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News Notes

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

The Cobden Lions Club has announced a full slate of activities for the 85th Cobden Peach Festival, which is set for Friday and Saturday, Aug. 11-12. Festivities begin at 5 p.m. Friday. The festival will feature a queen pageant, live music, a run/walk and fun run event, a parade, rides, food, a raffle, bingo, peaches and cream and the always popular Spin and Win game.

This year's Cobden Peach Festival will be the 85th edition of the event. As part of that landmark achievement, at least 51 former Peach Festival queens are scheduled to take to the stage on Saturday night at the festival.

Banners promoting the upcoming Peach Festival are on display in Cobden.

Music is planned in the downtown park in Cobden on Aug. 12 prior to the Peach Festival.

Anna School District No. 37 is seeking to find a new superintendent.

A Constitution Week celebration is planned Saturday afternoon/evening, Sept. 16, at the Lincoln Memorial Picnic Grounds in Jonesboro. President Lincoln (portrayed by re-enactor Randy Dunker) is scheduled to be the guest speaker.

Illinois high school and junior high school athletic associations are cracking down on fan, coach and player misconduct behavior. New unsportsmanlike conduct rules will be enforced this year.

Work to replace water valves was scheduled to begin Monday, July 17, in the City of Jonesboro. The work is slated to continue through Friday, July 21, around the Jonesboro (continued on page 2)

Outlook for Tuesday, Wednesday of this week; flood watch issued

Severe weather, heavy rain possible in region

Severe weather and heavy rainfall were possible Tuesday and Wednesday in the region, including the Union County area.

The National Weather Service in Paducah reported Tuesday morning as the paper was going to press that a severe thunderstorm watch had been issued for parts of Southern Illinois, Southeast Missouri and Western Kentucky.

Union County was included in the watch area. As of 9 a.m. Tuesday, the watch was in effect until 4 p.m. that afternoon.

Severe Weather Outlook

The weather service advised that much of the region faced an enhanced risk for severe weather late in the morning and into the afternoon on Tuesday. Damaging winds and the possibility of large hail were the main concerns.

A second round of severe weather was forecast to develop late Tuesday evening and into the overnight hours. Large hail and some damaging winds were possible.

Heavy Rain in Forecast

Heavy rain was anticipated overnight on Tuesday which could have led to flash flooding in some locations.

A map posted on the weather service website showed that Union County



Summer storm clouds

Clouds billowing into the sky over Union County Friday evening, July 14, offered at least a hint of some rain which might fall.

could have received 1 to 3 inches of rain.

The weather service office on Tuesday morning issued a flood watch for parts of Southern Illinois, Southeast Missouri and Western Kentucky.

"Multiple rounds of thunderstorms will lead to heavy rain across the watch area," the weather service advised.

The first round of heavy rain was expected Tuesday afternoon. Another round was in the forecast for late Tuesday evening into early Wednesday morning.

Widespread amounts of 1 to 2 inches of rain were expected. The weather service stated there was "some potential for a few areas

to receive greater than 5 inches" of rain. Flash flooding caused by excessive rainfall was possible.

Several Rounds of Storms

The Union County area experienced several rounds of stormy weather during the past week.

Stormy weather accompanied by strong winds occurred in the area Monday evening. Much of the region was under a severe thunderstorm watch Monday evening and Monday night.

At about 7:45 p.m. Monday, the National Weather Service issued a severe thunderstorm warning for (continued on page 2)

Weather

Hot, humid, light rain, scattered storms; heat index of 110.1 degrees recorded

Hot and humid conditions, light rainfall and scattered storms highlighted weather in the Union County area during the period of July 11-17.

Temperatures ranged from a high of 93 degrees to a low of 58.

A heat index of 110.1 degrees was recorded at 4 p.m. on July 14 near Jonesboro. The air temperature at the time was 93.

Precipitation during the period included .02 of an inch of rain on July 12, .08 of an inch of rain on July

13, .01 of an inch of rain on July 14, a trace of rain on July 16 and a trace of rain on July 17. Hail was recorded on July 16.

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

	H	L
Tuesday, July 11	89	58
Wednesday, July 12	91	61
Thursday, July 13	89	71
Friday, July 14	93	70
Saturday, July 15	89	70
Sunday, July 16	91	64
Monday, July 17	89	64

WIBH Radio, Operation Warm partnership

Warm Soles, New Hope Campaign successful

WIBH Radio in Anna announces that children's shoes purchased through its annual Warm Soles, New Hope Campaign, which ended on May 10, have arrived and are ready for pick-up.

Shoes are available free of charge in sizes 7 toddler to 5 kids through the Children's Medical and Mental Health Resource Network, CMMHRN, in Anna, Arrowleaf in Vienna and all Southern 7 Head Start locations to children living in Southern Illinois affected by abuse, neglect, disaster and family need.

Children can get one pair of shoes without paperwork or proof of income required. Families are advised to call to make pick-up arrangements at a site closest to them.

This year's annual campaign collected over \$4,300 to purchase 288 pairs of shoes.

Since it began in 2022, the fund-raiser has collected over \$15,000 and purchased over 1,000 pairs of shoes.

The Warm Soles, New Hope Campaign is a partnership between the non-profit organization Operation Warm and WIBH Radio.

While donations were down over last year, the coordinators call this year's campaign a success as many families in the region continue to struggle to make ends meet.

Nearly 20 percent of Southern Illinois children live in poverty and shoes

that fit well are an essential item every day.

"We are fortunate to live in a community that cares about the needs of others," WIBH Radio co-owner Moury Bass said in a news release.

"That's why we are using the voice of WIBH Radio to let our listeners know that there are children in Southern Illinois who need new shoes."

While the Warm Soles, New Hope Campaign is

an annual event each April and May, donations are collected throughout the year online at www.operationwarm.org/wibh.

Shoe costs are kept low at just \$15 a pair. This is possible through the support of Postal Pal in Anna who donates the shipping of the shoes to allow 100 percent of all donations to go directly to their purchase.

Other local businesses partnering with WIBH include Shawnee Mass

Transit District and Duck Works Lawn Care, which help deliver shoes to their distribution sites; and T&I Office Equipment in Anna, which donates the printing of flyers used in outreach.

Operation Warm is a national nonprofit that creates new, high-quality coats and shoes for children in need that partners with individuals and organizations across the United States to give a gift of warmth, confidence and hope to millions of

children in need.

For more information about the WIBH Warm Soles, New Hope Campaign, contact Moury Bass at WIBH at 833-9424 or Shawanna Rhine at Southern 7 Head Start at 618-634-2297, extension 9161; or visit the WIBH Warm Soles, New Hope Campaign on Facebook.

More information about Operation Warm can be found online at operationwarm.org.



Children's shoes delivered, available

WIBH Radio in Anna has announced that children's shoes are available through its annual Warm Soles, New Hope Campaign from the Children's Medical and Mental Health Resource Network in Anna, Arrowleaf in Vienna and all Southern 7 Head Start locations. Photo provided.



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News Notes

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Square and West Broad Street down to Casey’s General Store. Low to no water pressure and discolored water may be possible.

Resurfacing work is planned on Wing Hill Road from new U.S. Route 51 to Cobden.

Jonesboro Public Library’s final “Christmas in July” story hour event is set for 2 p.m. on July 25.

A summer reading program finale is planned from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday, July 26, at Stinson Memorial Library in Anna.

The Anna Blue Dolphins swim team is wrapping up its regular season. The Southern Illinois Swim League championship meet is set for July 29 in Du Quoin.

Major progress can be seen at the site of Cobden High School’s new gymnasium.

Work has been continuing on gym floor and HVAC projects in the Shawnee School District.

Congress directed the establishment of a U.S. land office at Kaskaskia on March 26, 1804. This was the first of 10 such offices in Illinois, with the purpose of selling land to settlers.

A “Lick Creek Back to School Bash” is planned during the evening of Aug. 15. The event is being hosted by the Lick Creek Elementary School PTO and staff.

A two-week drama camp for young people offered at the Shawnee Hills Arts Council’s Anna Arts Center was reported to have been successful.

Organizers report that a blood drive which had been planned for July 26 at Cross Road United Methodist Church in Ullin has been rescheduled for Aug. 18.

Shawnee Community College is hosting its final kids’ camps of the season this week.

The Pulaski County Fair is scheduled July 30 through Aug. 5 in Pulaski.

An Anna Marching Indians band camp is planned Aug. 7-11.

An Elks golf scramble is slated Saturday, July 22, at the Union County Country Club in Anna. Tee times are set for 8 a.m. and 1 p.m.

The Shawnee Hills Arts Council is planning to offer tai’ chi gung classes taught by Maribeth Smith starting Saturday morning, Aug. 4.

Severe weather

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south central Union County, northwestern Pulaski County and north central Alexander County.

At the time the warning was issued, the weather service reported that severe thunderstorms were located along a line extending from near Jonesboro to 6 miles southwest of Dongola to near Tamms.

Winds of 60 miles per hour were possible. Local weather observer Dana Cross reported a wind gust of 34 mph.

Downed trees were reported in some parts of Union and Alexander counties Monday night.

Some areas received rain Monday night; some areas did not receive a drop of rain.

Another severe thunderstorm warning was issued late Tuesday morning for parts of Southern Illinois and Southeast Missouri. Union County was included in the warning area. Wind gusts of 60 mph and nickel size hail were possible. The Union County Sheriff’s Office issued an alert about the storm.

Drought Update

Union County was experiencing severe drought conditions as of last week.

The U.S. Drought Monitor posted an update online for conditions as of Thursday, July 13.

In addition to Union County, Alexander, Pulaski and Massac counties, most of Johnson County and a small part of Jackson

County were experiencing severe drought conditions.

Moderate drought conditions were reported in Williamson County, most of Jackson County and a small part of Johnson County.

Air Quality Alert

The area also was under an air quality alert last Saturday and Sunday.

Union, Jackson, Williamson, Johnson, Alexander, Pulaski and Massac counties all were among the Southern Illinois counties which were under an air quality alert last Saturday and Sunday.

The weather service reported that the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency was forecasting Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups, USG, or higher Air Quality Index, AQI, for

Saturday and Sunday, July 15-16, for all of Illinois.

Smoke from wildfires was expected to impact Illinois as soon as Saturday and was the main contributing factor for the poor AQI.

Impacts on air quality from the smoke may have been shorter in duration in more southern locations and in close proximity to storms.

The unique and widespread nature of last weekend’s event prompted the extra National Weather Service alert.

Active children and adults, especially people with pulmonary or respiratory disease such as asthma, were advised to limit prolonged outdoor activity last weekend.

Union County families enrolled in WIC can receive \$30 in farmers market checks

From now through Oct. 31, Union County families who are enrolled in the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program Women, Infants and Children’s, WIC, through Southern 7 Health Department can receive a booklet of \$30 in farmers market checks, in addition to their regular monthly allotment.

The checks are to be spent at the Union County farmers market in Anna or Bass Farms near Cobden. The Union County farmers market is scheduled each Tuesday morning during the growing season at a municipal parking lot along East Davie Street in Anna.

“The program is a win-win for both families and farmers,” said Hillary Meisenheimer, Southern 7 assistant program manager for maternal child health, in a news release.

“Families who receive the voucher can use it to buy fresh fruits, vegetables, and herbs of their choice from local farmers, while the farmers can cash the vouchers in for payment. It’s a great way to give families more choices when it comes to feeding their family and the opportunity to support our local farmers and communities.”

Union County WIC families can pick up farmers

market checks at their next appointment or any time Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Southern 7 Clinic at 260 Lick Creek Rd.

Participants will also receive a free gift and be entered to win a healthy kitchen gift basket at the end of the farmers market season.

WIC is a federally funded program through the U.S. Department of Agriculture that provides federal grants to states to safeguard the health of low-income women, infants, and children up to age 5 who are at nutrition risk by providing nutritious foods to supple-

ment diets, information on healthy eating, and referrals to health care. WIC is available at each Southern 7 public health clinic.

Information about qualifying for WIC and the farmers market nutrition program through Southern 7 Health Department is available by calling a local Southern 7 clinic, visiting Southern Seven WIC on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/S7WIC>, at www.southern7.org and through the Southern 7 app.

Farm vendors who are interested in participating in the program can contact Hillary Meisenheimer at 833-8561.

All Illinois counties at low level for COVID

The Illinois Department of Public Health, IDPH, on Friday, July 14, announced that the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, CDC, was reporting that all 102 counties in the state remained at a low level for COVID-19 hospital admissions, according to the new rating system introduced after the declared state and national public health emergencies expired in May.

