss to Du Quoin last Friday. The Wildcats enter the game with a 4-0 record.

Despite the loss, the Lions had 308 yards of total offense.

Senior quarterback Harley Vaughn, 5-9, 167 pounds, was 12 of 22 passing for 151 yards with an interception.

His favorite targets are

Benton wins A-J boys' golf invitational

Benton won the Anna-Jonesboro Community High School boys' golf invitational at the Union County Country Club course in Anna Monday, Sept. 12.

Benton won with a score of 314. Massac County was next with 336 and Hamilton County finished third with 338.

A-J finished in 9th place in the 19-team match with 366.

Aidan Frick led the Wildcats with a score of 86. Levi Hall was next with 88, followed by Andrew Ury 95, Carson Reynolds 97, Cole Lannom 103 and Peter Houser 118.

Wildcats hold on to score 26-20 win over Nashville

The Anna-Jonesboro Community High School football team built a lead and had to fight off visiting Nashville to pull out a 26-20 win at The Pit Friday night, Sept. 16.

"It was a little bit closer than what I would have liked," A-J coach Brett Detering said. "We did some good things, but we could do them a lot better."

With the Wildcats ahead 26-20, the Hornets were driving in the closing minutes of the game. However, the drive stalled as the result of a Nashville holding penalty and the tough A-J defense.

"We were fortunate to get that holding penalty and our defense made a good stop," Detering said. "We talk about being physical and wearing people down."

The drive ended when the Hornets failed to convert on a pass on a fourth down and long yardage

situation.

The Wildcats took over with 4:24 remaining in the game.

Two quick first downs, run out a lot of time and A-J quarterback Bryce Osman took a knee with 30 seconds remaining to run out the clock. The Hornets had no timeouts left to stop the clock.

"You get the ball down the stretch - and you really have to fight for every yard," Detering said. "You have to keep moving the chains."

Osman picked up one first down on a short run in the drive and Jayce Turner added the other to preserve the win.

After trading punts to open the game, the Wildcats offense began moving on their second drive. Jayce Turner capped a 6-play drive with a 23-yard touchdown run.

Sheldon McGrath, who made his first appearance this season as the new extra point kicker, booted the extra point and the Wildcats were ahead 7-0 with 7:00 remaining in the opening quarter.

Jackson Boyd deflected Hornet quarterback Andrew Kash's pass on a fourth down play to stop the Hornets next drive early in the second quarter.

The Wildcats were then on the move again. After a 10-play drive, Osman scored on an 18-yard run.

McGrath's kick put the Wildcats ahead 14-0 with 5:55 remaining in the second quarter.

After the teams traded punts, the Nashville offense went to work. The drive was aided by a Wildcat pass interference call.

Jayce Turner then sacked Kash for a big loss, but Kash countered with a 19-yard TD pass to Neil Kachuba. The extra point kick was good and Nashville pulled to 14-7 with 20.9 seconds remaining in the first half.

The Wildcats went on an impressive 16-play drive to open the second half. Osman then appeared to be tackled behind the line of scrimmage, but broke free

Pinckneyville defeats A-J in girls' golf

Pinckneyville defeated the visiting Anna-Jonesboro Community High School girls' golf team 175-193 at the Red Hawk Golf Course Thursday, Sept. 15.

Meghan Smith and Hailley Abernathy led the Lady Wildcats with 47 apiece. Tanner Stadelbacher was next with 49, followed by Connor Hadley and Chelsea Reinier with 50 each. A-J's Emma Ray scored 57.

Cobden, which didn't have enough players for a team score, was led by Molly Ellis with a score of 51.

for a 6-yard TD run.

McGrath's kick was blocked and A-J pulled ahead 20-6 with 3:55 remaining in the third quarter.

Cameron Parker returned the ensuing kick off back to near midfield for the Hornets. Grant Reed then scored on the ensuing play on a 45-yard run. The extra point kick was good and Nashville pulled to 20-13 with 3:38 left in the third quarter.

The Hornets next drive was aided by a Wildcat face mask penalty.

In five plays Nashville moved to midfield, and Kash was able to connect with Parker for a 50-yard TD strike.

"On the very first play we broke down and they get a 50-yard touchdown on a screen pass," Detering said. "In our previous games, we were not giving up the big plays. We just never got any breathing room in this game."

The extra point kick was good and the Hornets knotted the game 20-20 with 8:44 remaining.

Arieh Hart then followed with a 51-yard kickoff return to move the Wildcats to the Nashville 23-yard line.

"Arieh set us up in good field position," Detering said.

Three plays later, Jayce Turner scored on a 10-yard run. He was stopped on the conversion run to close out the scoring with 7:25 remaining in the game.

Osman led A-J's rushing attack with 120 yards in 21 carries. Jayce Turner added 102 yards in 19 carries. Fox added 44 yards in 6 carries. Caleb Clover had 36 yards in 4 carries. Trenton Turner added 27 yards in 5 carries.

The Wildcats rushed for 351 yards and Osman was 2 of 3 passing for 34 yards.

"I thought our kids played hard," Detering said. "But we made a lot more mistakes than we did the last two weeks."



5K winner

Bryce Helm Massey won first place and was the overall winner in the recent Cache River Days annual 5K race in Ullin.

He is a sophomore at Anna-Jonesboro Community High School.

He is the son on Ronald Massey and Paige Helm Maginel. Photo provided.



White Out game at A-J supports MDA

White uniforms and t-shirts were the story at last Friday night's Anna-Jonesboro Community High School football game. A-J had its annual White Out game to help support the work done by the Muscular Dystrophy Association. The Wildcat football squad and its fans wore white for the special occasion. Photo by Tiffany Dillow for The Gazette-Democrat.

SPORTS

Lick Creek revives baseball, softball

By Lindsey Rae Vaughn
Lick Creek Community Consolidated School District No. 16 hasn't had a junior high baseball and softball program since 2011.

Now in 2016, the program has picked back up and it's been a huge boost for the school district.

Coach Ron Fulenwider said the year before the last year of the athletic programs, the baseball team won its conference. Then the next year, there weren't enough players to field a team.

Fast-forward to 2015, which was superintendent Brent Boren's first year at Lick Creek.

In an attempt to learn more about his district, he created a poll for his students. The poll showed strong support for athletic programs at the school.

"We received enough response (about the programs) to seriously look for coaches," Boren said.

Lick Creek is unique because the school has a junior varsity and a varsity team for both baseball and softball.

Students in 4th through 8th grade can play on the team, but for safety reasons, 4th grade is only allowed on the junior varsity team.

"The community has been a big supporter for reopening the programs," Boren noted.

The school also has added cross country to its athletic program.

Softball coach Michele Rushing said this year has been a learning experience for the girls.

There are a total of 15 girls on the team, with one 8th grader and two 7th graders. The rest are 6th grade and below. This gives the district hope that the program will remain and continue to grow stronger.

"The school's been very supportive. They've gotten us all of our equipment and uniforms. We have wanted it for a long time and we have a lot of community support," Rushing said.

Noah Prater, Lick Creek's baseball coach, said a lot of the older kids on the team have never played before, so the team is learning a lot.

"It's great for them to get the experience. Even if the record doesn't show, the progress made for them has been worth it," Prater said.

The baseball team has two 8th grade players.

Boren said the current field was nothing but grass, but thanks to the labor of volunteers, the district now has one baseball/softball field behind the school.

Men's golf scramble results

A men's golf scramble was played Sept. 14 at the Union County Country Club in Anna.

Results from the scramble follow:

First: Jordan Chamness, Ron Hubbs, Tom Huffman.

Second: Lee Danhover, Eric Hoffman, John Mowery, George Warren.

Third: Jim Harris, Rich Kerns, Cory Miller, Neil West.

Tom Sherrill Memorial Golf Scramble in Anna a big success

The Lick Creek Educational Foundation held its sixth annual Tom Sherrill Memorial four-person golf scramble on Sept. 17 at the Union County Country Club in Anna.

Tom Sherrill served as a school board member for 24 years at the Jonesboro Grade School. Tom's widow Cheryl and sons Brad and Jeff were in attendance.

The event featured its first hole-in-one contest on green number three. Coad Ford sponsored the event to give the winner a brand-new car. Some golfers came within 4-6 feet, but there were no winners.

The event drew 22 teams and 88 golfers, which is down from 30 teams in 2015. Hole sponsors were up from 70 sponsors in 2015 to 82 this year. The event was divided into two sessions, one at 8 a.m. and the other at 1:30 p.m.

A breakfast and noon luncheon were held with "Big D" and his team of cooks. Don, Matt and Cheryl Denny, and Cameron Roberts offered a variety of foods.

The foundation's hope this year was to reach the \$100,000 goal that had been set at the inception of the foundation in 2009. The amount is standing now at \$100,414.

The proceeds from the golf scramble and car wash have been used for educational improvements and upgrades each year.

An effort is made to improve all educational endeavors with emphasis on teacher workshops and training. Educational field trips for all students are now available throughout the year.

Special Recognition
The event would not be possible without the help of

many community members. The foundation expressed its thanks to all individuals and business firms who helped make the golf scramble a success and for helping to reach the \$100,000 goal.

Hole sponsors: Cambridge Manor/Scott & Marlena Wright, Baysinger Architects PLLC, Marion; Jeremy, Nicole, Molly and Maggie Roach, Gerry and Rosie Basler; Snedeker Risk Management, Havana; Modern Woodmen/Brenda Stokes; Larry and Brad Roberts; Crain Funeral Home, Anna; Grassy Lake Hunting Club/Collin Cain, Jonesboro; Rendleman and Hileman Funeral Home.

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Teams
Awards of \$100 were given for the closest to pin, longest drive and longest putt. Awards were also given for top flight winners in each of the flights. \$200 was given for first place and \$140 for second place.

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Gold sponsors that contributed \$1,000 or more were Carl Rendleman, Midtown Pub, LLC; Collin Cain, Grassy Lake Hunting Club; Edward M. Smith, Union Labor Life Insurance Com-

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Special Acknowledgment

Thanks to the Union County Country Club for the hospitality and service provided for the Tom Sherrill Memorial Golf Scramble.

Brandon Bierstedt provided Lick Creek School a setting for raising funds for the school's educational endeavors. A total of \$21,110.00 has been raised at the time of this writing with a net income of \$17,414.

Those who assisted with the fundraiser were Jennifer Stokes-Cook, B.J. Cook, Brent Boren, Tracy Overstreet, Nancy Cerney, Cheryl Denny and Brodie Denny.

Shawnee scores win over Joppa in volleyball

Shawnee defeated host Joppa 25-23 and 25-12 Thursday, Sept. 8, in high school volleyball action.

Abbey Livesay was 12 of 13 serving with 3 aces and 5 of 8 hitting with 2 kills.

Molly Lewis was 15 of 18 hitting with 7 kills and 2 of 2 serving with a block.

Kirsten Pitts was 15 of 16 serving with 2 aces, 9 of 9 serving and 5 of 6 hitting.

Chali Phelps was 3 of 3 serving and 4 of 6 hitting.

Olivia Jackson was 9 of 9 serving and 5 of 6 hitting.

Madilyn Ellet was 25 of 25 setting with 10 assists, 7 of 8 serving with an ace and 1 of 2 attacking with a kill.

The Lady Reds improved to 2-1 overall.



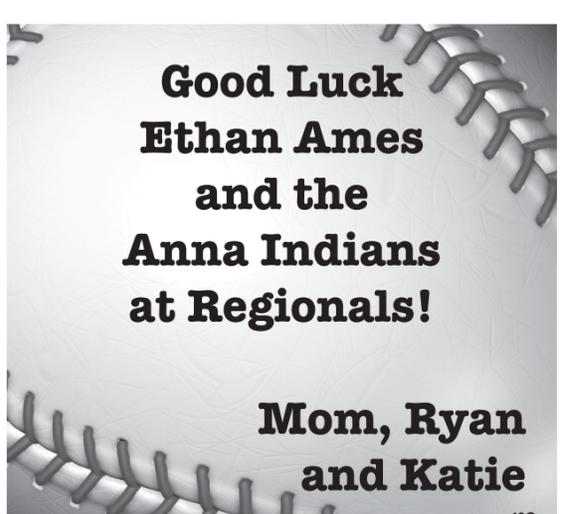
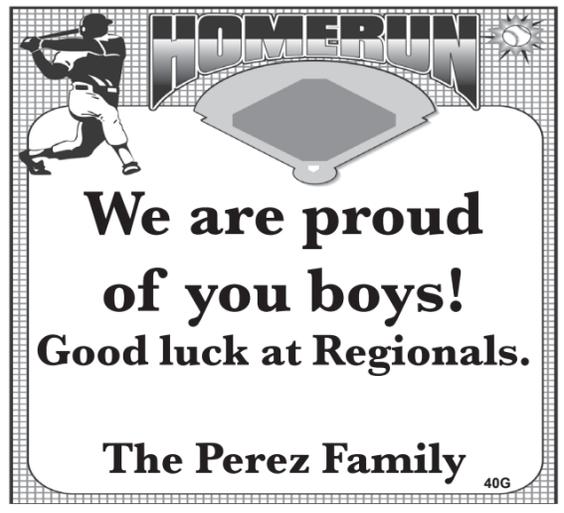
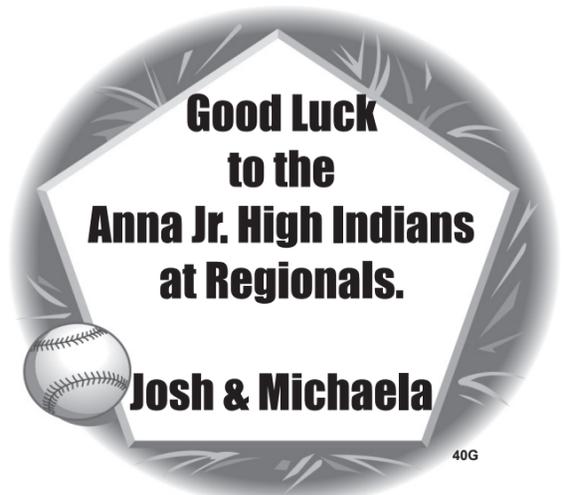
Conference champions

The Anna Junior High School baseball team recently won its conference tournament. Anna defeated Jonesboro 18-0 for the title. In the first row are, from left, Kyle Jerrell, Arojæ Hart, Luke Lasley, Gavin Osman, Blake Mays, Caleb Mays and Hayden Ralls. In the second row are Matthew Wright, Barry Johnson, Maddox Thorpe, Nick McGrath, Carson Pengress, John David Bigler, Colby Bowman and Ethan Ames. Photo provided.



No-hitter

Ethan Ames pitched a no-hitter for the Anna Junior High School baseball team in its conference baseball title game. From left are Ethan Ames and coach Aaron Roberts. Photo provided.



