THE GAZETTE-DEMOCRAT

The Talk And Cobden Review • Serving Union County Since 1849

Thursday, July 11, 2024 | **Anna, Illinois** | **$1.00** | **Volume 175, Number 31**

News Notes

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

As the paper was going to press Tuesday afternoon, Union County was under a tornado watch which had been issued by the National Weather Service in Paducah. The watch was in effect until 11 p.m. Tuesday.

***

Kudos to all of those involved with the July 4th Independence Day activities at the Anna City Park.

***

Anna-Jonesboro Community High School is saluting its 2024 graduates who are serving the nation, including Kaleb Aden, Shane Casey, James Spurlock, Francisco Vaca-Miron and Cayden Sawyer.

***

Deputy Robbie McGee was set to retire on July 5 after 28 years of service with the Union County Sheriff's Office.

***

Water infrastructure work was scheduled to resume Monday, July 8, in parts of the City of Anna. Water outages were possible and a boil water order was to have been in place.

***

Anna-Jonesboro Community High School has scheduled registration on July 31 and Aug. 1 for the 2024-2025 academic year.

***

Dongola School District 66 has scheduled registration for July 18.

***

Anna Moose Lodge No. 1346 has awarded Larry Burnett Memorial Scholarships to two 2024 Union County high school graduates. More on this to come...

***

A Lick Creek School baseball fundraiser tournament which had been scheduled in late July has been cancelled.

***

Looked like there was a good turnout at Tuesday morning's Union County farmers market in Anna.

***

Rural Health Inc. is planning to join the celebration of National Center Week Aug. 4-10.

***

Shawnee Community College faculty member Tim Frizzell has earned a Ph.D. in communication from Liberty University.

Blood drive set at A-JCHS

An American Red Cross blood drive is planned Monday, July 29, at Anna-Jonesboro Community High School.

The blood drive is scheduled from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. in the cafeteria at the school.

An appointment to be a donor can be made by:

•Calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

•Visiting RedCrossBlood.org and entering ajchs.

•Downloading the Blood Donor App.

Beryl's remnants sweep through area



Rainy Monday

Heavy rain started falling at around 3 p.m. Monday in the Anna area. The remnants of tropical system Beryl were expected to bring heavy rain to the region early this week. As the rain was falling, a car made its way through a low-lying area on East Davie Street in Anna.

The remnants of former Hurricane Beryl were expected to impact the Southern Illinois, Southeast Missouri and Western Kentucky region early this week.

The National Weather Service office in Paducah advised on its website that the remnants of what had become tropical system Beryl would move through the region from Monday afternoon and continue through Tuesday night.

Tropical downpours were possible, with 1 to 3 inches of rain falling across the region. As of Monday afternoon, the weather service said the greatest potential for heavy rain appeared to exist over Southern Illinois and Southeast Missouri.

The weather service office issued a flood watch for parts of the region which was in effect from 1 a.m. Tuesday through Wednesday morning. Union County was included in the watch area.

Locations in the flood watch area were expected to see generally 2 to 4 inches of rain. Locally higher amounts of up to 6 inches of rain were possible as well, the weather service stated.

Excessive runoff may have resulted in flooding of rivers, creeks, streams and other low-lying and flood-prone locations, the weather service cautioned.

Severe weather also was possible in some parts of the region on Monday and again on Tuesday.

The weather service shared a message Monday afternoon on X (formerly Twitter) that it has received reports of funnel clouds and landspout tornadoes from storms which were developing in the region.

The region is expected to dry out and warm up after the tropical system's remnants move out.

Sweltering Heat, Humidity in Region Last Week

The potential for heavy rain followed sweltering heat and storms which the area experienced last week.

The weather on the Independence Day holiday on Thursday, July 4, included a heat advisory which was issued by the weather service.

The weather service reported that at 2:52 p.m. on July 4, the heat index at the Southern Illinois Airport near Carbondale was 109 degrees. The air temperature at the time was 93.

Flood warning in effect

A flood warning is in effect this week for the Mississippi River in Southern Illinois and Southeast Missouri.

The warning was issued by the National Weather Service office in Paducah for the Mississippi River at Cape Girardeau and at Thebes.

Counties affected by the flood warning include Union, Alexander and Jackson in Southern Illinois and Cape Girardeau, Scott and Perry counties in Southeast Missouri.

Recent heavy rainfall upstream caused river levels to rise in the region.

The weather service shared the following reports the river at midday on Monday:

Mississippi River at Cape Girardeau

Minor flooding was occurring. Minor flooding is in the forecast. A flood warning is in effect until Wednesday, July 17.

At 11:30 a.m. Monday, the river's stage was 35.8 feet. Flood stage is 32.0 feet.

The river is expected to rise to a crest of 36.5 feet Thursday morning (today). The river then will fall below flood stage on Wednesday, July 17.

Mississippi River at Thebes

Minor flooding was occurring. Minor flooding is in the forecast. A flood warning is in effect until Monday, July 15.

At 11:30 a.m. Monday, the river's stage was 34.7 feet. Flood stage is 33.0 feet.

The river is expected to rise to a crest of 35.5 feet Thursday morning (today). The river then will fall below flood stage Monday, July 15.

Impact of Heavy Rain

The weather service advised that heavy rain which was expected early this week in the region may worsen or prolong flooding along parts of the Mississippi River which experiencing high waters.



Fireworks at Anna City Park

An Independence Day fireworks display was presented Thursday night, July 4, at the Anna City Park. The pyrotechnical show in celebration of the nation's birthday was presented by Brad Dawson. Independence Day in the Union County area began with rain, but the weather was clear for the fireworks in Anna.



Independence Day performance

The Southern Illinois based band Beak & Company headlined Anna's Independence Day celebration leading up to the fireworks display that night. The band performed at the band shell at the Anna City Park on Thursday, July 4.



Rainbow appears following stormy weather

A rainbow appeared in the sky over Union County following stormy weather on Wednesday evening, July 3. The rainbow could be seen for about half an hour in the sky over Cobden. Part of Union County had been under a severe thunderstorm warning early in the evening. The warning was issued by the National Weather Service office in Paducah.

THE GAZETTE-DEMOCRAT
THE TALK AND COBDEN REVIEW
Serving Union County Since 1849
(USPS 215-280)
ISSN 2834-6165 (Print)
2834-6173 (Online)
112 Lafayette St.
Anna, Illinois 62906-0529

618-833-2158
news@annanews.com

Periodical postage paid at Anna, Illinois 62906-0529

PUBLISHED THURSDAY

Geof Skinner.....Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES
Per Year • July, 2022

In Union County.....$54.00
Elsewhere in 629 Zip Code.....$56.00
Out of Area.....$64.00
Per Copy.....$1.00
E-edition.....$54.00

1-800-833-2699

POSTMASTER: Send address changes to
The Gazette-Democrat
112 Layfayette St.
Anna, Illinois 62906-0529

Advertising rates given on application.
The Gazette-Democrat | Monday's Pub.
www.annanews.com
facebook.com/gazettedemocrat

Fair queen pageant seeks contestants

Contestants are being sought for this year's Union County Fair Queen Pageant.

Pageant director Janice Osman shared the following information:

Fair Queen Miss Division

The Union County Fair Queen Pageant is in search of contestants for the 2024 pageant, which is set for the 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 16, at the fair grounds (the Anna City Park).

The Miss Division will be open to Union County, Alexander County, Pulaski County, Jackson County, Johnson County and Massac County residents this year.

The additional counties do not have a county fair queen pageant.

If any of the additional counties add a fair queen pageant to their county fair, those residents will no longer be eligible to compete in the Miss Union County Fair Queen Pageant.

Contestants must be 16 years of age by Aug. 16, 2024, and not have reached their 22nd birthday by Jan. 1, 2025.

Contestants can never have been married, never had a child and cannot be an adoptive parent.

Contestants must be a resident of Union, Alexander, Pulaski, Jackson, Johnson or Massac county and not competing in, or have competed in, another county fair queen pageant in 2024 or have been a former queen of a county fair.

An information packet and online application link and a printable t-shirt order form are available through the Union County Fair's website at www.unioncountyfair.net.

Once at the website, go to the EVENTS tab, click on Miss Union County Fair Queen Pageant and then click on the link to download the information packet, online application or t-shirt order form.

Contestants also can contact Janice Osman at 618-833-7777 to request an information packet and/or the application link or with any questions they may have.

A schedule of practice days and times are with the information packet and the online application.

The deadline to enter the pageant is July 22. No late entries will be accepted after July 22, unless the deadline is extended.

A meeting is set for 7 p.m. Monday, July 22, for Miss Division contestants. The meeting will be at the Union County Fair Board office, which is located at the Anna City Park.

Entry/sponsor fees can be turned in at the meeting and the online application must be submitted by 11:59 p.m.

Contestants will need to come "picture ready." A group photo will be taken, along with individuals pictures for the pageant program and judge's books.

Little Miss, Junior Miss Contestants

The Union County Fair Queen pageant is in search of Little Miss and Junior Miss Contestants for the 2024 pageant that will be held Friday, Aug. 16, at 7 p.m. at the fair grounds.

Little Miss Contestants must be 8-11 years of age Junior Miss Contestants must be 12-15 years of age by Aug. 16, 2024.

Contestants must be a resident of Union County and attend a Union County school. If contestants attend a private school outside of Union County, they must provide proof of registration with their application.

An information packet and application link are available through the Union County Fair's website at www.unioncountyfair.net.

Go to the EVENTS tab and then click on Little Miss and Junior Miss Pageant and that will take you to a link for a printable information packet, the online application link and the printable t-shirt order form.

Contestants also can contact Janice Osman at 618-833-7777 to request an information packet and/or the online application link or with any questions they may have. A schedule of practice days and times are with the pageant information packet.

The deadline to enter the pageant is July 22. No late entries will be accepted after the deadline unless the deadline is extended.

A meeting is set for 6 p.m. Monday, July 22, for Little Miss and 6:30 p.m. for Junior Miss contestants at the Union County Fair Board office located at the Anna City Park.

Entry fees can be turned in at the meeting and the online application must be submitted by 11:59 p.m.

Contestants will need to come "picture ready." A group photo will be taken, along with individuals pictures for the pageant program and judge's books.

Princess Class

The Union County Fair Queen pageant is in search of Princesses for the pageant's Princess Program class for the 2024 pageant that will be held Friday, Aug. 16, at 7 p.m. at the fair grounds.

All Princess participants will receive a tiara and sash. No judging will take place in the Princess Program. It's a fun opportunity for the younger girls to participate in a pageant setting without the judging portion.

Princess participants must be between the ages of 5 to 7 years old by Aug. 16, 2024, and need to be a Union County resident. There will be a $25 entry fee.

The first 20 entries will be accepted and will be taken until Aug. 12, unless the 20 spaces are filled before that date. The Aug. 12 deadline is for Princess Program participants only; all other age groups have an entry deadline of July 22.

There will be an optional Princess practice on Monday, Aug. 12, from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Anna VFW post. A required attendance meeting and practice are planned from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Aug. 15 at the fair grounds.

Princesses can participate in the t-shirt sales. This is optional for Princesses. The order form can be found on the fair's website.

(Please note: All t-shirt orders are due July 30 and can be turned into the pageant director at the Anna VFW from from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.)

More details and the information/rules packet, an online application link and the t-shirt order form (optional for Princesses) can be found on the Union County Fair website at www.unioncoutyfair.net.

For More Information

For more information, or if a contestant would the application link, call or text Janice Osman at 618-833-7777.

Union County included

Lead exposure testing expanded

The Illinois Department of Public Health, IDPH, has announced an expanded list of high-risk ZIP Codes, increasing mandatory testing for lead exposure of children who live within those areas.

A total of 148 new Zip Codes, representing parts of 60 Illinois counties, including Union County, have been added to the list this year. This brings the total of high-risk ZIP Codes to almost 1,200.

In the Southern Illinois area, IDPH reported that the newly added ZIP Codes include those that come from the following counties:

Union, Alexander, Gallatin, Hardin, Jackson, Jefferson, Johnson, Massac, Monroe, Pope, Pulaski, Randolph, Saline and Washington.

"There is no safe level of lead in the blood," IDPH director Dr. Sameer Vohra said in a news release.

"To better serve our children and build brighter futures for all of our residents, IDPH is acting to ensure that more children have access to the testing and interventions necessary to decrease the potential serious physical and developmental health concerns linked to lead exposure."

Under Illinois law, any child residing in a high-risk ZIP Code is to be tested automatically at 12, 24 and 36 months.

All children 6 years of age and younger are required to be assessed for lead exposure through the use of a questionnaire administered by a pediatrician.

In addition, children who fall into other risk categories spelled out in the questionnaire are also tested.

High-risk ZIP Codes are determined through an algorithm that assesses a number of different risk factors.

The department has been expanding that list of ZIP Codes gradually and expects to implement universal testing for lead exposure across all Illinois ZIP Codes by 2026.

The new expanded list, which took effect July 1, can be found at Pediatric Lead Poisoning High-Risk ZIP Code Areas (illinois.gov).

Under current Illinois law, blood tests which come back with lead levels in excess of five micrograms per deciliter (μg/dL) require a public health intervention.

This includes a home inspection to determine the source of the lead contamination.

If lead is found, the inspector will work with the homeowner to remove the sources of lead.

In addition, there will also be a visit from a public health nurse who will educate the family on ways to protect children from the harmful effects of lead.

Anna City Council meeting held

The impact of a recent water outage on a local business was on the agenda at last week's regular meeting of the Anna City Council.

The meeting was Tuesday evening, July 2, at Anna City Hall.

Davie School Inn owner Lyle Woodrum said issues related to work on the city's water infrastructure system had led to three cancellations at his lodging business and cost him revenue.

The work on the water system has led to water service outages and boil water orders.

He asked city officials to consider waiving his water bill for the month. Woodrum said that whatever the city could do would be appreciated.