Counties are considered to be at a low level of COVID-19 transmission when hospitalizations are below 10 per 100,000 population.

The CDC and IDPH will continue to monitor COVID-19 trends by measuring the presence of the virus in wastewater in addition to other existing surveillance methods.

In Illinois, the data is posted by the Illinois Wastewater Surveillance System, which tracks the levels of COVID-19 and

influenza in wastewater at 76 locations throughout the state.

“I am very happy and relieved to report that COVID-19 cases remain low as we continue the summer season,” IDPH director Dr. Sameer Vohra said in a news release.

“IDPH’s focus remains on closely monitoring COVID-19, along with other respiratory viruses such as flu and RSV-19, in anticipation of a fall and winter when infections will likely increase.

“The department will continue to work closely with our partners to provide the most up to date guidance on vaccines and treatments that can decrease transmission and keep ourselves and our loved ones safe.”

While the 2022-2023 flu season that ended in late April did not experience a second wave, it nonetheless resulted in over 900 reported ICU admissions and seven pediatric deaths this season.

IDPH said this was an important reminder of the need for annual influenza vaccines, which significantly reduce the risk of hospitalization.

RSV activity currently remains low as well, but a significant peak occurred in October 2022 that stretched pediatric bed capacity across the State of Illinois.

Given the low level of transmission statewide, IDPH will continue a monthly system of reporting COVID-19 data.

COVID-19 is now being reported by regions throughout the state.

Union County is part of the Marion region, which also includes Alexander, Clay, Crawford, Edwards, Effingham, Fayette, Franklin, Gallatin, Hamilton, Hardin, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Johnson, Law-

Anna VFW calendar

A variety of activities are planned at Veterans of Foreign Wars Carroll P. Foster Post No. 3455 of Anna. The post is located at 70 VFW Ln. near Anna.

A corn hole tournament is planned each Thursday during the month at the post.

Food will be available from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sign up starts at 6 p.m. Play begins at 6:30 p.m. A Queen of Hearts drawing is planned at 7 p.m.

Star Karaoke is scheduled to be at the post from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Friday, July 21. The public is welcome.



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After serving as a labor and delivery nurse for numerous years, I reached a pivotal moment where I realized my calling as a midwife. I yearned to accompany my patients on their journey from the early stages of pregnancy, through the miraculous birth of their children, and beyond.



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First Women’s Conference ‘amazing inaugural event’

An event which debuted during the spring in Union County was so successful that organizers are planning for an encore next year.

A Women’s Conference was presented by Union County Women in Business. The organization shared a look back at what was called “an amazing inaugural event”:

Union County Women in Business, UCWIB, hosted its first Women’s Conference

April 29, 2023, at the beautiful Tuscan Sun Pavillion at Blue Sky Vineyard in Union County.

Sixty-four women from the area came with positive expectations for the first UCWIB conference and left inspired, appreciated and hopeful – and with a nice swag bag of surprises.

Those in attendance started the day off right with breakfast pastries from Davis Pastry and

coffee donated by Kathy Bryan, Kiki’s Coffeehouse.

UCWIB president Hope Holderfield gave the opening remarks – welcoming everyone to the conference, explaining her passion for the organization and sharing a brief history about the formation of Union County Women in Business.

The group then watched a video interview of Ramona Clark, one of UCWIB’s founding members, created by Adventure Media.

The video gave further background about the organization’s beginnings and explained that it was originally created so other women in business would have a group that provided members with information, support and friendship.

In the past several years, Union County Women in Business has recognized the need to not only support its members with information to assist them with their businesses, but also to help them succeed in their daily lives.

It was this shift in thinking and the organization’s purpose that led to the idea of the Women’s Conference.

UCWIB wanted to bring

the same knowledge, encouragement and inspiration to *all* women in the region regardless of whether they work in a business field or not. As Ramona Clark says in her video: “Women really need each other.”

The day was organized into four sessions, with two to three speakers at each one. Those attending the conference chose which speaker they wished to hear.

The speakers included: Natalie Ellis-Fresh Express Meals, Kelli Wood-Edward Jones, Holly Hartline-Get Healthy with Holly.

Destiny Dillow-Primitive Strength 618, Melise Oakley-Hospice of Southern Illinois, Britni Bateman-Brainstorm Boutique, Allison McDougall.

Kendall Boysen-Encouragementology, Pamela Hearon, Ginger Meyer-SIU School of Medicine, Mary K Harris-H&R Block.

All of the speakers and topics were phenomenal so this was truly a hard decision.

After a lovely lunch by Sisters Sweet and Savory, the day ended with keynote speaker Emily Reuschell, who gave those attending the conference the next steps to achieve their

true goals once they said goodbye to the conference.

In addition to the conference speakers portion, there were a variety of vendors on site to shop with.

Product vendors included Main Street Market & Books, Kaleidoscope Beauty, Bizzy Mama, Fresh Express Meals, Sunflower Girl Skincare, Country Roads Flowers and Gifts, Schoolhouse Cheesecakes, Girly Nature Goods, Nalee Raes and Kenz Boutique.

The majority of vendors were from Union County (and some also were Union County Women in Business members). What amazing businesses are right here in Union County.

UCWIB received such positive feedback and overall appreciation for putting on such an event.

UCWIB is excited to announce that another Women’s Conference is planned on April 27, 2024, at Blue Sky Vineyard. Be sure and mark your calendars!

The day would not have been possible without the following sponsors:

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spire Sponsor), Anna-Jonesboro National Bank (Inspire), Blue Sky Vineyard (Inspire).

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Shawnee Hills Real Estate (Encourage), Cabin on the Wine Trail (Encourage), Farm Credit (Encourage), Southern Bank (Encourage).

Oxford Graphix (Promote), Rendleman Orchards (Promote), Shawnee Community College (Promote).

UCWIB is truly humbled by the kind words in the evaluation survey and hopes a difference was made in other womens’ lives. The organization appreciates all those who participated or supported in any way.

Union County Women in Business shared the accompanying photographs from the conference.



County board meets on Friday

An update on plans for a new animal control shelter was shared at last week’s regular meeting of the Union County Board of Commissioners.

The meeting was Friday morning, July 14, at the Union County Courthouse in Jonesboro.

Board of commissioners vice chairman Kent Pitts said the project’s architect, Dodd Architects of Anna, is working to finalize specifications for the new shelter.

An intergovernmental agreement between the county and the Village of Cobden regarding the providing of communication and dispatch services was approved by the commissioners.

The board approved an engineering agreement for the replacement of a wooden bridge on Mt. Pisgah Road near Dongola.

Board of commissioners chairman Max Miller reported he has been receiving positive comments about work being done by the Union County Highway Department.

Participation in a Mutual Aid Box Alarm System for emergency services was renewed.

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Coffman appointed as director of ChunJiDo International



Grandmaster Robert Cutrell
Soke/Founder



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Please join me in congratulating Master Heather Coffman for being named the Director of ChunJiDo International!!



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1 ChunJiDo Family!!

Master Heather Coffman
Director
ChunJiDo International

Message of congratulations
ChunJiDo International founder and Grandmaster Robert Cutrell shared a message congratulating Master Heather Coffman. Photo provided.

Heather Coffman of Union County recently announced that she has been appointed to the position of director for ChunJiDo International.

Coffman is owner/instructor of Coffman’s Martial Arts Academy in Anna.

ChunJiDo International is a worldwide martial arts organization which is headquartered in Evansville, Ind.

ChunJiDo International spans five continents and has affiliates in over 30 countries around the world.

“ChunJiDo,” literally translated as “The Universal Way of Enlightenment,” represents the goal of ChunJiDo International to not only share the art of ChunJiDo, but to also be a world leader in preserving the rich traditions of the martial arts with affiliate organizations, Grandmasters, Masters and other martial artists who also embody the rich traditions associated with living the martial way.

ChunJiDo founder and ChunJiDo International founder and Grandmaster Robert Cutrell shared the following message congratulating Master Heather Coffman:

“Dear ChunJiDo Family Worldwide,

“It is with great pride and honor, I would like to announce the appointment of Master Heather Coffman to the position of Director of ChunJiDo International!

“As most of you know Master Coffman is an amazing martial artist, a tremendous leader, and an outstanding Master In-

structor.

“Recently Master Coffman took an already very successful Taekwondo school and, due to her belief and commitment to the vision of the art of ChunJiDo and the ChunJido International organization, she began transitioning her school to a ChunJiDo school. Within a very short time the school doubled enrollment and was named the #1 Martial Arts School in Southern Illinois!

“Her commitment to the arts and her passion for teaching is second to none.

“In this role she will assist me in growing and supporting the operations of ChunJiDo International worldwide.

“Please join me in congratulating Master Coffman on this next step in her martial arts journey!!”

A-J players earn All-South recognition

Two Anna-Jonesboro Community High School student athletes have earned postseason honors from the Southern Illinois Coaches Association.

A-J senior Avery Osman and sophomore Ruby Yates were named to the association’s Class 2A All-South softball team.

Registration scheduled in Anna District 37

Anna School District No. 37 offered a reminder on social media that student registration is scheduled Aug. 2-3.

Registration hours are planned from 7 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the office at Anna Junior High School.

All parents or guardians must come to register their child. For those who have completed preregistration online, this should only take a few minutes.

Parents and guardians are asked to be prepared to pay fees and to provide two forms of proof of residency.

Cobden Women’s Club meeting set

The Cobden Women’s Club plans to meet at 1 p.m. Thursday, today, at the Cobden Presbyterian Church.

The club will make plans to assist the Cobden Lions Club in the peaches and cream stand at the Cobden Peach Festival in August.

Refreshments will be provided by Julie O. Murphy, Donna Budelsky and Midge Stewart. All women are invited to the meeting.

Hummingbird Day planned at sanctuary near Golconda

The Illinois Audubon Society’s Shawnee Chapter is planning to host Hummingbird Day on Saturday, July 22.

Hummingbird Day is scheduled from 9 a.m. to noon at the Illinois Audubon Society’s War Bluff Valley Wildlife Sanctuary. The sanctuary is located at 228 Bushwack Rd. near Golconda.

Hummingbird Day is free and open to everyone. The event will be held rain or shine.

Those who plan to attend are invited to bring their children and friends. Organizers ask that pets be left at home.

Presentations about hummingbirds are scheduled throughout the morning. Ongoing activities for children are planned. Light refreshments will be available.

The event officially ends at noon, but everyone is invited to stay as long as they like to watch hummingbirds at feeders and to explore the trails at the sanctuary.

The Shawnee Chapter provided the following directions to the sanctuary from Golconda:

Take Illinois 146 north of Golconda for 3.5 miles, turn left onto Bushwack Road (look for brown binocular sign).

Follow Bushwack Road about 2.3 miles to the sanctuary entrance on the right: watch for signs.

Bushwack Road turns into a gravel road and crosses a low water ford: don’t give up, just keep going and you will get there.

More information is available by calling or texting 618-534-7870 or emailing shawneechapterias@gmail.com.

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will be performing from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Graduates, friends, former teachers and other classes are invited to come and celebrate with us.

Please contact Candi Merriman Davis with questions at 815-826-0422

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Commentary

Summer good time to get ready for high school sports

By Mike Estel

Summertime is a good time for high school athletes to get ready for the upcoming season in the sport they will participate in.

The Anna-Jonesboro Community High School softball team has a lot of its players involved in summer softball throughout the area. This should really help out when the spring season of 2024 rolls around.

But what about baseball? There are not too many area high schools contributing in summer baseball other than at the younger age group. And, very few local towns anymore field a baseball team like they did when I was a youngster. American Legion baseball participants really used to help high school teams they played on.

The brother duo of Hunter and Hayden Ralls, both A-J graduates, are playing summer ball with the Thrillville Hillbillies of Marion. From what I have been told, no other area players still in high school are on any similar teams.

Area high schools normally have an open gymnasium during the summer for anyone participating in either high school girls’ or boys’ basketball. This helps keep them in shape and should help sharpen shooting skills, especially for those shooting 3-pointers.

Weight lifting for potential high school wrestlers or football players helps them prepare for both seasons. I would say that anyone who participates in shot put or discus throwing in track would also benefit in the weight room.

Distance and short-distance runners in track as well as cross country runners can benefit by taking time out during a summer schedule to run on their own.

I am sure some potential athletes will not be able to make summer work outs of any kind because of having a full-time job. If the family is hurting in the financial department, I am sure coaches would understand why they have not worked out and would not take it out on them when the season rolls around.

