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Notes

Items of interest from throughout the Union County area

August 2020 is going to seem rather “strange,” without a Cobden Peach Festival and a Union County Fair in Anna.

Reminder...as if one is needed...the first installment of Union County property taxes is due Thursday, today.

And another reminder...the Union County Hospital Auxiliary is welcoming membership renewals.

The fall semester is scheduled to start Aug. 12 at Shawnee Community College.

Melanie Smith is excited about serving as the new facilitator of the Union County CEO program. Plans are being made for 2021 orientation.

The Cobden Police Department is seeking a certified police officer.

Area TV stations were reporting that the railroad crossing in Ware is scheduled to be closed Wednesday, Aug. 12, for maintenance work. Reports indicated that the crossing will be closed starting at 7 a.m.

A Red Cross quilt which was made in Cobden in 1918 has been returned to the Union County village. The quilt is scheduled to be on display at the Union County Museum in Cobden beginning Saturday, Aug. 15, and continuing through September.

A chamber music concert is set for 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 13, at the Anna Arts Center.

Stinson Memorial Library in Anna has been able to conduct a successful online summer reading program. Images of animal toast have been cute.

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Schools prepare for unprecedented year

By Benjamin Marxer

Union County school districts are preparing for the start of an unprecedented 2020-2021 academic year.

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, school administrators have spent the summer drafting alternate schedules and curriculums to continue student education in the safest manner in uncertain times.

With feedback from teachers and parents, and guidance from state and local agencies, plans were developed to meet the standards for safety set by the Illinois Department of Public Health and the Illinois School Board of Education.

Most school districts plan to begin instruction on Tuesday, Aug. 18, with Lick Creek School District No. 16 starting on Monday, Aug. 17, and Anna School District No. 37 beginning in-school instruction on Thursday, Aug. 20.

But the first day of in-class learning for each student may vary depending on the school district, group schedule and the learning plan.

Most schools have adopted a blended model, where students spend part of the school week in class and the other part remote learning from home.

The Anna, Jonesboro, Dongola and Shawnee school districts’ blended models will have students divided into two groups, with one group attending class in person on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and the other group attending on



New look at A-JCHS

The front entrance at Anna-Jonesboro Community High School will have a new look when the 2020-2021 academic year begins. The project is being done to enhance the safety of the Union County school.

Wednesdays and Fridays. On Mondays, both groups will be attending school remotely.

Anna-Jonesboro Community High School has adopted a similar model, with the exception of Mondays, when each group will alternate between in class and remote learning each week.

The Cobden School District’s plan involves a phased-in approach to bringing students back. On its social media page, Cobden explained plans for a fully remote learning model for all students for the first

few weeks of class. During that time, the administration will evaluate whether to adopt a blended model or to continue with the remote learning curriculum.

With its smaller class sizes, Lick Creek School District No. 16 has plans to allow for students to return to school for full-time in-class learning.

Each school district has also set up alternate plans for students to participate in full-time remote learning for students with elevated health risks or other pandemic-related concerns. Resources like tablets

and wifi hotspots will be made available to aid students with remote learning.

For the health and safety of students, schools will be requiring all individuals within school buildings to wear nose and mouth coverings, and social distancing measures will be practiced wherever possible.

Plans for frequent sanitization of classrooms and other high traffic areas will also be standardized.

Parents will receive guidelines for self-screening, and students and staff will be required to undergo health checks before leaving

for school. Some school districts will be performing temperature checks on all people before allowing admittance into the building.

All of these systems come with the caveat that plans may change at any time as the result of orders from the governor, the Illinois Department of Public Health or the Illinois State Board of Education, or due to other unforeseen factors related to the pandemic.

School districts have been communicating updates to their plans via their websites and social media pages.

Sports guidelines drastically limit competition

By Jerry Nowicki
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SPRINGFIELD — The state on Wednesday, July 29, released new guidelines for youth and recreational sports that will drastically limit allowable activities based on the risk of spreading the novel coronavirus.

Gov. JB Pritzker announced the new guidelines at a COVID-19-related news conference in Chicago on July 29, calling it a “situation where the toughest choice is also the safest one.”

The guidelines, which classify sports in three tiers of risk based on the likelihood that participation in the sport increases coronavirus transmission, pertain to school-based sports, travel clubs, private and recreational leagues, and park district sports programs.

The new guidelines, which are set to take effect Aug. 15, do not apply to adults playing tennis and golf, both of which are activities already regulated under guidance issued by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity in June.

“(Major League Baseball) is facing down a major outbreak just days into its abbreviated, fan-free season,” Pritzker said, referencing the outbreak that canceled last week’s games for the Miami Marlins.

(The St. Louis Cardinals also have had games cancelled because play-

ers tested positive for the virus.)

“This virus is unrelenting, and it spreads so easily that no amount of restriction seems to keep it off the playing field or out of the locker room.”

For medium and higher risk sports as classified by the state, the competitive season is effectively canceled.

High risk sports include boxing, competitive cheer and dance, football, hockey, lacrosse, martial arts, rugby, ultimate Frisbee and wrestling.

Those sports will be allowed to continue on the first of four specified levels of activity, which is restricted to no-contact practices and trainings. That means no competition at any level.

The Illinois High School Association, which oversees most inter-school athletics in Illinois, announced later on July 29 that football, girls volleyball and boys soccer will be moved to spring 2021. They submitted the modified season plan to the Illinois Department of Public Health for approval.

Golf, girls tennis, cross country, and swimming and diving will occur in the fall season, which is scheduled to run from Aug. 10 to Oct. 24.

Per the IHSA schedule, the winter sports season is scheduled to run from Nov. 16 to Feb. 13, spring sports will run from Feb. 15 to May 1, and summer sports are scheduled from May 3 to June 26.

Meanwhile, per the governor’s plan, medium risk activities include basketball and wheelchair basketball, fencing, flag football and 7-on-7 football, paintball, racquetball, soccer, volleyball and water polo.

Participants in those sports will be allowed to compete at level two, which includes scrimmage against teammates with parental

consent for minors, but also does not allow for outside competition.

Low-risk sports will be allowed to compete in intraleague, intra-conference matches or matches within their emergency medical system regions.

State- or league-championship games or meets would be allowed only for low-risk sports.

Baseball and softball are included in this category, provided players and coaches remain at least 6 feet apart in dugout areas, or players are seated 6 feet apart in bleachers behind the dugout.

If those conditions aren’t met, the sports enter the medium risk category and are not allowed to compete with others.

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Scoreboard at A-J football field

The scoreboard at The Pit, which is the home field of the Anna-Jonesboro Community High School football team.



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College conducting forums with presidential candidates

Shawnee Community College has begun conducting online Zoom format forums with each of the candidates for the college’s open president position.

Due to COVID-19, SCC is holding the public forums via Zoom, in which college faculty, staff, administration and community members are invited to attend virtually.

“The community forums are being utilized to allow college employees, students, and community members to meet and hear from the candidates and even ask questions during the live events. Additionally, this step in the recruitment process allows for

feedback from attendees to be considered by the board of trustees of Shawnee College,” Emily Forthman said. Forthman is the college’s human resources director.

The forums began on July 29 with candidate Paige Niehaus, and were scheduled to follow on July 30 with Carry DeAtley, on Aug. 4 with Denise Crews and Aug. 5 with Tim Taylor.

Richard Pagan is scheduled Thursday, today, Scott Stallman on Aug. 10, Heather Bigard on Aug. 11 and Kathleen Curphy on Aug. 13.

For more information about the forums, contact Forthman at 618-634-3223.

Weather: 4.15 inches of rain

The end of July and the first few days of August were wet in the Union County area.

Precipitation during the period of July 28 through Aug. 3 in Jonesboro totalled 4.15 inches of rain. Rain was recorded each day.

Rainfall amounts included .16 of an inch on July 28, 1.00 inch on July 29, 1.76 inches on July 30, .66 of an inch on July 31, .13 of an inch on Aug. 1, .27 of an inch on Aug. 2 and .17 of an inch on Aug. 3.

Fog was recorded Aug. 1, 2 and 3.

Temperatures in the area were mild for the end of July and early August. The high on the first day of August was 73 degrees.

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

July weather wetter than normal in much of region

Most of the region experienced a wetter than normal month of July.

The National Weather Service office in Paducah reported that rainfall amounts for the month in areas including Southern Illinois, Southeast Missouri and Western Kentucky ranged from 4 to 8 inches.

Some localized higher totals of up to 10 to 11 inches were observed as well, mainly in Western Kentucky.

Local weather observer Dana Cross recorded 6.91 inches of rain in the Jonesboro area.

There were some exceptions, with drier than normal conditions occurring in parts of southeast Illinois and small portions of Southeast Missouri, including the Cape Girardeau Airport.

Temperatures during July in the region finished above normal by around 2 to 3 degrees.

Paducah observed 26 days with the temperature reaching 90 degrees, including 19 straight days from July 3 to July 21. That was the longest streak of consecutive days in the 90s since 29 straight were recorded in 2012.

Oppressive humidity was common during the month, with dewpoints reaching 75 or higher for 17 straight days in Paducah from July 15 to July 31.

The high humidity resulted in heat index readings which frequently reached around 100 degrees, including 17 days in Paducah, and on a few occasions around 105.

Youth sports

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Bass fishing, sailing, canoeing and kayaking are low-risk too, if the number of people on a boat is limited enough to allow for social distancing. If not, they are medium or higher risk.

Singles ice skating is low risk, but any more than that is high risk. Cross country and cycling are low risk, provided the number of competitors are reduced and workspace guidelines are followed.

Gymnastics, ropes courses and weightlifting are low-risk if the equipment is cleaned between each use, but medium risk if not.

Track and field is low risk, but runners must use every other track and equipment must be frequently cleaned or it’s in the medium category as well.

Swimming and diving is low-risk if restricted to a single lane and singles diving. Relays, synchronized swimming and paired diving are medium risk.

Badminton, archery, bowling, climbing, crew, scholastic golf, disc golf, horseback riding, skateboarding and tennis are all deemed low-risk by the state without any qualifiers.

Sideline spirit sports are considered low risk if participants remain six feet apart and there are no stunts and lifts. Otherwise they are high risk.

“This virus remains dangerous to kids, and parents, and grandparents, and teachers, and coaches, and for right now, this is the best thing that we can do

for the health and safety of our families under the current circumstances,” Pritzker said.

The announcement came as IDPH on July 29 reported another 1,393 confirmed cases of the virus among 38,187 tests completed in the previous 24 hours. That accounted for a one-day positivity rate of 3.6 percent, which kept the rolling seven-day rate for the state at 3.8 percent.

At the end of July 29, there were 1,491 COVID-19 patients in Illinois hospitals, including 355 in intensive care unit beds and 152 on ventilators, all of which represented increases from the previous day.

“Not only have we started to see an increase in the cases over the past several weeks, but we’re also seeing a slight increase in hospital admissions, as well,” IDPH Dr. Ngozi Ezike said at the news conference.

“These are clearly indicators that we are headed in the wrong direction.”

She again urged Illinoisans to wear face coverings, remain 6 feet apart from others and wash hands frequently.

“That’s what we can all do. That’s what we can all do to protect ourselves, our families, our friends, our community, our state,” she said.

Pritzker said the guidelines should not be extrapolated as a comment on how education will be treated when school starts in the fall.

“I think each school is

trying to set plans for their school,” he said.

“I’ve said all along here that the (Illinois State Board of Education) has been putting out guidance to make sure that there are some basic requirements like masking in schools that are adhered to.

“But because each school is so much different – there are different campuses, there are differently configured buildings, different numbers of people in a building per square foot: we really want those schools to make decisions for themselves. But there’s no doubt about it. I’m watching very closely.”

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Dale Shumaker of Olive Branch has been elected as vice president of the Association of Illinois Soil and Water Conservation Districts. Shumaker is chairman of the Pulaski-Alexander County Soil and Water Conservation District.

Stan Richardson is opening Wildcat Nutrition on Lafayette Street in Anna across from The Gazette-Democrat.

Killshot Entertainment and Wes Burris Taxidermy will soon be sharing space in one of the units of the former Bunny Bread building.

Curt Jones, inventor of 40 Below Joe Coffee, recently surprised the Southern Seven Health Department COVID-19 contract tracing team and staff with a much appreciated treat.

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Census takers to start follow-up

Southern Seven Health Department reports that the U.S. Census Bureau has announced that, starting Aug. 11, it will begin following-up with households in the region that have not yet responded to the 2020 Census.

Southern Seven advised that households can still respond now by completing and mailing back the paper questionnaire they received, by responding online at 2020census.gov, or by phone at 844-330-2020.

Households can also respond online or by phone in one of 13 languages and find assistance in many more.

Those that respond will not need to be visited to obtain their census response.

The Census Bureau will provide face masks to census takers and requires that census takers wear a mask while conducting their work.

They will follow CDC and local public health guidelines when they visit.

Census takers must complete a virtual COVID-19 training on social distancing protocols and other health and safety guidance before beginning their work in neighborhoods.

