

FREE Midweek Brief

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Illinois' U.S. Senator and Senate Majority Whip, Dick Durbin, visited Macomb on Monday, stopping first at McDonough District Hospital where he met with MDH's CEO Brian Dietz and the MDH Board then on to Sullivan Taylor where he visited with Mayor Michael Inman and Regional Supt. of Schools John Meixner. Later that evening the McDonough County Democrats held a reception and dinner at the Spoon River College Outreach Center. Read more on Durbin's visit in Friday's edition of the Community News Brief.

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SIU and SRC Sign Transfer Agreement

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"The Saluki Step Ahead program with Southern Illinois University Carbondale will help Spoon River College students achieve their academic goals," Oldfield said. "This flexible pathway to a bachelor's degree will be life changing for those students who participate."

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SIU Carbondale-Spoon River College "Step Ahead": Southern Illinois University Carbondale officials (from left) Wendell Williams, associate chancellor of enrollment management; Josi Rawls, associate director for transfer relations, and Sarah Jiter, undergraduate admissions director, celebrate the signing of a Saluki Step Ahead agreement with Spoon River College President Curt Oldfield and Holly Norton, vice president of educational and student services.

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Fulton County Investigates Homicide

On 08/05/23 at approximately 2pm, Fulton County Deputies were called to the eleven thousand block of N. County Highway 2, Ipava, for a deceased male within his own residence. After a thorough preliminary investigation, the Illinois State Police Crime Scene Services were contacted to process the scene. Fulton County Coroner Austin Rhodes identified the male as Donald Danner, 72 of Ipava. An autopsy was performed August 7th. The Fulton County Sheriff's Office is currently investigating the death as a homicide. If you have any information on this incident, please contact the Fulton County Sheriff's Office at 309-547-2277 or Crime Stoppers at 309-547-3939.

Macomb Fire Department Weekly Report

07/23/2023 TO 07/29/2023
 HAZARDOUS CONDITION: 0
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Flora Weaver of Bushnell will be celebrating her 103 Birthday Aug. 31st

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Q: What do you get from a pampered cow?
 A: Spoiled Milk!

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They were married August 15, 1948 at the home of Maxine's parents Edwin and Martha Waymack Luster. They are the parents of Susan (Max) Dunseth, Chris (Stuart) Hudson and Cindy (Joe) Phillips. They have six grandchildren and twelve great grandchildren.

Their children are hosting an **Open House Saturday, Aug. 12th** from 1-4 pm at the home of Max & Susan, 20330 E. 1000th St., Sciota, which is the Luster home where they were married.



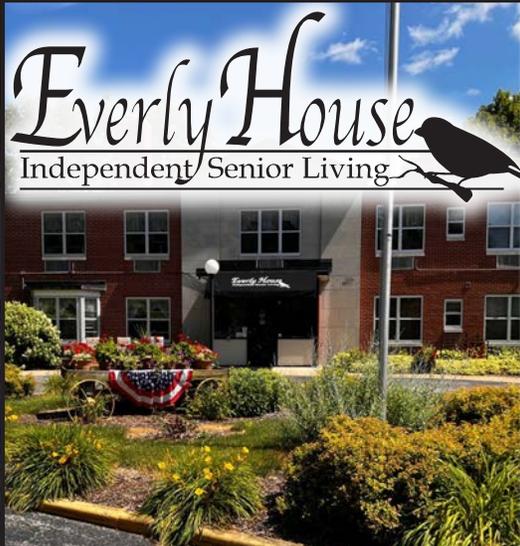
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Death Notices

Noah James Hilliard

50, of Bushnell

Noah James Hilliard, 50, of Bushnell, passed away at 2:00 AM Thursday Aug. 3, 2023 at his parent's residence.

Funeral Mass was at 11:00 AM Tuesday Aug. 8, 2023 at St. Bernards Catholic Church. Cremation was accorded after Mass. Burial of ashes will be at Ipava Cemetery with Military rites at a later date. Memorial Contributions may be made to the Bushnell Police Dept. Martin-Hollis Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Please sign guestbook or leave condolences at www.martinhollisfh.com.

Caralee Jane (Jefferson) McGinnis

76, of Carthage

Caralee Jane (Jefferson) McGinnis age 76 of Carthage, passed away Thursday, August 3, 2023, at her home in Carthage.

Funeral service will be 11:00 A.M. Thursday, August 10, 2023, at the Jones Mortuary in Colchester, with Rev. Jim Clayton. Burial will follow the services at Mt. Auburn Cemetery in Colchester. Visitation with the family will be from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. Wednesday, August 9, 2023. Friends may view and sign the register book at the funeral home from 8:30 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. Wednesday. Condolences and memories can be expressed to the family at jonesmortuaryfh.com.

