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Notes

Items of interest from throughout the Union County area

Friday, Dec. 7, is Pearl Harbor Day.

Union County continues to close in on a total of 5 feet of precipitation for the year. The total through the end of November was 58.58 inches of rain.

As the paper was being put together Tuesday afternoon, light snow was falling in Anna.

In the “the forecast probably has changed by now” category, the National Weather Service office in Paducah reported on Tuesday morning that “periods of snow are forecast mainly over the southern half of the region Friday evening through Sunday evening. At this time, there remains considerable forecast uncertainty, making it difficult to speculate on any accumulations and impacts.”

The PAST organization of Union County and the Jonesboro Bicentennial Committee have donated several history books to the Jonesboro Library.

A Blue Christmas service is set for 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 21, at the welcome center at the Cross of Peace welcome center on Bald Knob Mountain near Alto Pass. The service is for people who may be experiencing difficult times during the holiday season.

Hepp Chiropractic in Anna is hosting a food drive through Dec. 21. Donated items will help to support the food pantry at Bethany Village in Anna.

Union County Country Financial representatives and the Union County Farm Bureau are planning to host a midday fried chicken lunch during a holiday open house event which is planned Monday, Dec. 10. Clients and members are invited to the event, which will be at the Union County Farm Bureau building in Jonesboro.

November: cold; autumn 'far from normal'

November was a cold month...and the region pretty much skipped autumn, the National Weather Service office in Paducah has reported.

November Weather

The weather service reported that Southern Illinois, Southeast Missouri and Western Kentucky experienced well below

normal temperatures during November.

Temperatures were around 6 degrees below normal.

All but nine days had below normal temperatures in Paducah, where it was the coldest November since 2014.

Measurable snow fell on three straight days, from Nov. 13 through Nov. 15. A

total of 2.3 inches fell.

On average, the first measurable snow doesn't occur until Dec. 22 in Paducah.

Warmer weather was experienced in the region during the Thanksgiving holiday weekend.

Precipitation was varied across the region. Most of Southeast Missouri into Southern Illinois was drier than normal.

Most of the region did experience a much earlier than normal snowfall, with amounts from the Nov. 14-15 event as high as 3 to almost 5 inches in portions of Southern Illinois.

In Union County, the high temperature for November was 66 degrees, which was recorded on Nov. 6. Precipitation for the month totalled 3.64 inches.

On Nov. 14, 2 1/2 inches of snow fell.

The weather service reported the following highlights for November's weather in Paducah and Cape Girardeau:

November in Paducah

Seventh coldest November on record. Third snowiest November on record, behind 2014 and 1958.

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Weather

High 67, low 14

Temperatures ranged from a high of 67 degrees to a low of 14 during the period of Nov. 27 through Dec. 3 in Union County.

Precipitation included .01 of an inch of rain on Nov. 29, .34 of an inch on Nov. 30 and .69 of an inch on Dec. 1.

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

	H	L
Tuesday, Nov. 27	33	16
Wednesday, Nov. 28	35	14
Thursday, Nov. 29	55	34
Friday, Nov. 30	58	46
Saturday, Dec. 1	67	58
Sunday, Dec. 2	58	43
Monday, Dec. 3	58	43

November Weather

The high temperature for the month of November was 66 degrees. The high was recorded on Nov. 6. The average high for the month was 49.

The low for the month was 14, which was recorded on Nov. 28. The average low was 31.

Precipitation for the month totalled 3.64 inches. The most rain in a 24-hour period was 1.37 inches, recorded on Nov. 1.

November's weather also featured 2 1/2 inches of snow. The snow was recorded on Nov. 14.

Precipitation for the year, through the end of November, totalled 58.58 inches.



Union County officials take oaths of office

Oaths of office were administered Monday morning, Dec. 3, to Union County government officials who were elected in November. The oaths were administered by Union County Presiding Judge Mark Boie. The ceremony took place Monday morning at the Union County Courthouse in Jonesboro. From left are Union County Commissioners Kent Pitts, Max Miller and David Gould; Judge Boie; Union County Sheriff Scott Harvel, Union County Clerk Lance Meisenheimer; and Union County Treasurer Leigh Burns.

Filing set for 2019 municipal elections

Filing is set to begin Monday, Dec. 10, for 2019 municipal elections in Union County.

Anna, Cobden and Jonesboro are among the communities where elections are slated. Elections are set for April 2, 2019.

Candidates can file nominating petitions from Dec. 10 through Dec. 17.

Anna

Voters will elect a mayor and four city commissioners in 2019.

Steve Hartline is the incumbent mayor.

Incumbent city commissioners are David Isom, Al Kamp and Martha Ann Webb.

Brandon Bierstedt, who had been serving on the council, resigned on Nov. 20.

Cobden

In Cobden, voters will elect three members to the village's board of trustees.

The incumbents whose terms will expire are Patrick

Brumleve, Alma Gomez and Elvis Pearson.

Jonesboro

In Jonesboro, voters will elect city council members to represent Ward 1, Ward 2 and Ward 3.

In Ward 1, Jimmy Watkins is the incumbent.

In Ward 2, Michael Hunter is the incumbent.

In Ward 3, Mike Stegle is the incumbent.

In related news, Lance Meisenheimer resigned

from his post as an alderman from Ward 2. He had two years remaining in his term.

Meisenheimer's resignation was effective Dec. 1. Meisenheimer was elected in November as Union County clerk. He took office on Dec. 3.

Jonesboro Mayor Ken Blandford was reported to be planning to appoint Steve Haldeman to fill the vacancy on Dec. 3.

Rural Health Inc. celebrates 40th anniversary

Friday, Nov. 30, was a banner day at Rural Health Inc. in Anna.

Rural Health celebrated 40 years of service to the people of the Southern Illinois area.

The landmark achievement was commemorated from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. last Friday at Rural Health's main clinic in Anna. The clinic is located behind

Union County Hospital in Anna.

The main clinic for Rural Health Inc. is located in Anna. Rural Health also has satellite clinics in Dongola, Goreville, Vienna and Metropolis.

Rural Health has five physicians, with a sixth on the way, and employs a total of 90 people.

In 2017, Rural Health

had 14,305 patients and recorded 69,351 patient encounters at all of its locations.

Rural Health has an 11-member board of directors, with representatives from throughout its service area.

Rural Health has a \$14 million budget. Numbers compiled by the Illinois Primary Health Care Associa-

tion show that the agency has an economic impact on the region in the range of \$22 million to \$25 million. Rural Health was incorporated on Nov. 29, 1978. The present Rural Health clinic site in Anna was completed in April 1992. The clinic has grown, and continues to grow.

“Our mission at Rural

Health is ‘to provide quality services to all patients in need of healthcare while being committed to the overall health and well-being of the underserved’,” Rural Health chief executive officer Cindy Flamm said during Friday's 40th anniversary celebration.

Ron Osman of Marion was the keynote speaker at Friday's special event. Osman is Rural Health's long-time attorney and served on the agency's board of directors.

Osman remembered the steps that were taken, and the challenges which were met, when Rural Health was born in the late 1970s.

He shared that Rural Health continues to provide life-saving care for thousands of people. Osman urged current employees and board members to continue to provide that special care.

“Every day...you're making a difference in somebody's life,” Osman said.

“You are saving lives. There can be no greater calling than saving lives,” he added.



Landmark achievement

Rural Health Inc. chief executive officer Cindy Flamm, standing at podium, addressed those who attended a 40th anniversary celebration Friday, Nov. 30. Seated next to Flamm is Ron Osman of Marion, who is Rural Health's long-time attorney and a former member of the agency's board.



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Filing set for county school board elections

By Benjamin Marxer

The 2019 school board of educations elections for Union County are scheduled for April 2, 2019.

The filing period for school board elections will run from Dec. 10 to Dec. 17.

Nominating petitions can be received and filed at the Union County clerk's office in Jonesboro.

School board positions are up for election in each of the seven Union County public school districts.

The following are the school board members whose terms are expiring in each district:

Anna-Jonesboro Community High School District No. 81: Board president John Hughey, vice president Lisa Boget, and board members Dee Blakeley and Brian Reach. Board member Doug Edwards was appointed, and so his two-year term will also be on the ballot.

Anna School District No. 37: Board president Grant

Capel and board members Craig Dillman, Dave Sullivan and Tina Waller.

Cobden School District No. 17: Vice president Lisa Tomazzoli and board members Gerald Britt and Tracie Moore.

Jonesboro School District No. 43: Board president Angela Bowen, board secretary R.W. McAlister and board member Jason Hill. Board member Casey Johnson was appointed, so his two-year term will also be on the ballot.

Lick Creek School District No. 16: Board president Blayne Holshouser, vice president Allen Plott, and board members Aaron Stover and Ronnie Thorn.

Shawnee School District No. 84: Vice president Trenton Colyer, board secretary Angie McMahan, and board members Tyler Davis and Jennifer Webb. Since Colyer, Davis and Webb were appointed in 2017, their seats will be included on the ballot as well.

Dongola School District No. 66: Board members Philip Miller, Mark Eddleman, Wayne Brown and Stephanie Theis.

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November, fall weather

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Record daily precipitation of 2.59 inches set on Nov. 1. Record daily precipitation of 1.18 inches set on Nov. 5.

Record daily snow of 0.4 of an inch set on Nov. 13. Record daily snow of 1.6 inches set on Nov. 14. Record daily snowfall of 0.3 of an inch set on Nov. 15.

November in Cape Girardeau

Third coldest November on record, behind 2014 and 1976.

Record cold high temperature of 37 degrees set on Nov. 10. Record cold high temperature of 38 set on Nov. 20.

Record daily snowfall of 0.1 of an inch set on Nov. 13.

Record low temperature of 19 tied on Nov. 27. Record low temperature of 18 tied on Nov. 28.

Fall Seasonal Summary

The weather service reported that temperatures in the region averaged near normal for the fall season, which was from Sept. 1 through Nov. 30.

The season was “far from normal,” the weather service noted.

Weather during September and into the first 10 days of October was a continuation of summer, with many record temperatures being established.

It was the warmest start to October on record, with highs well into the 80s and lower 90s.

“We flipped the switch abruptly, and for the most part, the rest of the fall season experienced below normal temperatures,” the weather service reported.

Stretches of near record cold temperatures were experienced in the middle of October and during November.

“Typical highs in the 60s and 70s just weren’t there this year; we experience about 43 to 44 days like this in a typical fall season. This year, we only experienced 31 days with high temperatures in the 60s or 70s (and) 30 days in Cape Girardeau.”

The majority of the region experienced a wetter than normal fall. Most locations east of the Mississippi River finished 2 to 6 inches above the seasonal normal, with a few locations even wetter than that.

Most of the region doesn’t typically experience measurable snow in the fall season, but it happened this year, with a system spreading wintry precipitation across the region Nov. 14 and Nov. 15.

Carbondale man pleads guilty to making false bomb threat

George Rita II, 42, of Carbondale, pleaded guilty on Nov. 20 to making a false threat to blow up a military recruiting center in Carbondale.

The plea was reported in a news release issued by the U.S. Department of Justice’s U.S. Attorney’s Office for the Southern District of Illinois.

Rita had been named in a one-count indictment returned on July 11, charging him with intentionally conveying false information about a bomb threat, which is a federal offense.

According to the indictment, on June 28, Rita sent a threatening anonymous message to an FBI tip line in Clarksburg, W. Va., claiming that he was heading to a recruitment center to blow it up and that no one could stop him.

Although no location was originally given for the threatened recruitment center, the FBI was able to determine that the message had come from Southern Illinois and ultimately tracked the source of the message to an IP address assigned to Rita’s apartment, which is in close proximity to the U.S. Army Recruiting Office in Carbondale.

During his plea hearing, the defendant admitted sending the threatening message and confirmed the information discovered during the FBI’s rapid response and investigation.

Sentencing is scheduled for Dec. 27. Rita, who is currently being held without bond, faces up to five years imprisonment, three years of supervised release, and a maximum fine of \$250,000.

Information leading to the charges against Rita was obtained in an investigation conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, with assistance from the Carbondale Police Department and the United States



Award presented

James Osberg of the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve presented Choate Mental Health and Developmental Center facility director Brian Davis with the Patriot Award. Davis was nominated for the award by his employee 1st Lt. Dolton Yunker for fostering “a friendly working environment that welcomes all veterans.” Photo by Benjamin Marxer.

Choate facility director honored for support of Guard, Reserve

By Benjamin Marxer

Brian Davis, facility director for the Choate Mental Health and Developmental Center in Anna, has been presented with a Patriot Award from the U.S. Department of Defense and the National Committee for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve.

The award was presented to Davis at a special ceremony held in the Choate training center on Friday, Nov. 30.

The Patriot Award is given to employers for, according to the certificate, “contributing to national security and protecting liberty and freedom in supporting employee participation in America’s National Guard and Reserve Force.”

Davis was nominated for the award by 1st Lt. Dolton Yunker, an employee of Choate, and a lieutenant in the ROTC.

In his application nominating Davis for the reward, Yunker wrote of his employer, “my supervisor goes above and beyond to accommodate my leaves of absence in military necessity. Brian not only demonstrates a proactive interest in my military duties and obligations, but he continually fosters a friendly working environment that welcomes all veterans.”

Employer outreach representative of the ESGR James Osberg was on hand to present the award to Davis.

Osberg says the ESGR’s mission is to “promote a culture in which all American employers support and value the military service of their employees.”

Members of the military who want to nominate their employer for a Patriot Award can find more information at www.esgr.mil.

Wednesday day of mourning for Mr. Bush

Wednesday, Dec. 5, was declared as a national day of mourning for President George H.W. Bush. Mr. Bush died on Nov. 30.

The day of mourning was declared by President Donald Trump.

Mr. Bush served as the 41st president of the United States from 1989 to 1993.

He served as vice president of the United States from 1981 to 1989. Mr. Bush was a veteran.

Federal offices, including post offices, were scheduled to be closed on Wednesday.

The Illinois Department of Central Management Services also reported that notice had been received that flags are to be flown at half-staff in honor of President Bush until sunset on Sunday, Dec. 30.

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A-JCHS School Board highlights student activities, confirms coaches

By Benjamin Marxer
The November meeting of the Anna-Jonesboro Community High School School District No. 81 Board of Education focused on student activities and coaching staff positions. The meeting was held Nov. 19 at A-JCHS.

Student council members Ashley Detering and Jaycee Woodward reported on upcoming council events. As part of its “Pay it Forward” program, the student council will buy and wrap presents for 15 children for the holiday season.

The student council also plans to implement a “Dude, Be Nice” campaign, which will encourage students to consider their actions and the effects they can have on others as part of an effort to promote a positive school culture.

In October, the varsity Scholar Bowl team taped two episodes of Scholastic H-Q, a televised quiz show produced by WSIU. The first episode aired on Nov. 11 and the second is scheduled to run on Feb. 3.

Teacher Julie Lewis wrote and received a \$100 grant from the PAST organization which will be used for fuel for a bus ride to Springfield her seniors will take to visit the Abraham Lincoln museum and tomb in December.

The culinary arts class donated homemade cinnamon rolls to the Veterans

Day program at Lincoln School.

The National Honor Society donated \$220 to the WIBH New Coats New Hopes Campaign. Money was raised through community donations made during Halloween fund-raising and also from a donation made by the A-JCHS Art Club.

NHS members also collected coats, hats and gloves to be donated to the campaign at the end of the month.

An American Red Cross blood drive organized by A-J teacher Hannah Maze and held on Oct. 31 collected 82 units for the day, exceeding the goal of 72. The next A-J blood drive is scheduled for Feb. 20, 2019.

Fifty-three students have auditioned for this spring’s musical “The Little Mermaid.” Rehearsals were set to begin in December.

A number of A-J students won awards at the Anna Arts Center’s annual art competition.

Honorable mentions were won by Jacy Hargrave, Breanna Jones, Chloe Gamber and Kam Hancock.

Third place honors were won by John Bird, Kristen Brimm and Grace Dollus.

Second place awards went to Chloe Gamber, Beth Anne Agne, Angel Helm and Grace Dollus.

First place awards were won by Katie Jo Kirk, John Bird, Savannah Edwards,

Trinity Sweet and Madison Johnston.

The A-J concert choir was selected to record its performance for the “Sounds of the Season” on Nov. 29. The program will be broadcast on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day on WSIL.

The concert choir also planned to perform for a Retired Teachers Association luncheon on Dec. 1 and has plans to sing carols for local residents and business throughout December.