In other business at the July 2 meeting:

The city council approved a resolution which authorized and approved an employment agreement with police chief Bryan Watkins.

A special event liquor license was approved for James Crane for the Union County Fair from Aug. 16 through Aug. 24.

A bid of $28,000 from Plott Construction in Anna was approved for demolition work at 400 E. Davie St. Five bids were received.

The city continues to move forward on addressing concerns regarding nuisance structures, with a focus on burned houses.

Event cancelled

Percussionist Kevin Lucas's planned performance of an annual fundraiser for Good Samaritan House of Carbondale on Sunday, July 14, at Alto Vineyards in Alto Pass has been cancelled.

"This event has been cancelled. It will be rescheduled at a later date at another venue," Lucas shared in an email on July 3.

Read the classifieds

County board approves hotel/motel tax update

Union County's Hotel Operators' Occupation Tax, or HOOT, has been updated.

An ordinance amending, restating and codifying the tax, sometimes referred to as the hotel/motel tax, was approved at a recent regular meeting of the Union County Board of Commissioners.

The meeting was Friday morning, June 28, at the Union County Courthouse.

The county levies a 5 percent tax on those who stay at local lodging businesses. The Union County treasurer's office reported that there more than 70 such local lodging businesses in operation.

In the Fiscal Year 2023, the tax generated about $147,000 in funding, the treasurer's office reported. Funds are utilized for tourism promotional efforts which bring people to the county who utilize the lodging businesses for overnight stays.

In related business, the commissioners approved agreements with four county entities regarding the tax.

The agreements were with the Southernmost Illinois Tourism Bureau, the Bald Knob Cross of Peace, the Shawnee Hills Wine Trail and Union County Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development.

With the agreements in place, the four entities will no longer have to apply each year year to receive HOOT funding.

Southernmost Illinois Tourism Bureau receives 60 percent of the funds which are generated by the levy. Bald Knob Cross of Peace receives 5 percent of the funds.

The Shawnee Hills Wine Trail receives 10 percent. Union County Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development receives 15 percent.

Each of the four entities will continue to generate reports about the use of funds which will be submitted to the county.

Remaining funds will be allocated to other entities which seek to apply for them.

The county has a HOOT board which makes recommendations to the commissioners on the allocation of funds. The county board will continue to have the final say in allocations.

Other Business

In other business at the June 28 meeting, the county board approved an intergovernmental agreement for the operation of the Pulaski County Detention Center.

With the agreement in place, detainees will be transported to the Pulaski County Detention Center in Ullin. Detainees had been held at the Jackson County Jail in recent years. The move was approved by the county as a cost-saving measure and was effective immediately.

Weather

Heat index 116 degrees July 4

Temperatures during the period of July 2 through July 8 in the Union County area ranged from a high of 94 degrees to a low of 58.

A heat index of 116 degrees was recorded at 2:30 p.m. Thursday, July 4. At the time, the air temperature was 93.8 degrees.

Precipitation during the period totalled .65 of an inch of rain.

Following are temperatures, precipitation and other highlights for the period as recorded by weather observer Dana Cross near Jonesboro:

Tuesday, July 2: high 88, low 58.

Wednesday, July 3: high 93, low 67. .10 of an inch of rain.

Thursday, July 4: high 94, low 72. .13 of an inch of rain.

Friday, July 5: high 87, low 68. .12 of an inch of rain.

Saturday, July 6: high 86, low 63.

Sunday, July 7: high 88, low 62.

Monday, July 1: high 88, low 67. .33 of an inch of rain.

Study of sun continues

At the end of June, scientists were predicting the possibility of solar storms of varying intensity as faculty and student researchers at Southern Illinois University Carbondale continued studying the sun with two NASA-funded research projects.

Faculty are conducting SolarSTEAM, a $2.6 million multifaceted, national heliophysics project.

The faculty also are running the Dynamic Eclipse Broadcast Initiative, DEB, a two-year, $314,000 project.

Edward Jones > edwardjones.com | Member SIPC

Compare our CD rates
Bank-issued, FDIC-insured

6-Month 5.25% APY*
1-Year 5.05% APY*
2-Year 4.75% APY*

Call or visit your local financial advisor today



Phillip McGrath
Financial Advisor
311 South Main
Anna, IL 62906
618-833-6999

*Annual Percentage Yield (APY) effective 07/05/24. CDs offered by Edward Jones are bank-issued and FDIC-insured up to $250,000 (principal and interest accrued but not yet paid) per depositor, per insured depository institution, for each account ownership category. Please visit www.fdic.gov or contact your financial advisor for additional information. Subject to availability and price change. CD values are subject to interest rate risk such that when interest rates rise, the prices of CDs can decrease. If CDs are sold prior to maturity, the investor can lose principal value. FDIC insurance does not cover losses in market value. Early withdrawal may not be permitted. Yields quoted are net of all commissions. CDs require the distribution of interest and do not allow interest to compound. CDs offered through Edward Jones are issued by banks and thrifts nationwide. All CDs sold by Edward Jones are registered with the Depository Trust Corp. (DTC).

FDI-1867N-A AECSPAD 22604096

Historical heirlooms return to Union County from California

Editor's note: the following article and accompanying photographs are shared by Barbara Bauer on behalf of the PAST organization of Union County.

The old adage goes something like: "You can take the girl out of Union County, but you can't take Union County out of the girl."

That surely seems true for former Union County resident Carol Kinder Watkins.

Carol Kinder grew up and went to school in Anna-Jonesboro.

In addition to being related to her father Virgil's Kinder family, she is descended from the Union County Rhodes family through her mother, Maude Rhodes Kinder.

Carole moved away, married and raised her own family of a son and two daughters in Northern Illinois and in California.

In recent years, Carole Watkins has made occasional reunion visits back to Southern Illinois.

On each visit, she brings back to Union County heirloom items that contribute to the preservation of local history.

A few years ago, she carried "home" a history book titled "A History of Alexander, Pulaski and Union Counties," by Perrin.

The rare first-edition 1883 book was a gift to PAST of Union County from her family in California, who thought it should be archived in Union County.

In June 2024, Carole brought another heirloom back "home" to Union County. She actually mailed it, so as to not have to carry it on the airline.

The recent gift to PAST is a hand-made vintage patchwork friendship quilt.

The quilt was made by the Helpful Housekeepers' Club of Jonesboro and finished in 1939.

The charming textile is made up of patchwork-print blocks in a variety of pastel hues. Each block is centered with the stitched name of a Helpful Housekeepers' club member or that of a member's family.

There are 44 people named in the piece. There is a club name block, Helpful Housekeepers' Club of Jonesboro, Ill. 1939.

The tiny hand-quilted and embroidered stiches in the charming quilt are prize winners.

The piece is an historical documentary as well as an amazing example of textile art.

Along with the accompanying club photo, the quilt is a testament to the social bond of a group of women to work together to enrich the lives of their families.

PAST appreciates the opportunity to preserve history with this treasured heirloom now on display at Heritage House Museum.

In May 2024, Carole (in California) read in her issue of The Gazette-Democrat an article about famous Union County pigs.

The reference to the famous World War II war-bond fund-raiser pig called "King Neptune" prompted her to check her files. There she found a "King Neptune" War Bond Pledge Certificate issued to her father Virgil Kinder, for the amount of $100, dated Aug. 21, 1943.

The certificate and corresponding news clippings and photos were mailed to PAST to be placed in local history collections.

For more information, or to arrange a tour of the PAST Heritage House Museum in Jonesboro, call 618-697-1870.



Proud of PAST

Carole Kinder Watkins, with her son, Scott, at her home in Anaheim, Calif., proudly wore her PAST of Union County t-shirt. They posed with a background of Union County Kinder and Rhodes family photos.



Friendship Quilt names

Helpful Housekeepers Club, Jonesboro, Ill., 1939, Friendship Quilt names:

Cora Kinder, Myrtle Nimmo, Effie Grear, Harold Richard Kinder, Virgil L. Kinder,

Clara Sanders, Zelma Inman, Opal Davis, Stella Davis, Sadie Whitley, Helen Daisy, Fannie Phillips,

Lou Tripp, Cecelia Barnett, Mary Boyd, Kenny Kinder, Katheryn Tompkins, Naomi Boyd, Gertie Baldwin, Daisy Boyd, Maude E.M.R. Kinder, Agnes Rendleman, Myrtle Boyd,

Mr. and Mrs. Wm T. Rhodes "Aunt Marie"; Billy Ray Boyd; Ann, Sam and Bill Rhodes; Delia Inman,

Fannie Grear, Nina Boyd, Omega Tompkins, Arminta Kelley, Phyllis Kay Smith, Helen Smith, Pauline Helen Boyd, Imogene Boyd, Virginia Carol Kinder, Sarah Baldwin, Gertie Rendleman, Abbie Nicolaides, Kathryn Inman, Mollie Phillips, Helpful Housekeepers Club Jonesboro, Ill, 1939.



Quilt presented

Carole Kinder Watkins, right, formerly of Jonesboro, presented a handmade and hand-quilted Friendship Quilt made by the Helpful Housekeepers Club of Jonesboro in 1939 to PAST representative Barbara Bauer, left.



Helpful Housekeepers Club

Names for Helpful Housekeepers' Club, Jonesboro, Ill., 1939 (collaborated by Carole Kinder Watkins, Emily Boyd Meyer and Kay Smith Michaels): In the first row, sort of kneeling, left to right: Fannie Phillips, Mollie Phillips, Augusta Kelley. In the second row, seated: Effie Grear, Opal Morgan, Katherine Thompkins (holding Mickey Kelley), Mary Boyd and Emily Jane with doll, Effie Baker with Jack, Lou Tripp, Maude Rhodes Kinder with Virginia Carol, Myrtle Boyd with Billy Ray, and ??. In the third row, standing, are Olivia Frogg Smith, ??, Sarah Baldwin, Armita Kelley, Opal Phillips Davis, Beatrice Sams Ferrell, Katherine Inman, Agnes Kelley Rendleman, Ann Grear Gilliam, Clara Sanders. In the fourth row are Sadie Whitley, Helen Daisy, ??, ??, ??, Zelma Inman (owned gas station by Tripp School), Grace Whitaker Ferrell, ??, Cora Kelley Whitley, Delia Inman, Daisy Boyd. In the fifth row are ??, ? Inman, Abbie Nicolaides, Imogene Boyd, Sarah Lewis, Gertie Rendleman, Stella Lewis, Helen Smith with Phyllis Kay.



King Neptune

Carole Kinder Watkins found a "King Neptune" War Bond Pledge Certificate issued to her father, Virgil Kinder, in the amount of $100. The certificate was dated Aug. 21, 1943.

News from

First Baptist Church, Jonesboro

On Sunday, July 7, Pastor Perry Williams spoke at both services.

During morning worship, his message was about the days of Noah, "which was a time of violence upon the whole earth. Noah had an impossible task, but he was able to accomplish it with the help of his team: his family."

The pastor also shared a true story, as told by Glenn Poshard, about a sailboat race. The winning team was equal to the other teams in every way except one: where they set their sails.

The pastor shared that "in today's world, we, too, live in a dark time; but what makes the difference is where we set our sails. Are we a team working together to follow the winds of the Holy Spirit? Or have we set our vision too low?"

The pastor based his message on scripture from Genesis and Matthew.

Music director Dee Rose led worship. Debbie York played the piano. Marlee Smith sang a special song, "Gonna Be Good" (as performed by Taya).

The Book of Galatians is being studied during the Sunday evening service. Those who are attending are meeting downstairs in the Alpha classroom.

Vacation Bible School was scheduled to begin July 8 and continues through July 12. Bible School is scheduled from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. each day. Children ages 4 through 6th grade are invited.

Women on Mission plan to have a monthly meeting at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, today.

Birthdays: John Turner, July 12; Holly Flannigan, July 14.

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

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

Adult prayer meeting and Bible study are scheduled on Wednesdays at 6 p.m.

Open Mic, Short Story/Poetry Nights set at arts center

Open Mic Night and Short Story/Poetry Night and Pizza are planned at the Anna Arts Center. The center is located in the 100 block of West Davie Street in Anna.

Open Mic Night

Open Mic Night featuring comedy, the spoken word, music and more is planned from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. July 12 at the arts center. To reserve a spot, email zj.rowatt@gmail.com.

Doors open at 7:30 p.m. There will be a $5 cover at the door. Concessions will be available.

Short Story/Poetry Night and Pizza

Tom Caldwell will lead a discussion of "Carnival Dog, Buyer of Diamonds" by Ethan Canin at 6 p.m. Monday, July 15, for Short Story/Poetry Night and Pizza.

To get a copy of the short story, or for more information, text Caldwell at 1-217-994-3449.

Everyone is asked to bring their favorite drink and $3 for the pizza.

Those who want to attend are asked to RSVP to Caldwell by July 13 so there is plenty of pizza to go around.

(Editor's note: an article which appeared in last week's paper did not include the date and time for Short Story/Poetry Night and Pizza. The editor erred.)

Coffman, Cobb win medals at martial arts world championship



From left are Master Heather Coffman, O'Sensei Robert Cutrell and Tyson Cobb. Photo provided.

Master Heather Coffman and Tyson Cobb from Coffman's Martial Arts Academy in Anna recently participated in the 50th annual ISKA U.S. Open Martial Arts World Championship in Orlando, Fla.

The International Sport Karate Association event routinely draws over 8,000 competitors and 12,000 spectators from countries all over the world.

Tyson, a green belt in ChunJiDo, participated in three events, receiving a bronze medal in continuous sparring, a bronze medal in padded sword sparring and a seventh place medal in point sparring.

Master Heather Coffman participated in two events, receiving a gold medal and becoming the 2024 world champion in both women's black belt traditional weapons and women's black belt traditional kata.

Master Heather Coffman and Tyson Cobb are skillfully trained by O'Sensei Robert Cutrell, founder of ChunJiDo and ChunJiDo International.