A whole lot of preparation for the high school games that fans enjoy in the upcoming season happens during these hot summer days.



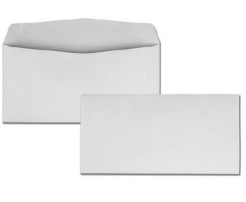
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Jonesboro School District sets student registration

Jonesboro School District No. 43 plans to have school registration for kindergarten and new students on Tuesday, Aug. 1, from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Registration for returning students is scheduled on Wednesday, Aug. 2, from 9 a.m. until noon and from 2 p.m. until 6 p.m.

Registration will be in the school's cafeteria. All new students, kindergarten and returning students must attend registration, the school noted.

Kindergarten and new students must submit a birth certificate if one is already not on file.

A consumable fee of \$35 may be required for students who are registering.

The school also noted that all students must register and present proof of residency within the district by providing the required number of documents from both of the following categories.

Category 1: Must have one: most recent property tax bill, mortgage papers for homeowners, signed and dated lease and proof of last month's payment for renters, a letter from manager and proof of last month's payment for mobile home park residents, or a letter of residence from a landlord in lieu of lease.

Category 2: Must have one: Vehicle registration, most recent gas, electric, and/or water bill, current homeowners/renters insurance policy, driver's license, or voter registration card.

The above information can be sent by mail, by email to npind@jonesboro43.com, spoole@jonesboro43.com, or by fax at 833-3410.

The school added that if this schedule does not work for you, bring information into the school office after Aug. 2.



Multiple tornadoes in northeast Illinois
Multiple tornadoes developed July 12 across parts of northeast Illinois. The National Weather Service office in Chicago reported on its website that it was able to confirm at least 11 tornadoes from the event in its forecast area. The weather service office posted a photograph of an Elgin tornado that was taken by Bob Waszak.

National Moth Week events planned in area

National Moth Week is celebrated each year during the last week of July.

This year, University of Illinois Extension has partnered with Stinson Memorial Library in Anna, USDA Shawnee National Forest, Dixon Springs Agricultural Center, The Science Center of Carbondale, Rend Lake U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Visitor Center, Illinois Department of Natural Resources Barkhausen Cache River Wetlands and Center and Giant City State Park near Makanda to host a week of programs featuring moths.

Extension plans to offer a series of programs which are scheduled to begin Monday, July 24. Some of the programs on the schedule follow:

Title: *Don't Worry, Bear StoryWalk*
Date: *Monday, July 24*
Time: *Any time you want, all week-long, starting Monday and continuing through Sunday*
Cost: *Free*
Age range: *Kids of all ages and their grown-ups*
Where: *Lincoln Memorial Picnic Grounds, Jonesboro*

Description: Take a StoryWalk around the park in Jonesboro. Walk from sign to sign as you read "Don't Worry, Bear" by Greg Foley, help act out the story, and learn about moths.

The StoryWalk Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, Vt., and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. Storywalk is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.

Registration: No need. Will be up from Monday to Sunday.
Title: *Magnificent Moths*
Date: *Friday, July 28*
Time: *10 a.m. to noon*
Cost: *Free*
Age range: *5-17*
Where: *Barkhausen Cache River Wetlands Center near Cypress*
Description: Did you know there are over 150,000 species of moths in the world? Moths play an important role in the food web, but are often ignored.

The family event about moths will feature different stations about moths. Those who attend the program can make crafts, learn about moths, how to attract them at night and much more.

Registration: No need to preregister. Register at event check-in booth.
Title: *Mothy Moths Take Flight!*
Date: *Saturday, July 29*
Time: *10 a.m. to 11 a.m.*
Cost: *Free*
Age range: *7-10*
Where: *Giant City State Park near Makanda.*
Description: Create two simple moth puppets to take home.

Participants will create the moth shape and wing patterns to put together two simple designs to create two simple moth puppets that will mimic the wing flutter of a flying moth.

Registration: Call Giant City Visitor Center at 618-457-4836.

More information about the program is available by contacting Anne Townsend at cupquake@illinois.edu.

Those who need a reasonable accommodation to participate can contact Anne Townsend at cupquake@illinois.edu. Early requests are strongly encouraged to allow sufficient time for meeting access needs.

Gladys M. Hickam Cavaness Smithey to celebrate 100th birthday



Gladys married Charles Robert Cavaness on Nov. 1, 1941. She and Charles had five children, Robert Cavaness of Jasper, Wyo., Nancy Gearhart of Tamm, Charlotte Browder of Anna, Janet Braun of Evansville, Ill., and Donna Jenkins of Marissa; 15 grandchildren; 30-plus great-grandchildren; and 20-plus great-great-grandchildren.



Gladys M. Hickam Cavaness Smithey will celebrate her 100th birthday on July 29. Photos provided.

After Charles Cavaness's death on March 12, 1976, Gladys later married Charles Joseph Smithey on Nov. 30, 1991. He passed away on March 7, 2009.

Gladys will celebrate her 100th birthday with an open house invitation on Saturday, July 29, 2023, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at The Voyage River to River Supervised Living Complex at 151 Denny Ln. in Anna.

All relatives, friends and acquaintances are invited and encouraged to join her for cake and beverages as she celebrates this rare milestone.

Birthday cards and notes from anyone will be greatly appreciated and enjoyed by Gladys.

When asked what she attributes her long life to, she responded good genes, lots of fresh fruits and vegetables, water, hard work and exercise – but above all living for Christ as God intended.

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Are You Drifting? Hebrews 2:1

Hebrews chapter 2 begins with a series of warnings to help us avoid drifting away from God. Often, drifting is a slow, sometimes unconscious process. Drifting requires little effort but just a cessation of doing God's will. In short, drifting is a choice one makes, and it is a choice which has eternal consequences.

First, we should be concerned about our individual drifting. Verse 1 speaks of responsibility just like Philippians 2:12 alerts us that each one must work out their own salvation. Next, the verse states that one "must give more earnest heed." In other words, we must give God a greater, stronger awareness and effort if we wish to follow HIM. Our obedience to this fundamental warning keeps one from drifting; it requires a deep, spiritual DAILY meditation. Finally, verse 1 contains the phrase, "haply we drift away from them." The gospel is the subject of this phrase. Drifting should not be permitted regardless of cause or circumstance. Christ prayed in Luke 18:1 that his disciples would "faint not" or lose heart. Weariness is not an excuse to drift. Drifting occurs when one loses focus upon a fixed point. God MUST be our fixed point. Without that focus, we cannot judge accurately our present situation, and the farther we drift out of the sight of God's word the less we care about God, Hebrews 4:11. Some might believe that individuals do not drift or that God would not allow his children to drift, but the Apostle John records differently 1 John 2:1. The Apostle Peter refutes the once saved always saved notion by instructing man to "give diligence to make your calling and election sure for if ye do these things; ye shall never fall," 2 Peter 1:10, and the Apostle Paul urges, to "take heed lest he fall," 1 Corinthians 10:12.

How can we avoid drifting this week? 1. Grab ahold of the strong anchor in Jesus Christ- Colossians 2:6-7. 2. Remain rooted in the truth- Ephesians 4:14-15. 3. Love of God- Ephesians 3:16-18.

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Marshall Loveless was a very talented musician. He played the bass guitar and sang beautifully. He had very clean vocals but he was most known for his lead style bass rhythm and immaculate tone on the bass guitar.

He was an amazing husband to Rita Loveless. They were married for almost 40 years. They were high school sweethearts, but he started chasing her ever since he took her bike around the block for a spin without her permission. She was 10 and he was 12 years old. They married in Elgin, Illinois at the age of 19 and 21. They had two children, Aaron and Alyssa Loveless. His daughter Alyssa is a special needs woman with a severe case of cerebral palsy. Her daddies strong arms carried her everywhere she went and he always made her smile and laugh everyday. They were two peas in a pod and she was his little princess. His son Aaron became a national recording artist who made a career out of playing music and writing. His dad Marshall was his biggest inspiration and always encouraged him to play, sing and write. He was Aaron's best friend.

Marshall was also a blue-collar, hard-working man who always provided for his family. He was the jack of all trades, he could fix almost anything but was particularly skilled at hanging sheet rock, painting and finishing. Marshall loved God, his family and country. He was very passionate and vocal about all three. Marshall had a great personality. His outlook on life was sound and his sense of humor was endearingly funny. He could brighten up any room he walked in, even leaving a stranger laughing. He was a very sweet-natured guy but was fierce when it came to protecting his family. He was tough, he was loving. He was a God fearing, family providing, law abiding, muscle-truck driving, American Patriot. He loved his family and friends and everybody loved him.

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Anna Nazarene Church

The sermon 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 led the worship service on Sunday evening. Special music was provided by Jessica Elkins. The pastor presented a message titled "Faith But No Deeds?" Scripture was from James.

Birthday: Stanley Elkins, July 21.

Breakfast will be served at 9 a.m. Sunday, July 23.

Sunday School is planned at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, July 23.

A morning worship service is planned at 10:35 a.m. Sunday, July 23.

An evening worship service is planned at 6 p.m. Sunday, July 23.

A Wednesday night service is planned at 6:30 p.m. July 26 in the sanctuary. A youth group meeting is planned at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

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

VBS scheduled at Presbyterian Church in Anna

The First Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Anna is planning to have a one-day Vacation Bible School on Tuesday, July 25.

VBS is scheduled from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the church, which is located at the corner of South and Jefferson streets.

Children entering kindergarten through those entering the 5th grade are invited.

The theme will be "The Good Shepherd." Bible stories, crafts, games and even real sheep will be featured.

For more information, or to register a child for VBS, the church office can be contacted at 833-5225 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

Reynoldsville News

By Sue Eudy

Shirley Miller of McClure visited Wednesday with Erma-dell Elkins at Hillview Health-care in Vienna.

Visiting Friday with Sue and Steve Eudy was Ava Wachter of Jonesboro.

Russ and Patsy Pender of Olive Branch brought supper to Maxine and Fred Pender of Fair City on Friday night.

Lori Pender of Jonesboro visited Saturday with Fred and Maxine Pender. Austin Pender visited them on Sunday. Gary Gibbs of Jonesboro also visited with them.

Maxine and Fred Pender attended a birthday celebration on Sunday, July 16, for Heather Miller of Tamms at the home of Russ and Patsy Pender. There were several in attendance wishing Heather a happy birthday on her special day.

The family of the late Milo and Dolores Eudy gathered Sunday, July 16, at the home of Marjorie Stark in Anna for a family reunion. Those present were Kyle Eudy, Drew Eudy and fiancée Katrina, Ginger Welker, Greg and Martha Stark, Josh and Vicki Stark, Jeff Stark and daughter Allison, Gary and Leslie Stark, Sue and Steve Eudy, Kevin Eudy and Sandy Kohler.

Happy belated birthday wishes to Amber Wachter of Jonesboro whose birthday was Friday, July 15.

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

News from First Baptist Church, Jonesboro

On Sunday, July 16, Pastor Perry Williams spoke about the crucifixion. The message was based on scripture from Matthew.

The service was sent via transmitter for worshippers who stayed in their cars on our lower parking lot while tuned into their radios, station 87.9 FM. It was also live streamed on Facebook.

Check the church's Facebook page, Jonesboro FBC, for videos and the latest information about possible closings.

Music director Dee Rose led worship. Debbie York was the pianist. Kim Benefield sang "Thank God for Grace" for the special music.

Men's and women's Bible studies were planned Monday

evening, July 17.

Stellar Vacation Bible School was scheduled to begin Monday evening, July 17, and continues through Friday, July 21. VBS is from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. each day. Children are learning how "to be a light for Jesus." All are welcome. The bus will be running for kids who need a ride. The church can be contacted to arrange for pick up.

Birthdays: Martha Greenwood, July 18; Heidi Robinson, July 20; Evelyn Hileman, Martha McRaven, July 21; Lakelyn Merriman, July 22.

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 Sun-

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

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Mill Creek Baptist Church
Mill Creek Baptist Church members met Wednesday, July 12, to discuss the business of the church and to select a nominating committee to address committee vacancies.

Brother Bobby Newberry continued his Bible study on Revelation afterwards.

Sunday Morning Message
Sunday morning Brother Greg Bittle continued his series on the prophet Elijah. 1 Kings 17:1-7 ended with Elijah subsisting on what the ravens had provided and has at last run out of water.

God taught lessons: 1) to wait on God before implementing your own plans; 2) God will provide what we need, not what we want; and 3) Man's resources may run out, but God's grace never does.