The A-J pep band will be performing during varsity basketball games on Dec. 7, 8 and 18. The A-J Music Department will hold its winter concert on Dec. 11 at 7 p.m.

The board voted on and approved the appointments of a number of coaches for A-J sports teams.

Aaron Roberts and Thomas Corbit were approved as coaches of the baseball team.

Joel Dallas, Nathan Guined and Brandon Craig were also approved as volunteer baseball coaches pending certification and background checks.

A motion to appoint Rodney Seip and Jason Sadler as softball coaches was also approved, as was a motion to approve Eric Osman as a volunteer softball coach pending certification and background check.

Michael Eudy, Kyle Kueker and Mike Chamness were approved by the board to be the coaches of the A-J track team. Matt Denny was approved as a volunteer coach pending certification and background check.

John Basler was approved as the assistant girls basketball coach.

A motion to approve the appropriation of an awning for the superintendent’s office was approved.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the board is planned on Dec. 17 at 6 p.m.



Festival queen, king
Jonesboro School crowned a queen and king at its recent fall festival. The queen is Jenna Sadler. The king is Dawson Trammel. Emery Wheeler was flower girl. Collin Staples was crown bearer. Photo provided.

Donating to food drives gives back to community

Giving to a food drive is an easy way to give back to your community. There are a few key tips to consider when donating to a food drive.

“The number one rule of donating food,” according to Carol Erickson, SNAP ed educator for University of Illinois Extension, “only donate the food you would serve your family. It is tempting to clean out the pantry and donate food that has been in there for a while. No matter what your income is, everyone wants safe and healthy food.”

Erickson recommends taking a closer look at the food that you give away.

Shelf stable foods like cereal, mixes, peanut butter, and canned fruits and vegetables have dates that warn the consumer when they are best “used by.”

These foods are still safe after the date but the quality and flavor decreases.

Only donate food that is within a close proximity of the “used by” dates.

The exception to this rule is baby formula. It is not safe to donate baby formula that has exceeded this used by date.

Expiration dates are put on baking ingredients like yeast, baking powder, and cake mixes.

Again, this is not a safety issue but a quality issue. Do not donate foods that are past their expiration date.

Another food safety term that is often used is “sell by” or pull dates. They are used on perishable items like milk and cheese: foods not appropriate for a food drive.

Even if your food is within safe dates, take a close look at the packaging.

If a box is damaged or open, please throw it away. Do the same with dented or rusty cans.

After major food drives, food pantries spend time and money to dispose of damaged and contaminated food. Remember the rule: if you won’t eat it, don’t give it away.

Individuals and families who seek assistance for food want healthy options. More food pantries are trying to offer foods with reduced sugar and salt for individuals with special dietary needs.

If you have family members who have special dietary needs, consider purchasing additional food items that you can donate.

As you consider what food to donate, think about the different food groups represented in MyPlate: fruit, vegetables, grains, protein, and dairy.

Here are some healthy options for each food group:

Fruit: unsweetened applesauce, canned fruit in water/light syrup/100 percent juice, dried fruit, fruit pouches and 100 percent fruit juice.

Vegetables: 100 percent vegetable juice, low-sodium canned soups, no-added/low/reduced sodium canned vegetables and spaghetti sauce, dried or dehydrated vegetables.

Grains: cereal and oatmeal with 3 grams of fiber, whole grain bread, pasta, and tortillas, barley, cornmeal, brown and instant rice, whole grain crackers, whole grain flour, corn tortillas.

Protein: low-sodium canned beans, dried beans/peas/lentils, unsalted or lightly nuts, canned tuna/salmon/chicken in water, nut butters like peanut, almond, or cashew with less than 230 mg sodium and 4 grams of sugar/serving.

Dairy: shelf-stable milk, soy/almond/rice milk, powdered milk, baby formula.

Individuals and families who seek food assistance are appreciative of the food they receive at local food pantries.

Healthy and safe food donations can make a difference for some of your neighbors. As you select food to donate, remember only give food that you would put on the table for your family.

Schools planning holiday programs

Christmas holiday season programs are underway at Union County public schools.

The Shawnee School District planned to have a program on Dec. 4.

Here’s a look at the upcoming schedule of programs:

Dongola School: Dec. 6, 6 p.m.

Lincoln and Davie Schools, Anna: Dec. 11. Lincoln School, 6 p.m. Davie School, 7 p.m. Both programs will be at Anna Junior High School.

Jonesboro School: Dec. 11, 6 p.m.

Anna-Jonesboro Community High School: Dec. 11, 7 p.m.

Anna School District pre-kindergarten and kindergarten, Anna Junior High School: Dec. 13. Pre-kindergarten and kindergarten, 6 p.m. Junior high school, 7 p.m. Both programs will be at Anna Junior High School.

Lick Creek School: Dec. 18, 6:30 p.m.

Cobden High School: Dec. 16 (the time was not available at press time).

Cobden Elementary School: Dec. 19, 12:30 p.m.

Hadley’s Haven Home Tour scheduled

Plans are being made for the Hadley’s Haven Christmas Home Tour in Union County.

The special event is planned on Dec. 8-9. Ten homes, two churches and a rental home will be featured on the tour.

The holiday season event will help to benefit the construction of Hadley’s Haven, an all-inclusive playground which is planned at the Anna City Park in Anna.

Hours for the tour are set for 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Dec. 8 and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Dec. 9.

Costs are \$10 to tour one home, and \$40 to tour all of the homes.

Home tour bracelets are on sale at Kiki’s in Anna, Hebrewz in Jonesboro and at Anna-Jonesboro National Bank locations.

Winter birding program planned

Winter birding in south Florida will be the topic of a program which is planned Saturday, Dec. 8, at the Barkhausen Cache River Wetlands Center near Cypress.

The program is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. The wetlands center is located at 8885 State Route 37 South.

The program will be presented by John Schwegman. For more information, call 618-657-2064.

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MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING

Anna-Jonesboro Community High School student athlete Brayden Fitzgerald-Deener has signed to play volleyball at Rend Lake College at Ina in the fall of 2019. Reggie Bateman is Rend Lake College's volleyball coach. Fitzgerald-Deener's mother is Amy Fitzgerald-Wilson, her father is Chad Deener, her stepfather is Brian Wilson and her stepmother is Daryl Deener. Photo provided.

A-J was 11 of 26 from the

A-J, 2-3, is scheduled to play at home Friday against Nashville and at home Saturday against Cobden.

Cobden High School's Megan Rhodes was named to the association's All-South volleyball team.

On Saturday, Dec. 8, an invasive plant pull is planned at Trillium Trail/Fern Rocks Nature Preserve at the park. Work is planned

A-J 2,133, Carterville 1,471 (girls): Madi Hawk was the high scorer for A-J with 183.

Cobden, 1-5, is scheduled to play Thursday, today, at home against Hardin County.

Anna-Jonesboro, 5-2 overall and 1-1 in the conference, is scheduled to play Thursday, today, at West Frankfort.



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10% OFF Vitamins

We're hosting a food drive this Christmas to support our local Bethany Village Food Pantry. Bring in \$15 worth of food and receive an adjustment.

Limit one donation adjustment per person and adjustment will not be turned into insurance.

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Cobden man sentenced for child porn

State police responded to 86 calls for service during month of October

Union County State’s Attorney Tyler R. Edmonds reported Nov. 30 that Charles Edward Gordon, 58, of Cobden, has been sentenced to a total of 22 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections on two counts of possession of child pornography, both Class X felonies.

Gordon also will serve three years to life of mandatory supervised release (formerly known as parole) and must register as a sex offender for life.

In pleading guilty, Gordon admitted to possession of photographs containing children under the age of 13.

Gordon was arrested in August following an investigation by the Cobden Police Department with assistance of the Illinois State Police.

Illinois State Police District 22 has released a review of activities for October.

The district includes Union, Johnson, Pope, Massac, Hardin, Pulaski and Alexander counties.

The following statistics were included in the report for the month:

District 22 officers responded to 86 calls for service.

Officers issued 396 citations and 841 written warnings.

Eight motorists were arrested for driving under the influence, DUI.

Officers handled 48 crashes, including one fatal accident.

A total of 191 motor carrier safety inspections were conducted; 19 of the inspections led to either the driver or the vehicle being placed out of service for safety violations.

A total of 217 motorists

were assisted on the side of the road.

Officers made 30 criminal arrests.

The following citations were issued for what are termed as “Fatal Four” violations:

DUI, eight. Speeding, 127. Occupant restraint, 99. Distracted driving, 30.

The District 22 safety education officer made 47 presentations to a total of 3,352 people, including area students, school staff members, parents and residents.

Scott’s Law

District 22 continues to remind motorists who travel on area highways about Scott’s Law, “The Move Over Law.”

The law requires motorists to reduce the speed of their vehicle, to yield the right of way by changing lanes away from an authorized emergency vehicle and to proceed with due regard to safety and traffic conditions.

Union County offers wide range of ideas for holiday gift giving



Viewing video
Danielle Stevens, Country Financial and program chair for Union County Women in Business, shows Melissa Hale the Union County fall video. Photo provided.

Locally First, a committee within Union County Women in Business, commissioned and posted on their Facebook Page a very well received video of Union County in the fall.

The video has been seen by over 9,000 people and shared over 200 times.

The video, filmed and produced by local videographer Marcus Taylor, shows many of the fall scenes and activities that make Union County special.

The video is the first of four seasonal productions.

“These videos will remind everyone of why we love to call this place ‘home,’ as well as the impact that our businesses have on our community,” Union County Women in Business member Evelyn Bailey said.

“During this holiday time of shopping for our loved ones, we would like to remind you to consider all the gifts available in Union County.

“There are so many kinds of items to wrap to put under the tree.

“However, there are also so many experiences to share through gift certificates for a music event, dinner out, lessons or classes of some kind, or ziplining; home improvements like a new dishwasher or she shed; and many services for busy families or the elderly to help with daily life that all would be welcomed as a gift.”

Charlotte Clover, chair of Locally First, added, “Our local businesses, including our larger corporate owned stores, provide so much: in tax dollars, jobs, and support for community and school activities that help create this place we call home.”

Locally First and Union County Women in Business urge everyone to “be creative in your gift giving and your holiday activities. Sometimes the best things are ‘right under your nose.’”

City of Jonesboro Annual Treasurer's Report Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2018				
REVENUE SUMMARY:				
Corporate Tax – 75779; Licenses – 6430; Motor Fuel Tax – 46314; Cable & Phone Franchise – 7742; Tap Fees – 800; Permits – 722; State Income Tax – 192890; Replacement Tax – 3910; Sales Tax – 167032; Fines – 4265; Rent – 9580; Transfers – 15745; Interest Income – 26457; Donations – 2345; Miscellaneous – 1111; Telecom Tax – 4788; Foreign Fire Insurance Tax – 3032; Fire – 4080; Police – 1048; Garbage – 121454; Utility Revenue – 1011741; Cemetery – 22675; State Gaming Revenue – 5174.				
TOTAL REVENUES: \$1,735,114				
COMPENSATION SUMMARY:				
Under \$25,000.00: Ken Blandford, Aaron Gregory, Bart Hileman, Brett Gawrych, Vickie Hileman, John Pickel, Lance Meisenheimer, Logan Miller, Joshua Kelley, Kenneth Carlson, Joshua Schildknecht, Michael Stegle, Michael Hunter, Shelly Pender, Jimmy Watkins, Larry Clover, Jr., Shawn Knupp, Timothy Smith, Roy Walker, Karen Hallam.				
\$25,000.00 - \$49,999.99: Brentley Sims, David Wilkins, Barbara Casper, Brian Calhoun, Michael Ellis, Billy Alsip, Beverly Boyd, Kenneth Quick, Ethan Miller, Jeremiah Reagan, Scottie Hubble, Tulley Robinson, Kaleb Bauer.				
TOTAL COMPENSATION \$574,412				
EXPENDITURE SUMMARY:				
AJ Water Commission – 180623; Ameren Illinois – 22187; Anna State Bank – 100000; Anna Quarries – 3500; Beussink & Hickam PC – 9201; Blue Cross Blue Shield – 67984; Cape Overhead Door, Inc. – 2550; Casey’s General Store – 12156; City of Jonesboro – 12364; Coad Chevrolet – 38602; CWI of Illinois #732 – 97114; Display Sales Company – 2775; Illinois EPA (NPDES) – 2500; IMCO Utility Supply Co. – 6677; IML Risk Management Associates – 53734; KMLaster Co. Inc. – 5000; Local 318 B Card – 3905; McCann & Sons A/C & Heating, Inc. – 4350; Mike Frick – 4800; Miscellaneous Vendors - 8102; New Wave Communications – 2642; Operator Local 318 – 2925; Pitney Bowes - 6252; Ray O’Herron Co., Inc. – 3338; Reppert’s – 5427; Rusty’s Home Center – 19864; Shawnee Professional Services – 6358; Southern FS, Inc. – 4192; Southern IL Electric Coop – 21880; T & I Office Equipment – 2871; Taylor, Dodd & Wood – 10250; Thyssenkrupp Elevator Corporation - 2981; Tite Welding LLC – 11132; Toyne, Inc. – 18397; Utility Gas Management – 145405; Darren Bailey, County Treasurer- 11327; Utility Safety & Design, Inc. – 24370; Utility Sale & Service, Inc. – 118133; Wright Bros. LLC - 3113. All other disbursements in amounts less than (\$2500) – 69738.				
TOTAL VENDORS: \$1,128,719				

City of Jonesboro Annual Treasurer's Report Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2018				
	May 1, 2017 Balance	Receipts	Disbursements	April 30, 2018 Balance
01 Corporate Account	66,771.67	613,765.57	652,983.74	27,553.50
01 Clearing Account	27,387.56	1,506,671.80	1,500,287.27	33,772.09
02 Police Anti-Crime Account	1,504.04	0.00	0.00	1,504.04
02 Police E-Citation	278.80	38.00	0.00	316.80
02 Police - Savings	756.83	130.78	0.00	887.61
02 Cash - Police Fund	1,131.71	85.00	0.00	1,216.71
02 PDDUI	4,056.49	1,047.90	2,674.00	2,430.39
01 Colorfest	4,341.81	1,285.00	1,475.00	4,151.81
01 Insurance Account	1,389.31	6,000.00	7,266.25	123.06
01 Investment CD	239,821.17	6,650.51	0.00	246,471.68
02 Police Investment CD	20,583.29	177.34	5,367.13	15,393.50
02 Vehicle Towing Impound Acct	820.00	0.00	0.00	820.00
City of Jonesboro Deposit Account -				
21 Gas/Wtr/Swr	67,412.29	15,200.00	11,547.85	71,064.44
21 Municipal Gas Revenue Account	165,063.75	522,796.75	491,061.78	196,798.72
21 Municipal Gas Investment CD	1,014,098.80	11,284.48	0.00	1,025,383.28
Waterworks & Sewerage Revenue				
22 Account	138,591.57	524,605.45	535,899.55	127,297.47
22 Waterworks & Sewerage Investment	273,711.64	101,229.39	0.00	374,941.03
23 Cemetery Fund	31,854.44	26,662.42	47,053.45	11,463.41
23 Cemetery Savings Account	21,069.96	4,782.80	0.00	25,852.76
23 Cemetery Investment CD	50,141.49	75.19	0.00	50,216.68
24 Fire Fund Super Now Account	45,018.42	163,606.98	190,295.43	18,329.97
24 Fire Department Fund Raiser Account	12,756.59	981.20	1,000.00	12,737.79
24 Fire Department Investment CD	119,418.72	30.43	119,449.15	0.00
24 Shop with a Fireman	6,857.74	4,869.59	4,521.01	7,206.32
25 City of Jonesboro Motor Fuel Tax Func	48,343.48	46,998.14	34,242.94	61,098.68
26 Road District #13	89,785.72	8,514.98	2,530.13	95,770.57
Glady Halterman Fountain Trust - National City Bank, Cleveland, OH	6,254.57			6,254.57
Weiss -Anna State Bank	179,609.43			179,609.43
Helen Gearhart- First Bank of Murphys	2,000.00			2,000.00
D. Meisenheimer, Sowers, Mary Maslen, Glady Halterman - PNC	224,995.22			224,995.22
Totals	2,865,826.51	3,567,489.70	3,607,654.68	2,825,661.53

Subscribed and sworn to this 4th day of December, 2018. *Shelly Pender*
Shelly Pender, Treasurer

I, Barbara Casper, Clerk of City of Jonesboro, Union County, Illinois, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the Annual Treasurer’s Report for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2018. *Barbara Casper*
Barbara Casper, City Clerk



Caroling in Anna
Members of the Blood Bought Bikers/Christian Motorcyclists Association sang Christmas carols on Friday, Dec. 1, at Jus10's Frozen Yogurt & Dessert Shoppe in downtown Anna. The carolers made several other stops in downtown Anna. Photo provided.