SPORTS



Volleyball action

Anna-Jonesboro's Clair Boget spikes the ball against Nashville during a high school volleyball game. The game was played Sept. 13 at Anna-Jonesboro Community High School. Photo by Tiffany Dillow for The Gazette-Democrat.

A-J volleyball takes third at Massac County Superman Classic Tourney

The Anna-Jonesboro Community High School volleyball team finished in third place at the Massac County Superman Slam Tournament Saturday, Sept. 17.

A-J's Brooke Miller and Elle Basler were named to the all-tournament team.

A-J posted wins over Webber Township, 25-19 and 25-14, Marion, 25-23 and 25-19 and Centralia, 25-17 and 25-16. The Lady Wildcats lost to Christopher, 25-23 and 26-24, and host Massac County, 25-11 and 25-11.

Basler led the way with 39 serve receives, 38 good serves, 29 digs, 26 kills, 9 aces and 2 blocks.

Miller had 29 assists, 27 digs, 20 good serves, 12 kills, 6 aces, 4 serve receives and 4 blocks.

Kenzie Boget had 24 digs, 21 good serves, 12 kills, 11 serve receives, 2 aces and blocks.

Ashley Oliver had 15 assists, 14 good serves, 5 digs and an ace.

Jacquie Arreola had 29 serve receives, 19 good serves, 18 digs, 5 kills, 3 aces and a block.

Payton Alsip had 25 digs, 11 good serves, 10 serve receives, 3 aces, 2 kills and an assist.

Clair Boget had 10 assists, 6 kills, 4 serve receives, 3 good serves, 2 aces and a dig.

Jade Marks had 8 blocks and kills, 3 serve receives and a dig.

Brayden Fitzgerald had 2 kills and a good serve, serve receive, dig and assist.

Julia Lasley had 4 digs, 3 serve receives and a good serve.

In regular season action: **A-J 25-25, Carterville 16-12:** Basler led the visiting Lady Wildcats in the Southern Illinois River-to-River Conference Mississippi Division win with 11 digs, 6 serve receives, 4 good serves and kills, 3 blocks and an ace Thursday, Sept. 15.

Miller had 10 assists, 8 good serves, 6 aces, 3 kills and 2 blocks.

Oliver had 12 good serves, 2 kills, an ace and a dig. Arreola had 2 good serves and kills and a dig and an ace.

Alsip had 7 digs, 4 good serves and an ace. Boget had 2 kills and a block. Marks had 3 blocks.

A-J 25-25, Nashville 20-18: Basler had 8 good serves, kills and serve receives, 7 digs, 5 aces and 3 blocks to lead host A-J Tuesday, Sept. 13.

Miller had 8 assists, 6 good serves and digs, 2 kills and a block and an ace.

Boget had 3 kills and 2 blocks. Oliver had 6 assists and an ace. Arreola had 5 digs, 3 aces and 2 kills.

Alsip had 6 serve receives, 5 digs and an ace. Marks had 2 kills and a block. Boget had 2 kills.

A-J, 12-6 overall and 2-0 in the conference, plays Thursday, today, at Du Quoin.

High school soccer action

The Anna-Jonesboro/Cobden/Dongola boys' high school soccer team hosted Massac County in a Sept. 13 game. Photos by Tiffany Dillow for The Gazette-Democrat.



The Union County team's John Russell, number 10, in action.



Jaryt Tripp, number 18, and Blake Pena, number 15, in action.

Boys' co-op soccer team goes 2-1 in recent play

The Anna-Jonesboro/Cobden/Dongola High School boys' soccer team went 2-1 in recent play.

Marion 3, A-J/Cobden/Dongola 0: John Russell and Jaryt Tripp had the only shots at goal in the loss at Marion Thursday, Sept. 15.

Jake Parr played 80 minutes in goal and had 18 saves.

A-J/Cobden/Dongola 3, Carbondale 0: Tripp scored two goals and Juan Miranda scored the other to lead the winners at Carbondale Wednesday, Sept. 14.

Zach Massey had an as-

ist in the win.

Parr played 80 minutes in goal and had 8 saves.

A-J/Cobden/Dongola 4, Massac County 0: Blake Pena led the way for the win at home with two goals Tuesday, Sept. 13.

Tripp and Russell scored the other goals.

Russell, Jose Guzman and Juan Miranda each had an assist.

Parr played 80 minutes in goal and had 3 saves.

The Union County team, 6-4, is scheduled to play Thursday, today, at home against Sikeston, Mo.

Lick Creek continues to have success in girls' cross country

The Lick Creek School girls' cross country team continues to have success.

The Lick Creek Cross Country team made the two hour bus ride to Smithton to participate in a very competitive cross country meet with several schools from the Metro East area on Saturday, Sept. 10.

Thirteen teams converged on Smithton Park to compete. Some of the teams involved were Alton, Smithton, Wolf Branch, Collinsville, Evansville, Murphysboro, Immaculate Conception.

The Lick Creek girls started the day shorthanded, running without standout Kyleigh Matuszewich, who was out of town for the weekend.

Lick Creek finished second overall with 59 points to an Alton team which won with 28 points. Smithton was third with 97 points and Murphysboro 4th with 140.

Marie Prindiville from Immaculate Conception, who is a favorite to win state, finished first at the meet.

Leading the Lady Eagles was 6th grader Brodie Denny, who finished 4th overall out of over 90 competitors. Julia Hall was just behind in 5th, Hannah Miller in 7th, 2nd grader Jady Gerardi finished 21st and Addie Denny was 22nd. Miranda Wright followed up at 37th and Kristin Edmonds at 42nd.

All of Lick Creek's runners finished in the top half of the runners, which is impressive compared to Collinsville's 4,300 students and Alton's 3,000.

Lick Creek coach Matt Denny said: "I am very proud of how our kids stepped up today against the biggest teams in the south half of the state. We knew we were shorthanded and everybody stepped it up

today."

Lick Creek wins Herrin Invitational

The Lick Creek girls' cross country team continued its dominance in Southern Illinois cross country by winning the Herrin Invitational on Wednesday, Sept. 14.

Lick Creek again took on some of the biggest schools in the area. Teams that competed in the Herrin Invitational were Carbondale, Carterville, Herrin, Harrisburg, West Frankfort, Murphysboro, Herrin OLMC and two-time defending state champ Pinckneyville St. Bruno.

Lick Creek outpaced St. Bruno 38 to 43 with another very close race as they both continue to show they are at the top of the cross country food chain in the area.

"St. Bruno is very talented and very experienced. Our girls are doing a good job responding to the challenge put forth by St. Bruno. We all are running faster every race and the girls seem to be taking turns at the top, which is good and shows our depth," Coach Denny stated.

Kyleigh Matuszewich led the Lady Eagles in 3rd place, Hannah Miller in 4th, Brodie Denny in 6th, Julia Hall 8th, and Jady Gerardi 17th.

Denny added: "Our top four are very solid and they all have finished in the top eight at every race this year. They don't worry about who is up front, understanding that we all have good and bad days, we tell them to just try your best and do what you can."

Lick Creek was scheduled to go on the road to Centralia on Monday, Sept. 19, and plans to go to Salem for one of the biggest meets of the year on Saturday, Sept. 24.

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From left are Ginger Meyer, clinical director for the Children's Medical and Mental Health Resource Network; Richard Stroh, WoodmenLife representative; and Dr. Kathy Swafford. Photo provided.

Donation helps to support Children's Medical, Mental Health Resource Network

WoodmenLife Chapter 26 recently donated \$100 to benefit the Children's Medical and Mental Health Resource Network, CMMHRN.

WoodmenLife is a fraternal life insurance society offering life, health and annuity products.

WoodmenLife is also a not for profit organization dedicated to benefiting the membership and the communities the members live in.

They accomplish that goal by donating time and money to organizations that benefit the local communities they serve.

WoodmenLife operates in all 50 states and has nearly 1,000 chapters and a membership of more than 700,000 people.

One of WoodmenLife's goals is to better the local community. The donation to Children's Medical and Mental Health Resource Network accomplishes that goal.

CMMHRN provides specialized medical evaluations for children birth to 17 who are reported victims of child maltreatment in

rural Southern Illinois.

CMMHRN also assists children who are emotionally abused, witness domestic violence and those who may have been harmed due to a drug environment.

Medical exams are provided both during regular scheduled office hours and on an emergency after hour basis.

Under the leadership of Dr. Kathy Swafford, CMMHRN provides training and consultation to medical providers and members of the multidisciplinary teams (DCFS, law enforcement, child advocacy centers, mental health and court systems) regarding medical evaluations of maltreated children.

CMMHRN also coordinates child mental health services for traumatized children and training for mental health professionals in the southern 23 counties of Illinois.

"WoodmenLife is proud of the work Ginger Meyer and Dr. Kathy Swafford provide for the Southern Illinois region," WoodmenLife representative Richard Stroh said in a news release.

Shawnee Hills Arts Council/Anna Arts Center to host classes

The Shawnee Hills Arts Council/Anna Arts Center in Anna has announced its schedule of upcoming classes.

Starting Sept. 19, the arts center, has scheduled an open studio each Monday which will be free to all members and for \$9 per session for non-members. Participants provide the art supplies. Resident artist Nancy Young will attend.

Beth Schumacher, plans to instruct a sign language class. Classes are scheduled to start Thursday, Sept. 22, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., and will last for six weeks. The cost is \$40.

An adult drama and theatre class will begin Thursday, Sept. 22, running from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. for six weeks. The cost is \$40.

Basket making and weaving class will be taught by Lee Hackney starting on Thursday, Sept. 22, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. and will cost \$40.

Art classes for children ages 3-7 and 8-14 will be taught by Lee Hackney

and Jane Nimmo. Classes run for six weeks starting Thursday, Sept. 22, from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. or Saturday, Sept. 24, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. The cost is \$40 for the classes and \$10 for supplies. The cost for three children is \$100 or \$9 per class attended.

Art with pallets is scheduled to start Tuesday, Sept. 27, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. and will cost \$40.

A quilting class, open to ages 12 to adult, will be taught by Sue Ann Zimmerman, Jane Nimmo and Connie Arnold. Each participant will complete a 44 inch by 50 inch quilt or table runner by the end of the six-week course. Wednesday classes start Sept. 27 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. The cost is \$40 with additional costs for supplies.

To register for a class or for more information, call 904-625-1109 or email vabchlee@gmail.com by Sept. 21.

Registration forms should be brought to the first class meeting.

Students invited to be part of new honor band

High school and 8th grade band students from throughout Southern Illinois and the surrounding area will have a unique opportunity this school year.

Jim Childers, the director of bands at Marion Junior High School, plans to organize and host a regional honor band called The Honor Band of Southern Illinois.

Plans call for students in the band to rehearse on Monday evenings starting in November, after the marching season.

The students also plan to travel to Chicago to compete during the first weekend of June at a Music in the Parks festival.

The group is scheduled to perform in the late spring at Southern Illinois University Carbondale in a concert with one of the university's bands.

Students in the 8th through 12th grades from

the southern part of the state and from just across the rivers can contact Childers at jchilders@marionunit2.org, beginning Oct. 4 to request an audition time.

Auditions are planned during the week of Oct. 24 in the Marion Junior High band room.

More information about the group can be found by going to the Marion Junior High School's website, www.marionunit2.org/mjhs.

Follow the links to "band and choir," "Mr. Childers" and then "The Honor Band of Southern Illinois" to find out more about audition materials, cost, attendance expectations and more.

Kelley completes lineworkers climbing school in Springfield

Josh Kelley, an employee of Southern Illinois Electric Cooperative in Dongola, recently completed the Association of Illinois Electric Cooperatives and Lincoln Land Community College lineworkers climbing school in Springfield.

"I like working for a cooperative because you are helping members. I like being an apprentice lineman because of the excitement. It's an adventure," Kelley said in a news release. He currently works on one of the co-op's construction crews.

"During this school, I was surprised at how fast we moved through the different steps and how fast we progressed," he said.

At the two-week climbing school Kelley received "hands-on" training.

The training included the proper technique of climbing poles up to 60 feet, building lines both three phase and single phase, using a "spec book"

to get the needed material to build the lines, building lines from the pole using blocks, hand lines and hoists; installing transformers, reclosers, cutouts, and crossarms; hanging pole hardware using pole pins, becoming familiar with shotguns and switchsticks, and being introduced to "hot line" tools, practicing pole top rescue and being able to complete it in less than four minutes, introduction to the controls of a digger derrick, replacing a pole and setting a new pole in its place.

The school is accredited through Lincoln Land Community College.

Southern Illinois Electric Cooperative is a member of Touchstone Energy, an alliance of 750 local, consumer-owned electric utilities around the country.

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Illinois unemployment rate fell to 5.5 percent in August

The Illinois Department of Employment Security, IDES, reports that the state's unemployment rate in August decreased 0.3 of a percentage point to 5.5 percent.

Nonfarm payrolls decreased, based on preliminary data released by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics and IDES.

The decrease in Illinois' unemployment rate is largely due to a decline in the labor force.

Job growth is still below the national average, with Illinois 46,400 jobs short of its peak employment level reached in September 2000.

"In this 30-day snapshot, manufacturing losses were heavy, which contributed to more than half of the month's decrease in nonfarm payroll jobs," IDES director Jeff Mays said in a news release.

"The surveys have shown a great deal of fluctuation over the past year; seeing how the numbers develop over the long-term should make the trend clear."

In August, the two industry sectors with the largest gains in employment were leisure and hospitality, which added 3,400 jobs, and professional services, which added 2,000 jobs.

The three industry sectors with the largest declines in employment were manufacturing, which lost 4,400 jobs; financial activities, which lost 2,600 jobs; and education and health services, which lost 1,900 jobs.

The state's unemployment rate is higher than the national unemployment rate reported for August, which held at 4.9 percent.

The Illinois unemployment rate is down 0.3 of a percentage point from a year ago, when it was 5.8 percent.

declined for the fourth consecutive month in August, as did the labor force and the number of people unemployed.

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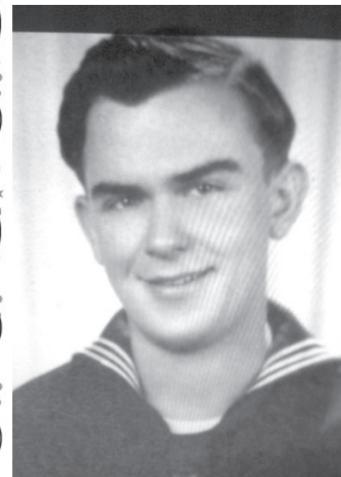
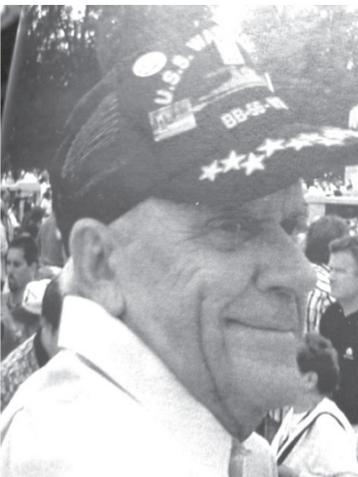
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JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association PLAINTIFF
Vs.
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The salary for this position will be commensurate with education and experience, and the fringe benefits are excellent. The applicant must submit a cover letter and a resume that includes salary history and a listing of 3 references. Applications must be received by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, October 7, 2016 at the following address: Union County Housing Authority, Attn: Board Chair, P.O. Box 317, Anna, IL 62906. Letter and a resume may also be forwarded via email to nkwatkins@msn.com

HELP WANTED: Nurse (LPN or RN) and EMT needed for the 11 p.m. to 7:15 a.m. shift. Good Benefits! Send resume to The Fellowship House, P.O. Box 682; Anna, IL 62906. EOE.