Gibbs, James Wallace "Jim"

92, formerly of Macomb

Gibbs, James Wallace "Jim", 92, passed away peacefully on July 6, 2023 at Jefferson Barracks Veterans' Hospital in St. Louis, MO.

There will be a celebration of Jim's life at Parkers Table 7118 Oakland Ave., St. Louis, MO 63117 at 4:00 pm on August 12, 2023.

The family would like to thank all of the caregivers and staff at Kingsland Walk and Jefferson Barracks Hospital for their support and care.

Gerald (Jerry) Michael Haney Jr.

80, of Industry

Gerald (Jerry) Michael Haney Jr., 80, of Industry, passed away at 7:10 AM on Monday July 31, 2023 at Wesley Village in Macomb.

Funeral services were held at 11 AM on Friday, Aug. 4, 2023 at the Industry Assembly of God Church with Pastor Jon Keck officiating. Burial in the Forest Lawn Memory Gardens Cemetery in Macomb.

Memorial Contributions can be made to the Industry Assembly of God Missions Fund. Please sign the guestbook and leave condolences at www.dodsworthfh.com.

William "Lyle" Renshaw

73, of Colchester

William "Lyle" Renshaw, age 73 of Colchester, passed away at his home in Colchester, on Sunday, July 30, 2023. Cremation rites have been accorded. Celebration of Life Reception was held Saturday, August 5, 2023, at the Macomb V.F.W. with military rites by the Macomb V.F.W. and Macomb American Legion. Private burial at Hutchinson Cemetery

Memorial is to the Colchester Fire Department or Disabled Veterans. Jones Mortuary in Colchester has been assisting the family. Condolences and memories can be expressed to the family at jonesmortuaryfh.com.

Beverly Jane Buck

95, of Macomb

Beverly Jane Buck, 95, of Macomb passed away at 6:35 a.m. Sunday, July 30, 2023 at Roseville Nursing and Rehab Center in Roseville.

Memorials may be made to either the Alzheimer's Association or Compassus Hospice. Clugston-Tibbitts Funeral Home in Macomb is in charge of arrangements. You may leave condolences and sign the guest book online at clugston-tibbitts.com.

George W. Campbell

69, of Swansea, formerly of Roseville

George W. Campbell, 69, of Swansea, IL, formerly of Roseville, passed away at 6:24 a.m. on Monday, July 31, 2023, in his home surrounded by his family.

Funeral services were held at 1p.m., Monday, Aug. 7, 2023, at the Roseville Community Center, Roseville, IL.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital; Helping Hands Food Pantry of Roseville or the North Alton Baptist Church, Alton, IL. Moore Memorial Home, Roseville, is handling the arrangements. For more information or to leave an online condolence, please visit our website at www.moorememorial.com.

Death notices (name, death date and services) run free of charge. Families who wish to have a complete obit published in the Tuesday or Friday Community News Brief newspaper (including picture, family, work history and hobbies and other information) should request the Community News Brief to the funeral home that is handling the services OR submit it directly to communitybrief@gmail.com. Cost is \$45 and includes a laminated copy of the obituary.

Cheryl Reimolds

78, of Vermont

Cheryl Reimolds, 78, of Vermont, IL, passed away at 7:07pm on Saturday, July 29, 2023 at Macomb Post Acute Care in Macomb.

Cremation rites have been accorded. A graveside service in the Vermont Cemetery will be announced.

Memorials may be made to the Cheryl Reimolds Memorial Fund. Sign the guestbook and leave condolences at www.shawgomemorialhome.com.

Richard "Rich" Wallen

64, of Macomb

Richard "Rich" Wallen, 64, of Macomb, a loving husband, father, grandfather, uncle and friend, passed away on August 4, 2023 following a courageous battle with cancer, surrounded by his family. He was loved by many and will be missed by all.

Visitation will be held on Friday, August 11, 2023 from 4:00 - 7:00 pm at Dodsworth Piper Wallen Funeral Home; Memorial Mass will be held at St. Paul Church on Saturday, August 12 at 11:00 am. Father Joseph Domfe will officiate.

The family requests donations be made to Loaves and Fishes, MDH Hospice, and St. Paul Church. Dodsworth-Piper-Wallen Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Please sign the guestbook and leave condolences at www.dodsworthfh.com.

Dorothy May Gaylord Harris Thompson

84, of Burlington, formerly Stronghurst

Dorothy May Gaylord Harris Thompson, age 84, of Burlington, Iowa, passed away Sunday, August 6, 2023 at her home. She was born March 9, 1939 near Stronghurst, Illinois, the daughter of Emmett Ellsworth and Beulah May Seitz Gaylord.