8TH ANNUAL FUNDRAISER TO BUY NEW COATS FOR KIDS IN SOUTHERN ILLINOIS.

Presented by:

Each year, hundreds of kids in Southern Illinois face the cold without a warm coat. 100% of your donation will be used to buy NEW, winter coats for kids affected by abuse, neglect, disaster or personal need. All coats are purchased through the non-profit organization, Operation Warm. Learn more about them today at operationwarm.org.

Coats will be distributed FREE to kids through the Children’s Medical & Mental Health Resource Center, Family Counseling Center and Head Start locations in Anna, Goreville & Vienna.

Sponsored in part by: Jus10’s Frozen Yogurt & Dessert Shoppe, Anna Tire & Auto Center, Cobden Auto Repair, Southpass Beads & Fibers, Southern Illinois Healthcare, RE/MAX Southern Real Estate, Bailey Monument Company, EZ Portable Buildings, Shelter Insurance, United Contractors of America, LLC (UCOA), Southern Bank, Auto Tire & Parts NAPA, Seafood Specialties, Sullivan Plumbing, Crabtree & Merriman Dirs of Optometry, Norm’s Woodworking, L&P Carpet, Anna-Jonesboro National Bank, SI Overhead Door Company, LLC, Anna State Bank, Trainor Ag Products, LLC, Postal Pal, and Shawnee Mass Transit District.

Coats are just \$20 each, but any monetary donation is appreciated.

Deadline to give is December 14, 2018

Please make checks or money orders payable to:

Operation Warm

And send to:
WIBH Radio
330 S. Main St
Anna, IL 62906

Thank you for your support!

For more information visit wibhradio.com, the WIBH New Coats, New Hope Campaign Facebook page, or call Shawna Rhine at WIBH 618-833-9424.

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Anna-Jonesboro National Bank
and other participating merchants
join in sponsoring a
CASH GIVEAWAY
to encourage you to shop
locally for the holidays.
Enter at any participating merchant.

There will be a drawing each Saturday morning, November 24th, December 1st, December 8th and December 15th at Anna-Jonesboro National Bank for a \$100.00 winner. **THE GRAND PRIZE DRAWING WILL BE HELD SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22ND, FOR A MINIMUM OF \$500.00.**

Prize winning checks will be written to the winners choice of participating merchants (excluding banks). Amount can be split among sponsors. Winners will be notified immediately following the drawings. Individuals and their families only allowed to win once. All entries, other than previous winners, will be entered in the grand prize drawing December 22nd.


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Address _____

City _____ Daytime Phone _____

DEPOSIT AT



SI Builder Supply, LLC
104 W. Chestnut
Anna, IL 62906
618-833-2103



The winner of the Shop Locally drawing on Saturday, December 1, was Tammy Williams. Tammy was unavailable for a photo. Tammy chose to divide her \$100 check between Blue Boar and Save-A-Lot.

ENTRY FORM

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Address _____

City _____ Daytime Phone _____

DEPOSIT AT

Save a lot
food stores

On The Jonesboro Hill
Open 7 Days A Week
8:00 A.M. - 8:00 P.M.


ENTRY FORM

Name _____




Address _____

City _____ Daytime Phone _____





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113 W. DAVIE ST. • ANNA, IL
618-833-5245
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Great Gift Ideas for the Whole Family!*



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Cobden Auto Repair
213 N. Appleknocker • Cobden • 893-2102



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Anna • 618-833-2922

201 South Main Street
Anna • 618-833-8506

151 Leigh Avenue
Anna • 618-833-4546




ENTRY FORM

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City _____ Daytime Phone _____

DEPOSIT AT



Brad's Collision Works LLC
511 E. Vienna Street
Anna, IL • (618) 833-3102



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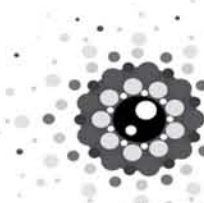
Name

Address

City

Daytime Phone

DEPOSIT AT



Crabtree & Merriman

OPTOMETRY

Paul C. Jacobs, O.D., F.A.C.O.P.
Trevor Crabtree, OD
Jessie Crabtree, OD
Celisha Merriman, OD
316 S. Main • Anna
(618) 833-3777

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DEPOSIT AT

Wright Bros. LLC

d/b/a Rod's Towing

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Crystal Gurley, Owner

2297 State Rt. 146 West

Jonesboro • 833-5937

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City

Daytime Phone

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618-827-3570 • Cell 618-697-7562
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Sunday Noon to 10:00 P.M.

ENTRY

FORM

Name

Address

City

Daytime Phone

DEPOSIT AT

Cardinal
Corner



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Grand Tower, IL

618-565-1064

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ENTRY

FORM

Name

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City

Daytime Phone

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angautomotive.com
109 Transcraft Dr. • Anna
833-8755

ENTRY

FORM

Name

Address

City

Daytime Phone

DEPOSIT AT



Rusty's
Home Center

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ENTRY

FORM


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FIBERGLASS FOR SALE: Corrugated, 26" wide, 8/10/12 ft. long, 8 ft. equals \$6.50. 12 ft. equals \$10.00. Large supply, all colors. Call (618)-827-4737.

FOR SALE: 2007 Chevy Tahoe. \$9,000 obo. Call or text (618)-833-3338.

FOR SALE: 1987 GMC Sierra pickup truck. 57,400 original miles, in great shape, but needs some motor work. Just \$1,200. Call (618)-833-7823.

FOR SALE REAL ESTATE

FOR SALE: 4 miles north of Cobden off of old route 51, 3 bedroom home and a mobile home with a new roof on 3 acres, \$85,000. Call (618)-969-2451.

WML No. IL-005183-1 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 1ST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT UNION COUNTY - JONESBORO, ILLINOIS

ORANGE CAPITAL FUNDING, LLC; Plaintiff, -vs- DEBORAH L. PATTERSON AKA DEBORAH L. BRYAN, Defendant(s).

RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE Case No. 17 CH 36

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause on October 3rd, 2018, the Union County Sheriff will, on January 9, 2019, at the hour of 9:00 AM, at the Union County Courthouse, 309 West Market, Jonesboro, IL 62952, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property:

COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 404 Williford Road, Jonesboro, IL 62952

PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION NO: 14-00-07-973-B1

The improvement on the property consists of a Single unit dwelling.

Sale terms: cash in hand. The Judgment amount was \$34,367.87

The property will NOT be open for inspection.

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN EVICTION ORDER, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(c) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

For information: Contact Brendan McClelland, Esq. of Noonan & Lieberman, Ltd., Plaintiff, Attorney, 105 West Adams Street, Suite 1800, Chicago, IL 60603. 312-605-3327. 51-1g

FOR RENT

NOTICE: All real estate advertised herein is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference, limitation, or discrimination based on race, color, reli-

gion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin, or intention to make any such preference, limitation, or discrimination."

This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. Our readers are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised in this newspaper are available on an equal opportunity basis. To complain of discrimination call HUD toll-free at 1-800-669-9777. The toll-free telephone number for the hearing impaired is 1-800-927-9275.

FOR RENT DONGOLA: 16x80 mobile home. 3 bedroom, total electric. Available now. Call (618)-827-4705.

FOR RENT: Newer 1 bedroom home on 1 acre adjacent to Lick Creek Water District offices. References, deposit & lease required. Absolutely no pets. \$495.00/month. December availability. Call (618)-833-8300, leave message.

FOR RENT: 2 bedroom, 1 bath, bi-level, fenced-in backyard. \$600.00 per month. 117 Young Avenue, Anna. Call (618)-615-3676.

FOR RENT: Homes, A-Frames and Mobile Homes For Rent in East Cape. Call (618)-661-1118.

HELP WANTED

HELP WANTED: Independent Living Services, Inc. is accepting applications for full or part-time DSP's. Prefer certified, but will train. Must have high school diploma or GED. Apply in person at Independent Living Services office, 156 E. Vienna Street, Anna, IL.

HELP WANTED: JR's Centre is seeking a full-time Licensed Practical Nurse. Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Apply at: 100 Florsheim Drive, Anna, IL 62906. (618)-833-4956, ext. 103.

HIDDEN VALLEY CARE CENTER
204 S. Pecan Street, Jonesboro, IL

Now hiring for full-time position and/or part-time position. The position is Saturday and Sunday, 3 p.m. to 11 p.m. and Thursday-Sunday, 11 p.m. to 7 a.m. Weekend differential adjusted pay for this job is available. The position offers well above the minimum wage pay. Please contact Hidden Valley at (618)-833-5740 or (618)-697-2351. We are looking to hire somebody with experience in the health care field.

PAYROLL/RECEPTIONIST POSITION: Successful candidate should have payroll and receptionist experience, have pleasant personality, & be trustworthy. Duties involve payroll processing, answering the phone, greeting visitors, and involvement with transportation. Must have experience in operating a computer. Position is Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. Come by and fill out an application or mail resume to: Rave Inc., 214 West Davie Street, Anna, IL 62906. EOE.

VACANCY NOTICE:
Anna District #37 is accepting applications for the 2018-19 school year for the following:
• Elem. Special Education Teacher (LBS1)

• Custodian/Sub Bus Driver

The appropriate application packet, which can be picked up at the Davie/Jr. High building or gotten online at www.anna37.com, should be completed and returned to: Charles Goforth at 301 South Green Street, Anna, IL 62906 by December 12, 2018.

WANTED: Mature Caretaker/DSP/CNA (we will train you): MULBERRY MANOR is accepting applications for the DSP position. We will train you. No prior certification required. Those interested may apply in person or email a resume. 612 E. Davie Street, Anna, IL 62906. (618)-833-6012, mulberrymanor@keltechmanagement.com. EOE.

WANTED

WANTED TO BUY: Aluminum cans and other junk. Will pick up junk appliances. ALSO, APPLIANCES FOR SALE. Call (618)-833-3544.

YARD SALE

CHRISTMAS SHOP:
Cobden. 117 S. Appleknocker. Weekends - November 17 through December 15. Fridays, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sundays, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Trees, wreaths, trim. Historical Society, (618)-893-2865.

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FREE

FREE TO GOOD HOMES: 3 kittens, 1 adult female cat, 1 adult neutered male. Call for more information, (618)-713-4819.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ESTATE OF BILLY D. JACKSON, DECEASED. IN PROBATE NO. 2018-P-46

NOTICE OF DEATH INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION, AND CLAIM DATE

NOTICE IS GIVEN to creditors of the death of Billy D. Jackson of 275 Knupp School Lane, Anna, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on November 20, 2018, to Vickie Gordon of 1312 E. LeMarche Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85022 and Nona Evans of 115 Kohler Ave, Anna, IL 62906, as Independent Co-Executors, whose attorney is Elvis C. Cameron, 205B N. Main St., Anna, Illinois.

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

You also have the right, under Section 5/8-1 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/8-1), to contest the validity of

the Will by filing a petition with the Court within six (6) months after admission of the Will to probate.

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

Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of this court at the Union County Courthouse, 311 West Market, Jonesboro, Illinois, or with the Independent Executor, or both, on or before May 29, 2019, or if mailing or delivery of a notice from the Executor is required by Section 5/18-3 of the Probate Act of the State of Illinois, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the Executor and to the attorneys within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

Dated: November 21, 2018.

VICKIE GORDON
NONA EVANS

CAMERON LAW FIRM, LLC
ELVIS C. CAMERON
ATTORNEY NO. 6244394
ATTORNEY FOR CO-PETITIONERS
205B N. MAIN ST.
ANNA, ILLINOIS 62906
PHONE: 618-833-2220 50-52g

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

ANNA-JONESBORO NATIONAL BANK, an Illinois Banking corporation, Plaintiff, vs ANDREW ROBINSON, HEATHER PORTER A/K/A HEATHER ROBINSON, C. E. BASDEN, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants. Case No.: 2018-CH-27

PUBLICATION NOTICE

The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to you, Andrew Robinson, Heather Porter a/k/a Heather Robinson, C. E. Basden, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, Defendants in the above entitled suit, that the said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of Union County, Illinois, by the said Plaintiff against you and other defendants to foreclose a certain Mortgage covering the following described premises, to-wit:

EXHIBIT A
ALL THAT PART OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTH-EAST QUARTER LYING SOUTH AND EAST OF THE BRADY ROAD (NOW BODY BARN ROAD), IN SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 13 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, CONTAINING 8 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF UNION AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.

EXHIBIT B
ALL THAT PART OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTH-EAST QUARTER LYING SOUTH AND EAST OF THE BRADY ROAD (NOW BODY BARN ROAD), IN SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 13 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, CONTAINING 8 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF UNION AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.

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

Now, therefore, unless you, the said Defendants, An-

drew Robinson, Heather Porter a/k/a Heather Robinson, C. E. Basden, 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 **29th Day of December, 2018**, 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.

Tiffany Busby
Clerk of the Circuit Court

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WML No. IL-005183-1 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 1ST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT UNION COUNTY - JONESBORO, ILLINOIS

ORANGE CAPITAL FUNDING, LLC; Plaintiff, -vs- DEBORAH L. PATTERSON AKA DEBORAH L. BRYAN, Defendant(s).

RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE Case No. 17 CH 36

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause on October 3rd, 2018, the Union County Sheriff will, on January 9, 2019, at the hour of 9:00 AM, at the Union County Courthouse, 309 West Market, Jonesboro, IL 62952, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property:

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOT NUMBER ONE (1) IN ROSADITTER STHIRD ADDITION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF UNION AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.

COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 404 Williford Road, Jonesboro, IL 62952

PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION NO: 14-00-07-973-B1

The improvement on the property consists of a Single unit dwelling.

Sale terms: cash in hand. The Judgment amount was \$34,367.87

The property will NOT be open for inspection.

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN EVICTION ORDER, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(c) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

For information: Contact Brendan McClelland, Esq. of Noonan & Lieberman, Ltd., Plaintiff, Attorney, 105 West Adams Street, Suite 1800, Chicago, IL 60603. 312-605-3327. 51-1g

the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Union County Courthouse, 309 West Market Street, Jonesboro, Illinois 62952, on or before December 24, 2018. If any objections are filed within the time prescribed, the Court shall set a hearing at a time not later than four (4) weeks after the date of the filing of the report. If no objection to the report is filed, the Court may approve the report without a hearing.

Dated this 19th day of November, 2018.

TIFFANY BUSBY
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Union County, Illinois 51g

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLEAR CREEK LEVEE AND DRAINAGE DISTRICT (no number assigned)

NOTICE

The Commissioners of the Clear Creek Levee and Drainage District have filed in my office on November 15, 2018, their Annual Report showing the amount of monies collected by the District since the last report and the manner in which the funds have been expended.

Any owner of land within the District may file an objection to the report with the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Union County Courthouse, 309 West Market Street, Jonesboro, Illinois 62952, on or before December 24, 2018. If any objections are filed within the time prescribed, the Court shall set a hearing at a time not later than four (4) weeks after the date of the filing of the report. If no objection to the report is filed, the Court may approve the report without a hearing.

Dated this 26th day of November, 2018.

TIFFANY BUSBY
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Union County, Illinois 51g

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Public Record

from the files at the Union County Courthouse, Jonesboro

Traffic Citations

The following people were cited for speeding and were assessed \$120 in fines and court costs as recorded at the Union County circuit clerk's office in Jonesboro:

Shawn E. Meyer, Fond du Lac, Wis. Ricky E. Jeter, Mound City. Alexandra Whitney Edwards, Dongola. Joseph D. Rowan, Jonesboro. Deontai Javaris Cooper, Cape Girardeau. Paris Ferguson, Chicago. Sarah Brandenburg, Momence. Derek P. Voelker, Cape Girardeau.

Thomas A. Landers, Thebes. Stormy Dawn Guijon, Jonesboro. Alexis D. Burger, Cape Girardeau. Aaliah N. Isspeih, Makanda. Jaime S. Green, Jackson, Mo.

Andrew Paul Lawrence, Anna. Garrett R. Davault, Cape Girardeau. Delma D. Price, Tamms. Joshua Keith Oliver, Cobden.

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

John W. Goins, Villa Ridge, seat belt required/driver, \$60. Katherine L. West, Cobden, electronic communication device, \$120. Melodye E. Peterson, Park Ridge, speeding, 21-25 mph above limit, \$140.

