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## News

### Notes

Items of interest from throughout the Union County area

Many positive comments have been shared about the Independence Day fireworks display which was presented Wednesday night, July 4, at the Anna City Park. Thank you to all of those who were involved.

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Speaking of the fireworks: a big crowd was on hand, on a very warm and sultry night, to see the show.

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Just in case you went to the fireworks display in Anna and happened to be wondering: the heat index at 7 p.m. that day was a balmy 116.5 degrees.

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Tuesday story hours are underway at the Jonesboro Public Library. Story hours, which were slated to start this week, are planned at 2 p.m. on July 17, 24 and 31.

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Starting this weekend, the PAST House in Jonesboro is scheduled to be open from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Sundays through Oct. 14.

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Registration is underway for the 2018 Cobden Peach Festival 5K run, 5K walk and 1-mile fun run. The events are planned early Saturday morning, Aug. 4, and will be held in conjunction with the annual Cobden Peach Festival.

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A worship service is set for 7 p.m. Thursday, July 19, at Kornthal Church near Jonesboro.

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An Illinois Department of Natural Resources hunter safety course is scheduled Aug. 3-4 at the First Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Anna.

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Planning continues for a Taste of Union County event, which is scheduled Oct. 6 in Cobden.

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Open practice sessions for the Anna-Jonesboro Community High School golf teams are scheduled to begin this week.

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## Heat index 118 degrees on July 5 in county



**Sunshine on sweltering afternoon**  
Sunshine filtered through trees at the Lincoln Memorial Picnic Grounds in Jonesboro on Thursday afternoon, July 5. At the time the picture was taken, the temperature was 99 degrees in downtown Anna. The heat index in Jonesboro at the time was heading past 115 degrees.

## June weather warmer, wetter than normal

Weather during the month of June in the region was warmer and wetter than normal.

The National Weather Service office in Paducah reported that June's weather was "a continuation of the warm May, with above normal temperatures dominating most of the month" in Southern Illinois, Southeast Missouri and Western Kentucky.

Many locations in the region were around 3 to 4 degrees above normal.

There were only five days with daily temperatures below normal in Paducah and Cape Girardeau.

High temperatures were in the 90s for 14 straight days between June 6 and 19 in Paducah, and for 15 straight days in Cape Girardeau.

Paducah had its fifth warmest June on record, and the warmest June since 2010.

Cape Girardeau tied with 1984 for its third warmest June on record, behind 2010 and 1971.

While above normal temperatures were common, no record highs or warm lows were established, the weather service reported.

"The humidity was also oppressive for long stretches of time," the weather service added. Dewpoints were constantly in the mid to upper 70s.

Paducah had 15 days when the dewpoint reached at least 75 degrees.

"The dewpoint is basically a measure of how humid the air feels, and anything over 70 is quite uncomfortable to most people," the weather service explained.

Heat index values topped 100 degrees on many days during June.

"Much of the region registered a wetter than normal June to some degree," the weather service reported.

Cape Girardeau had its second wettest June on record, behind 1989.

A record daily rainfall of 4.16 inches was measured on June 25 in Cape Girardeau. This also was the largest calendar day rainfall for the month of June, surpassing 3.63 inches, which was set on June 28, 1989.

June was an active month in terms of thunderstorms. Severe thunderstorms occurred on several days during the month.

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Union County residents had a bit of a break during the past week from recent sweltering summer heat and humidity.

On July 5, the heat index in Jonesboro reached nearly 120 degrees.

However, by early this week, extreme heat and humidity once again were blanketing Southern Illinois, Southeast Missouri and Western Kentucky.

The National Weather Service office in Paducah reported that on Tuesday, July 10, heat index readings in the region were expected to reach 102 to 105. A high temperature in the low to mid 90s was in the forecast for Tuesday afternoon.

The heat index is a way to measure how hot it feels when humidity and air temperature are taken into consideration.

During extreme heat, the

weather service advised area residents to:

Take frequent breaks in air conditioning. Drink plenty of water. Check on those without air conditioning or in poor health. Never leave a child or pet in a vehicle under any circumstance, especially during hot weather, when vehicle interiors can reach lethal temperatures in minutes.

The weather service reported that upper level high pressure set up across the region to end the month of June and lasted through the 4th of July holiday weekend.

This resulted in high temperatures routinely reaching into the low to mid 90s in the region.

"Oppressive humidity levels were in place much of the time as well," the weather service noted.

This resulted in daily

heat index readings of 100 degrees or above for seven straight days.

The most intense heat and humidity occurred on July 5, when high temperatures reached into the mid to upper 90s and heat index readings soared to between 110 and 115 across much of the region.

### 118-Degree Heat Index

Local weather observer Dana Cross recorded a heat index reading of 118 degrees at 4 p.m. on July 5 in Jonesboro. By 6 p.m., the heat index had dropped to 116.4 degrees.

On July 4, the heat index reading was 116.5 degrees at 7 p.m. in Jonesboro.

Cross said that during the extreme weather, heat index values had climbed into the 100s by 11 a.m., and stayed that high into the evening hours.

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### Independence Day fireworks

Many people turned out to watch a fireworks display which was presented Wednesday night, July 4, at the Anna City Park in Anna. People were on hand at the park and in many areas surrounding the park to watch the fireworks. The Independence Day fireworks were presented by Brad Dawson. The Anna Fire Department coordinated the event, with support from the City of Anna and the community.

### Anna City Council meeting held

## Major street project, flooding issue discussed



### Continuing concern

Flooding in the 500 block of East Vienna Street in Anna during heavy rainfall is an ongoing concern. The picture was taken during a downpour which happened June 26. Anna officials are concerned that continued flooding could lead to the collapse of the highway.

An upcoming major street project and continuing concerns about flooding on one of the community streets were among the issues discussed at last week's regular meeting of the Anna City Council.

The meeting was held Tuesday evening, July 3, at Anna City Hall.

City administrator Steve Guined reported to the council about the latest update regarding a major project involving what is known locally as the "four-way stop" in the heart of downtown Anna.

The "four-way stop" is the intersection of Main and East Vienna streets. East Vienna Street also is part of Illinois Route 146. The intersection is a very busy location, in terms of traffic flow.

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## Carbondale man charged with making threat to blow up recruiting center

On July 2, George Rita II, 42, of Carbondale, appeared in United States District Court on a complaint charging him with falsely making a threat to blow up a Carbondale military recruiting center, Donald S. Boyce, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Illinois, announced.

Rita was arrested and charged on June 29, for allegedly posting a threatening anonymous message to a Federal Bureau of Investigation, FBI, tip line located in Clarksburg, W. Va.

The message claimed that the sender planned to go to a recruitment center and blow it up and that no one could stop him. No location was given for the threatened recruitment center.

Agents of the FBI were able to determine that the threat received in West Virginia originated in Southern Illinois and ultimately tracked the internet connection that was the source

of the threat back to Rita’s Carbondale apartment.

Agents also determined that the threat was against a U.S. military recruiting center in Carbondale, close to Rita’s apartment.

The complaint charges Rita with maliciously conveying false information regarding a bomb threat in violation to Title 18, United States Code, Section 844(e).

The violation carries possible penalties of up to 10 years imprisonment and a fine of up to \$250,000.

Rita was ordered detained in federal custody by a United States magistrate judge pending further court proceedings.

The ongoing investigation is being conducted by the FBI, with assistance from the Carbondale Police Department and the United States Marshals Service. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Ranley R. Killian.

## Edmonds reelected to Board of Governors



**Tyler R. Edmonds**  
Union County State’s Attorney Tyler R. Edmonds has been reelected to the Board of Governors of the Illinois State’s Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor.

Edmonds was reelected to the post during a quarterly board meeting which was held in Chicago on Wednesday, June 27.

As the only Union County state’s attorney ever to serve on the Board of Governors, Edmonds represents Union County and 36 other counties in the Fifth Appellate Court District, the largest in the state.

The Appellate Prosecutor is the primary agency

that represents the People of the State of Illinois in all criminal appeals outside of Cook County and acts as special prosecutor at the trial level when appointed by the court.

As such, the Appellate Prosecutor handles thousands of cases each year from drug offenses to murder.

After his reelection victory, Edmonds said, “I am deeply appreciative of the honor shown me by my colleagues, and, as always, I will continue to focus all my efforts to serve the people of Union County and the State of Illinois.”

Immediately after the election results, Appellate Prosecutor director Patrick J. Delfino stated, “This is a well-deserved victory for State’s Attorney Edmonds and the People of the State of Illinois.

“He is a superior prosecutor with exceptional legal skills and a deep, comprehensive knowledge of the law. I look forward to his continued outstanding work on our board.”

## June weather

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The two most widespread events occurred on June 26 and June 28. Damaging winds were the biggest impact from the events.

The weather service reported that the June 28 storm was classified as a derecho event, with widespread wind damage observed across Southern Illinois and Western Kentucky.

**June Weather in Union County**

During the month of June, local weather observer Dana Cross recorded the following statistics in Jonesboro:

The high temperature for the month was 95 degrees, recorded on June 15 and 16. The average high was 90.

The low temperature for the month was 54, which

was recorded on June 4. The average low was 66.

Rainfall during the month totalled 6.60 inches.

The most rain in a 24-hour period was 2.53 inches, which was recorded on June 26.

Through the end of June, precipitation for 2018 had totalled 39.33 inches.

## Mowing protects pollinators

As concerns for declining pollinator species continue to be voiced throughout the country, the Illinois Department of Transportation, IDOT, reminded the public about a change in mowing operations which is designed to encourage the growth of pollinator species along state roadsides.

The updated mowing routine, which began last May and was reinstituted in June, helps to reestablish plants that provide habitat for birds and that are food sources for bees and other insects native to Illinois, including the official state insect, the monarch butterfly

The new mowing policy adjusted mowing frequency and timing, as well as limiting the use of herbicides on state rights of way.

Except for certain areas, crews now mow 15 feet beyond the edge of the road.

The untouched vegetation encourages the growth of milkweed, the only food source for monarch caterpillars.

Designated as the official state insect in 1974, the monarch butterfly population has gone down 80 percent in the past 10 years.

May was declared as Monarch Butterfly Month in Illinois. All Illinois residents were being encouraged to help in the restoration of the monarch butterfly population.

Several other initiatives are ongoing throughout the state to support pollinator conservation, including IDOT’s partnership with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources’ Mason State Tree Nursery to disperse more than 7,000 seed packets containing milkweed and other local native flower species.

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A national visitor use monitoring recreation survey was being conducted by the U.S. Forest Service/ Shawnee National Forest on Thursday afternoon, July 5, at the Lincoln Memorial Picnic Grounds in Jonesboro. The site is one of the more popular places on the national forest.

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Hometown Deals is scheduled to open Saturday, July 14, in downtown Anna.

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Some ground-clearing work has been underway at Masters Choice in Anna.

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Shawnee Community College plans to host an ELITE youth entrepreneurship camp July 16-19. The camp, for incoming 7th, 8th and 9th grade students, will be at the college’s main campus near Ullin.

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The Shawnee Commu-

nity College Cosmetology Department is planning a showcase event Thursday, today. The talents of the program’s students will be featured at the event, which begins at 7 p.m. at the educator center at the college’s main campus near Ullin.

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For those who might be interested: the fourth annual Kaskaskia River Rough Fish Roundup bowfishing tournament is planned July 21. The event will be on the Kaskaskia River at Wood Duck Marina near Baldwin.

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Lilies appear to be blooming quite nicely in Union County.

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Just for the record: Union County didn’t have any snow during June. And, the coolest wind chill recorded locally over the past two weeks was a chilly 72 degrees at 4:30 a.m. on July 5.

## Anna City Council

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The Illinois Department of Transportation, IDOT, is planning major construction at the four-way stop.

The work is scheduled to begin July 23 and continue through July 30.

The usually busy intersection is scheduled to be closed to traffic for seven days while the work is being done.

Traffic will be detoured during the time that the intersection is closed.

Electronic message signs now can be seen in Anna which are alerting motorists about the project and the closing of the intersection.

While the project is underway, the City of Anna also is planning to do some utility line work at the site.

The city administrator said that as a result of the utility work, a boil water order is planned which will impact the area near the intersection.

**Street Flooding**

Also at last week’s meeting, the council revisited what have been continuing concerns about flooding in the 500 block of East Viena Street which frequently occurs during heavy rain.

The city administrator reported that he had again voiced concerns about the matter with an IDOT representative.

City officials have made numerous contacts with state agencies in recent years in an attempt to have the matter resolved.

The flooding is seen as a major problem which could get even worse. City officials are concerned that the flooding could lead to the possible collapse of the highway, which is a state route.

City attorney John Foley said that he discussed the matter with State Rep. Terri Bryant, R-Murphysboro. Foley said that the legislator had indicated a willingness to come to Anna to further address the situation.

**Other Business**

In other business at the July 3 meeting:

The council approved two resolutions related to the Beachy Development in east Anna. A subdivision agreement and a final plat were approved. Commercial development is planned at the location along Illinois Route 146 in east Anna. The council also approved a building permit for the development project.

Jeff Kelley was reappointed to a five-year term on the city’s zoning board of appeals.

Anna Police Chief Mike Hunter reported that the department’s new squad car was in operation.

## Sweltering heat

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On July 4, the heat index had climbed into the 100s by 9 a.m. The reading did not drop out of the 100s until 8:30 p.m.

Maximum heat index readings for other communities in the region on July 5 included:

107 in Cape Girardeau. 109 in Carbondale. 114 in Paducah. 113 in Poplar Bluff, Mo. 110 in Cairo. 112 in Metropolis. 112 in Harrisburg. 113 in Carmi. 110 in Marion. 115 in Trenton, Ky.

### Weather for June 26 through July 9

During the period of June 26 through July 9, the high temperature in Jonesboro was 97. The low for the period was 64.

Precipitation for the period totalled 4.12 inches, including 2.53 inches on June 26, .38 of an inch June 27, 1.15 inches on June 28 and .06 of an inch July 6.

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

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Tuesday, June 26	89	67
Wednesday, June 27	90	66
Thursday, June 28	89	69
Friday, June 29	92	66
Saturday, June 30	94	74
Sunday, July 1	93	73
Monday, July 2	91	72
Tuesday, July 3	92	72
Wednesday, July 4	96	73
Thursday, July 5	97	72
Friday, July 6	89	73
Saturday, July 7	83	66
Sunday, July 8	89	64
Monday, July 9	92	69

## Anna police report issued

Anna Police Chief Mike Hunter has issued a monthly activity report for June.

Highlights from the report follow:

24 adult verbal warnings issued. 21 adult written warnings issued. 105 radio/officer initiated calls. 176 phone initiated calls. 38 walk in initiated calls.

Four traffic misdemeanor arrests. Four warrant arrests. Nine criminal felony arrests. Nine criminal misdemeanor arrests. 38 traffic citation arrests.

*‘This is what really happened...’*

...some thoughts about newspapers  
from the Oregon Digital Newspaper program website

“This is what really happened, reported by a free press to a free people. It is the raw material of history; it is the story of our own times.” Henry Steel Commager

“Newspapers cannot be defined by the second word—paper. They’ve got to be defined by the first word—news.” Arthur Sulzberg, Jr.

“A good newspaper is a nation talking to itself.” Arthur Miller

“The newspaper is a greater treasure to the people than uncounted millions of gold.” Henry Ward Beecher

“Were it left to me to decide if we should have a government without newspapers, or newspapers without a government, I should not hesitate a moment to prefer the latter.” Thomas Jefferson

“Most of us probably feel we couldn’t be free without newspapers, and that is the real reason we want newspapers to be free.” Edward R. Murrow

“People don’t actually read newspapers. They step into them every morning like a hot bath.” Marshall McLuhan

“Every time a newspaper dies, even a bad one, the country moves a little closer to authoritarianism...” Richard Kluger

“I’d love to rise from the grave every ten years or so and go buy a few newspapers.” Luis Bunuel

“All I know is what I read in the papers.” Will Rogers



# Registration scheduled at A-JCHS

Anna-Jonesboro Community High School has scheduled registration for the 2018-2018 academic year.

Registration is scheduled July 30 through Aug. 2 in the principal's office at the school.

The school noted that students who signed up for classes in the spring will be receiving information packets in the mail during July.

The registration schedule follows:

Seniors: July 30, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Juniors: July 31, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Sophomores: Aug. 1, 7 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Freshmen and sophomores: Aug. 1, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Freshmen: Aug. 2, 7 a.m. to 11 a.m.

All grades: Aug. 2, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

The school advised that on registration day, students will need to bring full payment for all fees or a completed free/reduced lunch form.

The form contains income guidelines set by the federal government regarding eligibility for free and reduced meals.

One application will be completed per household

for all children who attend A-JCHS.

All incoming freshmen and students who are newly enrolled in the district must present proof of a physical exam, a current immunization record and proof of residency before they can be registered.

Students who are newly enrolled are advised to contact the principal's office as soon as possible to begin the registration process.

For more information about enrollment and registration at the school, contact Brad or Nikki in the principal's office, phone 833-8502.