Census takers are hired from local communities. All

census takers speak English, and many are bilingual.

If a census taker does not speak the household's language, the household may request a return visit from a census taker who does.

Census takers will also have materials on hand to help identify the household's language.

If no one is home when the census taker visits, they will leave a notice of their visit with information about how to respond online, by phone or by mail.

People are encouraged to cooperate with census takers and ensure that everyone who was living in their household as of April 1, 2020, is counted.

Census takers can be easily identified by a valid government ID badge with their photograph, a U.S. Department of Commerce watermark, and an expiration date on the badge.

To confirm a census taker's identity, the public may contact their regional census center to speak with a Census Bureau representative.

The U.S. Constitution mandates a census of the population every 10 years.

The goal of the 2020 Census is to count everyone who lived in the United States on April 1, 2020, (Census Day).

Census statistics are used to determine the number of seats each state holds in the U.S. House of Representatives and informs how billions of dollars in federal funds will be allocated by state, local and federal lawmakers annually for the next 10 years.

For more information, visit 2020census.gov, or contact the Southern Seven Health Department at 618-634-2297.

Union County Census Day

A Census Day event is being planned for Thursday, Sept. 17, in Anna.

The City of Anna and Union County are working as partners to present the event.

Union County Census Day activities are scheduled from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Sept. 17 on the front lawn at Stinson Memorial Library in Anna.

Assistance will be available to complete census surveys. Free food, refreshments and giveaways are planned.

Anna Moose Lodge, Women of Moose present scholarships; dinner served



The men of the Anna Moose Lodge No. 1346 presented a check for the Larry E. Burnett Memorial Scholarship to Zachary Dudley of Anna. Zachary will be attending Shawnee Community College and plans to study criminal justice. Those present included Carla Burnett, Stacy Kelley Funkhouser, John Davis, Jr., Edgar Dangbar, Matthew Gibbons, Zachary Dudley, Danny Gibbons, Wayne Pitts and Sylvia Goolsby. Photo provided.



Anna Women of the Moose No. 1181 presented a check for the Larry E. Burnett Memorial Scholarship to Jennifer Juarez of Cobden. Jennifer will be attending Shawnee Community College and plans to study medical lab technology. Those present included Becky Swink, Stacy Kelley Funkhouser, Tina Dudley, Jennifer Juarez, Carla Burnett and Sharon Bracken. Photo provided.

Posters note workers' rights

Workers have specific rights aimed at protecting them physically and financially while on the job and providing for a safe and healthy work environment.

To help ensure they know those rights, employers are required to prominently post Illinois Department of Labor-approved posters at their workplaces.

"It is important that employers display these posters where their workers will see them on a regular basis," said Department of Labor Director Michael Kleinik.



Anna Women of the Moose No. 1181 served a dinner on Sunday, Aug. 2. Sylvia Goolsby enjoyed an open-face pork meal while catching up with friends. The Anna Moose Lodge is gearing up to serve meals on the weekends. For more information, call the lodge at 833-2733 or look on the signage on the building, which is located along South Main Street in downtown Anna. Photo provided.

Birthday cards are welcomed

Audrey Canupp will be celebrating her 94th birthday on Aug. 15.

Birthday cards are welcomed to celebrate the special occasion.

Cards can be sent to Audrey at the Union County Nursing Home, 521 N. Main St., Anna, Ill. 62906.

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IHSA announces intended plans for 2020-21 school year

The Illinois High School Association, IHSA, Board of Directors met for a special meeting on July 29, when the board announced its intended plans for the 2020-2021 school year.

The plan has been sent to the Illinois Department of Health, IDPH, for final approval.

“This plan, like nearly every aspect of our current lives, remains fluid,” said IHSA executive director Craig Anderson. Details were posted online by the IHSA.

“Changes may come, and if they do, we will be agile while putting safety and students first. It was important that we provide a framework today for our student-athletes, coaches, administrators, and officials to begin preparing for the 2020-21 school year.”

The COVID-19 pandemic led the board to propose unprecedented scheduling changes for the 2020-21 school year.

They include playing all sports over the course of truncated fall, winter, spring and summer seasons.

As a result, several team sports will shift to new seasons, including football, boys soccer, and girls volleyball moving from the fall to the spring.

“I applaud our board of directors for choosing a model that allows every student-athlete the opportunity for a modified season,” said Anderson.

“Based on our recent conversations, it is our expectation that today’s plan meets all of IDPH’s safety guidelines and will be approved.”

IHSA boys and girls golf, girls tennis, cross country and girls swimming and diving will remain as fall sports, and can proceed to start on Aug. 10 as scheduled.

Per Gov. JB Pritzker’s announcement on Wednesday, July 29, fall sports will begin with competition limited to conference opponents and other schools

in the same general geographical area.

Schools were going to be provided more details during the past week about the scheduling limits, and scheduling will continue to be assessed throughout each season.

The condensed 2020-21 season dates will be as follows:

Fall: Aug. 10 to Oct. 24.

Winter: Nov. 16 to Feb. 13.

Spring: Feb. 15 to May 1.

Summer: May 3 to June 26.

“The board believes this plan offers the most realistic chance for student-athletes to participate in interscholastic sports while balancing the challenges of a new academic setting and IDPH guidelines,” said Erie High School principal and IHSA Board president Tim McConnell.

“We are an education-based athletic association, and school has to come first.

“By delaying the majority of the team sports in the fall, it will allow our schools and students the chance to acclimate to what will be, for many, a totally new educational experience.

“We will do our best to try to give every student-athlete the opportunity for a season this school year.”

State series tournament decisions will be made on a sport-by-sport basis as each season progresses, but providing postseason opportunities remains a priority of the board.

This could potentially include culminating state series tournaments after regional or sectional rounds, or seeking other non-traditional means to conduct events.

“I understand that today’s announcement will be met with mixed emotions,” said Anderson.

“Our staff and board have heard from thousands of people over the past few weeks with ideas, opinions,

and proposals on how we should proceed. We respect and understand their passion, because we share in it. It is a great reminder that if we want high school sports to return to normal, we all need to do our part to help stop the spread of COVID-19.”

The board also extended the current Phase 4 Return To Play Guidelines, which will allow sports slated to be played in the winter, spring and summer seasons to allow an additional 20 days of contact for teams between Sept. 7 and Oct. 31 following IDPH Phases 4 Guidelines.

The board also verified that IHSA by-laws do not prevent schools who are conducting remote learning from participating in IHSA sports and activities.

Participation will remain a local school and district decision, regardless of the learning plan a high school is utilizing.

The board discussed IHSA activities for the 2020-21 school year but did not take any action.

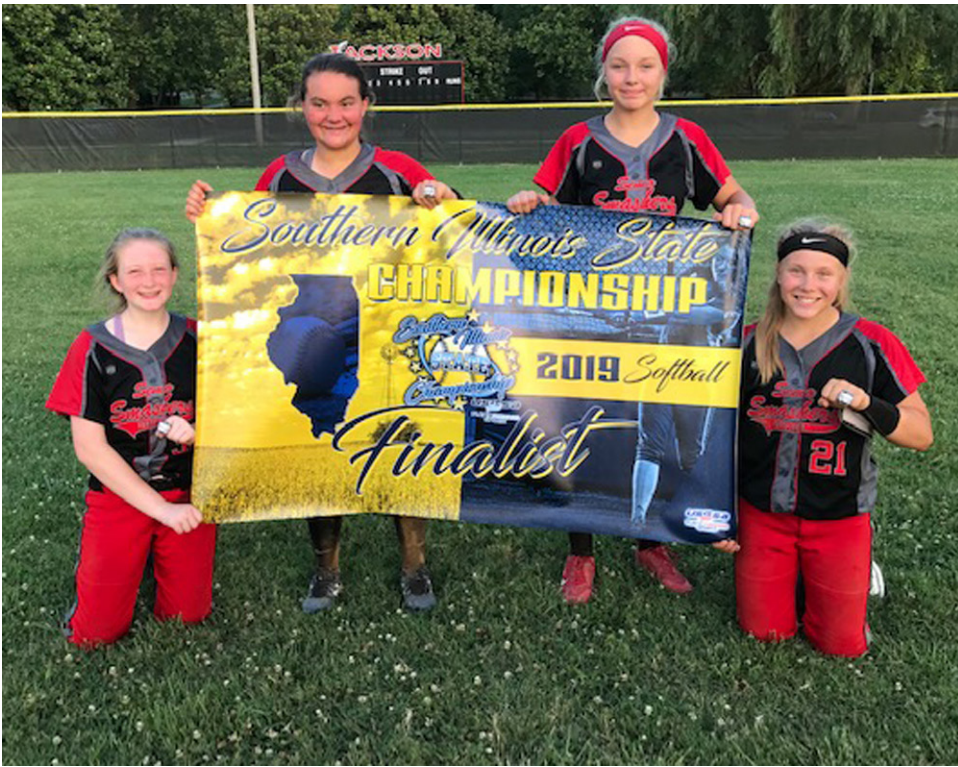
The IHSA’s activity offerings include bass fishing, chess, debate, drama and group interpretation, individual events, journalism, music and Scholastic Bowl.

“We believe we can still offer many of our activities via virtual contests,” said Anderson. “The board has asked our staff to investigate those possibilities, and we will report back soon on if and how each can be held.”

Further details on items such as sport season and practice limitations will be released to IHSA schools following IDPH approval of the plan.

Three IHSA board members were present at the IHSA office for the meeting, while the other eight board members attended electronically.

The chart which accompanies this story outlines the new IHSA schedule for the 2020-2021 school year.



Semo Smashers
Union County SIBSA athletes played for the Semo Smashers softball team, which placed second at the recent Southern Illinois State Championship. From left are Chesnee Marks, Ariana Turner, Jayci Needling and Kansas Craig. Photo provided.

Changes in store for high school sports for 2020-2021 school year

By Mike Estel

Because of the continuing coronavirus pandemic, the Illinois High School Association has decided to postpone the fall football season.

Changes also have been made in schedules for other high school sports in Illinois.

“The season has been pushed back,” Anna-Jonesboro Community High School head football coach Brett Detering said. “It could change at any time, but they now anticipate a seven-game schedule.

Former A-J coach has long association with game of basketball

By Mike Estel

Former Anna-Jonesboro Community High School retired boys’ basketball coach Mike Crews has had a long association with the game of basketball.

He completed 39 years of coaching through the 2010 season. A 1964 graduate from Du Quoin High School, he began his coaching career during the 1968-69 season.

Crews, a retired high school teacher, was head coach at A-J, Carlyle, Elverado and Du Quoin during his lengthy tenure.

Two conference championships were won by him with one coming at Carlyle

As it now stands, the 2020 Illinois high school football season will be moved to 2021.

The season now is scheduled to run from Feb. 15 to May 1 of next year.

The fall sports of girls’ volleyball and boys’ soccer also will be moved to the same dates in 2021.

Guidelines will allow for high school golf and cross country to continue as scheduled this fall. Dates for those seasons are scheduled from Aug. 10 through Oct. 17.

The winter sports sea-

sons of boys’ and girls’ basketball, boys’ and girls’ bowling and wrestling are scheduled Nov. 16 through Feb. 13.

Cheerleading and dance also are scheduled from Nov. 16 through Feb. 13.

“They’ve got it spaced where every sport can compete,” A-J boys’ basketball head coach Mark Chamness said. “They cut three weeks off the end of our season.”

Baseball, softball, boys’ and girls’ track and field and girls’ soccer are scheduled from May 3 through June 26.

ball Coaches Association Coach of the Year and was elected in 2007 to the Illinois Basketball Coaches “Lifetime Coach Hall of Fame.”

He was nominated this past season as the first coach in A-J’s Coaches Hall of Fame.

He recorded 394 career wins in his 39 years coaching career.

Hunting, Fishing Days cancelled

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, officials at John A. Logan College in Carterville have announced they had made the decision to cancel the 2020 Southern Illinois Hunting and Fishing Days.

The event was scheduled to take place at the college’s Carterville campus on Sept. 26-27.

John A. Logan College president Dr. Ron House stated that the decision was based on the college’s top priority of providing a safe environment for all that visit the campus.

An announcement about the decision was posted July 28 on the college’s website.

“We have carefully followed the Illinois Community College Board’s Guidance for the Return to Campus for Illinois Community Colleges, the Governor’s Restore Illinois Plan, as well as guidance by the Illinois Department of Public Health and the Centers for Disease Control,” House said.

“Unfortunately, there were too many concerns about having an event with close to 40,000 people on our campus this fall.”

The 2021 Southern Illinois Celebration of Hunting and Fishing Days is scheduled for Sept. 25-26, 2021.