Dakota L. Fenton, Murphysboro, speeding, 21-25 mph above limit, \$140. Matthew Rodney Britt, Grand Chain, seat belt required/driver, \$60.

Christopher L. Sparks, Cape Girardeau, speeding, 21-25 mph above limit, \$140. John W. Willis, Centralia, overweight on axle, \$1,000.

Justin R. Gibson, Dongola, improper traffic lane usage, \$120. Zachary T. Kosydor, Anna, seat belt required/driver, \$60.

Linda A. Sloan, Goodman, Mo., electronic communication device, \$120. Jonathan J. Jennings, De Soto, speeding, 21-25 mph above limit, \$140.

Noah L. Godinez, Cobden, improper left turn/oncoming traffic, \$120. Michael E. Bell, Jonesboro, seat belt required/driver, \$60.

Ashley N. Newcombe, Anna, seat belt required/driver, \$60. Robert L. Fox, Anna, electronic communication device, \$120.

Gregory M. Harris, Anna, seat belt required/driver, \$60. Ashley Michelle Burton, Anna, electronic communication device, \$120.

Chelsi Colleen Poole, Wolf Lake, fail to reduce speed, \$120. Garrett Daniel George, Cobden, seat belt required/driver, \$60.

Kimberly A. Trexler, Ullin, electronic communication device, \$120. Ruben F. Cobian, Del Rio, Texas, speeding, 21-25 mph above limit, \$140.

Aaron E. Malone, Fort Wayne, Ind., speeding, 21-25 mph above limit, \$140. Arbie L. Conley, Memphis, Tenn., speeding, 21-25 mph above limit, \$140.

Tristan Michael Taylor, Anna, seat belt required/driver, \$60. Glenn I. Dillon, Jonesboro, fail to reduce speed, \$120.

Sarah M. Rojas, Herrin, seat belt required/driver, \$60. Alfred Brown Jr., Louisville, Ky., speeding, 21-25 mph above limit, \$140.

Samantha Jo Humphrey, Steeleville, driving on suspended license, \$1,179. Derrick W. Linaweaver, Jonesboro, seat belt required/passenger, \$60.

Junior S. Pierre, Cape Girardeau, speeding, 21-25 mph above limit, \$140. Dylan P. Bailey, Goreville, seat belt required/driver, \$60.

Chapman Ray Hill, McClure, seat belt required/driver, \$60. Eli Henry Barringer, Buncombe, seat belt required/driver, \$60.

Kristina Kay Welch, Pinckneyville, electronic communication device, \$120. Emily E. Ramsey, Jonesboro, disregard traffic control device, \$120.

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS SUMMARY FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2018

The summary must be published in the local newspaper.

Copies of the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2018 will be available for public inspection in the school district/joint agreement administrative office by December 1, annually. Individuals wanting to review this Annual Statement of Affairs should contact:

COBDEN SCHOOL UNIT DISTRICT 17	413 APPLEKNOCKER COBDEN IL 62920	618-893-2313	9AM-4PM
<i>School District/Joint Agreement Name</i>	<i>Address</i>	<i>Telephone</i>	<i>Office Hours</i>

Also by January 15, annually the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2018, will be posted on the Illinois State Board of Education's website@ www.isbe.net.

SUMMARY: The following is the Annual Statement of Affairs Summary that is required to be published by the school district/joint agreement for the past fiscal year.

Statement of Operations as of June 30, 2018										
		Educational	Operations & Maintenance	Debt Services	Transportation	Municipal Retirement/Social Security	Capital Projects	Working Cash	Tort	Fire Prevention & Safety
Local Sources	1000	688,990	162,654	227,013	64,948	123,638	0	15,660	73,792	15,315
Flow-Through Receipts/Revenues from One District to Another District	2000	0	0		0	0				
State Sources	3000	3,524,311	0	0	265,866	0	0	0	8,171	0
Federal Sources	4000	377,945	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Direct Receipts/Revenues		4,591,246	162,654	227,013	330,814	123,638	0	15,660	81,963	15,315
Total Direct Disbursements/Expenditures		4,294,186	199,225	2,052,453	348,146	146,673	0		81,963	0
Other Sources/Uses of Funds		0	0	1,845,000	0	0	0	0	0	0
Beginning Fund Balances - July 1, 2017		2,303,881	623,334	59,670	123,346	45,922	0	295,745	0	628
Other Changes in Fund Balances		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ending Fund Balances June 30, 2018		2,600,941	586,763	79,230	106,014	22,887	0	311,405	0	15,943

SALARY SCHEDULE OF GROSS PAYMENTS FOR CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL AND NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

This listing must be published in the local newspaper, sent to ISBE, and retained within your district/joint agreement administrative office for public inspection.

GROSS PAYMENT FOR CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000	Salary Range: \$25,000 - \$39,999	Salary Range: \$40,000 - \$59,999	Salary Range: 60,000 - \$89,999	Salary Range: \$90,000 and over
Millie Anderson Jacquelyn Arthur Richard Balridge Don Ballestro Rachel Brumleve Jennifer Buchheit Marlin Burd Courtney Case Daniel Cirilia Penny Costa Marcia Duffield Monyshka Harpalini Kyra Hutchings Dorothy McCutchen Alicia Oakley Noelia Orlandini Daniel Rice Katherine Russell Stephan Santiago Carolyn Sauer Carolyn Schramka Genie Schropp Nancy Shearer Candace Smith Elliott Smith James Smith Cheryl Stewart Stephanie Stroehlein Samantha Sweitzer Judy Thomas Terri Waddell Gary Wiggs	Stephanie Brumleve Sarah Castle Jeremy Crawford Justin Engelmänn Brett Pinnon April Reiman Wendy Ronna Kathleen Rumpfelt	Amy Allen Haley Anderson Emily Boie Kacey Brinkerhoff Brooke Bundren Kristen Cameron Jared Clutts Nathan Emrick Karen Engelmänn Vanessa Ferrell Kelly Flamm Christine Genung Nicholas Grossman Shannon Guardian Holly Hurt Allison Jackson Lindsey LeFevre Emilee Marks Tara Marks Christina Poirier Tina Reames Justin Recuero Amanda Sheridan Leslie Stark Ashley Taylor Gwen Tripp Miriam Uribe Erin Wiltowski	Michael Bell Daniel Brumleve Angela Gearhart Rebecca Hale Crystal Housman Anita Kerley Sylvia Presswood Glenna Tripp	Edwin Shoemate

GROSS PAYMENT FOR NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000	Salary Range: \$25,000 - \$39,999	Salary Range: \$40,000 - \$59,999	Salary Range: \$60,000 and over
David Ardrey Idalia Carmona Rhett Barke Margarita Bartolo Bobbie Borgman Kylie Borgman Theresa Borgman Karen Bovd Donna Brumleve Michele Burris Adria Chapman Debra Childers Jacob Cloh Rebecca Duty Emily Flamm Brittney Franklin Joshua Franklin Karen Gregg Larry J. Hackethal Brooke Hale Britney Hammers Sharon Holderfield Kayla Holtzman Madison Housman Kimberly Howell Richard Howell Charles Kahl Julia Long Sherry Murray Bradley Nance Lynda Palmer Dana Pearson Juan Ramos Sue Reed Julie Roberts Jane Sauerbrunn Beverly Schaefer Tammy Schemonia Angela Smith Katherine Smith Melanie Smith Rebecca Smith Wanda Spurlock Jessica Watson Karen Winzenburger	Michael Callaway Maria Carmona Diana Duty Mary Enmon Leigh Anne Flamm Melinda Goodman Charles Hankins Nancy McNitt Susan Penrod Sharon Sweitzer	Arlidia Conroy Timothy Smith	

Payments over \$2,500, excluding wages and salaries.

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COBDEN SCHOOL UNIT DISTRICT 17 30091017022

Person, Firm, or Corporation	Aggregate Amount
Amazon	\$ 11,456.00
Ameren	\$ 2,772.00
Supplyworks/Amsan	\$ 14,561.00
Anna Jonesboro Bank	\$ 11,499.00
IRS	\$ 402,372.00
Apple	\$ 9,181.00
Bank of New York	\$ 5,798.00
Beaver Janitor Supply	\$ 3,995.00
Best Buy	\$ 19,998.00
Beussink & Hickman	\$ 9,760.00
Blackboard Connect Inc.	\$ 6,151.00
Building Services Supply	\$ 3,500.00
Chester Dairy Company	\$ 12,622.00
Cintas	\$ 3,210.00
Coad Chevrolet	\$ 3,017.00
Cobden Education Association	\$ 36,846.00
Cobden Unit School	\$ 12,025.00
Common Goal Systems	\$ 6,724.00
Creative Data	\$ 117,425.00
CRS Onesource	\$ 40,306.00
CWI of Illinois #732	\$ 4,176.00
Dick Blick	\$ 3,771.00
Discovery Education	\$ 2,600.00
Edwin Shoemate	\$ 4,063.00
Egyptian Seal Coating, Inc.	\$ 3,388.00
Egyptian Trust	\$ 505,529.00
Embassy Suites	\$ 3,393.00
Enviro-Tech	\$ 3,100.00
Everbind/Macro Book Bind.	\$ 3,404.00
Farmers State Bank	\$ 17,325.00
Firefly Computers	\$ 15,458.00
Five Co. Reg. Voc. Systems	\$ 7,066.00
Freeman Environmental	\$ 13,800.00
Frontier	\$ 10,577.00
Guin Mundorf, LLC	\$ 8,290.00
Haddock Corporation	\$ 3,936.00
Visa/Debits/WD	\$ 19,701.00

Person, Firm, or Corporation	Aggregate Amount
Wells Fargo	\$ 200,155.00
Hall's Service Company	\$ 4,649.00
Hapara	\$ 3,864.00
Horace Mann Insurance Co.	\$ 2,802.00
Houghton Mifflin Harcourt	\$ 4,873.00
HSG Mech. Contractors, Inc.	\$ 8,522.00
IASB	\$ 3,614.00
IHSA	\$ 6,942.00
Illinois Dept of Revenue	\$ 125,506.00
IL Municipal Retirement	\$ 106,461.00
IL School District Agency	\$ 55,634.00
Kaplan	\$ 3,013.00
Kohl Wholesale	\$ 27,519.00
L and P Carpet	\$ 4,250.00
Lee's Sports	\$ 13,544.00
Lewis Bakeries	\$ 4,788.00
Mediacom	\$ 29,500.00
MyOn	\$ 4,050.00
NextEra Energy Services	\$ 65,046.00
Osborne Office Equip., Inc.	\$ 16,060.00
Quill Corporation	\$ 4,513.00
Renaissance Learning, Inc.	\$ 3,505.00
Repperts	\$ 9,944.00
School Specialty Supply	\$ 8,766.00
Simplex Time Recorder Co.	\$ 3,944.00
SIU Credit Union	\$ 5,300.00
Southern FS, Inc.	\$ 30,011.00
Solution Tree	\$ 12,684.00
Sonitrol of Evansville, Inc.	\$ 2,835.00
STS Education	\$ 8,844.00
Teacher's Retirement System	\$ 299,935.00
Tri-County	\$ 147,754.00
Union County Counseling Services	\$ 3,451.00
Verizon	\$ 2,575.00
Village of Cobden	\$ 37,480.00
Vogler Motor Company	\$ 5,103.00
WCSIT	\$ 16,809.00
Wrightway Transportation	\$ 321,013.00

Obituaries

Robert ‘Bob’ Chamness

Robert (Bob) L. Chamness, 80, of Anna, died peacefully at home surrounded by his family, on Wednesday, Nov. 28, 2018, at 1:45 a.m.

Bob was born in Anna on Feb. 14, 1938, to Frank and Eva (Kinder) Chamness.

He married Patricia L. (Pat) Rolando on July 27, 1957, in Anna. To this union three children were born, the late Mark Chamness, Beverly Chamness Tweedy and Matt Chamness.

He is survived by his children, Beverly (Rick) Tweedy, Matt (Traci) Chamness and daughter-in-law Terri (Craig) Partridge. His grandchildren, Ricky (Alison) Tweedy, Tiffany Short (Jon Beisner), Mark (Kacey) Chamness, Mike (Kristin) Chamness, Matt (Parris Noble) Chamness, Brooke Chamness, all of Anna, and Luke Partridge, of St. Charles, Mo.; 11 great-grandchildren; and special friend, Jana Hannah of Paducah.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents; his wife; a son, Mark; and brothers Fred, Doc and Larry.

In 1956, Bob began his career as an over the road truck driver. He and his wife, Pat owned and operated City Shelter Care and Village Shelter Care from 1966-1974 and City Care Center of Anna, a skilled nursing center, from 1974-1995.

In 1988, Bob and Pat along with their children, Beverly and Matt, developed Village Inn, a 16 bed facility for individuals with developmental disabilities.

In 1992, Bob and Pat joined James and JoAnn Keller in establishing the JR Centre, a developmental training and vocational center for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The JR Centre is named after co-founders James (Jim) Keller and Robert (Bob) Chamness.

In 2008, he and son Matt started Chamness Angus Farms.

Bob was a Noble of Ainad International, East St. Louis, and a member of Anna Masonic Lodge No. 520.

Bob enjoyed riding motorcycles, hunting, mowing, working with his horses and clearing out trees with his bulldozer and backhoe. He spent many hours enjoying his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were at 11 a.m. Monday, Dec. 3, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna, with Bill Littrell officiating. Interment will be in the Casper Cemetery near Anna at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children’s Hospital, the Shriners Hospital for Children or Hadley’s Haven.

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.

Lois Eileen Williams

Eileen Williams, 93, of Cartersville Ga., and formerly of Union County, died at her home on Monday, Nov. 26, 2018.

She was born on April 6, 1925, in Union County, the daughter of Elbert and Serena Miller. She was the oldest of three daughters.

She is survived by her brother-in-law, Lewis H. Hickom; three nieces, Dianna Shackelford, Gloria Raulerson and Serena Sanford and their families; three nephews, Steve Hickom, Douglas Hickom and Scott Hickom and their families; numerous great- and great-great-nieces and nephews; three godchildren, Matthew Hickom, Lauren Tippet and Tyler Tippet; special friends Mark and Jill Tippet; and numerous friends in Illinois and Georgia.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, James Williams; a daughter, Lois Elaine; and sisters Murial Mae Brown and Delores Hickom.

She was a devoted wife to James Williams and mother to Lois Elaine, an adored aunt and a good friend to all she met.

She was an artist, crafter, baker, candy maker and knitter and devoted homemaker. She bestowed many Christmas goodies, canvases, afghans and beaded ornaments to family and friends.

She was formerly of Lewiston, but had resided with family in Cartersville in recent years.

She was a member of Lewiston United Methodist Church and has attended Sam Jones Memorial United Methodist Church since moving to Cartersville. She was a member of the Marco Sunday School Class and attended the Prime Timers group there as well.

Graveside funeral services immediately followed a gathering of family and friends from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Jonesboro. Interment was in the Jonesboro Cemetery. Pastor Sandy Estes officiated at the graveside funeral service.

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 Jonesboro was in charge of arrangements.

Dr. Jean P. Jones

Dr. Jean P. Jones, 95, of Anna, died Monday, Dec. 3, at Capetown Assisted Living.

Funeral services 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.

Julia ‘Jill’ Halterman

Julia (Jill) K. Lawrence Halterman, 61, died Monday, Nov. 5, 2018, at Alive Hospice Residence in Nashville, Tenn., surrounded by friends and family.

She was born on Dec. 31, 1956, in Nashville, Tenn., the daughter of Herman Clayton (HC) Lawrence and Elizabeth Ann Abernathy.

She graduated from Anna-Jonesboro Community High School in 1975. She graduated summa cum laude from Greenville College with a bachelor of arts degree in biology in 1979. She worked as a pulmonary lab tech in Herrin, specializing in black lung.

Later, Jill attended the University of Illinois at Chicago School of Pharmacology and received a master’s degree in criminology.

She served as a forensic scientist for the Illinois State Police Crime Lab in Springfield. During her employment at the lab, she helped to establish the Illinois State Police Crime Lab in Chicago. Jill testified as an expert witness in many trials during her tenure at the crime lab and, after 16 years, left the crime lab to become an attorney.

In 2002, at 45 years of age, Jill graduated from the Southern Illinois University School of Law with a juris doctorate degree. During the same year, she passed the Illinois Bar Exam on her first attempt. Eventually, Jill worked for the State of Illinois, again in Springfield, as an attorney.