Master Coffman and O'Sensei Cutrell are both lead instructors at Coffman's Martial Arts in Anna.

Anna VFW Post 3455 calendar of events

Upcoming events at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Carroll P. Foster Post No. 3455 of Anna include:

A weekly corn hole tournament is planned Thursday, today. Play begins at 6:30 p.m. A Queen of Hearts drawing is planned at 7 p.m.

Mystify Music is scheduled to play from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. Friday, July 12.

Private events are scheduled in the back hall Saturday and Sunday, July 13-14.

A joint meeting of the post and auxiliary is planned at 5:30 p.m. Monday, July 15. The auxiliary plans to have a monthly meeting at 6 p.m. The post plans to have a monthly meeting at 7 p.m.

Taco Tuesday is planned July 16. Serving will be from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Hard shell tacos, soft shell tacos and taco salads will be served; dine in or carry out.

The post is located at 70 VFW Ln. near Anna. All functions are open to the public except for private events.

Hess News

By Glenn Heisner

Gary and Sue Hoskins spent a night with us recently. They came from their home in Tennessee and left here to visit in Manteno.

Relatives of Bruce Williams spent July 4 at his home. A large meal was served at noon.

Our son Danny spent a couple of weeks with us and his son Sam about a week before going back to Georgia.

Jacob Heisner had a cousins reunion in Cisne at the farm Saturday and we all attended. I was the oldest cousin there.

July birthdays: Fred Schlenker, July 4; Jerry Miller, July 12; Edna Goddard and myself, July 15; Raechel Bonner and mother Donna Williams, July 22; Wayne Miller, July 24.

Fred and Wanda Schlenker will celebrate their 68th anniversary July 21.

Food box giveaways scheduled

A free food box giveaway is planned Saturday, July 13, in Alexander and Pulaski counties.

The Fowler Bonan Foundation, ADM Cares and Laborers Union Local 773 will be working together on the effort to increase food security in the region.

The following stops are scheduled:

Olmsted City Hall, 150 Front St., 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Pulaski Community Center, 565 Chestnut St., 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Olive Branch Community Building, 22434 Railroad St., noon to 1 p.m.

Mounds, New City Hall (former Legence Bank), 100 S. Oak St., 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Cairo, Church of the Redeemer (former DHS office), 220 6th St., 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Birds in landscape topic of event

"Encouraging Birds in Your Landscape" is the theme for a program which is planned Sunday afternoon, July 14, at the Cache River Wetlands Center near Cypress.

The program is scheduled to begin at 2 p.m. The wetlands center is located at 8885 State Route 37S.

Information will be presented which tell how to encourage birds to come to a landscape by enhancing the habitat.

The program will explore the habits and identifying characteristics of birds.

Construction of a variety of bird nests and manmade nesting boxes will be discussed.

Adults and children will have an opportunity to make a nesting box using milk cartons.

Organizers note that the program is limited to 20 participants. To register, or for more information, call 618-657-2064.

Casper Church hosts gospel singings



Norma and Danny Weaver are having a gospel singing at 6 p.m. on the first Saturday of each month at Casper Church. The church is located along Casper Church Road, just off old U.S. Route 51 between Anna and Cobden.



Guest singers at Casper Church Saturday night were Ann Bova, Terry White and Dan and Kathy Whiteside. Photos by Martha Ann Webb.

The Big Eight

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

1. Stay away from town meetings and be sure to criticize the way things run. You don't have to be there to know that somebody else is not doing it right.

2. Complain bitterly about the climate. Dwell on cold winters, the hot summers and the generally tough conditions for the people who live here. Let the world know that this is the last place anybody would want to live and work.

3. Knock your city and county governments. Spread the word about the stupidity of your elected officials. After all, they are all just out to get you anyway.

4. Don't buy anything locally. Use discount stores in the city and direct mail catalogs for all of your purchases. It's a lot more important to save a buck than to save your local merchant.

5. Snipe at the local newspaper. Tell anyone who will listen that those media people are just no good and that they never print the news you want to read.

6. Boycott community events. Tell yourself and anyone else that it's not your job to show up for ball games, concerts and school programs. Who really cares if anyone participates in those things?

7. Be more negative. Everybody knows that all kids are delinquents, all business people are crooks and all public officials are just looking out for themselves. Try to get in as many bad remarks about the town as possible.

8. Be skeptical, cynical and critical about anything designed for the community's progress and betterment and do it as loudly as possible. Blame progress for every difficulty, economic development for changing things from the way they were in the good old days, and disagree with anything that makes things different in your town.

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

Illinois FFA planned to honor SIU chancellor

Southern Illinois University Carbondale chancellor Austin A. Lane was to have received an award from a major agriculture organization when it met at SIU on Tuesday, July 9.

Illinois FFA planned to present Lane with an Honorary State Degree during the Illinois FFA Association State Officer meeting.

The meeting, which was planned Tuesday morning in the Agriculture Building on the SIU campus, also was scheduled to include 30 FFA officers representing each geographic area of the state preparing for the upcoming year and receiving training for their new leadership roles.

"Chancellor Lane has continued to connect with each group of FFA members that attend events on SIU's campus, and he has proven the commitment of SIU leadership to uphold SIU's reputation as a leading supporter of Illinois FFA and the next generation of agricultural leaders," said John Edgar, assistant executive director of Illinois FFA and a two-degree alumnus of SIU.

"We are excited to present this award to Chancellor Lane and recognize SIU's support of Illinois FFA over the years."

Lane is one of 29 recipients of this year's FFA's Honorary State Degree, the organization's highest recognition for outstanding service to agricultural education and FFA programs.

During the meeting, five newly elected major state FFA officers were to have joined 25 section presidents, each elected by about 15 local FFA chapters to represent their geographic region of the state.

SIU has played host to the annual meeting for more than 10 years, Edgar said.

"The event showcases the many opportunities SIU has to offer while reinforcing SIU's commitment to the agricultural industry and the next generation of leaders," Edgar said.

News from

Anna Nazarene Church

A morning worship service was held Sunday, July 7. Announcements were given by Jessica Elkins.

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

A message titled "Discipline" was brought by the pastor. Scripture was from Proverbs, 1 Timothy, Romans, 1 John, Matthew, Luke, Ephesians and Philippians.

The message can be listened to on the church's website at annanaz.com and on the Anna First Church of the Nazarene Facebook page.

Pastor Wright brought a message titled "Unity" at Sunday evening's worship service. Scripture was from Ephesians, 1 John, Matthew, 1 Corinthians, John and Romans.

Birthdays: Chris Benefield, July 8; Shannon Thompson, July 10; Mike Smith, July 11.

Sunday, July 14

Breakfast, 9 a.m. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. Morning service, 10:35 a.m. A potluck meal is planned following the morning service; annual reports will be given by the NMI, NDI and NYI directors, secretary of the board, Pastor Wright and the church treasurer.Evening service, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, July 17

A Wednesday night service is planned at 6:30 p.m. July 17 in the sanctuary. A youth group meeting is planned at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

Thursday, July 18

NDI board meeting, 6 p.m. Church board meeting, 7 p.m.

The church can be contacted by calling the church office at 833-6702 and leaving a message if necessary or by calling Pastor Wright at 618-534-7103.

The sponsors on this page urge you to attend the church of your choice.

ATTEND CHURCH THIS WEEK



Photo Credit: istockphoto/sshepard

Why attend church this week? Isn't it just a time-consuming ritual that has no place in the fast paced, high-tech world of today? God gave us the Sabbath day for our benefit. The peaceful surroundings, opportunity for prayer and meditation, joyful song, lessons, and fellowship with family and friends can leave us strengthened and refreshed. We are ready for a new week and can face the world with the courage of spirit that God grants us. Do yourself a favor and spend time at your house of worship this week and every week!

Daily Bible Readings

Jeremiah 3:6-18	Jeremiah 4:1-4	Jeremiah 30:1-11	Jeremiah 30:12-24	Jeremiah 31:1-14	Jeremiah 31:15-22	Jeremiah 31:23-40

Scriptures Selected by the American Bible Society ✕ Daily Devotional at www.AmericanBible.org

©2024 Keister-Williams Newspaper Services, P.O. Box 8187, Charlottesville, VA 22906, www.kwnews.com

FLAMM HEATING & COOLING
618-893-2861 • 618-534-2391

Custom Processing of Beef-Pork-Goat-Sheep
Deer Processing Oct. 1st through Jan. 30th.
Triple C Meats
5565 St. Rt. 146E
Anna, IL 62906
618-833-5986
Jason Martin, Owner
Visit our website:
triplecmeats.com

Duty's Auto Glass
Windshields • Door Glasses
Back Glasses • Chip Repair
Serving All of Southern Illinois
Over 30 Years Experience
324 Willard Ferry Rd. • Jonesboro
833-2923 or Toll Free 866-759-2923

Anna-Jonesboro National Bank
Dedicated to our customers, committed to our community
Member FDIC
201 South Main • Anna, IL • 618-833-8506
512 E. Vienna St. • Anna, IL • 618-833-2922
1002 Public Square • Jonesboro • 618-833-4547

Southern FS Inc.
Bulk & Bag Feed
Pet & Horse Supplies
Home & Garden
Not just for farmers anymore! Take a look around!
400 S. Main • Jonesboro, IL 62952
Phone (618) 833-2494
Fax (618) 833-3868

Attend the Church of Your Choice!

Community Integrated Living, Inc.
Improving the lives of the individuals we serve.
201 E. Chestnut St. • Anna, IL
618-833-2500
www.communityintegratedliving.com

The First State Bank of Dongola
Old and Reliable, Established 1906
108 SE Front Street • Dongola, IL 62926
618-827-3451
Member FDIC

Pizza Hut
Dine-In
Carryout
Delivery
1835 E. Vienna St. • Anna, IL
(618) 833-2415
www.pizzahut.com

Farmers State Bank
55 N. Elm St. • Alto Pass, IL
(618) 893-2464
www.myfsb.com
Member FDIC

Midwestern Propane Gas Co.
Anna, IL • 833-6300
Mike Jones, Manager

Cardinal Corner
409 Grand Tower Road
Grand Tower, IL
618-565-1064
Your Hometown Store

A&G Automotive, Inc.
ASE Certified
109 Transcraft Drive
Anna, IL 62906
833-8755

Apostolic Lighthouse Church
Est. 1943
Breakfast and Sunday School at 9:45 a.m.
Worship service at 10:45 a.m.
Midweek service Wednesday at 7 p.m.
423 S. Front St.
Cobden, IL
51-3GC

Worship & Praise

You're Invited! CrossPointe Church
Sunday Worship Service 10:30am
Wednesday Bible Study 7pm
409 S. Green St, Anna, IL 62906 (Corner of West Spring and S. Green St)

Basler Excavating & Trucking
Demolition, Clearing, Basements, Track Hoe Service
833-7831

Welcome

Serving the area for over 35 years
Gurley & Son Heating & Air Conditioning
YORK
INSTALL CONFIDENCE
1540 Old Hwy. 51N • Anna, IL
(618) 833-5211
"Hope to see you in church Sunday"

Schaefer Enterprises
Website: www.sewlparts.com
P.O. Box 136 • Wolf Lake, IL 62998
Email: parts@sewlparts.com
800-626-6046 • (618) 833-5498
Fax: 618-833-7765

Whitney Accounting
(618) 833-2145
105 Transcraft Drive - Anna, IL

Bigler Insurance
Home | Life | Auto | Business
618-614-7373
biglerinsurance@gmail.com

Serving the community since 1979!
Dutch Guttering
Call for Summer Specials!
618-351-1881
Seamless Aluminum Guttering
Gutter Clean Outs • Leaf Guards
Roof Repairs • Home Improvement
Service and Repair • Siding & Overhang

Anna State Bank
100 E. Vienna Street • Anna, IL
833-2151
www.annastate.com
Member FDIC

Union County Abstract Office, Inc.
Chicago Title Insurance Company
Susan T. Holderfield, President
304 West Market Street • P.O. Box AC
Jonesboro, Illinois 62952
(618) 833-6521

To support your community Church Page, contact Meta for more details at 1-800-293-4709.

The Gazette-Democrat
Classified Section
Phone: 618-833-2158 • Fax: 618-833-5813
E-mail: news@annanews.com

CLASSIFIED RATES

Classifieds .....30¢ per word
$6.00 minimum for each prepaid ad per week
$3.00 additional if ad is charged
Bold Face 35¢ per word

AD DEADLINE IS 11:00 A.M. TUESDAY

CLASSIFIED DISPLAY RATES

Per inch $12.50

FOR RENT

FOR RENT: Nice 2 bedroom apartments, low utilities, convenient location, w/dryer facility. No gas deposit. call 618-751-3025

24gp tfn

FOR RENT DONGOLA: 3 bedrooms, 2 bath, 16x80 mobile home, shingle roof, vinyl siding, front porch with wheel chair ramp, thermal pane windows, Call 618-827-4705 or 618-697-8407

26-37gp TFN

HELP WANTED

HELP WANTED: Lick Creek CCSD #16 is seeking an individual to fill an open term on the school board. Interested individuals shall submit a letter of interest to Lick Creek CCSD #16, 7355 Lick Creek Road, Buncombe, Illinois, 62912 by Friday, July 12th, 2024.

31g

HELP WANTED: Shawnee Community College is looking for full and part-time Custodian for their Ullin Campus and The Massac County Extension Center. For more information, please Call 618-634-3200 Ext. 3436

22-33gp

YARD / GARAGE SALE

YARD SALE: 109 Apple Lane, Saturday, July 13th, 8 AM, Furniture, clothing… EVERYTHING MUST GO! Vera Belcher

31g

YARD SALE: 1525 Old Hwy 51 N Anna. July 11th, 12th & 13th. Rain or shine, 7am

30g & 31g

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

JP MORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, PLAINTIFF,

VS.