Sport/Activity	IDPH Risk	Traditional Season	2020-21 Season	Start Date	End Date
Boys/Girls Golf	Lower	Fall	Fall	August 10	Oct. 24
Girls Tennis	Lower	Fall	Fall	August 10	Oct. 24
Boys/Girls Cross Country	Lower	Fall	Fall	August 10	Oct. 24
Girls Swimming & Diving	Lower	Fall	Fall	August 10	Oct. 24
Boys & Girls Basketball	Medium	Winter	Winter	Nov. 16	Feb. 13
Wrestling	Higher	Winter	Winter	Nov. 16	Feb. 13
Boys Swimming & Diving	Lower	Winter	Winter	Nov. 16	Feb. 13
Cheerleading	Higher	Winter	Winter	Nov. 16	Feb. 13
Dance	Higher	Winter	Winter	Nov. 16	Feb. 13
Boys/Girls Bowling	Lower	Winter	Winter	Nov. 16	Feb. 13
Girls Gymnastics	Lower	Winter	Winter	Nov. 16	Feb. 13
Football	Higher	Fall	Spring	Feb. 15	May 1
Boys Soccer	Medium	Fall	Spring	Feb. 15	May 1
Girls Volleyball	Medium	Fall	Spring	Feb. 15	May 1
Girls Badminton	Lower	Spring	Spring	Feb. 15	May 1
Boys Gymnastics	Medium	Spring	Spring	Feb. 15	May 1
Boys/Girls Water Polo	Medium	Spring	Spring	Feb. 15	May 1
Baseball	Lower	Spring	Summer	May 3	June 26
Softball	Lower	Spring	Summer	May 3	June 26
Boys/Girls Track & Field	Lower	Spring	Summer	May 3	June 26
Girls Soccer	Medium	Spring	Summer	May 3	June 26
Boys Volleyball	Medium	Spring	Summer	May 3	June 26
Boys/Girls Lacrosse	Higher	Spring	Summer	May 3	June 26
Boys Tennis	Lower	Spring	Summer	May 3	June 26

Thus says the LORD: All you who are thirsty, come to the water! You who have no money, come, receive grain and eat; Come, without paying and without cost, drink wine and milk! Why spend your money for what is not bread; your wages for what fails to satisfy? Heed me, and you shall eat well, you shall delight in rich fare. Come to me heedfully, listen, that you may have life. I will renew with you the everlasting covenant, the benefits assured to David. From the Book of Isaiah

When Jesus heard of the death of John the Baptist, he withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. The crowds heard of this and followed him on foot from their towns. When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, and he cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples approached him and said, “This is a deserted place and it is already late; dismiss the crowds so that they can go to the villages and buy food for themselves.” Jesus said to them, “There is no need for them to go away; give them some food yourselves.”

But they said to him, “Five loaves and two fish are all we have here.” Then he said, “Bring them here to me,” and he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, who in turn gave them to the crowds. They all ate and were satisfied, and they picked up the fragments left over – twelve wicker baskets full. Those who ate were about five thousand men, not counting women and children. From the Gospel of Matthew

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What precious, irreplaceable time a mother and son can share; the sea and the sky spread out before them as if the world is at their fingertips. With encouragement from his family, the possibilities for the future stretch as far before him as his imagination and determination will allow. Our children are the future. Our new cars will rust...our houses fall to decay, yet we still have the possibility of a strong and shining future when we educate our children to believe in themselves and in the wisdom of their Heavenly Father. Won't you take time to worship as a family this week? Our future is in your hands. "Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." (Proverbs 22:6)

Daily Bible Reading

Isaiah	Isaiah	Isaiah	Lam.	Lam.	Hosea	Hosea
49:8-26	54:1-17	55:1-13	3:1-24	3:25-57	1:1 - 2:1	2:2-23

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Anna News

By Martha Ann Webb

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Tennessee Trip

Curt, Bessie and Elijah Ellis and Molly Siebert enjoyed a trip to Gatlinburg and Pigeon Forge, Tenn.

They walked across the new sky bridge, visited Ripley’s Aquarium, zip lined at Anakeesta, rode The Island Ferris Wheel and had fun riding go carts and playing mini golf.

They enjoyed the shops, ate at the Old Mill, Paula Deen’s and several other nice restaurants.

They ended their trip with a visit to the Smoky Mountain Knife Works in Sevierville, Tenn.

Curt celebrated his birthday while they were gone.

Montana Trip

Karen “Kiki” Mortenson visited her parents and family, Anna Mortenson, Anne

Mortenson, Keith Mortenson and Ed Mortenson, in Darby, Mont.

They drove to the top of Baker Lake, where Kiki’s brother Keith and her dad Ed went shooting. They cooked and ate everything. They hung out around a fire pit, and enjoyed talking a lot.

KiKi’s stepbrother Chris Knoch passed away last year. She never got to meet his two daughters, her nieces. His ex-wife, who will always be her sister-in-law, Cheryl Kerr Knoch, came with her two daughters and their boyfriends Courtney and Logan, Melissa and Jake.

KiKi also got to see dear friends of their family Jeff and Michele Hayes. Her uncle Dwayne showed up

for an overnight stay.

Kiki loves her family so much and hadn’t seen her immediate family in eight years. She truly needed family love and got it. She can’t wait to go back.

KiKi also said Darby, Montana was where the TV show Yellowstone is filmed and where “A River Runs Through It” with Brad Pitt was filmed.

News from Norris City

Wilma Thomas and Millie Halterman, who lives in Norris City, formerly from Anna, said they were getting ready to go to church Sunday when they looked out and a tree was across their drive from the winds.

Their neighbor rode by on his mule. He came back and he and his wife dragged the remains of the tree out of the driveway, and came back later to dispose of the mess. They felt so blessed.

Birthday Celebration

Caron Sullens celebrated her birthday Sunday. They went to church at Immanuel Praise & Worship and then spent time with family. A very splendid day.

Baby Shower

Charles and Angela Hewitt are hosting an It’s a Girl Baby Shower Drive for Kelli Smith Aug. 8, from 10 a.m. to noon, starting at Chestnut and Main and driving to Green Street.

Anna Heights Baptist Church

Pastor Darryl Williams continued his series, Be Prepared with this week’s sermon The Ones who Are Perishing.

Birthdays: Aug. 1 Chaya Holmes, Aug. 2 Caleb Barringer, Phyllis Dankin, Jeff Rhodes, Rod Rhodes, Aug. 3 Patsy Blevins, Aug. 4 Valetta Stoner, Jeff Williams, Aug. 6 Preston Dallas, Kevin Grisby, Aug. 7 Jesse Sartin, Aug. 10 Doris Choate.

Anniversaries: Aug. 8 Jason and Molly Oliver, Aug. 9 Terry and Ramona Clark.

They are collecting pencil boxes to donate to Lincoln and Davie schools.

Congratulations to newlyweds Ben and Penny McFarland, who were married at Anna Heights on Aug. 1.

Birthday

Daphne Pratis celebrated her birthday Monday, Aug. 3.

United Methodist Church, Anna

Friday people met at the church sanctuary for a prayer vigil for Elizabeth Corbit and her family. Those who couldn’t come to the church prayed at home.

Sunday morning’s sermon by Rev. Tim Gossett was about when Jesus heard of John the Baptist’s death and the miracle where Jesus fed the 5,000 men plus the women and children with two little fishes and five loaves of bread.

Prayers were said for Marchetta Dewitt who is in the hospital and for Elizabeth Corbit.

Myra said a special prayer for Rev. Tim before he brought the sermon.

Special music was by Carla Anderson on the organ and Marcy Morris on the piano.

Our Lord’s Supper was taken. Thanks to Dean and Elizabeth Corbit for the eggs. Jane Bauer led the mission group Tuesday. Wednesday the men’s Bible study met. Thursday the prayer group will meet.

Honor Wreaths for Veterans

A special thanks to Mildred Halterman for the Honor Wreaths in memory of Jean C. Halterman and P.O. Halterman and to Aaron Hart for the Honor Wreath in memory of James McNanee.

The program will be at the Anna Cemetery Dec. 19 at 11 a.m.

If you haven’t sent money yet for your loved one a wreath they are \$15.

The check can be made out to Honor Wreaths for Veterans and mailed to Martha Ann Webb, 118 W. Monroe St., Anna, Ill. 62906.

You can also drop your check off at Anna City Hall.

Shawnee Hills Arts Council

They will be reopening the Anna Arts Center hopefully for the remainder of the 2020 season on Aug. 13 at 7 p.m. with the annual chamber music concert as a part of the Southern Illinois Music Festival. Tickets are \$10 general admission and \$5 for children.

On Saturday, Aug. 15, the festival will bring Jive for Jazz at 11 a.m. Admission on this one is free. Kids will enjoy this. They will enjoy learning what improvisation is all about.

This “classics” for kids program has been growing larger audiences for the last few years.

Most important about the re-opening is the arts center is getting some safety improvements and a facelift beginning this summer.

In progress, the lobby and long hall way are being painted, the outer buildings are being painted. They have installed two huge dehumidifiers in the basement area and the musty odor is gone.

By the end of August they will also have all new carpet in the lobby and hall way, and the main theatre carpet will have been washed commercially by the same folks that installed the new dehumidifiers.

They will observe social distancing with a new seating arrangement. The chairs will have been wiped. Temperatures will be taken and masks are required.

Anna Arts Center Events

On Aug. 22, Edwin Linson will be back in concert with his songs of Elvis, Sam Cooke, the Platters and many more.

Edwin broke away solo, when Blend disbanded.

This show “rocked” the place the last time he was here. \$10 tickets will be sold at the door.

The first major theatrical production is scheduled for Oct. 2, 3 and 4. It is called, “The Decade That Roared.” It will focus on the music of the period, the history of prohibition, and the women winning the vote with the 19th Amendment. Cody Acklin will direct, and Dr. Lynn Steveson, who wrote the script will be the production coordinator.

Auditions for this show will be Wednesday, Aug. 26, and Thursday, Aug. 27, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the main theatre building at 125 W. Davie Street in Anna.

Be prepared to sing 16 bars of a song and/or perform a short monologue. There are lots of speaking parts.

They need folks of all ages from junior and senior high school though adults. There will be a first read through on Sept. 3. This will be a fun show to do. Also looking for a good

“tap dancing soloist.”

This is the beginning. Watch for a more complete schedule later, including the annual quilters yard sale, adopt a penguin and their juried digital photography contest.

For further information on the schedule contact Lee Hackney at 904-625-1109.

For information on “The Decade That Roared,” contact Cody Acklin at 618-697-8399 or Lynn Steveson at 618-697-2334.

Sympathy

To dear friend Christine Bridges and her family on the death of her husband Randy.

Randy worked for many years as a Tech 3 at Choate Mental Health.

Christine and Randy loved making crafts and went to many craft shows. They also loved taking cruises. Randy will be missed by his many friends.

Congratulations

Louise Pitts, who lives in Texas and is formerly from here, said she is going to be a great-grandmother.



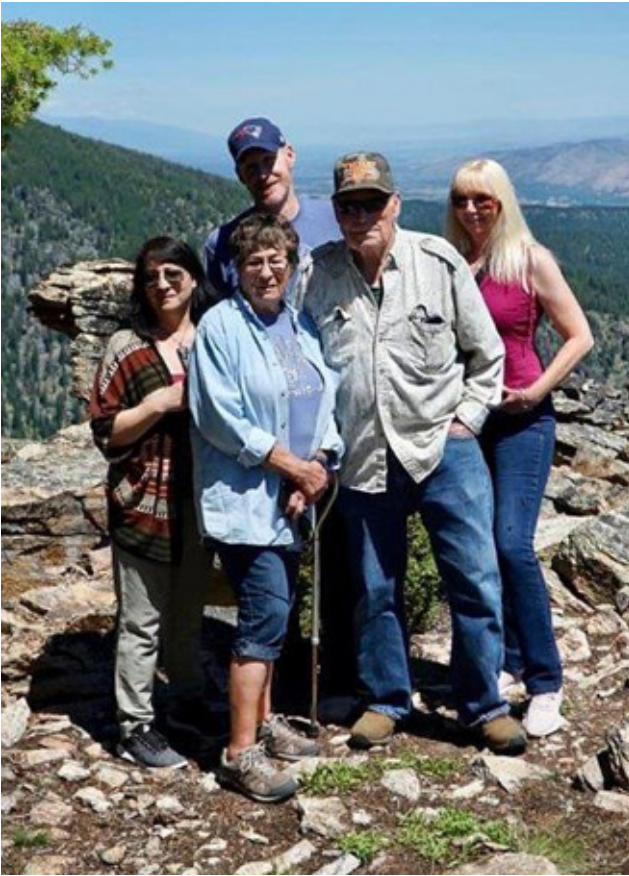
Randy Wheaton recently celebrated his birthday with a get together at the Stable with food, fellowship and gospel music.



Joshua Song’s funniest and most shocking moment at Heritage House in Jonesboro was when he saw an 8th grade yearbook photo of his great-grandmother Barb Bauer. The two were visiting the Sansom Room at Heritage House to look at the extraordinary hand-carved wall shelf when they happened to see an old Anna Junior High School yearbook exhibit. Joshua could not believe the young 8th grader was his great-gram.