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GARAGE SALE: 300 Mary Street, Jonesboro. Thursday, Friday & Saturday, September 22, 23 & 24, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Rain or shine. Plants, box springs & mattress for double bed, some tools.

HUGE 3 FAMILY YARD SALE: Weather uncooperative - trying again! Saturday, September 24, 8 a.m. to ??? 700 McKinley, Anna. Infant girl, 6- girl, teen girl (name brand). Cricut machine with accessories, wedding dress (size 24), wedding decorations, bachelorette party stuff, veils, lots of misc. Much, much more. Younique make up also available (in stock and to order).

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YARD SALE: Saturday, September 24, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. 1490 Old Hwy. 51 N., Anna. Kitchen items, scrapbooking supplies, clothing. Rain or shine.

YARD SALE: Saturday, September 24, 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. 106 Orchard Drive, Anna. Bicycles, scooters, Little Tykes, toys, kids clothing, furniture. Lots of stuff.

YARD SALE: Saturday, September 24, 9 a.m. to ??? 16767 Old Delta Road, Elco. Automotive tools, sheets, glassware, pots & pans, dishes, lots of junk. Jim & Mary's.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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

IN THE INTEREST OF: CHASIDY F. RICHARDSON, A Minor. NO. 2016-JA-18

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION PURSUANT TO 705 ILCS 405/3-18

GAGE A. QUICK, JAMIE L. SMITH, and to ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

TAKE NOTICE that on August 22, 2016, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 by Heather Heaslett, Assistant State's Attorney, in the Circuit Court of Union County entitled "In the interest of CHASIDY F. RICHARDSON, a minor," and that in Judge Charles Cavaness' courtroom at Union County Courthouse, 309 West Market Street, Jonesboro, Illinois on Thursday, the 22nd day of September, 2016, at the hour of 1 p.m., or as soon thereafter as this cause may be heard, an adjudica-

tory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the child declared to be a youth in care under that Act. The court has authority in this proceeding to take from you the custody and guardianship of the minor, (and if the petition prays for the appointment of a guardian with power to consent to adoption) and to appoint a guardian with power to consent to adoption of the minor.

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

Lorraine Moreland
Clerk of the Circuit Court

Dated: August 31, 2016
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16-078574 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 1ST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT UNION COUNTY, JONESBORO, ILLINOIS

PHH MORTGAGE CORPORATION PLAINTIFF,

-vs-

UNKNOWN HEIRS AND/OR LEGATEES OF JOSEPH V. LILES A/K/A JOE LILES, DECEASED; JULIE E. FOX, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE ESTATE OF JOSEPH V. LILES A/K/A JOE LILES, DECEASED; PATRICK J. PATTERSON; CITY OF ANNA, AN ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL CORPORATION; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS DEFENDANTS
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PUBLICATION NOTICE

The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you Unknown Heirs and/or Legatees of Joseph V. Liles a/k/a Joe Liles, deceased and Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants; Unknown Occupants;

Defendants in the above entitled suit, that the said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of Union County, by the said Plaintiff against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to wit:

A PART OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT A POINT WHERE THE NORTH AND SOUTH CENTERLINE OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST CROSSES THE NORTH LINE OF THE VIENNA ROAD; THENCE SOUTH 89° WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF THE VIENNA ROAD 49 1/2 FEET TO A STAKE; THENCE NORTH 6 1/4° WEST 176 FEET TO A STAKE; THENCE NORTH 89° EAST 49 1/2 FEET TO A STAKE; THENCE SOUTH 6 1/4° EAST 176 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF UNION AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.

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and which said Mortgage was made by Joseph V. Liles Mortgages, to Coldwell Banker Mortgage as Mortgagee, and recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of Union County, Illinois, Document No. 3847A, Book No. 239, Page No. 511.

And for other relief; that summons was duly issued out of the said Court against you as provided by law, and that the suit is now pending. YOU MAY STILL BE

ABLE TO SAVE YOUR HOME. DO NOT IGNORE THIS DOCUMENT. By order of the Chief Judge of the Circuit Court of the First Judicial Circuit, this case is set for Mandatory Mediation on October 17, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. at the Union County Courthouse, 309 W. Market Street, Room 101, Jonesboro, IL 62952. A lender representative will be present along with a court appointed mediator to discuss options that you may have and to pre-screen you for a potential mortgage modification.

YOU MUST APPEAR ON THE MEDIATION DATE GIVEN OR YOUR MEDIATION WILL BE TERMINATED.

Now therefore, unless you, the said above named defendants, file your answer to the Complaint in the said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Union County, in the City of Jonesboro, Illinois, on or before the 30th day after the first publication of this notice which is October 11, 2016. Default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint.

lation 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 16th day of September, 2016, under the Assumed Name of My Sun, My Moon Photography with the place of business located at 265 Chestnut Street, Alto Pass, Illinois 62905 and that the True Name(s) and Residence Address of the Sole Owner(s) and Proprietor(s) of said Business is:

Samantha McCann
265 Chestnut Street
Alto Pass, IL 62905

Terry Bartruff
Union County Clerk
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ESTATE OF LOUETTA RION, DECEASED. NO. 2016-P-36 IN PROBATE

NOTICE OF DEATH INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION, AND CLAIM DATE

NOTICE IS GIVEN to creditors of the death of Lou Etta Rion, of Buncombe, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on September 9, 2016, to Cindy Nixon, 1805 Hummingbird Rd. Buncombe, Illinois 62912, as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Elvis C. Cameron, 205B N. Main St., Anna, Illinois.

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

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

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

Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of this court at the Union County Courthouse, 311 W. Market St., Jonesboro, Illinois, or with the Independent Executor, or both, on or before March 15, 2017, or if mailing or delivery of a notice from the Executor is required by Section 5/18-3 of the Probate Act of the State of Illinois, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the Executor and to the attorneys within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

Dated: September 12, 2016.

CINDY NIXON,
Ind. Executor

CAMERON LAW FIRM, LLC
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ATTORNEY FOR INDEPENDENT EXECUTOR
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JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association

PLAINTIFF

Gs. Jessica Gayle Manus; et. al.

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THE SOUTH HALF OF LOT NUMBER THREE OF J. M. COSTLEY'S ADDITION TO THE TOWN (NOW VILLAGE) OF DONGOLA, IN UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AND, ALSO, A PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER

OF SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 13 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT: BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED LOT NUMBER THREE AND RUNNING SOUTH ON THE EAST LINE OF CROSS STREET A DISTANCE OF 75 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE EAST A DISTANCE OF 350 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE EAST LINE OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER; THENCE NORTH ON THE QUARTER SECTION LINE A DISTANCE OF 100 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE WEST A DISTANCE OF 250 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE EAST LINE OF THE ABOVE-MENTIONED LOT NO. 3; THENCE SOUTH ON THE EAST LINE OF THE SAID LOT NO. 3, A DISTANCE OF 25 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THIS SAID LOT NO. 3; THENCE WEST ON THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID LOT NO. 3, A DISTANCE OF 100 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 0.77 OF AN ACRE, MORE OR LESS.

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A stop in the sunshine
A dragonfly found a nice place to perch in the sunshine one day recently next to the pond at the Lincoln Memorial Picnic Grounds in Jonesboro.



Ribbon cutting

The Union County Chamber of Commerce sponsored a ribbon cutting on Friday, Sept. 16, at Farmer's Daughter Boutique. The ceremony was part of a grand opening event for the store. Owners and operators Brandy Renshaw and Kellie Willoughby are among those pictured at the ribbon cutting. Farmer's Daughter is located at 200 S. Main St. in Anna. Photo by Amber Skelton.

Farmer's Daughter Boutique opens in Anna on Main Street

By Amber Skelton

Farmer's Daughter Boutique in downtown Anna celebrated its grand opening on Friday, Sept. 16. The event included door prizes and giveaways. The Union County Chamber of Commerce sponsored a ribbon cutting.

The original Farmer's Daughter Boutique began in a Victorian house in Olive Branch. Store owner Brandy Renshaw said that she did well there, but the location wasn't ideal for growth.

Renshaw said she saw potential in the empty corner shop at 200 S. Main Street in Anna.

The Farmer's Daughter team painted, exposed the ceiling, removed the glass tiles from the front of the building and installed a pallet-wall to achieve the look they were going for.

The community was also a contributing factor for the move.

"We love all the people here. Everyone has been so welcoming and inviting," Renshaw said.

Farmer's Daughter Boutique sells an assorted col-

lection of apparel, jewelry, toys and gifts that relate to farming.

"For 23 years I farmed with my dad," Renshaw said. "My entire life revolves around being a farmer's daughter."

Some of the products in the shop include the Happy Everything collection, which include Tervis cups and gifts, gift items like farm toys, ornaments, jewelry and Oxford Graphic T's by local store owner Betsy Oxford. Essential oils are expected soon. New products and sales are advertised on the store's Facebook page.

Renshaw said that Farmer's Daughter also has a section of "pre-loved" items; Buckle-brand apparel that is gently used, but not consignment.

Kellie Willoughby, operator of the shop, offers custom designs, door hangers and signs, among other personalized products.

Willoughby intends to

offer painting classes for the community on specific nights. Customers could also book a group painting party that could involve painting canvases, door hangings and more.

To order custom designs from Willoughby, call or text 573-979-0523 or email kellie.willoughby@gmail.com.

Renshaw expressed hope for the future of downtown Anna.

"When I first came (to Anna), my goal was just for my business to thrive," she said.

"After being here and being on Main Street and meeting the people, my goal now is for Main Street to thrive, and hopefully, I'm along with that."

Farmer's Daughter Boutique is open Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The store can be reached at 618-306-1122.

Hunting, fishing celebration scheduled

The Southern Celebration of National Hunting and Fishing Days is planned Sept. 24-25 on the campus of John A. Logan College at Carterville.

Hours are scheduled from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday.

More than 200 vendors are expected to participate. For more information, visit the website at sihfd.org.

Children's activities will include a youth goose and duck calling contest, as well as archery, shooting and fishing.

Dog demonstrations, waterfowl calling contests, fishing tournaments, 3-D archery, seminars and many other events are planned.



Young golfer has hole-in-one

Gavin Osman, 12, of Anna, hit a hole-in-one while playing golf on Sunday, Sept. 11, at the Hickory Ridge Golf Course. Osman used a driver to ace the 164-yard hole number 4. The hole-in-one was witnessed by Matt and Lucas Lasley. From left are Lucas Lasley and Gavin Osman. Photo provided.



Little Shop of Horrors

The musical "Little Shop of Horrors," was performed at the Anna Arts Center Sept. 16-18. Seymour, left, played by Joey Johnson, and Audrey II, played by Samantha Lane Bursich, sang "Feed Me (Git It)" together on stage. Photo by Lindsey Rae Vaughn.

Fort de Chartres State Historic Site to host three upcoming events

Fort de Chartres State Historic Site near Prairie du Rocher will take visitors back to a time when medical treatment often meant home-grown herbs.

The site also plans to have activities to remember the French and Indian War and World War II.

Medicinal Plants

On Sept. 24, the site plans to present Dixie Pittenger of Garden Gate Herbals in Lebanon.

Pittenger will explain how to grow medicinal plants, find them in the wild and prepare herbs for use and storage. She will also discuss how to make salves, tinctures and infusions.

The event begins at 10 a.m. in the fort's Guard Room and will last until 3 p.m., with a one-hour break for lunch.

For more information or to sign up, call 618-284-7230 or send an email to david.schultz@illinois.gov.

The event is part of the Art de Vivre (art of life) series sponsored by Les Amis du Fort de Chartres.

French and Indian War Assemblage

The site's annual French and Indian War Assemblage is planned Oct. 1-2. The event features opening and closing ceremonies both days, contests in frontier skills by historic interpreters and a mock battle Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

The assemblage also includes another Art de Vivre presentation. Called "A Fine Array," it will examine French colonial fashions.

The assemblage runs from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday and from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sunday.

The event is hosted by the Fort de Chartres French Marines and sponsored by Les Amis du Fort de Chartres.

World War II Day

The fort shifts its focus to the 20th century on Oct. 8 for the annual World War II Day.

An encampment will display equipment and give visitors a chance to talk to historic interpreters.

A ceremony honoring veterans from all of Ameri-

ca's engagements is planned as well as a simulated battle between American and German forces.

The World War II event is free and runs from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Hosted by the U.S. 2nd Ranger Infantry Battalion of St. Louis and the LAH Living History Association.

Fort de Chartres was built by the French military in the 1750s. It served as the seat of government and chief military installation in Illinois when France controlled the territory.

The British then took it over and used it until 1772. The site was declared a national historic landmark in 1960.

The fort's powder magazine is the oldest building in Illinois.

The site is located at 1350 Illinois Route 155, 4 miles west of Prairie du Rocher. It is open Thursday to Sunday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. A site donation of \$4 for adults, \$2 for children or \$10 per family is suggested. The site is operated by the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency.



Champion

Whiskersonkittens won the Plum Peachy Championship at Hawthorne Saturday, Sept. 10. The 3-year-old horse, which is owned by Ron Knupp of Anna, won the \$100,000 top prize. The photograph is from a previous race. Photo provided.

Locally owned horse wins \$100,000

Racing horse Whiskersonkittens won the Plum Peachy Championship at the parimutuel race track in Hawthorne Saturday, Sept. 10.

The horse, a 3-year-old pacing filly, which is owned by Ron Knupp of Anna, won a total purse of \$100,000. The horse paid \$4.80 as the betting favorite in the race.

Whiskersonkittens

grabbed the lead early and held all the others safe as she paced her way to a five-length victory.

The horse was born and raised at John Murray's Red Gate Ranch, which is located between Anna and Dongola.

It was the sixth race Whiskersonkittens has competed in this year. The horse has placed among the top five in every one

of them. The previous race was at the open handicap race at Hawthorne.

The horse was ridden by Todd Warren and trained by Kimberly Roth.

Whiskersonkittens was trained in Chicago, one of the top stables in the state, according to Knupp. There are five other horses he trains in Chicago and one at Hoosier Park in Anderson, Ind.

A tribute to our area veterans . . .

The Gazette-Democrat will publish on November 10, 2016, a special commemorative issue in honor of our area veterans and service members currently serving on active duty. There will be no charge for this service.