Brother Bittle asked if you've ever been to a point in your life when you lost hope, or felt like quitting and giving up.

Despair affects us in many ways. Elijah must have been reaching his own level at this point. In this week's scriptures from 1 Kings 17: 8-16, God told Elijah to arise, go to Zarephath and dwell there. Elijah is learning because he does as commanded.

Lesson 4 reminds us that God's plan will come when we are humbled and ready to listen. God commanded a widow to supply Elijah's need of drink and food.

Lesson 5 is that God knows our needs and prepares in advance for them.

Now in studying the situation we learn that the area Elijah is being sent to is ruled by Jezebel's father.

Remember that Elijah is on the run from King Ahab and his

wife Jezebel, so Elijah has to wonder why God would send him there; and to a widow with, he soon learns, severely limited resources.

Lesson 6 is that when we trust God, He will provide. The widow and Elijah were both recipients of that provision as God kept her meager amount of oil and flour from running out. Hope is restored, when we trust God.

Praises
We offer praises that Bon Kohler, Dean Short and Allison Rider: all made it through their surgeries without problems.

Dean will have to have another surgery at some point. Bon is scheduled for knee replacement in August. Bon's son, Dalton Kohler, is still recovering from his surgery and had further issues this week in the form of kidney stones, so we'll continue to keep them all in prayer.

Brother Bobby Richardson is scheduled for surgery next week and we pray that is a success, as well. It's been a long and difficult road he has had to navigate, and we pray he recovers completely and soon.

On an uplifted note of praise, Betty Stegle had a birthday this week and was treated to the church singing "Happy Birthday" to her.

A prayer for rain was also lifted to the Lord. I guess we'll have to practice our patience on that one.

Stormy Weather
Stormy weather struck several areas near us this evening (Monday).

We had been across the river having a family dinner and upon our return the storm overtook us, or so we thought. Apparently, the storm had preceded us and another came up behind us.

By Suzan Harvel

We normally come from McClure on Grapevine Trail and then cut across at County Line Road which borders the family farm.

However, Grapevine Trail was found to be impassible due to a tree across the road.

We turned around and headed toward Jonesboro on Route 3, but my husband decided to take the Old Cape Road as an option to keep from going all the way into Jonesboro to pick up Route 127.

That road had trees, limbs and a lot of debris on it too, but we were able to squeeze by the worst of it.

All this is said to relate that we arrived home and only a few stray drops of rain had fallen and apparently the wind detoured around us as well.

While I'm thankful that we didn't have to deal with trees down, our garden and pond could sure use the rain. It's rained all around us, but the dome is apparently over us again.

DAR Chapter
The Daniel Chapman Chapter, NSDAR, met for a yearly planning meeting at the Vienna Carnegie Library on Monday morning.

Plans are underway to plan out the next years events. It promises to be full of exciting programs.

The first meeting of the year is planned Sept. 11, Patriot's Day, at 6 p.m. More information will be sent to members once everything is finalized.

The chapter treasurer is scheduled to be in attendance a half hour beforehand to receive dues and hand out the new yearbooks.

Please contact Doda Starkey or Sandra Boaz if your information has changed.

Have a blessed week everyone.



Anna-Jo Garden Club members
Anna-Jo Garden Club members who attended a summer meeting of the Garden Clubs of Illinois included, in the first row, from left, Linda Karraker, Nancy Kucera, Peggy Ferguson and Debby Frankland. In the second row are Susan Sherwin, Susan Prestia, Glenda McDowell, Jean Few, Elaine Dunn and Betty Sirles. Charlotte Clover could not be present for the picture. The meeting was July 10-11 at Giant City State Park near Makanda. Photo provided.

Garden Clubs of Illinois have summer meeting at Giant City

A summer meeting of the Garden Clubs of Illinois was held Monday and Tuesday, July 10-11, at Giant City State Park near Makanda.

The District VII Garden Clubs of Illinois hosted the event.

More than 120 gardeners attended the meeting. Sixty of those who attended stayed overnight in cabins at Giant City State Park, as well as at other area lodging facilities.

Monday activities event included tours of Ann Parmley's native pollinator garden in Metropolis in Massac County, the Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge Nature Center and Rendleman Orchards in Alto Pass.

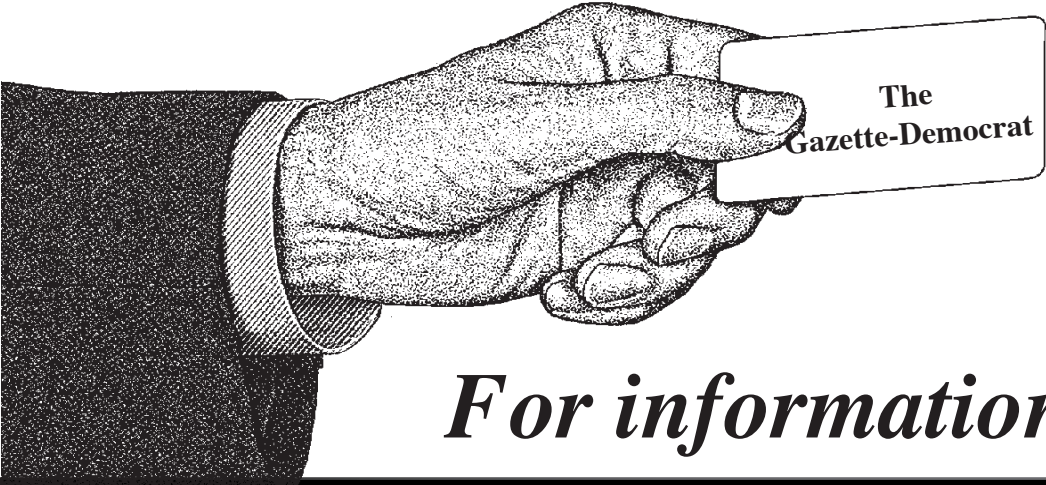
A dinner was served Monday evening in the banquet room at Giant City Lodge for those attending the meeting.

A full day of meetings, awards, vendors and presentations, along with a continental breakfast and lunch, were on the agenda for Tuesday.

Diane Dawson, the state president of the Garden Clubs of Illinois, presided over Tuesday's meeting, which was in the dining room at Giant City Lodge.

Local vendors Rendleman Orchards, Wichmann Vineyard, Shawnee Hills Lavender Farm, Debby Frankland, Jill Mills, Anna-Jo Garden Club, Pocket Change Enterprise, Nellie's Garden & Honey, Fantasy Frogs and Garden Clubs of Illinois ways and means greeted garden club members and shared information.

Organizers reported that Longshadow, Ferry-Morris Seed Company and Atkins' Acres Educational Farm made generous contributions to the event.



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PUBLIC NOTICE

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

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF WILLARD D. HICKAM, Deceased.
No.: 2023-PR-15
NOTICE OF CLAIM

Notice is given of the death of Willard D. Hickam of Alto Pass, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on June 27, 2023 to Christopher D. Hickam, whose attorney is John S. Rendleman of Rendleman Law, LLC, 1110 West Main Street, Carbondale, IL 62901.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Union County, First Judicial Circuit, 309 W. Market, Jonesboro, IL 62952; or with the administrator, or both on or before January 19, 2024, and any claim not filed on or before that date is barred.

Copies of any claim filed with the Court must be mailed or delivered to the administrator and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed

Dated: June 28, 2023.

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

ANNA-JONESBORO NATIONAL BANK, f/k/a ANNA NATIONAL BANK, an Illinois Banking Corporation, Plaintiff, vs
CHRISTOPHER W. TREXLER, ASHLEY D. TREXLER, EVELINE POOLE, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.

Case No.: 2023-FC-12

PUBLICATION NOTICE

The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to you, Christopher W. Trexler, Ashley D. Trexler, Eveline Poole, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, Defendants in the above entitled suit, that the said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of Union County, Illinois, by the said Plaintiff against you and other defendants to foreclose a certain Mortgage covering the following described premises, to-wit:

LEGAL DESCRIPTION THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTH-EAST QUARTER SECTION 24, TOWNSHIP 13 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, AND PART OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 24, TOWNSHIP AND RANGE AFORESAID, BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE THOMAS D ERNST LAND AND RUNNING EAST 26 RODS AND 12 FEET, THENCE IN A SOUTHWESTERLY DIRECTION 20 RODS AND 14 FEET TO THE RIGHT OF WAY OF THE ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD RIGHT OF WAY, THENCE IN A NORTHWESTERLY DIRECTION ALONG THE SAID RIGHT OF WAY 25 RODS TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, EXCEPTING OUT OF ABOVE DESCRIBED TRACTS ALL THAT PART LYING EAST OF THE CENTER OF STATE HIGHWAY NO 2 (NOW U S HIGHWAY NO 51), SITUATED IN UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS CONTAINING 20 ACRES, MORE OR LESS. and for other relief, that summons was duly issued out of the said Court against you as provided by law, and that said suit is still pending.

Now, therefore, unless you, the said Defendants, Christopher W. Trexler, Ashley D. Trexler, Eveline Poole, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, file your answer to the Complaint in the suit, or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Circuit Court of Union County, Illinois, in the County Courthouse in the City of Jonesboro, Illinois, on or before the 21st Day of August, 2023, default may be entered against you and each of you at any time after that day and a decree entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint.

Keri E. Clark
Clerk of the Circuit Court

Prepared by:
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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff, vs.
GABRIEL G. MEAD and SARAH E. MEAD, Defendants.
Civil No. 23-cv-179-JPG

NOTICE OF MARSHAL'S SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a judgment decree of foreclosure entered by the court in the above-entitled cause, the property hereinafter described or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said judgment, will be sold to the highest bidder.

1. The name, address and telephone number of the person to contact for information regarding the real estate is:
Kirsten Goodisky
Rural Development Specialist
502 Comfort Drive
Marion, Illinois 62959

(618) 993-5396 ext 4

2. The common address and other common description, if any, of the real estate is:
210 Springfield Avenue, Anna, Illinois 62906

3. The legal description of the real estate is:
PART OF THE NORTH-EAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, CITY OF ANNA, UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 1 OF THE NINAHIND-MAN SURVEY AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4 AT PAGE 25; THENCE SOUTH 48°-22' EAST ALONG THE SOUTHWESTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF U.S. ROUTE 51 A DISTANCE OF 178.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE SOUTH 41°-38' WEST A DISTANCE OF 130.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 48°-22' EAST A DISTANCE OF 64.45 FEET; THENCE NORTH 40°-53'-35" EAST A DISTANCE OF 130.01 FEET TO THE SOUTHWESTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF U. S. ROUTE 51; THENCE NORTH 48°-22' WEST ALONG THE SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE A DISTANCE OF 62.77 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; Per Plat of Survey filed on March 19, 1992, in Record Book 88, page 373 in the Recorder's Office of Union County, Illinois.

4. The real estate may be inspected prior to sale at the following times: by appointment.

5. The date, time, and place of the sale are: August 2, 2023, at 12:00 noon, at the front door of the County Courthouse for Union County, Jonesboro, Illinois.

6. The terms of the sale are: cashier's check, 10 percent due at time of sale, balance due within 72 hours.

7. Title will be conveyed subject to all general real estate taxes, which are a lien upon the real estate but not yet due and payable, and special assessments, if any, special taxes, and easements and restrictions of record.

8. At said sale I shall give to the purchaser or purchasers a certificate in writing describing the lands and tenements purchased and the sum paid therefor. Upon confirmation of said sale by the court, the holder of said certificate shall be entitled to a deed for said premises.

Dated at East St. Louis, Illinois, this 5th day of June, 2023.

DAVID C. DAVIS
United States Marshal
Southern District of Illinois

ADAM E. HANNA
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United States Attorney's Office
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 1ST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT UNION COUNTY - JONESBORO, ILLINOIS

Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans Inc. PLAINTIFF
Vs.
Shanna L. Wright; Clay E. Wright; Crown Asset Management, LLC; Portfolio Recovery Associates, L.L.C.; Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants DEFENDANTS
No. 2023FC10

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU:
Shanna L. Wright
Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants

That this case has been commenced in this Court against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit: COMMONLY KNOWN AS:
116 Evergreen Dr Anna, IL 62906 and which said Mortgage was made by:
Shanna L. Wright
Clay E. Wright
the Mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Quicken Loans Inc., as Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Union County, Illinois, as Document No. 2017R0794; and for other relief; that summons was duly issued out of said Court against you as provided by law and that the said suit is now pending.

