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MAC Battle of the Brushes

The Macomb Arts Center is excited to announce Lynne Warrington as this year's Battle of the Brushes winner.

Participating artists for Saturday's event included: Dustin Berg, Ray Bunch, Steven House, Bob Johnson, Jan Rockwell, Dan Schmidt, Josh Wroblewski, Jimmy Yates, and Celebrity Artist Couple Roger & Lisa Ward.

Read more about the event in Friday's Community News Brief Weekly Edition?



WIU and John Wood Community College Sign Agricultural Articulation Agreement

Western Illinois University and John Wood Community College (JWCC) officials and faculty members joined together today (Jan. 20) for a formal signing of a 2+2 agricultural articulation agreement at the new JWCC Agricultural Education Center.

This Articulation Agreement, referred to also as a 2+2 Agreement, is for those students who transfer from JWCC with an Associate of Applied Science degree in Agricultural Business and pursue a Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural Science at WIU.

Articulation agreements document a pathway between two or more colleges or universities and their academic programs. Colleges and uni-



Left to Right: WIU School of Agriculture Director Andrew Baker; WIU College of Business and Technology Dean Craig Conrad; WIU Provost and Academic Vice President Manoochehr Zoghi; WIU President Guiyou Huang; JWCC President Bryan Renfro; JWCC Vice President of Instruction Laurel Klinkenberg; JWCC Dean of Career and Technical Education Dave Hetzler; and JWCC Director of Ag Sciences Complex Mike Tenhouse

versities publish articulation agreements after reviewing the curriculum and the level of

instruction. The agreements simplify the complexity of

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MACOMB CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Cancels Committee Session

by Patrick Stout
Correspondent

Mayor Mike Inman has cancelled tonight's regularly scheduled meeting of the Macomb City Council's committee of the whole.

In making the formal announcement late last week of the cancellation, City Clerk Renee Lotz said there are no timely issues that need aldermanic attention.

Council members last week reviewed all upcoming city ordinances that will need their attention at the February 6 meeting of the Macomb City Council.

Cocoa Bombs are Back at Courtyard Estates - a St. Jude Fundraiser

Hot Cocoa Bombs are back at Courtyard Estates in Bushnell for the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital Fundraiser. They are delivering (within Bushnell City limits) Feb. 1-Feb. 28 or pick-up is also available. Flavors include milk chocolate, dark chocolate, white chocolate or strawberry. Small bombs are \$3 each or 3 for \$8 and the large bombs are \$4 each or 3 for \$10. Order on the Courtyard Estates in Bushnell Facebook page or give them a call at 309-772-8000.

MPD Welcomes WIU Intern

MPD would like to introduce and highlight one of our Spring 2023 WIU Interns. Baylee Sutton is originally from Southern Illinois and moved to Macomb to continue her education in Law Enforcement and Justice Administration, with a minor in Criminalistics, at Western Illinois University.

Sutton also works part-time in the Macomb / McDonough County 911 Center. Intern Sutton is excited to be joining us this semester for her internship,

and hopefully getting to observe, learn, and participate in policing.

The Macomb Police Department has hosted dozens and dozens of interns over the years and we enjoy the partnership with WIU's LEJA department. Interns have gone on to become officers, detectives, Chiefs, agents, and leaders in their field.

Intern Sutton is currently assigned to Administration and Detectives. She will see all aspects of the department



during her Spring semester; Patrol, Investigations, Administration, Dispatch, School Resource, and whatever else we may throw at her.

Old Macomb Dining Co. Opens for Valentine's Day

The old Macomb Dining Company, 127 E. Carroll St. will be open for a Valentine's Day Dinner on February 11 by reservations only. Dinner includes Appetizer: calamari or bruschetta; Soup or salad: tossed house salad or roasted red pepper & smoked gouda soup; Entree: Prime rib (blackened or regular), 10oz. filet mignon or grilled halibut; Side choice: Garlic-roasted red mashed potatoes, baked potato or wild rice; and dessert: New York cheesecake. Please have your order ready when you call to make your reservation. (309)255-8716.