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

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

The Gazette-Democrat
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If you wish to repeat information about a veteran which was part of last year's section, you must notify the newspaper by writing or calling 618-833-2158. The deadline to submit an item is October 14.

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Obituaries

James H. 'Blackie' Mueller

Mr. James H. "Blackie" Mueller, 86, of Anna, died at 6:17 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 17, 2016, at his daughter's home. He was born on May 7, 1930, in St. Louis, the son of Herbert and Ruby Clark Mueller.

He married Shirley Maxine Hileman on Aug. 19, 1955, in Anna. She preceded him in death on May 20, 1989.

James is survived by his daughter, Teresa (Todd) Vincent of Anna; two grandchildren, Michelle (Ronnie) Barnhart and Natalie (David) Stanley Jr.; two great-grandchildren, Trenton Barnhart and Kylee Stanley; an uncle, Kenneth (Joan) Mueller of Anna; sisters-in-law Anita Davis and Lotrell Hileman, both of Anna; brothers-in-law Robert (Doris) Hileman and Terry (Mary Beth) Hileman, all of Anna; special friend Charlie Hankins of Anna and friend Barb Morey of Anna; other relatives and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and by his wife, Shirley Maxine Mueller.

James was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church in Anna. He was a graduate of the Anna-Jonesboro Community High School class of 1948. He was a life member of the VFW's Carroll P. Foster Post No. 3455. James worked for The Gazette-Democrat for 71 years, until the last few months, when his health failed.

Funeral services for Mr. James H. "Blackie" Mueller were at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 21, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna, with Paul Tirey officiating. Interment was in the McGinnis Cemetery.

Graveside military rites were conducted by the VFW's Carroll P. Foster Post No. 3455 in Anna.

Memorials can be made to the McGinnis Cemetery. To leave online condolences for the family, visit www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com.

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



Shane Lee Laminack

Shane Lee Laminack, 46, of Anna, died at 1:40 a.m. Monday, Sept. 19, 2016, at his home.

He was born on April 28, 1970, in Carbondale, the son of Lindel Albert and Karen Ann Newton Laminack.

He is survived by his father, Lindel Albert Laminack of Belleville, and his mother, Karen Oduola of Jonesboro; one daughter, Kristina (Curtis) Betka of Anna; two grandchildren, Kaylee Ann and Aubrey Nicole Betka; two brothers, Jonathon Newton of Columbus, Ohio, and Christopher (Crystal) Oduola of Anna; one half-brother, Darrell Laminack of Mississippi; one half-sister, Tanya (Rich) Emling of Pinckneyville; other relatives and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Bud and Katie Newton; his paternal grandparents, Albert and Avis Laminack; and two uncles, Donald and Tony Laminack.

Funeral services for Mr. Laminack will be Thursday, today, at noon at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna. Pastor Darryl Williams will officiate. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. until the service hour at noon. Interment will be in the Casper Cemetery near Anna.

Memorials can be made to the funeral home to help with funeral expenses.

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



Tim Huckleberry

Tim Huckleberry, 54, of Greenville, Ky., and formerly of Anna, died at 8:51 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 11, 2016, at Lourdes Hospital in Paducah.

He was born on May 5, 1962, in Anna, the son of James and Martha Humphres Huckleberry.

He is survived by his son, Jamie Huckleberry and fiancée Kayla Snider of Sparta; stepdaughter Mikale (Ken) Pryor of Colorado; sister Evelyn (Mike) Willie of Bartlett, Tenn.; two brothers, Mike (Candy) Huckleberry of Alhambra and Rod (Kris) Huckleberry of Florissant, Mo.; nieces and nephews; special friend Alicia Rogers; other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents. He was of the Baptist faith. He worked for over 20 years for Harsco-Reed Minerals in Drakesboro, Ky., and was a member of the Kentucky Labor Union. He loved animals and his dog Cammi.

Funeral services for Mr. Huckleberry were at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Sept. 16, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna, with Pastor Darryl Williams officiating. Interment was in the Cobden Cemetery.

Memorials can be made to the Humane Society. To leave online condolences for the family, visit www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com.

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



Iris Mae Sheridan

Iris Mae Sheridan, infant daughter of John Bradley and Amanda Louise (Smith) Sheridan, journeyed to heaven at 6:35 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 13, 2016, at Memorial Hospital in Carbondale.

She is survived by her parents, Brad and Amanda Sheridan of Anna; a 7-year-old brother, John Thaniel Sheridan; maternal grandparents Elliott Blayne and Leta Rose Rich Smith of Cobden; paternal grandparents John and Kathy Oxford Sheridan of Cave-In-Rock; great-grandparents Thelma Louise Rich of Cape Girardeau and Velma Oxford of Cave-In-Rock; aunts and uncles, Stephanie and Aaron Meuser of Washington, Ill., Kallie Smith of St. Louis, Meredith and Harold Frey of Cobden, and Sarah and Tim Luczkiw of Athens, Ohio; cousins Gabrielle, Aiden and Lia Mueser of Washington, Ill., and Naomi, Cora and Victoria Frey of Cobden.

Iris's twin sister, Josephine Louise Sheridan, joined her in heaven on Sept. 18, 2016, and she was preceded in death by the late James Fredrich Rich, the late Barbara Ruth Lence Smith, the late Willard and Leona Sheridan, the late Galen Oxford and the late Jimmie Smith.

An Honorary Service, A time to Honor their daughter Iris, was at 4 p.m. Monday, Sept. 19, at the Vine Church in Carbondale, with Noble Staley officiating. Interment was held privately for the family in the Cobden Cemetery.

Memorials can be made to the Sheridan family. To leave online condolences for the family, visit www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com.

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

Don C. Swink

Don C. Swink, 79, of Dongola, died at 12:16 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 13, 2016, at his home.

He was born on Nov. 25, 1936, in Union County, the son of Boyd and Gertrude Westbrook Swink.

He married Betty Sims on Dec. 20, 1953, in Jackson, Mo.

He is survived by his wife, Betty Swink of Dongola; children Donna (Billy) Williams of Anna, Michael Swink of Dongola and Debbie Holcomb of Dongola; 14 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren; one sister, Janet Hawk of Anna; and two brothers, Bon Swink of Elgin and Kenneth Swink of Anna; many other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; three sisters; and two sons, Donnie Ray and Tommy.

He worked many years as a plumber, and in his spare time fixing up old cars. He dearly loved his family, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Mr. Swink were at 1 p.m. Friday, Sept. 16, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Jonesboro, with the Rev. Mickey Williams officiating. Interment was in the Anna City Cemetery.

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

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

Anita G. Hurst

Anita G. Hurst, 76, of Alto Pass, died at 3:27 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 18, 2016, at Memorial Hospital in Carbondale.

She was born on Aug. 23, 1940, in Cobden, the daughter of Lee and Roxie Newberry Pearson.

She is survived by her daughter, Tishea Pearson of Cobden; two grandchildren, Breeze and Justin Pearson; one great-grandchild, Izabell Hill; Johnny Moutel of Elco, who was like a son; three brothers, Donald Pearson of Cambria, Richard Pearson of Carbondale and Kenneth Pearson of Cobden; a sister, Fay Marks of Cobden; many nieces and nephews; other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Samuel Hurst; a son, Berry Pearson; three brothers, Gene, Corkey and Doug Pearson; and two sisters, Kay Robinson and Lillian Kinder.

A celebration of life potluck dinner for Mrs. Hurst will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 24, in the Makanda Fellowship Hall.

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

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

Reynoldsville News

by Sue Eudy

Dolores and Jack Reynolds of Reynoldsville traveled to Charleston, S.C., to celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary, which was Sept. 8. They enjoyed visiting the plantations and riding in horse drawn carriages visiting historical sights.

Jack Reynolds, Rodney Reynolds and grandsons Bryce and Brock Reynolds attended the antique tractor show at the Cape Girardeau fair on Saturday night.

Jack and Dolores Reynolds visited Sunday with Rodney and Vicki Reynolds of Wolf Lake to help celebrate Rodney's birthday, which was Sept. 17. Others present were his children, Adam and Marissa Reynolds, Sara and Joey Choate, and Lara Cobin, grandchildren, Brady, Bryce and Brock Reynolds, Luke and Adyson Choate, Rylie and Titan Cobin.

Shirley Miller of McClure visited Tuesday with Pam and Mark Eisentrout of Jonesboro and Thursday with Betty Miller and Con and Lavern Miller of Ullin.

Those enjoying a class reunion at Golden Corral in Carterville Thursday afternoon were Alma Linson of Jonesboro, Jimmy and Maxine Foster, Edwin and Barbara Livesay, Fred and Barbara Pitts, all of Anna, Jack and Dolores Reynolds, Darlene Campbell of Shreveport, La., Joe Walker of Marion and

Shirley Miller.

Visiting Friday with Shirley Miller were Julie Burtin of Royal Beach, Fla., Brittany Rendleman of Nashville, Tenn., and Kacie and Derek Gollither of Carbondale.

Shirley Miller, Alma Linson and Ermadell Elkins of Anna attended the singing at Anna Heights Baptist Church on Saturday night.

Sunday visitors of Sue and Steve Eudy were Ryan Wachter of Jonesboro and Kevin and Emma Eudy of Cape Girardeau. Norman Gibbs of Cobden visited on Saturday.

Thank you to Norman and Catherine Gibbs of Cobden for renewing their subscription to The Gazette-Democrat and giving me the credit.

Danielle Shepard of Dexter, Mo., visited Monday with her grandmother, Dorothy Smiddy of Reynoldsville.

The Gibbs annual family reunion will be held Saturday, Oct. 1, at Giant City Park, shelter no. 3, with a potluck meal at noon. All family and friends are invited to attend. Signs will be posted.

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. and Sunday evening worship service is at 6 p.m. Rev. Jamie Budgiman is pastor.

News from

First Baptist Church, Cobden

Ron Robinson, a former pastor of the First Baptist Church in Cobden, was the guest speaker during homecoming on Sunday, Sept. 18.

Laura Duckworth provided special music.

Altar flowers were in memory of Roy Glenn Lamer.

Mission planned at Anna church

A 2016 mission event is planned Sept. 24-28 at St. Mary Catholic Church in Anna.

The guest speaker is scheduled to be deacon Ralph Poyo.

Special weekend Masses are set for 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24, and 7:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 25.

The youth fall mission trip to Carmi Baptist Children's Home is scheduled Sept. 23-25.

Sunday School begins at 9 a.m. Sunday morning worship begins at 10 a.m. The Sunday evening service is at 6 p.m. The Wednesday service begins at 6:30 p.m.

Mission presentations are planned from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Sept. 25-28.

The theme for the presentations includes the gospel on Sept. 25, spiritual warfare on Sept. 26, the Holy Spirit and healing on Sept. 27 and discipleship and the eucharist on Sept. 28.

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"The Preaching Pen"

God's Plan for Righteous Living - Part 2

We continue our study this week regarding yielding to God. In addition to surrendering our will (Gal. 2:20) and laying aside our sins (Heb. 12:1), we must also be willing to:

Repent and confess sins. The Bible is straightforward and simple in saying, "...except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish" (Luke 13:3). The Lord is clear in teaching, "Take heed to yourselves: If thy brother trespass against thee, rebuke him; and if he repent, forgive him" (Luke 17:3). Notice the conditional "if" in this verse. One who does not repent cannot be forgiven! Repentance of sin is a prerequisite to one being baptized for the remission of his sins. This is made clear in Peter's answer to the question asked at Pentecost: "...Repent ye, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins..." (Acts 2:38).

One cannot attempt to hide his sins and expect to enjoy God's favor. James admonishes, "Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much..." (James 5:16).

Set our sights on things above. To the brethren at Colosse, Paul said: "If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth" (Col. 3:1-2). The "things that are above" are things of greater importance—spiritual, not worldly. Jesus commands "seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness" (Matt. 6:33). If one's desire is greater to follow the world than to follow the Lord, then that soul will be lost!

Walk humbly in the light. The Bible clearly states, "If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth: But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin" (1 John 1:6-7). The word "walk," in the sense we are using it, stands for the totality of human conduct. One cannot walk according to the ways of the world and be a follower of Jesus Christ. The Holy Scriptures remind us: "...Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that we should follow his steps" (1 Peter 2:22).

May our desire be to go to Heaven and to influence others to do likewise! We cannot accomplish this goal unless we yield to God's will, follow His conditions for taking possession of the free gift of salvation, and live a life pleasing to Him. We pray you'll search the Scriptures and think on these things.

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R.W. McAlister, Minister
Anna church of Christ

Presbyterian Church planning to celebrate 150 years

The Presbyterian Church in Anna plans to celebrate 150 years of ministry in Union County on Saturday, Sept. 24.

The church was founded in 1866 by a group of 17 people who met at the Methodist Church in Anna. They then met in a store building until they built a wooden frame church in 1868 on the corner of Jefferson and South streets, where the church is still located today.

Col. Robert B. Stinson sang in the choir and his wife played the organ at the wooden frame church.

Other early families of the community who played important roles in the church were the C. E. Kirkpatrick, Dr. Hale, and the Alden, Dodds, Finch, Kroh, Walton, Willard, Wiley, Perrine and Tuthill families, to name a few.

One of the first ministers in the 1860s was the Rev. J.M. Faris, who settled on the "Sunnydale Farm," (where Friendship School Road and Tollgate Road intersect today).

His daughter married Mr. E.R. Jinett and they remained on the farm after the death of her parents.

The Rev. Faris' son, the Rev. W.W. Faris, had often come to visit his parents at "Sunnydale," but in 1882 the idea crystalized to start a school here.

He, as well as the Lutheran pastor, the Rev. C.W. Sifferd, held meetings to raise support.

In 1883, Rev. Faris was serving as pastor of the Presbyterian Church, while also being editor of The Anna Talk newspaper and co-principal with the Rev. Sifferd of Union Academy.

The first year of the school, 47 students (each paying \$30 for their year's tuition) met in a former school building near the Anna Fairgrounds (on land behind where Davie School was built in 1910).

The first building on a new site on the hill between Anna and Jonesboro was opened in October, 1884.

Academy Hall, costing \$4,000, was built on the west side of South Main Street, with special credit given to Walter H. Willard, J.H. Spann, W. Scott



Wooden frame church building
Col. Robert B. Stinson sang in the building which is featured in the accompanying photograph. Stinson's wife played the organ. Photo provided.

Day, Jacob Hileman, Oliver Alden, J.E. Lufkin, A.D. Finch and B.F. Mangold.

In 1885, came the first annual gift of \$500 from the Presbyterian Board of Aid for Colleges and Academies.

While two-thirds of the trustees of the school had to belong to the Presbyterian Church, it was understood that the school was to be free from sectarian bias.

The school operated on the site of the present-day Anna-Jonesboro Community High School for 35 years, graduating some 250 students.