NOW, THEREFORE, UNLESS YOU file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this case in the Office of the Clerk of this Court,
Keri Clark, Circuit Clerk
P.O. Box 450
Jonesboro, IL 62952
on or before August 7, 2023, A DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY AND A JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRAYER OF SAID COMPLAINT.

CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C.
Attorneys for Plaintiff
15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100
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DuPage # 15170
Winnebago # 531
Our File No. 14-23-03752
NOTE: This law firm is a debt collector.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF WILLARD D. HICKAM, Deceased.
No.: 2023-PR-15
NOTICE OF CLAIM

Notice is given of the death of Willard D. Hickam of Alto Pass, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on June 27, 2023 to Christopher D. Hickam, whose attorney is John S. Rendleman of Rendleman Law, LLC, 1110 West Main Street, Carbondale, IL 62901.

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Copies of any claim filed with the Court must be mailed or delivered to the administrator and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed

Dated: June 28, 2023.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS

THE BANK OF MISSOURI, Plaintiff
v.
BILLY G. GRAVES, II, TAMARA S. GRAVES, CAPITAL ONE BANK (USA), N.A., CITY OF ANNA, ILLINOIS, And Unknown Owners and Non-record

Claimants, Defendants. COMMERCIAL Case No. 22-CH-5

AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

Public notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment entered by the Court in the above-entitled cause, the real estate hereinafter described or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment will be sold to the highest bidder:

A. For information regarding the real estate, contact Deanna L. Litzenburg, Mathis, Marifian & Richter, Ltd., 23 Public Square, Suite 300, Belleville, IL 62220, Telephone number (618) 234-9800.

B. The common address and other common description, if any, of the real estate is 337 S. Main Street, Anna, Illinois 62906.

C. The legal description of the mortgaged real estate is:
The West Sixteen feet of Lot NO. 77 in the Original Plat of the Town (now City) of Anna. Situated in Union County Illinois. EXCEPT all coal, oil, gas, and other minerals.

Permanent Parcel Number: 14-00-08-046

D. A description of the improvements on the real estate is:
Commercial property.

E. The real estate may be inspected prior to sale upon making reasonable arrangements with the person identified herein.

F. The time and place of the sale will be Wednesday, August 16, 2023, at 9:00 a.m., Union County Courthouse, Jonesboro, Illinois.

G. The real estate will be sold to the highest bidder with cash or cashier's check in hand.

H. Title will be conveyed subject to all delinquent real estate taxes (if any) and all general real estate taxes which are a lien upon the real estate, but have not yet become due and payable, and special assessment, if any, easements and restrictions of record. All property is being sold "as is".

Dated this 17th day of July, 2023.

Deanna L. Litzenburg – #06270172
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ESTATE OF KENDALL LEE RHINE IN PROBATE DECEASED. NO. 2023-PR-13

NOTICE OF DEATH INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION, AND CLAIM DATE

NOTICE IS GIVEN to creditors of the death of Kendall Lee Rhine, of 611 Baronet Lane, Holmes Beach, in Manatee County, FL. Letters of Office were issued on July 13, 2023, to Janice Gail Rhine, of 611 Baronet Lane, Holmes Beach, Florida 34217, and Kendall Tison Rhine, 815 Commons Park, Statham, GA 30666, as Independent Co-Personal Representatives, 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

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Obituaries

Andrea Sue Chaney

Andrea Sue Chaney, 52, of Anna, and formerly of Murphysboro, died on July 14, 2023, at her residence.

She was born on Nov. 4, 1970, in Madison County, the daughter of Tom and Mae Broussard Hilt.

She married Dallas M. Chaney on Oct. 2, 2010, and he survives.

She worked as a tax preparer, as a bartender, as a DJ and as a cosmetic salesperson, but her work extended farther than that.



She was one of those kind of people who was a friend to all and never met a stranger and was everybody’s “Mom.” Her door was always open and if someone needed comfort and advice you could rest assured that Andrea was there to help and give her love. If someone was in need of care, she offered her service. Andrea was truly a treasure to those who knew her.

Other than her husband, Dallas, she is survived by her daughter, Brittney Hilt; grandchildren Kendall Carter and Bentley Carter; sisters Tracey (PJ) Thomason and Kelly Mason; nephews Case, Cameron, Dane and Tucker; as well as many other friends and family.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a brother, Chris Hilt; and also Jon Mason and Corey Mason.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. until 10 a.m. Friday, July 21, at Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Funeral Home, 31 Memorial Dr. (Old Route 13), Murphysboro.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, July 21, at Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Funeral Home, 31 Memorial Dr. (Old Route 13), Murphysboro.

Inurnment will be held at a later date.

Memorials can be made to Crain Funeral Home to help offset funeral expenses. Memorial envelopes will be available at the funeral home.

Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Funeral Home in Murphysboro is in charge of arrangements.

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



Brad Rendleman

Brad L. Rendleman, 70, of Jonesboro, died Sunday, July 16, at his home.

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

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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 62952, or with the Independent Co-Executors, or both, on or before January 20, 2024, or if mailing or delivery of a notice from the Co-Executors 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 11, 2023.

JANICE GAIL RHINE,
Co-Personal Representative

KENDALL TISON
RHINE,
Co-Personal Representative

CAMERON LAW FIRM,
LLC
ELVIS C. CAMERON
ATTORNEY FOR
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ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME ACT

State of Illinois
SS
County of Union

Notice is hereby given pursuant to "An Act in relation to the use of an Assumed Name in the conduct or Transaction of Business in the State," as Amended that a certification was filed by the undersigned with the County Clerk of Union County. Filed this 3rd day of July, 2023, under the Assumed Name of Shiloh Hill Farm with the place of business located at 205 Shiloh Road, Cobden, Illinois 62920, and that the True Name(s) and Residence Address of the sole owner(s) and Proprietor(s) of said Business is:

Christine Clutts
205 Shiloh Road
Cobden, IL 62920

Lance Meisenheimer
Union County Clerk
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NOTICE OF DISPOSITION:

Notice is hereby given of the disposing of the following described personal property which is stored at the self service storage facility known as Costa Store and Lock, 107 Cemetery Road, Jonesboro, IL.

1. Name of occupant: Joseph Acuff
2. Property to be disposed of: Misc. personal property
3. Time & place of disposition: July 30, 2023, Costa Store and Lock, 107 Cemetery Road, Jonesboro, IL. Phone: 618-833-5653.

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April Glays

April Glays, 34, of Anna, died Wednesday, July 12, 2023, at her home after a courageous and hard fought battle with cancer.

She was born on April 12, 1989, in Palos Heights, the daughter of Karl and Nadine Nolan Lebensorger.

She married Brent Glays on June 28, 2014, in Ottawa, Ill.

She is survived by her husband, Brent; four sons, William, Joshua, Jack and Jonathan Glays; her mother, Nadine Lebensorger; a sister, Rachel Lebensorger (Shane Meyers); sisters-in-law Pamela Glays and Jennifer (Tom) Argle; maternal grandmother Dolly Lebensorger; mother-in-law and father-in-law, Don and Kathy Glays; aunts, uncles, other relatives and many friends.



She was preceded in death by her father, Karl Lebensorger; maternal grandfather Chuck Lebensorger; and her maternal grandparents, James and Geri Nolan.

After their marriage in 2014, April and Brent began building their dream by purchasing property in Union County, just outside of Anna.

They started small but their family and their farm grew. In 2018, The Flock Farm received its license, and they began selling their products at farmer’s markets in Southern Illinois and Southeast Missouri. So many friendships were built along the way as April worked tirelessly as mom, farmer, gardener and businesswoman.

Funeral Mass for April Glays was at 10 a.m. Monday, July 17, at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church in Carbondale, with Father Bob Flannery officiating. Interment will be private.

Memorials can be made to the Glays family.

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

Diane Hudgins

Diane Hudgins, 67, of Dongola, died at 1:30 p.m. Monday, July 3, 2023, at her home.

She was born on Nov. 22, 1955, in Anna, the daughter of Don Leon and Eva Berniece Henderson McRaven.

She was a homemaker who enjoyed gardening, fishing and spending time with her family. She loved watching home improvement shows. She loved her pets and loved bird watching.



Survivors include her daughter, Stephanie Mauldin; son Clint (Jessica) Hudgins; 12 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; sisters Donna McRaven and Daphene (Steve) Huffman; brothers Donald (Mary) McRaven and Darryl McRaven; and numerous nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Along with her parents, she was preceded in death by her sons, Chet Allen Hudgins and Dennis Leon Hudgins.

Funeral services were at 7 p.m. Friday, July 7, at Crain Funeral Home in Tamms, with the Rev. Paul Mayberry officiating.

Inurnment will be held at McCrite Cemetery at a later date.

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

Crain Funeral Home in Tamms is in charge of arrangements.

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



Michael H. Summers

Michael H. Summers, 66, of Vienna, died Tuesday, July 11, 2023, at St. Louis University Hospital in St. Louis.

He was born on Sept. 2, 1956, in Anna, the son of Herschel Edward and Wanda Jane Brimm Summers.

Mr. Summers is survived by his son, Johnny Summers of Carbondale; daughter Crystal Gayle Charles of Jonesboro; 10 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; a sister, Sharon Broadway of Danville; and a brother, Herschel Edward Summers Jr. of Tamms; other relatives and many friends.



He was preceded in death by his parents; a daughter, Tina Marie Tate; a brother, Gary Lee Summers; and an infant brother, Jeffery Wayne Summers.

He was a member of the Dongola Pentecostal Church for many years. He was a collector of many things throughout the years and enjoyed going fishing.

Funeral services were at 2 p.m. Thursday, July 13, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna, with the Rev. John Gourley officiating. Interment was in the Anna Cemetery.

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

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

Curtis Dwayne Treece

Curtis Dwayne Treece, 74, of Jonesboro, died Saturday, July 15, 2023, at the Marion VA Medical Center Community Living Center and Palliative Care after battling MDS blood disease.

He was born on Aug. 6, 1948, at home in Wolf Lake, the son of Curtis L. and Velma M. Bright Treece.

He married Dorothy Godwin on March 31, 1972, at Big Creek Church near Anna; they shared 51 wonderful years together.



Mr. Treece is survived by his wife, Dorothy Treece of Jonesboro; son, Dwayne Treece (Stephanie Brumleve) of Anna; sister Lillian Sadler of Kirksville, Mo.; many nieces and nephews, other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and sisters Helen Frick, Ruth Black, Betty Taormina and Wilma Loveless.

He was a 1967 graduate of Shawnee High School in Wolf Lake. He served his country in the U.S. Army during Vietnam.

He worked many years for Anna Ready Mix and Illini Ready Mix. After his retirement he owned and operated Treece Backhoe and Hauling until he started having health issues. Mr. Treece served on the Kelly Cemetery Board for 31 years.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, today, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna, with Pastor Doug Bridgeman officiating.

Interment will be in Kelly Cemetery. Graveside military rites will be conducted by Carroll P. Foster Post No. 3455 of the VFW in Anna and the Illinois Army National Guard funeral honor team of Marion.

Memorials can be made to Kelly Cemetery. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home.

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

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

Carol Lee Haslauer Winn

Carol Lee Haslauer Winn, 87, of Rogersville, went to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus on Thursday, July 13, 2023, while she was surrounded by her family.

She was a native of Olive Branch and a daughter of the late John and Leota Violet Isom Haslauer.

She lived most of her life in Dade City, Fla. She retired from the Pasco County School Board after 20 years of service in the school cafeteria.



She was an active and faithful member of Dade City Church of God. She was involved with the Ladies Auxiliary and Golden Oldies Class at the church. She loved gospel music and she never missed the opportunity to attend a good gospel singing.

She was devoted to her family, whom she loved very much. She also liked to plant flowers and grow plants.

Survivors include her three children, Lora Caselnova (Terry) of Rogersville, Jerri Miller (James) of Tamms and Timothy “Tim” Winn (Toni) of Dade City, Fla.; six grandchildren, Elissa Miller, Robert Aaron Linsday, Kelli Winn, Alexa Lawson (Daniel), Malia Ledbetter (Gavin) and Alex Linsday; three great-grandchildren, Baylee Lawson, Brody Lawson and Aurora Ledbetter; several nieces and nephews also survive.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Jerry Winn, in 1990; one grandson, Timothy Matthew Winn; one brother, John Haslauer; and one sister, Willa Fern McCoy.