POLICE REPORTS

McDonough County Sheriff

1/21

William James Jackson, 36, Industry, was arrested on a McDonough County warrant, wilful failure to register as sex offender

Nicholas Rolando Degracia, 34, Galesburg, was charged with driving on a suspended/revoked drivers license, possession of a controlled substance

1/22

Cameron Jaden Zimmerman, 20, Mt. Sterling, was charged with DUI/alcohol

Kyle Taylor Pethtel, 23, Morris, was charged with resisting a peace officer

Emile Makandal Chew, 25, Macomb, was arrested on a McDonough County warrant

Emily Jane Moore, 23, Macomb, was arrested on a McDonough County warrant

1/23

Justus Christopher Vest, 21, Macomb, was arrested on a foreign warrant

Natacha Renae DeWeese, 33, Lewistown, was arrested on a McDonough County warrant

Richard Jones, 34, Macomb, was charged with no valid drivers license

TODAY'S JOKES

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A: A steamed veggie.

Q: How do you make an egg-roll?

A: You push it!

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Obituaries

Charles E. John

87, of Macomb

Charles E. John, 87, of Macomb passed away at 11:05 a.m. Thursday, January 26, 2023 at his residence surrounded by his loving family.



He was born on February 23, 1935 in Macomb to Howard and Bessie Friday John. He married Shelba Hensley on September 12, 1953. She passed away on March 27, 2016.

He was also preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Gene John and two sisters, Kathryn Akers and Erma Setser.

Charles is survived by his children, C. Randall (Brenda) John of Macomb, E. Kendall (Elise) John of Springfield and Daniel (Stacy) John of Macomb; eight grandchildren, Heather (Bill) Barnes of Macomb, Brigham (Abbie) John of Liberty, Hallie (Luis) Estrada of Quincy, Nick (Katie) John of Colorado Springs, CO, Jennifer (Geoff) Conklin of Colorado Springs, CO, Danyel John of Zion, Justine M. John (Joe John Hamrick) of Bar-dolph and Claire Rittenhouse of Quincy; sixteen great-grandchildren and one sister, Lucinda John of Macomb.

Charles lived in Macomb all of his life. He worked at Galloway Bakery, at WIU in Environmental Services and as the care taker of Spring Lake Park from 1970 until his retirement in 1998. He also worked part time at Water Works Car Wash. He was a Marine veteran.

He was a huge Macomb Bomber fan, loved his grandchildren's activities and sporting events and going on hunting trips.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, February 1, 2023 at Clugston-Tibbitts Funeral Home in Macomb with Pastor A. Lee Unger officiating. Visitation will be held from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery in Macomb where full military rites will be conducted by the Macomb American Legion and Macomb VFW.

Memorials may be made to MDH Hospice or Military Suicide Prevention.

You may leave condolences and sign the guest book online at clugston-tibbitts.com.

Danny LaVerne Foxall

82, of Augusta

Danny LaVerne Foxall, age 82, of Augusta, IL passed away at 6:04 am Friday, January 27, 2023 comfortably in his home, surrounded by his wife and four of his adult children by his side.



Danny was born on June 5, 1940 to Edith (Gander) and H. "LaVerne" Foxall in Macomb, IL. He attended schools in Macomb, IL and Philadelphia, MO.

Mr. Foxall was preceded in death by his mother and step-father (Edith and Vic Young), father (LaVerne Foxall), step-mother (Jacki Stephens), and brother (Bill Foxall).

Danny married Patricia "Trish" Oakman on October 29, 1980 at the Little Chapel of the West, Las Vegas, NV. She survives.

Danny is survived by his children- Daryll Foxall of Coolidge, AZ; Cindy "Sis" (Steve) Thomas of Colchester, IL; Jim (Lisa) Foxall of Macomb, IL; Jenifer (Kevin) Buckert of Hamilton, IL; and Vicki (Rob) McAlister of Palmyra, MO. Grandchildren- Bronson Royer, Tyler Royer, Andrea Woodward, Nicole Thomas, Ron Foxall, Samantha Webb, Eric, Kyle, Cameron and Rebecca Lux, James "Jimmie" Foxall, Luke, Mary, and Paul Buckert, Maddox, Meredith, and Micah McAlister. He is also survived by 17 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren. Danny has four brothers surviving- Larry Foxall of Augusta, IL; Ken (Sarah) Foxall of Macomb, IL; Bob Foxall of Quincy, IL; and Scott Foxall of Leesburg, FL, and a sister; Vicki Cannon of Leesburg, FL.