# Jonesboro to celebrate bicentennial

A Jonesboro bicentennial celebration is planned Oct. 12-13 in the Union County community.

The City of Jonesboro,

as well as Union County and the State of Illinois are commemorating their bicentennials during 2018.

Organizers of the Jones-

boro event are welcoming support for the celebration, with donations being accepted.

Those who make a donation of \$25 will receive a sticker, which is shown in the accompanying image.

Those who make a \$50 donation will receive a sticker and have their names listed in an official bicentennial book.

Donations can be sent, along with the donor's name and address, to Bicentennial, P.O. Box 441, Jonesboro, Ill. 62952. Donations also are being accepted at Jonesboro City Hall.

For more information, contact Marilyn Meisenheimer at 833-8259 or Linda Hileman at 833-8745.



The Jonesboro bicentennial sticker.

# Peach Fest queen pageant seeks participants

A deadline is approaching for young women from Union County who may want to participate in this year's Cobden Peach Festival queen pageant.

The deadline to enter the pageant has been set for July 13.

Coronation of a new queen will be one of the highlights of this year's Cobden Peach Festival.

The festival is planned Aug. 3-4 at the Cobden Community Park.

The community celebration again will be sponsored

by the Cobden Lions Club, with the help of many volunteers.

The pageant is scheduled to take place during the evening on both days of the festival.

The pageant is open to young women from Union County who are 16 to 21 years of age and have never been married or had children.

Queen candidate applications are available by contacting pageant director Debbie Stroehlein at Phases in downtown Cobden, phone 893-4917.

The United States entered World War I in 1917 on the side of the allies. In Illinois, a State Council on Defense was appointed, and all state facilities were mobilized. More than 350,000 men, including the 33rd Division, composed entirely of Illinois National Guard units, were inducted in the U.S. Army and U.S. Navy to serve during the war, which ended in November 1918. The war claimed the lives of 4,266 Illinois soldiers.



**A Tuesday evening sky over Anna**  
A dark cloud blocked the sun in the sky over Anna Tuesday evening, July 3. While the cloud may have appeared ominous, it was not accompanied by any stormy conditions or rain.

# Public Record

from the files at the Union County Courthouse, Jonesboro

**Realty Transactions**  
The following real estate transactions were recorded at the Union County clerk's office in Jonesboro:

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Cheryl J. Parr, Bonnie Lou Stokes, Donna Lynn Stokes, Herman Matthew Stokes, Carol Lee Watkins. Grantee: Eric J. Lambdin, Malori E. Lambdin. Tract Section 22 Township 12S Range 1W. Tract Section 21 Township 122S Range 1W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Keith A. Ellis, Melissa L. Ellis. Grantee: Amanda Kirk, Mark Kirk. Tract Section 12 Township 13S Range 2W.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Jo Ann Norton. Grantee: Gina Eddleman. Name: A.D. Finchs 2nd Add. of Anna. Lot 1.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Angie McKuIn, Benjamin R. McKuIn. Grantee: Dorothy Mitchell. Name: Valley View. Lot 6.

Warranty Deed. Grantor: Peter Van Muylder. Grantee: Steven Myers. Tract Section 22 Township 11S Range 1E.

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

Ruben Guzman Jr., Cobden. Devyn Elizabeth Guthrie, Cobden. Bobby D. Anderson, Carbondale. Melisha Esly Lirio Terrell, Bakersfield, Calif.

Abhishek Narendar, Des Plaines. Amy Leanna Lowry, Cedar Park, Texas. Tanya H. Vargas, Carbondale. Edward Robles, Cobden.

Ashley J. Barkey, Murphysboro. Stanley E. Fuller, Jonesboro. Nicholas Andrew Kenney, Jackson, Mo. Darwin Nathaniel Roddy, Cairo. Meshari Alrashdi, Cape Girardeau.

Fabian Quintero Camarillo, Palatine. Theophilus K. Merriweather, Milwaukee, Wis. Muriel A. Von Albade, Morton Grove. Deborah Sue Roach, Jonesboro.

Kaylynn Vera Louis Tanner, Anna. Authur Williams, Indianapolis, Ind. Christopher L. Oliver, Carbondale. Yazeed Dhafer M. Almuteb, Cape Girardeau.

Eric W. Bandera, Carbondale. Shyanne R. Scott, Carbondale. Zachary E. Justice, Anna. Gary Roger Collier, Brentwood, Tenn.

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

Alex Michael Kole, Jenison, Mich., speeding, 21-25 mph above limit, \$140.

Brian A. Pender, Vienna, fail right-of-way/intersection, \$120.

Christina L. Williams, Marion, speeding, 21-25 mph above limit, \$140.

Noah S. Allison, Texico, electronic communication device, \$120.

Annika K. Tichenor, Shreveport, La., improper traffic lane usage, \$120.

Trent E. Tollison, Dongola, seat belt required/driver, \$60.

Dylan Dean Kampwerth, Dongola, electronic communication device, \$120.

Zachery James Stout, Buncombe, electronic communication device, \$120.

Robert L. Fox, Anna, electronic communication device, \$120.

Manda Kay Banker, Cobden, seat belt required/driver, \$60.

Blake E. Beckmann, Murphysboro, seat belt required/driver, \$60.

Molly Kay Lewis, Wolf Lake, speeding, 21-25 mph above limit, \$140.

Toshycia Polk, Chicago, seat belt required/driver, \$60.

Bradley R. Windings, Cobden, seat belt required/driver, \$60.

Jesse Roy Awbrey, Anna, seat belt required/driver, \$60.

Jessica Marie Smith, Golconda, seat belt required/passenger, \$60.

Kenneth L. Lacy, Jonesboro, disregard traffic control device, \$120.

Trevor S. Glidewell, Anna, no valid registration, \$120.

Benette L. Morse, Anna, fail to reduce speed, \$120.

Zepharine D. Williams, Murphysboro, operate uninsured motor vehicle, \$200; speeding, 21-25 mph above limit, \$120.

S. Jeannine Banning, Carbondale, speeding, 21-25 mph above limit, \$140.

Travis M. Hunsaker, Dongola, seat belt required/driver, \$60.

Sharon Amber Brashear, Jonesboro, seat belt required/driver, \$60.

Todd K. Griffin, Jonesboro, seat belt required/driver, \$60.

Bryan David Schneider, Bolivia, N.C., improper traffic lane usage, \$120.

Bradley Joe Smith, Anna, transport/carry alcoholic liquor/passenger, \$120.

Carla Sue Novak, Carbondale, electronic communication device, \$120.

Richard James Bolton, Cobden, electronic communication device, \$120.

Jamie D. Lincoln, Cobden, seat belt required driver, \$60.

Michael Patrick Sheffer, Anna, seat belt required/passenger, \$60.

Jonathan Wayne Charles, Dongola, disregard traffic control device, \$120; seat belt required/driver, \$60.

Ethan Edward Redman, Jonesboro, seat belt required/driver, \$60.

Tia Rashelle Jackson, Jonesboro, seat belt required/driver, \$60.


Bryce D. Richardson, Anna, seat belt required/driver, \$60.

Beverly S. Williams, Dongola, seat belt required/driver, \$60.

Thanh Do, O'Fallon, Mo., speeding, 21-25 mph above limit, \$140.

Stephen Robertson, Jonesboro, operate uninsured motor vehicle, \$200.

# Anna-Jonesboro National Bank is once again sponsoring an Illinois Department of Natural Resources Hunter Safety Course.



## The course includes instruction in wildlife management, firearms safety, hunter ethics, first aid, survival techniques and regulations.


### 2-day Hunter Safety Course

Friday, August 3rd from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Saturday, August 4th from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

First Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 315 South St., Anna, IL.

Participants must attend both classes and at completion will receive a hunter education certification card verifying they have passed the course of instruction. Those who plan to attend must pre-register. To pre-register or to get more information, call LaRue Parr at 618-697-0286.



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## Fundraiser to Re-Elect Max Miller

For Commissioner  
618-559-4367

**Saturday, July 14 at 6 P.M.**

**Live Music with Back Road County**  
Featuring Eli Teller

**Dinner**

**Silent and Live Auction**

**Great Boars of Fire**  
920 Kratzinger Hollow Rd., Cobden, IL  
\$15.00 per person • \$25.00 for couple  
Paid for by Committee to Re-elect Max Miller, Union County Commissioner

**Tickets Available at the Door**



## Union County Power Camp held

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes, FCA, hosted its 10th annual Union County Power Camp June 26-28 at Anna Junior High School in Anna. Over 100 students participated in the three-day event. Campers engaged in a wide range of sports and activities including well-known events like softball and volleyball, as well as fun sports hybrids like tigerball and flickerball. The young athletes also had opportunities to sign up for daily specialized training sessions in a number of different sports. The event was free for Union County boys and girls in grades 5 through 8. Expenses for the camp were covered by an Anna-Jonesboro FCA golf scramble. Photos by Benjamin Marxer.



## Anna Junior High sets baseball, softball tryouts

Anna Junior High School has scheduled baseball and softball tryouts. Tryouts are planned from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Monday through Wednesday, July 23-25. Baseball tryouts are scheduled at Kiwanis Field at the Anna City Park. Softball tryouts are planned at Denny Field at the Anna City Park. Tryouts are open to all Anna School District No. 37 students who are entering grades 6 through 8 for the 2018-2019 academic year. The school shared the following information about tryouts: All students who want to try out must have a current physical on file with the school (within one year).

All students must complete and turn in an athletic waiver in order to participate. Extra copies will be available at the tryouts. Athletes should plan to bring their own drinks. Athletes should wear appropriate baseball/softball attire, including baseball pants, cleats and a t-shirt. Athletes must provide their own bats and gloves and are encouraged to bring any other equipment which they might have available, such as catcher's equipment. Athletes are asked to be on time each day (15 minutes early is recommended). More information is available by contacting baseball coach Aaron Roberts at 217-836-0142 and softball coach Pat Pitts at 618-614-2643.

## Legion Tournament set this week

The 25th District American Legion baseball tournament is scheduled this week at West Frankfort and Carbondale. The tournament is split into the East Division at West Frankfort and the West Division at Carbondale. Host Carbondale opened the tournament earlier this week at the Superbock Stadium against Pinckneyville/Du Quoin. Former Cobden High School student athlete John Russell is a member of the Carbondale squad. Carbondale was 5-2-1 overall and Pinckneyville/Du Quoin was 4-4 overall. Neither team has played much this summer because of wet fields due to rain. Steeleville, 12-2, is the top-seeded team at Carbondale.

## Tryouts set at Jonesboro

Jonesboro School has scheduled 2018 softball and baseball tryouts. Junior high softball tryouts are scheduled to begin at 6 p.m. July 23 at the school. Junior high baseball tryouts are slated to begin at 4 p.m. July 30 at the school. The school reminds students who want to try out for spots that they will need to have a current sports physical.

## Football camp scheduled

A youth football camp is scheduled July 16-19 at Anna-Jonesboro Community High School. The camp is planned from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the football practice field at A-JCHS. Young people in 1st through 8th grades are invited to attend. Registration is scheduled to start at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, July 16. The \$25 fee includes a camp t-shirt. Organizers of the camp noted that on Saturday, July 21, registration is planned for the 2018 Wildcat Youth Football League season. Equipment also will be available. More information about the youth football league season will be available at next week's camp.

## Salad supper to be served

The Cobden Community and Business Association plans to host a summer salad supper on Tuesday, July 17. The supper is scheduled to start at 5 p.m. and will be at the First Presbyterian Church, which is located at 103 N. Jefferson in Cobden. The menu will feature all you can eat local salads, breads and desserts. The cost will be \$8 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. Proceeds will benefit the association. The association also plans to have a short meeting. All are welcome.

## Tripp named All-South

Anna-Jonesboro Community High School's Jaryt Tripp has been named to the Southern Illinois Coaches Association Class 2018 2A All South high school track team. Tripp, who was selected to the team as a sprinter, will be on a soccer scholarship this fall at McKendree University in Lebanon.

## Kelli R. Wood honored for work with clients

Kelli R. Wood of the financial services firm Edward Jones in Jonesboro recently won the firm's Ed Armstrong Award for her exceptional achievement in building client relationships. Wood was one of 1,912 of the firm's more than 16,000 financial advisors to receive the Ed Armstrong Award. The award is named after Ed Armstrong, who built a successful branch office and has contributed to his community of Grand Island, Neb., since 1977. "Kelli's success hinges on her ability to know and understand the financial needs and goals of her clients, long-term individual investors," said Jim Weddle, the firm's managing partner. "Our clients most appreciate recommendations tailored to their situations and the high level of personal service Kelli provides." Edward Jones, a Fortune 500 company headquartered in St. Louis, provides financial services in the United States and, through its affiliate, in Canada.

## SIGA schedules championship

The Southern Illinois Golf Association has scheduled its 94th annual championship at the Links at Kokopelli at Marion for July 21-22. To register or for more information about the event, call 618-985-9595.

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News from

Anna Nazarene Church

Music for the Sunday morning worship service was led by Randy Wright, Madison Schnaare and Harley Schnaare, with Betty Odum accompanying on the piano.

Curly Ralls, Robert Smith, Mark Smith and Terry Wiseman Sr. served as ushers.

Special music was provided by Harley and Madison Schnaare.

The morning message was brought by Randy Wright from Luke.

Music for the Sunday evening worship service was led by Randy Wright.

Curly Ralls, Mark Smith, Robert Smith and Terry Wiseman Sr. served as ushers.

Special music was provided by Randy Wright.

The evening message was brought by Randy Wright from 2nd Corinthians, followed by an anoint-

ing service.

Birthdays and anniversaries: July 8, Diana Shelton, Chris Benefield; July 11, Mike Smith; July 12, Noah Wiseman, Herman and Jesse Wells.

A missionary service is planned at 6 p.m. Sunday, July 15.

A Back to School Bash is planned from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, July 21. School supplies will be available for preschool through college students.

A weekend Vacation Bible School is planned Aug. 3-5: Friday, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.; Saturday, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday VBS program, 10:35 a.m.

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

Reynoldsville News

By Sue Eudy

Venita Lingle of Anna visited Friday with Sue and Steve Eudy.

Jack and Dolores Reynolds and Jackie and Jay Jennings, all of Reynoldsville, went on the River to River yard sale on Saturday and ate at the Vienna Diner that evening.

Barb and Edwin Livesay of Anna visited Saturday evening with Dolores and Jack Reynolds.

Happy birthday to our grandson, Ryan Wachter of Jonesboro, on Tuesday, July 17.

Happy anniversary wishes to my sister and brother-in-law, Pat and David Johnson of Jackson, Mo., on Wednesday, July 18.

Dolores and Jack Reynolds and Greg, Amy and Valley Reynolds of Reynoldsville enjoyed eating at Wild Wings in Cape Girardeau on Sunday.

Visiting with Shirley Miller last Wednesday was

Penny Hill of McClure. Visiting on Saturday were Kacie and Derek Golliher of McClure.

Ermadell Elkins of Anna and Shirley Miller attended the Watkins reunion Sunday at the home of Yvonne and Richard Graham in Anna.

Correction: Last week I reported that Barb and Edwin Foster attended a get-together with their group at the Golden Corral last Thursday in Carterville. It should have read Barbara and Edwin Livesay.

Kevin and Emma Eudy of Jackson, Mo., were Sunday dinner guests of Sue and Steve Eudy.

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

Clouds herald arrival of storms

The Union County area has experienced several rounds of stormy weather in recent weeks. The arrival of the storms often was heralded by billowing clouds which appeared in the sky over the area.



June 20, east of Cobden, picture taken along new U.S. Route 51.



June 21, Anna Quarries, Anna.



June 21, south of Cobden, picture taken along old U.S. Route 51.

The Brian S. Tucker Memorial Golf Scramble

Sponsored by  
Anna Elks Lodge 1641  
SATURDAY, JULY 28, 2018  
8:30 AND 1:30 SHOTGUN START  
UNION COUNTY COUNTRY CLUB  
ANNA, IL • 833-7912  
The team cost is \$300.00 for a four-person team (\$75.00 per person)  
Entry fee includes: cart, green fee, range, skins, mulligans, lunch and fish fry at 6:00.  
Registration one hour before tee off. Shotgun start 8:30 and 1:30  
Entry deadline July 23rd  
Limited to first 20 paid teams (A.M. or P.M.). Flighted based on number of teams.  
Soft spikes and proper golf attire required.

Cash Prizes • Free Beverages on the Course  
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\$300 entry fee must accompany entry form to assure your tee time of choice.

Name	Address	Phone #
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____

Please circle your preferred tee time: 8:30 or 1:30  
Make check payable to: Anna Elks Lodge

Send entry form to: Union County Country Club  
430 E. Jefferson St., Anna, IL 62906

**Football Camp**

**July 16th-19th**  
**6-8 p.m. at the**  
**A-J Practice Field.**  
**Grades 1st - 8th**

*Registration begins at 5:30 p.m.*  
*on Monday, July 16th.*  
*\$25.00 fee includes camp tee shirt.*

**Also, on Saturday, July 21,**  
**we will have registration and**  
**equipment for our 2018 Wildcat**  
**Youth Football League season.**  
**More info will be given**  
**at football camp.**

**REQUEST FOR BIDS/PROPOSALS**  
**FOR KITCHEN EQUIPMENT**

Dongola Community Unit School District #66 is seeking bids for certain kitchen equipment. Bid specifications are available in the Office of the Superintendent, 1000 High Street, Dongola, IL 62926. Bid specifications may also be obtained by calling Dr. Paige Maginel, Superintendent, at (618) 827-3841. The equipment includes: walk-in freezer, steam table/serving counter, commercial dish washer, ten burner stove and ice machine.