Visitation for Carol Lee Haslauer Winn will be from 11 a.m. until noon Friday, July 21, at Crain Funeral Home in Tamms.

Funeral services will be at noon Friday, July 21, at Crain Funeral Home in Tamms, with the Rev. Jack Oliver officiating.

Interment will follow the funeral service at Olive Branch Cemetery in Olive Branch.

Memorials can be made to the Alzheimer’s Association at <https://act.alz.org/donate>.

Crain Funeral Home in Tamms is in charge of arrangements.

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



Ethel Caren King

Ethel Caren King, 67, of Dongola, died Tuesday, July 11, 2023, at her sister’s home.

She was born on March 1, 1956, in Anna, the daughter of Claude Eugene and Ellen Tellor Smith.

She married Larry Eugene King. He preceded her in death.

She is survived by her sister, Patricia Marie Dillow of Dongola; numerous nieces and nephews; great-nieces and nephews; other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Larry Eugene King; a son, Larry Eugene “Bubby” King Jr.; siblings William Eugene Smith, Shirley Aldean Rosenthal, Gary Smith and Claude L. Smith.

Mrs. King worked for many years as a housekeeper.

Private family interment will be in the Alto Pass Cemetery at a later date.

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

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

Anna News

By Martha Ann Webb

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

Visitors

Visitors at Willie and Terrie Rhymer’s home in Dongola were Willie’s sister Sue and her husband Doug Calvin from Theodosia, Mo.

Violet and Miles Yates also spent three days with the Rhymers while their parents were out of town. They ate at the Giant City Lodge on Friday and went to the movies in Carbon-dale.

Birthday Celebration

Mary Stroh and Carole Bauer of Anna, Karen Toler of Jonesboro and Sharon Goines of Paducah took Betty Eagle out last Tuesday for lunch to celebrate her birthday at Triple E in Ullin.

Betty Eagle and Carole Bauer enjoyed lunch at the Revlon Saturday.

United Methodist

Church, Anna

Special music Carol of the Drum by the bell choir. Rev. Tim Gossett’s sermon was Have a Merry Christmas Day, with scripture from Philippians.

Anna Heights Baptist Church

Birthdays: Adrienne Tripp 21st, Harley Rhodes 22, Diana Oliver 23, Phil Goodman, Luis Hurtado, Phil Jackson.

Anniversaries: 24th Randy and Connie Merriman, 25th Danny and Hope McFarland.

July 9 attendance: 8 a.m. worship, 81. 10:30 a.m. worship, 114. Small group Bible study, 200. 6 p.m. worship, 27.

Saturday, July 29, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., Acts 1:8 missions rummage event. All donations in good condition accepted and can be

dropped off at the Family Life Center on Friday, July 28. Anything purchased is donation only. Come shop and load up your car, truck and all donations go to missions.

A Young at Heart potluck was planned July 18 with entertainment by Dewayne and Travis Simms.

Paper towel tubes are needed for an ELC project. Please bring to the collection center by July 30.

Lincoln/Davie school back to school bash is Aug. 15 and 17. Collecting pencil boxes for this event. Items can be dropped off at the collection center.

The family of Daryl Bly-the thanked the church for prayers and calls concerning his health and death. Appreciates the meal that was provided and all those who helped prepare the meal.

Anna Heights VBS started July 17 and continues through July 21.

Pastor Darryl Williams continued his Bible sermon series: Jesus at the Center. This week Making Progress in Your Faith.

Anna First Baptist Church

Sympathy and prayers to the family of John Clark. Lisa, his sister, called the church and thanked everyone for all the prayers sent up for John. Lisa said John accepted Jesus in his heart and that he had a peaceful passing.

Sympathy and prayers to Brent Gladys, his four sons and family on the passing of his wife and their mother April.

Prayers were said for all those sick, who have lost loved ones, and those with cancer that they may be healed.

Welcome and announcements were by Sharon Faris. Call to worship was by Shirley Ray. Jean Denny led in the singing of Jesus



Lick Creek 4-H members and family who attended the recognition picnic hosted by the Home and Community Education, HCE, of Union County were, front row, Katryna Borders, J.R. Wright, Sabryna Borders, Tryston Borders, Vivian Ancira and parent Debra Ward. Back row, parent Christina Ancira, club leaders Ricky Borders, Celeste Borders, member Cerriana Ward, parent Shelly Wright.



The Home and Community Education, HCE, of Union County hosted a 4-H recognition picnic July 11 at Pitts Park in rural Lick Creek. HCE hostesses were Sylvia Mask, Barbara Bauer, Judy Smith, Barbara Pitts, Susie Kessler, Jane Bauer, Alice Wendling and Lois Clutts. Other guests were Gina Davis and Norm Bauer.



McKinlee and Payzlee grow their own flowers, make flower arrangements and sold them in Anna. They saved their money and bought Charlie the Wallaby.



In back, Beth Bauer Hileman and Barbara Bauer, Anna. Seated, Lou Bauer, Chesterfield, Mo., and Tim Bauer, Cazenovia, Wis. Together they celebrated recent birthdays. Since Lou is less than a year older than twins Beth and Tim, for one month they all are the same age. Barbara says, “Blessings beyond measure!”



Becky and Darrell Ralls were presented their sign for Annabelle of the Year 2023 by Martha Ann Webb. Their home has beautiful Annabelles all around it. Darrell started a lot of his Annabelles by laying a stem down to start another plant.



Rev. Lupe and Yadi Lopez were honored with a dinner after church Sunday to celebrate their one year anniversary of being pastor of Anna First Baptist Church. The church family also celebrated Christmas in July, the kick off for the Shoe Box Ministry.



Vickie Wagner cousins Valerie Ann Johnson, Sandra Jane Johnson, Diane Serene Johnson, Roxanne Johnson all came to have dinner with them at Anna First Baptist Church to celebrate Rev. Lupe and Yadi Lopez's first year of being pastor at Anna First Baptist Church.



A special thanks to Jean Denny, Cissi Cuthbertson, Carol Anne Baker and Menda Cash for preparing the after church meal at Anna First Baptist Church Sunday.

is All the World to Me and There is Something about that Name.

The worship team led in the singing of Agnus Dei and Graves Into Gardens.

Rev. Lupe Lopez’s sermon was Don’t Give Up, Give In, with scripture from John and Matthew.

After church there was a dinner in honor of Rev. Lupe and Yadi Lopez for one year of being at the church.

Christmas in July was celebrated by the kick off of the shoe box mission. If you would like to donate money for the shipping of these boxes please leave money in the church office.

August birthdays: 2 Bob Hase, 10 Cathy Jackson Milan, 11 Helen Sitter, 15 Ron Cash, 19 Roger Plott, Evelyn Gillespie 26 Luciano Lopez, 29 Ron Hileman.

Aug. 8 at 1 p.m. will be the women’s Bible study.

8th Birthday

Miss Lexie Mayberry celebrated her 8th birthday Saturday with a party at her home.

Her parents are Robert and Amber Mayberry. She has three sisters and a brother.

Lexie celebrated with her family and friends by having lunch, then cake and ice cream.

Those present were her grandparents, Bobby



Jeremy Wheaton, Christa Myers, Randy Wheaton and the newest member Michael Dale Myers of the Wheaton family, and four generations.



Cathy Ziegler with her brother, Daryl McCoy, took a five-day trip to Nashville, Tenn., recently. The highlights of the trip were a visit to the Country Music Hall of Fame and a show at the Grand Ole Opry.



Welcome new booth inside Annabelle Market. Kelly Childress art glass and resin artist.

and Lorie Mayberry, Will Bracken, Nathan and Kae Bracken and children, as well as other family and friends.

Sunday after church she was surprised again. Her parents took her to Cracker Barrel in Cape Girardeau, her favorite restaurant. She received some nice gifts and said she had a good birthday.

Birthday Celebration
A special birthday celebration occurred in Anna on July 16.

Barbara Bauer’s birthday was July 17. Beth Bauer Hileman marked her day June 20.

Visiting in Anna were Lou Bauer, Chesterfield, Mo. (birthday July 22) and Tim Bauer, Cazenovia, Wis., whose birthday with his twin sister Beth, was June 20. Norm Bauer and Doug Hileman were honored for August birthdays.



Samantha Dawson celebrated her birthday July 15.



Lexie Mayberry celebrated her 8th birthday Saturday, July 15.



Stephen Burns celebrated his 64th birthday at Don Sol in Anna.



Congratulations to Natalie Cameron Hatfield, formerly of Anna, on her promotion partner to Harrison & Moberly Law Firm. Natalie brought valuable expertise and great passion to the firm. She is dually licensed in Illinois and Indiana and has 20 years of experience in and out of the courtroom. With this promotion, she will continue to work alongside the chair of the trust and estate department, where she serves clients in future estate planning and trust and estate administration.

Congratulations
To Joyce Plott for being presented a gift certificate at Anna First Baptist Church for inviting the most family members and guests in July who came to church.

State Retirees
Will meet July 25 at 9 a.m. at Shawnee Community College’s extension center in Anna.

Birthday Celebration
Carlene Tripp was honored for her birthday last Saturday with a dinner at Blue Boar given by her son Mark. Other guest was her daughter Julie.

On Sunday Julie fixed dinner for them. They enjoyed tacos and birthday cake. They sang “Happy Birthday” to Carlene.

She received phone calls and text messages from all five of her children, eight of her grandchildren and cards, messages and phone calls from many friends and other family members. She



Mary Camden celebrated her birthday on July 11.



Hilda Boyd celebrated her 87th birthday July 15.



This has been a special summer for the Ralls family from Anna-Jonesboro. Brothers Hayden and Hunter Ralls are getting to play together for the first time due to age difference for the Thrillbills.



Ruby Yates was selected MVP pitcher at the Elite 40 STL showcase tournament in Chesterfield, Mo., on July 16. She plays for the Kentucky Bombers Lightbody Lady Softball travel team from Paducah.

had a great birthday.

Anna VFW
Friday, July 21, from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., Peggy Jerrell will be at the VFW with her Star Karaoke. Public welcome.

Artist
Kelly Childress joined Annabelle Market last week with her booth. Kelly is a self-taught glass and resin artist residing in Missouri with her husband, four children and five grandchildren.

Kelly’s artwork is a mixture of broken glass and resin. She upcycles a lot of material from her

husband’s glass shop and incorporates them into her artwork. Anything from windshields, commercial doors and windows.

She loves scouring secondhand stores and antique stores for that perfect color of glass to add to a piece of art.

Kelly’s use of alcohol ink, mica powder and acrylic paints in her resin allow her to create depth and dimension in her pieces. Creating movement and atmospheric imagery.

Her upcycling of materials is a way of taking something broken and turn-

ing it into a beautiful piece of artwork for everyone to enjoy.

Red Hat Ladies
Little Egypt Red Hat Ladies: put on your calendar Wednesday, Aug. 16, at 11. We will be joining our Queen Mom Joan Graves Edwards for dinner at Jonesboro Health Care.

Please let Martha Ann Webb know if you will be attending so I can let them know how many meals to prepare.

We will be celebrating an early birthday party for Joan. Her birthday is Sept. 3. Bring her a gift

if you wish of something she could use at Jonesboro Health Care during her stay.

Bring a gift for the gift exchange if you would like to receive a gift.

Hosts will be Martha Ann Webb, Shirley Page and Stephen Burns.

47th Birthday
Kevin Wayne Williams celebrated his 47th birthday July 15. A special happy birthday from his family and friends.

Anna Moose Lodge
July 22 fish dinner from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. July 31 Back to School Bingo 6 p.m.