Danny was proud to serve as a United States Marine for four years. After the Marine Corps, Danny served as a structural steel ironworker out of Local 577 in West Burlington, IA. He retired

from ironwork at age 62. Danny enjoyed a few years of retirement, but he wasn't cut out for a life of leisure. His post-retirement pastime was driving an escort vehicle for wind towers, which he did until 2019.

For entertainment, Danny raced motorcycles, drag cars, and stock cars earning several championship honors throughout his racing career. He became an avid Nascar fan and you could find him most racing weekends watching and cheering on his favorite drivers. But his greatest joy came from family. He loved his grandkids, greats and great-greats.

Cremation has been accorded. A Memorial service will be held at 11:00 am Friday February 3, 2023 at the Hamilton Funeral Home in Augusta, IL with Pastor Ben Ellefritz officiating. A visitation will be held from 5:00 to 7:00 pm Thursday at the Hamilton Funeral Home in Augusta. Private inurnment will be held at a later date at Prairie City cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Augusta Children's Park.

The Hamilton Funeral Home in Augusta, IL is handling arrangements.

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SATURDAY, FEB. 4TH

VFW Breakfast

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a.m. at the Post 1422 Hall located at 181 E. Hail in Bushnell. On-site, takeout, and curb service available. For takeout and curb service please call 309-333-9919.

FEB. 5, 12, 19 & 26

Celebration of Historic Quilts

held at the Bushnell Historical Society Heritage Room from 1-4pm. If you have a quilt that shows Bushnell/McDonough County history, genealogy or other connections to West-Central Illinois and would be willing to show it off, contact Jerry Eisele at 309-331-0164 or email jeromeeisele@gmail.com, Elaine McGinnis (leave message) 309-772-2347, Judy Brooks (leave message) 309-772-2352 or Judy Ashton 309-299-5020.

SATURDAY, FEB. 25TH

70s Music Trivia for B-PC Baseball

at 7pm at the Bushnell VFW. Put on your bell-bottoms and platform shoes and help support B-PC

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Macomb

SATURDAY, FEB. 4

"Birds, Brunch, and Beverages"

the Prairie Land Conservancy is hosting a bus tour of the MS River from 8am-5pm to see birds, eat brunch and have some beverages at local establishments. \$65 (includes brunch). Deadline to register is Jan. 25, 2023. For more information call or email: 309-833-4747, pc@prairiehillsrcd.org

Friends of the Library Annex Book Sale

will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Library Annex, 109 E. Jefferson St. This sale features Mysteries, Fiction, Science Fiction, Classics and Media. All proceeds are invest in the public library.

St. Paul Music Trivia Night

at 7pm in the school gym. This event is open to the public. Registration link coming soon. Follow St. Paul School on Facebook for updates.

SATURDAY, FEB. 11

Cupid's Tea: Make a Victorian Valentine

at the Western Illinois Museum 10am - 1pm Drop in anytime. An all-ages, family-friendly program. Suggested \$5 donation at the door

SATURDAY, MARCH 4

"Casino Night" Fundraiser

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The Western Illinois University Department of Art and Design's first "First Wednesday" event of the semester will be held from 7-9 p.m. Feb. 1 in Garwood Hall, the Heating Plant Annex and the University Art Gallery.

WIU Art and Design faculty combine their efforts to offer creative, hands-on activities to visitors. This event is open free to the public, and visitors are welcome from campus and the surrounding community and region.

• Everyone is welcome, but all children under 13 must be accompanied and supervised by an adult.