Sealed bids shall be delivered to Dr. Paige Maginel in the Office of the Superintendent, 1000 High Street, Dongola, IL 62926, and will be accepted until 12:30 p.m. on Monday, July 23, 2018, after which time no bids will be accepted. Qualified bids received by the deadline listed above will be opened and publicly read at the district offices at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, July 23, 2018. No faxed or e-mailed bids will be accepted. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.



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

FOR SALE: 2 drawer older wooden desk. Very solid. \$40.00 firm. Call (618)-521-8049.

FOR SALE: 2005 Pontiac. V6, clean, automatic, air, sporty, runs great, good gas mileage. \$2,800 obo. Call (618)-697-8011.

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FOR SALE

REAL ESTATE

HOUSE FOR SALE: 401 McKinley, Anna. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. \$42,500. Call (618)-201-7891.

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

**THE BANK OF CARBONDALE, Plaintiff,**  
**v.**  
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**Case No. 2017-CH-33**

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The name, address and telephone number of the person to contact for information

regarding the real estate is: Mr. Robert C. Bleyer President and Chief Operating Officer  
The Bank of Carbondale  
216 E. Main St.  
Carbondale, IL 62901  
618-549-2181  
The common address and other common descriptions, if any, of the real estate is: 465 North East Front Street,  
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A description of the improvements on the real estate is:

The subject is a one story post frame building designed as a Subway Restaurant located at 465 NE Front Street.

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Wednesday, August 8, 2018 at 9:00 a.m., inside the Union County Courthouse, 309 W Market Street, Jonesboro, IL 62252

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The terms of the sale are: 25% down in cash or certified check and the remaining balance due within 24 hours, also in certified funds. The bid amount, shall be paid in certified funds immediately by the highest and best bidder at the conclusion of the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to plaintiff. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the Court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will be open for inspection, by appointment only. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.

Title will be conveyed subject to all unpaid general real estate taxes and special assessments, if any, and ordinances, easements, restrictions and covenants of record or apparent, and all encumbrances not foreclosed herein.

Scott P. Hendricks  
Cynthia A. Hagan  
Hendricks & Hagan  
206 W. College, Ste. 12  
Carbondale, IL 62901  
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**REAL ESTATE FOR SALE:** 1125 U.S. Hwy. 51 South. Close to town, ranch home with 12 acres. Remodeled kitchen and bath with 2/3 bedrooms. Finished basement with FR+ 2 bedrooms, bath & kitchen. Property has a complete 1 bedroom mother-in-law apartment, fenced stocked pond, 3-car garage and more. Major updates and remodeling are done. Recent big price cut. Check Zillow or call (618)-833-6095. Broker selling his own home.

FOR RENT

**NOTICE: All real estate advertised herein is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference, limitation, or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin, or intention to make any such preference, limitation, or discrimination."**

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FOR RENT ANNA: 2 bedroom mobile home with stove, refrigerator, washer & dryer. References & deposit required. No pets. Call (618)-614-2035.

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HELP WANTED

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

HELPWANTED: The City of Anna will be hiring seasonal part-time laborers. Hourly wage \$9.25 per hour. Interested applicants, please apply at the Anna City Hall. EOE.

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

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HELP WANTED: Lincoln Square, 8 bed CILA in Dongola, is accepting applications for staff to work with individuals with intellectual disabilities. HOURS: FULL-TIME midnights (12 a.m. to 10 a.m.) with every other weekend shifts, and as needed. PART-TIME (evenings & weekends), with possibility of working up to full-time. Must be 18 years old, have high school diploma or equivalent, valid IL driver's license, and be able to pass background checks. DSP certification or open availability to complete DSP training required. Apply in person at Lincoln Square, 202 South Main, Jonesboro, IL. EOE.

WANTED: Dietary Aide/Cook.

MULBERRY MANOR is accepting applications for the Dietary Aide/Cook position. No prior certification required. Those interested may apply in person or email a resume. 612 E. Davie Street, Anna, IL 62906 (618)-833-6012. mulberrymanor@keltechmanagement.com. EOE.

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**WANTED TO BUY: Junked & wrecked automobiles and scraped metal. Clark & Son, 100 Kelly Cemetery, Cobden. Call (618)-893-2195.**

YARD SALE

GARAGE SALE: Friday & Saturday, July 13 & 14. 4615 Lingle Creek Road, Jonesboro, starting at 7 a.m. Girls clothing NB-2T & junior sizes, boys clothing 4-6 and young men's. Lots of other stuff. Held inside in air conditioning.

GIGANTIC YARD SALES: Cook Street, Jonesboro. Saturday, July 14, 7 a.m. to ??? Great back-to-school, church, office, casual, dress up sale! Tons of children's, men's & women's clothing, medium thru 4X, Hilfiger, Levi, Under Armour, Cato's, Ralph Lauren, Michael Kors & tons more. Scrubs - women's/men's, medium thru 4X, some new with tags. Primitive decor, household, furniture, electronics, designer wallets, purses, craft supplies. DON'T MISS THIS ONE! Both sides of the street!

INSIDE HUGE MOVING SALE: 208 E. Cross Street, Dongola. Friday & Saturday, July 13 & 14, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**YARD SALE: Name brand women's clothing, boys clothing NB-2T, girls clothing toys and more. 405 E. Heacock Street, Jonesboro. Saturday, July 14, 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

YARD SALE: Friday, July 13, 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. ITEMS: Men's, women's, teenage girl & boys (ranging 2T-6) clothing; lawn mower, microwave, household items - dishes, bathroom accessories, sheets, vacuum, wall hangers, etc., toys, winter jackets, Halloween costumes, and more. 203 S. Main Street, Jonesboro.

YARD SALE: Saturday, July 14. 112 George Street, Anna, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

BUSINESS

WANTED TO DO: Mow yards. Call (618)-614-2720.

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President and Chief Operating Officer  
The Bank of Carbondale  
216 E. Main St.  
Carbondale, IL 62901  
618-549-2181

(B) The common address and other common descriptions, if any, of the real estate is:

465 North East Front Street,  
Dongola, Illinois

(C) The legal description of the real estate is:

A parcel of land being a part of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 24, Township 13 South, Range 1 West of the Third Principal Meridian. AID parcel is part of property described and recorded in Book 91, Page 153 in the Union County Court House in the name of Village of Dongola. Said parcel being more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at an iron rod found at the Southeast corner of said Quarter-Quarter section; thence N 00° 17' 15" W, 719.02 feet along the East line of said Quarter-Quarter section to a corner of the Earnhart property (Book 183, Page 428); thence N 42° 45' 00" W, 241.75 feet along said Earnhart property to a point in the centerline of a creek, this being the point of beginning. Thence along the centerline of said creek the following three (3) calls; thence S 52° 28' 57" W 47.81 feet to a point; thence S 43° 13' 38 W 54.32 feet to a point; thence S 34° 26' 13" W

15.43 feet to a point; thence N 41° 22' 26" W 348.63 feet along a new line, passing an iron rod set at 25.13 feet, to an iron rod set in the south-easterly right-of-way line of Cypress Road; thence along said southeasterly right of way along a curve to the left with a chord bearing N 43° 17' 25" E 108.76 feet, a radius of 5769.65 feet, and an arc length of 108.78 feet to an iron rod found at a corner of said Earnhart property; thence 42° 45' 00" E 353.16 feet to the point of beginning.

Per survey by John M. Wallace, Illinois Professional Land Surveyor No. 3820, dated 4/20/2013.

Said parcel being subject to all rights-of-way and easements, recorded or otherwise. All situated in the County of Union, State of Illinois. EXCEPT all coal, oil, gas and other minerals.

(D) A description of the improvements on the real estate is:

The subject is a one story post frame building designed as a Subway Restaurant located at 465 NE Front Street, Dongola, Illinois.

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(F) The time and place of the sale are:

Wednesday, August 8, 2018 at 9:00 a.m., inside the Union County Courthouse, 309 W Market Street, Jonesboro, IL 62252

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[shendricks@globaleyes.net](mailto:shendricks@globaleyes.net)

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**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 29th day of June, 2018, under the Assumed Name of Pin Up Pizza & Taco with the place of business located at 110 N. Front Street #2, Cobden, Illinois 62920 and that the True Name(s) and Residence Address of the Sole Owner(s) and Proprietor(s) of said Business is:

Troy Arien Herrmann  
P.O. Box 206  
Cobden, IL 62920

Vonda Benefield  
Union County Clerk  
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State of Illinois  
SS  
County of Union

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Albert Middleton  
300 E. Broad Street  
Jonesboro, IL 62952

Vonda Benefield  
Union County Clerk  
29-31gc

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

ANNA-JONESBORO NATIONAL BANK, an Illinois Banking corporation, Plaintiff,  
Vs  
PATRICIA A. CALVIN, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.  
Case No.: 2016-CH-22

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above captioned matter on April 23, 2018, the Sheriff in Union County, will by public sale on August 1, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. in the Union County Courthouse, in Jonesboro, Illinois, sell at public vendue to the highest and best bidder, for cash, or cashier's check drawn on a federally or state chartered bank or savings and loan, the following described real estate:

Lot No. 3 and the East Half and three feet in width off the East side of the West Half of Lot No. 4 in Winstead Davie's Second Addition to the Town, now City of Anna, situated in the County of Union and State of Illinois.

Potential buyers may contact John R. Schneider of the law firm of Johnson, Schneider & Ferrell, L.L.C., 212 North Main Street, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701, Phone Number (573)-335-3300 for information regarding this real estate.

At said sale, the Court will give the purchaser a certificate showing the amount of the bid, a particular description of the property sold, and the time when the purchaser will be entitled to a deed for such property unless same shall have been redeemed according to law.

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

ANNA-JONESBORO NATIONAL BANK, an Illinois Banking corporation, Plaintiff,  
Vs  
MICHEL S. WRIGHT a/k/a MICHAEL WRIGHT, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants  
Case No.: 2017-CH-30

NOTICE OF SALE

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TRACT I:

A PARCEL OF LAND BEING A PART OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 13 SOUTH, RANGE 2 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN. SAID PARCEL IS ALSO INTENDED TO BE THE SAME PROPERTY DESCRIBED AND RECORDED IN BOOK 216, PAGE 41 IN THE UNION COUNTY COURTHOUSE IN THE NAME OF AND THE APPARENT POSSESSION OF MICHAEL PIND AND KIMBERLY PIND, DATED AUGUST 10, 2001. SAID PARCEL IS BOUNDED AS FOLLOWS: BOUNDED ON THE WEST BY THE WEST LINE OF SAID QUARTER-QUARTER SECTION, BOUNDED ON THE NORTH BY THE APPARENT POSSESSION OF THE WAYNE MAYBERRY PROPERTY (BOOK 126, PAGE 268), BOUNDED ON THE EAST BY THE APPARENT POSSESSION OF THE MICHAEL AND KIMBERLY PIND PROPERTY (BOOK 216, PAGE 38), AND BOUNDED ON THE SOUTH BY THE APPARENT POSSESSION OF THE CLYDE LEE MILLER PROPERTY (BOOK 55, PAGE 418). SAID PARCEL BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID QUARTER-QUARTER SECTION, BEING MARKED BY AN IRON ROD FOUND; THENCE N 03° 25' 59" E, 28.11 FEET ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID QUARTER-QUARTER SECTION TO AN IRON ROD SET; THENCE N 00° 16' 13" E, 239.50 FEET ALONG SAID WEST LINE PASSING AN IRON ROD SET IN THE CENTERLINE OF AN EXISTING 16' PUBLIC ROADWAY AT 85.39 SET AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID PARCEL, THIS BEING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID MILLER PROPERTY AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE N 00° 16' 13" E, 132.00 FEET CONTINUING ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID QUARTER-QUARTER SECTION TO AN IRON ROD FOUND AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID PARCEL, THIS BEING THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID MAYBERRY PROPERTY; THENCE S 89° 25' 59" E, 165.82 FEET ALONG THE SOUTHLINE OF SAID MAYBERRY PROPERTY, PASSING AN IRON ROD FOUND AT 9.07 FEET, TO A CHISELED MARK IN AN EXISTING CONCRETE CURB, THIS BEING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID PARCEL, THIS BEING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID PIND PROPERTY (BOOK 216, PAGE 38); THENCE S 00° 16' 13" W, 132.00 FEET ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID PIND PROPERTY (BOOK 216, PAGE 38), PASSING THE CENTERLINE TERMINUS OF SAID 16' PUBLIC ROADWAY AT 120.47 FEET, TO AN IRON ROD FOUND AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID PARCEL, THIS BEING THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID MILLER PROPERTY, THIS ALSO BEING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE APPARENT POSSESSION OF THE CHARLES AND ANGELA JACKSON PROPERTY (BOOK 111, PAGE 13); THENCE N 89° 53' 58" W, 165.82 FEET ALONG THE

NORTH LINE OF SAID MILLER PROPERTY, PASSING AN IRON ROD FOUND AT 156.75 FEET, TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

SAID PARCEL TO CONTAIN 0.502 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, PER SURVEY OF MITCHELL R. GARRETT, ILLINOIS PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR NO. 3085, DATED 01/30/2003.

SAID PARCEL SUBJECT TO ALL RIGHTS-OF-WAY AND EASEMENTS, RECORDED OR OTHERWISE. ALL SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF ILLINOIS.

TRACT II:

A PARCEL OF LAND BEING A PART OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 13 SOUTH, RANGE 2 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN. SAID PARCEL IS ALSO INTENDED TO BE THE SAME PROPERTY DESCRIBED AND RECORDED IN BOOK 216, PAGE 38 IN THE UNION COUNTY COURTHOUSE IN THE NAME OF AND THE APPARENT POSSESSION OF MICHAEL PIND AND KIMBERLY PIND, DATED AUGUST 10, 2001. SAID PARCEL IS BOUNDED AS FOLLOWS: BOUNDED ON THE WEST BY THE APPARENT POSSESSION OF THE MICHAEL AND KIMBERLY PIND PROPERTY (BOOK 216, PAGE 41); BOUNDED ON THE NORTH BY THE APPARENT POSSESSION OF THE WAYNE MAYBERRY PROPERTY (BOOK 126, PAGE 268), BOUNDED ON THE EAST BY THE APPARENT POSSESSION OF THE BOB AND DORIS HAYES PROPERTY (BOOK 144, PAGE 352), AND BOUNDED ON THE SOUTH BY THE APPARENT POSSESSION OF THE CHARLES AND ANGELA JACKSON PROPERTY (BOOK 111, PAGE 13). SAID PARCEL BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

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16' 13" E, 132.00 ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID PIND PROPERTY (BOOK 216, PAGE 41) TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

SAID PARCEL TO CONTAIN 0.474 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, PER SURVEY BY MITCHELL R. GARRETT, IL PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR NO. 3085 01/30/2003.

SAID PARCEL BEING SUBJECT TO ALL RIGHTS-OF-WAY AND EASEMENTS, RECORDED OR OTHERWISE. ALL SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF ILLINOIS. ALL PER PLAT OF SURVEY PREPARED BY MITCHELL R. GARRETT, ILLINOIS LAND SURVEYOR NO. 3085, RECORDED FEBRUARY 13, 2003, IN RECORD BOOK 224 AT PAGE 441 IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE OF UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

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

IN THE INTEREST OF:  
ZACHARY CAVIN,  
COLE SPOHN,  
Minors.  
NO. 2018-JA-9  
2018-JA-10

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION PURSUANT TO 705 ILCS 405/2-16

CHEYENNE MORRISON, and to ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN including ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN FATHERS:

TAKE NOTICE that on 3/8/2018 petitions were filed under the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 by Tyler R. Edmonds, Union County State's Attorney, by his Assistant State's Attorney, Heather Heaslett, in the Circuit Court of Union County entitled "In the interest of ZACHARY CAVIN, a minor", and "In the interest of COLE SPOHN, a minor"

and that in Judge Charles Cavaness courtroom at Union County Courthouse, 309 West Market Street, Jonesboro, Illinois on Thursday, the 26th day of July, 2018, at the hour of 1:00 P.M., or as soon thereafter as this cause may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the child declared to be a ward of the court under that Act. THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS PROCEEDING TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS, AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND THE APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD. Unless you appear you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceeding in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental rights.