The funeral service will be at 2:00 p.m. Friday, August 11, 2023 at Banks & Beals Funeral Home in Stronghurst. Burial will follow in Crane Cemetery, near Lomax. The family will receive friends from 1:00 until 2:00 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

A memorial fund has been established for the Burlington Midwest Magic Special Olympics. Please visit Dorothy's obituary at banksandbeals.com to leave a condolence.

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AUGUST 16 & 17

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EVERY MONDAY

Coffee Club

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Colchester

THURSDAY, AUGUST 10

WP Cyclone Camp for Incoming 7th Graders

West Prairie Jr. High staff will be hosting Cyclone Camp for all incoming 7th graders. It will be held in the new Jr/Sr High School located at 600 South Hun St, Colchester. It will run from 9-11:15a.m. Students will get the chance to work on their locker combinations, study skills, building tours, and work on team building activities. A pizza lunch will be provided. Bus transportation available from Blandinsville park @ 8:30a.m. and North Elementary in Good Hope @ 8:40a.m. After the Cyclone camp, the bus will leave Colchester @ 11:15a.m. and arrive in Blandinsville at approximately 11:30a.m. and Good Hope at 11:40a.m.

SATURDAY, AUG 19 - SUNDAY, AUG 20

TimberFest 2023

TimberFest 2023, 819 Macomb St., 9am-12pm. Held in the beautiful backwoods of Colchester, IL. This event includes plenty of camp ground. Featuring 12+ hours of live music, extending from bluegrass and blues to hard rock and metal.

Macomb

SECOND THURSDAY OF MONTH

Macomb ACA group will meet in the Library of University Baptist Church at 6pm. Student observers are welcome, as ours is an open meeting. Macomb NA group will meet at 6pm in the Mission House, 309 N. Sherman Ave., directly South of University Baptist Church. Student observers are welcome.

SECOND WEDNESDAY OF MONTH

The Page Turners Book Club meets the second Wednesday of every month from 4:30-5:30pm in the Macomb Public Library Meeting room. The public is invited to attend.

THIRD SUNDAY OF MONTH

Sons of the American Legion All You Can Eat Breakfast from 7-10:30am at the American Legion Post 6, 221 E. Washington St. Open to the public. \$8 per person, \$7 for Seniors 55 and up, children 6 and under are free.

FIRST SATURDAY OF MONTH

Macomb Library Knitting Club

Meets at 10:30am. Share your love of knitting or crocheting with both experienced and beginner crafters. Meet fellow knitters, brush up on skills and learn new techniques. Materials will be provided but feel free to bring your own projects. All levels of experience are welcome.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 11

YFC Ice Cream Social

at the YFC BUILDING, 1224 Maple Ave. in Macomb from 6-9pm. Donations only.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12

Purple & Gold Auction held in the WIU University Union Ballroom at 5pm. Don't miss the official kickoff to the 2023-24 Athletic Season. The evening will include Dinner, social, silent and live auctions to support Western Illinois University Athletics.

Plymouth

AUGUST 25, 26, & 27

Plymouth Old Settlers celebration will be held August 25, 26, & 27. Come out for a weekend full of food, kids activities, entertainment, a carnival, parade and much more!

Vermont

FRIDAY, AUG 11-SATURDAY, AUG 12

Vermont Celebration Days

Car show on Friday, August 11 from 4-8pm (prizes awarded), food is available and the Fire Department will be serving pulled pork sandwiches. Bring the kids on Saturday for wet and dry bounce houses, lawnmower train rides, cotton candy, kiddie tractor pull, talent show (prizes awarded), food available all day. Live music by Late Start from 1-3pm followed by the Double Shot Duo playing from 6-9pm. Bring your lawn chairs and enjoy the celebration!

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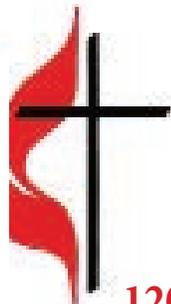
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Traffic pattern changes for Illinois State Fair

No parking at Lincoln Park, Nelson Center for Aug. 10 Twilight Parade

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Department of Transportation and Illinois Department of Agriculture today announced temporary changes in traffic patterns around the Illinois State Fairgrounds to accommodate the influx of vehicles during the fair.

Beginning at 5 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 10, IDOT will change the traffic flow around the fairgrounds to one way counterclockwise. In addition, both eastbound and westbound turn lanes from Veterans Parkway to Eighth Street will be closed. Portable signs will inform motorists of the changes. Normal traffic patterns will resume by 6 a.m., Monday, Aug. 21.