Upon the death of banker Charles M. Willard, his house and the grounds surrounding it were left for the school.

Willard also left \$5000 for the construction of a new Presbyterian Church building.

The present stone structure was built in 1898, after the wooden church was removed.

The cost was about \$16,500.

Meanwhile, the congregation once again met in the same location as they had in 1866 on West Davie Street, which by then was the Anna City Hall.

The last marriage in the wooden church was that of the Rev. Faris' son, Wallace Somerville Faris, to Miss Ellen Asper. The young couple soon left for the mission field in China, where Wallace died in 1907 while relieving famine sufferers.

The first wedding in the present building was that of Dr. Samuel Walton and Miss Sibyl Parks. Some of their family members are still part of the Presbyterian congregation in 2016.

The Rev. W.W. Faris returned in 1901 to again pastor the church after receiving his doctorate degree.

He and his wife had a total of 11 children who lived to adulthood. Three sons were ministers and two daughters were missionaries to China and the Orient.

One daughter, Marion Faris Wiley, remained in Anna and led a major role in the work of the church until her death in 1966.

Her niece, Helen Wiley Griffith Owens operated the Wiley Book Store in Anna and was the fourth generation to do so.

The Anna congregation was often in the news in the 1980s, when the vote of 98-28 (and two abstentions) passed to change the articles of incorporation for the organization to be "First Presbyterian Church" and to be separate and independent from and of any denomination.

Due to legal action with the United Presbyterians, the members had to leave the building and met for a few years in a former racquetball center.

In 1981, the church became a member of the newly formed Evangelical Presbyterian Church.

In 1990, groundbreak-



Present stone structure

The present stone structure was built in 1898, after the wooden church was removed.



Education wing

In 1990, groundbreaking was held for a new education wing at the Presbyterian Church in Anna.

ing was held for the new education wing and in 2012 the church purchased and renovated the Main Street Center (former Sunshine Inn) to be used as a fellowship hall and for youth activities.

Always interested and invested in missions, there have been many mission trips and many missionaries commissioned from the Anna church.

A "church plant" was begun in Carbondale and now thrives as Hope Church,

also an Evangelical Presbyterian Church, on Old Highway 13 west.

First Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Anna shared that it "exists to glorify and enjoy our Heavenly Father as we worship Him, proclaim the truth of His Word, live our lives in Jesus Christ, and lead people to Him."

Dinner, Celebration Planned

The church invites all former members and friends to attend a potluck

dinner and celebration program scheduled at the Main Street Center at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 24.

Displays of early pictures and items will be open to the public to view at 4:30 p.m.

The Back Porch Company musical group will perform before the meal, and slides and videos will be shown at 5:30 p.m. and after the meal.

For more information about the celebration, call 833-5225.

Candidates forum set in Carbondale

The candidates for state representative from the 115th District in Southern Illinois are scheduled to meet during a forum which is planned Thursday, today, in Carbondale.

The forum will feature Republican incumbent Terri Bryant of Murphysboro and her challenger, Democrat Marsha Griffin of Jonesboro.

The forum is set for 7:30 p.m. today at the Lesar Law School auditorium on the campus of Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

The event is being sponsored by the SIUC Annuitants Association and the State University Annuitants Association PAC.

Teen night set at arts center

Teen night is planned from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Sept. 24 at the Anna Arts Center. The center is located at 125 W. Davie St. in Anna.

Teens from 12 years old to high school are invited to participate in a variety of activities. Those under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

Activities include music, dance, art, games, ping pong competitions, air hockey, foosball and more.

For admission, teens are asked to bring a 2-liter bottle of soda or juice, munchies or cookies to share.

For more information, call Lee's cell 1-904-625-1109 or email vabchlee@gmail.com for an application.

Brimm family reunion planned

A Brimm family reunion is planned Sunday, Sept. 25, at the home of Kevin and Martha Clover at 750 Old Saratoga Rd. in Anna.

A church service will start at 11 a.m. A meal will be served at 12:30 p.m.



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Section B

LST Memorial 325 scheduled to make stop in Cape Girardeau



Coming to Cape Girardeau
The LST Memorial 325 is scheduled to be docked on the river front in Cape Girardeau from Sept. 29 through Oct. 3.

A piece of World War II history is slated to make its way along the Mississippi River to Cape Girardeau at the end of September.

The LST Memorial 325 is scheduled to be docked on the riverfront at Cape Girardeau from Sept. 29 through Oct. 3.

The LST Memorial 325 was commissioned in 1943 and participated in the World War II D-Day landings on Omaha Beach in France.

Currently docked in

Evansville, Ind., she has become a museum and memorial ship to the men who served their country aboard LSTs.

The USS LST 325 has been in operation since 1943. The ship also served during World War II operations in North Africa, Sicily and Italy.

The memorial is one of only two World War II LSTs to be preserved in the United States.

The LST is scheduled to arrive at Riverfront Park on

Wednesday, Sept. 28.

An opening ceremony is set for 8 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 29. The ceremony is open to the public and will feature speakers, the national anthem sung by Trudy Lee, the Pledge of Allegiance and music by the Jerry Ford Patriotic Band.

The LST is scheduled to open for tours at 9 a.m., at the conclusion of the ceremony.

The LST is scheduled to be open for tours from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. (continued on page 2)



Take your circle and run with us.



This event commemorates Ragan Neilson's life, a Cape Girardeau native and daughter of Dr. Robert and Barb Ward, who lost her battle with breast cancer.

Event Details

Saturday, October 1, 2016

Southeast Cancer Center
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5K & 8K | \$30
Memorial/Honor Walk | \$25
Kids 1 Mile Fun Run | \$5

The funds raised from Run for Ragan provide necessary resources and support for current cancer patients and free mammograms to those unable to afford them.

Packet pick-up: All participants pick up their race packet at Southeast Cancer Center.

Hours for pick-up: Friday, September 30th from 12-4:00 p.m. and Saturday, October 1st from 6:45-7:30 a.m.

Lace up your sneakers and join us to run for a great cause!
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Chromebooks at Cobden

All Cobden High School students and all Cobden District No. 17 teachers recently received Google Chromebook laptop computers. All students in grades 9-12 were given a Chromebook and a new case this year. Teachers also received a new Chromebook. Through this 1-1 initiative, Cobden High School teachers are better able to incorporate technology into their instruction, district officials said. Photos provided.

Audience will serve as jury in courtroom drama at SIU

A courtroom drama is scheduled to play out at Southern Illinois University Carbondale – and audience members will serve as the jury.

A public presentation of the Todd Logan play, "Defamation," is set for 6 p.m. on Sept. 23 in the SIU Student Center ballrooms and everyone is welcome to attend. There is no cost.

In this interactive presentation, race, religion,

class and gender clash when an African-American woman files a civil suit against a Jewish real estate developer alleging defamation.

The legal battle centers on whether the plaintiff was falsely accused of stealing the developer's watch, resulting in financial harm to her.

Discussions and interaction occur between the actors and the audience and

at the play's conclusion, audience members are polled by the "judge," both before and after deliberations, to determine the outcome of the trial.

A question and answer session with the playwright

and cast afterward allows those attending to further explore the issues.

For more information, contact Nathan Stephens at 618-453-4846 or nathan.stephens@siu.edu or Cordy Love at 618-453-1000.

LST Memorial 325

(continued from page1) a.m. to 5 p.m. each day from Sept. 29 through Oct. 3.

Admission prices are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children ages 5 to 17. Children ages 5 and under are free.

Other local events surrounding the LST's docking include a living camp set up by the SEMO Chapter of the Military Vehicle Preservation Association, MVPA, at the First Presbyterian Church's lot at the corner of Broadway and Spanish streets.

The camp will consist of tents, vehicles, weapons and the various gear that would have been used by armed services, with a primary focus on the World War II era.

MVPA member Brian Congiardo said in a news release that the "general public will be able to walk through the camp and interact with our members while they are in full period uniform."

"Questions are welcome, and there will be many hands-on opportunities for all generations."

"Typically, we find families with multiple generations sharing experiences while having the rare opportunity to handle some artifacts from an era that are typically only found in museums or seen on a documentary."

"Our members are always eager to share the information and history that surrounds the equipment we collect, particularly with the young."

A short drive away, another World War II icon is scheduled to be on display from Sept. 27 through Oct. 2.

A B-17 Flying Fortress will be on public exhibition at the Cape Girardeau Regional Airport and open for "climb aboard" ground tours each day from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., with a suggested \$5 donation.

For more information about activities in Cape Girardeau, such as Heritage Days and the Cape Riverfront Market, see the website at VisitCape.com/LST.

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The Gazette-Democrat will be publishing our annual Thanksgiving Greetings section November 24, 2016.

This section has letters from all Pre-K through 2nd grade children from all area schools telling what they are thankful for. If you would like to advertise and support this special section, call Patricia Taylor at 618-833-2158.

Deadline for all material is Friday, November 11th.

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News from

Mt. Moriah Lutheran Church, Anna

The scripture lessons on Sunday, Sept. 18, were invitations to consider what it means to be managers (rather than owners) of all that we have.

Pastor Mark encouraged listeners to not be so "wrapped-up in" oneself. He said: "Don't worship money (false Gods). Decisions should have more than just economic value. Use resources (our wealth) for good purposes and God will make things come out right."

The prayer list for healing included Mike Chase, Glenna Tripp, Mildred Kohler, Daniel Sedden, Ann Shaw, Bill Hensch, Jack Johnson, Shirley Earnhart, Hadley Ashby, Linda Clark, Brandon Lacy, Urs Becker, Todd Breiner, Pat Martin, Mort Wright, Hope Singleton, Joe Frick, Carolyn Frick, Elizabeth Corbit, Joe

Lyerla, Max Casey, Shane Laminack, Pam Wheaton and Shawn Knupp.

The families of Peggy Dunker, J.H. Wilkins, Virginia Glasco, Mildred Marcinkowski and Jim Mueller were remembered in prayer for loss of their loved one.

Children of all ages are invited to Sunday School at 10:15 a.m.

Adult Bible class is completing the study of "Why is Jesus So Radical?" and will begin a new series. The class meets from 10:15 a.m. 11 a.m. in the fellowship hall.

Choir rehearsals have resumed from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays.

Ladies night out will be Tuesday, Sept. 27. They will meet at the church at 5 p.m.

Mt. Moriah's Holy Smokers barbecue team cooked recently for the Kornthal ice cream sup-

per. Their next volunteer event will be the Children's Medical Resource Kid's Fest at the Anna City Park on Oct. 8.

On ColorFest Saturday, Oct. 8, the Hands of Faith ladies will have a bake sale and open house at Mt. Moriah from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Hands of Faith Quilters have completed and hung a "Faith Sampler" in the fellowship hall.

The hand-stitched and machine-quilted provincial style wall hanging features an appliqued and embroidered block for each month of the year.

The blocks were made by numerous ladies, then set together and quilted by Kathleen Wright.

The project is a fundraiser for the group's mission and outreach ministry. Tickets will be available throughout the year with a drawing set for November 2017.

The annual Gingerbread House Bazaar will be sponsored by the Hands of Faith volunteers. The event is set for Nov. 26 as a part of Christmas in Downtown Anna. This community outreach project needs volunteers to help stage and conduct the event. Contact Kay Rothschild if you can help by donating items or hours of participation.

Regular Sunday worship is held at Mt. Moriah at 9 a.m.

News from

St. Mary's Catholic Church, Anna

Nichole and Matt Fulkerson are the parents of 6 pound, 13.5 ounce Tyler James, who was born on Sept. 4, 2016. He is welcomed home by his siblings, Katelynne, Jacob, Olivia and Hunter.

The Knights of Columbus voice appreciation to everyone who participated and volunteered at this year's annual golf scramble.

This year, 14 teams participated and 21 people and businesses sponsored holes.

Andrew Trainor's team won first place. Second place went to Team Beasley.

Appreciation also was voiced to Barb Smith, Jerri Schaefer, Jennie and Al Kacinski, Pat McLean, Father Federico and Brandon Bierstedt for volunteering the day of the scramble.

Saturday, Sept. 24, at 5 p.m. St. Mary's mission week begins with deacon Ralph Poyo as special guest.

The following presentations will be given: Do you feel alive inside when it comes to your faith? Are you moved each day with the Holy Spirit? If not, it may be because you have fallen asleep at the wheel. The journey into discipleship is not easy.

Deacon Ralph will teach us the fundamentals needed to grow in Christ and to



Jacob, Katelynne, Olivia and Hunter welcomed home their new baby brother, Tyler James Fulkerson, who was born on Sept. 4, 2016.



Last weekend, St. Mary's junior high and high school youth attended a back to PSR pond party at the home of Nick and Jerri Schaefer. Photo provided.

keep a relationship with Christ alive. All are welcome.

The annual St. Mary's Fall Festival is planned Oct. 16.

The opening day of the St. Mary's pumpkin patch is

planned for Sept. 30, following the A-JCHS homecoming parade. The pumpkin patch is located along Illinois Route 146, just east of Anna.

Masses are scheduled at 5 p.m. Saturday and at 7:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. on Sunday.

News from

Anna Nazarene Church

The congregation of Anna Church of the Nazarene extends its sympathy to the family of Beverly Cook, grandmother of Chad and Heath Brooks, who passed away on Tuesday, Sept. 13.

Memorial services will be at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 24, in Meredith Funeral Home in Carbondale. Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 24, at the funeral home.

Music for the morning worship service on Sunday, Sept. 18, was accompanied by Johnathon Cauble, Jason and Jessica Elkins, and Jack and Nina Shepard.

The offertory was provided by Johnathon Cauble, Curly Ralls, Logan Wiseman, Matt Macy, and Chad Brooks served as ushers.

The morning message, "Being and Making Disciples," was brought by Rev. Mark Copley from Salem Grace Church of the Nazarene, using scripture from John.

The Sunday evening service opened with the singing of "Happy Birthday" to Yvonne Graham, Robert Smith and Clayton Ramage.

Music for the evening worship service was accompanied by Yvonne Graham, Jason and Jessica Elkins, and Jack and Nina Shepard.

Larry Fuller provided the offertory. Curly Ralls, Logan Wiseman, Dorris Johnson and Terry Wiseman Sr. served as ushers.

The Sunday evening message was titled "Are You Glad You Came To Church?" The message was brought by Randy Wright, with scripture from Psalms.

On Sunday, Sept. 25, "The Church Has Left the Building." The Anna Nazarene family invites the public to join them as they move the worship service to the Anna Park. Worship begins at 10:30 a.m., followed by a cookout and games in the afternoon.

Birthdays: John and

News from

First Christian Church, Anna

On Sunday, Sept. 18, Senior Minister Dee Armes preached a sermon titled, "Now is the Time," with scripture from 2 Corinthians.

The message shared that: "For God says, "At just the right time, I heard you. On the day of salvation, I helped you. Indeed, the 'right time' is now. Today is the day of salvation."