ALYSSA SHELTON; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; DEFENDANTS. CASE NO.: 2023FC21

105 S JOHN ST JONESBORO, IL 62952

NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of foreclosure entered in the above-entitled case on June 11, 2024, the Sheriff of Union County will on August 14, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in the lobby in the front entrance to the Union County Courthouse-309 W Market St, Jonesboro, IL 62952 sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgage real estate:

LOT NUMBER 66 IN JAMES AND DANIEL CRAVER'S ADDITION TO THE TOWN (NOW CITY) OF JONESBORO, SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF UNION AND THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.

COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 105 S JOHN ST
JONESBORO, IL 62952
PIN: 14-00-07-622

The improvement on the property consists of: Single Family Property

Sale terms: Ten percent (10%) of the amount of the successful and highest bid to be paid to the Sheriff by cashier's check or certified funds at the sale; and the full remaining balance to be paid to the Sheriff by cashier's check or certified funds within twenty-four (24) hours after sale. Sale shall be subject to general taxes, special assessments.

The property will NOT be open for inspection.

No refunds.

The judgment amount was $53,069.07

If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium

Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is

part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than

a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS

605/18.5(g-1).

This is an attempt to collect a debt pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

8221-944344

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

ESTATE OF MARSHA YATES, DECEASED. NO. 2024-PR-15 IN PROBATE

NOTICE OF DEATH INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION, AND CLAIM DATE

NOTICE IS GIVEN to creditors of the death of Marsha Yates, of Cobden, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on July 1, 2024, to Ryan DeWitt, 4945 Water Valley Road, Cobden, IL 62920, 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.)

Notice is further given to any unknown heirs at law of Gilbert Hartline, Bette Hartline, Brad McGuire, and Carol Brady as to the rights stated herein.

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

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

Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of this court at the Union County Courthouse, 309 W. Market St., Jonesboro, Illinois, or with the Independent Executor, or both, on or before January 11, 2025, 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: July 2, 2024.
RYAN DEWITT
CAMERON LAW FIRM, LLC
ELVIS C. CAMERON
ATTORNEY FOR INDEPENDENT EXECUTOR
205B N. MAIN ST.
ANNA, ILLINOIS 62906
PHONE: 618-833-2220
ARDC# 6244394
8221-944404

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 1ST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF UNION - JONESBORO, ILLINOIS
U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Plaintiff,
vs.
JOHN J DEMARIE; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; Defendants,
24 FC 3
NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause the Sheriff of Union County will on Wednesday, August 14, 2024, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., Courthouse lobby, 309 West Market Street, Jonesboro, Illinois 62952, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:

TRACT I: THAT PART OF THE WEST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGIN AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER (IRON FENCE POST ON CORNER); THENCE SOUTH 1 DEG. 15 MIN. 48 SEC. EAST ALONG THE LINE OF SAID QUARTER-QUARTER, 231.81 FEET; THENCE NORTH 85 DEG. 03 MIN. 44 SEC. WEST 267.00 FEET FOR A PLACE OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE NORTH 85 DEG. 03 MIN. 44 SEC. WEST, 127.05 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF 0.2945 ACRES; THENCE NORTH 4 DEG. 45 MIN. 51 SEC. WEST ALONG THE EAST LINE THEREOF, 120.00 FEET TO THE:NORTHEAST CORNER THEREOF; THENCE ALONG A CURVE TO THE RIGHT HAVING A RADIUS OF 895.76 FEET, A DISTANCE OF 148.00 FEET (CHORD BEARS NORTH 89 DEG. 58 MIN. 09 SEC. EAST), 147.03 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 4 DEG. 56 MIN. 16 SEC. WEST, 131.09 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, IN UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS. CONTAINING 0.410 ACRES, MORE OR LESS. TRACT II: THAT PART OF THE WEST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE QUARTER SECTION CORNER OF THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION; THENCE NORTH 89 DEG. 38 MIN. 34 SEC. EAST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER, 1564.01 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE WEST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER; THENCE NORTH 1 DEG. 15 MIN. 48 SEC. WEST ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID WEST HALF, 943.07 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 88 DEC. 44 MIN. 12 SEC. WEST, 250.74 FEET TO AN IRON PIN FOR A PLACE OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 88 DEG. 44 MIN. 12 SEC-WEST, 106.74 FEET TO AN IRON PIN; THENCE NORTH 9 DEG. 07 MIN. 13 SEC. WEST, 250.66 FEET TO AN IRON PIN; THENCE SOUTH 85 DEG. 03 MIN. 44 SEC. EAST, 127.05 FEET TO AN IRON PIN AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 25 OF KNUPP'S PLEASANT ACRES 3RD ADDITION: THENCE SOUTH 4 DEG. 50 MIN. 55 SEC. EAST, 235.04 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, IN THE CITY OF JONESBORO, UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS. CONTAINING 0.6420 ACRES. MORE OR LESS. TOGETHER WITH ALL THE IMPROVEMENTS NOW OR HEREAFTER ERECTED ON THE PROPERTY INCLUDING, BUT WITHOUT LIMITATION, THAT CERTAIN MANUFACTURED HOME LOCATED ON THE PROPERTY: 1997 DUTCH HOUSING MOBILE HOME, VIN # 202792Z WHICH THE BORROWER INTENDS AND AGREES IS A PART OF THE PROPERTY AND DEEMED TO BE REALTY, AND ALL EASEMENTS, APPURTENANCES, AND FIXTURES NOW OR HEREAFTER A PART OF THE PROPERTY.

P.I.N. 05-19-03-450-D, 05-19-03-450-D7.

Commonly known as 109 VIRGINIA DR., JONESBORO, IL 62952.

The improvement on the property consists of a single family residence. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of Section 18.5 of the Condominium Property Act.

Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance within 24 hours, by certified funds. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection.

For information call Mr. Chad Lewis at Plaintiff's Attorney, Robertson, Anschutz, Schneid, Crane & Partners, PLLC, 13010 Morris Road, Alpharetta, Georgia 30004. (708) 668-4410 ext. 52109. 24-178729 SHERIFF ADC

I3247450
8221-944320

Budget and Appropriations Ordinance Public Hearing Notice
LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
On Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance of Dongola Public Library District

Notice is hereby given to the Public that on August 13, 2024, at the hour of 5:30 P.M. at the Dongola Public Library, 114 NE Front St, Dongola, Illinois, a public hearing will be held on the annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Dongola Public Library District for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025. Any person interested in said budget and ordinance may be present at said time and place and may be heard in regard to the budget and ordinance. The tentative budget is now on file with the Secretary of the Board of Trustees, Dongola Public Library District, at the Library office and may be reviewed upon request prior to said hearing by the Public.

Date: 7/9/2024
Alice Wendling, Secretary Board of Trustees
Dongola Public Library District
8221-944408

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

ESTATE OF NANCY J. GEARHART, DECEASED. NO. 2024-PR-14 IN PROBATE

NOTICE OF DEATH INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION, AND CLAIM DATE

NOTICE IS GIVEN to creditors of the death of Nancy J. Gearhart, of Alto Pass, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on June 20, 2024, to Patricia K. Gearhart, P.O. Box 154, Alto Pass, IL 62905, as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Elvis C. Cameron, 205B N. Main St., Anna, Illinois.

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

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

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

Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of this court at the Union County Courthouse, 309 W. Market St., Jonesboro, Illinois, or with the Independent Executor, or both, on or before January 4, 2025, 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: June 26, 2024.
PATRICIA K. GEARHART, Executor
CAMERON LAW FIRM, LLC
ELVIS C. CAMERON
ATTORNEY FOR INDEPENDENT EXECUTOR
205B N. MAIN ST.
ANNA, ILLINOIS 62906
PHONE: 618-833-2220
ARDC# 6244394
8221-944114

TAX DEED NO. 2024TX18
FILED June 17, 2024
TAKE NOTICE

TO: LANCE MEISENHEIMER, UNION COUNTY CLERK; JANE HARRIS; CAROLYN R. HORECKER; REBECCA E. HORECKER; DAVID J. HORECKER; OCCUPANT; CITY OF ANNA; STANLEY E. HARRIS; STANELY E. HARRIS; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF CAROLYN R. HORECKER, STANLEY E. HARRIS AND JANE HARRIS; UNKNOWN OWNERS OR PARTIES INTERESTED; AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS.

This is NOTICE of the filing of the Petition for Tax Deed on the following described property:

A parcel of land in the City of Anna, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at the Southwest corner of Jefferson an South Street, Sixty-Seven (67) feet and Four (4) inches to a stone; thence South 36 degrees East and parallel with Jefferson Street, One Hundred and Forty-Five (145) feet and Six (6) inches to a stone; thence North 54 degrees East and parallel with South Street, Sixty-Seven (67) feet and Four (4) inches to a stone on the West side of Jefferson Street; thence North 36 degrees West along the West line of Jefferson Street; One Hundred and Forty-Five (145) feet and Six (6) inches to the place of beginning, situated in the Northeast Quarter (NE1/4) of the Southeast Quarter (SE1/4) of Section 19, Township 12 South, Range One West of the Third Principal Meridian, situated in the County of Union, in the State of Illinois.

Parcel Index Number 05-19-03-431

On October 16, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. the Petitioner intends to make application for an order on the petition that a Tax Deed be issued. The real estate was sold on February 9, 2022 for general taxes of the year 2020. The period of redemption will expire October 15, 2024.

Jordan D. Gremmels,
Attorney for Petitioner
(618) 826-5021
Cert. # 2020-00030
8221-943848

TAX DEED NO. 2024TX19
FILED June 17, 2024
TAKE NOTICE

TO: LANCE MEISENHEIMER, UNION COUNTY CLERK; BEVERLY BOLANOWSKI; ROBERT D. BOLANOWSKI; OCCUPANT; STORE & LOCK; THE ANNA-JONESBORO NATIONAL BANK; BETTY CARTER; UNKNOWN OWNERS OR PARTIES INTERESTED; AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS.

This is NOTICE of the filing of the Petition for Tax Deed on the following described property:

A parcel of land located in the Southeast Quater of the Northeast Quarter of Section 19, and the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 20, all in Township 12 South, Range 1 West of the Third Principal Meridian, in the City of Anna, Union County, Illinois, described as follows:

Beginning at the point of intersection of the North right of way line of W. Davie Street and the East right of way line of S. Green Street in the City of Anna, Illinois, as per the recorded plat thereof; thence run Southeasterly along said North right of way line of W. Davie Street a distance of 420.0 feet; thence run Northeasterly at right angles to said North right of way line of W. Davie Street a distance of 75 feet, more or less, to a point on a line parallel and/or concentric with and 25.0 feet normally distant Southwesterly from the main track centerline of the Illinois Central Railroad Company, as now located and constructed; thence run Northwesterly along the last said parallel and/or concentric line a distance of 420 feet, more or less, to a point on said East right of way line of S. Green Street; thence run Southwesterly along said East right of way line of S. Green Street a distance of 75 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning. Containing 0.72 acres, more or less. Except that part of above legal description located in Section 20, Township 12 South, Range 1 West, Union County, Illinois.

Parcel Index Number 05-20-03-577-Z

On October 16, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. the Petitioner intends to make application for an order on the petition that a Tax Deed be issued. The real estate was sold on February 9, 2022 for general taxes of the year 2020. The period of redemption will expire October 15, 2024.

Jordan D. Gremmels,
Attorney for Petitioner
(618) 826-5021
Cert. # 2020-00035
8221-943849

TAX DEED NO. 2024TX20
FILED June 17, 2024
TAKE NOTICE

TO: LANCE MEISENHEIMER, UNION COUNTY CLERK; MIDLAND FUNDING LLC; LESLIE L. KINDER; OCCUPANT; DANIEL KINDER; HEATH KINDER; THE ANNA-JONESBORO NATIONAL BANK; UNKNOWN OWNERS OR PARTIES INTERESTED; AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS.

This is NOTICE of the filing of the Petition for Tax Deed on the following described property:

PART OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER AND PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 27, TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 3 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 27; THENCE SOUTH ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID SECTION 27 A DISTANCE OF 1118.79 FEET; THENCE N. 90 DEGREES 00' W. A DISTANCE OF 2455.54 FEET TO THE EASTERLY LINE OF THE PUBLIC ROAD AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE N. 35 DEGREES 49'45" W. ALONG THE SAID ROAD LINE A DISTANCE OF 208.71 FEET; THENCE N. 54 DEGREES 10'15" E. A DISTANCE OF 208.71 FEET, THENCE S. 35 DEGREES 49'45" E. A DISTANCE OF 208.71 FEET, THENCE S. 54 DEGREES 10'15" W. A DISTANCE OF 208.71 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; PER PLAT OF SURVEY FILED OCTOBER 2, 1990, IN RECORD BOOK 74 AT PAGE 357 IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE OF UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS. SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF UNION IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Parcel Index Number 11-27-07-081-A

On October 16, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. the Petitioner intends to make application for an order on the petition that a Tax Deed be issued. The real estate was sold on February 9, 2022 for general taxes of the year 2020. The period of redemption will expire October 15, 2024.

Jordan D. Gremmels,
Attorney for Petitioner
(618) 826-5021
Cert. # 2020-00096
8221-943850

TAX DEED NO. 2024TX21
FILED June 17, 2024
TAKE NOTICE

TO: LANCE MEISENHEIMER, UNION COUNTY CLERK; NORMA STRAUSS; RICHARD STRAUSS; OCCUPANT; UNKNOWN OWNERS OR PARTIES INTERESTED; AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS.

This is NOTICE of the filing of the Petition for

Tax Deed on the following described property:

THE WEST ONE-HALF OF LOT NUMBERED 112 IN GRAMMER'S ADDITION TO THE TOWN (NOW CITY) OF JONESBORO, SITUATED IN UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Parcel Index Number 14-00-07-410

On October 16, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. the Petitioner intends to make application for an order on the petition that a Tax Deed be issued. The real estate was sold on February 9, 2022 for general taxes of the year 2020. The period of redemption will expire October 15, 2024.

