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Another successful year for Garrison brothers' farmer's market



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Another year of growing and selling local produce came to a close on Saturday for brothers Mark and Mike Garrison. Mike Garrison said they grow their own produce and typically sell it from the end of June until the middle of October. They set up their wares at the Milk House parking lot on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Some of the items available include okra, zucchini, tomatoes, cucumbers, green beans, peppers, sweet corn, pecans, apples, pumpkins. Garrison said someone grows watermelons and cantaloupes for them since they don't have the room. He added that watermelons, cantaloupes, sweet corn, zucchini, and green beans are popular.

Garrison said he's been doing this ever since he was a kid, but the current setup has been going on for about eight years. The market has grown a loyal following over the years and they try to give fair prices. "That's our main thing, fair prices, and if we don't grow the stuff, we tell the people we don't grow it. And if it's not grown by us, we usually get it from somebody that's around local that we know."

Garrison said the weather was less than ideal this year. At the beginning of the year, tempera-



tures stayed below normal and then they had to contend with heavy rainfall. Summer temperatures rose so high, some produce was scorched. He added that cucumbers, which are usually ready at the end of June, were delayed until mid-July because they were burned. He said that they started doing well around fair time. "I think the biggest influence this year that we had [that] was bad was whenever it rained those two times, four inches in a row, couple of days apart. It killed all my zucchini, killed some of my green beans off. It wasn't good. But we did well this year, better than we

did last year."

Garrison said that the market will go on, rain or shine. He added that he wanted people to know that they appreciate their business. "What I like around here [is]...we're truthful about what we do and that's the main thing. You gotta be truthful. A lot of people lie about their stuff and we don't do that. And if something's bad, we'll give them their money back or replace it. And we don't have that problem usually. That's one reason why I'm the only person that sells it, and my brother, and my sister, and my sister-in-law, we all do it together."

'A Special Gift' program offered in Greenville

By Rachel Terry
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The Public Relations Institute is conducting a two-year-long book program, "A Special Gift." According to Public Relations Coordinator Mary Jo Martin, the intent of the program is to impress upon 3-and-4-year-olds in Greenville that there is "hope, encouragement, promise and prayer for them from God. Life is truly a gift from God, such as family, friends, nature around them, each of their 5 senses, receiving as well as displaying politeness and good manners, American freedoms and the right to pray and celebrate Christian holidays."

The books are distributed into the following Pre-K age rooms of the following childcare facilities: Katie's County Kids, Shining Star

Daycare Center, Greenville First Christian Church. Local business owners that helped sponsor the program are: Jeannette Henson Fry of Efficiency Accounting, Inc; Ashley Rogers of The Hair Factory; Kimberly Swarrigin of Payton Jo's Nik-Nak Shak/Home & Farm Decor, Antiques and More; and Charles Ambuehl of Wayne's Market/Produce & Quality Meats.

For parents who do not have Pre-K 3-and-4-year-olds in any of the listed childcare facilities, they are invited to visit myspecialgift.com and use Greenville or 62246 zip code to access. At the website, parents can print "unlimited pages of activity sheets, listen to well-narrated short 3-4 minute long audible only (for teaching a child to focus and comprehend a storyline and keep track of 2-3 character names and relationships

throughout the story without any visual aids) and there are also a few non-violent video games on that website."

Martin says that, providing another pandemic doesn't come along, the program will run through Oct. 31, 2024. Soon before the end date, a Public Relations Institute Community Coordinator will return to set it up again for another 2 years.

The Public Relations Institute "has been setting these programs up around the country and in Missouri and Illinois [for] the past 30 years ... We are very happy to be welcomed in the Greenville community and look forward to many more years of providing Christian values, morals, and manners into the young formidable minds of your future."

Greenville woman killed in crash

By Rachel Terry
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A Greenville woman and her granddaughter were killed Wednesday morning in a fatal crash. Illinois State Police District 11 reported the accident occurred at the intersection of Illinois Route 4 and Illinois Route 140 in Madison County at approximately 7:55 a.m.

Unit 1 was a 2018 white Freightliner truck-tractor semitrailer combination driven by Daniel G. Belay, 38, of Ellicott City, Maryland. Unit 2 was a 2016 red Nissan Rogue driven by Sheila M. Macon, 73, of Greenville. Preliminary investigation de-

tails indicate Unit 1 was traveling southbound on Illinois Route 4 near Illinois Route 140. Unit 2 was traveling westbound on Illinois 140. Unit 1 failed to stop at a stop sign and struck the passenger side of Unit 2. Belay, the driver of Unit 1, refused medical attention. Both occupants of Unit 2, Macon and her passenger, 17-year-old Ciara Renee Macon from Alton, were pronounced deceased on scene. Belay was issued a citation for disobeying a stop sign.

All lanes of traffic were reopened around 11:30 a.m. No further information on the open and ongoing investigation is available at this time.

The Advocate makes some changes

By Galen Isringhausen
ADVOCATE NEWS STAFF

The Advocate is making two changes.

Beginning Oct. 21, the paper will be published on Fridays, rather than Thursdays. The paper will continue to be published on Tuesdays. The timing for ad-

vertisements will change as well, with more information to come in a later paper and online.

The price of an individual paper will increase to \$1. For more than 22 years, the price has remained at 50¢. In those 22 years, the price of almost everything has increased substantially.

Greenville 2022 fall leaf disposal dates announced

CITY OF GREENVILLE RELEASE

The Greenville leaf vacuuming program begins Monday, Oct. 17, and will run through Friday, Dec. 16, weather permitting. Four ways to dispose of leaves are recommended.

Residents are asked to rake their leaves to the edge of the curb or edge of the yard so the vacuum can reach them. Leaves should not extend into the street or roadway. Please keep piles no higher than three feet and make sure sticks, brush and other debris are not in the piles as it could cause the machine to malfunction.

Mulch leaves in place with a mower blade attachment or place your leaves in a compost bin for on-premise composting.

Bagged leaves/grass/vines may be placed out for collection. Please call the city at 618-664-1644 ext. 1050 to leave a message with your name, address, and phone number, and staff will pick them up as schedule permits. Residents need

to use bio-degradable bags or containers that can be composted. The Municipal Building has free bags available.

The leaf burning season begins Monday, Nov. 7, and will run through Dec. 29. Leaf burning permits are required, and can be obtained at the Municipal Building. As always, burning is permitted on private property only. Residents may not burn leaves on any public street, sidewalk, alleyway, or road ditches. During burning season, the following schedule is permitted:

Mondays and Thursdays: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

First and third weekends of the month: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Burning leaves in such a manner as to allow the smoke to blind passing motorists is not permitted. No leaf burning shall occur on any legal holiday during the burning season. With the city vacuuming and collecting leaves, the goal is to minimize the need to burn them.

White Crane returns

White Crane Business Express Box Lunches will be available on most Wednesdays between October, 2022, and May, 2023, starting on Wednesday, Oct. 19.

Box lunches include a choice of an entree salad (salad, bread/crackers and butter/spread) or a sandwich/wrap with a side salad. Cookies can be purchased for an additional cost.

White Crane supplements and supports programs at the Bond County Senior Center, with the Meals on Wheels program the largest beneficiary. The cost to prepare each meal needed for Meals on Wheels is approximately \$11, with an average of 2,026 meals delivered per month.

Each week brings a different salad or sandwich choice. Below are some of the items.

Sandwiches: Chicken salad, salami club, Boom Boom, bacon blitz,

turkey club, White Crane club and BBQ pulled pork.

Wraps: Southwest chicken, chicken Caesar, and club.

Salads: Mandarin orange, chicken taco, spinach craisin, Santa Fe, strawberry, and BBQ pulled pork.

Cookies: Lemon blueberry, chocolate chunk, snickerdoodle, and peanut butter chocolate chunk.

The prices for salads, sandwiches or wraps are \$8 each. Cookies are \$1.50 each.

Menus are available on the Bond County Senior Center website, bondseniors.org/whitecrane, or by calling the center at 618-664-1465 x104.

You can order by emailing jill.dugan@bondseniors.org or faxing them to 618-664-1478 on the Tuesday preceding the Wednesday delivery.

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Obituaries

Robert L. McCracken

Funeral services for Robert L. McCracken will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 15, 2022, at the Donnell-Wiegand Funeral Home with Dr. Rev. Ward Sussenbach officiating. Interment will follow in Montrose Cemetery with full military honors by American Legion Post 1180. The family will receive friends from 12:30 p.m., Saturday, until service time. Memorials for Robert may be made to the Faith Presbyterian Church at 16000 North Del Webb Blvd., Sun City, AZ 85351.

Robert Leo McCracken, Sr. died June 16, 2022, in Sun City, Arizona, at the age of 100. Mr. McCracken (Bob) was born in Greenville, on June 8, 1922, to the late Floyd L. and Lola M. (Johnson) McCracken. He was educated in the Greenville public schools where he developed a lifelong passion for music, especially jazz. Bob served in the U.S. Navy during World War II aboard the battleship New York as a member of the ship's 20-piece orchestra. It was during this period that he learned he would never be able to earn a living as a musician! After the war, he took advantage of the GI Bill, attending Central Michigan University and then the University of Illinois. He graduated from Illinois in 1948 with a BS degree in civil engineering. After a brief period working for a local construction company in Champaign, Bob embarked on a 31-year career with the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT).

While a student at Illinois, Bob met Barbara Jean Shaffer, a younger lady from Danville, who was studying music education. They were married on July 2, 1950. Together they raised three sons, Brent McCracken (Debbie), John McCracken (Gayle), and Robert McCracken, Jr. (Patricia). Over the course of Bob's 31 years with the state of Illinois, the family lived in Paris, Decatur, and finally Springfield. Upon retiring from IDOT in 1982, Bob and Barbara moved to Sun City, Arizona. Their relocation, and Bob's early retirement, was motivated, in part, by Barbara's rheumatoid arthritis which had become quite severe.