Television Listings

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local	Local Programs	X Games	Bang (HD)	“Fast and Furious: Tokyo Drift” (‘06) (HD)	Miraculous	“Black Adam” (‘22)	“Fast Food Nation”	“The Rainmaker”
7 PM :30	Generation Gap (HD)	Young Ghosts	Alert (HD)	Law & Order (HD)	World of X Games	Bang (HD)		Hailey’s	★★★ “Evil Dead Rise” (‘23, Horror)	★★½ “Divergent” (‘14)	★★★ “Stillwater” (‘21, Crime) Matt Damon. (R) (HD)
8 PM :30	The Chase (HD)	(‘01) So Help Me Todd	Stars on Mars (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Superstar Racing Experience (Live)	Bang (HD)	(‘05) ★★★ “Fast Five” (‘11, Action) Vin Diesel. (PG-13) (HD)	BUNK’D	Righteous		
9 PM :30	Press Your Luck (HD)	CSI: Vegas “Kokala”	2023 FIFA Women’s World Cup Canada vs Nigeria (Live)	Organized Crime (HD)		Bang (HD)		Big City	“Reality” (‘23) Sydney Sweeney.	(‘20) “Insurgent” (‘15)	ALL ACCESS
10 PM :30	Local	Local		Local	SportsCenter (Live)	NFL		Hamster & Moon Girl		Shailene Woodley. (HD)	ALL ACCESS
11 PM :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(‘35) Late Show (HD)		(‘35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (Live)			Saturdays	★★½ “Under the Silver Lake” (‘19)	(‘19) “Allegiant” (‘16)	Goliath (HD)
	Nightline	Corden	Local	Late Night		“Movie”	The Big D (HD)	Bluey			“Deadlock”

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	FIFA Women’s World Cup (Live)	Local Programs	ESPN Films (HD)	Young	“Fast Five” (‘11) (HD)	Miraculous	“Terrace” (‘25) ★★★★★	“Dear Evan Hansen”	★★★½ “The Aviator” (‘04, Drama) Leonardo DiCaprio. (PG-13) (HD)
7 PM :30	Will Trent	Tough as Nails (HD)	2023 FIFA Women’s World Cup Vietnam vs United States	To Be Announced		“Movie”	(‘55) ★★★ “Furious 7” (‘15, Action) Vin Diesel. (PG-13) (HD)	Villains	“Pulp Fiction” (‘94, Crime) John Travolta. (HD)	“Big Momma’s House” (‘00) (HD)	
8 PM :30	(‘01) 20/20 Investigative news. (HD)	Fire Country (HD)		Dateline NBC Investigative news.	World of X Games “Finals Day 1 from California” (Live)			Pretty		★★ “Big Momma’s House 2” (‘06)	“Devotion” (‘22, Action) Glen Powell. (PG-13) (HD)
9 PM :30		Blue Bloods (HD)				(‘05) “Movie”		Saturdays	Last Call (HD)		
10 PM :30	Local	Local	Tonight	Local			★★★ “Furious 7” (‘15, Action) Vin Diesel. (HD)	Miraculous	Righteous	“Mind of Charles Swan III” (‘13)	
11 PM :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(‘35) Late Show (HD)	Local	(‘35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (Live) (HD)			Miraculous	★★½ “Hotel Artemis” Jodie Foster.	“500 Days”	Goliath
	Nightline	Corden		Late Night		(‘59) “Movie”		Bluey			

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	MLB Baseball “Regional Coverage-Teams TBA” (Live) (HD)	Local Programs	The Ultimate Fighter	(4:02) “Movie”	NASCAR Xfinity (Live)	Raven Home	“Shazam! Fury” (‘23)	(‘13) “Predator” (‘87)	Billions
7 PM :30	Videos Reel comedy.	NCIS: L. A. “Of Value”		Law & Order (HD)	Premier Lacrosse League (Live)	Burgers	Post Race	“Movie”	★★½ “Immortals” (‘11, Fantasy) Henry Cavill.	“Old” (‘21) Thomasin McKenzie.	Billions (HD)
8 PM :30	Videos Reel comedy.	Blue Bloods (HD)		Weakest Link (HD)		Burgers	9-1-1 “Hen Begins”				“Emily” (‘23, Drama) Emma Mackey. (R) (HD)
9 PM :30	Videos Reel comedy.	48 Hours (HD)	Local Programs	Password (HD)	Top Rank Boxing on ESPN (Live)	Burgers	9-1-1 “Merry Ex-Mas”	Saturdays	Righteous	(‘50) ★★★★★ “Anna” (‘19, Action) Sasha Luss. (HD)	ALL ACCESS
10 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs Local info.	Special (HD)	Local		“Movie”	9-1-1 Meet parents.	Moon Girl	(‘35) “Knocked Up” (‘07) Seth Rogen. (R) (HD)		ALL ACCESS
11 PM :30	Local Programs		Local Programs	Local Saturday Night Live (HD)	SportsCenter (Live)		9-1-1 (HD)	The Ghost		“The Man from U.N.C.L.E.” (‘15)	ALL ACCESS
							9-1-1 (HD)	Bluey	“Kingsman”		(‘15) ★★½ “Bandit” (‘22)

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Home Videos (HD)	60 Minutes (HD)	Ramsay’s Food Stars	Ninja Warrior (HD)	MLB Baseball New York Mets at Boston Red Sox (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD)	SVU (HD)	Big City	★★½ “Immortals” (‘11, Fantasy) Henry Cavill.	“Fast Food Nation”	The Chi
7 PM :30	The Prank Panel (HD)	Tough as Nails (HD)	Simpsons	Ninja Warrior (HD)		Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Big City		“Life of Crime” Jennifer Aniston. (HD)	“Funchroom”
8 PM :30	Family Feud (HD)	The Equalizer (HD)	HouseBrok.	America’s Got Talent “Auditions 6” (HD)		Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Raven Home			The Chi “Lackin” (HD)
9 PM :30	The Pyramid (HD)	NCIS: L. A. (HD)	Local Programs		SportsCenter (Live)	The Cube (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Kiff	Last Call (HD)	“Horrible Bosses 2” (‘14) Jason Bateman. (R)	The Chi Absolution.
10 PM :30	Local Programs Local info.	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local Programs Local info.	SportsCenter (Live) (HD)	“Horrible Bosses” (‘11) Jason Bateman. (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Kiff	Righteous	(‘45) Righteous Gems	Goliath (HD)
11 PM :30		Local Programs	Local Programs		Sports		Law & Order: SVU (HD)	Big City	Last Call (HD)	“Gangs of New York” Leonardo DiCaprio.	
								Bluey		“Danny Collins” Melissa Benoist.	“Basic Instinct” (‘92) Michael Douglas. (HD)
								Bluey	Righteous		

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local	Local Programs	ESPN Films (HD)	Bang (HD)	Chicago Fire (HD)	Miraculous	★★½ “Barbershop 2: Back in Business” (‘04)	★½ “Big Momma” (‘00)	“1917”
7 PM :30	Claim To Fame (HD)	Neighbor. Bob Hearts	Stars on Mars (HD)	Ninja Warrior (HD)		Bang (HD)	WWE Monday Night Raw (Live) (HD)	“Movie”		“The New Guy” (‘02) DJ Qualls. (HD)	“Devotion” (‘22, Action) Glen Powell. (PG-13) (HD)
8 PM :30	The Bachelorette (HD)	NCIS “In the” (HD)	Crime Scene Kitchen	The Wall (HD)	ESPN Films (HD)	Bang (HD)			The Golden Boy		
9 PM :30		NCIS: Hawai’i (HD)	Local Programs Local info.	Weakest Link (HD)		Bang (HD)		Big City	(‘20) Righteous Gems	“Hot Tub Time Machine” (‘10) (R)	Why Women Kill (HD)
10 PM :30	Local	Local		Local	SportsCenter (Live)	Dad (HD)	Temptation Island	Moon Girl	(‘05) Last Call (HD)	“Little Miss Sunshine” (‘06) Greg Kinnear.	Goliath (HD)
11 PM :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(‘35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(‘35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (Live)	Dad (HD)	The Big D (HD)	Saturdays	“Milk” Sean Penn. (R)		ALL ACCESS
	Nightline	Corden		Late Night		Dad (HD)		Bluey			ALL ACCESS

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(‘00) Local Programs	Local Programs	WNBA Basketball Las Vegas vs Chicago (HD)	MLB Baseball New York Mets at New York Yankees (Live) (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Kiff	(‘15) “See How They Run” (‘22) Adrian Brody.	(‘10) “Old” (‘21) (HD)	(‘15) ★★★ “The DUFF”
7 PM :30	Celebrity Wheel of	FBI “Double Blind”	Beat Shazam (HD)	America’s Got Talent “Simon’s Most” (HD)			WWE NXT (Live) (HD)	“Movie”		“Eagle Eye” (‘08, Thriller) Shia LaBeouf. (HD)	“Fatal Attraction” (‘87) Michael Douglas. (HD)
8 PM :30	Jeopardy! Masters	FBI: International	Don’t (HD)		The Ultimate Fighter			Miraculous	The Golden Boy		
9 PM :30	Jeopardy! Masters	FBI: Most Wanted	Local Programs Local info.	Hot Wheels: Ultimate	The Ultimate Fighter	Post-Game	(‘08) ★★★ “Death Wish” (‘18, Crime) Bruce Willis. (R) (HD)	Moon Girl	(‘20) Righteous Gems	(‘58) “Lord of War” (‘05, Crime) Nicolas Cage.	“Basic Instinct” (‘92) Michael Douglas. (HD)
10 PM :30	Local	Local		Local	SportsCenter (Live)	Young		Villains	(‘05) “Knocked Up” (‘07) Seth Rogen. (R) (HD)		
11 PM :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(‘35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(‘35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (Live)	Young		Bluey		“Anna” Sasha Luss.	
	Nightline	Corden		Late Night		Young	(‘32) SVU	Bluey			

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	FIFA Women’s World Cup (Live)	Local Programs	MLB Baseball (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Kiff	(‘54) ★★★★★ “Avatar: The Way of Water” (‘22) Joel David Moore.	“Fire in the Sky” (‘93)	★★★ “Boy Scout” (‘91)
7 PM :30	Judge Steve Harvey	60 Minutes (HD)		LA Fire & Rescue		Bang (HD)		Kiff			ALL ACCESS
8 PM :30	The Wonder Elementary	Big Brother: 25th (HD)	2023 FIFA Women’s World Cup Netherlands vs United States	Chicago Fire (HD)		All Elite Wrestling: Dynamite	Law & Order: SVU	Big City		★★ “The Wash” (‘01) Dr. Dre. (HD)	ALL ACCESS
9 PM :30	Pyramid Kal Penn.	CSI: Vegas (HD)		Chicago P.D. (HD)	SportsCenter (Live)	The Cube (HD)		Miraculous	To Be Announced (HD)	“Mind of Charles Swan III” (‘13)	★★★ “Hostage” (‘05, Thriller) Bruce Willis. (HD)
10 PM :30	Local	Local	Tonight	Local	SportsCenter (Live)	Young	(‘02) Love Island (HD)	Moon Girl	Raven Home	“Horrible Bosses 2” (‘14) Jason Bateman. (R)	★★★ “Pearl” (‘22) Mia Goth. (R) (HD)
11 PM :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(‘35) Late Show (HD)	Local	(‘35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (Live)	Young		Bluey	“Election” Reese Witherspoon.		“Black Rock”
	Nightline	Corden		Late Night		Young		Bluey			

Union County project slated

IDOT unveils six-year, \$41 billion plan for infrastructure projects

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SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Department of Transportation unveiled a plan on Friday, July 7, for spending nearly \$41 billion in federal, state and local funds over the next six years to repair and upgrade roads, bridges, airports, rail lines and other infrastructure throughout the state.

The latest version of the plan, which IDOT updates annually, is the largest mul-

tiyear plan in state history. It’s driven by the state’s 2019 Rebuild Illinois capital infrastructure program.

The initial six-year Rebuild Illinois plan included \$33.2 billion for transportation, funded largely by annualized increases to the state’s motor fuel tax and increases to driving-related licensing fees that took effect in 2020.

“Over the next six years, we’re investing over \$40 billion to improve all modes of transportation across our great state,” Gov. JB Pritzker said at a news conference in

Springfield.

“And that means better roads and bridges, modernized transit and aviation, and expanded and faster passenger rail service. It even extends to improved river ports, new sewers and water infrastructure and a huge upgrade to bicycle and pedestrian accommodations.”

More than half of the plan, \$27 billion, will go toward road and bridge projects, including \$4.6 billion in the current fiscal year.

That will fund repair and reconstruction of 2,866 miles of roadway and 9.8 million square feet of bridge deck on the state highway system, along with another 738 miles of roadway and 1.1 million square feet of bridge deck in systems maintained by local governments.

The project list includes \$611.5 million for reconstruction and improvements to portions of Interstate 90 in Cook County that will include improving safety and access to O’Hare International Airport in Chicago.

The plan also calls for

spending \$135.1 million to expand portions of U.S. Highway 24 to four lanes in Peoria and Fulton counties; \$156 million to replace a bridge over the Mississippi River in Quincy; and \$116 million to replace a bridge over the Ohio River at Cairo.

The multiyear plan also earmarks \$13.96 billion for other modes of transportation, including \$9.85 billion for transit systems, \$2.67 billion for freight and passenger rail, \$1.25 billion for aviation projects and \$190 million for ports and waterways.