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

Tiffany Busby  
Clerk of the Circuit Court

Dated: July 2, 2018  
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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 6th day of July, 2018, under the Assumed Name of KC Flooring Demo Specialist with the place of business located at 2025 Kimber Road, Dongola, Illinois 62926 and that the True Name(s) and Residence Address of the Sole Owner(s) and Proprietor(s) of said Business is:

Kevin Cox  
2025 Kimber Road  
Dongola, IL 62926

Vonda Benefield  
Union County Clerk  
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REQUEST FOR BIDS FOR HEALTH INSURANCE FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE COUNTY OF UNION, ILLINOIS

Request for Proposal (RFP) packets are available in the Union County Clerk's

office and on our website at [www.unioncountyil.gov](http://www.unioncountyil.gov). Questions regarding specifications may be directed to the County Administrator Angie Johnson via email at [ajohnson@unioncountyil.gov](mailto:ajohnson@unioncountyil.gov).

Sealed bids should be submitted to the Union County Clerk by Noon on Friday, July 20, 2018 at the Union County Courthouse.

The County reserves the right to reject any and all bids received and to waive or not waive any informalities or irregularities in bids or bid procedures, and to accept or further negotiate costs, terms, or conditions of any bid determined by the County to be in the best interest of the County.

Union County Clerk  
309 West Market Street,  
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Bid Notice

Anna CCSD #37 is requesting bids for one 2019 71 passenger Saf-T-Liner C2 school bus that meets the State of Illinois requirements. Bids must be received at Anna CCSD #37, 301 South Green Street, Anna, IL 62906 prior to 12:00 p.m. on July 13, 2018. The district desires to take delivery of the bus no later than August 10, 2018. Interested bidders can request bid specifications by calling 618-833-6812. Anna CCSD #37 reserves the right to wave minor informalities and accept the bus bid which best suits the district needs.  
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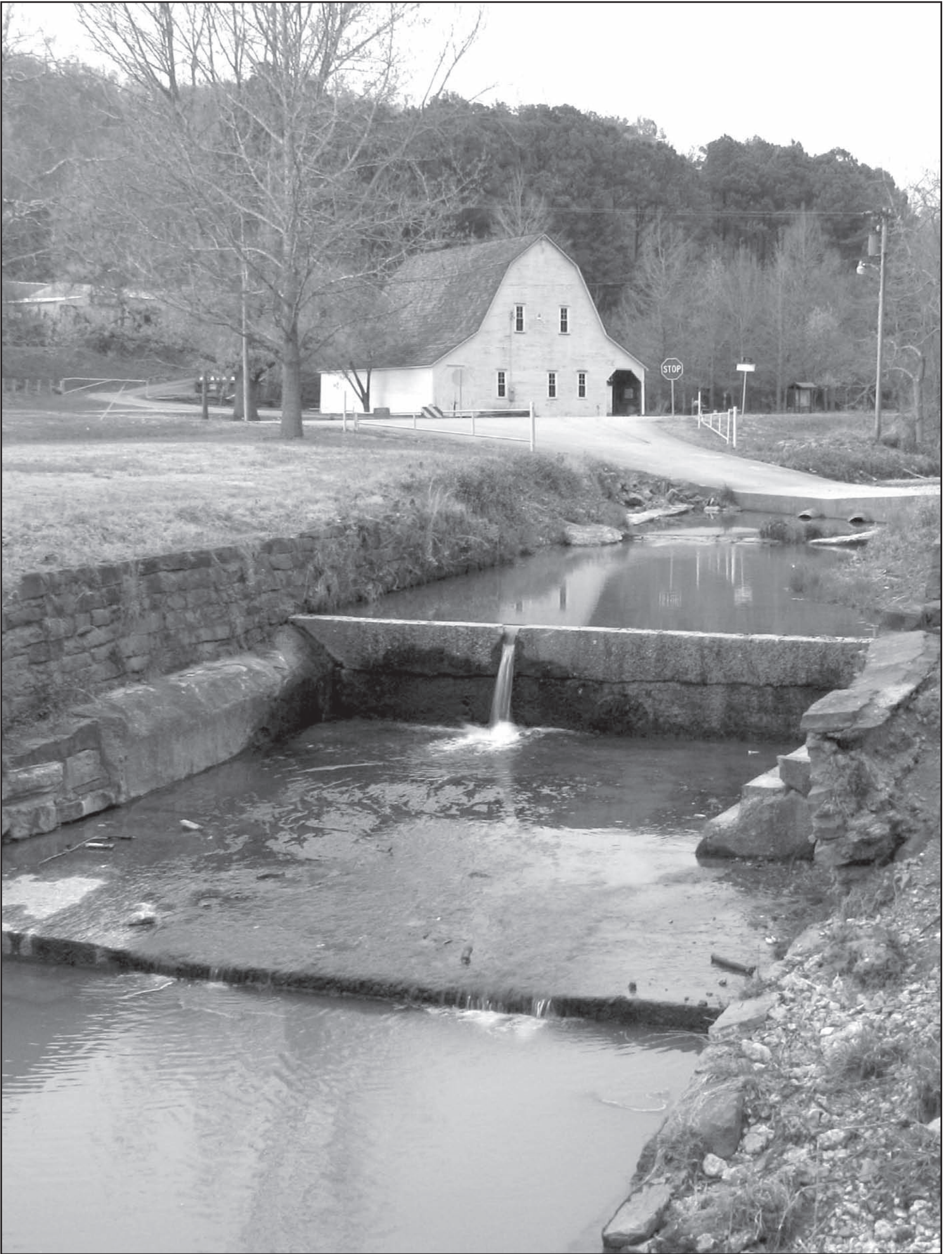
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# Obituaries

## Vicenta Castillo Miller (Vicky)

Vicenta Castillo Miller (Vicky) was born on July 19, 1935, in Lockhart, Texas, the daughter of Delfina Martinez Castillo and Julian Castillo.

She died on May 30, 2018.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two brothers, Adan and Rudy; and one sister, Dora.

She is survived by her husband, Bill Miller; a son, David; a daughter-in-law, Disa; a grandson, Cameron; a step-grandson, William (Billy); and many cousins.

As a child, she moved to San Antonio with her family in 1939. She lived in San Antonio until 1963, attending school and graduating from Fox Tech High School.

After graduation, she joined the U.S. Navy and served for two years.



She then returned to San Antonio and began employment at Brooks Air Force Base. In her final position there, she was in charge of base housing. During this time, she also began taking classes at San Antonio College.

Vicky was enjoying her life of work, school and dancing. One night, in October 1962, she went with friends to the Officer’s Training School (OTS) Club.

There, she met the love of her life, Bill Miller. The first evening she saw Bill, she announced to her friends: “See that one there, leave him alone, he’s mine. I’m going to marry him!”

That night was the beginning of a romance between Vicky and Bill that lasted over 55 years.

Vicky and Bill married seven months later, on May 8, 1963, at Chapel One, Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

After marriage, she transferred from her Civil Service job to the Air Force Logistics Command.

She got involved in the Air Force life as a wife, becoming involved in the Officer’s Wives’ Club and Family Services.

She was involved in helping to raise funds for Air Force Villages (now Blue Skies of Texas).

She was twice selected as Military Wife of the Year. The first selection came on a Navy base in Mechanicsburg, Pa., while she was on a joint assignment with the Defense Supply Agency. The second selection was while she was stationed at McClellan Air Force Base in California.

After retirement from the Air Force, Vicky and Bill built their dream home and settled in Southern Illinois.

Vicky started a new career as a pre-kindergarten teacher. After 10 years, she retired from teaching and returned to college to complete her degree, graduating with high honors.

She was the chairperson for Celebrate Anna, a celebration of the 150th anniversary of the City of Anna. She also was selected as Union County Citizen of the Year.

Vicky and Bill moved to Air Force Village II (now Blue Skies of Texas West) in December 2008.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, July 13, at the High Flight Chapel at Blue Skies of Texas West. A memorial reception will follow at the Roadrunner Lounge.

## Sandra Carol Cato

Sandra Carol Cato, 73, of Villa Ridge, died at 6:51 p.m. Monday, July 2, 2018, at her home, surrounded by loved ones.

She was born on Dec. 28, 1944, in Tallapoosa County, Alabama, the daughter of Herman E. and Helen E. Golden Read.



She married William “Bill” Cato on June 28, 1983.

She was the health and welfare fund assistant administrator for the Laborers International and Credit Union for 17 years. She attended Villa Ridge Union Church.

She is survived by her husband, Bill of Villa Ridge; sons Billy Paul Cato and Robert “Bill” Helman; special daughter Peggy Casper; grandchildren Megan Ross, Lauren Baker, Shaina Lynn Cato, Emmie Lou Cato, and Michael Cato, Layla Helman, Clara B. Helman, and Georgia Helman; great-grandchildren Colton Dale, Rebecca Lynn, Racheal Lilly, Addy and Sophia; two sisters-in-law, Susie and Patti; and many other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her Grandma “Mama” Ola Read; and two sons, Russell Read Baker and Jeffrey Lamar Baker.

A memorial service for Sandra Carol Cato was held at 4 p.m. Wednesday, July 11, at Crain Funeral Home in Cairo, with the Rev. Larry Buckles officiating.

Inurnment will take place on the Cato family farm at a later date.

Memorials can be made to Hospice of Southern Illinois.

To view the obituary or to leave an online condolence for the family, visit [www.crainsonline.com](http://www.crainsonline.com).

**Crain Funeral Home** Crain Funeral Home in Cairo is in charge of arrangements.

### Check out the yard sales in this weeks paper!

## Mildred Kelley

Mildred Kelley, 88, of Bush, died at 4:30 a.m. Sunday, July 8, 2018, at her home.

She was born on May 17, 1930, in Arcola, the daughter of Daniel W. and Thelma Grace Wilson Simpson.

She married William M. Buck Sr. on Nov. 19, 1947. He preceded her in death on Sept. 5, 1955. Later, she married Elbert Wayne Kelley in December of 1964. He preceded her in death in November of 1997.



She is survived by her daughters, Thelma “Betty” (Mike) Davis of Anna, Charolette (Bob) Williams of Jacksonville, Fla., and Diana Lynn Buck of Anna; a son, Daniel (Nyla) Buck of Bush; one stepdaughter, Rina Kelley of Ringoes, N.J.; 12 grandchildren; 42 great-grandchildren; 19 great-great-grandchildren; one sister, Allis Bellamey of Christopher; two brothers, Frank Simpson of Harbeson, Del., and Sam Simpson of Anna; other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husbands; a son, Bill Buck Jr.; two grandsons; two granddaughters; one sister and three brothers.

She was a member of the Hurst Christian Church. She worked as a seamstress for most of her life. She loved quilting and made many quilts throughout the years for her family.

Funeral services for Mildred Kelley will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, today, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Jonesboro, with the Rev. Greg Parker officiating. Interment will be in the Mound City National Cemetery.

Friends can call after 10 a.m. and until the service hour at 11 a.m.

Memorials can be made to Hospice of Southern Illinois.

To leave online condolences for the family, visit [www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com](http://www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com).

**RENDLEMAN & HILEMAN FUNERAL HOMES** Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Jonesboro is in charge of arrangements.

## Mary B. Witthoft

Mary B. Witthoft, 101, of Anna, died at 9:30 a.m. Monday, July 2, 2018, at Union County Hospital in Anna.

She was born on March 5, 1917, in Campbell Hill, the daughter of Herbert and Josephine Thies Brennenman.

She married William F. Witthoft on March 21, 1936, in Marion. He preceded her in death in September 1997.

She is survived by her five sons, Bill Witthoft (Judy Guthrie) of Anna, Jim Witthoft of Campbell Hill, Roy (Jackie) Witthoft of The Villages, Fla., Don (Andrea) Witthoft of Anna and Wayne (Cynthia) Witthoft of Anna; 14 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; one sister, Josephine Knop of St. Peters, Mo.; a dear friend, Patty Flamm of Cobden; other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, William F. Witthoft; five sons, John, Joseph, Bob, Tom and Dale Witthoft; one brother, Robert Brennenman; and one great-granddaughter, Ashley Leming.



She was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Anna.

In addition to raising her sons, she was an enthusiastic volunteer, from helping at blood mobiles in the 1970s to assisting at the PAWS thrift store at age 101.

In the 1980s, she and her husband Bill lived in Missoula, Mont. They were the top two volunteers in the Retired Senior Volunteer Program there.

Funeral services for Mary B. Witthoft were at 11 a.m. Friday, July 6, at St. Peter Lutheran Church in Campbell Hill with Pastor Tim Weiser officiating. Interment was in the Calvary Cemetery in Campbell Hill.

Memorials can be made to Trinity Lutheran Church, to PAWS or to the American Cancer Society.

To leave online condolences for the family, visit [www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com](http://www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com).

**RENDLEMAN & HILEMAN FUNERAL HOMES** Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna was in charge of arrangements.

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## Lawrence Woods

Lawrence Woods, 86, of Buncombe, died at 5:40 p.m. Thursday, July 5, 2018, at Integrity Healthcare of Anna.

He was born on May 26, 1932, in Detroit, Mich., the son of Lawrence and Lois Martha (Yates) Woods.

He married Martha Ann Arnold.



He is survived by his son, Lawrence “Larry” Woods of Kelso, Mo.; two grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; siblings Ray (Stella) Woods of Elizabethtown, Harold Woods of Golconda, Carl (Linda) Woods of Anna, Kenneth (Carol) Woods of Chaffee, Mo., Gene (Katherine) Woods and Glenn (Janet) Woods, all of Elgin; other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Martha Ann; a daughter, Irene Marshall; a brother, Don Woods; sisters Faye Jaco and Janet Bowers; and two infant siblings.

He enjoyed his church and was a member of the New Hope Baptist Church of Anna. His passion was farming and he was rarely seen without his cowboy hat on. He enjoyed a cigar in the evening while sitting on the porch.

Funeral services for Lawrence Woods were at 1 p.m. Wednesday, July 11, at Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna, with the Rev. Doug Bridgeman officiating. Interment was in the Anna City Cemetery.

Memorials can be made to Children’s Miracle Network.

To leave online condolences for the family, visit [www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com](http://www.rendlemanhilemanfh.com).

**RENDLEMAN & HILEMAN FUNERAL HOMES** Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home in Anna was in charge of arrangements.

### Worship at Kornthal

*Kornthal Church will hold its monthly worship service on Thursday, July 19, at 7:00 p.m.*

*Kornthal is located 2 ½ miles south of Jonesboro off Illinois 127.*

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**THE FAMILY OF GETTY EDWARD ABERNATHY**

*would like to thank our friends, neighbors and extended family for the numerous phone calls, texts, cards, flowers and prayers during this difficult time.*

*We appreciate the Wolf Lake Methodist Church (Della McMahan) and church family for the meal they had after the funeral.*

*Another special thanks to Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Home for their kindness and compassion. Your thoughts and prayers are appreciated.*

*Scott, Rhonda & Hailley Abernathy, Dusty, Hillary & Hallie Miller, Dale & Lana Cochran.*

*Josh, Kim, Zachary & McKenzie Spurlock, Jason, Tricia, James, Jackson & Wyatt Spurlock, Steven Cochran, Sherry Livesay Wilson.*

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### "The Preaching Pen"

**You Thought I Was Like You**

How do you view God? Do you regard Him as the Creator of Heaven and earth (Gen. 1:1)? Do you picture Him as the “Heavenly Grandfather,” who simply smiles and shakes His head at sinful man, as a grandparent might when his or her grandchild does something wrong? Do you think of God as someone with whom you might drink a beer with, as a country song suggests? (Society’s moral downward spiral continues...)

I believe that God may be tired of our profane perceptions of Him, just as He was with Israel in the Old Testament. For example, Psalm 50:21 says, “These things hast thou done, and I kept silence; thou thoughtest that I was altogether such an one as thyself: but I will reprove thee, and set them in order before thine eyes.” In other words, God is saying, “You thought I was just like you; I will reprove you and set things in order before your eyes.”

In Acts 17:23, Paul preached the “unknown God” to the men there, and I daresay that God may be as unknown in our culture today as He was to these people 2000 years ago – even among professed Christians! The way some TV preachers speak to God and about God today is embarrassing and humiliating not only to God, but also to many of us.

We must remember that God is not a man, and whatever He is, He is that to perfection. When the Bible says in I John 4:8 that “God is love,” it means that God is love perfected. When we say God is all-knowing, we mean He has an absolute knowledge of everything. He doesn’t know more or less now that He once did, neither is He more or less loving that He once was. I pray that we never forget about God’s goodness or His severity (Rom. 11:22).

Man needs to have a proper, balanced view of the God of Heaven, for Paul writes in Romans 14:11-12, “... we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ. <sup>11</sup>For it is written, As I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God. <sup>12</sup>So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God.” Do you view God as the Heavenly Father to whom you will someday give account for the deeds of your life? Are you ready to do that? If not, make whatever changes you need to make, and do so today. “For what is your life? It is even a vapor that appeareth for a little while, then vanisheth away” (Jas. 4:14). Learn more with us at 104 Nile St. any time, and be sure to join us this Sunday night as our Vacation Bible School begins! We’ll have classes from toddlers – adults. Hope to see you!