Birthdays: Bryce Partridge, Sept. 19; Ben Cauble, Sept. 22; Amber Skelton, Kevin Helton and Pam Hinkle, Sept. 23; and Becky Weilmuenster on Sept. 24.

Sunday School is at 9:30 a.m. The worship service begins at 10:30 a.m. The Sunday evening program begins at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Bible study is at 6:30 p.m.

Rose Reeves, Sept. 18;

Robert Smith, Harley Schnaare, Sept. 19; Clayton Ramage, Sept. 20; Glenda Zaharias, Heath Brooks, Sept. 21; Kingston Collins, Sept. 23; Yvonne Graham, Sept. 24.

Sunday School begins at 9:30 a.m. with classes for all ages. Worship services are Sunday at 10:35 a.m. and 6 p.m. and Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

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Daily Devotional Reading

Proverbs 1:1-33	Proverbs 3:1-35	Proverbs 4:1-27	Proverbs 17:1-28	Ecclesiastes 1:1-18	Ecclesiastes 2:1-26	Ecclesiastes 3:1-22
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Paula Stairs, the director of Shawnee Development Council's office in Union County, accepted a donation from WoodmenLife representative Richard Stroh. Photo provided.

Donation helps to support local food pantry program

September is Hunger Action Month nationwide, a time to lend support to community programs that fight hunger.

WoodmenLife's National Community Focus is Fight Hunger.

WoodmenLife Chapter 26 recently made a \$100 donation to Shawnee Development Council Inc. to benefit the agency's food pantry which serves the Union County area.

Shawnee Development Council is a private, non-profit Community Action Agency.

The agency works to reach out to low-income people in their communities, addresses their multiple needs through a comprehensive approach, develops partnerships with other community organizations, involves low-income individuals in the agency's operations, and administers a full range of coordinated programs designed to have a measurable impact on

poverty.

WoodmenLife chapters and members regularly contribute to worthy causes in their communities.

Chapters also promote patriotism by presenting flags and flagpoles to non-profit groups.

In the past 65 years, the organization has presented more than 2.5 million U.S. flags.

WoodmenLife is a fraternal life insurance society offering life, health and annuity products.

WoodmenLife is also a not-for-profit organization dedicated to benefiting the membership and the communities the members live in.

They accomplish that goal by donating time and money to organizations that benefit the local communities they serve.

WoodmenLife operates in all 50 states and has nearly 1,000 chapters and a membership of more than 700,000 people.



Talking about aprons

Shown talking about aprons are Serena Hasty, Madelyn Turner, Julia Ellis, Paula Hasty, Morgan Sadler and Beth Ann Agne. Photo provided.

Program about aprons set at Heritage House, Jonesboro

"Aprons Have A Story To Tell," according to Paula Hasty, a new resident in Jonesboro.

At last weekend's St. John's Lutheran Church anniversary event, Hasty invited a group of young ladies to hear stories about her apron collection next Sunday afternoon at Heri-

tage House in Jonesboro.

As the wife of the Rev. Mark Hasty, the new pastor for Salem and Mt. Moriah Lutheran churches in Union County, Paula Hasty, along with daughters Haley, Allison and Serena, recently moved to Jonesboro from Wisconsin.

She happily accepted an invitation to show her own apron collection as a part of PAST's Heritage House apron exhibit.

Paula plans to make a presentation on Sunday, Sept. 25, at 2 p.m. at Heritage House Museum, 102 S. Main St. in Jonesboro.

Open house hours are scheduled from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. to allow time to see the apron exhibits throughout the house.

For more Heritage House information, call 618-833-3228.

Supper to help support Care Trak system

The Vienna Masonic Lodge and the Egyptian Chapter Order of the Eastern Star plan to serve a benefit all-you-can-eat spaghetti supper Friday, Sept. 23.

Serving is planned from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Vienna Masonic Temple, which is located at 1615 Old Route 146 Loop in Vienna.

The dinner will have no set cost; donations will be requested.

Proceeds from the event will be donated to support the Johnson County Sheriff's Department's Care Trak System update.

The Care Trak system assists those with Alzheimer's disease or autism, which may make an individual prone to wandering.

The Care Trak system is a fitted bracelet that is worn by those who may be prone to wandering.

If a wandering episode occurs, a radio transmitter built into the bracelet allows the local sheriff's department to locate the person in a timely manner.

News from Trinity Lutheran Church, Anna

Carl Miller's sermon was based on scripture from Matthew. The message was "relationships in dealing with not being able to serve two masters."

A Community Awareness Event is planned at 6 p.m. Monday, Sept. 26, in the fellowship hall. All are welcome. Light snacks and refreshments will be served.

A German meal is planned from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Oct. 8 in the fellowship hall.

News from Camp Ground Church and Community

Filling the pulpit Sunday, Sept. 18, was Mike Jones from Paducah. The scripture for his sermon was from the fifth chapter of the book of Romans.

The message shared that "the Old Testament laws help us to know right from wrong, but a personal relationship with God through Christ is what saves us from the damnation of sin."

Just prior to the sermon, Amanda Batts sang a solo "If I Could Just Touch the Hem of His Garment."

Receiving the offering Sunday were Matthew and Andrew Boaz assisted by their father, Mark Boaz. The elder for September is David Miller.

This week, birthday greetings go to Blake Heren whose birthday will be Sunday, Sept. 25.

Camp Ground extends its sympathy to Donna Williams, of the congregation, and to her family. Her father, Don Swink, passed away last week and his funeral was Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Boaz and family of Morris and Mr. and Mrs. Chad Batts of Martin, Tenn., spent the past weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Boaz. On Saturday evening, Mark and Kayla attended his A-JCHS class reunion.

Worship begins at 11 a.m. each Sunday. Sunday School is at 10 a.m.

Community education courses offered by college

Shawnee Community College plans to offer community education courses.

Courses are scheduled at the college's main campus near Ullin and at Shawnee's extension center in Anna. The schedule includes:

Container Gardening: Sept. 22, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the college's extension center in Anna.

The class fee is \$10. The class will be taught by Shawnee Community College agriculture instructor Ed Billingsley.

Hunter Safety: Sept. 26-29, 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the cafeteria on the college's main campus.

The class is free and will be taught by Ed Billingsley. The class is limited to 50 participants.

Introduction to Photography: Sept. 27 through

Nov. 15, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the computer lab at the college's main campus.

The class is scheduled to meet on Tuesdays, starting on Sept. 27. The class fee is \$35. The class will be taught by Bonni Littleton.

Polka Paint: Sept. 27, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the cafeteria on the college's main campus.

The class fee is \$35, which includes supplies, and is payable directly to instructor. Sharon Ely and Lori Abbott will teach the class.

Minecraft for Educators: Sept. 28, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the college's extension center in Anna.

The class fee is \$10. The class will be taught by Shawnee Community College educational technology specialist Rob Lucas. Registration is required one week prior to class date.

For additional information or to register, contact Stacy Simpson at 618-634-3266 or stacys@shawneecc.edu.

Church plans youth rally

First Christian Church in Anna plans to host a youth rally for junior high and high school students on Sept. 25 at 6 p.m.

The evening is scheduled to include worship from the church's praise team and a message from Southern Illinois Christian Service Camp manager Joey Hawkins.

The church is located at 200 Mallard Ln. in Anna. All local youth and churches are invited to attend.

News from Walnut Grove United Methodist Church

On Sunday, Sept. 18, Barb Norton led the singing and the responsive reading at Walnut Grove United Methodist Church.

Prayers were requested for Tony Mercurio, and Gary Hartline said that Ann

Shaw was blessed with a good health report.

Rev. Robert Fear based his message on scripture from John. The message was titled "It Costs Too Much." He said that: "Sometimes it costs too much for things that we wish for but don't really need in order to live. However if we say 'no' to Jesus it will cost us everything; our eternal salvation in heaven."

The charge conference for Walnut Grove and Jonesboro United Methodist churches was planned yesterday evening in Jonesboro with the district superintendent.

The next ladies' lunch is planned Friday, Oct. 7, at 11:30 a.m. at a location to be determined.

The Tuesday music nights are postponed until the spring and they will be announced at that time.

Sunday services starts at 9:30 a.m. at 3195 Mountain Glen Rd. near Cobden and near Route 127.

Eclipse workshops scheduled

A 2017 event billed as The Great American Eclipse will be the focus of two upcoming informational planning workshops which are scheduled in Southern Illinois.

The Great American Eclipse will occur on Aug. 21, 2017.

The Southernmost Illinois area is predicted to have the longest duration of totality, meaning the longest viewing time, for the total solar eclipse which will happen on that date.

The first workshop is planned from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday, today, in room 120 in Building G at Southeastern Illinois College in Harrisburg.

The second workshop is scheduled from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sept. 29 in the River Room at Shawnee Community College near Ullin.

For more information about the workshops, contact Cindy Cain at the Southernmost Illinois Tourism Bureau in Anna by phone at 618-833-9928 or by email at cindy.cain@frontier.com.

Hickam reunion set in Alto Pass

A Hickam family reunion for George and Meda Hickam's descendants is planned Saturday, Sept. 24, in Alto Pass.

The reunion will be at the large pavilion in downtown Alto Pass. A meal is scheduled at 12:30 p.m.

Alto Pass church homecoming set

The First Baptist Church of Alto Pass plans to have a homecoming service on Sunday, Oct. 2, at 1:30 p.m.

Musical guests Final Journey are scheduled to perform. The pastor is Carroll Toler.

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Can you solve this riddle?

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September 25th

THE CHURCH HAS LEFT THE BUILDING

The ANNA NAZ FAMILY invites you to join us as we move our worship service to the Anna Park. Worship begins at 10:30 am followed by a cookout and games in the afternoon. Please join us as we bring church to the community!

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Money - It Matters
Re-Finance, Ancient Wisdom for Modern Money Management
By Michael Catt

A Course in Christian Stewardship (6 sessions)
Led by Kelli Wood

Will meet at Harvest Church Auditorium
Thursday evenings 6:30 to 8:00 P.M.
Beginning September 22nd

Money can be a helpful tool and a valuable resource, yet many of us are often left weary and frustrated when it comes to our finances. But when we find our sufficiency in God alone, no amount of money can rob us of the security and satisfaction that flows from contentment in Him! In this 6-session study, we will examine principles from the ancient wisdom literature of the Old Testament to provide clear direction for money management.

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Anna News

By Martha Ann Webb

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



Rev. Steven Guined, pastor of Connect Point Church, says thank you all for serving. This week 40 families got food for a week. Also thank you to the people who can't be here to serve on Saturdays but support this ministry with your giving and prayers.



A special thanks to WIBH for their support of A-JCHS football games and all their giveaways.

Correction

In last week's paper the date of Drake Ridenhour's 1st birthday should have been Sept 16.

A-J Band

Congratulations to the Anna-Jonesboro Community High School Marching Wildcats on winning a second place trophy at the Drums at Appletime 2016 field show competition performance. You did great.

VFW

Saturday night the post was full with a wedding reception in the back hall and the Queen of Hearts drawing in the front.

Friday is bingo at 2 p.m. at the Illinois Veterans Home in Anna.

Peggy will be at the post with her Star Karaoke from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 25, is the quarter auction hosted by the Auxiliary to the VFW. Doors open at 1 p.m. and the auction starts at 1:30 p.m. Hot dogs and chips will be available.

AFSCME Retirees

David Amerson, state retirees president from Springfield, will be guest speaker at the next AFSCME Illinois Retirees Council 31 Chapter 90 union meeting Tuesday, Sept. 26 at 1 p.m. at Anna Heights Baptist Church. All state retirees are invited.

California Trip

Sarah Sullivan enjoyed a trip to California to visit her daughter Molly and son-in-law Killian Jesse Noyes.

Sarah graduated from SIU with her master's with high honors. Killian and Molly moved to California because Killian is in the military serving in the Air Force.

Anniversaries

Sept. 13 Brett and Laurie Whitnel 30 years, Don and Sharon Laster 48 years, 14 John and Gina Myers, 15 Rick and Alison Tweedy 9 years.

Birthdays

Sept. 16 Jamie Nash-Mayberry, Heidi Sims, 18 Barbara Pitts, Shawn Maze, Dixie Miller, James



Rev. Scott Harner celebrated his 61st birthday. Rev. Scott Harner with Jenna, Janna and Janet Harner.

restaurant in Grand Rivers, Ky. Sept. 15. They also enjoyed shopping at Patti's 1880 Settlement.

Boskydell Home Extension

Linda Clutts hosted the Boskydell Home Extension at her home. Linda is the new 2016-2017 president.

The lesson by Linda Clutts was on God's pharmacy and was about fruits and vegetables and how they relate to your body.

13th Birthday

Samuel Goines celebrated his birthday Sept. 15.

Classy Red Hat Ladies

Linda Clutts Classy Red Hat Ladies met at Sunny Street in Carbondale. They enjoyed lunch.

Hostesses Mary Whitenburg and Louise Runge presented everyone with a ruby red Washington State apple and candy corn.

Landis Reunion

Connie Lingle of Anna hosted the second annual Landis reunion on Sunday, Sept. 4.

The number who attended was down this year. There were 69 people in attendance. Everyone seemed to enjoy the day.

Family came in from Ohio, Missouri, Kentucky, Florida, Washington, Louisiana and throughout Illinois.

A lengthy military list of Landis family and extended was read by Matthew Landis from Kent, Wash.

Senior Airman Faith Odom was home on leave from Vance AFB, Enid, Okla., and was recognized for her service.

A special Landis throw was made by Sharon and Harold Wright of Port Charlotte, Fla. and presented to Donald Vines of Cobden. Connie has graciously invited the Landis family back next year.

Jackson County AARP

Fred and Linda Clutts president of the AARP, had a booth on 12th Street for the AARP at the Murphysboro Apple Festival.

Those helping were Joanne Vaught, Charlet Hendrickson, Kay Tyson. They handed out information to seniors for their future. They also handed out AARP bags.

At their August meeting at the senior center in Carbondale, Julie Vahling, AARP representative from Springfield, was the guest speaker.



September birthdays celebrated at Sunshine Inn at Goddard's: Larry Bentley, Cherry Connolly and Shirley Bauer.



Kathy Branch of Cedarhurst Quilters is pointing to quilt segments Marie Samuel made for the Riverwork Project installation in Alton last year. Other artists and quilters from several states were involved. Cedarhurst Quilters did several blocks that Marie assembled into panels which were later joined with those of other groups to stretch toward the Mississippi River and encourage wise use of resources and clean rivers. Water activism is a group project with many artists to encourage clean rivers and conservation of water. Cedarhurst Quilters submitted several panels for the installation and attended the outdoor event in Alton last year. Now their work is in a follow-up indoor exhibit at the Jacoby Art Center Oct. 7 through Nov. 19 in Alton. Groups from several states are represented.

Festus Trip

Dorothy Hilliard and Bobbi Lence spent time in Festus, Mo. recently attending Grandparents Day for Tyson Englebright at his school. They also visited the rest of the family.