Jordan D. Gremmels,
Attorney for Petitioner
(618) 826-5021
Cert. # 2020-00104
8221-943851

TAX DEED NO. 2024TX22
FILED June 17, 2024
TAKE NOTICE

TO: LANCE MEISENHEIMER, UNION COUNTY CLERK; GLORIA POLLARD; RONALD DEAN DAVIS; SHELIA MAE HOYLE; OCCUPANT; SHANACEE POLLARD; UNKNOWN OWNERS OR PARTIES INTERESTED; AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS.

This is NOTICE of the filing of the Petition for Tax Deed on the following described property:

Lots 37, 38, 39 and 40, in the Original Plat of the Town of Mountain Glen. SUBJECT TO EASEMENTS, Union County, Illinois.

Parcel Index Number 14-00-11-190

On October 16, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. the Petitioner intends to make application for an order on the petition that a Tax Deed be issued. The real estate was sold on February 9, 2022 for general taxes of the year 2020. The period of redemption will expire October 15, 2024.

Jordan D. Gremmels,
Attorney for Petitioner
(618) 826-5021
Cert. # 2020-00173
8221-943852

TAX DEED NO. 2024TX23
FILED June 17, 2024
TAKE NOTICE

TO: LANCE MEISENHEIMER, UNION COUNTY CLERK; SIU CREDIT UNION; JOSHUA W. AMES A/K/A JOSH AMES; MICHAELA R. AMES A/K/A MICHAELA R. COOK; OCCUPANT; UNKNOWN OWNERS OR PARTIES INTERESTED; AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS.

This is NOTICE of the filing of the Petition for Tax Deed on the following described property:

PART OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 13 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, VILLAGE OF DONGOLA, UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 32 IN LEWIS MISENHIMER'S 1ST ADDITION; THENCE NORTH 37 DEGREES 51'33" WEST ALONG THE SOUTHWESTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF CROSS STREET A DISTANCE OF 282.41 FEET TO THE NORTH LINE OF THE SAID QUARTER-QUARTER; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 52'25" WEST ALONG THE SAID NORTH LINE A DISTANCE OF 304.09 FEET TO THE INTERSECTION WITH THE NORTHERLY EXTENSION OF THE WEST LINE OF LOT 32 IN LEWIS MISENHIMER'S 2ND ADDITION; THENCE SOUTH 0 DEGREES 00' EAST ALONG THE SAID EXTENSION AND ALONG THE SAID WEST LINE OF LOT 32 AND THE SOUTHERLY EXTENSION THEREOF A DISTANCE OF 479.57 FEET TO THE NORTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SAINT JOHN'S ROAD; THENCE SOUTH 62 DEGREE 15'37" ALONG THE SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE A DISTANCE OF 44.07 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 46 IN SAID 2ND ADDITION; THENCE N 57 DEGREES 38'27" EAST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID LOT 46 AND THE NORTH LINE OF LOTS 25 THROUGH 29 IN MISENHIMER'S 2ND ADDITION A DISTANCE OF 391.75 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 30 IN SAID 2ND ADDITION; THENCE NORTH 32 DEGREES 21'332" WEST ALONG AN EXTENSION OF THE LOT LINE BETWEEN LOTS 29 AND 30 IN SAID 2ND ADDITION A DISTANCE OF 30.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 88 DEGREES 20'47" EAST A DISTANCE OF 58.31 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 30 IN SAID 2ND ADDITION; THENCE NORTH 57 DEGREES 38'27" EAST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOTS 31 AND 32 IN SAID 2ND ADDITION A DISTANCE OF 77.25 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THE TRACT CONTAINNING 3.618 ACRES MORE OR LESS;

EXCEPTING THEREFROM:

PART OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 13 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, VILLAGE OF DONGOLA, UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 32 IN LEWIS MISENHIMER'S 2ND ADDITION; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 38'14" EAST A DISTANCE OF 369.93 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 30 IN LEWIS MISENHIMER'S 1ST ADDITION; THENCE NORTH 32 DEGREES 21'33" WEST ALONG AN EXTENSION OF THE LOT LINE BETWEEN LOTS 29 AND 30 IN SAID 1ST ADDITION A DISTANCE OF 30.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 88 DEGREES 20'47" EAST A DISTANCE OF 58.31 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 30 IN SAID 1ST ADDITION; THENCE NORTH 57 DEGREES 38'27" EAST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOTS 31 AND 32 IN SAID 1ST ADDITION A DISTANCE OF 77.25 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID LOT 32; THENCE NORTH 37 DEGREES 51'33" WEST ALONG THE SOUTHWESTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF CROSS STREET A DISTANCE OF 282.41 FEET TO THE NORTH LINE OF THE SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 52'25" WEST ALONG THE SAID NORTH LINE A DISTANCE OF 304.09 FEET TO THE INTERSECTION WITH THE NORTHERLY EXTENSION OF THE WEST LINE OF LOT 32 IN LEWIS MISENHIMER'S 2ND ADDITION; THENCE SOUTH 0 DEGREES 00'00" EAST ALONG THE SAID EXTENSION A DISTANCE OF 288.06 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THE TRACT CONTAINNING 2.633 ACRES MORE OR LESS; ALSO EXCEPTING THAT PART OF DESCRIBED LEGAL DESCRIPTION KNOWN AS LOT 31 LEWIS MISENHIMER'S 2ND ADDITION TO DONGOLA, ILLINOIS.

SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING EASEMENT:

SUBJECT TO A 10' WIDE ROADWAY AND UTILITY EASEMENT GRANTED IN A WARRANTY DEED DATED APRIL 14, 1994 AND RECORDED APRIL 14, 1994, IN RECORD BOOK 112, PAGE 86-87, AS DOC. NO. 13214, MADE BY WENDELL HASTINGS, SR., AND BARBARA HASTINGS, HUSBAND AND WIFE, TO WAYNE PETERS, THE CENTER LINE OF WHICH IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS; BEGINNING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 32 IN LEWIS MISENHIMER'S 2ND ADDITION; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 38'14" EAST A DISTANCE OF 31.5 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE SOUTH 7 DEGREES 52'20" WEST ALONG THE CENTER LINE OF THE SAID EASEMENT A DISTANCE OF 195.62 FEET TO THE NORTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF ST. JOHN'S ROAD AND THE TERMINAL POINT OF THIS EASEMENT; SITUATED IN UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Parcel Index Number 06-25-04-804

On October 16, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. the Petitioner intends to make application for an order on the petition that a Tax Deed be issued. The real estate was sold on February 9, 2022 for general taxes of the year 2020. The period of redemption will expire October 16, 2024.

Jordan D. Gremmels,
Attorney for Petitioner
(618) 826-5021
Cert. # 2020-00060
8221-943853

TAX DEED NO. 2024TX24
FILED June 17, 2024
TAKE NOTICE

TO: LANCE MEISENHEIMER, UNION COUNTY CLERK; U.S. ATTORNEY GENERAL; DAVID NEWBERRY; OCCUPANT; TATTOOING & RESALE SHOP; DARYL BRYANT; DICK HUNTER; CARLA YVETTE BURNETT; CITY OF JONESBORO; ROBERT LEE; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE; U.S. ATTORNEY GENERAL - SOUTHERN DISTRICT; UNKNOWN OWNERS OR PARTIES INTERESTED; AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS.

This is NOTICE of the filing of the Petition for Tax Deed on the following described property:

21 FEET OFF OF THE SOUTH SIDE OF LOT NO. 3 IN THE SUBDIVISION OF LOT NO. 38 IN GRAMMER'S DONATION TO THE TOWN (NOW CITY) OF JONESBORO, ILLINOIS SITUATED IN UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Parcel Index Number 14-00-07-311

On October 16, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. the Petitioner intends to make application for an order on the petition that a Tax Deed be issued. The real estate was sold on February 9, 2022 for general taxes of the year 2020. The period of redemption will expire October 15, 2024.

Jordan D. Gremmels,
Attorney for Petitioner
(618) 826-5021
Cert. # 2020-00100
8221-943854

TAX DEED NO. 2024TX25
FILED June 17, 2024
TAKE NOTICE

TO: LANCE MEISENHEIMER, UNION COUNTY CLERK; SOUTHERNMOST ILLINOIS DELTA EMPOWERMENT ZONE INC.; TERRI ADDISON; PHILIP ROYSTER; OCCUPANT; DOWNTOWN ABBEY PIZZA; UNKNOWN OWNERS OR PARTIES INTERESTED; AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS.

This is NOTICE of the filing of the Petition for Tax Deed on the following described property:

Lot Six (6) in Block "D" in the Original Plat of the Town of South Pass, (now Village of Cobden) situated in Union County, Illinois.

Parcel Index Number 03-19-01-685

On October 16, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. the Petitioner intends to make application for an order on the petition that a Tax Deed be issued. The real estate was sold on February 9, 2022 for general taxes of the year 2020. The period of redemption will expire October 15, 2024.

Jordan D. Gremmels,
Attorney for Petitioner
(618) 826-5021
Cert. # 2020-00013
8221-943857

NOTICE UNDER ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME ACT
State of Illinois
SS
County of Union

Notice is hereby given pursuant to "An Act in relation to the use of an Assumed Name in the conduct or Transaction of Business in the State," as Amended that a certification was filed by the undersigned with the County Clerk of Union County.

Filed this 21st day of June, 2024, under the Assumed Name of Tru-Cut Lawncare and Landscaping with the place of business located at 145 Chestnut St., Alto Pass, IL. 62905

and that the True Name(s) and Residence Address of the sole owners) and Proprietors) of said Business is:

Owner: Deven Sadler
Address: 645 Chestnut St.
Alto Pass, IL 62905
Lance Meisenheimer
Union County Clerk
8221-943935

REAL ESTATE

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

JP MORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, PLAINTIFF,

VS.

ALYSSA SHELTON; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; DEFENDANTS.
CASE NO.: 2023FC21

105 S JOHN ST JONESBORO, IL 62952

NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of foreclosure entered in the above-entitled case on June 11, 2024, the Sheriff of Union County will on August 14, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in the lobby in the front entrance to the Union County Courthouse-309 W Market St, Jonesboro, IL 62952 sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgage real estate:

COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 105 S JOHN ST
JONESBORO, IL 62952
PIN: 14-00-07-622

The improvement on the property consists of: Single Family Property

Sale terms: Ten percent (10%) of the amount of the successful and highest bid to be paid to the Sheriff by cashier's check or certified funds at the sale; and the full remaining balance to be paid to the Sheriff by cashier's check or certified funds within twenty-four (24) hours after sale. Sale shall be subject to general taxes, special assessments.

The property will NOT be open for inspection.

No refunds.

The judgment amount was $53,069.07

If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium

Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is

part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than

a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

This is an attempt to collect a debt pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

8221-944344

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 1ST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF UNION - JONESBORO, ILLINOIS
U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
Plaintiff,
vs.
JOHN J DEMARIE; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS;
Defendants,
24 FC 3
NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause the Sheriff of Union County will on Wednesday, August 14, 2024, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., Courthouse lobby, 309 West Market Street, Jonesboro, Illinois 62952, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:

P.I.N. 05-19-03-450-D, 05-19-03-450-D7.

Commonly known as 109 VIRGINIA DR., JONESBORO, IL 62952.

The improvement on the property consists of a single family residence. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of Section 18.5 of the Condominium Property Act.

Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance within 24 hours, by certified funds. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection.

For information call Mr. Chad Lewis at Plaintiff's Attorney, Robertson, Anschutz, Schneid, Crane & Partners, PLLC, 13010 Morris Road, Alpharetta, Georgia 30004. (708) 668-4410 ext. 52109. 24-178729 SHERIFF ADC

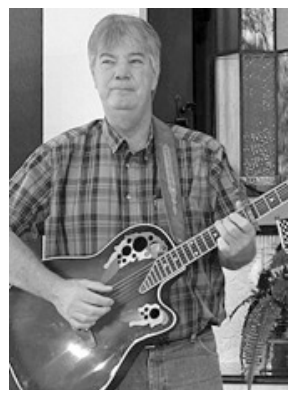
I3247450
8221-944320

News from

Anna First Baptist Church



Sharon Farris said a prayer Sunday morning at Anna First Baptist Church for those going on the mission trip to Mexico. From left are Luciano Lopez, Marie and Jim Holan, the Rev. Lupe Lopez, Sergio Rafael and Sharon Farris. Yadira Lopez, who was working with the children Sunday morning and could not be in the picture, also is going on the mission trip.



Randy Dabbs sang a special and led the singing Sunday morning at Anna First Baptist Church. Photos by Martha Ann Webb.

Anna First Baptist Church met for worship Sunday, July 7. Pastor Lupe welcomed everyone to the service.

Announcements were given. Prayer was said over the prayer list.

The call to worship was about the Lord's Supper. Scripture was from 1 Corinthians.

Jean Denny led hymns worship with "Jesus Paid It All" and "The Old Rugged Cross."

Randy Dabbs led contemporary worship with "Open the Eyes of My Heart Lord" and "Overwhelmed."

Pastor Lupe's sermon was titled "The Mercy Seat." Scripture was from 1 Kings, Exodus and 1 Chronicles.

The sermon shared that "the Ark of the Covenant holds profound religious significance in Judaism and Christianity, symbolizing God's presence and covenant with the Israelites.

"According to Biblical tradition, it contained the stone tablets of the Ten Commandments, Aaron's rod and a pot of manna.

"As a sacred object, it was central to the worship and rituals conducted in the tabernacle and later the Temple of Solomon.

"Its mysterious disappearance and legendary status have also made it a subject of fascination and speculation throughout history."

After the preaching service, the Lord's Supper was observed.

A group from Anna First Baptist Church is scheduled to leave on a Mexico mission trip next weekend. A special time of prayer was held, asking God for safety for those going on the mission trip and for the people in Mexico.