Still, they became very active members of their new community, volunteering for many duties at their church, in their neighborhood, and becoming active members in the local Lions Club. Barbara died in January, 2006. Over the last five years of her life, Bob cared for her 24/7.

In September 2006, Bob married Betty Sims, a resident at the senior living facility where he had moved with Barbara during her final months. Betty had a story similar to Bob's as she had spent many years taking care of her husband. Together, they spent the next ten years traveling. During that period, Bob and Betty, while still in their late 80's and early 90's, managed to set foot on all seven continents! Betty died in June 2016, and is buried along with Bob's first wife, Barbara, at Montrose Cemetery in Greenville.

On June 11, 2022, Bob was joined by 200 guests at his 100th birthday celebration which was held in the ballroom of his senior living center. At that event, he took pleasure in performing a jazz show that he created with the help of his pastors, a husband and wife team of "jazz hounds," from his church. It was an event that will long be remembered by his family and friends, and it provided a wonderful ending to a life well-lived!

In addition to his parents and wives, Bob was preceded in death by his brother, Ivan McCracken, and a sister, Lola Weindel (Dale).

He is survived by a sister, Carol Gum (Earl), his three sons, eight grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

Gifts in honor of Bob's life can be made to Faith Presbyterian Church of Sun City, Arizona, by mail or at the Donnell-Wiegand Funeral Home.

Lillian Ruble

Lillian (Sjodahl) Ruble, 67, Greenville, passed away at her home Sunday, Oct. 2, 2022, surrounded by her family.

In keeping with Lillian's wishes, there will be no formal service. She will have a family interment in Minnesota. Donnell-Wiegand Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.



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Gloria Ann Stout

Gloria Ann Stout, 85, Greenville, passed away on Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2022, at Lutheran Care Center, in Altamont.

She was born Aug. 22, 1937, in Carrier Mills, to Willie and Julia (Maller) Williams. She married Donald R. Stout on April 19, 1957. He preceded her in death on Nov. 23, 2000.

Gloria moved to Greenville in 1960 when her husband took a teaching job. She worked for a short time in the school library and at the Children's Corner on the town square. She was primarily a homemaker who took that job to heart. She always put her family first and was content in being in the background and letting everyone else shine. When her husband was a coach, she only missed one game in his entire career and never missed one single game of her son's coaching career. She was an avid fan of the Comets, Vandals, and Hearts. One of her favorite things to do was to ring the cow bell at the games. She loved to listen to Elvis Presley music, and she believed strongly in the Lord and put him first in life.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Don; a brother, Fred Williams; and a sister, Julienne Clift.

She is survived by her son, John Stout and his wife Natalie, St. Elmo; granddaughter, Stefanie Crumbley and husband, Jarad,



Villa Rica Georgia; grandson, Austin Stout and wife, Amanda, Effingham; a sister, Robbie Smith and husband, George, Golconda; and five great-grandchildren, Carter, Easton, Ansley, Audrey, and Oliver.

Visitation was 9:30-11 a.m., Friday, Oct. 7, 2022, at Smith Grove Baptist Church, Greenville with the funeral at 11 a.m. Burial was in Smith Grove Cemetery, across from the church.

As the church was a big part of Gloria's life, memorials may be sent to Amazing Grace Fellowship, Smith Grove Baptist Church, 949 Airport Road, Greenville, IL 62246 or the Lutheran Care Center, 702 W. Cumberland Road, Altamont, IL 62411, in lieu of plants, flowers, and other gifts.

The family has entrusted Assalley-Young Funeral Home in Greenville with the ceremonies.

Please visit assalleyfuneralhomes.com to share memories or offer condolences to the family.

Melissa Schrupf

Melissa Ann Schrupf, 55, of New Douglas, passed away Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2022 at her residence in New Douglas.

Melissa was born on Thursday, Feb. 16, 1967, in Taylorville, a daughter of the late Mr. & Mrs. DeWayne and Mary (Linton) Maples. She married Ronald Schrupf Jr. on June 20, 1992, in Grantfork, and he survives.

She worked as a custodian at Highland School District for 15 years and later worked as a truck driver/farmhand at Ulrich Family Farms in New Douglas. She enjoyed working outside, fishing, camping, horse back riding, and showing cows at fairs. She was a past All-Around High School Rodeo Champion.

She was a member of the First Christian Church of Greenville, and a past member of the Nokomis High School FFA. She served in the United States Air Force National Guard of Illinois.

She is survived by her husband: Ronald Schrupf Jr., New Douglas; three sons, Cody Schrupf, Clayton Schrupf, and Trent Allgood, all New Douglas; sister, Rosemary (Brad) Daniels, Mascoutah; mother-in-law, Diann Haas, Staunton; father-in-law: Ronald (Pam) Schrupf, Highland; two sisters-in-law, Katie (Jason) Mettler, Highland, and Elizabeth (Karl) Fiedler, Highland.



Several nieces, nephews, and cousins also survive.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

A memorial visitation will be held Friday, Oct. 14, from 4-8 p.m., at the First Christian Church, 1100 Killarney Drive, Greenville, and again on Saturday, Oct. 15, from 10-11 a.m., at the church.

A memorial service will follow at 11 a.m., at the church, with Pastor Tyson Graber officiating. Interment will follow at New Douglas City Cemetery, New Douglas.

Memorials are suggested to The First Christian Church in Greenville.

The Lesicko Funeral Home of Livingston, and the Williamson Funeral Home of Staunton, are privileged to take care of the arrangements and services for Melissa A. Schrupf and her family.

To sign a quest book or to leave a private condolence, please visit lesickofuneralhome.com.

Ciara Macon

Ciara Renee Macon, 17, Alton, passed away in a vehicle accident on Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2022, in Madison County.

Funeral services for Ciara will be held at 1 p.m., Friday, Oct. 14, at the Greenville Free Methodist Church. Visitation will be held from 11 a.m. until service time at the church. Interment will follow in Hazel Dell Cemetery. Memorials may be made online to the family. Donate by going to donnellwiegand.com.

A full obituary will be



posted soon. Donnell-Wiegand Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Sheila Macon

Funeral services for Sheila Macon and her granddaughter, Ciara Macon, will be held at 1 p.m., Friday, Oct. 14, 2022, at the Greenville Free Methodist Church. Visitation will be

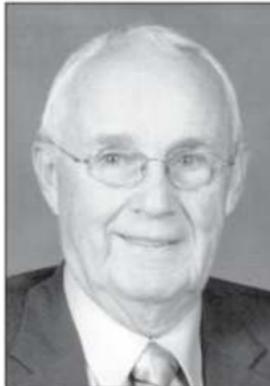
held prior to the service at 11 a.m. Interment will follow in Hazel Dell Cemetery. Memorials are to the family.

The Donnell-Wiegand Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. For online condolences, please go to donnellwiegand.com.

Marshall Mollett

Marshall Mollett, 95, Greenville, passed away peacefully at 9:10 p.m., Friday, Oct. 7, 2022, at Cedarhurst of Greenville, where he resided for five years.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, October 14, at the Mt. Nebo Primitive Baptist Church with burial following in Mt. Nebo Cemetery. Visitation will be held Thursday, Oct. 13, from 4-8 p.m., at the Donnell-Wiegand Funeral Home in Greenville. Memorials may be made to Mt. Nebo Primitive Baptist



Church, Mt. Nebo Cemetery Fund, and/or donor's choice.

A full obituary will be published soon.

Share a condolence, memory, or picture by visiting donnellwiegand.com.

Genevia M. Adcock

Genevia M. Adcock, widow of Gene O. Adcock, 87, and Woman's Professional Circuit Fisherwoman's Champion, passed away at 2:20 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8, 2022, at the Willow Brook in Vandavia.

Funeral services will be at noon on Wednesday, Oct. 12, at the Donnell-Wiegand Funeral Home in Greenville, with Darryl Bolen officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Auburn Cemetery. The family will receive friends at Donnell-Wiegand from 10 a.m., Wednesday until service time. For those who desire, memorials in Genevia's memory may be made to the Greenville First Christian Church or Sara Bush Lincoln Hospice.

Genevia Mae Worstell, the daughter of William John Worstell and Amelia Charlier Worstell, was born on June 4, 1935, south of Greenville. Genevia attended country schools including the Millersburg, Pleasant Mound, Plant, and Terrapin Ridge one-room schools. She quit school at the age of 12 to help her mother care for her eight siblings.

Genevia and Gene O. Adcock were united in marriage on Oct. 30, 1951, when she was 16, and they enjoyed over 67 years together before his death on Jan. 6, 2019. They are the parents of their six children, five of whom survive: Connie M. Earnest, Greenville, Diana L. (Randy) Oglesby, Greenville, Dennis G. (Ann) Adcock, Grantfork, Daniel W. (Ellen) Adcock, Collinsville, Karla G. Stone, Keye-



sport; son-in-law, Michael Koonce; 14 grandchildren, 33 great-grandchildren, and six great-great-grandchildren.

After raising her family of six children, Genevia worked for DeMoulin Brothers for four years in the pressing room. She was a dispatcher and matron at the Bond County Sheriff's Department for Sheriff William Willeford. She worked at McDonald's for several years. Genevia enjoyed fishing and soon became a professional. She won a 150-horsepower Ranger boat and trailer in the Florida Bass-N-Gals Tournament which was one of many contests that she entered and won.

Genevia was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Gene; daughter, Janet D. (Michael) Koonce; great-grandchild Xaivore; and two son-in-laws, Bob Earnest and Mike Stone. Genevia is also the last of her generation, being preceded in death by her eight siblings, sisters, Ola Wiess and Eugene Morrow; and brothers, Donald, at birth; William, Glenn, Delmar, Art, and Ray Worstell.