Jane Bauer displays afghans Debbie Rossberg crocheted for the GFWC Illinois Anna-Jonesboro Women’s Club to donate to the Two Rivers Advocacy Center for the Children. The club usually visits the building on Lick Creek Road and takes them there but because of COVID-19 they will be picked up at Jane’s home by her neighbor Jordan Edmonds and taken to work with her. A special thanks to Debbie for crocheting these and to the club for the donation for the children.



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Cedarhurst opening: Marie Samuel is shown with two of her four entries accepted in the 2020 Annual Gathering of Quilts exhibit in Mt. Vernon at Cedarhurst Museum. The exhibit opened Aug. 1 and is scheduled to continue through Oct. 4. “Moon & Stars” entries shown here were hand pieced and hand quilted in response to a fairy tales challenge to Cedarhurst quilters. The title is from a children’s poem.

Her granddaughter lives in Utah.

Louise always mentions how much she enjoys reading about everyone from her hometown and Southern Illinois in The Gazette-Democrat.

She has been confined to her room for months and The Gazette-Democrat was almost the only way she had to the outside world and her home town.

The paper is very essential to her. Louise even had to eat in her room and couldn’t even go to the dining room. Please keep her and all that are not allowed out in your prayers.

Special Thanks

I would like to thank Jerry Reppert for carrying on his family business.

Our city is blessed to have our hometown paper The Gazette-Democrat and that I am allowed to write the local news about people.

This paper is very essential. Not many cities have this honor and privilege anymore.

The paper travels all around the world. Our service people enjoy reading it. Donna Pitts in California, Aaron Hart in Florida, Stephen Burns in St. Louis, Kenneth Jobe in Virginia, Fred Garrett in Arizona,

Jerry Hines in Kansas City and many others.

Many local people commented on how much they enjoyed The Gazette-Democrat when I asked for news this week: Tracee Foley, Valeria Meller, Carlene Tripp, Reese Kelly, Kay Vick, Donna Sitter, Kelli Clutts, Rosie Cates, Pete Housman, Kathy Thornburg, Darryl Harvell, Marie Samuel, and there are many more that love this paper.

Now if they will all just send me news for next week please.

We are truly blessed with this paper. It has been especially needed and appreci-

ated for all those who have been quarantined to a room in an assisted living home, nursing home or any other place where they were not able to get out.

Anna VFW

Monday night is Xtreme bar bingo at 7 p.m. No cost to play and lots of fun. The kitchen will open at 5:30 p.m. Social distance is set up.

Friday, Aug. 7, will be the monthly fish fry for only a \$10 donation. Peggy will be there with her Star Karaoke starting at 6 p.m. Carry out or drive thru are available. To set up a time for drive thru please call

833-7737 before noon on Friday.

A joint meeting of the post and Auxiliary members is planned at 5 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 13. The Auxiliary then will meet at 6 p.m. and the post at 7 p.m.

2020 Census

The telephone number to call to do your census by phone is 844-330-2020. If you didn’t get a paper copy in the mail please call or go online at my 2020 census.gov.

Military Prayer List

John Michael Brimm, Kaleb Meier, Nathaniel Moss, Derek Nelson, Nick Pearson, Nate Frankell,

Alex Gratz, Lukas W. Davis, Reagan Morrison, Garrett Goins, James McWhorter, Jennifer Ann Bishop, Arin Whitemountain, Katelynn Williams, Lindsey Keene, Jacob Schaefer, Jerod Schaefer, Creighton Laster, Josh Steveson, Josh Williams, Jim Bonner, Nick Harvel, Nona Elizabeth Luke, Lucas J. Strickland, William Nathaniel Frankell, Ethan Maze, Tanner Anderson, Hayden Young, Kiefer Stull, Davis Jorden Glasco, Ryan Hampton, Brittany Michelle Lence, Killian Jesse, Molly Noyes, C.J. Youngerman, Freddy Morse.

Television Listings

THURSDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM 7:30	Local Programs	Local Programs	MLB Baseball "Regional Coverage-Teams TBA" (Live) (HD)	Local Programs	(3:00) 2020 PGA Championship "First Round" (Live)	Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Raven	"Ford v Ferrari" (19)	"Police Academy 4"	(4:45) "Waves" (19)
7 PM 7:30	Holey Moley (HD)	Young Unicorn		Games (HD)		Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	BUNK'D	Perry Mason (HD)	★★ "Rock the Kasbah" (15) (R)	Shameless (HD)
8 PM 8:30	Don't (HD)	(01) Mom TBA		Law & Order: SVU		Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Raven	(:59) Perry Mason	(:50) "Project X" (12) <i>Huge party.</i>	On Becoming a God
9 PM 9:30	To Tell the Truth (HD)	To Be Announced	Local Programs <i>Local info.</i>	Law & Order: SVU	SportsCenter (HD)	Bang (HD)	Chicago P.D. (HD)	BUNK'D	"Stuber" <i>A mild-mannered man.</i>	(:20) "Chan's First Strike" (96)	The Chi "A Stain" (HD)
10 PM 10:30	Local	Local		Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan	Chicago P.D. (HD)	BUNK'D	(:35) I May		DESUS & "Waves" (19) <i>A suburban family.</i>
11 PM 11:30	Nightline	(:35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(:35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Seinfeld	Chicago P.D. (HD)	Just Roll	I'll Be Joe DeAngelo.	"Running"	
	Kimmel	Corden		Late Night		Conan		Jessie			

AUGUST 6, 2020

FRIDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM 7:30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	(3:00) 2020 PGA Championship "Second Round" (Live)	"Movie"	SVU (HD)	Raven	"Alita: Battle Angel"	★ "Honeymrns" (05)	"Pineapple Express" (08) <i>Murder witnessed.</i>
7 PM 7:30	Shark Tank (HD)	#AtHome Videos (HD)	WWE Friday Night SmackDown (Live) (HD)	The Wall (HD)			Law & Order: SVU	BUNK'D	(:05) "Jojo Rabbit" (19) <i>A lonely German.</i>	★★★ "Long Shot" (19) <i>Writer & diplomat.</i> (R)	
8 PM 8:30	(01) 20/20 <i>Investigative news.</i> (HD)	Magnum P.I. (HD)		Dateline NBC <i>Investigative news.</i> (HD)		"Movie"	Law & Order: SVU	Unsitatable			"Jexi" (19) <i>Dependency issue.</i> (R)
9 PM 9:30		Blue Bloods (HD)	Local Programs <i>Local info.</i>		SportsCenter (HD)		SVU (HD)	BUNK'D	Real Time Maher (HD)	(:05) "Cold Pursuit" (19) <i>Hunting killer.</i> (HD)	
10 PM 10:30	Local	Local		Local	SportsCenter (HD)		Family	BUNK'D	Room 104		★★★ "Hustlers" (19) <i>A stripper's scheme.</i> (HD)
11 PM 11:30	Kimmel	(:35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(:35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	ELEAGUE (HD)	Family	Unsitatable	Real Time Maher (HD)	"Five Fingers" (06)	
	Nightline	Corden		Late Night			Family	Just Roll			"Boogie"
	Kimmel							Jessie	Room 104		

AUGUST 7, 2020

SATURDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM 7:30	Local Programs	(3:00) 2020 PGA Championship "Third Round" (Live)	(5:30) Local Programs	Local Programs	American Cornhole League (Live)	(5:45) "Movie"	Chicago P.D. (HD)	Big City	"A Star Is Born" (18)	"Happy Death" (19)	"Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark" (19) (HD)
7 PM 7:30	Videos <i>A grand prize.</i>		PBC Fight Night (Live)	Dateline NBC <i>Investigative news.</i> (HD)	(4:5) NBA Basketball <i>Dallas vs Milwaukee</i> (Live) (HD)		Chicago P.D. (HD)	Big City	★★★½ "Richard Jewell" (19) <i>A security guard.</i>	★★ "Killerman" (19) <i>A money launderer.</i> (HD)	
8 PM 8:30	Shark Tank (HD)					Bang (HD)	Chicago P.D. (HD)	Owl House			★★★ "Countdown" <i>A young nurse.</i>
9 PM 9:30	The Good Doctor	48 Hours (HD)	Local Programs	Sat. Night Live (HD)		Bang (HD)	Chicago P.D. (HD)	Big City	(:13) Perry Mason	(:55) "Robin Hood" (18, Action) <i>Rebellion.</i>	"Ex Machina" (15) <i>Tests alluring A.I.</i> (R) (HD)
10 PM 10:30	Local Programs	Local Programs <i>Local info.</i>	Ultimate Tag (HD)	Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Frontal	Chicago P.D. (HD)	Amphibia	(:11) Perry Mason		
11 PM 11:30	Local Programs		Local Programs	Sat. Night Live <i>Sketch comedy.</i>	SportsCenter (HD)	"Movie"	Family	Owl House	"Doctor Sleep" (19)	"Grudge Match" (13)	"Mr. Brooks"
							Family	Jessie			
							Family	Jessie			

AUGUST 8, 2020

SUNDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM 7:30	Videos <i>Parents' trick.</i>	2020 PGA Championship "Final Round" (Live)	Man (HD)	Cannonball (HD)	MLB Baseball <i>Chicago Cubs at St. Louis Cardinals</i> (Live) (HD)	(5:00) "Movie"	Law & Order: SVU	Jessie	(5:40) "Richard Jewell" (19) <i>A security guard.</i>	★★★½ "Chronicles" (04)	Outcry (HD)
7 PM 7:30	Feud <i>Potential upset.</i>		Duncanville.	The Titan Games		Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	BUNK'D		★★ "Hellboy" (19) <i>Half-demon man.</i> (R) (HD)	The Chi "A Stain" (HD)
8 PM 8:30	Press Your Luck (HD)	60 Minutes (HD)	The Harts	America's Got Talent <i>A look back.</i> (HD)		Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Sydney	Perry Mason (HD)		The Chi "Frunchroom"
9 PM 9:30	Match Game (HD)	Big Brother (HD)	Burgers		SportsCenter (HD)	Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Coop & Cam	(:05) Perry Mason	(:05) "Us" (19, Horror) <i>Look-alikes terror.</i> (HD)	We Hunt Together
10 PM 10:30	Local Programs <i>Local info.</i>	Local Programs	Fam Guy		SportsCenter (HD)	Tournament	Family	BUNK'D	Oliver	(:40) Perry Mason	DESUS & The Chi "Frunchroom"
11 PM 11:30	(:35) Local	Local Programs	Local	Local Programs <i>Local info.</i>	SportsCenter (HD)	"Movie"	Family	Unsitatable	"Motherless"	★★★½ "Hills-Eyes" (06)	We Hunt
							Family	Jessie			
							Family	Jessie			

AUGUST 9, 2020

MONDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM 7:30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local	Local Programs	NBA Basketball <i>Toronto vs Milwaukee</i> (Live)	Fam Guy	Chicago P.D. (HD)	Raven	(5:53) "Harriet" (19) <i>A slave tries to escape.</i>	"Cold Pursuit" (19)	We Hunt Together
7 PM 7:30	The Bachelor: The Greatest Seasons - Ever! <i>"Jason Mesnick"</i> (HD)	Neighbor.	9-1-1 "Eddie Begins"	The Titan Games		Fam Guy	WWE Monday Night Raw (T) (HD)	Raven		"Saw" (04) <i>A killer's games.</i> (HD)	Dexter (HD)
8 PM 8:30		All Rise <i>Legal system.</i>	9-1-1: Lone Star (HD)	American Ninja Warrior "USA vs. the World"	MLB Baseball <i>San Francisco Giants at Houston Astros</i> (Live) (HD)	Fam Guy		Big City	I May (HD)	(:45) ★★½ "The Thing" (11) <i>Alien shape-shifter.</i>	The Chi "Frunchroom"
9 PM 9:30		Bull "Doctor Killer"	Local Programs <i>Local info.</i>			Fam Guy	Law & Order: SVU	BUNK'D	(:05) Perry Mason		Twenties
10 PM 10:30	Local	Local		Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Dad (HD)	Family	Unsitatable	(:35) I May	★★★ "Harsh Times" (06, Crime)	DESUS & We Hunt Together
11 PM 11:30	Kimmel	(:35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(:35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Dad (HD)	Family	Big City	"Stockton on My Mind" (20)		"Boogie Nights" (97)
	Nightline	Corden		Late Night		Conan	Family	Jessie	"Idiocracy"		
	Kimmel						Family	Jessie			