Pastor Kamal Maddala from Paducah is scheduled to preach next week in Pastor Lupe's absence.

Sunday School for all ages meets at 9 a.m. each Sunday morning.

The church's worship service starts at 10:15 a.m.

The church has a youth program which meets at 6 p.m. each Wednesday.

The church has a bus which runs for all of its programs and services. Information is available by calling the church's office during the day.

First Baptist Church is located at 409 Morgan St. in Anna. The church's phone number is 833-5416.

Obituaries

Jerry M. Toler



Jerry M. Toler, 85, of Dongola, died on July 1, 2024, at his home, surrounded by loved ones.

He was born on April 2, 1939, the son of Dock and Ethel Toler.

He married Charlotte Bryan on April 29, 1961. She preceded him in death on June 5, 2018.

He was a Dongola High School graduate with the class of 1957. After high school, he joined the U.S. Army and served from 1957 to 1960.

He retired from Caterpillar after 33 years and moved back to Dongola to be close to family and friends.

He was a reputable man in the community and of strong Baptist faith. He loved to fish and loved gardening. His greatest enjoyment in life was spending time with family and grandchildren.

Mr. Toler is survived by two sons, Mark and Todd Toler of Dongola; grandchildren Christopher (Kyle) Higdon of Carterville, Michael Toler of Alto Pass and Silas Toler of Anna and Shirley and Brenna Pribble of Anna.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife; siblings Joe Toler, Barbara Casey, Bonnie Wright, Carolyn Modglin and infant brother Jack Toler.

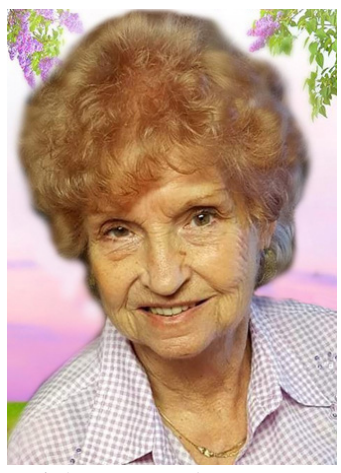
A time of remembrance by family and friends was held at 1 p.m. Monday, July 8, at Crain Funeral Home in Dongola.

Inurnment followed at the American Legion Cemetery in Dongola, with a flag presentation by the Illinois National Guard.

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

Crain Funeral Home in Dongola was in charge of arrangements.

Betty L. Wright



Betty L. Wright, 87, of Anna, died Tuesday, July 2, 2024, at her home.

She was born on April 11, 1937, in Alto Pass, the daughter of Jewel and Mildred Marie Dixon Sims.

She is survived by two brothers, Harvey and Ralph Sims; two sisters, Pat Woodin and Jenny Halleck, a nephew she raised, Donnie Coryell; other nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; three sisters, Judy Sims, Audrey Delores Dover and Eula Viola Poole; three brothers, Carl, Karell "Gene" and Thomas Sims; and a nephew she raised, Tommy Coryell.

She was a member of Big Creek Baptist Church. She enjoyed a good cup of hot tea, cheese, painting, drawing and sewing. She was an amazing artist. She worked for many years as a beautician.

Funeral services for Betty Wright were at 1 p.m. Tuesday, July 9, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Jonesboro, with Allen Plott officiating. Interment followed in the Alto Pass Cemetery.

Memorials can be made to Big Creek Baptist Church.

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

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

Luca Titan Muskopf



Luca Titan Muskopf, age 4 days, of Ullin, passed away on Sunday, July 7, 2024, at Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital in St. Louis, Missouri.

Luca was born on July 3, 2024, to Brian Muskopf and Cassidy Salyers in Carbondale, Illinois.

He is survived by his parents; big brother, Eric Muskopf; grandparents, Cecil and Candy Salyers, Sheila Salyers, Regina and Paul Pritchett and James and Esther Muskopf; great-grandparents, Glenda Zacharias (Jim Lyerla) and Sue Ashlock; aunts and uncles including, Robin and Chris Sanders, Haley Salyers, Paisley Salyers, Travis Farris, Ethan Myers and Carsten Christy; cousins, Jamisan and Payton, Emmalynn Perez and Junior Perez; and great-aunts and great-uncles.

He was preceded in death by his great-grandparents, Howard and Jean Theis, Marlene and Alvin Muskopf, Emma "Nanny" George and Cecil Salyers.

The family will host a memorial gathering at 3 p.m. Saturday, July 27, at the Theis Farm, 184 Theis Rd., Dongola, Ill.

The cremation of Luca Titan Muskopf has been personally handled by the staff of Crain Funeral Home.

Crain Funeral Home in Dongola is in charge of arrangements.

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

View Obituaries Online at annanews.com

Robert Lee 'Bobby' Newton



Robert Lee "Bobby" Newton, 57, of rural Ozark, died at 4:45 p.m. Wednesday, July 3, 2024, at Deaconess Gateway Hospital in Newburgh, Ind.

He was born on March 10, 1967, in Metropolis, the son of William F. and Wilma J. Hines Newton.

He is survived by his mother; two children, Tara Newton of Anna and William Newport III of Peoria; his fiancé, April Calvert of Ozark; bonus children Jericka Calvert of Johnston City and Zacharia Calvert of Carterville; grandchildren Matty, Juniper, James, Jade, Randi, Milly, Jazmin and Mazelynn; his brothers, William E. (Tammy) Newton of Ozark and Steven A. (Jessica) Newton of Harrisburg; many nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his father; a bonus daughter, Emilia Grace Calvert; and his sister, Priscilla June Hill.

He attended Vienna High School. He was a lifelong semi-truck driver and shade tree mechanic. For the past nine years, he was employed as a mechanic by Hill's Trash Service and was Tony's "right-hand-man."

He is remembered for his love of "tinkering." He was always busy working.

He was of the Christian faith.

Funeral services were at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 9, at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. Mr. Newton's brother, William Newton, officiated.

Burial was in Zion Cemetery, east of Ozark.

Memorials can be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, Tenn. 38105-1905, or to the family and may be left in the care of Bailey Funeral Home, P.O. Box 695, Vienna, Ill. 62995.

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

Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna was in charge of arrangements.

Patricia Lou Shelton Chandler

Patricia Lou Shelton Chandler, 89, of Kenton, Tenn., and formerly of Anna, died Friday, July 5, at Dyer Nursing Home in Dyer, Tenn.

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

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

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

Linda Craig-Simpson

Linda Craig-Simpson, 75, of Anna, died Saturday, July 6, at Regency Care in Springfield.

A memorial service for Linda Craig-Simpson will be held at 4 p.m. Friday, July 19, at Anna Heights Baptist Church in Anna.

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

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

Fire Prevention Week highlights importance of having smoke alarms

The National Fire Protection Association, NFPA, has announced this year's theme for Fire Prevention Week, which is Oct. 6-12.

"Smoke alarms: Make them work for you!" is the theme for the week.

The goal of this year's campaign is to educate everyone about the importance of having working smoke alarms in the home.

"It's simple, working smoke alarms save lives! Due to synthetic materials used in modern construction, homes burn hotter and faster, while also emitting toxic smoke limiting the time you have to escape to less than two to three minutes. The early warning from smoke alarms could save your life," Illinois State Fire Marshal James A. Rivera said in a news release.

"I encourage all departments across the state to make plans to host outreach events that help to promote fire safety in their communities during this week. Fire Prevention Week might still be a couple months away, but you should always test your smoke/CO alarms monthly and replace any broken or expired alarms in your home."

During 2023 in Illinois, fire departments which participated in the "Be Alarmed!" smoke alarm installation programs found 68 percent of pre-existing smoke alarms in homes that received new 10-year sealed battery smoke alarms were non-functional or expired.

Currently, there are 280 active Illinois fire departments from 61 different counties participating in this program. To learn more about the "Be Alarmed!" program visit www.ifsa.org/alarms.

According to the NFPA, smoke alarms reduce the risk of dying in a home fire by more than half (54 percent). Meanwhile, roughly three out of five fire deaths happen in homes with either no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms.

In 1925, President Calvin Coolidge proclaimed Fire Prevention Week as a national observance, making it the longest-running public health observance in the United States.

During Fire Prevention Week, children, adults and teachers learn how to stay safe in case of a fire.

Firefighters and other public safety educators provide lifesaving public education in an effort to drastically decrease casualties caused by fires.

Fire Prevention Week is observed each year during the week of October 9 in commemoration of the Great Chicago Fire, which began on Oct. 8, 1871, and caused devastating damage. The fire killed more than 250 people, left 100,000 homeless, destroyed more than 17,400 structures and burned more than 2,000 acres of land.

More about the upcoming Fire Prevention Week and other resources can be found online at www.fpw.org.

Follow us on Facebook at Facebook.com/GazetteDemocrat

News from

Anna Nazarene Church

A morning worship service was held Sunday, July 7. Announcements were given by Jessica Elkins.

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

A message titled "Discipline" was brought by the pastor. Scripture was from Proverbs, 1 Timothy, Romans, 1 John, Matthew, Luke, Ephesians and Philippians.

The message can be listened to on the church's website at annanaz.com and on the Anna First Church of the Nazarene Facebook page.

Pastor Wright brought a message titled "Unity" at Sunday evening's worship service. Scripture was from Ephesians, 1 John, Matthew, 1 Corinthians, John and Romans.

Birthdays: Chris Benefield, July 8; Shannon Thompson, July 10; Mike Smith, July 11.

Sunday, July 14

Breakfast, 9 a.m. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. Morning service, 10:35 a.m. A potluck meal is planned following the morning service; annual reports will be given by the NMI, NDI and NYI directors, secretary of the board, Pastor Wright and the church treasurer.Evening service, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, July 17

A Wednesday night service is planned at 6:30 p.m. July 17 in the sanctuary. A youth group meeting is planned at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

Thursday, July 18

NDI board meeting, 6 p.m. Church board meeting, 7 p.m.

The church can be contacted by calling the church office at 833-6702 and leaving a message if necessary or by calling Pastor Wright at 618-534-7103.

County Line News

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

DAR Meeting

Daniel Chapman NSDAR, had its annual planning meeting Tuesday, July 2, at the Vienna Carnegie Library.

Plans were started on the next year's yearbook. Corrections were noted and programs, hostesses and activities were suggested.

The chapter plans to meet Sept. 9. Notices will be sent once all decisions are made.

Due to the holidays and summer vacations, our numbers were low, but those in attendance were Doda Starkey, regent; Julia Mowery, vice regent; Rita Hull, recording secretary; Marilyn Meisenheimer, registrar; Suzan Harvel, membership chair; and Carol Racey, member.

River Levels Rising

Another week of rainy/stormy days has the river levels rising. There was talk of closing one of the flood gates in Cape Girardeau because of the Mississippi River levels.

The forecast is calling for nearly another whole week of rain coming up. Guess they might have to close them all if that occurs.

Storms

Storms caused more damage in the area too. I've seen where numerous trees, granted some of them were dead anyway, have fallen over and in some cases, literally exploded apart on impact.

On the beauty end of things, we were treated to a double rainbow upon leaving church this past Wednesday night. It made up for getting drenched going in.

Independence Day

The rains held off for Independence Day celebrations. We heard fireworks going off, but opted to stay in for the night.

My mother-in-law decided to treat everyone to BBQ, so my husband went to Tamms and picked it up. Yummy.

Chuck and Martha Harvel brought up two of the grandchildren, Zipporah and Havilah, to check it out.

My daughter and her family in Cape Girardeau also decided to stay at home.

While two of the grandkids opted for bed, my eldest grandson stayed up to run wild in their front yard, watching various neighbors set off fireworks. He was super excited.

Meeting Friends

We chanced to run into old friends from Poplar Bluff, Mo., while at my husband's doctor's appointment Friday in Cape Girardeau. It was good to see Tom and Christina Fiske again.

It had been a great many years, though we do still send Christmas cards and keep up on social media. We had a nice little chat and caught up on each other's family news. Chris and I both also hope our husbands' tests turn out well.

Prayer List

Our prayer list now includes Melvin Lazaar for upcoming surgery, Mike Terbrak for health issues, Lula Belle Tripp for dental surgery, Albert Reynolds for a fall and hospitalization, Gary Rider for pain management and upcoming surgery and Desmond Bates for a bad fall and ER visit.

Praise reports for Emma Tweedy in the birth of a little girl, Bon Kohler is home again and Jeff Starr should be able to come home soon, as well.

Brother Bobby Richardson also asks for prayers for the new Wednesday night Bible study on the books of 1st, 2nd and 3rd John. Please join us at 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday.

Union County Fixin's

By Suzan Harvel

Bully Pudding
By Nellie Cruse
(In Memoriam)

1/2 cup butter, softened
1 cup sugar
2 eggs
1 tablespoon flour
1/2 teaspoon baking powder
1 cup milk
1 cup chopped nuts
1 cup chopped dates

Cream butter and sugar. Add rest of ingredients and mix well. Pour into lightly sprayed 8 by 8 baking dish. Bake at 325 degrees for about 40 minutes.

In Loving Memory Of
BRAD LEE RENDLEMAN
May 29, 1953 - July 16, 2023
"Simply The Best"
Love You Forever
Susan
Family & Friends
Faith

Astrophotography images focus of presentation at SIU

Southern Illinois University Carbondale alumnus Kevin Morefield, who has garnered national for his astrophotography images, plans to share his work during a public presentation planned at his alma mater on July 15.

The public is welcome to attend "The Blurring of Art and Science" from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Dunn-Richmond Economic Development Center's Art Atrium at 1740 Innovation Dr. in Carbondale. There is no cost.

For planning purposes, organizers would appreciate people who plan to attend the event to RSVP to innovation@siu.edu. The evening is sponsored by SIU's Office of Innovation and Economic Development.