Genevia was a faithful member of the First Christian Church.

For online condolences please go to donnellwiegand.com.

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FARM

High quality, record prices contribute to a great season for area growers

Although local growers had a bit of a challenge at the beginning of their season with inconsistent spring weather, record market prices and logistical improvements coupled with excellent crop quality to finish off a great season.

The cool and wet weather that persisted throughout the Kittitas Valley this spring was a curveball for growers, but Corey Rogers of Ward Rugh said growers worked to adapt to the conditions, especially as they looked at how it affected their first cutting of alfalfa.

"The alfalfa harvest usually starts in early to mid-May," he said. "We had lots of rainfall still in May and even into early June which presented lots of challenges for most of the first cutting alfalfa to go up. Most of it got rained on during the first cutting."

Rogers said valley farmers tend to start their first cutting of timothy hay around June 10 in a normal year, but this year was not normal.

"We had such a cool, wet

spring even through May that it kind of delayed the timothy harvest a bit as well, which actually worked out in the favor of Kittitas Valley farmers," he said of the early summer conditions. "The hay wasn't mature and was still growing well. From June 18, the day before Father's Day, we had a really nice weather window. We didn't really have any rain until around the Fourth of July weekend."

As a result of the slow start and the window of solid weather in the second half of June, Rogers said farmers started cutting at a rapid rate throughout the valley.

"We got the majority of our first cutting timothy in our valley put up in that two-week window," he said of the growers' efforts. "Every farmer was doing what they could to get their hay up in that nice weather window, and the hay went up really nice. The quality this year for first cutting timothy, the majority of it came in graded out as at least premium dairy and higher

into the horse grades. It was an exceptional year for quality on first-cutting timothy."

Record Prices

Rogers said a combination of factors contributed to record-setting prices for timothy and alfalfa this season. As COVID restrictions have relaxed, he said more foreign buyers are beginning to make the trip to the valley to physically inspect the product, and he said the record prices were a tough pill to swallow for some of them.

"For the majority of our customers, they were very pleased at the quality of this year's first cutting, but on the pricing side they were not satisfied with the record-high prices," he said.

One of the factors Rogers said contributed to the high prices was an extremely short supply in the market as the growing season began. While there sometimes are stocks of carryover product from the previous season, Rogers said Ward Rugh was out of hay to sell by May.

"Everybody was waiting

for new crop," he said of buyer expectations. "People were waiting with all the rains we had in May and early June, and domestic buyers were aggressive, which really pushed prices up on the alfalfa side. The timothy and grass hay market followed suit."

Adding to the price increases to purchasers is the costs growers are incurring during the season, and Rogers said those have spiked dramatically.

"We know all farmers' input costs are up," he said of the cost of growing product in today's market. "Fuel is up. Fertilizer costs are all up. We know prices were going to be higher than last year's crop, we just didn't know how high, and they came out exceptionally strong for all grades."

As first cutting began to get put up, Rogers said many overseas buyers were looking for a product that was of a slightly lower quality than what was coming out of the valley, which he said placed a slowdown on the amount of hay being

shipped out of the valley.

"Normally in June and July, we are shipping pretty heavy with a new crop," he said of the first cutting. "This year, June, July, August and even part of September was very slow on the export dairy side."

Rogers said three main factors contributed to why exporters were slow during the summer months, one of which being the record high prices, and another being the weak Japanese Yen exchange rate against the U.S. dollar. He said the major reason for the summer slowdown involved the logistical bottlenecks that have faced exporters during the pandemic.

"Coming out of COVID, the ocean carriers still had very sporadic export schedules," he said. "In mid-April and through the end of May, we shipped a lot of hay over to Japan. In some weeks, you had two or three vessels arriving at the same time, so they got massive amounts of 2021 crop all arriving at the same time. They had an abundant sup-

ply of hay overseas, so they had a lot of inventory they had to work through."

As a result of receiving much of last year's crop at the same time, Rogers said buyers were a bit more hesitant to pay the record high prices until they worked through their existing stock of feed.

"They didn't really need the hay during the summer months," he said. "It's very easy to sell high-quality hay, so we were very pleased and happy with how the harvest went up, but the dynamics of movement weren't there yet."

Despite the slow movement during the summer, Rogers said he is beginning to see signs and indications that some of his customers are ready to begin buying the high-quality product that local growers put up this season.

"They had to work through this abundant supply of product overseas," he said. "We're finally seeing now that we're getting orders for October processing for November arrival."

Travel Stories

By Emily Moore

We started each day with a bountiful breakfast of those wonderful Swiss croissants, breads, jams, fruit, cereal and coffee made with hot steamed milk. And then the family spent the day hiking. They sort of took turns and the children often went with them. Adeline, 7, and Cececia, 5, never tired of walking and running in the grassy meadows or rocky paths (often barefoot). Samuel, age 2, also delighted in the freedom of running, often following his sisters. When he tired, he got a ride in a special hiking carrier on his dad's back. He even took a nap there one afternoon!

Some days the Mom and Dad hiked alone — for many miles. Also Gram and Gramps. We stayed behind and enjoyed sitting on our balcony absorbing the beauty and the sunshine. Temperatures were around 70 — very comfortable.

Then they would come back with stories, and pictures, of waterfalls, rocky streams with little bridges, cows in the path, flowers to pick (a bouquet for Great Gram), meadows to run in. And every evening the family would "air-drop" their pictures to

our iPad. Yes, we would like to have been younger and able to do those hikes with them, but it was enough to just share their excitement and pictures, vicariously.

One of the main reasons for this trip was to spend quality time with our family, especially the children. They grow up so fast and live so far away. The hotel had a playroom and the family spent many hours there, especially in the early evenings. It was fun to watch Samuel put together a long line of Brio tracks and run the railroad cars on them.

Also, Cececia celebrated her fifth birthday and Samuel his second during the time we were there. So we got to share in the excitement and fun. This was very special because we have missed most of their birthdays.

Almendhubel is a place 1,000 feet above Murren and reached by a funicular. (A funicular is a cable railroad, especially one on a mountainside, in which ascending and descending cars are counterbalanced.) One day we got to go up there with the whole family. Al and I had a ride in the electric cart to the station for the funicular.



Photo by Carol Moore

We all ate lunch up there at a lovely outdoor restaurant — surrounded by mountains. And there was a fabulous children's playground! It had everything you could imagine — slides, swings, a zip line, a castle to climb, and water troughs to float boats in. This was 2-year-old Samuel's favorite and he had hours of fun with sticks, dirt and water. Someone took the children up there many afternoons, often hiking up instead of the funicular.

The Schilthorn mountain looms 4,000 feet high above the village. We have been up there several times on previous trips but we took a long cable car ride to get there. Way far below, Murren looks like a toy village on the edge of the mountain.



Photo by Allison Giles

It has the world's highest revolving restaurant. It is very expensive, of course, so we would manage to get a seat by the windows and order the cheapest thing on the menu — very delicious soup and bread. It took the whole hour to make one revolution. It was a clear day and we could see mountains for miles in every direction. And we were higher than all of them.

This is also a favorite place for hang gliders to take off. The air currents coming up from the valley keep them aloft a long time. It is a very colorful sight to watch them. For a price, you can ride a hang glider with an instructor strapped on behind you. I think it was \$100. No thanks ...

When you are there at the

Schilthorn, you can actually see hiking paths that zigzag up the mountain and end at the observatory. We marveled that people actually did that.

So one day our son and his wife — Larry and Carol — came back from a very long strenuous hike — they had hiked all the way up to the Schilthorn! Ate their packed lunch up there and took the cable car back down. The next day, our granddaughter and her husband — Allison and Adam did the same thing! But, they hiked back down. We were impressed.

Even though the weatherman kept predicting rain, we had 12 straight days of beautiful, sunny weather. What a beautiful blessing for our last time in Switzerland. Only on the last 2 days

did it rain.

On our last night — a rainy night — we all went to a restaurant for dinner. Earlier Larry had discovered a piano there and had spent several afternoons playing some favorite pieces. So on this night, he provided dinner music for us. What a special memory.

Starting our trip home, we pulled all our luggage as we trudged in the rain to the train station and then the cable car. One last glimpse of the Lauterbrunnen Valley. And then the long trip home. We relaxed on the plane ride while dreams of mountains danced in our heads and snuggles with children who called us Great Gram and Great Gramp.

Next week: "New Zealand Part 1."

U.S. Attorney announces efforts to combat seniors fraud in Southern Illinois

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE RELEASE

In connection with the Department of Justice's Elder Justice Sweep, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Illinois, Rachelle Aud Crowe, announced:

"Combating fraud against the elderly is the number one priority of our fraud & corruption section," U.S. Attorney Crowe stated. "Anytime a senior is victimized, we work very hard to find the responsible criminals and bring them to justice." Six federal prosecutors are assigned to the district's fraud & corruption section.

As an example of the office's efforts to hold accountable those who harm the elderly, Crowe cited the recent guilty plea of Ashley McKinney, 39, of Cahokia. McKinney's codefendant, Erica Rose, 33, of East St. Louis, worked as a home healthcare provider for elderly persons in the Metro East. While working in the victims' homes, Rose stole their bank account information and provided it to McKinney, who used that information to make illegal purchases, including purchasing an automobile. McKinney and Rose were indicted in January 2020, but McKinney remained a fugitive until she was eventually hunted down and arrested by the U. S. Marshals. McKinney will be sentenced on Nov. 22. Rose previously pled guilty and was sentenced to prison.