She married Tim Halterman in 2015 and spent her last years traveling with Tim, visiting the grandkids, going to the dog park with her beloved dog Zeus, and reading any book that caught her eye.

Survivors include her husband, Tim; two step-children, Corey (Leah) Halterman of Moscow, Idaho, and Paige (Steven) Ward of Burleson, Texas; eight grandchildren, Abigail, Lily, Eliana, Gideon, Peyton, Remington, Kale and Josiah; four brothers, Jack (Beverly) Lawrence of Winston-Salem, N.C., James “JC” (Mary) Lawrence of Jackson, Mo., Joseph “Joe” Lawrence of Nashville, Tenn., and Jonathan (Sherri) Lawrence of Clarksville, Tenn.; beloved nieces and nephews; and other relatives. She was preceded in death by her parents.

A memorial and celebration of life gathering will be from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8, 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.

Dorothy ‘Dottie’ Hileman

Dorothy “Dottie” Hileman, 85, of Anna, died on Wednesday, Nov. 28, 2018, at her home.

She was born Sept. 18, 1933, in East Prairie, Mo., the daughter of Guy and Verda Nunn Weeks.

She married Donald “Jack” Hileman on July 5, 1962, at Mt. Moriah Lutheran Church in Anna. He preceded her in death on May 17, 2009.

She is survived by her son, Bart (Amy) Hileman of Jonesboro; three grandchildren, Dusty (Heather) Hileman of Anna, Amanda (Logan) Smith of Williamsburg, Va., and Jordan Palmer and fiancée, Allison; four great-grandchildren, Audrey, Gracie, Mallory and Kelly; other relatives and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Jack Hileman; and one sister, Shirley Claunch.

She was a faithful member of the United Missionary Baptist Church in Lick Creek. She was retired from the Anna-Jonesboro National Bank after working over 20 years. Dottie was devoted to her family and her church. In her spare time she enjoyed reading.

Funeral services were at 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna, with the Rev. Paul Sadler officiating. Interment was in the Anna Cemetery.

Memorials can be made to the United Missionary Baptist Church or to Hospice of Southern Illinois.

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

RENDLEMAN & HILEMAN
FUNERAL HOMES

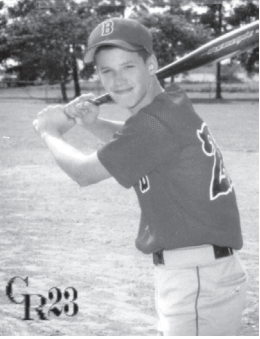
Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna was in charge of arrangements.

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Our hearts still ache with sadness, and secret tears still flow.

What it meant to lose you, no one can ever know.

*Miss you and love you, CR23
Dad, Mom and Brian
Grandpa & Grandma*

Harry Johnson

Harry Johnson, 85, of Anna, died Thursday, Nov. 29, 2018, at Integrity Healthcare in Anna.

He was born on Oct. 15, 1933, in Union County, the son of Thomas Jefferson and Blanch Wildy Johnson.

He married Peggy Murphy on Sept. 2, 1952, in Piggott, Ark.

Mr. Johnson is survived by his wife, Peggy Johnson of Anna; three daughters, Denise (Larry) Willis of Buncombe, Kelly (Gene) Murphy of Cape Girardeau and Kimberly (Brad) Spring of Grand Tower; grandchildren, including two very special granddaughters, Heather Wright (Todd Brown), Aleshia Wright, Kyle E. Willis, Jared Johnson and Amy Toler, and Cole Halterman; a sister-in-law, Claudia Johnson of Anna; many other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister and brother-in-law, Neda (Roy) Jackson; a brother, Bill Johnson; and a sister, Beatrice Johnson.

He served in the U.S. Navy, retiring after 20 years of service. He later worked as a deputy for the Union County Sheriff’s Office, was the chief of police for the Jonesboro Police Department and was an investigator for the Union County state’s attorney.

He was a life member of the Carroll P. Foster Post No. 3455 of the VFW in Anna and was a life member of the Fleet Reserve.

Memorial visitation was from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 3, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Jonesboro.

Memorials can made to the activity fund at the Illinois Veterans Home in Anna.

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

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

Rebecca Sue Moore-Myers

Rebecca Sue Moore-Myers, 53, of Dongola, died at 1:59 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, 2018.

She was born on Oct. 26, 1965, in Santa Ana, Calif., the daughter of Leo Ray and Marian Ann Jacobs Moore.

She married Darren Myers Sr. on Feb. 14, 1990. He preceded her in death on May 7, 2017.

She lived a busy life supporting her husband and children. She was a diverse person who enjoyed her music, video games, anime, and most of all her three Chihuahuas.

But there was nothing more important to her than her family, and she especially enjoyed every moment with her cherished granddaughter.

A devoted wife, loving mother and proud grandmother, she will always be remembered as the true heart of her family who kept everyone centered.

She is survived by her sons, Lance Myers and Jesse Myers, both of Dongola; a sister-in-law, Chellie (Norman) Pundt of Rantoul; sons-in-law Anthony Bible and Travis Huffline, both of Dongola; and a granddaughter, Rosabella Sue Myers of Dongola.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; a son, Anthony Moore; and a daughter, Staci Myers.

At this time there will be no services and cremation will be accorded. Inurnment will take place at a later date.

Memorials can be made to Crain Funeral Home to help with cremation expenses and will be accepted at the funeral home.

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

Crain Funeral Home

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

Carl Hileman

Carl Hileman, 89, of Tamms, died Monday, Dec. 3, at his home.

Funeral services were pending at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Jonesboro.

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

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God exposes this foolishness by saying the carpenter takes the same wood that’s left over from carving his god, and then burns it to cook his meal! (Isa. 44:11-20)

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We need to see the vast difference between God and man! God is so immense and awesome in His being that it’s hard for us to grasp or appreciate who He is. I’m not saying we can’t know something about Him, but I am saying He is greater than our ability to fully comprehend.

Learn more about God and His will for you at the Anna church of Christ, 104 Nile St. We hope you’ll visit us soon and wish you a great day!

R.W. McAlister, Minister
Anna church of Christ

Sue Rader

Sue Rader, 77, of Dongola, died at 7:30 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, 2018, at her home in Dongola.

She was born on Jan. 21, 1941, in Union County, the daughter of Mottie and Beatrice Sowers Davis.

She married Wiley Rader on June 2, 1957. He preceded her in death on Oct. 29, 2014.

She retired from Florsheim Shoe Company and worked at the Merry Mix. She enjoyed following Wiley around for many years while he played music.

She is survived by her sister, Naomi Redcloud; nephews Kenneth (Carrie) Dixon, Floyd (Rebecca) Dixon, Kevin Sullens, Billy (Debbie) Rader, Jessie Rader and Roger Redcloud; nieces Sheryl Knupp, Debbie Dunning, Lori Gooden and Sandy Redcloud; many other relatives and friends.


She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; and by two brothers, Sydney Dixon and Bill Sullens.

Funeral services will be at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, today, at Crain Funeral Home in Dongola, with Billy Carter officiating. Interment will follow in the Mound City National Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Thursday, today, at the funeral home.

Memorials can be made to Hospice of Southern Illinois.

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

 Crain Funeral Home in Dongola is in charge of arrangements.



Power Wheels demo derby
Lick Creek Elementary School PTO hosted its annual Fall Festival and second Power Wheels demo derby on Saturday, Nov. 3. Photo provided.

Many contribute to success of Lick Creek Fall Festival

Lick Creek Elementary School PTO hosted its annual Fall Festival and second Power Wheels demo derby on Saturday, Nov. 3.

Organizers reported that with the help of Josh and Beverly Baker, the demo derby was a success.

Thanks to auctioneer, Alex Belcher, a live pie auction again was a success.

The Fall Festival also included a bounce house, cow patty bingo, various games and a fish fry.

The PTO hosted its annual basket raffles and the classes collected items for the baskets.

Mrs. Knueven’s kindergarten class won a pizza party for collecting the most items for their basket. Congratulations were extended to the winners of the raffle baskets.

Congratulations also were extended to the following students for selling the most basket raffle tickets:

First place, Luke Schlenker; second place, Taylor Baker; third place, Mya Clutts.

The PTO noted that thanks to the many donors, a silent auction boasted more than 100 items and more than 40 items were auctioned, including deserts, a Yeti cooler, Cardinals tickets, a Traeger grill, art pieces and more.

The annual Fall Festival is the PTO’s primary fundraiser.

The PTO stated that thanks to the Lick Creek family and the community, the Fall Festival helps it to provide funding for Reading Nights, classroom supplies, field trips, technology and much more.

The PTO is grateful for the community support and appreciate all who attended. Appreciation was voiced to the following supporters:

Lick Creek families and staff, demo derby participants, 17th Street Bar & Grill, Adler Planetarium, AES Solar, Alto Vineyards, Anna Baking Co.

Anna State Bank, Anna Tire & Auto, Big Splash Adventure, Bob Evans, Broussard’s Cajun Cuisines, Buffalo Wild Wings, Burger King, Cape Air, Cape Splash.

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Don Sol, Drury Hotels, Elks Lodge, Anna, Extreme Indoor Sports, Fox Theatre, Giant City Lodge, Grassy Lake Hunting Club, Gurley & Son Heating & AC.

Hideout Restaurant, Holiday World, IBEW Local 702, Isle Casino Cape Girardeau, Jim & Dot’s, JML Custom Leather Works, Jus10’s Frozen Yogurt, Little Grassy Lake Campground & Marina.

Logan’s Roadhouse, Long John Silvers, Mackie’s Pizza, Magic House, McAlister’s Deli, McDonalds, Anna, Mellow Mushroom, Moreland Eye Care, Ms Ds Melts.

Museum of Science & Industry, NAPA Auto Parts, O’Reilly Auto Parts, Pepsi MidAmerica, Pirate Pete’s, Pizza Hut, Pizza Villa, Redhawks Athletics-SEMO, Rusty’s Home Center, Ryman Auditorium, Shawnee Bluffs Canopy Tour.

SIU Athletics, SIU Credit Union, Sonic Drive In, Southern FS, Southern Illinois Electric Cooperative, Southern Illinois Power Cooperative, Southern Illinois Miners Baseball, Steelwater Photography.

Tres Hombres, Union County Country Club, Walmart, Walt’s Restaurant, Wells Dental Care, Whiffle Boys Pizza, WIBH, Woodland Retreat Cabins and the many parents who donated items.

Marilyn Patterson

Marilyn Patterson, 71, of Cobden, died Tuesday, Nov. 27, 2018, at her daughter’s home in Charleston, S.C.

She was born on April 1, 1947, in Anna, the daughter of Alva and Ruby Lacy Duskey.

She married Richard Rodger Patterson on Dec. 30, 1974, in Sharpe, Ky. He preceded her in death on June 25, 2015.

She is survived by her daughter, Alva Lynn (Clif) Pike of Ladson, S.C.; a son, Roger (Alesia) Patterson of Dongola; five grandchildren, Whitney Kay (Bobby) Whitehead, Brooke Nicole (Ethan) Toedte, Brock James Patterson, Brandon Earl Pike and Chelsea Raelynn Pike; five great-grandchildren, Carter Logan Whitehead, Mason Hunter Whitehead, Kysten Brock Toedte, Knute Alan Toedte and Grayson Earl Pike; a brother, Mike Duskey; nieces and nephews; other relatives and friends.


She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Richard Rodger Patterson; and one brother, Ernest Forehand.

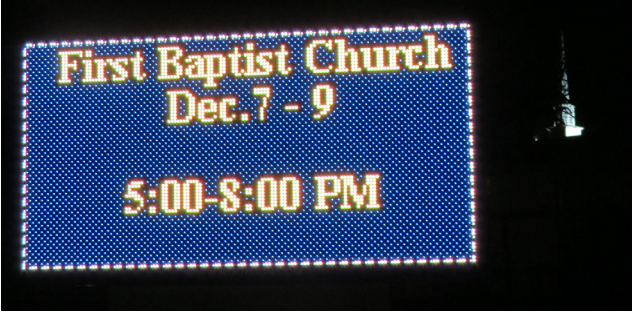
She was retired from the Choate Mental Health and Developmental Center in Anna. She loved spending time with her family, and in her spare time sewing and crafting.

Funeral services were at 1 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Cobden, with the Rev. LaRue Parr officiating. Interment was in Rowan Cemetery in Makanda.

Memorials can be made to the Rowan Cemetery.

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

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



‘Night in Bethlehem’ planned

“A Night in Bethlehem” is scheduled Dec. 7-9 at the First Baptist Church in Cobden. Hours are scheduled from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. each day. A church sign in downtown Cobden is helping to promote the event.

“A Night in Bethlehem” gives visitors an opportunity to experience what life might have been like in Bethlehem at the time of the birth of Jesus.

Registration to take part in “A Night in Bethlehem” is available by calling 893-2261 or by visiting the church’s website at <http://cobdenfbc.com>.

Jeremy HillAlexa

Jeremy HillAlexa died on Nov. 25, 2018, in St. Augustine, Fla.

He loved race cars and enjoyed watching NASCAR races on Sundays.

Jeremy was a fighter; he was in and out of hospitals his entire life. The battle is finally over, and he can now rest peacefully.

He is survived by his mother and father, Linda Hill and Melvin Alexa; sisters Lindsey HillAlexa and Bonnie Alexa; a niece, Autumn Deparias; numerous aunts, uncles and cousins; and many close friends.

A celebration of life will be held at 4 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 8, at Lighthouse Church of God at 1230 Kings Estate Rd. in St. Augustine, Fla.

 Craig Funeral Home Crematory Memorial Park in St. Augustine, Fla., is in charge of arrangements.

Art Over Easy event planned in Carbondale

Art Over Easy, an annual art auction and show hosted by Southern Illinois University Carbondale’s School of Art and Design, is back for its 14th year.

The event is set for 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Dec. 7 at the Surplus Gallery, the main gallery in the Glove Factory in Carbondale.

A display of art from local artists, faculty and graduate students is planned, along with live music and refreshments.

This year, Art Over Easy will include a VIP reception, beginning at 7 p.m.

Tickets are available online or at the door. VIP tickets are \$50, with doors opening at 7 p.m., while general admission is \$30, with doors opening at 8 p.m.

All proceeds from the gala support the ongoing research and creative activity of current and former faculty and students, equipment upgrades and facility needs of the SIU School of Art and Design.



Christmas luncheons planned

PAST’s annual Christmas luncheons at Heritage House in Jonesboro are set for noontime on Dec. 6-8 and Dec. 12-15. Holly Wohlwend and Rita Dodd were busy making last minute preparations to decorations.

In keeping with the 2018 Bicentennial observance, the décor and food at Heritage House are designed to reflect an earlier, more “pioneer” time than the usual Christmas themed event. Guests will find specially made tree ornaments and period decorations throughout the house.

A Bicentennial “centerpiece” is the specially designed and crafted quilt made by the Common Threads Quilt Guild of Southern Illinois. The various unique blocks depict special “qualities of life in Illinois,” such as the state flower, state soil, state sport, etc. After the Christmas season at Heritage House, the Bicentennial Quilt is destined to hang in the visitors center at Giant City Park near Makanda.

Decorations and specially made tree ornaments will grace the halls of Heritage House during the Christmas luncheons. The luncheons are an annual fund raiser for the maintenance of PAST’s Heritage House Museum for the coming year. Such a fund raiser makes it possible for the museum to continue to offer free admission to the public throughout the year. For more information about the luncheons, call 618-697-2755. Photo provided.

Christmas in Village celebrated in Cobden

Unseasonably mild weather prevailed during last Saturday’s Christmas in the Village celebration in Cobden. The annual holiday season celebration featured a wide range of special holiday season activities. Santa and Mrs. Claus, with some help from Charles and Frances Swedlund, were at the The Old Feed Store to welcome visitors. Vintage toy trains were on exhibit at the Union County Historical and Genealogy Society’s resource and cultural center. Other activities included bazaars, a pancake breakfast, a performance by the Cobden School Marching Appleknockers band and the lighting of a Christmas tree in the park in the village’s downtown area.



Santa Claus, with some help from Charles Swedlund, watched the Cobden School Marching Appleknockers perform.



Darryl Parks and Will Travelstead look over some of the vintage toy trains which were on display at the Union County Historical and Genealogy Society’s resource and cultural center.

Fresh, flavorful herbs can be grown indoors

While winter can give gardeners a nice break from their usual garden maintenance, they undoubtedly miss the ability to harvest and enjoy the fresh garden bounty.