The evening will begin with a reception for Morefield, a native of Murphysboro who earned a bachelor's degree in photography at SIU and went on to a successful career in business and marketing.

The owner and operator of Morefield Consulting in Portland, Ore., has traveled the world, from Norway to Chile to Australia and beyond, chasing total solar eclipses and capturing images in the sky with telescopes and cameras.

He has a large telescope that is permanently affixed in the Sierra Mountains, enabling him to grab some of the special shots and others from locales far and wide.

Following the reception, Morefield, who has established the Morefield Opportunities Scholarship at SIU to "pay forward" opportunities he was given, will discuss how he became interested in astronomy and how he sets up his equipment and captures the imagery of stars, planets and other space phenomena. He will also discuss the processing of images and share some of his favorites.

'Hello, Dolly!' musical playing at SIU

The matchmaking and romantic exploits of Dolly Gallagher Levi come to the Southern Illinois University Carbondale McLeod Theater as "Hello, Dolly!" closes out the 2024 McLeod Summer Playhouse, MSP, season.

The Tony Award-winning musical, which follows Levi's pursuit of unmarried half-a-millionaire Horace Vandergelder, was part of MSP's first season.

This year's performances are set for 7:30 p.m. July 12-13 and July 19-20 and 2 p.m. July 14 and July 21.

Tickets are available for single performances and can be purchased by phone (618-453-6000), in person at McLeod Theater or at the Banterra Center box offices or online at siutickets.evenue.net.

McLeod Theater box office hours are scheduled from 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and one hour before each performance. Banterra Center ticket office hours are scheduled from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Television Listings

THURSDAY JULY 11, 2024

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	PARSHO
6 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local	Local Programs	SportsCenter (Live)	Bang (HD)	**"Mission: Impossible"** ('96) (HD)	Big City	To Be Announced	★★½ **"Jack Ryan"** ('14)	**"Cloverfield"** ('08)
:30			Local			Bang (HD)		Big City			
7 PM	The 2024 ESPYs (Live)	Young	Don't Forget the Lyrics! *"You Can't Judge"*	Law & Order *"Facade"*	ESPN Films (HD)	Bang (HD)		Miraculous	**"Boycott"** ('01, Drama) Jeffrey Wright. (HD)	★★★½ **"Aliens"** ('86) Sigourney Weaver. (R) (HD)	**(:10) "10 Cloverfield Lane"** ('16, Thriller) (HD)
:30		Ghosts				Bang (HD)	**"Mission: Impossible II"** ('00, Action) Tom Cruise. (HD)	Miraculous			
8 PM		**(:01)** Elsbeth (HD)		Law & Order: SVU	World of X Games	Bang (HD)		Miraculous			
:30						Bang (HD)		Moon Girl			
9 PM		Fire Country (HD)	Local Programs *Local info.*	Organized Crime (HD)	World of X Games	Jokers		Hailey's	**"The Sixth Sense"** Bruce Willis.	★★½ **"The Amityville Horror"** ('05)	★★★ **"Pearl"** ('22) Mia Goth. (R) (HD)
:30						Jokers		Hailey's			
10 PM	Local	Local		Local	SportsCenter (Live)	**"Ace Ventura: Pet Detective"** Jim Carrey.	**"Mission: Impossible III"** ('06) Tom Cruise.	Jessie			
:30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	**(:35)** Late Show (HD)		**(:35)** Tonight (HD)				Jessie	**"Girl with Dragon Tattoo"** ('11)	**"The A-Team"** ('10) Liam Neeson.	**"Bodies Bodies Bodies"** ('22) (R)
11 PM			Local Programs		SportsCenter (Live)			Miraculous			
:30	Nightline	Midnight		Late Night				Miraculous			

THURSDAY

7:00pm

HBO Boycott ★★★ (2001, Drama) Jeffrey Wright, Terrence Howard. In 1955 Alabama, a black woman, Rosa Parks, refuses to give up her seat on the bus; her arrest leads to the Montgomery Bus Boycott. PG (HD)

7:31pm

CBS Ghosts "The Perfect Assistant" Sam and Jay's excitement over finding a highly qualified assistant for the B&B is dampened when they discover their new employee comes with surprising baggage. TVPG (HD)

FRIDAY JULY 12, 2024

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	PARSHO
6 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs	**(5:00)** Local Programs	Local Programs	Sports	Bang (HD)	**"Mission: Impossible III"** ('06)	Big City	House of the Dragon	**(4:38)** ★★★ **"Clear"** ('94)	**"Apache Junction"**
:30					NBA Summer League Basketball (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD)		Big City			
7 PM	Jeopardy! Masters	Lingo (HD)	WWE Friday Night SmackDown (Live) (HD)	Night (HD)		**"I, Robot"** ('04, Science Fiction) Will Smith.		**"Movie"**	★★½ **"Mortal Kombat"** ('21) Jessica McNamee.	★★★ **"Hereditary"** ('18, Horror) Toni Collette.	**"Outlaw Posse"** ('24) Mario Van Peebles. (R)
:30				Night (HD)			★★★ **"Mission: Impossible Ghost Protocol"** ('11) Tom Cruise. (HD)				
8 PM	**(:01)** 20/20 *Investigative news.* (HD)	S.W.A.T. (HD)		Dateline NBC *Investigative news.*	NBA Summer League Basketball (Live) (HD)			Big City	Real Time with (HD)	**"Other Side of the Door"** ('16)	★★★½ **"The Hateful Eight"** ('15) Samuel L. Jackson. (HD)
:30		Blue Bloods (HD)	Local Programs *Local info.*			**(:20)** ★★★ **"Enemy of the State"** ('98, Thriller) Gene Hackman. (R)		Big City			
9 PM								Big City	Fantasmas		
:30								Big City	**(:35)** Real Time with	**(:44)** ★★ **"Slice"** ('18) Zazie Beetz.	
10 PM	Local	Local		Local	Sports		**"Mission: Impossible Ghost"**	Miraculous			
:30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	**(:35)** Late Show (HD)		**(:35)** Tonight (HD)				Miraculous	Fantasmas		**"Southpaw"**
11 PM			Local Programs		SportsCenter (Live)						
:30	Nightline	Midnight		Late Night							

FRIDAY

7:00pm

NBC Night Court "Chips Ahoy" Dan manages to get into an underground Navy poker game during Fleet Week; Abby rules against the PTA president of Wyatt's kids' school. TVPG (HD)

8:00pm

CBS S.W.A.T. A Los Angeles-born S.W.A.T. sergeant struggles to maintain a delicate balance between his loyalty to the city he was raised in and those he works with. TV14 (HD)

SATURDAY JULY 13, 2024

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	PARSHO
6 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs	MLB Baseball *"Regional Coverage-Teams TBA"* (Live) (HD)	Local Programs	UFC Fight Night Prelims *from Ball Arena, Denver, CO, USA* (Live)	**"Doctor Strange"**	Chicago Fire (HD)	Villains	**"Wonder Woman"**	**"Killing Softly"** ('12)	**"Zero Dark Thirty"** ('13) Jessica Chastain. (R)
:30								Kiff			
7 PM	Press Your Luck (HD)	Tracker *"Beyond the"*		IndyCar Series *"Iowa 1"* (Live) (HD)		**"Kingsman: The Golden Circle"** ('17, Action) Taron Egerton. (R) (HD)	Chicago Fire (HD)	**"Movie"**	To Be Announced	**"Now You See Me"** ('13) Jesse Eisenberg.	
8 PM	Press Your Luck (HD)	48 Hours (HD)					Chicago Fire (HD)	**(:40)** Kiff	House of the Dragon		**"Memory"** ('24) Jessica Chastain.
9 PM	Press Your Luck (HD)	48 Hours (HD)	Local Programs	Weakest Link (HD)	Barber vs. Namajunas *from Ball Arena, Denver, CO, USA* (Live)		Chicago Fire (HD)	Big City		**"Now You See Me 2"** ('16) Jesse Eisenberg.	
10 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs *Local info.*	I Can See Your Voice	Local		★★½ **"I Am Number Four"** ('11) Alex Pettyfer.	Chicago Fire (HD)	Big City	**(:33)** To Be Announced		**(:45) "Martha Marcy May Marlene"** ('11) (HD)
:30				Saturday Night Live (HD)				Hamster			
11 PM	Local Programs		Local Programs				Chicago Fire (HD)	Hailey's			
:30								Bluey	Fantasmas	**"The Foot Fist Way"**	
								Bluey	**(:41)** TBA		**"Angels"**

SATURDAY

8:00pm

PARSHO Memory ★★★ (2024, Drama) Jessica Chastain, Peter Sarsgaard. A woman attends a high school reunion only to be followed home by another attendee, after which she slowly discovers his struggles with early onset dementia. R (HD)

9:00pm

ABC Press Your Luck "The Challenger!" Contestants from Texas, Georgia and California join host Elizabeth Banks as they attempt to avoid the Whammy while accumulating prizes. (HD)

SUNDAY JULY 14, 2024

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	PARSHO
6 PM	Videos *Reel comedy.*	60 Minutes (HD)	Copa (HD)	American Ninja Warrior *"Qualifiers 3 & 4"* (HD)	MLB Baseball (Live) (HD)	**"The Longest Yard"**	Law & Order: SVU	Kiff *x*	**"Return of the King"**	**"The A-Team"** ('10)	**"Anchorman"** ('04)
:30			**(:45)** Copa America 2024 *"Final"* (Live) (HD)					Kiff *x*			
7 PM	Videos *Reel comedy.*	Tulsa King				Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Big City	House of the Dragon	★★½ **"The Manchurian Candidate"** ('04) (HD)	Mayor of Kingstown
:30						Bang (HD)		Phineas			
8 PM	★★★ **"The Sandlot"** ('93, Family) Art LaFleur.	Tracker (HD)		America's Got Talent *"Auditions 6"* (HD)		Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	The Ghost	House of the Dragon		Special
:30						Bang (HD)		Hamster			Special Ops: Lioness
9 PM		The Equalizer	Local Programs		SportsCenter (Live)	Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Hamster	House of the Dragon	**"Jack Ryan: Shadow Recruit"** Chris Pine.	
:30						Bang (HD)		Hamster			**"The Wolf of Wall Street"** ('13) Leonardo DiCaprio. (HD)
10 PM	Local Programs *Local info.*	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local Programs *Local info.*	SportsCenter (Live)	Jokers	Law & Order: SVU	Big City	House of the Dragon		
:30						Jokers		Big City			
11 PM		Local Programs	Local Programs		SportsCenter (Live)	**"The Longest Yard"**	Law & Order: SVU	Miraculous	House of the Dragon	**"Killing Me Softly"**	
:30								Miraculous			

SUNDAY

7:00pm

CBS Tulsa King "Go West, Old Man" Upon discovering his family has nothing left for him in New York, Dwight Manfredi is sent to Tulsa, OK, where he quickly adjusts to unfamiliar surroundings.

8:00pm

ABC The Sandlot ★★★ (1993, Family) Art LaFleur, Tom Guiry. A shy klutz moves to a new neighborhood and is befriended by a ragtag baseball team that plays on a local sandlot adjacent to an infamous beast. PG

MONDAY JULY 15, 2024

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	PARSHO
6 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local	Local Programs	Baseball Tonight (HD)	Bang (HD)	9-1-1 (HD)	Big City	**(5:05)** **"Godzilla"** ('24)	★★½ **"Other Side"** ('16)	**"Balboa"**
:30			Local			Bang (HD)		Big City			★★½ **"Heist"** Jeffrey Dean Morgan.
7 PM	The Bachelorette (HD)	Neighbor.	Name Tune (HD)	Ninja Warrior (HD)	Home Run Derby (Live)	Bang (HD)	WWE Monday Night Raw (Live) (HD)	Miraculous	House of the Dragon	**"Vacation"** ('15) Ed Helms. (HD)	
:30		Neighbor.				Bang (HD)		Miraculous			
8 PM		NCIS (HD)	The 1% Club (HD)	Password (HD)		Bang (HD)		Miraculous	**"Faye"** Liam Dunaway O'Neill.	**"Baby Mama"** ('08) Amy Poehler.	Mayor
:30						Bang (HD)		Moon Girl			**(:45)** ★★★½ **"Heat"** ('95, Crime) Al Pacino. (R) (HD)
9 PM	The Republican (HD)	Republican (HD)	Local Programs *Local info.*	The Wall *"Kavi and"*	SportsCenter (Live)	Dad (HD)		Hailey's	★★★ **"The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo"** ('11) Daniel Craig.	**(:19)** ★★ **"I, Frankenstein"** ('14) Aaron Eckhart.	
:30						Dad (HD)		Hailey's			
10 PM	Local	Local		Local	SportsCenter (Live)	Dad (HD)	Race to Survive (HD)	BUNK'D			
:30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	**(:35)** Late Show (HD)		**(:35)** Tonight (HD)		Dad (HD)		BUNK'D			
11 PM			Local Programs		SportsCenter (HD)	Dad (HD)	Race to Survive (HD)	Miraculous			
:30	Nightline	Midnight		Late Night		Dad (HD)		Miraculous			**"History X"**

MONDAY

7:00pm

CBS The Neighborhood "Welcome to the Walkout" Gemma hosts a fundraiser for a new school pool; Trina and the other teachers protest; Dave finally gets Calvin to commit to physical therapy for his knee. TVPG (HD)

8:00pm

FOX The 1% Club Host Patton Oswalt invites 100 contestants to compete in a series of logic-based questions, with questions ranked by a survey of Americans' responses. (HD)