AUGUST 10, 2020

TUESDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM 7:30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	SportsCenter (HD)	Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Raven	Mason	"Isn't It Romantic"	"Deliverance" (72)
7 PM 7:30	Family	NCIS "Ephemera"	Hell's Kitchen (HD)	America's Got Talent "Live Show 1" (HD)	MLS Soccer "Finn" (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Sydney	(:40) ★★ "Midway" (19) <i>The story of the Battle of Midway.</i>	"Bad Times at the El Royale" (18) <i>Hotel strangers.</i> (HD)	Ray Donovan (HD)
8 PM 8:30	Family	black-ish	FBI "Studio Gangster"	Prodigal Son (HD)		Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	Coop & Cam			City on a Hill (HD)
9 PM 9:30	black-ish mixed-ish	FBI "Studio Gangster"	Local Programs <i>Local info.</i>	(01) World of Dance		Bang (HD)	Law & Order: SVU	BUNK'D	Hard Knocks '20 (HD)	★½ "Apparition" (12)	We Hunt Together
10 PM 10:30	What Would You Do?	FBI: Most Wanted		Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Celebrity Show-Off	Family	Unsitatable	Perry Mason (HD)	"Human Capital" <i>Two families.</i>	★★★ "Hustlers" (19) <i>A stripper's scheme.</i> (HD)
11 PM 11:30	Local	Local	Local Programs	(:35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan	Family	Coop & Cam	(:05) I May		
	Kimmel	(:35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(:35) Tonight (HD)		Celebrity Show-Off	Family	Coop & Cam	"Magnolia"		
	Nightline	Corden		Late Night	Sports	Conan	Family	Jessie			
	Kimmel						Family	Jessie			

AUGUST 11, 2020

WEDNESDAY

	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM 7:30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	NBA Basketball <i>Philadelphia vs Toronto</i> (Live)	Bang (HD)	NCIS "Twenty Kicks"	Raven	(5:45) "Richard Jewell" (19) <i>A security guard.</i>	"Rock the Kasbah"	(:20) "The Go-Go's" (20) <i>The Go-Go's.</i> (HD)
7 PM 7:30	United We Goldbergs	Big Brother (HD)	MasterChef (HD)	America's Got Talent		Bang (HD)	WWE NXT (HD)	Big City		"Grudge Match" (13) <i>Retired boxers.</i> (HD)	
8 PM 8:30	Housewife Single	Tough as Nails (HD)	MasterChef (HD)	(01) World of Dance	(05) NBA Basketball <i>Denver vs Los Angeles</i> (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD)		Owl House	"Storm Over Brooklyn" (20)	(:55) ★½ "Police Academy 2" (85)	We Hunt Together
9 PM 9:30	Who Wants to Be a	SEAL Team (HD)	Local Programs <i>Local info.</i>	Chicago P.D. (HD)		Bang (HD)	★★★ "Rush Hour" (98) <i>Detective team.</i> (HD)	BUNK'D	(:45) Hard Knocks '20		★★½ "I Know What You Did Last"
10 PM 10:30	Local	Local		Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Frontal		Unsitatable	(:45) Perry Mason	"The Last Kiss" (06) <i>Temptation.</i>	★★ "I Still Know What You Did"
11 PM 11:30	Kimmel	(:35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(:35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Frontal	Family	Amphibia			
	Nightline	Corden		Late Night	Sports	Conan	Family	Jessie	"2 Minutes"		
	Kimmel						Family	Jessie			

AUGUST 12, 2020

THURSDAY

7:00pm

SHOW Shameless "A Beautiful Mess" Fiona finds herself wishing she had not slept with Craig and begins to wonder if she is putting too much on the kids after Debbie gets a stress-induced rash. TVMA (HD)

7:31pm

CBS The Unicorn A close group of friends and family help a man after the loss of his wife as he raises his two adolescent daughters and attempts to get back into dating. (HD)

FRIDAY

7:00pm

ABC Shark Tank An immigrant who lived in a refugee camp and her husband present their children's shoe company; entrepreneurs introduce their fashion line for customers. TVPG (HD)

MAX Long Shot ★★★ (2019, Comedy) Charlize Theron, Seth Rogen. When a journalist reconnects with his former babysitter turned diplomat, the powerful woman decides to hire him as her speechwriter. R

SATURDAY

8:40pm

DISN Amphibia An independent and fearless teenager is suddenly transported into a magical realm that is populated by frog people who live in a rural marshland. TVY7

9:00pm

USA Chicago P.D. The uniformed officers patrolling the streets and the intelligence unit in charge of major offenses work together in District 21 to clean up Chicago. TV14 (HD)

CBS 48 Hours Investigators take an in-depth look at a single story of real-life crime, considering the case from multiple angles in their pursuit of the truth. TV14 (HD)

SUNDAY

7:25pm

DISN Raven's Home "Dress to Express" Levi asks for Nia, Tess and Booker's help for a documentary to highlight how people's perception of one another can be influenced by one's style. TV G (HD)

9:00pm

USA Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Sanctuary" In the wake of a suspect's unexpected release, two families seek justice for their loved ones; Benson takes desperate measures to make an arrest. TV14 (HD)

MONDAY

8:00pm

FOX 9-1-1: Lone Star "Friends Like These" The first responders face a chaotic ride-share trip, a farming accident and a potentially deadly memorial service; Owen bonds with previous captain. TV14 (HD)

NBC American Ninja Warrior "USA vs. the World" "American Ninja Warrior" season 11 champion Drew Drechsel and runner-up Daniel Gil are among the USA competitors who

TUESDAY

7:30pm

ABC Modern Family "Pool Party" Mitch and Cam discover their own lack of self-confidence as they help Lily overcome her insecurities about wearing a bathing suit to a pool party. TVPG (HD)

9:00pm

TBS Celebrity Show-Off Athletes, musicians and other celebrities compete for charity as they determine who can create the most popular content from their own homes.

WEDNESDAY

7:00pm

MAX Grudge Match ★★★ (2013, Comedy) Robert De Niro, Sylvester Stallone. When an inadvertently hilarious grudge match between two retired boxers goes viral, their rivalry turns into a highly-publicized event. PG-13 (HD)

8:00pm

CBS Tough as Nails Real people in physically demanding professions compete in a series of challenges that test their strength, endurance, agility and mental fortitude. TVPG (HD)

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31g-34p

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33gp tfn

HELP WANTED

HELP WANTED: Hiring part-time and on-call cooks for the Jonesboro School District starting at \$10.00/ hour. Background and drug testing required. Please call (618)-694 5483 for details.

31p-34gc

Telecommunicator/ Corrections Officer
The Union County Sheriff's Office is currently accepting applications for part-time (with potential of full-time) Telecommunicator/Corrections Officer. Experience is preferred but not required. Applications may be picked up at the Union County Sheriff's Office, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 am to 4 p.m.

Job Description:
Receive emergency and non-emergency calls and record significant information. Address problems and requests by transmitting information or providing solutions. Receive and dispatch orders for services. Prioritize calls according to urgency and importance. Use radio, phone or computer to send crews, vehicles or other field units to appropriate locations. Enter data in computers system and maintain logs and records of calls, activities and other information. Booking and monitor conduct of inmates, according to established policies, regulations and procedures.

Qualifications:
Applicants must be a minimum of 21 years of age, possess a valid driver's license and possess a high school diploma or equivalent GED. Working knowledge of Microsoft Office (Word, Excel & Outlook) preferred but not mandatory. Ability to work holidays and rotating shifts; which would include days, evenings, and nights. Ability to multi task while handling emergency situations in a calm and professional manner. Must pass a background check.

32p-34g

County Highway Engineer

The County of Union is accepting resumes for the position of Highway Engineer. This position will perform all services and acts reasonably necessary to fulfill the duties and responsibilities of County Engineer as described in the Illinois Highway Code (605 ILCS 5). Perform other lawful duties as may be prescribed by law or as may be required or directed by a majority of the Union County Board of Commissioners.

Qualifications for interested candidates are as follows; Bachelor's degree in civil engineering, at least five (5) years practical experience in civil and highway engineering including highway construction and maintenance experience, registered as a Professional Engineer disciplined in Transportation, Roadway and Bridge Construction, experience in FHWA and State DOT policies and procedures, knowledge of traffic operations/drainage design, maintenance/site development review and floodplain management experience desired, must successfully obtain certification as NBIS Inspection Team Leader & Program Manager by the State of Illinois, computer/technology skills desired and budget experience desired.

Qualified candidates can apply by sending a resume to: Human Resources at County of Union, 309 W. Market Street, Room 137, Jonesboro, IL 62952. Position will remain open until filled. EOE.

33-34gp

Come Join Our Team at Union County Hospital!

Positions are now posted online for the following:

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Union County Hospital
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Anna, IL 62906

34-35gp

HELP WANTED: Outside sales representative needed for Southern Illinois. Must have sales experience, valid driver's license. Email resume to: jwilkins@reppertsales.com. No phone calls.

WANTED

WANTED TO BUY: Golden seal roots. Greenville. John Turley, (618)-604-2855.

26p-37gp

YARD SALE

UNION COUNTY GUIDELINES PERTAINING TO YARD/GARAGE SALES:

1. Social Distancing must be exercised.

2. Please wear a mask and/or other protective clothing.

3. No more than 10 people at one time permitted.

TAG SALE: Friday & Saturday, August 7 & 8. Entire household being sold! Furniture, decor, dishes, linens. Too much to list. 112 Peach Drive, Anna. 8 am. to 4 p.m. 34gc

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PUBLIC NOTICE

STATE OF ILLINOIS, CIRCUIT COURT UNION COUNTY

PUBLICATION NOTICE OF COURT DATE FOR REQUEST FOR NAME CHANGE (MINOR CHILD)

REQUEST OF: Brandy Nanette Hinkle 2020-MR-59 TO CHANGE NAME OF MINOR CHILD

There will be a court date on Request for Name Change (Minor Child) for Gabriel Cooper Rowley to the new name of: Cooper Wesley Hinkle. The court date will be held on Tuesday, August 18, 2020, at 9:30 a.m. at 309 W. Market Street, Jonesboro, Illinois, Union County, In courtroom 1.

Brandy N. Hinkle
32-34g

NOTICE UNDER ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME ACT

State of Illinois SS County of Union

Notice is hereby given pursuant to "An Act in relation to the use of an Assumed Name in the conduct or Transaction of Business in the State," as Amended that a certification was filed by the undersigned with the County Clerk of Union County. Filed this 27th day of July, 2020, under the Assumed Name of Dave's Bagels with the place of business located at 500 E. Broad Street, Jonesboro, Illinois 62952 and that the True Name(s) and Residence Address of the sole owner(s) and Proprietor(s) of said Business is:

David Waun
P.O. Box 575
Jonesboro, IL 62952

Lance Meisenheimer
Union County Clerk
33-35gc

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Union County Highway Department will hold a public hearing in the Community Room of the Union County Courthouse on August 27, 2020, at 9 a.m. to consider the following road closure/vacation:

To close TR 266, Cook Lane, from its intersection with TR 161, Cook Lane, Southerly to the south termini of TR 266, for a distance of 1,742 feet, approximately 0.33 miles.

The road is located in Township 12 South, Range 1 East, between Sections 23 and 24 in Union County, Illinois.

This request is in accordance with 605 ILCS 5/6-326 of the Road and Bridge Laws of Illinois.

By order of Kevin Grammer,
Union County Highway Engineer/Superintendent of Highways
33-34g

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

FARMERS STATE BANK, Plaintiff, vs. JOHN MICHAEL TREXLER, MARY JANE TREXLER, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants. No. 2019-CH-24

NOTICE OF COURT SALE OF REAL ESTATE (735 ILCS 5/15 1507(c)(1))

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

1. The name, address and telephone number of the person to contact for information regarding the real estate is: Tom Jones, c/o Farmers State Bank, P.O. Box 70, 55 N. Elm Street, Alto Pass, IL 62905, (618)-893-2464.

2. The common addresses and other common description, if any, of the real estate is: house at 1055 Toledo Cemetery Road, Cobden, Illinois and acreage on Toledo Cemetery Road, Cobden, Illinois.

3. The legal description of the real estate are:

THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW1/4) OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW1/4) OF SECTION SEVENTEEN (17), TOWNSHIP ELEVEN (11) SOUTH, RANGE ONE (1) WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF ILLINOIS; ALSO INCLUDING AND BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 11 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN; THENCE NORTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID QUARTER QUARTER ON AN AZIMUTH OF 0°56'30" FOR A DISTANCE OF 1337.14 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 11 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN; THENCE NORTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID QUARTER QUARTER BY SCOTTA A. RICHARDS, PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR #2996, DATED SEPTEMBER OF 2014. SUBJECT TO EXISTING EASEMENTS OF RECORD IF ANY.

ALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH A PLAT OF SURVEY DATED SEPTEMBER 12, 2014 AND RECORDED OCTOBER 8, 2014 AS DOC. NO. 2014R1809, AND FURTHER INDEXED AT PLAT BOOK 11, PAGE 947, MADE BY SCOTTA A. RICHARDS, ILLINOIS LAND SURVEYOR NO. 2996, IN THE UNION COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE, SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF UNION AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.

AND A PARCEL OF LAND BEING ALL OF THE SOUTH HALF OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 7, AND ALL OF THE NORTH-EAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER

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3. A description of the improvements on the real estate is: house at 1055 Toledo Cemetery Road, Cobden, Illinois and acreage on Toledo Cemetery Road, Cobden, Illinois.

4. The real estate may be inspected prior to sale at the following times: Contact the above named individual and arrangements will be made to accommodate you.