Tractor Overturned

Roger Glasco was mowing on a hillside at their home when the tractor started to slide.

He tried to ride it out but the wheel caught in a crevice and flipped him off and the tractor turned over on him.

He has a broken shoulder, collarbone and arm, it broke and splintered all of his ribs on the right side, it damaged his kidney and punctured his lungs and they collapsed. He was in intensive care for about 10 days.

Lana Kaye, his wife, would like the ambulance service and the First Alert rescue squads, Cobden, Anna, all the fire departments that came to their home for the rescue how much they appreciate them and Pro 1 Towing and all the rescue workers.

Lana said there were around a hundred people came to help that night. Roger and Lana really appreciated all their friends.

75th Birthday

Earl Miller will celebrate his birthday Sunday, Sept. 25.

Earl is very active in the community, in his church serving as a trustee, serving on the Friends of Stinson Board.

He is a part of the Neighborhood Watch. He picks up trash in his neighborhood.

He worked for the phone company for 45 years when he retired.

He decided to go back to work and worked at Walmart in Anna then went to part time at Rural King in Carbondale. He plays tennis with friends in his spare time, and rides his bicycle.

In Remembrance

Linda Clutts attended the visitation of her friend Shirley Booker.

Shirley was the central committee chairwoman of the Jackson County Democrats for 14 years and Linda Clutts served as secretary for those 14 years.

Thanks

A special thanks to Loretta and Stephen Sartore from Manhattan for giving me credit when they

renewed their subscription to The Gazette-Democrat.

Loretta thinks of me every year and has given me credit since I started writing the Anna news column again 14 years ago.

Loretta enjoys keeping up on her friends in Southern Illinois by reading the paper.

I always look forward to hearing all about the exciting things happening in their lives.

This year was sad. Their son Rick Yates from Paducah, Ky., was diagnosed with leukemia. He is in remission and has two more consolidation chemo treatments to do if his body can manage them. He has had two and needs four.

They have found a good DNA match for bone marrow transplant. It will be done at Vanderbilt in Nashville in about three months. Please keep him in your prayers.

I met Loretta while she was here for her class reunion. Loretta and my cousin Jane Lee Bauer Rayburn were in the same class at A-JCHS.

Long Shadow

Linda Clutts went with her A-J Garden Club friends to have lunch at Hedman restaurant in Alto Pass for lunch. Then they went for a field trip and tour of Long Shadow by Charlotte Wade in Pomona.

Red Hat Ladies

The Little Egypt Red Hat Ladies will meet at Anna Pizza Hut for their Halloween dinner party Oct. 19 at 11 a.m. The party will be hosted by Kathy Milam, Laura Spiller, Mary Elkins and Brenda Lovelace.

Sympathy

Jim Mueller went to be with our Lord this week. Sympathy to his family. He will be missed by his many friends and family. He was an asset to our community.

Get Well List

Sara Russell Mann, Rick Yates, Roger Glasco, Harry Long, Betty Eagle, Lynn Hinkle, Ron Coombs, Terry Jackson, Betty Tutt, Betty Bulk, Jennifer Bown, Clif-

ford Wright, Jim Cowser, Judy Vaughn, Connie Wills, Sheilah Whittington, Jean Pruehsner, Sondra Bradford, Jim Courtright, Carrie Gibson, Elizabeth Corbit, Robert Andrews, Larry Bentley, Nancy Lyerla. I have had many unspoken prayer requests. Please keep them in your prayers.

United Methodist Church, Anna

Rev. Carl Johnston's sermon was on what ever you do, do all for the Glory of God with scripture from I Corinthians. The choir sang. Barbara House led the singing and the call to worship.

The children took their special mission offering for disability awareness. Friday, the church is hosting a breakfast for the A-J football team and cheerleaders.

The Union County Church Alliance needs tutors two days a week to assist children with academic difficulties in a Christian environment. If interested, please contact Dr. Spellman 833-5381 or Pastor Carl.

Bazaar Spaghetti Dinner

The Bazaar Ladies of the United Methodist Church Anna are hosting a fund raiser spaghetti dinner. Sunday, Sept. 25, after church.

Salem Lutheran Church, Jonesboro

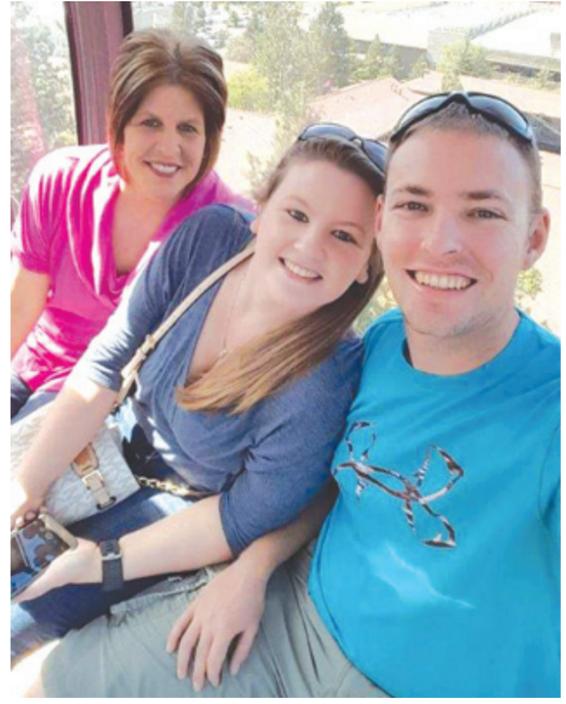
The free communi-



David and Karen Lamer celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last weekend.



200 year celebration of St. John's Lutheran Church: The cake was made by Carol Palmer. Rev. Timothy Heinecke is the current pastor. The other pastors in attendance were Rev. Donald Poole 1995-2005; Rev. William Horn 1989-1994; Rev. Christine Hallemeier 1980-1988; Rev. Gregory Mayer 1973-1978. Kathy Horn, Taylor Bound Fenton and Amy Taake were soloists during the service. Tracy Morgan says they have church services every third Sunday of the month at St. John's.



Sarah Sullivan visited her daughter Molly and son-in-law Killian Jesse Noyes. They were in a gondola going up the mountains at Lake Tahoe.

Anna News

(Continued from previous page)

ty meal is on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. There will be free food, desserts and some free food and personal items available for anyone who needs them. Everyone is welcome.

Military Prayer List

Please send me a name if you want them in the military prayer list please. If you have a loved one in the service email, call or mail their name to me. Also if they are not in the service anymore please let me know.

Killian Jesse and Molly Noyes, CJ Youngerman, Freddy Morse, Reagan Morrison, Josh Steveson, Josh Williams, Lukas W. Davis, Faith Odom, Tommy Goff and family Janette, Jamison and Kaylynn, Creighton Laster, Brandon Eaker, Jim Bonner, Jacob Schaefer, Jerod Schaefer, Jennifer Ann Bishop, Robert Jr. McMeely, James McWhorter, Arin Whitemountain. Please keep them in your prayers.

PAST

Anna PAST members Elaine Crain, Lynn Steveson and Barbara Bauer attended services at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Carbondale last Sunday. Many years ago when St. Anne's Episcopal church in Anna closed, some church appointments, articles and fur-

nishings were transferred to the active St. Andrew's congregation.

The PAST members who see to the preservation and maintenance of St. Anne's Museum Church visited St. Andrew's for the purpose of receiving an item to be returned to St. Anne's.

At an appropriate time in the near future that artifact will be announced and featured, according to PAST St. Anne's chairperson Elaine Crain.

A-J Women's Club

Anna-Jonesboro Women's Club meeting is set for Monday, Oct. 3, at 1:30 p.m. at PAST's Heritage House, 102 S. Main St., Jonesboro.

Members can expect to be welcomed by president Jane Bauer who will introduce plans for the coming program year.

The program for the day will be by Heritage House Museum and the history of Union County. Guests are welcome. Call 833-3228 for more information.

Apron Collection

PAST continues to host Sunday afternoon open house at the Heritage House Museum in Jonesboro. In addition to regular historical displays, a special apron show is on exhibit.

On Sunday, Sept. 27 at 2 p.m., Paula Hasty of Jonesboro plans to show and tell stories about her apron collection. Visitors are invited to attend the presentation and see all of the exhibits.

Young people invited to enter 2017 Letters About Literature contest

Illinois Secretary of State and State Librarian Jesse White is urging students in grades 4 through 12 to enter the 2017 Letters About Literature contest.

The contest is a national reading and writing competition funded by the Dollar General Literacy Foundation and the Library of Congress through the Secretary of State's Illinois Center for the Book program.

Letters About Literature invites students to read a book, poem or play of their choice and write a letter to the author about how the work changed their life or view of the world.

Students can enter on their own or through their schools, libraries or other youth organizations.

Junque Jamboree scheduled

The Johnson County Junque Jamboree is planned Saturday, Sept. 24, in Vienna.

The Jamboree brings vendors to Vienna who will be selling a large variety of goods, including antiques, primitives, signs, and arts and craft items.

One hundred and fifty vendors plan to be on hand and have their booths set up for sales around the square in Vienna.

of participation: Level I for grades 4-6, Level II for grades 7-8 and Level III for grades 9-12.

One Illinois winner will be selected for each level and receive a \$200 cash award.

Teachers of the winning students will receive a \$100 cash award to purchase materials for their school library.

Winners and teachers will be invited to an awards ceremony in Springfield. The state winners' letters will be forwarded for national judging.

The deadline to enter the competition is Friday, Dec. 2, for Level III; and Monday, Jan. 9, 2017, for Levels I and II.

State winners will be announced in April 2017. For more information about the event, call 618-658-2215.

more information about the competition, contact Bonnie Matheis at 217-558-2065 or bmatheis@ilsos.net.

Information is also available at http://cyberdriveillinois.com/departments/library/center_for_the_book/.

Rural Health scholarships awarded

Rural Health Inc. awarded a \$1,000 scholarship to a high school senior from each of the high schools in its service region.

Recipients were chosen based on their desire to pursue a career in health care.

Area students who received scholarships included: Montana Albright, Goreville High School; Allison Allbritten, Vienna High School; Brooke Nicole Silliman, Cobden High School; Kayla Treece, Shawnee High School at Wolf Lake; Taylor Smith, Anna-Jonesboro Community High School.

No scholarship applications were received from the Dongola High School.

Lick Creek students learn about scientific method



Junior high students at Lick Creek School have been busy in teacher Heather Coffman's class. At the beginning of school, all students practiced using the scientific method with the help of M&M's. Seventh grade students recently showed their knowledge on a test by creating an animal cell. Photos provided.

Hospital district auxiliary begins scholarship drive

Union County Hospital District Auxiliary plans to begin the sale of leaves and tree branches for its scholarship tree.

Leaves and/or tree branches may be designated in honor of or in memory of family members or other loved ones. The leaves are \$1 each and tree branches are \$25 each.

Donations for the scholarship tree allow the auxiliary to award a \$1,000 scholarship to someone in the community who is continuing his or her education in the health care field.

employee or a family member to encourage further donation.

Thanks to the generosity of the 2015 scholarship tree donors, the auxiliary was able to award one scholarship in July to Johanna Fox.

Union County Hospital District Auxiliary remains a not-for-profit entity; therefore, donations are tax deductible.

Donations can be sent to Scholarship Tree, c/o UCHD Auxiliary, 517 N. Main St., Anna, Ill. 62906.

Donations also can be made at the hospital gift shop Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Television Listings

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 22, 2016

Time	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW	
6 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	Countdown	Seinfeld	Law & Order: SVU (HD)	Elena	(5:00) "Point Break" (15)	"Assassination of Jesse" (15)	★★★ "Rocky Balboa" (06)	
7 PM	Grey's Anatomy "Undo"	Thursday Night Kickoff	Rosewood New captain.	Superstore Good Place	College Football Clemson Tigers at Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets (Live) (HD)	2 Broke	Mod Family	"Bolt" (08) Dog makes journey.	"Our Brand Is Crisis" (15) Strategist competes.	Honor among outlaws. (R)	Masters of Sex (HD)	
8 PM	Notorious "Pilot" (HD)	Night Football Houston vs New England (Live)	(5:59) Pitch "Pilot" (HD)	Chicago Med "Soul Care"	Big Bang	Mod Family	Mod Family	BIG BANG	Quarry "Figure Four" (HD)		Ray Donovan (HD)	
9 PM	Get Away with Murder	Local Programs	Local Programs	The Blacklist "Esteban"	Big Bang	Mod Family	BUNK'D	2 Broke	Bizaardvark	★★★ "The Danish Girl" (15) Gender reassignment. (HD)	"The Drop" (14) Brooklyn bars. (R) (HD)	Martin Lawrence: Doin'
10 PM	Local (15) Local	Local Programs	Local Programs	SportsCenter (HD)	2 Broke	Mod Family	Best Frnds	Conan (HD)	Backstage	(15) "Legend" (15) Criminal brothers.	Gigolos	
11 PM	(35) Jimmy Kimmel (HD)	(5:00) Late Show Stephen Colbert (HD)	Local Programs	(35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	2 Broke	Mod Family	Mod Family	Undercover		Gigolos	
	Nightline		Local Programs	Late Night	SportsCenter (HD)	2 Broke	Mod Family	Mod Family	Best Frnds	Maintenan	Ray Donovan (HD)	

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 23, 2016

Time	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	Sports (HD)	Seinfeld	Mod Family	Elena	"The 33"	"Cold" (03)	"Springsteen & I" (13) Rock musician.
7 PM	Man Stand. Dr. Ken	MacGyver "The Rising"	Hell's Kitchen (HD)	Superstore Good Place	College Football TCU Horned Frogs at SMU Mustangs (Live) (HD)	Big Bang	Mod Family	Mod Family	Making of "Sisters" (15) Two sisters throw one final party. (HD)	★★★ "Live Free or Die Hard" (07) A detective tries to foil a terrorist.	"Forsaken" (16) Gang terrorizes. (HD)
8 PM	Shark Tank (HD)	Hawaii Five-0 (HD)	(01) The Exorcist (HD)	Dateline NBC (HD)	Big Bang	Mod Family	Mod Family	Big Bang	Bizaardvark		ShoBox: The New Generation (HD)
9 PM	2020 Investigative news.	Blue Bloods (HD)	Local Programs Local info.	Local	"We're the Millers" (13) Drug dealer hire fake family as a cover.	Mod Family	Walk Prank	Mod Family	Real Time w/ Bill Maher	Quarry Mac asks for help.	
10 PM	Local (35) Jimmy Kimmel (HD)	(35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	Local (35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Mod Family	Freemaker	Mod Family	Maintenan	Quarry Mac asks for help.	
11 PM	Nightline	(37) Corden	Local Programs	Late Night	SportsCenter (HD)	Mod Family	Chrisley	Mod Family	Backstage	Quarry Mac asks for help.	