U.S. Attorney Crowe also noted that Jaykumar Patel, 33, of Florida, pled guilty on June 28, to assisting in a fraud scheme that victimized an elderly woman in Alton. That fraud scheme, which was based in India, tried to convince seniors that their identities had been stolen and that they needed to pay thousands of dollars to fix the situation. Patel was a "Money Mule" for the organization. "Money Mules" are individuals who receive funds from victims and send the money on to the criminals who conduct the schemes. Patel will be sentenced on January 5, 2023.

"In addition to the identity theft schemes, there are a variety of other schemes that seniors need to be on the look out for," added Crowe. "Those schemes include:

(1) Grandparents Scams: fraudsters impersonate seniors' grandchildren, or some other loved one, and try to convince the seniors that they need funds immediately, usually for some type of medical or legal emergency;

(2) Romance Scams: scammers meet seniors online, usually through dating sites, pretend to fall in love with them, and then persuade the seniors to send them money;

(3) Tax Scams: fraudsters falsely tell seniors that they owe back taxes and must make immediate payments; and

(4) Lottery Scams: fraudsters try to convince seniors that they have won the lottery or some other type of prize, but need to send money first for taxes or fees."

"Another situation we're seeing," added Crowe, "is scammers recruiting seniors to participate in, and help them with, their fraud schemes. When seniors knowingly help these scammers, they themselves can be facing federal prison sentences."

As an example of this situation, Crowe noted last week's guilty plea by Danny Vaughn, 64, of Centralia. A few years ago, Vaughn met a person on a dating site whom he thought was a young woman that was

interested in having a relationship with him. This person turned out to be a scammer. The scammer convinced Vaughn to engage in illegal activity, including purchasing items using stolen credit cards and then shipping the stolen items overseas, and depositing counterfeit checks into his bank accounts and sending that money overseas. Vaughn will be sentenced on Jan. 18, 2023.

When asked what seniors can do to avoid being victimized, U.S. Attorney Crowe gave the following tips:

1. Be wary of individuals you meet online or over the phone;

2. If someone you've never met in person claims to be in love with you, there's a good chance that person is a scammer;

3. If someone you've never met before asks you for, or demands, money, there's a good chance it's a scam;

4. If someone asks you for, or demand, money, ask your son, daughter, loved one, or good friend what they think. This is true even if the person asking for money claims there is no time for you to talk with your family or friends; and

5. If someone contacts you claiming to be from a company or institution, such as the IRS or your bank, hang

up and call them back on a telephone number you look up yourself.

This will enable you to talk to representatives of the real company or institutions.

"In summary, we want to do everything we can to protect our seniors from becoming victims. A big part of that is making seniors aware of the fraud scams out there. If you have an elderly relative or friend, I hope you'll take a few minutes to discuss this topic with them. If you are a senior yourself, I hope you'll follow my advice and avoid falling prey to these vicious scammers."

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KCT Road Rally, Part II

The second part of a story about the Second Annual Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail (KCT) Road Rally.

By Roger Sanders, The TwoLaneRambler

For the KCT road rally, participants were encouraged to follow a prepared map to 12 sites at their leisure throughout the day. The next stop was the 170-year-old village of Maeystown.

Maeystown Mill Museum, Maeystown: Amazing Maeystown, maeystown.com. At least to me. After visiting the all-new city of Valmeyer on top of the bluffs and old Valmeyer down in the flood plains, I was not totally prepared for Maeystown, which is tucked back against the bluffs on high enough ground to beat the floods. So, this portion of the trip became a "tale of two cities;" two very contrasting ones.

I observed in this hilly village, founded by Jacob Maeys in 1852 and settled by German immigrants, that if you don't have a retaining wall made of limestone blocks, you are in the minority!

Sixty significant buildings still exist including Maeys' log house, St. John UCC, and the stone arch bridge coming into town. Today, busloads come to visit Maeystown's restaurant, museum, general store, bed & breakfast and other shops. A re-built version of Zeiting's 1859 mill has served as the village's visitor center and museum since 1980.

Maeystown is one of the few Illinois villages that is listed in its entirety on the National Register of Historic Places.

St. Joe, south of Waterloo: Head east for several miles until you reach the hamlet of St. Joe. There you will see the Zion United Church of Christ, an 1860s structure that anchors this area.

Fort de Chartres, west of Prairie du Rocher: The center of interest in this

area has to be the oft-rebuilt French Fort de Chartres, fortdechartres.com, which is a few miles west of Prairie du Rocher. Originally built in 1720 and finally re-built of limestone in 1756, it contains what might possibly be the oldest building in Illinois: the fort's powder magazine. The fort passed from the French to the British as spoils at the end of the French and Indian war in 1763.

By 1900, it was in ruins before being saved one last time and morphed into the outstanding structure that exists today.

The Fort hosts functions throughout the year and is a site to behold for fort groupies like myself because of its excellent condition. It has a museum and interpretive center inside the walls.

Prairie du Rocher Village Hall: Further south on the Trail, is Prairie du Rocher or "prairie by the rock" per French translation. It was the fourth European settlement in Illinois and was founded in 1722, shortly after the Fort de Chartres.

The village hall was constructed to recreate the historic "post on stil" architectural style so prevalent during the French colonial era. This is a good spot to seek food and drink on the main street and I can recommend Lisa's from personal experience.

Beside the village hall, several other structures will catch your eye, including the 1800s Creole House, the Conner B & B, Conner Market, and the 1700s St. Joseph's Church, which was inspired by the famous basilicas of Rome.

Jerry F. Costello Lock & Dam, south of Modoc: The most modern structure on the trip was the Jerry F. Costello Lock & Dam, mvs.usace.army.mil, located just upstream from the confluence of the Kaskaskia and Mississippi Rivers. Fishermen were lazily working the waters above the dam on Rally day.

Barges occasionally pass through and you can get a good look at them from the boat ramp, picnic area and campgrounds or from along



Photos by Roger Sanders

The Monroe County Courthouse is at the center of a large historical district in Waterloo.

the Confluence Heritage Trail.

Fort Kaskaskia & Garrison Hill Cemetery, west of Ellis Grove: The most southern stop on the trip was the Fort Kaskaskia State Historic Site/Garrison Hill Cemetery www2.illinois.gov, which sat on the bluffs with a great view of the confluence and of the old Kaskaskia Village area.

First built in 1751 and improved in 1759, the fort provided security for the village from the British and their Native American allies. After losing to the British in 1763, the French destroyed the fort and all that remains today are mounds that closely outline the fort's perimeter.

The Garrison Hill Cemetery is located adjacent to the site of the former fort and

contains 3,000 grave sites of remains of folks buried near Kaskaskia Village but moved to higher ground because of flooding that caused the village to be abandoned.

Although not rebuilt, the area was often used for military purposes and Lewis & Clark recruited 12 men from its ranks to join them in the Corps of Discovery that traveled from St. Louis to the Pacific Ocean in 1804.

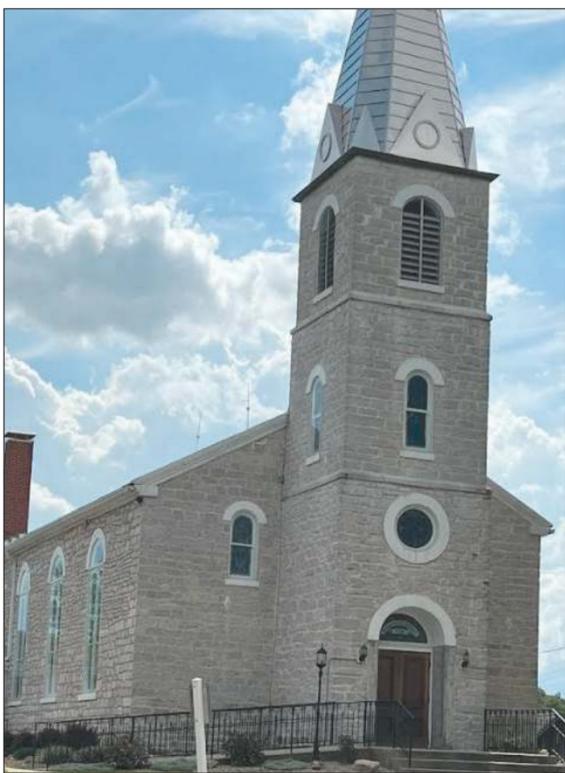
Monroe County Courthouse, Waterloo: Around 4 p.m., it was time to finish the loop and meet up with other Rally participants at the Monroe County Courthouse in Waterloo. Rally-ers could turn in their passports there and have them entered for prizes.

The Waterloo Historic District has 271 buildings,

including the County Courthouse, which was originally built in 1832 and replaced in 1853. Major additions have been made in 1908 and 1995. The best way to see the historic district is with a self-guided walking tour to see the architecture, murals, boutiques, bars and restaurants that grace the downtown, including: the Peterstown House, Ditch's Tavern, the Bellefontaine House and Spring, and the James Moore Cabin and family cemetery.

With that, it was so long until next year and the Third Annual KCT Road Rally with another dozen sites to be seen.

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St. John's UCC building graces the highest hill in Maeystown and is made of stone similar to 60 other structures in the 170-year old village.



The Conner B & B in Prairie du Rocher provides a comfy place of rest for KCT Road rally-ers.

Bremer Sanctuary hosts open house, native seed workshop

BREMER SANCTUARY RELEASE

H & B Bremer Wildlife Sanctuary hosts an open house on Sunday, Oct. 16, from 1-3 p.m. The education

barn and meeting hall will be open for tours. Enjoy their hiking trails, woodlands and prairies. Check out the many splendors the prop-

erty has to offer. Volunteer stewards will be available to answer questions about the sanctuary. An easy hike or wagon ride around the barn

area will leave at 1:30 and 2:30 p.m. that will discuss the history and future goals of the sanctuary. Donations are welcome. The event is family friendly.