R.W. McAlister, Minister  
Anna church of Christ

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**Kids learn to cook**  
Junior chefs from Anna learned chopping and shredding techniques as part of a special cooking camp for kids offered by the University of Illinois Extension. Throughout the summer, U of I has offered free cooking classes to kids throughout Union County. Participants in the week-long event learned lessons in basic food preparation and cooking as well as kitchen safety and nutrition. Photo by Benjamin Marxer.



**Learning to paint at art camp**  
Lee Hackney of the Anna Arts Center in Anna gave painting tips to art student Elizabeth Hill. The class was part of an arts camp offered by the Shawnee Hills Arts Council's Anna Arts Center. Participants in the class tried their hand at a variety of different genres of art and displayed their final works at a special art show at the Anna Arts Center on June 29. Photo by Benjamin Marxer.

# Voters in Land of Lincoln select state’s top museums

Voters in the Land of Lincoln have selected the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum as the state’s top museum. It was followed by the Field Museum and the Museum of Science and Industry in online voting for the Illinois Top 200 project.

**Here are the top 10 museums:**

**Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum:** This Springfield institution celebrates the 16th president’s life and legacy.

Visitors can see rare Lincoln artifacts, immerse themselves in scenes from his life and enjoy shows that use special effects to engage audiences.

**Museum of Science and Industry:** Housed in a building from the 1893 Chicago world’s fair, this museum lets visitors explore technological marvels such as a full-size replica coal mine, a World War II submarine and an Apollo command module.

**Field Museum:** Visit this Chicago museum, which about 1.8 million people do each year, and you could look beneath a mummy’s bandages, come face to face with the largest T. rex ever found, get a bug’s-eye view of the world or learn all about DNA.

**McLean County Mu-**

**seum of History:** Museums can have a local focus while still producing exhibits with broad appeal. The McLean County Museum mixes engaging takes on local history with offbeat exhibits like children’s pedal cars and food trends.

**Art Institute of Chicago:** The Art Institute is home to such famous paintings as Pablo Picasso’s “The Old Guitarist” and Edward Hopper’s “Night-hawks.”

**Cedarhurst Center for the Arts:** Set on 90 acres in Mount Vernon, Cedarhurst offers a sprawling sculpture garden, an art center with classrooms and gallery space, a performance hall and art displays from a private collection.

**Illinois State Museum:** This museum, with locations in Springfield, Lockport and Lewistown, covers history, natural history, and art.

**Peoria Riverfront Museum:** This museum offers something for practically everyone: a gallery on the Illinois River, interactive exhibits on high school sports, hands-on discovery areas for children and a look at Peoria’s rich history.

**Chicago History Museum:** A devastating fire, legendary politicians, world-class architecture, groundbreaking art: all are part of Chicago’s history and of the Chicago History Museum.

**Cantigny Park:** This 500-acre park in Wheaton is home to two museums. One focuses on former Chicago Tribune publisher Robert McCormick and the other on “the Big Red One,” the U.S. Army’s First Infantry Division, from World War I to the present day.

The Illinois Top 200 is a joint initiative of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum, The (Springfield) State Journal-Register and the Illinois Bicentennial Commission.

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**Volunteer tutors sought**

The Union County Alliance of Churches is recruiting volunteer tutors for the 2018-2019 school year. The alliance program offers tutoring help to students ages 6 to 13 in 1st through 8th grades. Assistance is offered in mathematics, reading, language arts, social studies and science. Tutoring is scheduled to be offered Monday through Thursday, immediately after school for one and a half hours, beginning Sept. 17. Area residents who may be interested in helping a student can contact any county church which is in the alliance or tutoring coordinator RL Pete Housman by phone at 833-7083 or by email at midrivermansil@gmail.com.



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Section B



## CELEBRATING THE BICENTENNIAL OF ILLINOIS

STORIES FROM THE BOOK BY ED & DIANE ANNABLE, PUBLISHED 2017

SIX YEARS IN THE ILLINOIS TERRITORY, 1812—1818  
WHEN JOHNSON COUNTY SPANNED RIVER TO RIVER

### More on the Early History of Union County

The early history of Union County was written best in 1883. The following notes come from those writings.

“The site where Jonesboro now stands was selected in the spring of 1816, and so named for a Dr. Jones, a kind of representative man who lived in the neighborhood. Another site for a county seat was selected upon the farm of Thomas Sams about two miles southeast from Jonesboro, and quite a contest sprang up between the friends of John Grammer and Thomas Sams, owners of the respective farms named. But the Commissioners appointed in the legislative act for the formation of the county selected the site upon the Grammer farm, and in 1818 Jacob Rendleman, Thomas Sams and Joseph Palmer were appointed trustees to lay out into lots the ten acres of land donated to the county of Union and now known in the description of town lots as ‘Grammer’s donation.’”

Union Countians have revered their choice of where they chose to hold their Courts so much that it has not been changed in two hundred years. The 1883 writers had this to say:

“Jonesboro is located near the center of Union County, and on the dividing ridges separating the waters flowing into Cache; thence into the Ohio River, near Mound City, and the waters flowing in and forming Clear Creek, which enters the Mississippi five miles above Cape Girardeau. The town was located in and amongst innumerable hills,

more on account of the many bold running springs, than for any great advantage to be derived from beautiful location. It is situated amongst the hills, on the hills, under the hills and by the hills. In fact, we do not know but it has all the advantages of ancient Rome in the number of its hills. Its many pure springs and fine under-drainage, perhaps, caused those that had the matter in hand to select the spot they did, and now, after more than sixty years have passed [in 1883], experience has shown the wisdom of its founders. We are fully warranted in saying, that few spots on earth are more healthy than the town of Jonesboro, and, in proof of the statement, we now have half a dozen persons living in the town who have resided here over sixty years. They are in excellent health, and have long since passed the allotted time of man.”

The first Union County Court was at the house of Jacob Hunsaker Jr, meeting there on March 2, 1818. It could rightly be said, using the same criteria as was used for Old Johnson County, that the first courthouse was at the home of Hunsaker. The Court met there until the new courthouse could be built. That building is described below.

“The first court house erected in Jonesboro was built by Thomas Cox, contractor. It was of round logs, floor loosely laid down, one door and one window, with clapboard roof, was twenty feet square and contained a “Judge’s bench,” the total cost of which was \$40. “Men in those days were giants,” and evildoers could get a “send-off” to the penitentiary or the “rope’s end” from a

house like this just as easy and with just as much dignity as now-a-days from a court house which costs half a million. The next court house was a frame building, erected in the center of the public square in 1820, and cost \$600. This was superseded by one built of brick in 1838 on the same grounds, and which cost \$5,000.”

Being formed on January 2, 1818, the new county had to move quickly to organize itself. According to the writers of Union County’s history in 1883, this is how the first proceedings of the Union County government began.

“A County Commissioners’ Court for the new county was elected, and consisted of Jesse Echols, John Grammer, George Hunsaker, Abner Keith and Rice Sams. They met, organized and held the first court at Hunsaker’s house, as the law directed, March 2, 1818. The court’s first official act was to accept John Grammer’s donation, and name the town Jonesboro.

Abner Field was Clerk of this court, and Joseph Palmer was the first Sheriff of the county. The Clerk certifies that on the 2d day of February, 1818, George Hunsaker, William Pyle, John C. Smith, Rice Sams, Abner Keith, Jesse Echols and John Bradshaw were each commissioned by the Governor as Justice of the Peace for Union County, and the oath was taken and they entered upon their official duties. Robert Tweedy was the first Constable.”

Don’t miss next week

“How the Various County Seats Got Their Names”

See “annablepublishing.com” to find local outlets for this book or how to order.

## Hess News

By Glenn Heisner

Our son Danny and his three youngest came up from Alabama for five days over the 4th. Also, Justin McClellan and Loni Olstad spent one night here on their way to Wisconsin.

The storm damaged the 9 Day camp. Many volunteers went over and it will be usable.

The passing of Mary Lou Stephens Swift (class of 1954) brought back many memories. Mary Lou and her twin sister, Martha, as well as their dad were avid

horseback riders.

Mary Lou had a Sadlebred mare that had won first at the Springfield fair when she was younger. The mare had two foals and the second one was given to me by Ruel Hindman after I shined his shoes at Ray McIntire’s barber shop. When he was grown he had a hard time keeping up with his mother when we rode together.

The A-J class of 1954 plans to have a meal Sept. 15 at El Jalapeno at 1 p.m.

Young at Heart will meet July 17, with singing by Dwayne Sims.

July birthdays: Fred Schlenker, July 4; Jerry Miller, July 12; Cotton Webb, July 14; Edna Goddard and myself, July 15; Rachel Bonner and her mother, Donna Williams, July 22; Carl Heisner, July 31, 88 years young.

Anniversaries: Alexa and Jeremiah Migas, July 11; David and Pat Johnson, July 18; Fred and Wanda Schlenker, July 21, 62 years.



### Concession stand a busy place

A new concession stand at the Anna City Park in Anna was a very busy place Wednesday evening, July 4. An Independence Day fireworks display was presented on July 4 at the park. A big crowd was on hand to see the display.

## University of Illinois Extension to offer Master Naturalist class

The University of Illinois Master Naturalist program is accepting applications for its fall 2018 training class.

Classes are scheduled at the Barkhausen Cache River Wetlands Center near Cypress.

The Master Naturalist program provides science-based educational opportunities that are designed to connect people with nature and help them become engaged environmental stewards.

The program consists of 12 class sessions over a 12-week period.

Sessions are taught by a diverse array of speakers on topics such as ecology, invasive species, mammals, birds, forestry, wetlands and many more.

The training this fall is planned on Thursdays at the wetlands center. Sessions are slated from 8:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., from Sept. 6 through Dec. 6.

Optional field trips will be provided based upon participant interest.

After attending the 12-week training, participants are asked to complete 60 hours of volunteer work within two years to become certified as Master Naturalists.

After certification, volunteers are asked to continue learning and volunteering to remain active Master Naturalists by completing 10 hours of continuing education and 30 hours of volunteering each year.

Organizers noted that volunteer opportunities abound in the area, including the Kids in the Woods program, Stewardship Week at the Dixon Springs Agricultural Center, helping at local state parks and refuges and assisting with

natural areas restoration and education.

“We have a diversity of outdoor opportunities here in Southern Illinois, and many organizations are in need of a volunteer base. The Master Naturalist group strives to fill this need,” University of Illinois Extension educator Erin Medvecz said.

Medvecz is the Master Naturalist coordinator for Alexander, Johnson, Massac, Pulaski and Union counties.

“My initial reason to become a Master Naturalist was to learn about the ‘ologies’ of Illinois, such as archeology and geology,” Master Naturalist Debbie Czarnopys-White shared.

“Having taken the course several years ago, my thirst to learn and share more has only grown. The opportunity to be a tool of knowledge and have fun while doing it is immeasurable.”

Applications are due by Aug. 17. The applications can be found online at <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/ajmpu/mn>.

Acceptance into the program will require a mandatory background check and an informal in-person interview.

The program has a \$250 fee, which covers the cost of training and a Master Naturalist manual.

For more information about the program, contact Medvecz at 833-6363.

## Drilling information available on geological survey website

Drilling information, whether it be for water wells or gas or oil wells, is available on interactive maps on the Illinois State Geological Survey, ISGS, website.

Online users can locate drilled wells on the Illinois maps and obtain historical and up-to-date well records from vast databases.

The Illinois Water Well (ILWATER) Interactive Map, <http://www.isgs.illinois.edu/ilwater>, is the official repository for records of wells drilled in Illinois in the ISGS Geoscience Information Stewardship Section.

Paper records are archived for over 700,000 wells. Some records go back as far as the late 1800s.

Water and related well data can be accessed for private water wells, engi-

neering borings, and stratigraphic borings.

Many of the paper records have been converted to digital and are searchable within the interactive Map.

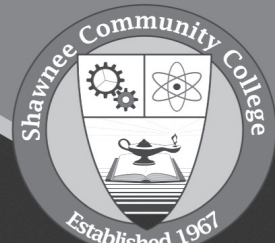
The Illinois Oil and Gas Resources (ILOIL) Interactive Map, <http://www.isgs.illinois.edu/iloil>, allows online access to more than 200,000 Illinois oil and gas well records.

ILWATER and ILOIL can be accessed through mobile devices, as users are automatically directed to the mobile version of the maps and databases.

Both datasets that feed the interactive maps are updated every evening.

For more information about the map services and databases, contact the ISGS, [info@isgs.illinois.edu](mailto:info@isgs.illinois.edu)

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## Mt. Moriah Lutheran Church, Anna

On July 1, organist Kathleen Wright had a prelude, “Mine Eyes have Seen the Glory.”

The children’s sermon was given by Pastor Mark, who told the children that “Jesus is our healer and it is important that we thank Him every day.”

The sermon was based on scripture from the Gospel of Mark. The pastor talked about the scripture where Jesus healed a woman who had hemorrhaged for 12 years and how He also brought a 12-year-old girl back from the dead.

The pastor explained that “no matter who the people were or how much or how little money they had, they were the same to Jesus and of equal importance. God’s grace is bigger, deeper and wider than we can imagine.”

On July 8 the sermon, again from the Gospel of Mark, was about how Jesus had returned to His “home town” and the people did not like the idea that he was preaching and healing, when “in the past” he was just a mere carpenter. He was not well accepted.

The pastor shared that “God is ancient, but not a god of the past. He doesn’t care where we have been or what we did in the past; He cares about what we are now and what we will be in the future. Everyone is human and forgiving ourselves is one of the hardest things to do, but we need not to dwell on the past and look toward the future and what God has in store for us.

The congregation offered prayers for Will Eidson,

News from

## Walnut Grove Church

On the sixth Sunday after Pentecost at Walnut Grove United Methodist Church, Loren lit the altar candles during the musical prelude played by Johnathan Cauble on piano.

The ladies’ choir sang a special, “In the Garden,” and the congregation sang “Happy Birthday” to Emma Cauble. It was also her grandmother Donna Cauble’s anniversary.

The guest pastor was Rev. Roger Russell, the former Cache River District superintendent.

Rev. Russell spoke about the scripture that had helped him through the terrible accident that he and his wife Carol suffered.

This scripture included passages from Corinthians, Isaiah, Romans, Matthew and Revelation that he said helped him and Carol sustain their faith during the ups and downs of her slow but miraculous recovery.

They received prayers from all over the world and he said they kept their love of Jesus Christ first and foremost.

Prayers were requested for Pat Batson, Gerry Brown, Gary and Sandy Hartline, the soccer team and their rescuers in Thailand and everyone who needs prayers in the church family.

Traveling mercies were needed for Barb Norton, who was visiting her family in St. Louis for a couple days.

The ladies lunch is planned Friday, Aug. 3, at a location to be determined.

The church’s Sunday schedule includes Sunday school for the children and starts at 9:30 a.m.

The church is located at 3195 Mountain Glen Rd., near Cobden, and near Route 127.



**Song presented**  
**Raquel Rothschild, the daughter of Scott Rothschild and the granddaughter of David and Kay Rothschild, sang a special, “Hallelujah,” for the congregation at Mt. Moriah on July 1. Photo provided.**

Kenny Roach, Pam Wheaton, Charlotte White, Annette Roach, John Kern, Ronnie Barnhart, Kevin Klump, Sandy Procter, Everett Rhine and Virginia Housman.

Prayers were also offered for those grieving for Vicky Miller and Karen Wadley.

The church office was closed for the July 4 holiday.

Vacation Bible School was scheduled to begin Monday, July 9, and continues through July 13 at Salem Lutheran Church in Jonesboro.

The youth returned from their trip to Houston, where they attended the annual ELCA National Youth Conference.

A benefit yard sale was held at the Mt. Moriah parking lot Saturday, July 7. Proceeds will be given to the youth.

Ladies night out is planned July 17. They will meet at 5 p.m. at the parking lot at Mt. Moriah. The destination is to be determined.

A church council meeting is planned at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, July 19.

The fifth Sunday brunch will be hosted on July 29 by Mt. Moriah immediately following the 10 a.m. service.

The story-book prisoner and family ministry and Mt. Moriah volunteers will provide the meal and will share information about the program. An area will be set aside for book or monetary donations for those who wish to support the program.

News from

## Camp Ground Church, Community

Rev. Rob Betts’ sermon July 1 was titled “TNT” (“Thinking New Thoughts”), with scripture from 3 John.

The message shared that “when we focus on God, our spiritual being is strengthened to overcome fleshly temptations. People don’t miss heaven because they sin; they miss it because they do not seek Christ’s offer of forgiveness and eternal life.”

Visiting pastor, Rev. James Smith brought the message on July 8, as Rev. Betts and family are enjoying a family vacation.

Rev. Smith’s sermon was titled “Living in Joy, Joy in Living,” with scripture from Isaiah and Paul’s letter to the Philippians.

The message shared that “God loves us unconditionally; unshakable joy comes with knowing Jesus Christ. Our joy is made stronger by sharing the Gospel with others.”

Receiving the offering the past two weeks were Aldi and Vodra Gerard, assisted by their father Tony.

Camp Ground’s elder for the month of July is Rodney Miller.