TUESDAY JULY 16, 2024

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	PARSHO
6 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs	Pre-game (Live) (HD)	Local Programs	Baseball Tonight (HD)	Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Big City	**"The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King"** Ian McKellen.	**(4:42)** **"Aliens"** ('86)	**(5:15)** **"Memory"** ('24)
:30						Bang (HD)		Big City			
7 PM	Family Feud (HD)	FBI: International	2024 MLB All-Star Game *from Globe Life Field in Arlington, TX* (Live)	America's Got Talent *"Auditions 7"* (HD)	In the Arena *"Ep. 1"*	Bang (HD)	WWE NXT (Live) (HD)	Miraculous		**"Slice"** ('18, Crime) Zazie Beetz.	Fellow Travelers (HD)
:30						Bang (HD)		Miraculous			
8 PM	Judge Steve Harvey	FBI: Most Wanted			In the Arena *"Ep. 1"*	Bang (HD)		Miraculous		**(:24)** ★★★ **"Now You See Me"** ('13)	★★★½ **"Boogie Nights"** ('97, Drama) Mark Wahlberg. (HD)
:30						Bang (HD)		Moon Girl			
9 PM	The Republican (HD)	Republican (HD)		Password (HD)	The Ultimate Fighter	Bang (HD)	**(:08)** **"Deepwater Horizon"** ('16, Thriller) Dylan O'Brien.	Hailey's	NY Giants		
:30						Bang (HD)		Hailey's	House of the Dragon		
10 PM	Local	Local	Local Programs	Local	SportsCenter (Live)	Family		Raven Home		**"Now You See Me 2"** ('16) Jesse Eisenberg.	**"The Mechanic"** Jason Statham.
:30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	**(:35)** Late Show (HD)		**(:35)** Tonight (HD)		Family		Raven Home	**(:45)** New York Giants		
11 PM			Local Programs		SportsCenter (Live)	Family		Miraculous			
:30	Nightline	Midnight		Late Night		Family	911 Crisis	Miraculous	Fantasmas		

TUESDAY

7:00pm

ABC Celebrity Family Feud "Meghan Trainor vs Tori Kelly and Golden Bachelor vs Bachelor Nation" Musicians Meghan Trainor and Tori Kelly compete; favorites from "The Bachelor" franchise battle it out to see who will win big for charity. TVPG (HD)

8:00pm

PARSHO Boogie Nights ★★★½ (1997, Drama) Mark Wahlberg, Julianne Moore. A director of pornographic movies transforms a busboy into an adult film star, but the young man falls into a world of drugs and promiscuity. R (HD)

WEDNESDAY JULY 17, 2024

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	PARSHO
6 PM	Local Programs	Local Programs	**(5:00)** Local Programs	Local Programs	Countdown	Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Big City	**(5:41)** **"A Star Is Born"** ('18) Bradley Cooper.	★½ **"xXx: Union"** ('05)	**"Terminator 2"** ('91)
:30					WNBA Basketball *Indiana Fever at Dallas Wings from College Park Center* (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD)		Big City			
7 PM	Who Wants to Be a	The Price Is Right at	MasterChef (HD)	Chicago Med (HD)		All Elite Wrestling: Dynamite	Law & Order: SVU	**"Descendants 2: Emojified"** ('17) (NR) (HD)		**"I, Frankenstein"** Aaron Eckhart.	**"Die Hard with a Vengeance"** Bruce Willis.
:30							Law & Order: SVU		**"Wild, Wild Space"** ('24)		
8 PM	Claim To Fame (HD)	Big Brother (HD)	Ramsay's Food Stars	NBC News Special: 2024						**"Life After Beth"** Aubrey Plaza.	
:30											
9 PM	The Republican (HD)	Republican (HD)	Local Programs *Local info.*			Family	Law & Order: SVU	Hailey's			**(:10)** **"Live Free or Die Hard"** ('07, Thriller) Bruce Willis.
:30						Family		Hailey's	NY Giants		
10 PM	Local	Local		Local		Family	Law & Order: SVU	Jessie	House of the Dragon	**"Vampire's Assistant"** ('09) John C. Reilly.	
:30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	**(:35)** Late Show (HD)		**(:35)** Tonight (HD)	NBA Summer League	Family		Jessie			
11 PM			Local Programs			Family	Law & Order: SVU	Miraculous	**"Wild, Wild Space"**		
:30	Nightline	Midnight		Late Night	Sports	Family		Miraculous			**"A Good Day"**

WEDNESDAY

7:00pm

NBC Chicago Med "Get By With a Little Help From My Friends" Crockett's liver transplant is jeopardized by an infection; Maggie and Charles help a burn unit nurse; Goodwin must make a choice about Bert's future. TV14 (HD)

8:00pm

ABC Claim To Fame "Double The Trouble" The participants split into two teams to fish for clues from a canoe, and the competition grows more intense; two individuals go home in a double elimination. (HD)

Opinion and Commentary

Letter to the editor

Celebrate democracy...

To The Gazette-Democrat, Union County Board of Commissioners, Union County Highway Department:

Happy 4th of July. We are having such July weather to celebrate our democracy. The heat and haze and heaviness that makes breathing like swimming underwater. Then those thunderstorms, more powerful than any explosive man has made, that cleanse the air and clear the sky. And then those rainbows that follow. My neighbor up the hill reports a lovely rainbow filling the eastern sky, just yesterday.

We are living in such interesting times. The heavy tromp of politics, filling the airwaves with haze. The reportage of disasters and wars and rumors of wars, that make having hope like breathing Southern Illinois air before a storm.

Yet here we all are, on a beautiful July day, surrounded by friends and family and neighbors surrounded by all of this most lovely and good (and very green) creation, blessed with another day in our beloved Southern Illinois.

Flowers are a way of saying thank you. Yesterday, I was working with the fine folk of the Anna-Jo Garden Club, weeding and watering and visiting at Kiki's afterwards.

(Gardener's secret...if your garden needs watering...water. Sometimes that will bring rain. The rain from above carries nutrients that causes plants to thrive. Something about the lightning causing ions to fixate in the raindrops. Such a lovely, mystery filled and wonder filled creation.)

Weeding, watering, tending those Annabelles – that is another way of saying thank you Thank you to those who planted those gardens. To those who have tended the community in the past, lived here before us and love us for being their descendants and among those who follow the same paths.

We are grateful for this community, and all the communities of Southern Illinois. Grateful for all those fine folk who farm and tend, labor and lift, beautify yards and look after livestock, feed each other and feed far beyond Union County, with good peaches and apples, and a good vision of how to live.

Change happens – everything changes. I hope – even when the air is heavy and hard to breathe – that the values that uphold all the goodness here in Union County, uphold our country. I hope that goodness will indeed overcome all that would keep us from waiting patiently through the heat and haze

And I hope to be rejoicing when the clear air and sunshine reveal again, not only those truths that we hold to be self evident, but also those higher truths. Higher truths keeping us bound together in love and service. Holding us to a course of honor and respect, for one another, and for all others.

We live here, and this is our home. We have friends here from long ago, and are meeting and getting to know new folks as well. We hope for the best, for all of us. We hope that we will not lose the beauty and values in the changes that will inevitably proceed. We hope. For our democracy, for our leaders, for ourselves, for our family and families of friends and friends of family.

We are all part of this place, this time and have an opportunity to share and rejoice in the goodness of life, every day.

I hope we all do.

Thank you, Julie O Murphy, Cobden

P.S. To the Union County Highway Department:

I am a property owner in Union County. I do appreciate the fine work of the Union County Highway Department. I understand that the mowing and pesticide use is believed to be serving and protecting the people of Union County.

We do need visibility and to see and follow road signs.We know that tourism is important. We know a "good look" is important. We know that firebreaks and preparation for disaster are important.

I would ask, however, that the Union County Highway Department, and the supervising Board of Commissioners, also consider other important factors.

Please respect other opinions, other values. Habitat for wildlife. A core Garden Club value. The birds, the creatures, the flowers, the pollinators...

...please let roadside wildflowers grow,

...please don't gravel or poison the ditches and drainages,

...please consider programs which might facilitate wildlife crossings,

...please consider increased signage for speed, wildlife crossings and bicycles

Please enjoy the days, the flowers, the sunshine and the rain

P.P.S.

I do want to thank all the hard workers at the Southern Illinois Electric Co-op.

Last summer they relocated the line away from the head of the pond, which is habitat for many birds. The trench holds well and is now planted in native plants. We shall see what may appear, henceforth. Most kind and most respectful, all throughout. I am most grateful. Union County Rocks Gently

Student trustee elected at SIU

Hannah Connolly, a Southern Illinois University Carbondale student from Carbondale, has been elected by her peers to serve on the SIU System's Board of Trustees. Her one-year term started July 1.

Connolly, who was homeschooled before arriving at SIU in 2022, is a recipient of the university's most prestigious first-year award, the Chancellor's Scholarship, which covers tuition, mandatory fees, housing and dining for four years.

At SIU, she is a member of the women's swim team and several registered student organizations, including the Pre-Law Association and the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute Ambassadors. She has also served on Undergraduate Student Government.

Connolly and SIU Edwardsville graduate student Kaia Ford join the seven-member board that is responsible for operating, managing, controlling and maintaining the SIU System.

"I want to continue to advocate for students, making sure their needs and concerns are being heard, as well as ensuring they're being updated on how I've voted so I can be held accountable," Connolly said.

After her graduation in May 2026, Connolly plans to attend law school.

Please read this...

By Geof Skinner





While wandering around on a daily walkabout last Sunday afternoon, the photographer was lucky enough to spot a bunch of dragonflies. "Bunch," by the way, is a scientific term for "a whole bunch." These were just a couple of them...

Special creatures spotted on a Sunday afternoon...

Last Sunday afternoon, the sun was shining and, as far as could be determined, the heat index was not 109 degrees. That was quite an improvement over what we experienced in our little corner of the world on Independence Day.

Since it did not seem likely that a person would melt, or at the least wither on the vine like a water-starved tomato plant in the Southern Illinois heat and humidity, yours truly decided it would be a good time for a daily walkabout.

Turned out that July's bright shining Sunday afternoon sunshine was still a bit on the warm side. Maybe that was why I was lucky enough to see so many dragonflies out and about.

I are dragonflies are fascinating little creatures. There seem to be so many different kinds of them. And their ability to dart here and there is pretty amazing. They are finely crafted engineering masterpieces of flying natural gems.

As I was heading back in the general direction of home, I made brief stop at the park in the downtown area of our hometown. There's a basketball court at the park. Somebody had left a basketball at the park.

I guess just because it was there, I picked up the basketball and took a few shots. I was quickly reminded how bad I was at basketball. We'll just say that I finally made a basket after a "few" shots. Then it was time to head back home and get Sunday dinner started.

Twenty-four hours or so later, I was able to get in Monday's walk...after a bit of a delay. How things had changed in the great outdoors in a very short time.

That was all thanks to what formerly was known as Hurricane Beryl, which brought us a "a whole bunch" of rain. Given the amount of rain we've had lately, it's hard to believe we were experiencing a drought not all that long ago.

Blistering heat and humidity. The Mississippi River is flooding. Again. The remnants of what used to be a hurricane. At least it didn't snow...

By the way, I have no idea what dragonflies might do during a hurricane. I'm thinking the smart thing for them to do would be go somewhere and find a nice, bare tree branch on a sunny summer afternoon...

We'll wrap up with a update about a critter that was mentioned last week...

The white-tailed deer fawn which paid a visit to The Other Half's garden last week "disappeared" for a while. We saw the fawn again Sunday. It was still cute...

Deadline approaching to obtain REAL ID

With a federal deadline approaching in just over a year, Illinois Secretary of State Alexi Giannoulias is encouraging Illinoisans to "Get Real" and obtain a REAL ID.

Giannoulias announced the launch of the office's "Get Real Illinois" campaign, which is designed to raise awareness throughout the year.

After the May 7, 2025, deadline, domestic travelers 18 and older on commercial flights must have a REAL ID-compliant driver's license or state ID card.

Travelers will still be able to board domestic flights with a U.S. passport, which is already REAL ID-compliant.

A REAL ID will also be required to enter some federal facilities, such as courthouses and military bases.

The deadline for obtaining the REAL ID has been pushed back multiple times, most recently in 2022 when the U.S. Department of Homeland Security cited the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the state's ability to issue licenses.

"I strongly encourage residents who intend to fly to get their REAL ID as soon as possible to avoid future headaches," Giannoulias said in a news release.

"Our DMV facilities stand ready to help customers get their new driver's licenses and identification cards before the federal deadline."

Passengers can visit tsa.gov for a full list of acceptable IDs for air travel.

Currently, just over 3 million Illinois residents, or 23.5 percent, hold a REAL ID driver's license or state ID.

The REAL ID law was passed by Congress in 2005 based on a recommendation from the 9/11 Commission Report.

The Department of Homeland Security established the standards that state-issued driver's licenses and ID cards must meet to increase security measures for airports and federal facilities.

Illinois began offering REAL IDs in 2019. Illinois driver's licenses and ID cards that are REAL ID-compliant include a gold circle with a white star in the top right-hand corner of the card.

Individuals applying for a REAL ID must do so in-person at an Illinois DMV and are required to present:

Either a U.S. birth certificate, U.S. passport, Naturalization Certificate, Report of Birth Abroad or a Certificate of Citizenship. If you are not a U.S. citizen, an employment authorization document, a permanent resident card or a foreign passport with an approved I-94 form is also acceptable. If you've changed your name, you'll need to provide name change documents.

Proof of a full Social Security number, SSN. Examples include a Social Security card, a W-2 or a pay stub with your full SSN.

Two current residency documents that list your full name. Examples include a utility bill, rental agreement, deed/title or a bank statement.

Proof of your signature. Examples include a signed credit or debit card, canceled check or current state driver's license or state ID.

Illinois residents can go online to access an interactive checklist to make sure they have the documents they need before heading to a DMV.

Some Illinois DMVs require an appointment, so residents are encouraged to plan ahead if they need to schedule one and visit www.ilsos.gov/departments/drivers/appointments/.



Sunset on Independence Day in Anna

Clouds were seen at sunset on Independence Day in the sky over Anna. The picture was taken along East Davie Street, where a crowd was gathering to see a fireworks display which was presented Thursday night, July 4, at the Anna City Park.