The Bremer Wildlife Sanctuary will follow the open house with a native seed collecting workshop. Join them for an educational program on collecting native wildflower seeds. Participants will learn when and what to collect, how to store seeds

and when to plant them.

The workshop begins with a video presentation regarding the importance of prairie restoration, followed by a guided hike into the prairies to collect seeds for use at Bremer later this fall. Although the public is not allowed to collect seeds at the sanctuary, they are making an exception on Sunday, allowing workshop attendees to take home part of their harvest to start their own

pollinator garden.

Things to bring include garden gloves, strong scissors or clippers, a bucket and water bottle. Please wear long pants, sturdy shoes and apply bug spray.

The sanctuary is located at 194 Bremer Lane Hillsboro. For more information, see bremerwildlife.org or Facebook: Bremer Sanctuary, Hickory Hills Chapter of the Illinois Audubon Society.



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Football Comets lose to Pana

By Drew Frey
ADVOCATE SPORTS STAFF



GHS hosted Pana on Friday night. The Panthers walked away with a 55-19 win, dropping Greenville to 4-3.

Pana jumped out to a 21-0 lead in the second quarter after scoring two touchdowns in the first.

The Comets got on the scoreboard in the second quarter with a 56-yard touchdown pass from Ryan Jackson to Eli Shadowens.

The Panthers scored twice more before halftime as the two teams went into the break at 35-7.

After halftime Jackson

found Dieken Graber open for a short touchdown pass, and Grant Wilderman later rushed the ball into the end zone from 13 yards out.

Wilderman finished with 101 yards rushing and Jackson threw for 206 yards including two touchdowns.

After the 55-19 loss the Comets are still in search of their fifth win on the campaign as they will travel to Carlinville next Friday night.

GU football falls short

By Drew Frey
ADVOCATE SPORTS STAFF

On Saturday, the Panthers battled against conference opponent Northwestern (Minnesota) and fought hard late into the game but came up short, 41-35.

Northwestern's first possession started at the Greenville 13-yard line after they forced an early interception.

Four plays later they ran the ball up the middle for a touchdown to take the lead.

After a Northwestern field goal later in the quarter, Greenville took a five-minute drive down the field and capped it off with a 21-yard rushing touchdown by Paul Garrett to bring the Panthers within three.

Northwestern matched the Panthers touchdown with one of their own to open the second quarter, putting them up by 10.

Shortly after, the Panthers put a field goal through the uprights to go up 20-7 at halftime.

On the first drive of the second half, Northwestern had a five-minute drive that ended with a short touchdown pass to increase their lead to 20 points.

The Panthers responded on their next drive with another Garrett rushing touchdown.

After forcing a three-and-out, the Panthers' offense

marched down the field and gave the ball to Garrett on the goal line for his third rushing touchdown of the game.

Up by six, Northwestern took the opening possession of the fourth quarter 61 yards to the end zone to go up 34-21.

On the following drive, the Panthers went three and out and their punt was blocked and returned for another Northwestern touchdown.

The Panthers ran just three plays before Peyton Bates found Seth Logan open for a five-yard touchdown pass to make it just a two possession game at 41-28.

Greenville forced a three-and-out and quickly got back in the end zone with a Kaiden Cervantes two-yard rush, making it 41-35 with just under four minutes remaining.

The offense got the ball back with just under two minutes left, but an interception ended their comeback.

Garrett had another phenomenal day, rushing with 138 yards on 21 attempts including three touchdowns. Bates finished with 177 passing yards with 74 of them going to Logan.

The Panthers return home for the Homecoming game next Saturday and will face Westminster at 1 p.m.

Lady Comets claim another SCC crown

By Mark Jurgena
ADVOCATE SPORTS STAFF

Back-to-Back champs!

For the second year in a row and the sixth time in GHS coach Vaughn Robart's eleven seasons, the Lady Comets tennis team has claimed the South Central Conference title.

The SCC championships were held Oct. 7 at the GU tennis courts.

GHS finished with 18 points to outdistance Hillsboro by eight points and claim the crown.

"We've played in six tour-

naments this season," began Robart. "We placed third twice, second twice, and now first twice. It's been exciting to always be in the running for the top three whether there are 16 teams or just four like in our conference. Our girls are highly motivated and competitive no matter what!"

In singles play, two Lady Comets squared off for the conference crown for the second straight season.

In a repeat of last year's final, Paige Mathias beat

teammate Evie Johnson 6-1, 6-3 for the title.

Katelyn Ridens and Elie Schaufelberger repeated their conference championship with a 6-0, 6-1 win over Paige Lucykow and Sally Mattson from Hillsboro, winning 6-0, 6-1.

The GHS duo of Ana Palen and Cora Miller took third.

Newton win:

One day prior to the conference matches, GHS hosted their final dual of the season, beating Newton 6-3.

The Lady Comets won five

singles matches. Mathias, Johnson, Schaufelberger, Ridens, and Alyssa Rehlemper all won as did the doubles pair of Ridens and Schaufelberger.

JV action:

Against Newton, Rehkemper and Haley Beckert won their doubles matchup, as did Alex Pichaske and Eden Kapp.

Upcoming schedule:

The Lady Comets completed their regular season with a 17-3 record. They will play Friday at the Class 1A Centralia sectional.

Lady Comets volleyball falls in two sets to Wesclin

By Mark Jurgena
ADVOCATE SPORTS STAFF

GHS traveled to Clinton County on Oct. 4, to square off with Trenton (Wesclin) and came back with a two-set loss 25-22, 25-11.

Lilly Funneman led GHS with four kills and a block while Kat Haas had three kills. Ava Curry had 12 digs and the only ace for the

Comets.

Tessa Neely had ten digs, Claire Dannaman had nine assists with Sydnee Godier picking up two assists.

Underclass action:

In the JV matchup, GHS fell 25-13, 25-19.

Haylee Clark had four kills and a block while Haylee Hediger had three kills and a block. Adyson

Bearley had 10 digs. Erin Peppler had six assists and an ace. Megan Ridens had four assists and an ace. Amya Miller had three service aces, and Kate Turley had one.

The freshmen Comets fell in three sets to the Warriors 19-21, 21-15, 15-7.

Emma Veith had two kills, two aces, and three assists

while Ava Potthast had two kills and an ace. Clark had two aces while Keeleight Valleroy and Braelyn Andris had one ace each. Andris also picked up four assists. Ava Manhart had 14 digs.

Upcoming schedule:

The volleyball Lady Comets are at Staunton this evening and will be at Litchfield Thursday.

Comet harriers put up quality times during last week

By Mark Jurgena
ADVOCATE SPORTS STAFF

It was another good week of faster times for the Greenville High School cross country team at a pair of meets. Many Comet runners established new personal records.

EAWR invite girls races:

GHS runner Katie Campbell continued her stellar season, winning the junior class race at the East Alton (Wood River) Invitational on Oct. 8.

The EAWR course is flat, fast and a hair shorter than most courses and she took advantage of that along with the cooler weather to turn her new personal best into a victory.

Campbell covered the 2.9-mile course in 19:30.5 to beat Alton (Marquette) harrier Katie Johnson by almost three seconds.

Kinley Grove finished in ninth place at 24:37.4.

In the sophomore race, Rose Timmerman finished in 12th with a time of 23:28.5 while Caitlyn McPeak came in at 30:16.0.

All four girls set their personal best times twice last week.

Myka Fenton of Litchfield would have been the overall individual winner for all

divisions. The senior ran a time of 18:33.7. Delaine Ulrich, also of Litchfield, would have been second at 18:38.3.

Campbell finished with the sixth-fastest time on the girls side when all divisions are considered.

EAWR invite boys races:

Michael Wilson came in seventh in the sophomore race with a time of 16:53.11, just 0.5 seconds behind Logan Wilcutt of EAWR, his second PR of the week.

Ashton White came in the 15th spot with a PR time of 18:22.3, also his second PR of the week.

Wyatt Emken finished 11th in the junior race. His time of 17:42.9 was ... you guessed it ... his second personal best of the week.

In the freshman race, Daniel Graham finished with a time of 18:01.3 good for 10th place. And yes, number two in the PR department for the week.

Camden Quarton would have been the individual race winner with all divisions combined. The Litchfield junior came in at 14:27.0. Andrew Gonski, a junior from Collinsville, had the next best time of 14:47.7.

Carlinville Invite girls race:

Campbell led the pack of GHS runners again at the 3.0-mile course at Loveless Park. She finished in ninth place at 20:40.64 at the Oct. 4 race.

Ellyn Miller set a personal best time of 25:06.8 to take 38th. Grove came in the 41st spot with a time of 25:06.8.

Timmerman came in at 26:00.14 good for 44th while McPeak came in at 33:16.3.

Rochester dominated the field with 17 points while Litchfield took second place with 49.

GHS took fourth place out of six squads with 121 points.

Carlinville Invite boys race:

Wilson was the top finisher for the Comets with a time of 18:11.61 to finish 16th. He finished 0.7 seconds behind the 15th place finisher, Sam Wilson of Rochester.

Wyatt Emken of GHS was 39th at 19:39.86 while Daniel Graham came in at 19:39.86 good for the 42nd spot.

Ashton White showed up in 47th place at 20:19.67 and Vance Wesselmann showed up in 21:52.86 good

for 63rd.

Nate Troemmel ran a 23:19.33.

Rochester edged Carlinville by three points to win the team title. The Rockets beat the Cavaliers by three points.

GHS still facing great competition:

Colleen Zeibert of Rochester won the girls individual title at Carlinville with a time of 18:01.86. She won the race by 1:22 over her freshman teammate and sister Ashley. Sophomore Brooke Zeibert, another sister, took fourth in a time of 19:43.02.

Colleen, a senior, is a two-time winner of the Springfield State Journal-Register Large School cross country runner of the year.