Celebrating birthdays the past couple of weeks have

been Wally Warren on July 4, Donnie Jones and Ashley Roach on July 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Boaz celebrated their 46th wedding anniversary on Sunday, July 8.

The session held its bi-monthly meeting following worship this past Sunday.

David Halterman, the son of the late Austin and Hazel Halterman of the Camp Ground congregation,

passed away suddenly July 2. A celebration of life will be held Aug. 11 in Crown Point, Ind., where David has resided most of his life. David was a step-brother to Sandy Boaz.

Camp Ground invites everyone to join them in study and worship. Fellowship is at 9:30 a.m., Bible study at 10 a.m. and worship at 11 a.m. The church is located at 50 Tunnel Ln., east of Anna.

News from

## First Baptist Church, Jonesboro

On Sunday, July 8, Pastor Perry Williams brought the message.

Worship was led by Dee Rose. Special music was provided by Robert and Margaret McCain.

The pastor continued study about the Book of Daniel during the Sunday evening service.

Vacation Bible School started July 9 and is scheduled to continue until July 13.

Vacation Bible School is from 9 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. each day and is for ages 4 through 6th grade. Music, Bible lessons, crafts, recreation and snacks are planned.

A VBS family night is

planned Sunday, July 15, during the evening service and will be followed by an ice cream social.

Titus 2 Bible study is planned at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, July 14, at Hebrewz Coffeehouse.

Birthdays: Deana Schlenker, July 11; Holly Flannigan, July 14.

The schedule for worship at Jonesboro First Baptist includes Bible study at 9 a.m. Sunday and worship services on Sunday at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

An adult Bible study/prayer meeting is planned on Wednesday from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

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**4-Hers visit courthouse**  
Members of the Clever Clovers 4-H Club recently visited the Union County Courthouse in Jonesboro. The 4-H club also did clean-up work at the McGinnis Cemetery.

## ‘The Wonderful Wizard of Oz’ heads lists of Top Illinois Books

The story begins in Kansas and detours to the Emerald City, but “The Wonderful Wizard of Oz” was written in Chicago and now heads the list of Top Illinois Books chosen by voters in the Illinois Top 200 project.

Other books on the list are decidedly darker than the children’s classic.

“The Jungle” and “Spoon River Anthology” take readers from Chicago slaughterhouses to a small-town cemetery.

“Devil in the White City” and “Native Son” explore the mind of a serial killer and the rage of a poor African-American man.

The Illinois Top 200 project has been letting Illinoisans vote every two weeks on the most inspiring leaders, greatest inventions, top businesses and much more.

By the state’s 200th birthday on Dec. 3, voters will have chosen 10 favorites in 20 different categories – the Illinois Top 200.

Voting in the next category, top authors, was underway at [www.Illinois-Top200.com](http://www.Illinois-Top200.com).

Nominees include Ernest Hemingway, Carl Sandburg, Richard Wright and Gwendolyn Brooks.

As a bonus for book fans, everyone who votes will be entered in a drawing for a free copy of “Lincoln’s Last Trial: The Murder Case That Propelled Him to the Presidency.”

“Wonderful Wizard of Oz” author L. Frank Baum settled in Chicago in 1891 after years of traveling the country in search of financial security.

Baum turned to writing children’s books and had some modest success before “Oz” appeared in 1900 and became a national sensation. Chicago now has an “Oz Park” near one of the places Baum lived.

The author also had Central Illinois connections. His wife’s brother lived in Bloomington and had a daughter who died in 1898 at just 5 months old. Baum’s wife, Maud, doted on the baby and was heartbroken at her death. Baum tried to ease Maud’s grief by naming the “Wizard of Oz” protagonist after the beloved niece – Dorothy.

Here are the top 10 books, in order, as chosen in online voting:

**“The Wonderful Wizard of Oz.”** Millions of readers have been transported to the land of Oz, where they met Munchkins, cowardly lions, flying monkeys and witches both good and wicked.

**“The Jungle.”** Perhaps no other novel has had such a dramatic impact on U.S. law. Upton Sinclair’s 1906 novel on the appalling conditions facing immigrants in Chicago’s meatpacking industry created an outcry about food safety. Reforms quickly followed.

**“The Devil in the White City.”** Erik Larson’s blockbuster 2003 book presented the colorful story behind the 1893 Chicago world’s fair and also used a combination of fact and speculation to describe serial killer H. H. Holmes.

**“Spoon River Anthology.”** Edgar Lee Masters used the voices of the dead to tell the tale of a small Illinois town in this 1915 classic. Poems that serve as epitaphs for the town’s dead tell intertwaving stories of lost love, greed, hypocrisy and hidden tragedies.

**“Native Son.”** Richard Wright broke new ground with his 1940 story of Bigger Thomas, a young African-American man living a life of crime amid racism and utter poverty in Chicago.

**“Dandelion Wine.”**

This 1957 novel by Ray Bradbury takes place as 12-year-old Douglas Spaulding spends a magical summer exploring the fictional Green Town, based on Bradbury’s hometown of Waukegan.

**“Boss: Richard J. Daley of Chicago.”** Newspaper columnist Mike Royko wrote about Chicago with wit, affection and a deep understanding of its flaws. When he aimed those traits at powerhouse mayor Richard J. Daley, the result was a classic.

**“The House on Mango Street.”** This 1984 coming-of-age novel by Sandra Cisneros tells the story of Esperanza Cordero, who navigates the transition from girl to young woman while trying to figure out a way to escape her impoverished Chicago neighborhood.

**“From Here to Eternity.”** James Jones won the National Book Award for this novel about an Army infantry company in Hawaii before the attack on Pearl Harbor. Jones was an Illinois native and wrote the book at a writer’s colony in Marshall.

**“The Good War.”** Studs Terkel won the Pulitzer Prize for this 1984 history of World War II told by the people who lived through it, from infantry grunts to generals to factory workers.

Nominees that did not make the top 10 include “Infinite Jest” by David Foster Wallace, “Sister Carrie” by Theodore Dreiser and “The Man with the Golden Arm” by Nelson Algren.

The Illinois Top 200 is a joint initiative of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum, The (Springfield) State Journal-Register and the Illinois Bicentennial Commission.

## McKendree names dean’s list students

Three students from the Union County area earned spring semester dean’s list honors at McKendree University in Lebanon.

Students who had a grade point average of 3.60 or higher for the semester were named to the dean’s list.

Local students who earned recognition included:

Elle Basler of Anna. Chelsea Reinier of Anna. Mary White of Buncombe.

## Study reports adults in rural areas more likely to be obese

Adults who live in non-metropolitan (rural) counties are still more likely to be obese than adults in metro (urban) counties, according to a Centers for Disease Control, CDC, and Prevention report.

The findings, based on 2016 Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance Survey data, are consistent with previous findings published in 2012 using 2005-2008 National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey data.

Obesity prevalence was significantly higher among adults living in rural counties (34.2 percent) than among those living in metropolitan counties (28.7 percent).

The greatest differences in prevalence were in the South and Northeast regions.

The findings held true for adults in most sociodemographic categories, including age, sex and household income.

The analysis compared obesity based on self-reported weight and height among adults living in metropolitan (urban) and non-metropolitan (rural) coun-

## IDNR News Bits

Boat Registration: The Illinois Department of Natural Resources, IDNR, reminds boat owners in the state to check their three-year boat registration/decal and renew their registration if it expires in 2018.

Renewing watercraft registration can be done online through the IDNR website at [www.dnr.illinois.gov](http://www.dnr.illinois.gov) or by phone by calling 1-866-867-3542.

For details on Illinois watercraft registration requirements and fees, check the IDNR website at <https://www.dnr.illinois.gov/boat-ing/Pages/default.aspx>.

**Online Dove Permits:** Online applications are scheduled to be accepted through July 21 for the second lottery for Illinois free dove hunting permits for hunting at select state sites.

Applications may be submitted for the second lottery by resident hunters who were unsuccessful in the first lottery, residents who did not apply in the first lottery, and non-resident hunters.

After the second lottery permit application deadline on July 21, hunters may apply for remaining free dove permits on a first-come, first-served basis beginning

at 8 a.m. on July 28 through Aug. 25.

For more information about dove hunting permit areas and free dove permits, check the IDNR website at <https://www.dnr.illinois.gov/hunting/dove/Pages/OnlinePermitApplication.aspx>.

**Bicentennial Exhibition:** The Illinois State Museum in Springfield has opened “Bicentennial and Beyond! The Illinois Legacy Collection,” a major new exhibition in celebration of the state’s 200th birthday.

The exhibition features rare and rarely-seen artifacts from the museum’s 13.5-million-object collection which highlight the dynamic story of Illinois.

For more information: <http://www.illinoisstatemuseum.org/content/bicentennial-and-beyond-illinois-legacy-collection>.

**Safety Courses:** The 2018-2019 fall hunting seasons in Illinois will be here soon.

Check the schedule of IDNR hunter safety education courses, many of which are scheduled in advance of the fall seasons.

The web link for IDNR safety education courses is [www.dnr.illinois.gov/safety](http://www.dnr.illinois.gov/safety).

planning. One way CDC addresses obesity is through its High Obesity Program, HOP.

HOP funds land grant colleges and universities in states with counties that have more than 40 percent prevalence of adult obesity.

Residents of these communities, mostly in rural areas, may have less access to healthy foods and fewer opportunities to be physically active.

Grantees work with existing county cooperative extension and outreach services in targeted areas. They use proven public health strategies to help people improve physical activity and nutrition, reduce obesity, and prevent or control diabetes, heart disease, and stroke.

More about the HOP program can be found online at <https://www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/dnpao/state-local-programs/high-obesity-program.html>.

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# Anna News

By Martha Ann Webb

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

## Stinson Memorial Library, Anna

Friends of Stinson Memorial Library Inc. Board of Directors met Monday, July 2, at 10 a.m. The annual meeting was also held. New officers were elected and some were reelected and have served for several years.

A special thanks to Sandy Davis, who has served on the board since 2001 for all her devotion and dedication to the Friends of the Library. Also to John Watkins and Bruce Agne, who have served for many years. They are all retiring from the board.

Why be a Friend of Stinson? One good reason is you appreciate your library and you want to help it. By being a member of Friends you also can attend the early book sales that are on the Friday night before the public sales.

Membership is only \$10 for two years. Or you can become a life time member and have your name on a plaque that is hanging on the wall in the hall before you go into the library.

To be a life time member write a check for \$100 made out to Friends of Stinson and mail it to Stinson Memorial Library, 409 S.

Main St., Anna, Ill. 62906. You can also send a donation there. Phone 618-833-2521.

If you buy from Amazon please join the Amazon Smile Program and each time you buy something that qualifies they will send a portion of your sales to Friends of Stinson. This is a great way to help your library. Also there is a donation jar at the desk at the library.

Andrea Witthoft was on her way to the board meeting when she got word her mother-in-law Mary B. Witthoft, who was blessed to have lived on this earth for 101 years, had gone to heaven. Sympathy to Andrea and her family.

### Annabelle Tour

Norm and Barb Bauer enjoyed a June “Annabelle” Tour in nearby states. While the Annabelles were in celebration full-bloom in Anna, they visited in St. Louis where the white blossoms were beginning to show.

In St. Louis, they visited son Lou and Deb Bauer and saw grandson Chris, Katie and 1 1/2 year old Owen Bauer.

Norm was honored on Father’s Day to be escorted by sons Lou, Tim and David

(from Wisconsin) to the Cardinal-Cubs ballgame. Lou, as the only Cardinal fan was disappointed with the Cubs’ win.

Also in St Louis, Norm and Barb enjoyed a dinner visit in the home of grandson Jacob and Nadia Hileman and great-grands Finlay, Emmie and Leah.

The Hilemans do not yet have an Annabelle plant, but among other vegetables, they are nurturing a banana plant and a peach tree.

The Bauers visited with longtime friends Joan Bergt and Bob Dusenberg; and had phone visits with former Union Countians Susan Otrich Graham and Barbara Modglin Prinster while the Bauers camped in an RV park in St. Peters, Mo.

In Brookfield, Wis., Norm and Barb parked their RV under the lush trees on son David Bauer’s lawn and gardens.

David, along with brother Tim Bauer, were pleased to exhibit their vibrantly colored plants and flowers. Even in the metropolitan area, the gardeners are perplexed to share their plants with local wildlife.

David has installed a ‘hot’ fence and applies other deterrents, but still had the Annabelles “pruned” by the deer. He was pleased to share the annual “Lily Bloom” and Barb measured some at about her 5-foot, 3-inch height.

Annabelles on the south of the house were blooming, but there were still just buds on the north side.

On to Minnesota, Annabelles were found, mostly in full bloom by end of June, probably because the temperatures have been higher than usual. Barb has checked tag names and discovered that the famous “Annabelle” plant has traveled extensively.

### Germany Trip

Elaine Crain recently made a trip to Germany with a church friend. They made their headquarters in Berlin and used trains to travel to other parts of the country.

They also spent two days in Prague, in the Czech Republic, enjoying the beautiful architecture. They took a twilight river/dinner cruise while there.

They visited Hamburg, Frankfurt (Order) and walked across the bridge and had lunch in Poland. They visited many small villages.

In Berlin they visited museums, cathedrals and saw several good stage shows.

They toured a World War II bunker where residents went for safety during air raids. This bunker also had pictures and artifacts from that era telling rise to power with chilling photographs.

Today with the wall removed, East Berlin is as modern as the west. Under the Russian rule it was in ruins following the war and very little was done until Berlin was unified. Weather was great, with little rain.

A great trip, but Southern Illinois looked very good when Elaine returned.

### Guests

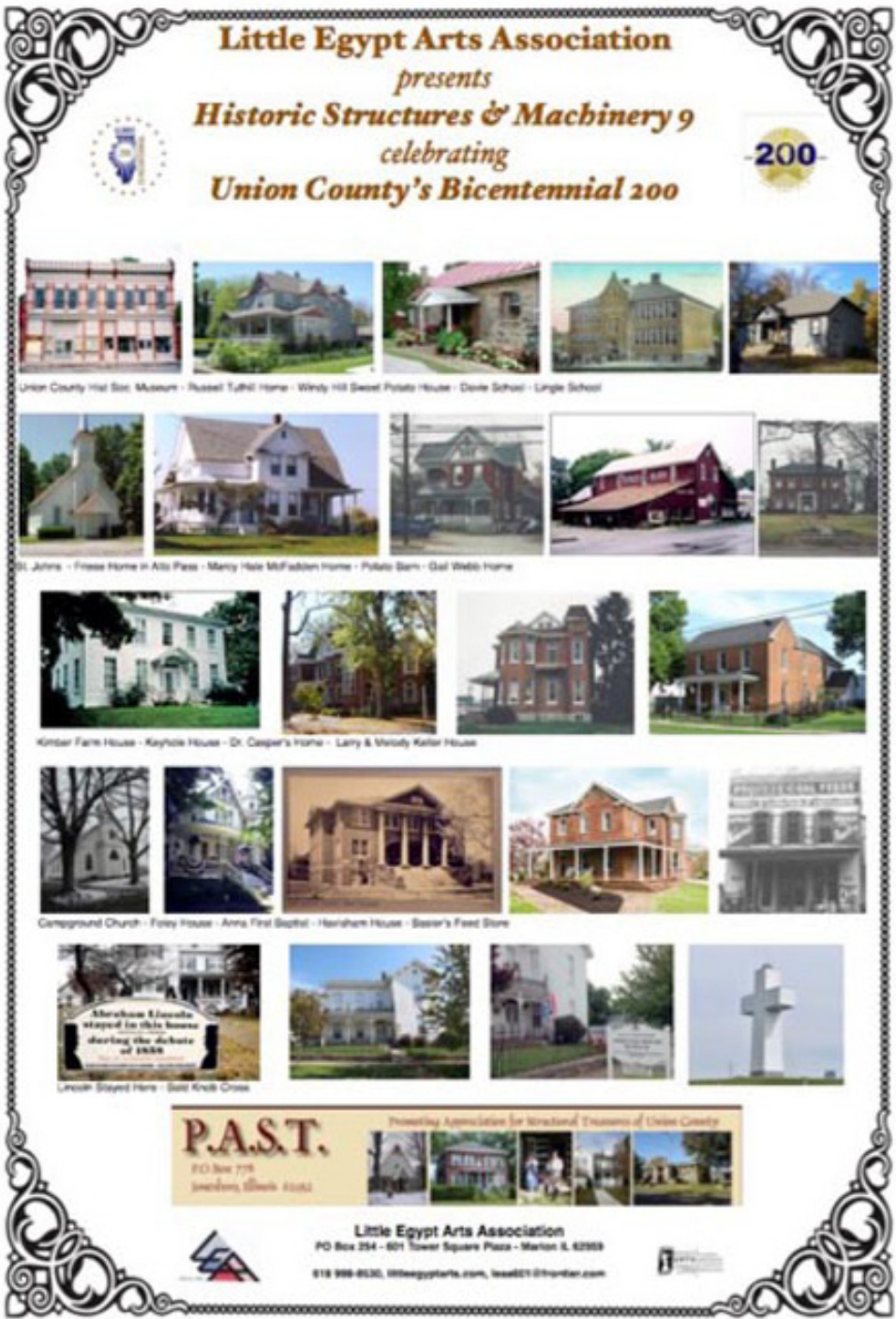
Guests of Kathy and Dennis Thornburg were their grandchildren Myia, Kyleigh and Tyce, who live in Springfield, and Piper, who lives here in town but wanted to spend the week with her cousins. They enjoyed the fireworks and spending a lot of time in the pool.