Feb. 1 activities include:

Garwood Hall

- Tape Collagraphs – Professor Bill Howard, Garwood 12
- Silkscreened Valentine Bags – Professors Susan Czechowski and Jenny Knavel, Garwood 11 and 16
- Robert Indiana - Valentine Mag-nets – Associate Professor Ta-Teh Ku, Garwood 24
- Small Scale Painting – Professor

Tim Waldrop, Garwood 25

- Single Panel Cartoons – Professor Damon McArthur, Garwood 34
- Heating Plant Annex

• You Gotta Have Hearts – Department Chair and Professor Kat Myers, HPA 107

- Post-It Note Challenge – Associate Professor Ian Shelly, HPA 111

The University Art Gallery will also be open during the event. Come and see the exhibition, "Human/Mother/Black" by Ashley January, and check out the second round exhibit for the annual Mavigliano/Brabec Senior Art Prize Competition, in the Heating Plant's Annex Gallery.

For more information on this monthly program, contact Waldrop at TD-Waldrop@wiu.edu, or the WIU Department of Art & Design at (309) 298-1549.

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THE MIRACLE IN MACOMB

By Scott Holland

WIU Athletic Communications

MACOMB – How do you top a program-record for points on Monday and a buzzer-beating victory on Thursday? How about one of the biggest come-from-behind victories in program history on Saturday?

A wild, heart-stopping week ended in wild-heart-stopping fashion as the Leathernecks overcame a 22-point South Dakota State lead to stun the Jackrabbits in overtime 81-73 on Saturday afternoon inside Western Hall.

The win moved the Leathernecks (14-8, 7-4) to second place overall in the Summit League and saw the program extend its winning streak to five.

“That game was incredible, to do it against that team, a team that has been winning the league and has that championship culture makes it special,” Western Illinois coach Rob Jeter said. “But for the guys to figure out a way, we were down, the energy was low, then as we created a little bit of momentum, we were down 12 but the energy in the building picked up, that was key, the energy in the building when we were down four and two carried us through.”

The Jacks came out hot and built the 22-point advantage, 39-17 with two minutes, 32 seconds to go in the half before the Leathernecks were able to cut the deficit to 17 at the break.

From there, Western Illinois slowly began to chip away as Trenton Massner (30 points, nine points, eight assists), Alec Rosner (16 points, all in the second half), Jesiah West (nine points, 13 rebounds, four assists, three blocks), Quinlan Bennett (10 points, five rebounds) and Vuk Stevanic (six points, five rebounds and three assists) began to make plays.

“To me, a couple guys, obviously Trenton making shots picks the energy up, Jesiah making blocks and getting his hands on things, finishing dunks does it and the other spark today, Alec, his three to tie the game, he was aggressive going for his shot, it was a combination of guys and things as well,” Jeter said. “Our team revolves around Trenton, when he’s making shots, we’re different, but the guy who can halt a comeback, steal a game away on the defensive side is Jesiah.”

“Jesiah had a couple steals on the press only he can get. With his wingspan and athleticism, he can get those passes they try to loop over the top, then of course Trenton has put us on his back the last four games.”

Western Illinois opened the second half with a run to cut the deficit to nine (46-37) at the 14:50 mark, but the Jackrabbits responded with a run of their own to push the advantage back to 18, 60-42, with 8:31 to go.

From there, the Leathernecks would take over

as Rosner hit a basket to make it a 16-point game. KJ Lee’s three made it a 13-point SDSU lead, setting the stage for Rosner, who scored WIU’s next seven points to make it an eight-point game, 62-54, with 5:58 left. West would score the next four, setting up Massner’s, whose three-point cut the Jack lead to one, 62-61 with 3:59 left.

After a South Dakota State basket, Rosner hit another clutch bucket, tying the game, 64-64. SDSU scored five of the next seven points, going up 69-66, but a Massner three with 1:28 tied the game at 69, a spot the score remained until the end of regulation.

In overtime, it was all Leathernecks, as Western Illinois scored the first nine points of overtime. Rosner hit two free throws, Massner banged home a three, Stevanic hit a basket, which was followed by a Massner basket.