Among the intermodal projects in the plan are \$100 million for safety and reliability improvements on Amtrak’s Saluki service between Chicago and Carbondale and runway improvements at municipal airports in Litchfield and Pontiac.

Transportation Secretary Omer Osman said the \$41 billion six-year plan represents a 10 percent increase over the previous multiyear plan, and the money earmarked for the current fiscal year represents a 25 percent

increase over the previous fiscal year.

“But that is due in large part to the engineering and planning effort in the early years of capital program (which) is starting to result in more construction activity on work on the street,” he said.

Pritzker and other officials at the news conference emphasized that the Rebuild Illinois program is meant to do more than improve safety and efficiency in transportation. The program is also supporting thousands of high-paying jobs in construction, engineering and other fields.

“This is more than just new rail. This is more than a runway at an airport,” said Illinois AFL-CIO President Tim Drea. “This is about opportunities. We can see all those physical infrastructure improvements, but what we don’t really see is the opportunities that this program creates for a diverse workforce with high wages, middle class wages, health care, and retirement security.”

Through four years of the

Rebuild Illinois program, IDOT has completed \$12.1 billion of improvements statewide, including 5,339 miles of highway, 533 bridges, and 762 other safety improvements.

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In addition to the Ohio River bridge project at Cairo, area projects posted on the IDOT website included:

\$10.5 million for reconstruction of 1.4 miles of highway from Illinois Route 127 to old U.S. Route 51 in Anna.

\$50 million for bridge painting and bridge deck overlay for the Mississippi River bridge at Cairo.

Lawyer in Library programs set at Stinson

Stinson Memorial Public Library is planning to host upcoming Lawyer in the Library programs.

Programs are scheduled from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the following Saturdays: July 22, Aug. 26 and Sept. 23. The library is located at 409 S. Main St. in Anna.

The Lawyer in the Library program offers an opportunity for self-represented litigants to sit down with attorney Gene Turk for a private, one-on-one, 20-minute question and answer session about their legal situation.

There is no fee but pre-registration is required. Those who want to participate are asked to bring any paperwork pertaining to their legal question or situation, if applicable.

For more information about the program or to preregister, call library director Sarah Watkins or any staff member at the Stinson Memorial Public Library at 833-2521.

Organizers of the Lawyer in the Library program voiced their appreciation to the following individ-

uals:

First Judicial Circuit Chief Judge William J. Thurston and Union County Presiding Judge Timothy D. Denny for their support of the program.

Attorney Gene Turk for his local coordination of the service to the community and offering services without fees.

Library director Sarah Watkins for her support of this program which aims to help patrons with legal issues.

Daniel Droge and additional library staff members for their help in making the program run smoothly and successfully.

The Lawyer in the Library program was initially launched with a Self-Represented Litigant Coordinator Grant through Access to Justice Division, Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts, Brenda Sprague, Coordinator, Office of the Chief Judge, First Judicial Circuit.

The program continues with attorney Gene Turk volunteering his services to coordinate with the library.

New biography tells story of Glenn Poshard’s life

A biography that tells the Glenn Poshard story from growing up in rural poverty to leadership in a foundation dedicated to abused children is now available from the SIU Press, from most online retailers and select bookstores.

The book is available in three formats: ebook, paperback and cloth cover.

Written by journalist Carl Walworth with Poshard’s participation, “Son of Southern Illinois: Glenn Poshard’s Life in Politics and Education” covers numerous issues in Poshard’s

Sun-up hike, campfire event set at Giant City

A sun-up hike and a campfire program are scheduled at Giant City State Park near Makanda.

The programs are free. Registration is required. To register, or for more information, call 618-457-4836.

Sun-Up Hike: A sun-up hike is scheduled from 6:30 a.m. to 8 a.m. on Friday, July 21, at the park.

The park naturalist will lead the hikes on one of the eight trails at the park.

Trail length will vary from 1 to 3 miles. The hikes will be moderately difficult, with some steep stair climbing.

Campfire Program: A campfire program is planned from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Friday, July 21, at the park.

Campfire program veteran “Short Face Bear” will offer interactive activities, music and stories.

life that are relevant in 2023.

A partial list includes money in politics, faith in politics, mental health, rural/urban relationships, public service, higher education affordability, bipartisanship, the 1998 gubernatorial race and regional leadership.

Poshard served more than four and a half years as a state senator and 10 years in Congress. He was the Democratic nominee for Illinois governor in 1998.

He returned to his alma mater as vice chancellor for administration at SIU-Carbondale. In 2004 he was appointed to the SIU Board of Trustees and then was appointed president of the SIU system in 2005, serving until 2014.

Back to School Bingo Bash set at Anna Moose

The Anna Moose Lodge is planning to host a Back to School Bingo Bash event on Monday, July 31.

The evening begins with a light meal at 5:30 p.m. Bingo is set to start at 6 p.m. The Moose Lodge is located along South Main Street in downtown Anna.

Bingo players will have a chance to win a backpack full of school supplies.

All of the students who attend the event will receive a gift bag of supplies.

The Moose Lodge noted that parents and loved ones are encouraged to attend, to take part in the meal and to assist students with their bingo skills.

What Is The Value Of A Community Newspaper?

What is the value of a community newspaper?

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The publication of obituaries, birth announcements, weddings and other significant events in our lives remind us of poet John Donne's words, "no man is an island."

Community newspapers alert members of the community to problems needing attention.

The community newspaper facilitates the exchange of ideas and opinions through its editorial page and letters to the editor.

There are so many things of value community newspapers provide: the recording of local history and helping to maintain a healthy local economy through effective advertising for local businesses are just a few areas of value.

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Opinion and Commentary

Politics playing role in where people choose to live

By Pete Rosenbery
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CARBONDALE – Decisions on moving to another state used to be based on the prospects of a better job, retirement or family. But a fairly new component...politics... is also becoming a factor, according to political experts at Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

John Shaw, director of the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute, notes “persuasive research” that shows that many Americans “are attracted to states in which state laws on issues such as abortion and guns reflect their values and preferences.”

Kenneth Mulligan, associate professor of political science, notes academic research confirming Americans “are sorting themselves out politically, including where they choose to live.”

And John Jackson, a visiting professor with the Paul Simon Institute, says choosing where to live based on politics, which is highlighted in a recent Associated Press report, is another sign of the nation’s polarization. “This trend will only be abated when we vote for leaders who will stress the crucial importance of what unites us as a nation.”

Shaw notes that it was less than 20 years ago when then-Illinois state senator and future President Barack Obama spoke at the 2004 Democratic National Convention in Boston “with a riveting speech that proclaimed, ‘There is not a liberal America and a conservative America, there is a United States of America.’

“Historians and political analysts will debate if Obama’s assessment of America in 2004 was accurate, but his words do not seem to capture the reality of the United States in 2023. Persuasive research shows that on average Democrats and Republicans are further apart ideologically now than at any time in the last half century. And many Americans are moving to communities in which they feel more politically and culturally comfortable. They are attracted to states in which state laws on issues such as abortion and guns reflect their values and preferences.

“This broad trend is relevant to Illinois which has become...and is nationally known as...a solidly blue state with public policies that reflect this political reality.”

Mulligan notes academic research confirming Americans “are sorting themselves out politically, including where they choose to live.

“Potential advantages include enjoying a community where your neighbors and the laws reflect your values while also avoiding the aggravation of having to tolerate people and laws you might think are unconscionable. Voting with your feet is a time-honored reflection of American freedom and democracy.

“Potential disadvantages to geographic political sorting include groupthink leading to a spiral of even greater polarization and negative stereotyping of political opponents, incivility and perhaps in the extreme, if it were to continue over the long term, civil war.”

Jackson said people moving “because of the culture wars is a somewhat new trend.” The weather “was the original creator of the movement to the Sun Belt, after air conditioning was invented” along with jobs, career opportunities and taxes.

“The culture wars will become another driver for the polarization which besets us, and it will add to the divide,” Jackson said. “This trend will only be abated when we vote for leaders who will stress the crucial importance of what unites us as a nation. The flag waving and patriotic rhetoric of the Fourth of July stresses that message of unification. It should not be a narrative that fades with the fireworks.”

Safety, hate crime issues addressed at training event

As part of a U.S. Department of Justice initiative, U.S. Attorney Rachelle Aud Crowe and FBI Springfield Special Agent in Charge David Nanz recently hosted a safety and hate crime educational training for local religious leaders and security personnel at the FBI Fairview Heights resident office.

“By educating the public through the United Against Hate initiative, the U.S. Attorney’s Office is working to give individuals the resources to report acts motivated by hate when witnessed, so we have the ability to prosecute offenders of federal law,” Aud Crowe said in a news release.

To offer education to religious officials about protecting their houses of worship, FBI agents and assistant U.S. attorneys led training for participants from Belleville, Cahokia, Shiloh, O’Fallon and surrounding communities.

The training highlighted the distinguishing factors between hate crimes versus hate incidents and protected speech under the First Amendment versus speech that advocates violence or encourages people to commit hate crimes.

Those in attendance received resources on how to report suspected hate crimes to the proper investigative authorities. The FBI also provided active shooter training through its Protect Houses of Worship initiative.

To expand education to students, the U.S. Attorney’s Office is accepting requests to bring the United Against Hate presentation to school districts throughout the Southern District of Illinois. For more information and to request an event, visit www.justice.gov/usao-sdil/united-against-hate.

Please read this...

By Geof Skinner

Too much time in the summer heat, humidity...



A dragonfly found a place to stop at the tip of a plant at the Lincoln Memorial Picnic Grounds in Jonesboro. The plant did not budge at all when the dragonfly landed.

Rain has been a rather scarce commodity in recent weeks in our little corner of the world.* I suppose that’s why I went ahead and went for a walk in the rain last Friday evening.

Actually, it wasn’t so much rain as it was a bit of a steady sprinkle of water from the sky above. The sprinkles continued for the course of my relatively short walk.

And it wasn’t the rain that made the walk short. It was the somewhat stifling combination of heat and humidity. The thermometer on our front porch showed that the temperature at the time I went on my walk was 79 degrees. The humidity was 80 percent.

With a little bit of creativity and an imagination impacted by the lovely Southern Illinois summer weather, I determined that the make believe “heat index” on our porch was 159 degrees. My heat index formula was quite simple: just add the temperature and the humidity. 159. I think. I am not very good with numbers. That is why The Other Half does the checkbook.

Carrying my make believe “heat index” one ridiculous step further, I determined, in my own simple little journalist’s mind, that the number I came up was 23 “dog degrees.”

I am guessing that my overheated imagination had been fueled by another relatively short walk which I took a little over 24 hours earlier at one of my favorite places...the Lincoln Memorial Picnic Grounds in Jonesboro.

Arts center’s ‘The Long Hot September’ was a hit

Note: The following article was shared by Norma Lee Hackney, the director of “The Long Hot September.”

The play, “The Long Hot September,” was a hit. Vincent Rhomberg’s “The Long Hot September” illustrated what life might be like if we chose pleasure over mundane routines.

It’s pure, lighthearted merriment with tried and true laughs built around one liners, puns and sequiturs in a story about a recalcitrant widow who finds herself the object of small-town gossip when she accepts an invitation to take a day trip with her dead sister’s husband in this romantic comedy about reawaking to life.

The Shawnee Hills Arts Council production that opened Friday, July 14, featured a top-notch cast and stage crew. Each character got a turn in the spotlight.

Beverly Bain as Mary, the self-sufficient but insecure widow that resigned herself to the safety of her porch, provided a steady anchor for the ensuing hilarity from the moment the show opened.

The pacing and comic delivery was spot-on, as Patty Cohen filled her niche to perfection as Veera Simmons. She played the younger single women that did her best to be a belle femme with energy and verve.

Ethan Dillman, as Boonie McLeod, executed an endearing Mr. Fix-Man of the town. His appealing good manners, shyness, and unusual nutritional tips kept the audience amused.



Arts center presents ‘The Long Hot September’

The Shawnee Hills Arts Council’s Anna Arts Center presented “The Long Hot September,” a two-act comedy written by Vincent Rhomberg and directed by Norma Lee Hackney. The play ran at the Anna Arts Center July 14-16. Performers on stage during a scene from Sunday afternoon’s performance included, from left, Ethan Dillman as Boonie McLeod, Patty Cohen as Veera Simmons, Leo Driscoll as Joe Geyser and Beverly Bain as Mary. The cast also included Nancy Kucera as Elizabeth Gabby. Photo by Benjamin Marxer.