### Trip

Chris Frampton enjoyed a vacation to Gulf Shores. On the way she stopped to visit Elvis’s birth home. Something on her bucket list. She has visited Grace-land several times.

### 4th of July Party

Bessie Mae, Elijah Glen and Curt Ellis hosted a din-



Marie Samuel sent a photo collage of Union County images created by LEAA graphics editor Patty Morrison of Goreville. Images were provided by Linda Hileman of PAST for the current Historical Structures and Machinery juried exhibit at the Little Egypt Arts Association in Marion.



Claude (Claudia) Walker, who will be 92 on July 15, is pictured with her great-great-granddaughter Vivian Ferguson, 15 months old, who was born on March 5, 2017.



A Father’s Day gift to Norm Bauer was a trip to a Cubs-Cardinal game in St. Louis with his three sons. From left are David Bauer and Tim Bauer from Brookfield, Wis., Norm Bauer from Anna and the only Cardinal fan Lou Bauer from Chesterfield, Mo.



Father’s Day four generations: center great-granddad Norman Bauer, granddad Lou Bauer holding Owen Louis Bauer, age 2; at left is Christopher Bauer.



Ursula Bauer, Barb and Norm Bauer admired David Bauer’s lilies and Annabelles in Brookfield, Wis.



Election was held for new board members of Friends of Stinson Memorial Library 2018-2019. A special thanks to all the volunteer hours they donate to help the library. In the front, from left, are Jackie Beatty, Janet Hunter, Alice Kerns, Carole Larsen. In the back are, from left, Susan Hase, Tammy Woodrum, Allen Stanley, Marilyn Keller and Earl Miller. Andrea Witthoft and Terry House could not be present for the picture.

ner and swimming party for their families.

Curt’s dad and sisters were there and came from Cobden, Carbondale and Greenville. Bessie’s family, all from Anna, were there.

They enjoyed the Anna fireworks that night and celebrating our independence.

### Fireworks

A special thanks to the Anna Fire Department, Anna Police Department and all those who volunteered July 4. Another beautiful year of fireworks. Thank you Brad Dawson.

### Act of Kindness

Jason Leek, officer for City of Anna, handed out ice pops and water to children at Anna City Park before fireworks on the 4th of July. A special thanks to Walmart and Save-A-Lot for donating the ice pops and to Burger King for donating ice.

### Concession Stand

A special thanks to Mark Kay and Bryan Miller for opening the concession stand for the 4th of July. It was a busy place.

### Wedding Anniversaries

July 4 Al and Susan Kamp, July 5 Lynn and Paula Crabtree 43 years, Thomas and Rebecca Corbit 15 years, July 7 Rick and Nancy Davis 15 years, July 9 Dale and Linda Johnson, July 23 Jack and Sue Ann Zimmerman, July 30 Ricky and Celeste Borders.

### Birthdays

July 6 Geneva Jackson, 7 Lindsey Houston, Steven Burns, 9 Erin Linton,



Happy 48th wedding anniversary July 3 to Bill and July McClure. Sunday morning July 1 was a special day for them. Father Federico blessed their marriage.



Caliope or (Cali Grace) Pind will celebrate her 3rd birthday July 23. Her dad drew the Minnie Mouse.



Steve Norton was President Lincoln’s driver for the McKinney 4th of July parade in Texas.





Duane and Linda Hileman took a trip to Washington, D.C., in June. They traveled with their family Keith, Melissa, Jacob and Julia Ellis and Emily Hileman. They all visited many monuments and museums for the first few days then headed to Myrtle Beach, S.C., to finish out the week. Duane and Linda celebrated their 49th anniversary on June 8.



Judy and Jim Jerolds were guests of honor at an open house for their 50th wedding anniversary July 1 at the home of Bill and Mary Ann Bowen hostess.



Peggy Livingston celebrated her 82nd birthday at her home July 4 with family.



Jason Leek, officer for City of Anna, handed out ice pops and water to children at Anna City Park before the fireworks on July 4. He is with Erin Linton.



Erin Linton celebrated her 7th birthday with friends at Discovery Playhouse in Cape Girardeau.

Sabrina Borders, Katrina Borders, Gary Morris, 12 Darryl Parks, 14 Lovella Graig, 18 Betty Eagle, 19 Campbell Wilde, 21 Allie Morris, Roger Spurlock, 22 Jane Painter, Jessi Riley, 27 Jeni Goddard, Kathie Watkins, 28 Curt Ellis.

**Red Hat Dinner**  
Little Egypt Red Hat Ladies will meet July 18 at 11 a.m. in Anna at the Mexican restaurant, El Jalapeno across from Walmart.

If you would like to be in the gift exchange bring a gift. Everyone is welcome. Age 50 and older wear a red hat and purple clothes and under 50 lilac hat and red dress or you are welcome to just come as you are. A lot of fun and fellowship is planned for the day.

**United Methodist Church, Anna**

Sunday mornings, prayer in the sanctuary is from 8:30 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. Sunday School is at 9 a.m. and church is at 10 a.m.

Nancy Hooks invited anyone who doesn’t attend Sunday School to come to her class. They are studying in Luke.

Special music was “You Are My All in All” by Carla Anderson, Marcy Morris and Muriel Zachary.

Rev. Richard Sullins’ sermon was “Rejection,” with scripture from the Psalms and Mark.

Rev. Sullins told the children the Bible was the most important book of all. There

are 66 chapters in the Bible, 39 in the Old Testament and 27 in the New Testament.

Kathie Watkins told about her granddaughter Jenna planning to go on a mission trip with the youth and Brad Stamp at the Presbyterian Church.

Loaves and Fishes dinner will be July 17: taco salad, Spanish rice and dessert.

Game Night is July 13 at 6 p.m., food theme is burgers and hot dogs.

Solo potluck lunch will be at noon July 11 in the church fellowship hall.

July 29 will be the bazaar lunch and ice cream social.

**Thanking a Veteran**  
A special thanks to Gary Wright for serving our country in the Vietnam War.

I saw Gary while I was shopping at River to River yard sales and he told me 50 years ago that day June 6 he was in Japan in the hospital.

He showed me his arm that had been shot in the Vietnam War and he had to have an operation on it.

He spent a month in the hospital there and then he was transferred to several places then the hospital at Scott Air Force Base.

His sister Evelyn got as many friends together as she could and they all went to see him.

Gary had a compass he carried and it had been moved to all the locations he was at and even made it back to the states with him. He gave it to his mother

to keep but later sold the compass.

Years later the person that bought the compass sold it back to Gary because he saw how much it meant to him. A special thanks to Gary and all our veterans.

**Cookbook**  
Stephen Burns of St. Louis is looking for an A-JCHS 1978 FHA Future Homemakers High School cookbook recipes. It sold for \$9.95. If anyone has one they would like to sell him please let me know.

**Sympathy**  
To the family of dear friend Vicky Miller, formerly of Anna but moved to Texas.

Linda Comte of Anna’s sister Sharon Braggs Jackson of Cobden,passed away June 21. She was 80. Sharon was a breast cancer survivor for 11 years. If you would like to make a donation in her memory the family ask it to go to the American Cancer Society in her name. Sharon and her husband Norman were married 61 years. Her daughter is Connie and son-in-law Tom Phillips. Other sisters are Norma Adams of Makanda, Treva Acklin of Grand Rapids, Mich. Granddaughter Joi and Dave Svezia, two great grandsons, Theron and Townes Svezia. Sharon’s parents were Claude and Nellie Braggs and she had a sister that passed Margaret Lambert. Please keep her family in your prayers.

**Christmas in July**  
The Union County Alliance of Churches thanks everyone who contributed during the special Christmas in July bell ringing for the community fund and the stuff-a-truck for the local food pantries.

They especially appreciated the Anna Walmart, Anna Kroger Store and A-J Save-A-Lot for allowing them to hold the drive at their stores and Coad Ford for the use of the truck.

**VFW**  
Star Karaoke will be at the VFW Sunday, July 15, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The 15th District Richard Sheeley Memorial Golf Scramble was Saturday, July 7. Richard was instrumental in keeping the golf scramble successful. They are sure he would have been proud of the turnout Saturday.

The post meeting will be July 12 at 7 p.m.

**Greenville Trip**  
Curt, Bessie and Elijah Ellis enjoyed a trip to Greenville to visit family and celebrate July birthdays.

**4th of July Dinner**  
Fred and Linda Clutts enjoyed a fish fry at the home of their son Ben’s with family.

**Ullin Trip**  
Linda Clutts played music and sang with her friends in Ullin.

**Photo Collage**  
Marie Samuel sent a photo collage of Union County

images created by LEAA graphics editor Patty Morrison of Goreville.

Images were provided for the project by Linda Hileman of PAST for the current Historical Structures & Machinery juried exhibit at Little Egypt Arts Association at 601 Tower Square in Marion.

Paintings and photography are being spotlighted with many historic buildings in Southern Illinois as well as the Heartland.

Paintings and photography range from scenic barns, restaurants, homes, churches and other items of interest.

Photographs of many places in Union County, which is celebrating its 200th bicentennial, will also be available for viewing as well as a large photograph of the recent historic mural created by local artists Kris Killman, Janet Bixler and Missy Carstens in Galatia.

Artists who are participating are from all over Southern Illinois including Goreville, Zeigler and Eldorado.

The exhibit will run until Sunday, Aug. 11, at 2 p.m., when there will be a reception. For more information, please call or leave a message 618 998-8530 orleaa601@frontier.com.

This program is sponsored by a grant from the Illinois Arts Council, a state agency, in support of the arts.

# Television Listings

THURSDAY JULY 12, 2018											
	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	USA Softball International Cup (Live) (HD)	Seinfeld	Law & Order: SVU	BUNK'D	"Avatar" Tonight	★★★ "The Beach" ('00)	"Inglourious" ('09) (R)
7 PM :30	The Gong Show (HD)	Bang (HD)	The Four: Battle for Stardom "Week Five"	Little Big Shots (HD)		Seinfeld	Law & Order: SVU	Andi Mack	"Kingsman: The Golden Circle" World taken hostage.	"From Within" Series of suicides.	(:15) ★★½ "Gone" ('12, Thriller) Sister abducted.
8 PM :30	Match Game (HD)	Big Brother (HD)		Marlon	2018 World Series of Poker "Final Table"	Bang (HD)	Queen of the South	Stuck Mid.		★★★½ "The Great Wall" ('17) (HD)	The Affair (HD)
9 PM :30	Take Two (HD)	S.W.A.T. "Miracle"	Local Programs	Law & Order: SVU		Bang (HD)	(:01) Shooter (HD)	Bizaard	(:25) Sharp Objects		
10 PM :30	Local	Local	Local Programs	Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan (HD)	(:02) "Iron Man" ('08, Action) Cy-bernetetic hero.	Andi Mack	Bill Maher (HD)	(:15) C.B. Strike (HD)	Shameless (HD)
11 PM :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(:35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(:35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Brooklyn Conan		BUNK'D	"Wonder"	"Girl Next Door" ('04)	Immigrant Immigrant

FRIDAY JULY 13, 2018											
	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	Golden Boy Promotions (Live)	Burgers	(4:10) "Iron Man" ('08)	BUNK'D	"Runner" VICE (HD)	"Cop Out"	"Purpose"
7 PM :30	Quantico (HD)	Undercover (HD)	The Resident (HD)	American Ninja Warrior (HD)		Burgers		Andi Mack	★ ★ ★ "Kong: Skull Island" Realm of monsters.	"King Arthur: Legend of the Sword" Changed destiny.	★ ★ ★½ "Love Means Zero" ('17)
8 PM :30	What Would You Do?	Hawaii Five-0 (HD)	The Orville "Krill" (HD)		2018 World Series of Poker "Final Table"	"Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice" ('16) Superhero war. (HD)	"Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" ('01) Orphan learns magic.	Stuck Mid.			★ ★ ★½ "Marshall" ('17) Famed attorney. (HD)
9 PM :30	(:01) 20/20 (HD)	Blue Bloods "Legacy"	Local Programs Local info.	Dateline NBC (HD)				Big City	Sharp Objects (HD)	C.B. Strike (HD)	
10 PM :30	Local	Local		Local	SportsCenter (HD)	ELEAGUE (HD)	"Harry Potter & Chamber" School of magic.	Bizaard	Andi Mack	VICE (HD)	C.B. Strike (HD)
11 PM :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(:35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(:35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)			Raven	BUNK'D	Succession (HD)	The Affair (HD)
	Nightline	Corden		Late Night				DuckTales	"King Arthur" ('17)	"King Arthur" ('17)	I'm Dying Up Here

SATURDAY JULY 14, 2018											
	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	MLB Baseball "Regional Coverage-Teams TBA" (Live) (HD)	Local Programs	Top Rank Boxing (Live)	Seinfeld	"Goblet of Fire" ('05)	"Camp Rock2"	"The Mountain" ('17)	C.B. Strike (HD)	"Bad Moms" ('16) Mila Kunis. Mom goes wild.
7 PM :30	Videos Halloween	Me, Myself		Dateline NBC Investigative news. (HD)		Seinfeld	"Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix" ('07) (HD)	BUNK'D	"Battle of the Sexes" ('17) Legendary rivalry.	★ ★ ★½ "Percy Jackson & Olympians" ('10) (HD)	"Home Again" New room-mates.
8 PM :30	Truth and Lies: The Family Man (HD)	Living			2018 World Series of Poker "Final Table"	Bang (HD)		Raven			
9 PM :30	Living	48 Hours (HD)	Local Programs	To Be Announced		Bang (HD)		Stuck Mid.	(:05) Sharp Objects	"Clash of the Titans" ('10) (HD)	"The Girl on the Train" Shocking mystery.
10 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs Local info.	Gordon (HD)	Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Bang (HD)	(:38) "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban" ('04)	BUNK'D	(:10) Succession (HD)	(:50) C.B. Strike (HD)	
11 PM :30	Local Programs		W. Cup Tonight (HD)	Sat. Night Live Sketch comedy. (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Frontal		Andi Mack	"Battle Sexes" ('17)	"Entrapment"	The Affair

SUNDAY JULY 15, 2018											
	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Videos A birthday girl.	60 Minutes (HD)	One Strange Rock	Run Wild (HD)	MLS Soccer (Live)	"Alice Through the Looking Glass" ('16)	"Hallows 1" ('10) (HD)	"Camp Rock2"	"Battle of the Sexes" ('17) Legendary rivalry.	Outcast	"Baby Driver" ('17)
7 PM :30	Feud (HD)	Big Brother (HD)	Simpsons	America's Got Talent "Auditions 6" (HD)	USA Softball International Cup (Live) (HD)		"Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2" ('11)	BUNK'D		Outcast	The Affair (HD)
8 PM :30	Pyramid (HD)	NCIS: L. A. (HD)	Burgers			(:15) "Cinderella" ('15) Lily James. Abused lady aided.		Big City	Sharp Objects "Dirt"	(:10) Outcast (HD)	The Affair (HD)
9 PM :30	To Tell the Truth (HD)	NCIS: L. A. (HD)	Ghosted	Shades of Blue (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)			Big City	Raven	"Split" ('17) James McAvoy. Girls kidnapped.	SMILF
10 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local Programs Local info.	Local Programs Local info.		Frontal	(:25) ★ ★ ★ "Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince" ('09)	BUNK'D	Succession (HD)	"G.I. Jane" ('97) Gender-neutral.	SMILF
11 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	W. Cup Tonight (HD)	Local Programs	SportsCenter (HD)	"Alice Through Looking" ('16)		Stuck Mid.	Sharp Objects "Dirt"	"Hellraiser III" ('89) (R)	The Affair (HD)

MONDAY JULY 16, 2018											
	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	Baseball Tonight (HD)	Fam Guy	"Hallows 2" ('11) (HD)	BUNK'D	"Kingsman" Tonight	"King Arthur" ('17)	"Magnolias"
7 PM :30	The Bachelorette (HD)	Mom (HD)	SYTYCD (HD)	Run Wild (HD)	2018 Home Run Derby (Live) (HD)	Fam Guy	WWE Monday Night Raw (HD)	Bug Juice	Robin Williams: Come Inside My Mind (HD)	"Self/Less" ('15) Cadaver's new mind. (HD)	The Affair (HD)
8 PM :30	Pyramid (HD)	NCIS: L. A. (HD)	Simpsons	American Ninja Warrior (HD)		Fam Guy		Andi Mack			Cartoon
9 PM :30	Pyramid (HD)	NCIS: L. A. (HD)	Burgers			Fam Guy		Raven			Cartoon
10 PM :30	To Tell the Truth (HD)	NCIS: L. A. (HD)	Ghosted	Shades of Blue (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Fam Guy		Big City	Sharp Objects "Dirt"	"The Time Traveler's Wife" ('09)	The Affair (HD)
11 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local Programs Local info.	Local Programs Local info.		Fam Guy		Stuck Mid.	Succession (HD)	"Split" ('17) James McAvoy. Girls kidnapped.	SMILF
	Local	Local		Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan (HD)	Queen of the South	Bizaard	Andi Mack	(:55) Succession (HD)	Cartoon
	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(:35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Brooklyn Conan	(:05) CSI: Crime (HD)	Bug Juice	BUNK'D	"Hellraiser III" ('89) (R)	Cartoon
	Nightline	Corden		Late Night				DuckTales	Sharp Objects "Dirt"		