“Every player made a difference, Vuk diving out of bounds to save the ball, hitting that teardrop,” Jeter said. “Q (Bennett) going hard, getting a block, making the extra pass, Jesiah blocking shots, every player had an impact down the stretch. It’s good to see that group effort, I’m not sure how we did it, The Miracle in Macomb, I guess.”

The victory set off a wild celebration as players went into the stands and student section to celebrate the team’s four-game home sweep of conference foes, which started last Saturday.

Western Illinois now heads to the road, hoping to keep hold of second place in the conference, visiting Denver on Thursday and Omaha on Saturday. WIU has won five straight, a streak that began on the road.

“It’s good when it happens at home, for us, this place, this town, this community, this university, it creates energy, momentum, some positive vibes. It’s fun to be part of that.”

Western Illinois went 31-61 from the field, 7-20 from three. The Leathernecks rebounded in the second half, shooting 17-28 from the field after the break, including 5-11 from three. WIU controlled the glass, outrebounding South Dakota State 45-28.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHER LICENSE TRAINING FOR SHORT-TERM SUBSTITUTE TEACHER

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determining what courses to take. They focus on a specific area of study and help students who

complete two years of college before attending the four-year program. Transfer agreements are guidelines that highlight an acknowledgement and partnership between schools worth following to avoid the often costly and sometimes

confusing process of credit transfer.

“Western Illinois University is excited to partner with John Wood Community College to offer a smooth transfer experience and transition for agriculture students wishing to continue their education. We look forward to continuing to work with John Wood to provide agreements that benefit students in the region,” WIU President Guiyou Huang said.

JWCC President Bryan Renfro shared, “We at John Wood Community College are proud of our partnership with Western Illinois University. Our institutions have a long-standing history of working together to provide opportunities to students across central Illinois. We are committed to continued collaboration to improve lives through education, discovery, and service. The signing of this articulation agreement for our agricultural programs is representative of the many opportunities we provide for students to pursue their hopes and dreams. JWCC and WIU share the belief that education changes life—a truth we see daily in our students and graduates. Partnering with Dr. Huang, his team, and the institution is an honor.”

With this agreement in place, students are assured that when transferring credit hours, they can complete their bachelor's degree with the standard two years' worth of courses.

For more information on WIU's School of Agriculture, visit wiu.edu/ag. For more information on the articulation agreement, email WIU School of Agriculture Director Andrew Baker at AJ-Baker@wiu.edu, or contact JWCC Director of Public Relations Tracy Hagman at thagman@jwcc.edu.



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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You might be hurt by a colleague's harsh criticism. But don't let it shake your confidence in what you're trying to do. A more positive aspect starts to appear by week's end.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You're torn between your sensible self and the part of you that enjoys acquiring lovely things. Best advice: Wait for a sale, and then buy yourself something wonderful.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Your artistic side has practical applications this week, such as redecorating your home or redesigning your personal stationery. Whatever you do, someone special will like it.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You could be drawn into a problem between friends or family members. Best bet: Ask the questions that go to the heart of the matter, and then get them all together for a group hug.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) As much as you love being the center of attention, your big Lion's heart impels you to share the spotlight with a colleague who helped you with that well-praised project.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Your eagerness to act on a challenge is wisely tempered early in the week by a lack of necessary information. Things begin to clear up during the weekend.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A relationship you'd hoped would keep going seems to be going nowhere. Close it out and move on to a brighter romantic aspect just beginning to

manifest itself.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Things don't go completely as planned this week. But enjoy the surprises, even if you have to adjust your schedule. Some of them could be quite delightful.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Making choices is usually easy for you straight-shooting Archers. But a new development could deflect your aim. Try to put off decisions until you know more.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) While part of you might prefer taking a more familiar path, let your more daring and -- admit it

--super-curious self see what the unexplored has to offer.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Those nasty types have slithered back under the rocks and present no more problems. Now's the time to move ahead on that promising new relationship.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A new offer could clear up that lingering money problem. Also, a more confident attitude on your part might help you get that personal situation back on track.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a way of turning chaos into order. You're also generous with your help for those who seek it.

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8	2	9	1	3	6	5	7	4
3	7	1	5	9	7	8	6	2
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