In the boys division, Litchfield's Quarton won the EAWR and the Carlinville race. He won Carlinville with a time of 16:03.83 to outdistance Lincoln's Luke Jones who ran a 16:54.52.

Quarton is the defending SCC cross-country champion.

Upcoming schedule:

GHS has the conference meet Saturday at Piasa (Southwestern) with the postseason beginning next weekend.

Eagles Nest

By Mark Jurgena
ADVOCATE SPORTS STAFF

The Mulberry Grove Jr. High girls basketball team opened up their season at Ramsey on Sept. 27 and dropped both ends of the doubleheader.

The eighth grade squad fell 33-11, while the seventh grade team suffered a 28-15 defeat.

"Ramsey always has a very good team," said MG coach Kate Rosado. "The girls are strong and fast, and they are coached well. I had girls playing for the first time that night. And I was very proud of some of the growth and learning that I saw in those first games. The score doesn't reflect what we

are capable of. We will continue to get better."

South Central:

On Oct. 3 MG dropped a pair of home games to Kinmundy (South Central).

The eighth grade fell by a single point, 21-20 while the seventh grade dropped a 25-16 decision.

For the eighth grade, Lyla Mollett had nine points while Addy Buatte had four, Claire Mollett and Grace Cook each had three.

In the seventh grade game Buatte had 14.

"Both (were) tough losses," Rosado said. "Eighth grade game was a nailbiter. The girls played well, but we couldn't pull it together to get the win."

Jays Journal

By Mark Jurgena
ADVOCATE SPORTS STAFF

The Greenville Jr. High girls basketball team split four games last week.

Eighth grade:

Oct. 6 saw the eighth grade Jays host Hillsboro and fall 18-5.

Ryleigh Plannette had three points while Gracie Goodson had two.

On Oct. 4, the Jays took an overtime decision at Pocahontas 20-19. Kaitlyn Lurkins had the winning bucket in OT.

Ada Jefferson had six and Bailey Taylor had four.

The Jays fell to Brownstown 52-21 in a game in Greenville on Oct. 3.

Tinley Walker scored seven while Avery Clark had five.

Seventh grade:

The Jays fell to Pocahontas 24-18.

Autumn Loehr had five points while Payton White had four. Miley Matthews had three.

Against Brownstown, GJHS won 30-12. Matthews had 12 points and Ava Schaefer had ten. Madeline Beckert had six.

Greenville fell to Hillsboro.

Blowin' Smoke by Roger Sanders

A season of unforgettable memories for Cardinal fans!

It has been a fun time for those of us who root for the baseball St. Louis Cardinals, because of the Redbirds' run into the playoffs.

Which of us really thought back in the spring, that the Cardinals would possibly elevate themselves above the second-place division finish behind the Milwaukee Brewers that was predicted for them?

I did not. I thought second place seemed optimistic with three aging athletes on their roster. But those old boys played most of the season like youngsters. Maybe not to the all-star level of Paul Goldschmidt Nolan Arenado, or Ryan Helsley, but close enough to help St. Louis to the NL Central Division title.

They made baseball in St. Louis the most exciting it has been since the Mark "Big Mac" McGwire's homer-infested years.

With Yadi, Waino, or Albert (They don't need last names.) setting a new career record of some kind with each appearance, it made not only each game, but each at bat hold suspense. Only the Yankees saw a similar situation with

Aaron Judge chasing Ruth and Maris all summer.

From my 70-plus year-old viewpoint, this season has been one of the most memorable of my life. And that includes watching, beginning with Stan Musial, who is the only player that Albert does not eclipse in St. Louis Cardinal history as a hitter, through the great teams of the 1960's, 1980's and early 2000's.

The other pair of "senior players," Waino and Yadi, deserved all their accolades too and, after all, like Musial, they are life-time Cardinals. Something of which I don't hold against Albert as much after this year.

In my mind, a good ending to their stories would have been made even better had Waino also announced his retirement and then the picture of the three of them walking off the field together for on of the final regular season games would have been iconic to Cardinal fans. Actually, it probably will be anyway.

Thanks to you, the Three Amigos, for what you have done for St. Louis Cardinals baseball fans over the past two decades. I doubt that the drama of this season

will ever be equaled.

It could have been enhanced even more with a win over the Phillies in the three-game wild card series.

But I realize that the Redbirds had been limping along at a .500 pace since pulling away for the division in September and they

simply could not regain that earlier fire.

In the end, they went with what got them there: Arenado, Goldschmidt, and Helsley. But they failed in this two-game series. Yet, St. Louis would not have gotten close to the play-offs without them. Let's show

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100 YEARS AGO — 1922

Hard roads cannot be finished; material scarce: Hard roads being built on the Black Diamond Trail north and south out of Greenville cannot be completed this year due to the failure of the contractors to get material.

J.J. Stocker, of the Stocker Gravel and Construction Company, has received 13 cars of cement since last month, but Van Deusen, Baumberger & Co., have not received any at this time.

Mr. Stocker says even with the cars he has received, he will lack about 1,000 feet of having enough material to finish the job this fall. The difficulty is that the contractors cannot secure cars in which to haul the material. The state has made a provision that cement may be hauled in the box cars by the use of tarpaulins, but even at that they are having difficulty in getting cement and the story is told of the contractor who had to pay a royalty to somebody with a pull in order to get a few empty cars through for material to the quarries at Columbia, IL.

The Van Deusen, Baumberger Co., has laid one mile of their contract, south of Greenville, beginning at the Carlyle road and running this way to the John Janssen farm. There is a stretch of 1,800 feet from that point to the brick pavement yet to be built. The road is still closed and the contractors are waiting for cement.

Girls of college dorm in program: A program of real merit and one that will provide a most enjoyable evening's entertainment is being prepared by the ladies of the college dormitory to be given at the college auditorium on Friday evening. The proceeds will go to purchase a new piano for the parlors of the New Ladies' Hall. Admission is thirty-five cents.

From the appearance of the program there will not be a dull moment; in fact you will think you're a guest of the girls at the dorm for they will give "An evening in the Old Dorm" and another number promised will be singing of old songs by a group of girls accompanied by ukuleles. The rest of the program will include musi-

cal readings, vocal numbers and other interesting features.

Panama gets eight carloads of grapes: From reliable information The Advocate learns that recently eight carloads of grapes were consigned to various parties at Panama. It is stated the grapes cost \$1600 a car or a total of \$12,800. The people of the county who have heard of this are wondering what in the world residents of Panama are going to do with so many grapes! Of course, it is believed the people are making quite a large quantity of jelly to last throughout the winter. There are some who insinuate that the grapes will be used for some other purpose but that is beyond comprehension. Some even go so far as to say these grapes will be pickled.

75 YEARS AGO — 1947

Thieves get whiskey and cigarettes in robbery of Pocahontas tavern: Thieves who broke into Rank's Restaurant at Pocahontas sometime between closing time Sunday night and 5 a.m., today made off with whiskey and cigarettes, but the amount taken had not been determined this morning. They also pried off the front of the jukebox and took the money from the coin box in the machine. Whether anything else was taken had not been determined.

Entrance was gained by breaking a side window. The place is owned by Fred Andricks and his niece, Mrs. June Creed. There was no money left in the cash register, which is left open when the place is closed for the night.

Night Police Officer Arthur Roper of Pocahontas was notified and he in turn notified Sheriff David Blankenship, who is making an investigation this morning.

Miss Bee Holies tops list of 13 in exam: Miss Bee Holies, formerly of Greenville now of Trenton, New Jersey, topped the list of 13 people who passed the state civil service examination in Trenton, New Jersey for senior field representative, specializing in medical-social work for the Department of Institutions and Agencies of New Jersey.

Miss Hoiles, a graduate of Smith College and Johns

Hopkins, has been employed in the state office at Trenton, New Jersey in medical social work for some time.

Grantfork church to observe founding of 75 years ago: Members of the Grantfork Evangelical church plan to hold a six-day celebration beginning Oct. 19 to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the organization church. The Rev. Arby Hosto, the pastor, is in charge of the plans. He has compiled considerable information about the old church. The first known meeting was held at the home of Sylvan Kundert on Jan. 20, 1872, on invitation of a religious group from Highland. The meeting was called for the purpose of organizing a "Universal Christian church" which in German was known as the "Allgemeine Christliche Kirche."

Names of members familiar to people today were Ambuehl, Auer, Tontx, Hirschi, Bardill, Wirz and Schrupf. John Bardill donated the land for the first church. It was 28 by 40 ft and cost \$2,800. In Feb. 1878, the church established a cemetery. In Nov. 1880, the members voted to buy a parsonage and established a school house. In 1916 the church was remodeled and the name changed to the Grantfork Evangelical Church. The 50th anniversary was observed Oct. 23, 1921.

In Jan. 1929, The congregation approved plans to solicit funds to build a new church. The present edifice, costing \$12,000, was dedicated in December 1929.

The Rev. Hosto has been pastor since January 15 1936.

The church is over the line in Madison County, but many western Bond residents have attended church there during the years and many of their ancestors are buried there.

50 YEARS AGO — 1972

Deepen old well near Donnellson; hit new oil vein: D.L. Hampton of east of Donnellson reported drillers struck more oil at 900 feet last Wednesday on his farm, a half mile east of Donnellson. Hampton said tests to determine what the well would produce had not been completed.

It was not a totally new well but a deepening of the



File photo

Historical photo

The Greenville Advocate, reporting on the GHS homecoming parade in 1988, published this photo in the middle of a 3-photo spread on Tuesday, October 18. Priea winner: the Greenville Retailers sponsored this float entitled "Comets ... Snap, Crackle, Pop the Rams." The float won first place in the business division. The two other first-place winners flanking the photo above were the FFA grand prize winner, "2,000 Flushes, ... Comets flush the Rams," complete with imitation lamb in the bowl, and the Comets Sports Boosters, who took first in the organization category with junior high cheerleaders from Pocahontas and Greenville. (Shelbyville defeated the Comets, 34-6.)

old one which was producing only about a barrel and half a day from 716 feet. Hampton said the same operation would be performed on another old well about 660 feet from this one. The well is owned by Hampton & Jonas Trust with Scott West of Pana, the driller.