“Grow fresh, flavorful herbs indoors this winter to add some green to your home and zest to your recipes,” says Brittnay Haag, a University of Illinois Extension horticulture educator.

Herbs grown in your home can be started from seeds or transplants from a garden center.

When growing herbs indoors, use well-drained potting soil and at least a 6-inch-diameter container with a drainage hole.

Christmas in Village set in Olmsted

A Christmas in the Village celebration is planned Saturday, Dec. 8, in Olmsted.

The parade is scheduled to start at 7 p.m. Floats will start lining up at 6 p.m.

Christmas in the Village is scheduled to start at 5 p.m.

A lighting of the caboose is planned. Christmas music will be presented by local choirs.

Santa is scheduled to be at the depot, where children can have their pictures taken with him.

“The Night Before Christmas” will be read around a Christmas tree in the depot.

Complimentary soup and chili will be served at Lynda’s Diner. Hot cocoa and cookies will be served at city hall.

To ensure the plants do not get leggy and spindly, high levels of light are necessary.

Most herbs will need at least six hours of direct sunlight. Plants can also be grown under fluorescent lighting for 12 to 14 hours a day, located 6 to 12 inches above the plant.

Plants grown in natural light should be rotated every few days to allow for even plant growth.

Temperatures and humidity around the plants should be monitored to allow for adequate growth.

Optimal growing temperatures should remain between 60 to 70 degrees Fahrenheit.

Like any plant grown inside a house, avoid growing plants near heat vents which may dry out the plant.

One way to increase the humidity around the plants is to place the pots on a shallow tray of pebbles and water. A small fan in the room can provide adequate air circulation to avoid the spread of disease.

Herbs should be watered according to the requirement of the plant. Some, such as rosemary, should never be allowed to completely dry out; while others, such as sage, prefer the soil to be dry, but not so dry that the leaves wilt, before watering again.

Herbs should be fertilized every two weeks with a liquid fertilizer, following directions on the manufacturer label. Over-fertilizing herbs can result in decreased aroma and taste.

Just like herbs grown in the garden, trim the plants often to keep plants compact and to prevent flowering, which will decrease the flavor of the herb.

Fifth annual Light Up Tamms parade, festivities scheduled

The fifth annual holiday season Light Up Tamms parade and festivities are planned Saturday, Dec. 8, in Tamms.

The celebration is scheduled from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

From 3 p.m. to 4:45 p.m., Christmas carolers will be at the village depot caboose.

From 3:15 to 4:45 p.m., there will be a free photo opportunity with Santa and Mrs. Claus. Free hot dogs, hot chocolate and cookies will be served inside the village depot. Crafts will be for sale inside the depot.

At 4:50 p.m., there will be announcements by Tamms Mayor Tonya Reid.

A tree lighting is planned at dusk on the lawn in front of the village depot.

A parade begins at dark in the big Tamms Park. Parade units will travel south on Front Street.

Event sponsors include Crain Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Dakin Construction, Donald Jordan Trucking & Farms and Jesse Kerr.

For more information about the event, call Sharon at 618-713-3875.

Cookie walk set at Anna church

A cookie walk is planned Saturday, Dec. 15, at St. Mary Church in Anna.

The cookie walk is scheduled from 8 a.m. to noon in the parish hall at the church at 402 Freeman St.

The ladies of St. Mary will donate 10 percent of the sales to the Hadley’s Haven all-inclusive playground project in Anna.

Cookies will be sold by the pound and boxed for those who buy them.

Hundreds of homemade, decorated cookies will be available.



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Walker Tracy appointed to GOP leadership post



State Sen.
Jil Walker Tracy

In recognition of her dedicated and effective advocacy for the people of Illinois, Senate Republican Leader Bill Brady appointed State Sen. Jil Walker Tracy, R-Quincy, to Senate Leadership as the new Minority Whip.

Tracy has worked to take a lead on crucial issues impacting the state, including agricultural industry im-

provements, school funding reform, veterans' issues, legislative ethics, and the reporting of sexual assault and harassment.

She has also been a key advocate for the patient care and safety of the residents of Quincy Veterans' Home.

She partnered with state and local government officials and agencies to eradicate the traces of Legionnaires' disease and helped to secure the vital capital funding to renovate the campus as soon as possible with limited disturbance to its residents.

"Senator Tracy is a seasoned and dedicated lawmaker who has shown tremendous leadership in advocating for the 47th District and has been a powerful voice in the Senate speaking on complex state issues," Brady said in a news release.

"We are grateful to have her as our new Senate Minority Whip."

"Thank you to Leader Brady for the honor of appointing me as the Senate Minority Whip," said Tracy.

"I'm looking forward to working closely with the Senate Leadership Team to advance impactful legislation to improve the lives of Illinois residents and push for much-needed budgetary and structural reforms to fix our state government's inefficiencies."

Tracy, the former Jil Walker is a 1974 graduate of Anna-Jonesboro Community High School and the daughter of Betty Odum of Anna.

Pancake breakfast set in Jonesboro

An annual Shop with a Fireman pancake breakfast is planned Saturday morning, Dec. 8, in Jonesboro.

The breakfast will be served from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Jonesboro Fire Department.

The Jonesboro Fire Department, in collaboration with the Jonesboro School junior high Beta Club will host the breakfast.

Proceeds will help to support the Christmas holiday season Shop with a Fireman program.



Carols at Candlelight

The sights and sounds of the Christmas holiday season highlighted a Carols at Candlelight event which was held Sunday afternoon, Dec. 2, at historic St. Anne's Church in Anna. A full house was on hand to be a part of Carols at Candlelight, which featured music performed by Back Porch Company, whose members are Warren and Carla Anderson, Stuart Anderson and Richard Johnson.

DAR chapter has luncheon, meeting in Vienna

By Dixie Terry

The Daniel Chapman Chapter National Society Daughters of the American Revolution had a catered luncheon and meeting on Nov. 12, following the chapter's Veterans' Day service, which was held on the lawn of the Carnegie Library in Vienna.

DAR members Cara Webb and Margaret Mathis were coordinators of the patriotic service.

Despite cold and windy weather, an appreciative

crowd of veterans and others attended.

The American flag was flying at half-mast, in memory of those who gave the ultimate gift while protecting and fighting for our great country.

There was a cross placed on the lawn, one for each Johnson County man, who gave his life during World War I, which ended 100 years ago on Nov. 11, 1918.

The keynote speaker was Harry Spiller of Marion, who is a veteran and has written 16 books, most of them with a military theme.

Spiller and his family were special guests at the DAR luncheon. Several other veterans were also guests of members.

The cohostesses were Marilyn Meisenheimer and Julia Mowery.

The meeting was called to order by regent Doda Starkey, with the DAR Ritual conducted.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Margaret Mathis. The Preamble to the Constitution was led by Cara Webb. The American's Creed was led by Dixie Terry. Grace was said by chaplain Bonnie Hogue.

The president general's message from Ann Dillon was read by Julia Mowery.

The national defense report had been given as a part of the Veterans' Day service by regent Starkey.

A bicentennial minute was given by Lillian Milam.

Reports from officers and chairmen followed.

Marilyn Meisenheimer, registrar, introduced a new member, Linda Hileman of Anna. She also reported a new transfer member from Georgia and four prospective members who are working on their papers.

Sandy Boaz provided an American Indian minute.

Virginia Street, conservation, reported on the pollination gardens at the Cache River Wetlands Center, that she and Martha Schwegman have planted.

Jeanne McKenzie, DAR Good Citizens, reported that applications had been received from seven of the eight high schools.

Regent Starkey reported about the DAR schools for Linda Minnis.

Julia Mowery, Project Patriot, will ship the items collected by members to the U.S. military hospital in Germany, during the first week of December.

Virginia Street reported about the bus trip she took with other DAR chapter members to the Bacone College, a DAR school.

In new business, the chapter elected a nominating committee for 2019-21: Bonnie Hogue, Loudene Lemme and Julia Mowery.

The chapter will provide three Wreaths Across America, with one each

at the tombstone of Daniel Chapman and his wife, in the Vienna Fraternal Cemetery, and one for a grave at the Mound City National Cemetery.

The chapter's Dec. 3 meeting is scheduled to be a potluck dinner, held at the Carnegie Library at 5:30 p.m., followed by a memorial service for the members who have passed away in the past year.

A new member orientation is planned Jan. 12, instead of Jan. 19, at the Farm Bureau building in Jonesboro at 1 p.m., conducted by Marilyn Meisenheimer and Doda Starkey.

Present at the Nov. 12 luncheon and business meeting were: Sandra Boaz, Lee Hackney, Linda Hileman, Anna; Alice Brooks, Stonefort; Ruth Brown, Juanita Broyles, Dixie Terry, Goreville.

Bonnie Hogue, Loudene Lemme, Margaret Mathis, Rose Mary Orr, Doda Starkey, Barbara Williams, Vienna; Lynn McCreery, Ozark; Jeanne McKenzie, New Burnside.

Marilyn Meisenheimer, Lillian Milam, Jonesboro; Julia Mowery, Buncombe; Virginia Street, Simpson; Cathy Warmack, Paducah; and Cara Webb, Tunnel Hill.

Guests included David Hogue, Ron Brooks, Richard McKenzie, Preston Brown, Harry Spiller and his guests, and Charlotte Beasley.

Blood drive set

The Cairo High School Beta Club is planning to host a blood drive on Thursday, Dec. 13.

The blood drive is scheduled from 12:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Cairo High School gymnasium.

Appointments to be a blood donor can be made by calling 618-734-2187 or emailing roshea@cairo-schooldistrict1.com.

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Mt. Moriah Lutheran Church, Anna



Plaque presented
Members of Morton Wright’s family received a plaque from Mike Stegle, who represents Mt. Moriah, honoring the church’s new audio/visual system, which was donated by the Wright family through memorial gifts. Photo provided.

Sunday, Dec. 2, was the first day of Advent. Prior to the service, Mike Stegle, president of church council, presented a plaque to the family of Morton Wright, dedicating the church’s new audio/visual system in his memory.

Miss Paula, in the children’s sermon, pointed out that Advent is the new season, or new church year.

She shared that “Advent means we wait: the Advent candle will be lit, one candle each week, right up until Christmas, and we also have the Advent wreath. This helps us wait for Jesus’ birth.”

The main sermon was from Luke. The pastor explained the difference in the four gospels. Matthew was more of a historian. And in Mark and John there is no Christmas story at all.

Luke explained more about Advent. Luke was a doctor and the most educated. The pastor said that Luke says “in the midst of the deepest darkness, there is always hope. We should hold on to that.”

Prayers for healing were offered for Donna Bunyard, Ricky Wright, Terry Reynolds, Sarah Sims, Brenda Cole, Keith Johnson, Ann West, John Schwegman, Charlotte Fear, Charles Harwell, Kohen Moore, Rick Hicks, Tasha Faire, JoAnne Burkley, Carl Hileman, Pat Jones, Bill Heisner and Roselee Holsouser.

Prayers were also given for those grieving for Chris Ayers and AJ Boomer.

The men’s group planned to have a night out on Monday, Dec. 3. The ladies planned to have a meal catered by the Kitchen on LaFayette on Dec. 4.

Lots of members of the congregation stayed after worship on Sunday to decorate the church for Christmas.

Mt. Moriah and Salem are scheduled to ring the Christmas bell at Kroger on Dec. 14-15. Proceeds will go to the Union County Ministerial Alliance for local assistance.

Mt. Moriah will be a part of the Hadley’s Haven Christmas Home Tour on Dec. 8 from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Dec. 9 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

The church again has a sharing tree in the narthex, where people can place hats, mittens, scarves and socks to be distributed to foster children at LSSI.

Helping hands
Many children helped to decorate the church’s sanctuary for Christmas



Camp Ground Church, Community

Sunday, Camp Ground Church had its Hanging of the Greens worship service, “What Does It Mean?” All who were present participated in the service.

Scripture and narration explained the reason for the Advent wreath, the evergreens, the Chrismon tree and the significance of lighting the tree.

The historical and biblical significance of each of the 28 Chrismons was read before they were hung on the tree.

LaDonna Miller assisted with the Chrismons. Berna Gerard read the scriptures. Sandy Boaz was narrator. Vanda Gerard provided music, including accompanying the songs sung between each of the four parts of the program.

Addison Bonner lighted the first Advent candle, the candle of Hope. Raelynn Bonner carried the Hope poster.

Receiving the offering were Aldi and Vodra Gerard.

Camp Ground’s elder for the month of December is Tony Gerard.

Birthday greetings go to Reed Crane on Dec. 7.

The Camp Ground Church family has been saddened repeatedly this past week and extend sympathy to the family of Jim Spaetti, who died as the result of a tragic farm accident; to the family of Rev. Rob Betts, whose father passed away; and the church’s prayers go out to Michael, Ashley, Gage and Tymber Roach, whose home burned to the ground and they lost everything.

Camp Ground will be accepting monetary donations the next couple of weeks for the Roach family. If you would like to give, call 697-0097 or 697-0160. Ashley grew up in Camp Ground Church.

Camp Ground invites everyone to join them in study and worship. Fellowship is at 9:30 a.m. Bible study is at 10 a.m. Worship is at 11 a.m.

The church is located at 50 Tunnel Ln., east of Anna.

First Baptist Church, Jonesboro

On Sunday, Dec. 2 Pastor Perry Williams brought the message.

Worship was led by Dee Rose. Special music was provided by Dee Rose.

The church had its annual Hanging of the Greens ceremony during the morning worship service.

A school ministry meeting is planned at 9 a.m. Thursday, today.

A River to River Sunday School is planned at 9:45 a.m. Thursday, today, at the center.

Birthday: Rhonda Boyd, Dec. 4.

Anniversary: James and Sue Clary, 61 years, Dec. 6.

The schedule for worship at the church for this coming week includes Bible study at 9 a.m. on Sunday, and worship services at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Youth meet at 5 p.m. on Sunday. Dig-In Children’s Ministry for children ages 3 years old through 6th grade meets from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesdays.

An adult Bible study and prayer meeting is planned at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday.

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Anna News

By Martha Ann Webb

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

Lights Fantastic Parade in Carbondale

All our area bands looked great in the parade Saturday night and it was a nice night except for the wind.

St. Anne's Historical Church

At historic St. Anne's Church Carols at Candlelight almost every chair was taken Sunday night with everyone enjoying beautiful music featuring Back Porch Company: Warren and Carla Anderson, Stuart Anderson and Richard Johnson.

Everyone joined in singing Christmas carols. Refreshments were served after the singing. A special thanks to everyone who works so hard for the up keep of the church.

Nashville Trip

Quinn Edwards and Tina



Janna and her dad Scott Harner run in the Reindeer Walk/Run every year at the Anna Arts Center.



Shown here are Marie Samuel, right, and her helper Lily Connor, age 8, who worked in the Craft Corner at the Harrison-Bruce Historical Village annual Christmas Stroll Dec. 2 at John A. Logan College in Carterville. Both wore costumes for the event.



Jamie Starratt, Molly Swink and Asa Starratt from The Kitchen on Lafayette cooked and served the meal honoring our Veterans at the Anna Arts Center. Jamie will also be catering the Christmas luncheon for the Anna-Jo Garden Club Tuesday, Dec. 11, at 11:30 a.m. at the United Methodist Church in Anna.



My Craft Corner had 75 old fashioned ornaments made with jar lids and homespun fabric Sunday, Dec. 2, at the Historical Village at the John A. Logan College Christmas Stroll. Children also colored scenes from the village coloring book.

Waller went to Nashville, Tenn., for the weekend in celebration of Tina's 50th birthday on Dec. 4.

They visited the downtown honky tonks, the Ryman Auditorium, Opry Mills and several other malls in the area.

Although the sky was dreary, the weather was warm for walking in this booming city.

They ran into a lot of Nashville Predator fans, as the team was hosting and then defeated, the Chicago Blackhawks.

Trip

Carrie Carter Alsip and her sister Callie Eaker from Fenton, Mo., went to the brewery tour, the Eureka cookie walk and tree lighting ceremony and ice skating at Streinberg rink in Forest Park.

Branson Trip

Ron and Kathie Watkins, Bill and Nancy Hooks, Doris Womick and their families, 12 in all enjoyed a trip to Branson, Mo., last week.



Kathy and Randy Wheaton celebrated their 44th wedding anniversary Nov. 30.



Lula Belle Trip won the game for saving the most necklaces at her Little Egypt Red Hat meeting. Lula Belle will be one of the hostesses at their Dec. 19 Christmas party at Anna Pizza Hut.