5. The time and place of the sale are: August 26, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. at the Union County Courthouse, Jonesboro, Illinois.

6. The terms of the sale are: Ten percent (10%) down on the date of sale and the balance upon closing.

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

8. The case title, case number, and the Court in which the foreclosure was filed are as follows: Farmers State Bank v. John Michael Trexler and Mary Jane Trexler, 2019-CH-24 in Union County Circuit Court, Jonesboro, IL.

THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. THE LAW OFFICE OF HUNN LAW GROUP, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR.

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1.23 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

EXCEPTING THEREFROM THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED TRACT:

A PARCEL OF LAND BEING PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 11 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, SAID PARCEL BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED BY METES AND BOUNDS AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT A ROOF BOLT AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER-QUARTER; THENCE S.88°33'57"W., ALONG THE SOUTHLINE THEREOF, A DISTANCE OF 1,385.42 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID QUARTER-QUARTER; THENCE N.00°15'01"W., ALONG THE WEST LINE THEREOF, A DISTANCE OF 1,379.34 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SOUTH HALF; THENCE N.89°33'42"E., ALONG THE NORTH LINE THEREOF, A DISTANCE OF 1,379.34 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SOUTH HALF; THENCE S.00°22'53"E., ALONG THE SECTION LINE, A DISTANCE OF 689.16 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. CONTAINING 64.745 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, IN UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS. AS PER SURVEY BY SCOTT A. RICHARDS, PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR #2996, DATED MARCH OF 2015. SUBJECT TO EXISTING EASEMENTS OF RECORD IF ANY.

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OF SECTION 18, ALL IN TOWNSHIP 11 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, SAID PARCEL BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED BY METES AND BOUNDS AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT A ROOF BOLT AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE NORTH-EAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 18; THENCE S.00°18'13"E., ALONG THE SECTION LINE, A DISTANCE OF 1,337.30 FEET TO A ROOF BOLT AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID QUARTER-QUARTER; THENCE S.88°33'57"W., ALONG THE SOUTHLINE THEREOF, A DISTANCE OF 1,385.42 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID QUARTER-QUARTER; THENCE N.00°15'01"W., ALONG THE WEST LINE THEREOF, A DISTANCE OF 689.16 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SOUTH HALF; THENCE N.89°33'42"E., ALONG THE NORTH LINE THEREOF, A DISTANCE OF 1,379.34 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SOUTH HALF; THENCE S.00°22'53"E., ALONG THE SECTION LINE, A DISTANCE OF 689.16 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. CONTAINING 64.745 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, IN UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS. AS PER SURVEY BY SCOTT A. RICHARDS, PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR #2996, DATED MARCH OF 2015. SUBJECT TO EXISTING EASEMENTS OF RECORD IF ANY.

ALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH A PLAT OF SURVEY DATED MARCH 20, 2015 AND RECORDED APRIL 10, 2015 AS DOC. NO. 2015R0655, AND FURTHER INDEXED AT PLAT BOOK 11, PAGE 971, MADE BY SCOTTA A. RICHARDS, ILLINOIS LAND SURVEYOR NO. 2996, IN THE UNION COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE, SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF UNION AND STATE

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News from

Anna Nazarene Church

A drive-in service was held Sunday, Aug. 2, on the parking lot at the Anna Church of the Nazarene and inside the sanctuary for those who could not tolerate the extreme heat.

A children’s illustration was presented by Pastor Randy Wright to the children prior to the morning worship service.

Singing was led by Pastor Wright and the worship team.

The pastor’s message on Sunday was titled “A Face to Face Encounter with God.” Scripture was from Genesis.

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

Bible study was planned at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 5, at the church, with CDC guidelines being followed by wearing masks and social distancing, and on Zoom.

Bible study is planned at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 7 in the fellowship hall. CDC guidelines will be followed. Zoom will be used. Pastor Wright can be contacted by texting him prior to the meeting for the password.

On Sunday, Aug. 9, a children’s service is planned from 9:15 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. There will be a drive-in service at 9:30 a.m. Seniors who are less tolerant of the heat will be able to come into the sanctuary, following CDC guidelines by wearing masks and social distancing. A teen service is planned on the parking lot from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The church offers sympathy and prayers to the Bridges family in the loss of their loved one, Randy Bridges, this past week. Randy was a cousin to several members of the church family. Funeral services were Friday, July 31, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna.

Birthdays: Aug. 4, Teddy Anderson, a drive-by celebration was planned at Holly Hill, where Teddy resides; Marshall Ramage, Aug. 7.

Anniversaries: Jason and Kathy Cook, Aug. 5; Jim and Tonya Hammer, Aug. 7.

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

News from

First Baptist Church, Anna

Worship music last Sunday was led by John Turner. Pastor Nick’s message was titled “Community: Irreducible Complexity,” with scripture from Ephesians.

The message was in keeping with a series about Core Values which is being presented.

Bible study about the Book of Revelation is scheduled at 6 p.m. on Wednesday. The Bible study is being taught by Pastor Nick.

The church’s Sunday worship service is at 10:15 a.m. A bus ride is offered to the church. For more information, contact the church office by calling 833-5416 during the week.

The church continues to have a food giveaway, which is scheduled from 11 a.m. to noon on Thursday (today).

The food giveaway is in the parking lot at the church and is free and available to anyone in the community. The church is located at 409 Morgan St.

The church is scheduled to host the American Red Cross from noon to 6 p.m. Thursday, today, in the fellowship room.

News from

Camp Ground Church, Community

The service began with prayer concerns/praise reports and intercessory prayer.

The children “gathered around” as Rev. Thompson shared a moment with them discussing what burdens are, and answering God’s call to come to Him for rest/relief from all that troubles everyone.

The sermon was titled “Come Unto Me.” The message was based on scripture from Matthew.

The message asked: “What burdens are you bearing? Worry about the future, job security, relationships, loneliness, loss, guilt, aging, parents, spouse, children, friends, health?”

News from

First Baptist Church, Jonesboro

On Sunday, Aug. 2, Pastor Perry Williams spoke about the basics of salvation which are found in the Book of Romans.

His message was sent via transmitter for worshippers who stayed in their cars on the church’s lower parking lot while tuned in to their radios on station 87.9 FM.

The message was also live streamed and can be found on the church’s Facebook page: @jonesborofbc. Other messages also can be found there under the video tab.

During the service, Dee Rose led worship. Debbie York was pianist. Connor Benbrook sang “Amazing Grace.”

Katelyn Shadowens was baptized during Sunday morning’s worship service. The church family welcomes Katelyn.

Monday through Friday, Pastor Perry is live streaming a series of devotionals on Facebook which are focused on the end times.

The pastor’s devotionals and messages also can be found on YouTube; do a search under Brother Perry Williams. His messages are there, too.

The church is open for

“Rest, exercise, vacations, etc. can help relieve the stress of these ‘physical’ afflictions.

“Weariness can cause our spiritual well-being to suffer. Only God can give your soul rest.

“Christ’s prescription for weariness is to lean on and be yoked with Him. He will share the load and give us a spirit of life.”

Rev. Thompson closed with an invitation to “turn/return to Jesus. Come and be relieved of your burdens; learn to rest at the Savior’s feet.”

Camp Ground Church extends an invitation to join them for in-person worship Sunday, beginning at 10:30

a.m., with CDC guidelines observed.

For those who can’t, or don’t feel comfortable returning to the church, services are also live on Zoom, and recorded and available on YouTube at the close of the service.

All services are also posted on the church’s Facebook page, “Camp Ground Cumberland Presbyterian Church.”

Those with birthdays this week include Kim Emery and Jared Rendleman, both on Aug. 2; Dennis Herren, Aug. 6; and Tracey Warren, Aug. 11.

The church congratulates Eric and Kim Simmons, whose wedding anniversary was Saturday, Aug. 1.

worshippers for Sunday School classes beginning at 9 a.m., Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. and Sunday evenings at 6 p.m. Safe guidelines are being practiced.

The church is scheduled to be open at 7 p.m. on Mondays for those who want to come and pray.

Birthdays: Kyle Clover, Lyman Eudy, Aug. 7; Larry Keller, Aug. 8

The schedule for worship

at Jonesboro First Baptist Church for the coming week includes Sunday School classes on Sundays at 9 a.m., Sunday morning worship at 10 a.m. and Sunday evening worship at 6 p.m.

The services also are live streamed on Facebook. The pastor’s end times teaching videos can be found on Facebook Monday through Friday.

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Obituaries

Randall Eugene ‘Randy’ Bridges

Randall Eugene “Randy” Bridges, 71, of Anna, died Monday, July 27, 2020, at Landmark Hospital in Cape Girardeau.

He was born on Feb. 22, 1949, in Anna, the son of Leo E. “Gene” and Mary Lou Roach Bridges.

He married Christine Roberts on Aug. 18, 1979, in Anna.

Mr. Bridges is survived by his wife, Christine Bridges of Anna; children Scott (Heather) Carter of Anna and Angela (Ryan) Smith of Pocahtontas; eight grandchildren, Manda Harris, Gage Brock, Makenzie Carter, Hayden Carter, Ethan and Zach Smith, Meredith and Camden Carter; two great-grandchildren, Kaison Smith and Mallory Harris; a brother, Rodney (Dimples) Bridges of Cape Girardeau; other relatives and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and by a daughter, Annette Lynne.

Mr. Bridges was an amazing artist. He loved painting in different mediums and working with ceramics. He was a member of Mt. Moriah Lutheran Church in Anna for many years.

He retired in 2003 from Choate Mental Health and Development Center in Anna.

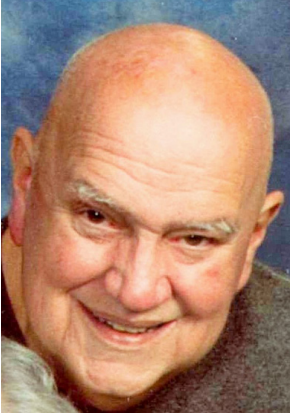
Funeral services were at 1 p.m. Friday, July 31, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna, with Pastor Mark Hasty officiating. Interment was in the Anna Cemetery.

Memorials can be made to Mt. Moriah Lutheran Church or to St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital.

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 Anna was in charge of arrangements.



Betty June Lingle

Betty June Lingle, 89, of Anna, died Tuesday, Aug. 4, 2020, at her home.

She was born on Oct. 22, 1930, in Johnson County, the daughter of Claude and Vincie Mae Bullock Howell.

She married Wayne Eugene Lingle Sr. on Oct. 23, 1948. He preceded her in death on Nov. 10, 2014.

Mrs. Lingle retired from the Choate Mental Health and Developmental Center in Anna. She was a member of Anna Heights Baptist Church. She enjoyed traveling, sewing and reading.

She is survived by her sons, Lloyd (Brenda) Lingle of Lick Creek, and Wayne (Debrah) Lingle Jr. of Anna; grandchildren Chris Lingle, Stephanie Schicker and Briana Childers; six great-grandchildren; many great-great-grandchildren; other relatives and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband.


Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, Aug. 7, at Crain Funeral Home in Anna.

Funeral services for Betty June Lingle will be at 1 p.m. at the funeral home, with the Rev. Darryl Williams officiating.

Due to Illinois Department of Public Health guidelines, groups of no more than 50 people at a time will be allowed in to pay their respects.

Interment will follow in the Anna City Cemetery. Memorials can be made to Anna Heights Baptist Church in Anna. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home.

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



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

Ruth Shadowens

Ruth Shadowens, 83, of Cobden, died Monday, Aug. 3, at Saint Francis Medical Center in Cape Girardeau.

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

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 Cobden is in charge of arrangements.

Jesus Amesquita

Jesus Amesquita, 63, of Grand Tower, died Tuesday, Aug. 4, at Memorial Hospital in Carbondale.

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

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 Cobden is in charge of arrangements.

Matthew J. Davis

Matthew J. Davis, 39, of Greeley, Colo., and formerly of Anna, died Tuesday, July 28, in Greeley, Colo.

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

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

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

Homer Lee Forby

Homer Lee Forby, 91, of Cobden, died Wednesday, July 29, 2020, at his daughter’s home in Carbondale.

He was born on March 6, 1929, in Jackson County, Illinois. His parents were Herb and Ethel Maze Draper.

He married Anna Bernice “Neicey” Lamer on March 6, 1948, in Piggott, Ark.

Homer is survived by his wife Neicey of Cobden; one son, Jeffrey L. (Susan I.) Forby of Cobden; his daughter, Lynn Geske (partner Hasan Sevim) of Carbondale; three grandchildren, Emily (Robert) Gaddis, Travis (Joni) Geske and Ellen (Caleb Robinson) Geske; six great-grandchildren, Ryan, Erin and Ethan Gaddis, Sabrina Geske, Laina and Elise Robinson; three nephews, Gary, Mike and Eric Forby; other relatives and many friends.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Paul Forby, and a son-in-law, Frank Geske Jr.