No buried treasure: Curious minds were set to spinning last Wednesday afternoon when a tractor

started digging a large hole in the northeast corner of the courthouse lawn. Some speculated a treasure map had been found while others thought it was the beginning of another addition to the courthouse. The real reason was that the courthouse had been left without one of the more essential "modern conveniences" due to a sewer line becoming clogged somewhere outside the building. After numerous unsuccessful attempts had been made to clear the obstruction, all that was left was to dig up the sewer. By Friday morning the service was restored with the most serious damage having been to the courthouse lawn.

Sew and fix-it club organized: A new club for the purpose of helping one another with sewing has been formed in the Greenville area.

The Sew and Fix-it club was organized Sept. 28, at the home of Hazel Bird and will meet weekly on Thursday afternoons in the homes of the members. Anyone interested in the club may contact the chairman, Zelma Prater.

This past Thursday the club met at the home of Hazel Bird for a lesson on how to put in a hidden zipper demonstrated by Mrs. Prater.

The next meeting, Oct. 19, at 1 p.m., will be in the home of Hazel Bird and the lesson is on how to make a t-shirt.

New Redear Sunfish record: The year-old record for redear sunfish was broken recently when a 2 pound 6 1/2 ounce fish was caught in a Knox county strip mine lake.

Michael Stairwalt, Kewanee, took the state record fish, using a worm for bait. The fish was 13 inches long and had a 13 1/2 inch girth. The fish surpassed by 6 1/2 ounces the old record of two pounds, set by Donna Furlow Cobden, in 1971. Ms. Furlow took her record

catch from a pond in Union county.

25 YEARS AGO — 1997

Lady Comets play in O'Fallon tennis sectional: High school girl's sectional tennis tournaments will be taking place Saturday throughout Illinois.

Greenville High School has been assigned to the O'Fallon sectional along with nine other teams. They include Belleville East, Bethalto, Collinsville, Edwardsville, Highland, Mascoutah, O'Fallon, Roxana and Triad.

No class system is used for the girl's tennis tournament. Among the 10 schools, only Greenville and Roxana are Class A in other sports.

Mater Dei will have individual entries in the tournament.

A total of 277 schools are entered in the girl's tennis series through the state, and 30 sectionals will be conducted. The top four players in singles and in doubles will advance to the state final which is set for October 23-25 at Mt. Prospect.

Illinois motorists can obtain living will sticker: Illinois motorists who wish to designate on their driver's licenses that they have a living will or power of attorney can do so through the secretary of state's office.

"The purpose of this sticker is to notify medical personnel that a living will or power of attorney exists," Sen. Frank Watson said.

Under current law, Illinois allows motorists to designate on their driver's license that they have a living will. As long as a motorist has a living will drafted in accordance with the Illinois Living Will Act, a sticker can be provided by the driver services facility to be affixed to the driver's license.

The sticker is also made available to those with a durable power of attorney for health care drafted in accordance with the Illinois Power of Attorney Act.

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Organized letter writing blitzes to support a specific view are discouraged as they dilute the real purpose and credibility of the column. Also discouraged is the use of the column to express "thank you's" or a means of endorsing political candidates.

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Our client is proposing to construct one (1) 70-foot monopole communications tower in Bond County, IL. Tower #67022 will be located at railroad mile post 406.59, 50 feet south of the intersection of Locust Street and Wabash Street, in Sorento, IL, 62086. WSP Golder on behalf of our client invites comments from any interested party regarding specific location information and/or the potential effects of the tower on historic properties. Comments may be sent to Matt Hull, 2000 Schafer Street, Suite H, Bismarck, ND 58501 or matthew.hull@wsp.com. Comments must be received 30 days following published date.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
A Public Hearing will be held at the City of Greenville Board of Adjustment on Tuesday, November 15, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at the Greenville Municipal Building, 404 S. Third Street, Greenville, Illinois, to consider:
• A request by Habitat for Humanity for a zoning variance to sections 153.0996 and 153.1076 of the Unified Development Code, for the construction of a driveway entrance to the street in the front yard and not the alley in the rear on Parcel # 05-30-10-418-031, commonly known as 419 W. Washington Ave.
Any interested party seeking additional information on this request should contact the Office of the City Manager, at 618-664-1644.
JoAnn Hollenkamp
City Manager

STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT BOND COUNTY - IN PROBATE
In the Matter of)
the Estate of) No. 2022-PR-21
Edward D. Wallace,)
Deceased.)
NOTICE OF CLAIM DATE
NOTICE is given of the death of EDWARD D. WALLACE, of Sorento, IL. Letters of Office were issued to WAYNE WALLACE, 1414 N. Jackson St, Litchfield, IL 62056, on August 29, 2022. Andy Scharf, 606 N. State St., Litchfield, IL 62056 is attorney for the Executor.
Claims against the Estate may be filed with the Bond County Circuit Clerk via mandatory e-filing, or with the representative, within 6 months from the date of the first publication of this notice and any claim not filed within that period is barred. (Visit efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm to learn more and to select a service provider.) Copies of the claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed, emailed or delivered to the representatives and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.
Edward D. Wallace, Independent Administrator of the Decedent's Estate
By: Andy Scharf #06198303
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andy@scharflawfirm.com

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR MERGER OF BANK HOLDING COMPANIES
Bradford Bancorp, Inc., 100 East College Avenue, Greenville, Illinois intends to apply to the Federal Reserve Board for permission to acquire a bank. We intend to merge with Community Bancshares, Inc., 107 South Second Street, Irvington, Illinois. We intend to acquire control of Community Trust Bank, 107 South Second Street, Irvington, Illinois. The Federal Reserve considers a number of factors in deciding whether to approve the application, including the record of performance of banks we own in helping to meet local credit needs.
You are invited to submit comments in writing on this notice to the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, P.O. Box 442, St. Louis, MO 63166-0442. Comments may also be submitted electronically to comments.applications@stls.frb.org. The comment period will not end before November 10, 2022 and may be somewhat longer. The Board's procedures for processing applications/notices may be found at 12 C.F.R. Part 262. Procedures for processing protested applications/notices may be found at 12 C.F.R. 262.25. To obtain a copy of the Federal Reserve Board's procedures, or if you need more information about how to submit your comments on the application/notice, contact Holly Rieser, Manager, at (314) 444-4713. The Federal Reserve will consider your comments and any request for a public meeting or formal hearing on the application/notice if they are received in writing by the Reserve Bank on or before the last day of the comment period.
Bradford Bancorp, Inc.
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION
Notice is given that application will be made to the Comptroller of the Currency, Central District Office, 425 South Financial Place, Suite 2700, Chicago, Illinois 60605, for consent to merge Community Trust Bank, main office located at 107 South Second Street, Irvington, Illinois ("Community"), into The Bradford National Bank of Greenville, main office located at 100 East College Avenue, Greenville, Illinois ("Bradford"). Community is an Illinois state-chartered bank and wholly owned subsidiary of Community Bancshares, Inc. ("Seller"). Community has two branch offices located at 1427 East Second Street, Centralia, Illinois 62801 and 17872 Exchange Avenue, Nashville, Illinois 62263.
It is contemplated that the main office of Bradford will not change and that the main office and branch offices of Community will continue to operate as offices of Bradford.
This notice is published pursuant to 12 USC 1828(c) and 12 CFR 5. Anyone may submit written comments on this application by November 10, 2022 to: Director of District Licensing, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Central District Office, 425 South Financial Place, Suite 2700, Chicago, Illinois 60605.
The public may find information regarding this application, including the date of the end of the public comment period, in the OCC Weekly Bulletin at www.occ.gov. Requests for a copy of the public file on this application should be made to the Director of District Licensing.
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Police Blotter

From the Bond County Courthouse

Greenville Police Department

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4
 2:07 a.m., Officers received a report of a dog bite at 200 block of Healthcare Drive.
 5:35 a.m., Accident, non injury, at Idler Lane and Route 140. Unit 1 was traveling eastbound on Route 140, going to turn left onto Idler Lane, when unit 1 collided with unit 2. Unit 2 was traveling westbound on Route 140 in clear moving traffic when unit 1 turned in front of unit 2, causing a collision. Both vehicles had substantial damage resulting in both units having to be towed from the scene. Driver of unit 1 was checked out by ambulance and re-

leased while the driver of unit 2 was transported to HSHS with non-life-threatening injuries.
 7:18 a.m., Officers received a report of a burglar alarm at E City Route 40. False alarm.
 9:53 a.m., Tornado siren test.
 2:03 p.m., Accident, non injury, at McDonald's, Route 127.
 2:34 p.m., Officers received a report of retail theft at 200 block of E Harris Ave.
 2:51 p.m., Accident, non injury, at Route 140.
 6:31 p.m., Officers received a report of a stolen motorcycle at 500 block of W Washington Ave.
 9:15 p.m., Verbal warning issued during traffic stop

for expired registration at N Spruce St. and E Main Ave.
 10:05 p.m., Verbal warning issued during traffic stop for improper lighting at Willard St. and Franklin Ave.
 11:36 p.m., Kenneth R. Monroe Jr. of Greenville was arrested on a Bond County warrant and was unable to post bond.
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5
 10:32 a.m., Officers received a report of a scam at Route 127.
 2:13 p.m., Officers received a report of neighborhood problems at Illini East St.
 3:34 p.m., Officers received a report of illegal dumping at S Fourth St.
 6:53 p.m., Accident, non

injury, at E Beaumont Ave. and N Elm St. Both drivers stated unit 1 was waiting at a stop sign on the south side of Beaumont Ave., heading north on Elm. Unit 1 continued through the stop sign into traffic as unit 2 was heading west on Beaumont Ave, causing a collision.
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6
 3:52 a.m., Verbal warning issued during traffic stop for improper lighting at E City Route 40 and S Fourth St.
 8:23 a.m., Officers received a report of check fraud at Route 127.
 3:28 p.m., Keyesport Fire responded to a fire at Keyesport Road.
 6:33 p.m., Keyesport Fire responded to a fire at Harbor Light Bay.