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 24, 2016

Time	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM	Local Programs Local info.	Local Programs Local info.	Pregame	Local Programs Local info.	(5:00) College Football "Teams TBA" (Live) (HD)	2 Broke (HD)	NCIS "React" (HD)	Girl World	"The 33" (15)	"Lady World" (15) Wife learns husband's horrifying secret.	"The Gift" (15) Sniper framed.
7 PM	(07) College Football "Teams TBA" (Live) (HD)	To Be Announced	College Football "Teams TBA" (Live) (HD)	The Voice (HD)	Big Bang	2 Broke (HD)	NCIS "Loose Cannons" (HD)	Walk Prank	★★★ "Steve Jobs" (15) Life of dynamic Steve Jobs. (HD)	"Tena-cious D: Pick Destiny" (06)	
8 PM	Secrets and Lies "The Fall"	To Be Announced	This Is Us "Pilot" (HD)	College Football "Teams TBA" (Live) (HD)	Big Bang	NCIS "Reasonable Doubts" (HD)	BUNK'D (HD)	Bizaardvark	Quarry Mac asks for help.	"Gringo: Dangerous Life" (16) (NR)	
9 PM	Quantico "Kudove" (HD)	48 Hours	Saturday Night Live (HD)	Local	Big Bang	NCIS "Charade" (HD)	Gamer's Kirby Buck	Mod Family	(05) ★★½ "I nounce You Chuck and Larry" (07)	★★★ "Live Free or Die Hard" (07) NYPD detective. (HD)	(45) Florida
10 PM	Local	Local Programs Local programming information.	Hell's Kitchen (HD)	Local (29) Saturday Night Live Sketch comedy.	Frontal (HD)	Mod Family	Best Frnds	Mod Family	Undercover	(05) Ballers	Masters of Sex (HD)
11 PM	Local Programs Local info.	Local Programs Local info.	Local Programs Local info.	SportsCenter (HD)	★★★ "Red 2" (13, Action) Nuclear device.	Mod Family	Mod Family	Mod Family	Undercover	(05) Ballers	Masters of Sex (HD)

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 25, 2016

Time	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM	Once Upon a Time (HD)	NFL (Live) 60 Minutes (HD)	Family Guy Bob's Brgr	Football America (Live) (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Big Bang	Law & Order: SVU (HD)	Stuck Mid.	(15) ★★½ "The Rev-ent" (16, Drama) Man wants revenge on former friend.	"Malcolm X" (50) "Kingsman: The Secret Service" (15) Colin Firth. Spy protégé. (R)	"Shooter" Sniper framed.
7 PM	Once Upon a Time (HD)	NCIS: L.A. "High-Value Target: Belly of the Beast" (HD)	Simpsons Son of Zom	(20) Sunday Night Football Chicago Bears at Dallas Cowboys from AT&T Stadium (Live) (HD)	MLB Baseball "Teams TBA" (Live) (HD)	Big Bang	Law & Order: SVU (HD)	Undercover	Bizaardvark	The Circus	The Circus
8 PM	Secrets and Lies "The Fall"	Family Guy Last Man	Local Programs Local programming information.	Local	Big Bang	Law & Order: SVU (HD)	Law & Order: SVU (HD)	Mod Family	Undercover	Quarry Mac asks for help.	Masters of Sex (HD)
9 PM	Quantico "Kudove" (HD)	To Be Announced	Local Programs Local programming information.	Local	Big Bang	Law & Order: SVU (HD)	Law & Order: SVU (HD)	Mod Family	Undercover	Maintenan	Masters of Sex (HD)
10 PM	Local Programs Local info.	Local	Local Programs Local info.	Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Big Bang	Motive Killer re-surfaces.	Undercover	(15) Oliver	Quarry Mac asks for help.	Masters of Sex (HD)
11 PM	Local Programs Local info.	Local Programs Local info.	Local Programs Local info.	Dateline NBC (HD)	Sports (HD)	★★★ "Red 2" (13, Action) Nuclear device.	(01) Mr. Robot (HD)	Mod Family	Undercover	(05) Ballers "Game Day"	The Circus

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 26, 2016

Time	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	Monday Countdown (Live)	Family Guy	NCIS "Alleged" (HD)	Undercover	(5:55) Oliver	(5:55) "Trouble with the Curve" (12)	"Gringo" The Circus
7 PM	Dancing with Stars (HD)	Big Bang Kevin Wait	Gotham Search for Hugo.	The Voice (HD)	(15) Monday Football Atlanta Falcons at New Orleans Saints (Live) (HD)	Family Guy Am. Dad	WWE Monday Night Raw (Live) (HD)	Elena	Bailers (HD)	(50) "Milk" (08, Drama) A gay city official causes controversy. (HD)	Masters of Sex (HD)
8 PM	Presidential Debates "First Debate" (HD)	Presidential Debates "First Debate"	Presidential Debates "First Debate"	NBC News: 2016 Presidential Debates "First Debate"	Family Guy Frontal (HD)	Family Guy	Family Guy	BUNK'D	First Look		"The Gift" (15) Jason Bateman. Wife learns secret.
9 PM	Local	Local	Local Programs Local info.	Local	Local	Family Guy	Family Guy	Undercover	Stuck Mid.	Quarry Mac asks for help.	Masters of Sex (HD)
10 PM	(35) Jimmy Kimmel (HD)	(35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	Local (35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan (HD)	(15) "Need for Speed" (14, Action) Framed ex-con.	Best Frnds	★★★ "Mlchael Clayton" (07) Corporate deceit. (R) (HD)		Masters of Sex (HD)
11 PM	Nightline	(37) Corden	Local Programs	Late Night	SportsCenter (HD)	2 Broke Conan (HD)		Best Frnds	Best Frnds	"True Story" (15) (HD)	The Circus Masters

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 27, 2016

Time	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW	
6 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	Sports (HD)	Seinfeld	Law & Order: SVU (HD)	Girl World	"Brooklyn"	"Unbreak"	"Why Did I Get Married?" (07) A sobering reunion.	
7 PM	Dancing with Stars Ballroom dancing. (HD)	NCIS "Being Bad" (HD)	Brooklyn New Girl	The Voice "The Blind Auditions, Part 4" (HD)	2016 World Cup of Hockey from Air Canada Centre in Toronto	Seinfeld	WWE SmackDown (Live) (HD)	Mod Family	★★★ "De-scendants" (15) Redemption chance. (HD)	"Steve Jobs" (15) Life of dynamic Steve Jobs. (HD)	Inside the NFL (HD)	
8 PM	Local	Bull Trial consultant. (HD)	Empire (HD)	Local	Local	Big Bang	Mod Family	Mod Family	Undercover	Real Sports - Gumbel	★★★ "Hostage" (05) Bruce Willis. Hard decision. (HD)	
9 PM	Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D.	NCIS: New Orleans	Local Programs Local info.	This Is Us Kate's weight.	SportsCenter (HD)	Big Bang	Chrisley	Undercover	Stuck Mid.	Quarry Mac asks for help.	Masters of Sex (HD)	
10 PM	Local (35) Jimmy Kimmel (HD)	(35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	Local (35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan (HD)	Mod Family	Best Frnds	Backstage	"Three Days of Terror"	Inside the NFL (HD)	
11 PM	Nightline	(37) Corden	Local Programs	Late Night	SportsCenter (HD)	2 Broke Conan (HD)	Mod Family	Best Frnds	Best Frnds	"The Revenant" (16) (R)	"Last Man Standing" (R)	Martin Lawrence: Doin'

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 28, 2016

Time	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	MLB Baseball "Teams TBA" (Live) (HD)	Seinfeld	NCIS "The Artful Dodger"	Girl World	★★★ "Heart"	"Assassination" (07) (R)	"Black Hawk Down" (R)
7 PM	Goldbergs Speechless	Survivor: Millennials (HD)	Lethal Weapon (HD)	Blindspot City bombings.	Big Bang	NCIS "Status Update"	NCIS "Status Update"	Mod Family	(15) "I Love You, Man" (09) Quest for best man. (HD)	"Insurgent" (15) Fugitives seek reason for sacrifice.	"Shooter" (07) Sniper framed for dignitary's death.
8 PM	Mod Family black-ish	Criminal Minds (HD)	Empire (HD)	Law & Order: SVU (HD)	Big Bang	NCIS "Patience" (HD)	BUNK'D	Mod Family	(35) Elena	Quarry Mac asks for help.	(05) "Rocky Balboa" (06) One more comeback. (HD)
9 PM	Designated Survivor (HD)	Code Black (HD)	Local Programs Local info.	Chicago P.D. (HD)	MLB Baseball "Teams TBA" (Live) (HD)	Big Bang	NCIS "No Good Deed"	Undercover	Stuck Mid.	Bailers (HD)	Masters of Sex (HD)
10 PM	Local (35) Jimmy Kimmel (HD)	(35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	Local (35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan (HD)	NCIS: L.A. "Missing" (HD)	Backstage	(05) "Sisters" (15) Two sisters throw one final party.	"Assassins" (95) A hit man fights another killer. (HD)	Inside the NFL (HD)
11 PM	Nightline	(37) Corden	Local Programs	Late Night	SportsCenter (HD)	2 Broke Conan (HD)	NCIS: L.A. "LDSO" (HD)	Best Frnds	Best Frnds		

Opinion and Commentary

A tribute to a long-time employee and friend

The extended family of James Mueller at The Gazette-Democrat mourns the loss of his life this past Saturday.

Jim had been employed by The Gazette-Democrat and the Reppert family for nearly 70 years. He is the longest serving employee of the newspaper since it first was published in 1849.

Jim began his long career by sweeping floors and doing general assistance in the production of the newspaper. He was trained to be a linotype operator and did so for many years. After the days of linotype, he became a pressman and commercial printer. He always was a valuable asset in the successful production of the newspaper each week.

Jim was the heart of this newspaper. He was loved and respected by his fellow employees. His work ethic set an example that few could follow.

He will be missed in SO many ways. — JLR

Page from the Past

From the files of The Gazette-Democrat
50 Years Ago, September 22, 1966

Florsheim's women's plant, to be known as the Annabelle Factory, will open on approximately the 11th of October.

The First Baptist Church of Dongola, Illinois, is planning to observe its Centennial-Homecoming, Sunday, October 2. The Church was organized in March of 1866 after a brief period of being part of a Union Church during 1865.

Eight Union County men reported to the Induction Center in St. Louis, Friday, Sept. 16, for induction into the Armed Services.

Gloomy is the word for the weather this past week. The high temperature was on Saturday, Sept. 17, with 77 and the low on Friday, Sept. 16, with 43.

Coach Larry Davis' Wildcat football team opened their 1966 season with a 21-0 defeat at the hands of a very tough Cairo football squad at Cairo Friday night.

The 13th Annual Western Horse Show was held at the Anna State Hospital Sunday. The Horse Show, sponsored by the Saddle Clubs of Southern Illinois, has been conducted on the grounds for 13 years.

The Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of World War I held their regular monthly meeting Sunday, Sept. 18, at 2 p.m., in the American Legion Home.

From the Ware News Briefs: A total of 17 adults and 19 children attended the meeting of the Ware Grade School P.T.A. Monday evening. The program for the 1966-67 school year was planned.

For those who want to subdue the shrill bell of their telephone, General Telephone Company of Illinois has the answer. It's a new combination chime-bell unit, which looks similar to a small door chime.

Letters to the editor

The Gazette-Democrat welcomes letters to the editor. Any letter which is submitted to the paper must be signed by the person who wrote the letter. We ask that letters be of local interest and must be as brief as possible.

Each letter must include an address and phone number for the person who wrote the letter. This information is needed so the identity of the person who wrote the letter can be verified. Letters which do not include this information will not be used.

The deadline to submit a letter to the editor is noon on Thursday. Letters which are submitted after the deadline will be held for the following week.

The newspaper reserves the right to edit all letters. Please limit the length of letters to 300 or fewer words. The newspaper reserves the right to reject letters which are deemed inappropriate for any reason. Personal attacks are not allowed.

Political campaigning is accepted as paid advertising only; letters used for campaign purposes will not be published.

Letters can be submitted in several ways. Letters can be mailed to the paper; send them to The Gazette-Democrat, P.O. Box 529, Anna, Illinois 62906. Letters can be sent by fax at 618-833-5813. Letters also can be emailed to news@annanews.com.

Political letters to the editor

All letters to the editor endorsing, opposing or pertaining to political candidates must be published as paid election letters. They will be subject to a publication fee of \$50.

A paid election letter must be paid for by the writer. If the letter is paid for by another individual or organization, that information must be stated, according to election laws.

A letter must be signed and must contain the name of the person who wrote the letter, the writer's address and the writer's telephone number. The telephone number will not be published, but must be included for verification purposes.

The deadline to submit a paid election letter, and payment for the letter, is noon on the Thursday prior to publication of the letter. The newspaper reserves the right to edit a letter for clarity, brevity and legal purposes.

Please read this. . .

by Geof Skinner



A rather spectacular spider web was created by an arachnid which decided to call our front porch home. Some unfortunate creature that the spider on our front porch found was not having a very good day when this picture was taken, as in the creature appeared to be the main course for dinner.

Hope this doesn't bug you much, but a not so itchy, bitsy spider moved in...

NOTICE TO READERS: If you happen to be one of those folks who cried during the scene involving the bad ending for Bambi's mother, or if you happen to find the whole "Circle of Life" thing to be "cute," you might want to find something else to do.

However, if you happen to be one of those folks who realize that the "Circle of Life" can be rather gruesome at times, please read this...

I suppose there's a certain amount of confidence that comes with a spider that is the size of a Volkswagen Beetle. That could explain why we got to see a rather large spider lay claim to part of our front porch during the past week.

The spider moved in sometime last week, and just started hanging around. Right there in clear view. I guess you can

do such things if you are really big, have eight legs and venomous bites.

As of noon time on Monday, the big ol' spider was still there, doing whatever a spider does. To be honest with you, I do not know what spiders do. The creature on our front porch has not been particularly chatty.

The giant arachnid on our front porch wasn't the only spider which was busy in our yard during the final days of summer.

Another spider was busy in the back yard, which was not a good thing for a butterfly. Truth be told, the butterfly appeared to be the main course for Sunday dinner. And yet another spider spun a web in the back yard. All in all, the images created by these busy creatures turned out to be quite spectacular.

A preying mantis also

decided to join the fun. The mantis was spotted Sunday evening. I'm guessing this creature was looking for dinner, too.

Or, perhaps the mantis was a female. I did not look really close. Female preying mantises like to have their mates over for dinner. The mates, well,

then become dinner. Kind of puts a damper on plans for the rest of the week.

It's rather interesting what kind of adventures can unfold, right in our very own yards. Almost makes me want to break out in a lively version of that "Circle of Life" song.



The preying mantis is not a spider. Duh. However, I am guessing that it also was looking for something to eat when it also showed up on our front porch.



This is a lifesize* view of the spider which has been calling our front porch home. (*Not really.)



Spiders indeed seem to have been very busy in our yard. This web was hanging around in our back yard.

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