Birthday Celebration

Happy birthday to Gabe Herbst, who celebrated his birthday Nov. 26 with his wife Jenna and family at Fujiyama in Carbondale.

Moose Lodge

The Illinois bicentennial 200 year state flag will be flying at the Anna Moose Lodge Dec. 1 forward.

There was a flag raising ceremony Saturday. Some historical information was read to those that attended.

The flag was donated by Joan Graves Edwards. She and her family have been long time members of the Moose. The Moose really appreciated her donating the flag.

55th Wedding Anniversary

Judy and Weldon Brown celebrated their anniversary Nov. 29th.

GFWC

Illinois District 25 had its annual holiday board meeting at Mackie's Pizza in Marion on Nov. 19. There were four clubs represented.

The group had special speaker Jennifer Keener representative from Republic Recycle of Marion. She spoke about the changes in recycling in recent years. She reminded us to have clean recycling.

The board had its regular business meeting, with each club reporting what their club was doing in their communities.

Wanda Burlow reported about the state meeting she had attended.

The fund raiser was candies, cookies, pies and cakes. It was a successful fund raiser, with everyone taking home some sweets for holidays.

President Jane Bauer gave out tips for recycling during the Holidays.

The GFWC Illinois Women's Clubs are looking forward to the celebration of 125 years, "A Legacy of Volunteer Service" 1894 to 2019.

News from California

Donna Pitts bought a used truck, been Christmas shopping, looked into solar power for her house. SDG&E is very expensive.

Dec. 9 is the one year anniversary of her brother, Dick's death. Donna misses him every day.

The fires are all contained and the rain didn't do too much damage to the already devastated fires.

Donna said she was thankful for all her blessings and Merry Christmas to all. God Bless the soul of President Bush.

Guests

Guests of Harlan and Carmen Coffman are their son and daughter-in-law from New Mexico. Get well wishes to Harlan, who broke his leg.

United Missionary Church

The church will have a bazaar Saturday, Dec. 8, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Clear Creek Association Building in Anna, located next to Meller James Animal Clinic.

A-J Connection

Jerry Hines would like to know if there is enough interest to restart the A-J Connection site back up. Your help is needed.

Please let him know if you are interested in this. Jerry Hines, 10019 N Wayne Pl., Kansas City, Mo. 64155. Phone 816-734-2697.

Some people are wanting to make donation. Any donation is welcome and there is not a set amount. The total amount to restart the website is about \$516.58 for two years.

Jerry said they have 4 to 6 inches of snow in Kansas City.



Shawnee Lady Reds won their first home game of the season. They surprised Tasha Bittle Faire by dedicating their season to her and presenting her with 12 roses and 12 qualities they love about her. Tasha says they have come so far as a team, and she could not be more proud of them.



Moose members Andrea and Don Withoft, Beverly and Danny Gibbons; Audrey Davis, John Davis Jr, Marilyn Smith, Patsy Shelby and a special thanks to Joan Graves Edwards who donated a Illinois Bicentennial flag to the Anna Moose Lodge to celebrate the 200th year of our state. There was a flag raising ceremony in honor of our state Saturday. Some historical information was read to those that attended.



Craig Dillman, Danny Gibbons, Don Witthoft and John Davis Jr. participated in the Anna Moose Lodge Illinois bicentennial flag raising ceremony in honor of our state's 200th birthday Saturday.



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St. Mary Catholic Church

St. Mary will have a cookie walk Saturday, Dec. 15, from 8 a.m. to noon.

Their annual children's Christmas play is scheduled for Dec. 16 at 4 p.m., followed by a potluck dinner in the parish hall.

Red Hat Ladies

Their Christmas dinner and meeting will be at Pizza Hut in Anna Dec. 19 at 11 a.m. Everyone welcome. If you would like to be in the gift exchange please bring a gift.

United Methodist Church, Anna

Rev. Richard Sullins read the scripture from Isaiah as the first candle of the Advent wreath was lighted.

Leading the singing were Kathie Watkins and Nancy Hooks. Special music was by the ladies choir Come Thou Long Expected Jesus.

Rev. Sullins told the children about the Advent wreath.

Rev. Sullins sermon was Christ is coming again, with scripture from Luke and I Thessalonians. Holy Communion was taken.

The Christmas cantata will be Sunday, Dec. 16, at 10 a.m. Everyone welcome.

There will be an open house at the parsonage Dec. 16 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Loaves and Fishes Christmas meal will be

Tuesday, Dec. 18, from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m., with baked ham, candied sweet potatoes, buttered corn, holiday salad, rolls and butter, desserts, coffee and tea.

Sunday, Dec. 23, the children will have a nativity during church at 10 a.m.

Anna Eastern Star

From Brenda Allen. Anna Eastern Star's next meeting is Dec. 20: 6:30 p.m., meet to eat; 7:30 is the meeting.

New changes of dates of meetings starting in January. Every third Thursday of the month will be the meeting. Election of officers coming soon.

State Retiree's Meeting

AFSCME Retirees Chapter 90 met last Tuesday. They voted to give a \$200 donation to WIBH for the New Coats New Hope Campaign and \$200 donation to the Shawnee Development Council food pantry. Judy Shoemaker won the door prize.

Winter tree ID program set

A winter tree and shrub identification walk is planned Sunday, Dec. 9, at the Cache River State Natural Area near Belknap.

The walk is scheduled from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Those who want to go on the walk are asked to meet at the Big Cypress Access on Porter House Road.

Kevin Rohling is scheduled to lead the walk. Roh-

ling is a forestry technician with the University of Illinois at the Dixon Springs Agricultural Center.

Rohling will show those who go on the walk how to identify floodplain forest habitat trees and shrubs during the winter by looking at their leaf buds, bark and twigs.

For more information, call 618-657-2064.

News from

Anna Nazarene Church

Music for the Sunday morning worship service was led by Randy Wright, Harley and Madison Schnaare, accompanied by Betty Odum, Abby Barlow, Jack and Nina Shepard.

Ushers for the morning worship service were Robert Smith, Curly Ralls, Terry Wiseman Sr. and Mark Smith.

Offertory was provided by Jack and Nina Shepard.

The message, “Hope,” was brought by Pastor Randy Wright from Isaiah and Romans.

The Sunday evening worship service was held in the fellowship hall and opened with prayer and song led by Pastor Randy Wright.

A quiz competition between children’s Bible quizzers Madilyn Smith, Makenzie Turner, Jaida Smith, Jaylin Vicory and adult Bible quizzers

Marshall Ramage, Lilly Hancock, Clayton Ramage, Abby Barlow, Madison Wright, Lottie Smith and Rose Reeves was held.

Jaida Smith was the winner from the children’s Bible quizzing group, with 23 correct answers out of 40 questions.

Madison Wright was the winner from the adult Bible quizzing group, with 29 correct answers out of 40 questions.

Quiz leaders are Vonda Hill, Carolyn Murray and Lottie Smith, who have been studying with the children’s Bible quizzers the Book of Acts for the past three months and will continue until the Illinois district competition in Shelbyville, which is scheduled on April 27, 2019.

Birthdays: Blake Wells, Dec. 2; Peacelyn Benefield, Dec. 4; Jon Vicenzi, Dec. 5;

Leonard Sadler, Dec. 8.

A Thanksgiving/Christmas church potluck is planned on Dec. 9, followed by children’s Christmas program practice from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

A church board and Sunday School board Christmas dinner is planned at 6:30 p.m. on Dec. 13 at a restaurant in Carbondale.

The children’s Christmas program is planned at 10:35 a.m. on Dec. 16.

A missionary service is planned at 6 p.m. on Dec. 16.

An NYI Christmas party is planned Dec. 21.

A candlelight Christmas Eve service is planned at 6 p.m. on Dec. 24.

Sunday School begins at 9:30 a.m. Worship services are Sunday at 10:35 a.m. and 6 p.m. and Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

Youth services are at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday. Children’s Bible quizzing is planned at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday and 5 p.m. on Sunday.



Dongola students of the month for November

Dongola School District has announced its students of the month for the month of November. Students were chosen for exhibiting November’s chosen character trait of trustworthiness.

The students include, in the first row, from the left: Daniel Holderfield, 5th grade; Daisy Urban, 4th grade; Aden Lingle , 2nd grade; Catelynn Newell, 1st grade; Stacy Robinson, kindergarten; Breslyn Shepard, kindergarten; Jonas Hoffner, pre-k; and Penelope Short, head start. In the second row are Michael Sevenski, 11th grade; Destiny Tellor, 10th grade; Brooklyn Hogue, 9th grade; Blake Herren, 7th grade; and Kiara Aden, 6th grade. Not pictured are McKenzy Rowan, 12th grade; Presley Hoffman, 8th grade; and Emma Charles, 3rd grade. Photo provided.

Television Listings

THURSDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local Pre-Game	Local Programs	College Football Awards (Live)	Seinfeld	NCIS <i>"The Good Son"</i>	BUNK'D	"Say Her"	(5:15) "Splice" ('10)	(4:55) "Pearl Harbor" ('01) <i>WWII love triangle.</i>
7 PM :30	Christmas	Bang (HD) Young	Thursday Night Football <i>Jacksonville Jaguars at Tennessee Titans</i> (Live)	Superstore Place		Seinfeld	<i>"It's a Wonderful Life"</i> ('47) <i>A man discovers the value of his life.</i>	Raven	"There's Something About Mary" ('98) (HD)	★★½ "Pay-check" ('03) <i>Wiped memory puzzle.</i>	★★½ "Denial" ('16) <i>Woman must prove.</i> (HD)
8 PM :30	American Baking Show <i>Bakers compete.</i>	(01) Mom Murphy		Will (HD)	Championship Drive	Bang (HD)		Coop & Cam			
9 PM :30		S.W.A.T. (HD)		I Feel Bad		Bang (HD)		Stuck Mid.			
10 PM :30	Local	Local		Law & Order: SVU		Bang (HD)		BUNK'D	Sally4Ever	★★★½ "Collateral" ('04) <i>Hitman's hostage.</i> (HD)	Escape <i>"Part 3"</i>
11 PM :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(35) Late Show (HD)	Local	Local Programs	SportsCenter (HD)	Seinfeld	Family	Raven	First Look		
11 PM :30	Nightline	Corden		Late Night	SportsCenter (HD)	Seinfeld	Family	Bizaard	"Traffik" ('18) <i>A travelling couple.</i>	Tour Bus	"Vacancy" ('07) (HD)

DECEMBER 6, 2018

THURSDAY

8:00pm
ABC The Great American Baking Show: Holiday Edition "Cake and Pastry Week" In hopes to be named "America's Best Amateur Baker," 10 bakers from around the country compete in six cake and pastry-themed challenges.

9:00pm
MAX Collateral ★★★½ (2004, Drama) Tom Cruise, Jamie Foxx. An cab driver in Los Angeles becomes the hostage of an engaging contract killer who requires conveyance for his scheduled five hits in one night. R (HD)

FRIDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	NBA Basketball <i>Philadelphia vs Detroit</i> (Live) (HD)	<i>"A Christmas Story"</i> ('83) <i>A boy's life.</i> (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Raven	"Book"	"High Crimes" ('02)	★★★ "8 Mile" ('02) Eminem. <i>Rapper vs. conflict.</i>
7 PM :30	Boat (HD)	MacGyver (HD)	Man (HD)	Blindspot (HD)			Law & Order: SVU	Bizaard	"Icebox" ('18, Drama) (NR) (HD)	"The Hitman's Bodyguard" ('17, Comedy)	
8 PM :30	Speechless		Cool Kids				Law & Order: SVU	Coop & Cam			
9 PM :30	Victoria's	Hawaii Five-0 (HD)	Hell's Kitchen (HD)	Midnight, Texas (HD)	NBA Basketball <i>Golden State vs Milwaukee</i> (Live) (HD)	<i>"A Christmas Story"</i> ('83) <i>A boy's life.</i> (HD)	Family	Raven	★★★ "Taken" ('09) <i>Teen kidnapped.</i>	Tour Bus	"American Dream Nightmare"
10 PM :30	(01) 20/20 (HD)	Blue Bloods (HD)	Local Programs	Dateline NBC (HD)			Family	Bizaard		Tour Bus	"Porndemic" 1998 <i>HIV outbreak.</i>
11 PM :30	Local	Local	Local	Local		ELEAGUE (HD)	Family	Coop & Cam	VICE (HD)	"The Hitman's Bodyguard" ('17, Comedy)	(05) Escape <i>"Part 3"</i>
11 PM :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(35) Late Show (HD)	Local	(35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	<i>"Dark Knight"</i> ('08)	Family	Andi Mack	Room 104		
11 PM :30	Nightline	Corden	Local Programs	Late Night			Family	Bizaard	Room 104	VICE (HD)	

DECEMBER 7, 2018

FRIDAY

7:00pm
FOX Last Man Standing "HR's Rough n' Stuff" Kyle feels a bit overwhelmed on his first day at Outdoor Man HR; Ryan gets himself into a spot of trouble when care for a neighbor's puppy. TVPG (HD)

8:00pm
ABC The Victoria's Secret Fashion Show Holiday Special Victoria's Secret's legendary Angels take to the runway at the annual event, where a star-studded lineup of musical guests from the pop and rock genres perform.

SATURDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	News	Local Programs	FOX (HD) Pregame	Local Programs	Bball (HD) Sports	★★½ "Fred Claus" ('07)	NCIS <i>"Baltimore"</i> (HD)	Raven	"The Post" ('18) (HD)	Tour Bus	Shameless (HD)
7 PM :30	Local							Raven		Tour Bus	
8 PM :30	American Baking Show <i>Bakers compete.</i>	Rudolph	2018 MLS Cup (Live)	Dateline NBC (HD)	Heisman (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD)	NCIS <i>"Dressed to Kill"</i>	★★★½ "Cinderella" ('15) <i>Abused lady aided.</i>	★★★ "Ready Player One" ('18) <i>Virtual reality.</i>	"Conan the Barbarian" <i>Hero's vengeance.</i>	Shameless (HD)
9 PM :30	Victoria's	Frosty				Bang (HD)	NCIS (HD)				
10 PM :30	Speechless	Frosty the Snowman		Dateline NBC (HD)	Top Rank Boxing <i>"Vasily Lomachenko vs Jose Pedraza"</i>	Bang (HD)		Raven	(20) HBO Boxing After Dark (Live) (HD)	"Conan the Destroyer" <i>Princess rescued.</i>	"Inglorious Basterds" ('09) <i>Jewish-American soldiers kill Nazis.</i> (R)
11 PM :30	A. Baldwin (HD)	48 Hours (HD)	Local Programs	Sat. Night Live (HD)		Bang (HD)	NCIS <i>Halloween talk.</i>	Raven			
10 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Countdown	Local		Frontal	NCIS <i>Gibbs is shot.</i>	Coop & Cam			
11 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Countdown	Sat. Night Live	Sports	★★½ "Father of the Bride, Part II"	NCIS <i>"Charade"</i> (HD)	Coop & Cam		(55) "Logan" ('17) (R)	(05) "Dream" ('15)

DECEMBER 8, 2018

SATURDAY

7:00pm
ABC The Great American Baking Show: Holiday Edition "Cake and Pastry Week" In hopes to be named "America's Best Amateur Baker," 10 bakers from around the country compete in six cake and pastry-themed challenges.