TUESDAY JULY 17, 2018											
	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	Local Pregame	Local Programs	Baseball	Bang (HD)	Family	BUNK'D	Bill Maher	(5:25) "Stratton" ('18)	"Braveheart" ('95, Drama) A Scottish hero leads a rebellion. (R) (HD)
7 PM :30	Middle	NCIS "Family Ties"	2018 MLB All-Star Game from Nationals Park in Washington, D.C.	America's Got Talent "Judge Cuts 1" (HD)	American Cornhole League (T)	Bang (HD)	Family	Bug Juice	Tonight		
8 PM :30	Middle	Bull "No Good Deed"				Bang (HD)	WWE SmackDown (Live) (HD)	Andi Mack	Sharp Objects "Dirt"	"The Girl Next Door" Porn love.	Cartoon
9 PM :30	black-ish	Salvation "Indivisible"	9-1-1 Taste of Karma		NBA Summer League (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD)		Big City	"It" ('17) Bill Skarsgård. Demoniac clown. (HD)	(:50) ★ ★ "I Love You, Beth Cooper" ('09) (HD)	Cartoon
10 PM :30	The Last Defense	Elementary (HD)	Local Programs Local info.	World of Dance (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Bang (HD)	Chrissy	Stuck Mid.	Robin Williams: Come Inside My Mind (HD)	"The Time Traveler's Wife" ('09)	The Affair (HD)
11 PM :30	Local	Local	Local Programs	Local	NBA Summer League (Live) (HD)	Bang (HD)	Cromarties	Bizaard	Sharp Objects "Dirt"	(:35) C.B. Strike (HD)	Cartoon
	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(:35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(:35) Tonight (HD)		Conan Eva Longoria.	(:02) Shooter (HD)	Andi Mack	Succession (HD)	"G.I. Jane" ('97) Gender-neutral.	Cartoon
	Nightline	Corden		Late Night	SportsCenter (HD)	Brooklyn Conan	Law & Order: SVU	BUNK'D	First Look	"Kiss Kiss"	"Braveheart"

WEDNESDAY JULY 18, 2018											
	ABC	CBS	FOX	NBC	ESPN	TBS	USA	DISN	HBO	MAX	SHOW
6 PM :30	Local Programs	Local Programs	(5:00) Local Programs	Local Programs	Red Carpet (HD)	Bang (HD)	NCIS "Family First"	BUNK'D	Robin	"Hack Saw Ridge" (R)	"The Rock" ('96) Man seizes Alcatraz. (HD)
7 PM :30	2018 ESPYS Awards show. (HD)	TKO: Knock Out (HD)	MasterChef (HD)	Ellen's (HD)	World Series of Poker (R) (HD)	Bang (HD)	NCIS (HD)	Bug Juice	Tonight	"Clash of the Titans" ('10) (HD)	Cartoon "First Family"
8 PM :30		Big Brother (HD)	Gordon "La Serenata"	World of Dance (HD)		Bang (HD)	Suits (HD)	Andi Mack	"Battle of the Sexes" ('17) Legendary rivalry.	"Terminator Salvation" ('09) Rebels rise up. (HD)	★ ★ ★ "The Debt" ('11) Nazi war criminal.
9 PM :30		Code Black (HD)	Local Programs Local info.	Reverie (HD)	BODY10: (HD)	Bang (HD)		Big City	"It" ('17) Bill Skarsgård. Demoniac clown. (HD)	(:45) "Weekend at Bernie's" ('89)	Cartoon
10 PM :30	Local	Local	Local Programs	Local	SportsCenter (HD)	Conan (HD)	(:01) Colony "Bonzo"	Bizaard	Sharp Objects (HD)		
11 PM :30	Jimmy Kimmel Live	(:35) Late Show (HD)	Local Programs	(:35) Tonight (HD)	SportsCenter (HD)	Frontal	Law & Order: SVU	Andi Mack	Sharp Objects "Dirt"		
	Nightline	Corden		Late Night		Conan	Suits (HD)	BUNK'D	DuckTales		
								DuckTales	Sharp Objects "Dirt"		



# Opinion and Commentary

## Coping with extreme summer heat, humidity

Union County residents have experienced sweltering July heat and humidity. Dr. Nirav D. Shah, the director of the Illinois Department of Public Health reminds people about the importance of staying cool in order to avoid heat-related illnesses like heat exhaustion and heat stroke.

“Hot weather can cause heat-related illness which ranges in severity from relatively mild heat cramps to life-threatening heat stroke. It’s important for people to recognize the signs of heat-related illness and take action to prevent becoming sick,” he said.

“Normally, the body cools itself by sweating. However, if temperatures and humidity are extremely high, sweating is not effective in maintaining the body’s normal temperature. If the body does not cool properly or does not cool enough, a person may suffer a heat-related illness, which can become serious or even deadly.”

Heat-related death or illnesses are preventable if you follow a few simple steps.

Stay in an air-conditioned area during the hottest hours of the day. If you don’t have air conditioning in your home, go to a public place such as a shopping mall or a library to stay cool. Cooling stations and senior centers are also available in many large cities for people of all ages.

To find cooling centers in state facilities, go to <https://www2.illinois.gov/sites/KeepCool/SitePages/Cooling-Centers.aspx>.

Wear light, loose-fitting clothing.

Drink water often. Don’t wait until you are thirsty.

Avoid unnecessary hard work or activities if you are outside or in a building without air-conditioning.

Air conditioning is the strongest protective factor against heat-related illness. Exposure to air conditioning for even a few hours a day will reduce the risk for heat-related illness.

Never leave anyone, including pets, alone in a closed, parked vehicle. The air temperature inside a car rises rapidly during hot weather and can lead to brain damage or death.

## A Page from the Past from the files of The Gazette-Democrat Thursday, July 11, 1968

A crowd numbering in the thousands attended the annual Fourth of July celebration in the Anna City Park Thursday, July 4, 1968, and enjoyed the varied entertainment to the hilt. Ideal weather contributed to the success of the event.

The City of Jonesboro celebrated its 150th birthday Saturday evening, July 6, with the traditional cake and ice cream being served to the more than 1000 guests who accepted the invitation extended by the Jonesboro Lions Club to attend the party.

Tex Ritter and his Country Music will be the feature attraction at the Union County Fair Thursday evening, August 22.

The Oasis Shrine Club of Anna has announced that anyone wishing to participate in the Shrine parade Friday afternoon, July 12, should be at the Anna State Hospital gate at 4:30 p.m. The parade will proceed down North Main Street to downtown Anna and will publicize the Shrine Circus to be held Friday evening beginning at 8:30 p.m. at the Anna City Park.

Anna City offices are expected to move into their new quarters now being readied within two weeks, City Clerk Mary Whitney said Tuesday. The new office will be located next door to the present City Hall and will afford more room for all sections.

Approximately 40 employees of the Transcraft Corporation are still on strike as of Wednesday morning, July 10.

Hillside Terrace, the new Green Street Housing Project, is nearing completion.

A variance of 39 degrees was recorded this past week when the low of 52 was recorded Thursday, July 4, with the high of 91 recorded Sunday, July 7.

A large crowd from many states and cities in Illinois attended the old-time wheat threshing held on the Edwin E. Eddleman farm, six miles south of Anna, Saturday, July 6, and watched as the old 19 H.P. Keck-Gonnerman Steam Engine built in 1923 went into action to harvest the six-acre tract.

The annual meeting of the Union County Chapter of the American Red Cross will be held on Monday evening, July 22, 1968, 7:30 o’clock downstairs in the City Hall in Anna.

The AJCHS Class of 1953 has chosen August 10 for their 15th Class Reunion. They will meet at the Elks Club in Anna at 7:30 p.m. for a steak dinner and dance.

From the Western Saratoga news: An old-fashioned gospel singing was held on Sunday night. The Wolford Brothers of Tamms and singers from the Sandy Creek Baptist Church were here to sing, also congregational singing.

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## Please read this...

By Geof Skinner

### Fair dinkum...Australian wood ducks spotted...

G’day, duck.

One evening last week, yours truly stepped outdoors... and was instantly reminded that Southern Illinois can get rather hot and humid during the summer time.

So hot and humid, as a matter of fact, that I actually saw dragonflies which were breathing fire. Sorry. That probably doesn’t even make any sense.

Anyway, I’m outside enjoying the heat when I happen to hear a commotion in a big tree, a soft maple perhaps, across the street. Something is stirring the leaves. Given that it was fairly late in the evening, almost night fall, it was hard to see into the dark shadows of the tree.

The commotion continued for a moment or two, and was accompanied by sounds that your intrepid observer (that would be me) could not identify. Kind of screeching sorts of sounds. And that is not a good description at all.

Next thing I know, I spotted three winged creatures are in the evening sky above. All I could see were three silhouettes. Enough to suggest that what I was seeing might have been ducks of some sort or another.

The flying creatures were accompanied by the aforementioned, and not very well described, screeching sounds. The silhouettes circled overhead a couple of times, and then disappeared into the dark of the evening.

I hadn’t thought about it until now, but the creatures I saw definitely were not those creeping flying monkeys which tangled with Dorothy and her friends in “The Wizard of Oz.” Those monkeys always creeped me out.

Anyway, I had happened to mention my encounter with the mysterious flying creatures with a fellow traveler on The Journey Through Life. We’ll call this fellow an ornithological expert, in that he probably knows more birds, and, maybe, flying moneys, than yours truly.

He subsequently came up with a possible identification for the creatures I had seen: an Australian wood duck. Well, maybe.

Now, I never would have thought it would be possible to spot an Australian wood duck in Southern Illinois. To tell you the truth, I had never even heard of an Australian wood duck.

Some quick research on the internet revealed that there is indeed such a thing as an Australian wood duck. They are common in Australia. They also quack with a funny accent. The flying creatures I saw and heard sounded pretty American to me.

Long ago, and far away, yours truly actually had the opportunity to spend some time in the Land Down Under. Can’t recall if I saw any Australian wood ducks during the visit.

However, I did see a platypus. And an emu, which is



**Australian wood duck? This, dear friends, is not a duck. Of any kind. Don’t even think it’s waterfowl. It’s an emu. In Australia. Really. Took the picture myself. Long ago, on a continent far, far away.**

kind of like an ostrich, in that it is a bird which is tall enough to be a starting player, maybe a guard, on a basketball team somewhere.

And, as you might expect, I saw kangaroos. Lots and lots of kangaroos. During a visit to a park, I had “up close and personal” contact with some ‘roos, which were supposed to be wild animals. These critters were not doing a very good job of being “wild.”

As I write this, I still don’t know what I saw flying around in the summer evening sky last week. I do know that they weren’t flying monkeys. Or kangaroos with wings. That much is sure.

## Lincoln documents available online

From childhood scribbles to a legislative protest against slavery, all Abraham Lincoln documents from his first three decades are now available online to scholars, teachers and history buffs around the world, thanks to the Papers of Abraham Lincoln project.

This first release of documents is a major step toward the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum’s goal of providing a transcript of every single document written by or to Lincoln, complete with helpful annotations and supporting information.

“This project has the potential to transform Lincoln scholarship,” said Alan Lowe, executive director of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum, which is in Springfield.

“Not only will researchers have immediate access to what President Lincoln wrote himself, but they’ll also be able to see what others were telling him. How did he navigate conflicting demands and make decisions? Now this information will all be in one place for students and scholars around the world.”

The presidential library’s Papers of Abraham Lincoln project has spent years searching the world for Lincoln-related documents, and then transcribing and annotating them.

Now the project has begun releasing its work at [www.PapersofAbraham-Lincoln.org](http://www.PapersofAbraham-Lincoln.org), a “beta” site that will be tweaked and improved as user feedback comes in.

This first wave, covering the period from his birth in 1809 to the end of his legislative career in 1842, contains 340 documents written by or to Lincoln. It also includes 4,839 documents that provide context on what issues Lincoln

faced as a lawyer and legislator.

The oldest document is a small workbook Lincoln used as a student. It shows him learning to subtract, multiply, divide, calculate interest and more. The young Lincoln also jotted down silly comments and poems, including:

Abraham Lincoln is my nam[e]

And with my pen I wrote the same

I wrote in both hast[e] and speed

and left it here for fools to read

Over the years, the “ciphering book” was taken apart and its 11 pages were given to different people and institutions. The standard reference on Lincoln’s writings contained only part of the workbook’s contents.

The version offered by the Papers of Abraham Lin-

coln combines all 11 pages so that the workbook’s complete text is now available – an example of the project’s goal of gathering all Lincoln documents in one place.

Other documents cover both Lincoln’s personal and professional life – his attempts to find a profession in New Salem, his early legal work, his failed relationship with Mary Owens and his successful one with Mary Todd.

The bulk of this release deals with his time in the Illinois legislature. Researchers can read bills Lincoln wrote, speeches he delivered and open letters he published in the newspaper.

“This is the most complete documentary collection ever produced on the first 33 years of Lincoln’s life. It undoubtedly will allow scholars to reassess

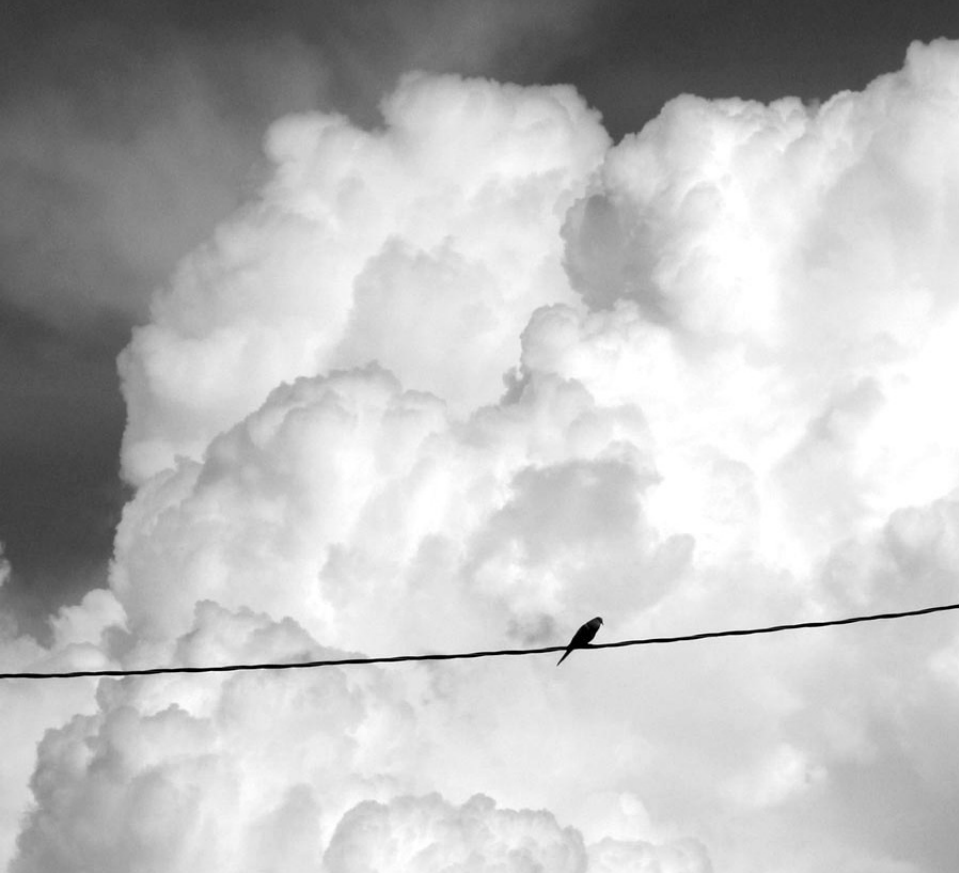
Lincoln’s political beginnings,” said Illinois State Historian Samuel Wheeler, acting director of the Papers of Abraham Lincoln.

“Future releases on other periods in his life will also set new standards, allowing for even more new insights and discoveries.”

Valuable Lincoln resources can already be found online, but they have limitations.

The Collected Works of Abraham Lincoln gets its content from a 1953 collection and does not include documents written to Lincoln. A Library of Congress site features only documents in the library’s collection – roughly 40,000 items.

When the Papers of Abraham Lincoln project is complete, it will include 150,000 to 175,000 documents.



**Summer evening scene**  
**A lone bird, perhaps a mourning dove, was silhouetted by clouds which were billowing into the evening sky over Union County.**