Homer was a member of Union Congregational Church in Cobden. He served as mayor of the Village of Cobden, as well as a member of the city council. He was a member of Cobden Masonic Lodge No. 466.

He was very interested in science and loved his Honda Gold Wing. He was a mechanic for the Illinois Department of Transportation.

Masonic rites were held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 1, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Cobden.

Memorial services for Homer Lee Forby were at 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 1, at the funeral home, with Jayson Forby officiating.

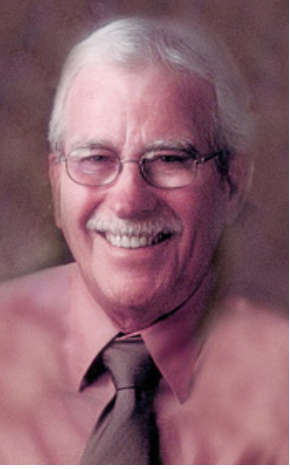
Private interment will take place in the Cobden Cemetery at a later date.

Memorials can be made to Hospice of Southern Illinois or to the Cobden Park Project.

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Michelle Marie Lingle

Michelle Marie Lingle, 53, of Cobden, and formerly of Anna, died Tuesday, July 28, 2020, in Anna.

She was born on June 21, 1967, in Anna, the daughter of Michael Raymond and Donna Kay Shadowens Haynes.

She is survived by her children, Ashlee Nicole Lingle (Jacquan Fuller) of Pinellas Park, Fla., Joshua Parker Lingle (Jala Wilson) of Anna and Bryce Matthew Lingle of Anna; one grandchild on the way, Jezra Parker Lingle; her mother, Donna Kay Hunt of Anna; her husband, Robbie Lingle of Anna; a brother, Shawn Eugene (Christina) Haynes of Anna; two aunts, Dee Dillion of Anna and Candy Huckleberry of Alhambra; a nephew, Gabriel Haynes of Anna; three nieces, Sydni Haynes of Dongola, Mckenzie and McKenna Haynes, both of Anna; and dear friends Jim, Michelle, CeCe; other relatives and friends. She had a beloved dog, MoJo.

She was preceded in death by her father, Michael Raymond Haynes; and her grandmother, Nellie Shadowens.

She worked many years as a registered nurse and as director of nursing at various facilities. She loved her family, and will be remembered for her nurturing soul. She was a great cook and enjoyed bird watching and frogs.

A celebration of life at the Harvest Church in Anna is pending.

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

RENDLEMAN & HILEMAN
FUNERAL HOMES

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Milas Ray Morse Sr.

Milas Ray Morse Sr., 79, of Anna, died Wednesday, July 29, 2020, in Ina.

He was born on Jan. 30, 1941, in Anna, the son of John and Pearl Smith Morse.

Mr. Morse is survived by his children, Milas Morse Jr. of Grand Tower, Sheila Stafford of Kansas City, Kan., Lisa Simms of Bardwell, Ky., Patricia Warthen of Kansas City, Kan., Gwen Patterson of Wichita, Kan., Peggy Morse of Bardwell, Ky., Milas W. Morse of Cameron, Mo., and Charlie Morse of Olney; 20 grandchildren; 40 great-grandchildren; siblings Bob Morse of Kansas City, Kan., Sue Richardson of Kansas City, Kan., Alice Brimm of Ware, Cindy Morse of Kansas City, Kan., Betty Sutton of Kansas City, Kan., and Carolyn Gentry of Anna.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Walter R. Morse; a grandson, Brently Morse; brothers Raymond, Charlie, Kenneth, Fred and Robert; and sisters Evelyn Rumpfelt and Beverly Morse.

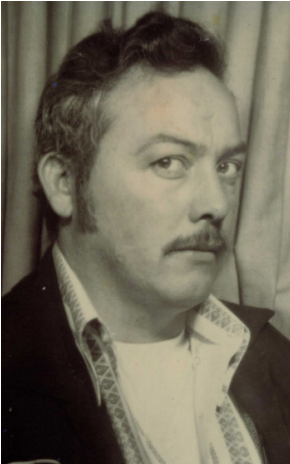
He liked fast cars, digging roots and a chew of Redman chewing tobacco. He always reached out to others in need.

Funeral services were at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 5, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Jonesboro. Interment was in the Jonesboro Cemetery, with Charlie Allen officiating.

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.



Sandra Lee Hartline

Sandra Lee Hartline, 75, of Cobden, died Monday, Aug. 3, 2020, at Saint Francis Medical Center in Cape Girardeau.

She was born on March 21, 1945, in Cairo, the daughter of Lawrence and Minnie Pearl Quertermous.

She married the love of her life, Gary Dale Hartline, on Dec. 23, 1960, in Jonesboro.

Mrs. Hartline worked at Southern Illinois University Carbondale for 25 years. She was a member of Walnut Grove United Methodist Church near Cobden.

She loved to bake, to plant flowers and to read books. Most of all she loved her family and spending time with all of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She is survived by her husband, Gary Dale Hartline; children Darrel (Terri) Hartline and Darla (James) PETERMAN; grandchildren Daryl (Ryan) Addison, Alexis Peterman, Cherokee Hartline, Sandra (Kentrell) Keys, Makynzie Peterman and Bobbi Jo Hartline; great-grandchildren Jayda Hubbs, Khelani Keys and Rylee Addison; her mother, Minnie Pearl Quertermous; and a brother, Larry Joe Quertermous.

She was preceded in death by her father, Lawrence Quertermous.

Graveside funeral services for Mrs. Hartline will be held Friday, Aug. 7, at 11 a.m. at the Alto Pass Cemetery, with Pastor Roberta Shultz officiating. Everyone attending will be required to observe social distancing.

Memorials can be made to Walnut Grove United Methodist Church. Envelopes will be available at the cemetery, the funeral home in Anna or can be mailed to Walnut Grove United Methodist Church, 155 Hartline, Cobden, Ill. 62920.

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

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Gilbert G. DeWitt

Gilbert G. DeWitt, 97, died Thursday, July 30, 2020, at his home near Chana.

He was born on Nov. 9, 1922, near Mill Creek, the son of James and Murray Miller DeWitt.

He graduated from Tamms Community High School in 1940.

He married Hazel M. Mowery on Nov. 12, 1944, in Blytheville, Ark. She preceded him in death in 2011.

Mr. DeWitt farmed for many years. He also worked as a maintenance person for the Nachusa Lutheran Home for Children and then retired after working for more than 20 years in the maintenance department at the Eaton Corporation in Rochelle.

Mr. DeWitt was a member of Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Paynes Point.

During his spare time, he loved to go camping, to attend to his vegetable and flower garden, and to ride his motorcycle with his brother Carl, having traveled throughout most of the United States.

He was preceded in death by his parents; by his wife, Hazel; by two brothers, Carl and Wayne; and by an infant sister, Marie.

Survivors include his three children, Gareld “Jerry” (Jackie) DeWitt of Oregon, Ill., Ken (Sharon) DeWitt of Granville and Diane (Greg) Hodge of Anchorage, Alaska; three grandchildren, Gary (Chris) DeWitt, Tim (Sai) DeWitt and Carolyn (Ian) Wheat; five great-grandsons, Christopher, Cole, Shayne, Tucker and Copper; and two great-great-grandchildren, Jackson and Everly.

Private funeral services will be held at the Farrell-Holland-Gale Funeral Home in Oregon, Ill., with the Rev. Andrew Kayes and the Rev. Brant Clements co-officiating.

Burial will take place at St. John’s Lutheran Cemetery near Dongola.

Memorials can be made to the Serenity Hospice and Home.

To leave a message of condolence, visit www.farrell-hollandgale.com.



Gloria Spicer

Gloria Spicer, 73, of Grand Tower, died Monday, Aug. 3, at her home.

Funeral arrangements 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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Campaign promotes wearing of face masks

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SPRINGFIELD – COVID-19 cases are on the rise throughout the state and Gov. JB Pritzker is hoping a new \$5 million state advertising campaign will help slow the spread of the novel coronavirus by encouraging use of face coverings.

Pritzker announced the campaign, which has the tagline “It only works if you wear it,” at the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Operations Center in Springfield. The governor said the costs are reimbursable through federal coronavirus relief funds.

Pritzker said the campaign will permeate “really every kind of medium that you can think of,” including “a good deal on social media,” cable, broadcast TV, Hulu, YouTube and many other platforms.

Pritzker praised a recent action by Springfield Mayor Jim Langfelder, who signed an order imposing fines for Springfield bars and restaurants flouting masking, social distancing and capacity restrictions. It also banned occupancy of standing areas at bars both inside and outside.

“But government action isn’t the only answer,” Pritzker said. “In fact, it’s not enough by itself. We also need all our residents to take this seriously, and to protect themselves.”

The advertising campaign compares face coverings to seat belts and life preservers in an effort to make their use

commonplace. “Every day we do things that keep us safe, like buckling a seatbelt or putting on a bicycle helmet. A mask is no different. It only works if you wear it. So always wear a mask when you’re out in public, to protect yourself and others,” he said.

“Keeping it in your pocket or wearing it just around your neck doesn’t work. It’s really that simple.”

The added push for face coverings, which have been mandated in the state since May 1, comes as the state’s rolling seven-day positivity rate for COVID-19 tests hit 4 percent Monday. That drove the rolling positivity rate to the highest it’s been since June 11, when it was 4.2 percent.

The 1,298 new cases among 28,475 test results reported made for a one-day positivity rate of 4.6 percent. That followed 3,106 combined confirmed cases announced Saturday and Sunday among 78,754 test results reported.

When asked if the state or local governments should impose fines for those not wearing masks, Pritzker said, “the idea here is not to chase people down on the street and say, you know, ‘hey you’re not wearing a mask and I’m going to throw a ticket at you.’”

He said the first priority is to ask those without masks to put one on.

“People who refuse to wear a mask, people who are entering public premises where they know they’re supposed to wear a mask, and who have been remind-

ed, and who aren’t, those people certainly should be, you know, reminded again by police and ultimately if they’re absolutely refusing in public, they’re putting other people at risk, so it’s worthy of considering fine at a local level,” he said.

When asked if the legislature should return to Springfield to codify some of the mandates Pritzker has put in place, he said the legislative body “hasn’t been willing to move forward on a mask mandate.”

“I went to the legislature, and I asked JCAR (the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules) to consider a rule that would impose fines when people are not requiring masks to be worn. They didn’t want to do that. They wanted to consider legislation and then didn’t bring up that legislation. So we certainly are considering what rule we could put in place that JCAR would approve.”

Anna-Jo Garden Club strives to find safe ways to function during COVID-19

The Anna-Jo Garden Club is striving to find safe ways to function during the COVID-19 virus situation.

The club’s June meeting was held outdoors after several meetings had been cancelled. Some ideas for continuing community and club activities were explored.

Rendleman Orchards near Alto Pass hosted the club in July for a tour of the fruit orchards, pumpkin patches, zinnia field, packing shed and store.

Each of the club members brought their own sack lunch, which was eaten outdoors on picnic tables. The club thanked Betty Sirles for hosting the group.

Club members are delighted to see the increased use of the Anna-Jo Garden Club Park in Anna during this unusual time.

With the nearby McDonald’s operating on a drive-through only basis, many folks are having lunch in the park.

Plans are being made to make some improvements to accommodate more community members at the park. As always, club gardeners are enjoying keeping the park neat and appealing.

As of Monday, the state had reported 183,241 cases of COVID-19, including 7,526 deaths, since the pandemic began. At the end of Sunday, there were 1,418 people in Illinois reported to be hospitalized with COVID-19. Of those, 347 were in intensive care units and 132 patients were on ventilators.

Dr. Ngozi Ezike, director of the Illinois Department of Public Health, reiterated the need for wearing masks in public as well.

“It’s the same message we’ve been echoing since the beginning. We’re all safer and stronger when we go all in Illinois,” she said.

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Removing dead tree
Work was being done to remove a dead tree along South Green Street in Anna. The work was being done by Marshall Tree Service of Vienna. Photo provided by City of Anna.

VFW Auxiliary to serve fish fry; Xtreme Bar Bingo also planned

A fish fry and Xtreme Bar Bingo are planned at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Carroll P. Foster Post No. 3455. The post is located at 70 VFW Ln. near Anna.

Fish Fry

The Auxiliary to Carroll P. Foster Post No. 3455 plans to serve a monthly fish fry on Friday, Aug. 7. Serving starts at 5 p.m.

The menu will include fish, potato slaw, slaw and a pickle for a donation of \$10.

Those who do not feel comfortable coming inside to eat can call 833-7737 and the Auxiliary will set up a time to meet you under the front awning with your meal.

Star Karaoke will be at the post starting at 6 p.m.

The Auxiliary notes that it

appreciates “each and every one of you who have participated in the ‘to go’ dinners these past few months.”

The Auxiliary adds that it continues to do its part in keeping everyone safe. Social distancing has been set up.

Xtreme Bar Bingo

Xtreme Bar Bingo is scheduled at 7 p.m. each Monday.