9:10pm
MAX Conan the Destroyer ★★★½ (1984, Adventure) Arnold Schwarzenegger, Grace Jones. The legendary barbarian and his companions are sent to rescue a young princess at the request of a wicked queen with a hidden agenda. PG (HD)

SUNDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Videos (HD)	60 Minutes (HD)	The OT (Live) (HD)	Football America (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	<i>"Christmas" Grinch</i>	Law & Order: SVU	★★½ "Good Luck Charlie!" ('11)	(5:35) "Ready Player One" ('18) <i>Virtual reality.</i>	★★ "Jonah Hex" ('10)	Enemies: The President <i>"You're Fired"</i>
7 PM :30	Dancing <i>The finals.</i>	God Friended Me.	Simpsons	(20) Sunday Night Football <i>Los Angeles Rams at Chicago Bears</i> (Live) (HD)	College Football Bowl Special	Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Bizaard			
8 PM :30	Shark Tank (HD)	NCIS: L. A. <i>"Heist"</i>	Burgers			Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Coop & Cam	My Brilliant Friend	"Repo Men" ('10) <i>Repossessing organs.</i> (HD)	Ray Donovan (HD)
9 PM :30	(01) Shark Tank (HD)	Madam Secretary	Fam Guy			Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Star Wars	Sally4Ever	"Geostorm" <i>Climatic disasters.</i>	Escape <i>"Part 4"</i>
10 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Rel (HD)	Local Programs		Bang (HD)		Coop & Cam	Sally4Ever		
11 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local info.	SportsCenter (HD)	Guest Book	Family	Raven	My Brilliant Friend	"Legend" ('15) <i>Criminal brothers.</i>	Escape <i>"Part 4"</i>
11 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local	Local	SportsCenter (HD)	<i>"My Best Friend's Wedding"</i>	Family	Bizaard	Sally4Ever		Ray Donovan (HD)

DECEMBER 9, 2018

SUNDAY

7:00pm
FOX The Simpsons "Tis the 30th Season" Marge attempts to fix Christmas after a failed shopping spree, but she is surprised by Homer and the kids with a vacation to a resort in Florida. TVPG (HD)

9:00pm
CBS Madam Secretary "Winter Garden" Jay and Elizabeth work together to preserve a historic agreement between Kosovo and Serbia; Henry has an odd encounter with Secretary of Defense Gordon Becker. TVPG (HD)

MONDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	Monday Countdown	Fam Guy	Family	Raven	"About Mary"	"John Wick"	(5:15) Enemies
7 PM :30	CMA Country Christmas <i>Reba McEntire.</i>	Neighbor. Happy	The Resident (HD)	The Voice (HD)	Monday Football <i>Minnesota Vikings at Seattle Seahawks</i> (Live) (HD)	Fam Guy	Family	Bizaard	Tonight	Tour Bus	
8 PM :30	Christmas Light Fight	Magnum P.I. (HD)	The Gifted (HD)	The Voice (HD)		Fam Guy	WWE Monday Night Raw (HD)	Coop & Cam	My Brilliant Friend	★★½ "High Crimes" ('02) <i>Military murder.</i> (HD)	Ray Donovan (HD)
9 PM :30	Local	Bull <i>"A Higher Law"</i>	The Gifted (HD)	The Voice (HD)		Fam Guy		Andi Mack	My Brilliant Friend		
10 PM :30	Local	Local	Local Programs	Local info.		Fam Guy		Stuck Mid.	VICE (HD)	"Get Out" ('17) <i>Terrifying truth.</i> (R)	Ray Donovan (HD)
11 PM :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	Local	(15) SportsCenter with Scott (HD)	Fam Guy	(01) Modern Family	BUNK'D		"Fifty Shades Freed" ('18) (HD)	Escape <i>"Part 4"</i>
11 PM :30	Nightline	Corden	Local	Local	NFL Prime.	Brooklyn	Family	Bizaard	Brilliant	(45) "Pay-check" ('03) Ben Affleck.	Enemies

DECEMBER 10, 2018

MONDAY

7:00pm
FOX The Resident "Three Words" Nic and Conrad think about their past when they work together to diagnose a happy couple; Bell and Marshall confront each other over their business tactics. TV14 (HD)

10:00pm
TBS Final Space "Chapter Nine" After returning to Earth, Quinn and Gary discover an anti-gravitational bomb and decide to use it to protect the universe from total disaster. TV14 (HD)

TUESDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	30 for 30 <i>"The Last Days of Knight"</i> (HD)	Fam Guy	Family	BUNK'D	"He's Not"	"Going in Style"	Enemies
7 PM :30	Conners	NCIS <i>Newborn child.</i>	The Gifted (HD)	The Voice (HD)		Bang (HD)	Family	BUNK'D	Tonight	(17)	"Jeff Beck: Still on the Run"
8 PM :30	The Kids					Bang (HD)	WWE SmackDown (HD)	Raven	"Tomb Raider" ('18) <i>Daughter's mission.</i> (HD)	"MacGruber" <i>Soldier battles foe.</i>	
9 PM :30	black-ish	FBI <i>"A New Dawn"</i>	Lethal Weapon (HD)	Darci Lynn (HD)	30 for 30 <i>"42 to 1"</i>	Bang (HD)		Bizaard			Inside the NFL (HD)
10 PM :30	Splitting					Bang (HD)		Stuck Mid.			
11 PM :30	The Rookie (HD)	NCIS: New Orleans	Local Programs	Hollywood (HD)	Boxing Matches (R)	Bang (HD)	Real Country (HD)	BUNK'D	"Momentum Generation" ('18)	"The Hitman's Bodyguard" ('17) (HD)	Escape <i>"Part 4"</i>
10 PM :30	Local	Local	Local	Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Guest Book	Family	Raven			
11 PM :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	Local	(35) Tonight (HD)	Conan (HD)	Family	Bizaard	HBO Boxing After Dark (R) (HD)	Tour Bus	Inside the NFL (HD)
11 PM :30	Nightline	Corden	Local	Local	Late Night	Guest Book	Family	Bizaard	"Erin Brockovich"	Ray Donovan (HD)	

TUESDAY

7:00pm
CBS NCIS "What Child is This?" The team discovers a newborn child whom does not appear to have any identification or connection to another family during a murder investigation. TVPG (HD)

7:31pm
ABC The Kids Are Alright "Christmas 1972" Mike becomes jealous when Peggy's successful brother arrives for Christmas; Eddie panics when he forgets to get Wendi a gift for Christmas. (HD)

WEDNESDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	NBA Countdown (HD)	Burgers	★★½ "Madea" ('13)	BUNK'D	"Pac Rim 2"	★★ "Woman on Top"	"Braveheart" ('95, Drama) <i>A Scottish hero leads a rebellion.</i> (R) (HD)
7 PM :30	Goldbergs	Survivor (HD)	Empire (HD)	Games (HD)	NBA Basketball <i>Oklahoma City vs New Orleans</i> (Live)	Burgers	Chrisley	BUNK'D	Tonight	★ "Dinner for Schmucks" ('18) <i>The perfect guest.</i>	
8 PM :30	Housewife					Bang (HD)	Chrisley	Raven	"True Brilliant" ('18)		
9 PM :30	SEAL Team (HD)	Star <i>Pregnancy stunt.</i>	Little Big Shots (HD)	Legendary (HD)		Bang (HD)	Real Country <i>"Finale"</i> (HD)	Raven	"Icebox" ('18) <i>A Honduran boy.</i>	Tour Bus	"Agnostic Front" ('17) (NR)
10 PM :30	Single					Bang (HD)		Stuck Mid.			
11 PM :30	A Million Little Things	Criminal Minds (HD)	Local Programs	Local info.	NBA Basketball <i>Toronto vs Golden State</i> (Live) (HD)	Frontal	Real Country <i>"Finale"</i> (HD)	BUNK'D	(45) "Ghosts of Girlfriends Past" ('09) (HD)	(25) "Girls Trip" ('17) <i>Raunchy weekend.</i> (HD)	(45) "American Assassin" ('17)
10 PM :30	Local	Local	Local	Local		Frontal		Raven			
11 PM :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	Local	(35) Tonight (HD)	"Pronounce You Chuck" ('07)	Chrisley	Bizaard	VICE (HD)	"Rise Taj"	
11 PM :30	Nightline	Corden		Late Night				Bizaard			

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WEDNESDAY

7:00pm
FOX Empire "Pay For Their Presumptions" Cookie and Lucious struggle to launch their artist without Empire; Jamal puts family first by returning to New York and leaving Kai with tough choices. TV14 (HD)

8:00pm
CBS SEAL Team "Prisoner's Dilemma" The pursuit of Andres Doza reaches an apex when the SEAL team makes a final effort to apprehend one of Mexico's most lethal drug cartel leaders. TV14 (HD)

Opinion and Commentary

Issues in the news and their impact here at home

By John Reppert

An article last week in The New York Times reminded me this week what a blessing it is to live where we do. The article provided an overview of a generation of ongoing war in Afghanistan.

After a list of frightening statistics about the conflict, the article concluded that it would be fair to describe Afghanistan today as “the land of widows and orphans.” Because of more than a decade of unceasing violence, the traditional family of mother, father and children is clearly the exception in Afghanistan. The majority of families still in Afghanistan have already lost one or both parents and/or a child to the ceaseless violence.

Many of us have experienced the loss of a family member and know the grief it brings. It is almost impossible for me to appreciate how difficult it would be to raise a family and grow up with the expectation that you should expect to lose family members to acts of violence.

Of course, we should continue to be grateful that this is not our fate, but it seems to me that we are obligated to contribute in some way to transforming these violent areas into more peaceful situations where widows and orphans are grieved and are far from “normal” in this or any other society.

We have just celebrated Thanksgiving and are already preparing for Christmas, where we traditionally focus on the giving and receiving of gifts and the joy of the holidays with extended time with our families.

In the midst of these celebrations, we should not lose sight of our obligation and our opportunity to extend the same opportunities to peoples who do not enjoy them as we do.

Before the many well meaning charities around our homes and families have concluded their work for this year, seek an opportunity to share our many blessings with those who can scarcely imagine the peace, prosperity and bounty that we know as normal.

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Pullback erases stock market gains for year

(Phillip McGrath with Edward Jones shared the following commentary from investment strategist Kate Warne, which puts the current market volatility in perspective.)

The recent (mid-November) slide has brought the stock market back to where it started 2018. Looking back further for better perspective, the S&P 500’s return (including dividends) was 5.2 percent over the past year and 10.6 percent per year on average over the past five years.

Although pullbacks are disappointing, they’re not unusual. In our view, this one isn’t a sign of problems to come. Instead, it shows investors are resetting their expectations to reflect slower economic and earnings growth next year.

Retailers add to market worries. Disappointing earnings reports from some major retailers added to concerns about technology growth rates and the rising risks of trade and tariff disruptions. But consumers remain optimistic, and retail sales rose faster than expected in October. Better wage growth and lower oil prices mean consumer spending should stay healthy, helping power solid economic growth.

Slower earnings growth ahead. Companies in the S&P 500 have reported earnings growth of about 25 percent for the past three quarters. But as the impact of the corporate tax cut and stronger economic growth fades, earnings are likely to rise less than 10 percent in 2019. That’s still above average, but we expect more volatility ahead as investors adjust.

Tech gives back some gains. Fast-growing technology stocks have been among those with slower expected growth rates, and as a result, technology stocks have given back some of this year’s gains. Technology was the best-performing sector of the S&P 500 over the past five years and one of the best this year.

Trade negotiations add volatility. Trade and tariff progress is likely to be slow, but we expect negotiations will resolve many of the issues that have prompted the trade war with China. That’s why we think there could be more trade-related volatility ahead and signs of progress would be positive for stocks.

Outlook is solid, but slower

We think this return to normal volatility is typical of the later part of the economic cycle, but it doesn’t mean the cycle is near its end.

In our view, the outlook is for slower economic and earnings growth, which can extend the cycle further and support rising stock prices over time. Market volatility tends to rise during times of greater uncertainty and when the expectations are changing.

Owning the right mix of stocks and bonds based on your comfort with volatility and goals can help you keep a long-term perspective and stay invested during pullbacks.

Please read this... Sometimes, inspiration flies overhead...

By Geof Skinner

Sometimes, inspiration flies overhead, or falls from above...or, maybe, just happens to be seen in a tree...

Another weekly deadline was approaching, and yours truly was coming up empty when pondering what to write about for this week.

I’m thinking I was pretty much worn out from all the work which went into creating the paper’s first nature documentary, which appeared last week.

By the way, thank you to the person who shared some kind words about “light moments” which often appear in this space...and about the documentary by way of an email message. More to come? Can’t really say. Sometimes I don’t know about such things until they begin to unfold on the keyboard...

That’s kind of what’s happening this week...so, just kind of roll with me, folks...

The Other Half and I had several discussions last week-end in the vein of “How can it be December already?” And, yet, it is December. At the time that this little gem was being composed, Christmas is three weeks way. Three weeks...

Fortunately, Mother Nature is helping us to get into the Christmas spirit by offering up some middle of the winter weather, and winter doesn’t even “officially” arrive until December 21.

The website for the National Weather Service in Paducah even had a headline on Monday which read: “Feels Like January.” There was a bit of a chance for snow on



Ten Canada geese flew in formation over Stinson Memorial Library in Anna last Sunday evening.

Tuesday, and talk of a winter storm making an appearance by this weekend. Makes you wonder what we’ll do when January gets here...

One good thing, though...on December 22, the amount of daylight we see will start getting longer again. I was about to say sunshine, instead of daylight, but it seems like sunshine has been a relatively rare commodity lately in our little corner of the world.

The days will continue to get longer, as we ease our way in the direction of spring...and then summer...probably ought to figure out what I want to do about a lawn mower for 2019.

Another good thing...The Other Half already is getting seeds she had ordered for next year’s garden. It won’t be much longer until she will have tiny little plants growing in our upstairs “greenhouse.” I can almost taste the fresh tomatoes...

UPDATE...The Other Half was sorting through her seeds during the noon hour on Monday...hope springs eternal...

As you can probably tell by now, yours truly is pretty much babbling. Oh, well...

Now, let’s get back to the first sentence in this week’s column...

...about that inspiration which happened to fly overhead...that explains the picture of geese which you see...ten Canada geese just happened to fly over Stinson Memorial Library in Anna last Sunday evening...

....and, about that inspiration which happened to fall from above...one afternoon last week, while I was walking someplace where there were lots of trees, I happened to glance in the direction of a pine tree. I saw something drop from high in the tree...say, 30 or 40 feet up. I thought the falling object was a branch.

Nope. ‘twas a squirrel. The little critter dropped straight down to the ground. The squirrel landed silently, seemed to take a look around, and then wandered off to do whatever a squirrel does after it falls from high in a tree.

...and, one more, about that inspiration that just happens to be in a tree...which also involves a squirrel. The squirrel was spotted not far from where the other bushy-tail had taken an elevator ride, without the benefit of an elevator, from high in another tree. The second squirrel took a rather unusual pose on what was left of a branch on another tree.

So, there you have it, mindless rambling. We’ll just call them a few more “light moments...” Nowadays, I think all of us could use a light moment...or two...or three...or... Stay warm.



Not sure what sort of pose this squirrel was in when it was spotted on a tree one day last week while your intrepid photographer was wandering around.

A Page from the Past

from the files of The Gazette-Democrat

Thursday, December 5, 1968

“My whole life has been like a dream. Tonight has been the culmination of that dream. Thank you.” With these words Jack Lewis acknowledged the honors which had been bestowed upon him at the annual Chamber of Commerce Ladies Night Dinner Monday night. An excellent crowd of approximately 300 people turned out to pay tribute to the man who has piloted the Bunny Bread Bakery into a multi-million dollar enterprise.

At a meeting of the Union County Board of Commissioners, salary increases for deputies and clerks in the court house were adopted amounting to \$25 to \$50 a month depending on years of service.

During the past seven days, the area received 2.80 inches of rainfall.

A Holiday Homes Tour, sponsored by the Anna-Jonesboro Woman’s Club, will be held this coming Sunday, Dec. 8, from 2:00 until 5:00 p.m. The tour will consist of five homes.

Elaine Crain and Carolyn Dammann will represent the Anna-Jonesboro Woman’s Club on the Breakfast Show over Channel 12 Friday morning between 7:30 and 8:00.

4-H leaders in Union County will be given special recognition at a dinner in Jonesboro on Monday, December 9, reports Joan Cummings and Charles N. Glover, Extension advisers.

Mrs. Pricilla Smith, Spanish and Drama teacher at Alto Pass High School, has set a tentative date of December 11 at 11:45 to 12:30 for a Spanish reception. It is hoped that the Spanish students and their parents will learn about Spanish customs from Mrs. Phillip Weigand of Guadalajara, Mexico. Mexican cookies and punch will be served.

On the evening of December 5th at 7:00 in the school library, the American History Department of Anna-Jonesboro Community High School will host two visiting guest speakers from the State Department.

The A-J Wildcats will get their “baptism by fire” tomorrow night as they take on the Meridian cagers in their season opener.

From the Nubbin Ridge news: All pupils here enjoyed the Thanksgiving holidays.

From the Beech Grove news: There will be a Christmas program here at the church Dec. 5 at 7 o’clock. Everybody is welcome.

From the Shiloh news (for Nov. 28): There is a lot of fall plowing and harvesting going on now, and lots of shooting. We don’t know what the results were, but we’re sure there hasn’t been a kill for every shot, or we’d have to have closed seasons for a few years for the game to be plentiful enough for hunting again. We know there was one deer killed in this community, for we saw it hanging on a tree.