8:01 p.m., Greenville Fire responded to a fire at 100 block of Beaumont Ave.
 8:01 p.m., Officers received a report of mischievous conduct at Crowd Road. Unable to locate.
 9:31 p.m., Officers received a report of a suspicious vehicle at S First St.
 10:09 p.m., Officers received a report of a disturbance at 800 block of E College Ave. Parties separated for the night.
 11:01 p.m., Officers received a report of a loud noise at 200 block of E Winter Ave. Subject was spoken to and advised to keep the music down for the night.
 11:53 p.m., Greenville Fire responded to a fire at 500 block of Durley St.

Bond County Sheriff
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5
Greenville
 Traffic stops: 15
Pocahontas
 2:15 p.m., Officers received a report of a burglar alarm at 500 block of Route 143.
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6
Pierron
 7:20 a.m., Officers received a report of a suspicious odor at 200 block of Edwards St.
Greenville
 11:01 a.m., Officers received a report of a sexual assault at 400 block of S 2nd St.
Sorento
 4:18 p.m., Officers received a report of theft at 300 block of Driskill St.

Fire Alarms

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1
 Firefighters responded at 12:26 a.m., to a report of a fire alarm activation at 203 E. College Ave. The firefighters found the activation was due to smoking in the dorm room. All units were back in service at 12:40 a.m.
 Firefighters responded at 6:10 a.m., to a report of a semi-tractor trailer roll-over on east-bound Interstate 70 near mile marker 42, a railroad overpass. They arrived on the scene to find no entrapment, but approximately 3,000 gallons of milk and cream had spilled on the roadway. The fire department washed the area down after a towing company uprighted and removed the vehicle. All units were back in service at 10:06 a.m.

5:26 a.m., to the report of a fire alarm at Joy Hall. They arrived on the scene to find no cause for alarm. They checked the building, and found nothing. All units were back in service at 5:39 a.m.
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4
 Firefighters responded at 5:45 a.m., to a report of a two-vehicle accident at the intersection of Route 140 and Idler Lane. The firefighters arrived on scene to find no entrapment. They blocked traffic and washed down the highway. All units were back in service at 6:05 a.m.
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6
 Firefighters responded at 8:02 p.m., to a report of an alarm activation in the 100 block of East Beaumont Ave. They arrived on the scene to find a "smoke machine" being used was the cause of the alarm. There was no fire. All units were back in service at 8:22 p.m.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2
 Firefighters responded at 2:46 p.m., to a report of a field fire in the 700 area of Wagon Wheel Road. The firefighters arrived on the scene to find a bean stubble fire. The fire was extinguished with mutual aid provided from the Pocahontas Fire Department. The property owner had been burning a stump and the fire spread from there. All units were back in service at 3:33 p.m.
MONDAY, OCTOBER 3
 Firefighters responded at

Firefighters responded at 11:53 p.m., to a report of a fire alarm at 510 Durley Street. The firefighters arrived to find all students evacuated from the building. They investigated and found a detector on the second floor, northwest hallway had been activated. No apparent cause was found. The alarm was reset with no issues. All units were back in service at 12:12 a.m.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12
NAMI SWI has an in-person and Zoom meeting. Facilitators are Mark and Kelly Jefferson, at the Heights Community Church, 2227 Vandalia St., Collinsville. Contact Kelly Jefferson, kellyjefferson@charter.net. 7-8:30 p.m.
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13
BOND COUNTY FOOD PANTRY at the Senior Center, available to eligible residents. 2-4 p.m.

THE GREENVILLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE hosts a Witches Night Out around downtown Greenville. It's a ladies' night of fun with food, drink, games, shopping, a decorated witches' hat contest, and more. For information, contact the Greenville Chamber at 618-664-9272 or find them on Facebook. 5-9 p.m.
EARLY WEEKEND EVENTS
SHOAL CREEK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT holds a dinner and movie night on Saturday, Oct. 15, at engine house No. 1, 101 N Main St., Sorento. Fish and Chicken fry. Free outdoor movie starts shortly after sunset. Bring chairs and blankets. 5-7 p.m., movie after sunset.
THE AMERICAN FARM HERITAGE MUSEUM hosts a Halloweenville celebration Friday and Saturdays through October. Enjoy the frights and sights and take a ride on the Jack-o-lantern Express. Rides are \$5 each, from 6:30 to 10 p.m. For more, find the American Farm Heritage Museum's Facebook page or visit their website.

Illinois quick hits: Rebate checks going out; more parking tickets; barges getting stuck

THE CENTER SQUARE
Rebate checks continue going out:
 Half of all rebate checks approved as part of this year's state budget have been processed. According to the Illinois Department of Revenue, about three million taxpayers received or will receive in the near future income and property tax rebates. The entire process is expected to be completed by mid-November. Information can be found online at tax.illinois.gov.

More parking tickets:
 More and more motorists are returning to their vehicles in Chicago only to find an orange envelope stuck under their windshield wipers. Parking tickets were up a whopping 25% over the first six months of the year over the same time last year. Nearly 1.1 million tickets were handed out,

compared to 850,000 for the first six months of 2021. While parking meter proceeds go to a private company, the city of Chicago collects all parking ticket revenue.
Barges getting stuck:
 The unusually low water level in the Mississippi River is causing barges to get stuck in mud and sand, disrupting river travel for

watercraft. A lack of rainfall this past summer has left the river approaching record low levels in some areas from Illinois south to Louisiana. The U.S. Coast Guard reports at least eight groundings of barges in the past week alone. Officials said it is bad timing during harvest when corn and soybeans need to be transported south.

Pocahontas Press

By Mark Jurgena
 ADVOCATE SPORTS STAFF

Eighth grade:
 The eighth grade girls basketball squad at Pocahontas dropped both of the games last week by a grand total of four points.
 On Oct. 3, they dropped a three-point decision to Bunker Hill 32-29.
 "Eighth grade had two very tight losses. Bunker Hill beat them by 21 last year, so a loss

by 3 still showed a ton of improvement."
 Melanie Mills had 20 points while Addy Lee had four.
 Pocahontas lost 20-19 in OT at home to Greenville on Oct. 4.
 Lagerman had six points while Mills collected five. Olive Kaskela had four.
Seventh grade:
 The seventh grade raised their season record to 6-1

after a pair of wins.
 They opened the Bunker Hill doubleheader with a 15-8 victory. Mills had six points to lead the way.
 Against Greenville, the Indians took a 24-18 win. Mills led them in scoring with 12 points while Clare Glisson had six.
 "Both (seventh and eighth grade) teams half-court defense is outstanding," said Smith.

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them a little forgiveness and get ready for them to lead us to the promised land in 2023.
 So, I thank those three for a stream of perfection that lasted until almost the very end. And I thank Yadi and Albert, who fought gamely until the end in a losing cause, and Waino who was the ace up until the final month.
 We St. Louis baseball fans will probably never see the likes of this season again, so let's savor our memories of this one forever.

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October 13 - 15, 2022

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13

Jazz Band Concert 7pm
 Whitlock Music Center

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14

Prayer with President Davis 9:30am
 Whitlock Music Center

Reception: Donuts, Coffee & Conversation 10:30am
 Tidball Alumni House

Campus Tour 11am
 Begin at Tidball Alumni House

Women's Volleyball (vs. Eureka) 3pm
 H.J. Long Gym

Homecoming Parade 4pm
 College Avenue

Men's & Women's Cross Country Greenville Classic 4pm
 Hillsboro

Food, Friends, & Fun on the Field 5:30pm
 Scott Field

Alumni Baseball Game 6pm
 S.W. Andrews Fields

Women's Volleyball (vs. Blackburn) 7pm
 H.J. Long Gym

GU Choir Concert 7pm
 Whitlock Music Center

Fireworks 8:30pm
 Hogue Lawn

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15

Children's Fun Run (ages 4-7) 8am
 Scott Field

College Ave Dash (ages 8-12) 8:15am
 College Avenue

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15

Panther 5K 8:30am
 Hogue Lawn

Women's Alumni Volleyball Game 9am
 H.J. Long Gymnasium

Men's Alumni Soccer Game 9am
 S.W. Andrews Fields

Summer Research Experience Poster Presentations 9am
 Snyder Hall

Burrill Hall 100 year anniversary celebration 10am
 Burrill Lounge

Mixed Doubles Tennis Tournament, GU Teams & Alumni 10am
 Scott Burgess Tennis Complex

Women's Alumni Soccer Game 10am
 S.W. Andrews Fields

Women's Alumni Basketball Game 11am
 H.J. Long Gym

Tailgate Party 11:30am-2pm
 John M. Strahl Athletic Complex

Homecoming Football Game (vs. Westminster) 1pm
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Men's Soccer Game (vs. Fonthonne) 1pm
 Soccer Field

Women's Soccer Game (vs. Fonthonne) 3pm
 Soccer Field

Homecoming Honors Banquet 6pm
 Crum Recreation Center

Men's Alumni Basketball Game 8:30pm
 H.J. Long Gym

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All are welcome! Some events may require registration and some may have a cost. Check schedule and registration requirements at www.greenville.edu/homecoming

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