It will be held in the back hall at the post to allow for 50 people to attend and still social distance.

The back hall and the kitchen are scheduled to be open starting at 5:30 p.m. and food will be available.

Only 50 people will be allowed to attend at this time. For more information, call 833-7737.

Reynoldsville News

By Sue Eudy
Happy belated birthday wishes to Leon Rendleman whose birthday was Sunday, July 26.

Joe Schneider of Cape Girardeau visited Monday with Shirley Miller of McClure.

Lois Rhymer of McClure and Deanie and Jerry Hinkle of Jonesboro visited Tuesday with Shirley Miller.

On Thursday Shirley Miller and Penny and Kerry Hill of McClure went to St. Peters, Mo., to help Tessa Burtin celebrate her 3rd birthday with a pizza party. Tessa is Penny and Kerry’s granddaughter and Shirley’s great-granddaughter. Her parents are Julie and Eric Burtin.

On Saturday Tessa was guest at a big birthday party with her parents, Julie and Eric Burtin, Shirley Miller, Penny and Kerry Hill, David and Kristy Miller of St. Charles, Mo., plus lots of family and friends.

Kyle Eudy of Cape Girardeau and Ginger Welker

of Perryville, Mo., visited Saturday with their aunt and uncle, Sue and Steve Eudy of Anna and enjoyed homemade ice cream.

Dinner guests on Sunday, Aug. 2, of Sue and Steve Eudy were Emma Eudy and Jonathan Bohnert of Cape Girardeau.

Recent visitors of Maxine and Fred Pender of Fair City were Russ and Patsy Pender and Shelton, Kayde and Ridge Pender, all of Olive Branch, Gary Gibbs of Jonesboro and Heather, Josh, Slayton and Chesleigh Miller of Tamms.

Sunday visitors were Brad and Lori Pender of Jonesboro and Kristin Pender and friend Justin of Evansville, Ind.

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

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Pastor's Corner

by Pastor Don Cox

King Solomon wrote poetry called the "Song of Solomon" . . . it's the romance of his new bride, the un-named Shulamite woman. Yes, the Bible speaks of romance!

Congregational Church of Alto Pass
Sunday School at 9:30 a.m.
Worship-Message at 10:30 a.m.

"The Preaching Pen"

What Will You Do With Jesus?

When Jesus was brought before Pontius Pilate, this Roman governor made every effort to learn about Jesus and why the Jews were so set against Him, but it seems that the more he questioned Jesus, the more confused he became as he declared, “I find no fault in this man” (Luke 23:4). Still, the Jews insisted that he give them Jesus. In desperation, Pilate asked, “What then shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ?” (Matt. 27:22).

All of us must decide this most-important question. You may decide to ignore Him, give Him an occasional thought, or surrender your life to Him in obedience, but it must be your decision, and one you arrive at willfully. Look at how others have regarded Jesus in the past:

- Judas Iscariot: “I have sinned in that I have betrayed the innocent blood” (Mt. 27:4).
- Demons: “Thou art the Son of God” (Mark 3:11).
- Centurion: “Truly, this was the Son of God” (Mt. 27:54).
- John the Baptizer: “Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world” (Jn. 1:29).
- Peter: “Thou art the Christ, the Son of the Living God” (Mt. 16:16).
- Paul: “I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord” (Phil. 3:8).

If you haven’t been saved from sin through obedience to the Gospel, what will you do with Jesus? What is necessary to obey the Gospel? First, one must hear the message of salvation (Luke 8:12; Rom. 10:17; Eph. 1:13). Second, the lost soul must believe the gospel (Mark 16:15,16; Rom. 10:9,10). Third, the person must repent of his sins (Luke 13:3,5; Acts 2:38). Fourth, one must confess his belief that Jesus is the Son of God (Matt. 10:32,33; Rom. 10:10). Fifth, for sins to be washed away and the soul saved, one must be baptized (Acts 22:16; I Peter 3:21). Finally, one must live faithfully unto death (Rev. 2:10). Again, what will you do with Jesus?

R.W. McAlister, Minister
Anna church of Christ

Opinion and Commentary

Emergency management officials urge everyone to learn life-saving skills

SPRINGFIELD – During the course of a year, the State of Illinois could see any number of potential disasters, from a tornado and earthquake to a flash flood or ice storm. The most important thing to protect during a disaster is your life and the lives of those around you. That’s why, the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, IEMA, and local emergency management agencies are highlighting the importance of lifesaving skills like first aid, CPR, fire prevention and utility management. These are simple skills that can help save lives during a disaster.

“Learning four simple lifesaving skills can transform your role during an emergency or disaster,” said IEMA director Alicia Tate-Nadeau. “Emergencies can happen fast, and it can take time for first responders to arrive on the scene. By enhancing your skill set, you are trained and skilled to be the help until first responders arrive.”

Getting to know your neighbors can be extremely helpful in a crisis. Research reported by the Federal Emergency Management Agency suggests 46 percent of individuals expect to rely on people in their neighborhood for assistance within the first 72 hours after an emergency or disaster.

Utility Management
When a potential disaster threatens your home, take action to keep your loved ones safe by shutting off the gas, water and electricity to your home. Failure to do so can result in fires and explosions and various home water supply issues.

Water can quickly become a precious commodity following a disaster, so knowing how to properly shut off the main water valve to the house can be a critical step in disaster preparedness.

Different gas meters have different shut-off procedures, so it is important to contact your local gas company for guidance. Never attempt to turn the gas back on yourself; only a trained and certified professional should perform this task.

When shutting down your electricity, always shut off all the individual circuits before shutting off the main circuit. For more information about taking care of all your utilities, visit www.ready.gov/safety-skills.

Additionally, if you are in an area that is prone to floods or earthquakes, there are steps you can take to protect your home from their impact. You can learn flood-mitigation techniques at <https://go.usa.gov/xPr2C> and <https://go.usa.gov/xPrZY>, and earthquake-protection measures at <https://go.usa.gov/xPr2Y>.

Fire Prevention
Making sure your home has functioning smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors on every level, and at least one fire extinguisher, is one of the simplest ways to protect your family. Test your alarms monthly and contact your local fire department for extinguisher training.

Another key step in fire prevention is making sure your family knows two ways out of your home in the event of a fire and practicing a fire drill with children regularly. The National Fire Protection Association has a wealth of resources available to help you create a culture of preparedness within your family.

To prevent fires from starting, stay in the kitchen when cooking, position barbecue grills at least 10 feet from flammable materials and keep children away from cooking areas. Also immediately replace any worn or damaged appliance cords, and do not run cords under rugs or furniture. For more fire safety tips, go to <https://go.usa.gov/xPr24>.

CPR and First Aid
No matter how well you prepare for disaster, you simply cannot guarantee your loved ones or neighbors won’t get hurt. If someone does get injured, you can increase their chance of survival or full recovery by applying the skills learned in a basic first aid and CPR course. Your local chapter of the American Red Cross can provide information on available courses.

For more information on how to plan and prepare for all disasters or hazards, visit state’s preparedness website, Ready Illinois (www.Ready.Illinois.gov).

Legislator announces Summer Reading Club for area students

A Southern Illinois state legislator has begun a special summer program for young readers.

State Rep. Patrick Windhorst, R-Metropolis, kicked off his 2020 Summer Reading Club on July 28.

Windhorst says this year’s summer reading club, like almost everything else, is a little different than previous years.

“This year we were delayed in getting started with our summer reading club because students were not in school as summer began,” Windhorst said in a news release.

“Since schools and libraries were closed, we started a little later in the summer and extended the deadline for returning completed forms until after Labor Day.”

Students in 1st through 5th grade who read eight books by Sept. 8 will be awarded an official certificate from the Illinois House of Representatives recognizing their commitment to reading, as well as a coupon for a free Culver’s custard from Culver’s in Marion.

A link to information about the program can be found online at <https://repwindhorst.com/2020/07/28/rep-windhorsts-summer-reading-program-starts-today/>.

Students can email completed forms to Windhorst@ILHouseGOP.org or return them by mail to State Representative Patrick Windhorst, 2 N. Vine St., Suite 5A, Harrisburg, Ill. 62946.

Please read this...

By Geof Skinner

A Good Samaritan lends a hand...

Sometimes, on the Journey Through Life, finding the “right” words to share with someone can be a challenge.

We’ve all been there...perhaps during a time of sorrow...perhaps during a time of joy...perhaps during one of those things that just happen to come up during the course of what might seem like an ordinary, routine day.

A fellow traveler on the Journey Through Life experienced a challenging moment in her life on a recent rainy July afternoon. The traveler is a friend. The Other Half and yours truly have known her for many years.

The story she shared involved a Good Samaritan. Folks who are familiar with scripture know the parable of the Good Samaritan, which was told by Jesus. Bottom line (and we’re probably oversimplifying things...big time...) is that the Good Samaritan saw somebody who needed help...and offered some assistance.

With that little bit of an introduction, let me share the story of a Good Samaritan who saw somebody right here in our little corner of the world who needed some help... and offered a hand. Here is the story, written on July 21, as shared by our friend...

I may owe my life to a man who stopped to help me in the middle of a severe thunderstorm, yesterday afternoon.

It was a clear sunny day in Cobden when I drove down the short, steep gravel road from my house towards the highway leading to Alto Pass, a few miles away, to pay my monthly water bill.

The road had been damaged several days earlier by another bad storm. Although I drove slowly, loose gravel rocks flew up into the low-lying car and rattled around.

Halfway to Alto Pass I almost turned back because black clouds were gathering; by the time I reached the Water District Office the storm hit with thunder, lightning and heavy rain.

After getting soaked while shoving an envelope through a mail box, I drove back towards home. All the car’s windows were fogged up and none of the defogging devices worked.

I drove slowly up the hill from the village feeling uneasy that the car was not fully under my control because of the weather.

A small car passed mine on this narrow, winding road and stopped in front of my car. The driver walked through pouring rain to ask if I needed help.



Raindrops were hanging like crystal Christmas ornaments on a pine tree in Union County after a recent late afternoon summer storm.



A tiny mushroom...seems like it was smaller than a dime...popped up in our yard one morning last week. There was only one...and it was gone by lunch time.

A Page from the Past

from the files of The Gazette-Democrat

Thursday, August 6, 1970

Another blow from Illinois officials has been received for the Union County area, again connected with taxes. This time, with real estate tax hikes.

A letter was received in the office of County Clerk Fred Blaylock Monday, Aug. 3, from the Department of Local Government Affairs, Office of Financial Affairs.

Ned Foley, chairman of the Union County Board of Commissioners, said he could not understand why Union County taxes should be raised almost 50 per cent. He said the county was operating in the black and had been doing so for many years.

All Union County schools will open for the fall term Wednesday morning, August 26.

Mayor Dale Denny called the Chicago office of the Bureau of the Census Tuesday afternoon, August 4, and learned that the population of Anna has grown since 1960.

The census of 1960 showed a population of 4276 and the preliminary figures indicate a gain of 452 persons, for a total of 4728.

Mayor G. Wallace Rich told the Village Board that he was pleased to report that the population of the Village of Cobden was up in the 1970 census from the 1960 census, at their meeting Monday, August 3.

Mayor Rich said he had contacted the Bureau of the Census Chicago office last week and was told that the 1970 preliminary figures revealed that the count for 1970 was 1104 persons, up from the 900 figure in 1960, a total gain of 204.

Eight more young ladies have indicated an interest in

He said my car had veered across the highway almost hitting an oncoming car head-on. He used all the defogging controls to clear the windows but none worked.

He advised me to get off the highway into a small park, a popular viewing spot for Bald Knob Cross. Reluctantly I agreed. On foot, he guided my car to a safe place even though he was soaked to the skin; he even brought paper towels to wipe the car windows.

The rain eased up after about 15 minutes. Meanwhile I had tried to start the engine but it did not respond. I called 911.

After a long wait, a policeman arrived. He tried but failed to start the engine so we assumed the battery was dead.

He called Larry Hackethal’s towing service in Cobden. One of Larry’s workmen discovered a shredded serpentine belt under the hood.

This belt, crucial (as I found out) to a car’s proper function, had been destroyed by the rocks that shot up into the car as I drove down the gravel road to the highway. Thus the battery failed, the defogging controls failed and the power steering failed.

If that Good Samaritan had not persuaded me to get off the road I would have continued driving toward home, possibly killing myself and others on the way.

Friends who live in Alto Pass are trying to find my Good Samaritan so I can thank him.

Hopefully, the Good Samaritan will be found so he can receive some well-deserved thanks. I’m guessing, though, that like most folks who do such things, he will simply be satisfied with having helped somebody in need.

A bit of a note in closing to the Good Samaritan: if you happen to read this, or hear about it, think about getting in touch with me at the paper. The person you helped would like to offer her thanks. We will do our best to connect the two of you...

Stay safe...
...by the way...the photos don't really have anything to do with a Good Samaritan...yours truly just liked the pics...



Drops of water were seen on a single leaf which had dropped into a pond in Union County.