Twilight Parade Route

The Twilight Parade is Thursday, Aug. 10, with the route beginning in Lincoln Park. It will head north through the park to Sangamon Avenue and then east to the Main Gate and to the fairgrounds. Staging for the parade will begin at 1:30 p.m. in the park.

The parade route will close to traffic at 4 p.m., with detour signs along North Grand Avenue and Veterans and J. David Jones parkways in place. The Parade Run begins at 5 p.m. The parade starts at 5:30 p.m. The route is expected to remain closed until 9 p.m. No public parking will be available for parade viewing in Lincoln Park and the Nelson Center. Patrons of the Nelson Center will be able to access the center using Third Street and Black Avenue.

Parking Restrictions

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Illinois State Fair Announces 2023 Theme Days

Double Your Fun on Thursday; Agriculture Day Moves to First Friday



SPRINGFIELD, IL – The Illinois State Fair is excited to announce new theme and discount days for 2023. Changes have been made from theme days in years past. County Fairs and Horse Racing Day will start it all off on Thursday, August 10 with gates opening at 7 a.m. This change will provide a full day of horse racing, county fair celebrations, free entertainment, carnival rides, all of your favorite fair food, traditional kick off activities, and the annual Twilight Parade.

In addition to a full day of fair fun, anyone who pays for parking on the Illinois State Fairgrounds on Thursday, August 10, will receive a voucher for free parking to be redeemed on either Tuesday, August 15, Wednesday, August 16, or Thursday, August 17.

Agriculture Day moves to Friday, August 11, allowing for more livestock exhibitors and youth in agriculture participants to be on the grounds to celebrate our state's number one industry. The move to the first Friday will also help minimize the impact of school starting for some districts.

A new theme day "Twosday" will feature \$2 admission for adults and seniors on Tuesday, August 15. To enhance this family-friendly promotion, North American Midway, the fair's carnival operator, will also offer all rides at \$2.00 each. This is in addition to honoring all Mega Passes and Jumbo Passes sold before and during the fair.

"We took a look at our theme days and saw a couple of ways we could enhance our fairgoers' experience," said Rebecca Clark Illinois State Fair Manager. "From opening our gates earlier for a full day of horse racing, to exposing more Illinoisians to our state's number one industry and offering affordable ways for families to enjoy the Illinois State Fair, our newly enhanced theme days will have something for everyone."

The Governor's Sale of Champions is also making the move to Governor's Day, which will be Wednesday, August 16. All fairgoers are encouraged and welcome to visit our Hall of Champions throughout the fair to visit with our youth exhibitors and learn more about their prize-winning animals.

Thursday, August 10 will be jam packed with fair fun. The official ribbon cutting for the Illinois State Fair will take place at 10 a.m. followed by carnival rides opening at noon, livestock shows, and of course amazing fair food!

Here is the complete list of the 2023 Illinois State Fair theme and discount days:

Thursday, August 10 - County Fairs & Horse Racing Day/Double the Fun

Friday, August 11 - Agriculture Day

Saturday, August 12 - Kids Day

Sunday, August 13 - Veterans Day (Free admission for veterans and their families)

Monday, August 14 - Senior & Scout Day (Free Admission for seniors and scouts)

Tuesday, August 15 - Twosday (\$2 Admission for adults and seniors)

Wednesday, August 16 - Governor's Day

Thursday, August 17 - Republican Day

Friday, August 18 - First Responders & Healthcare Heroes Day (Free Admission for first responders and healthcare workers w/ ID)

Saturday, August 19 - Park District Conservation Day

Sunday, August 20 - Family Day

Mark your calendars for the 2023 Illinois State Fair, running August 10 through 20 in Springfield. Stay up to date with all the latest news and announcements from the Illinois State Fair by connecting with us via Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

State Fair

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sample size portions from any Village of Cultures vendor, allowing your waist and your wallet to expand. "There are so many tasty options all around the fairgrounds, especially in the Village of Cultures, that we came up with a great way for fairgoers to travel around the world without breaking the bank," said Illinois State Fair Manager Rebecca Clark. "The perfectly sized portions give folks a chance to sample foods they may have not tried otherwise, and if they fall in love with the dish, they can go back for the full-size portion!" The food special "Feeding Frenzy" also returns in 2023. Fittingly, the "Jaws" theme song will blast over the fairgrounds signaling the beginning and end of the frenzy that runs every weekday (August 10-11 & August 14-18) of the fair from 2-5 p.m. When the music sounds (15 minutes prior to the discounts starting, and 15 minutes before they end), participating vendors will reduce prices on select menu items. Please check the Illinois State Fair website or the Information Booths for an updated list of participating vendors, as well as vendor locations.

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SIU

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Established in 2021, the program enables students who graduate with an associate degree from partnering community colleges to complete their SIU bachelor's degrees online in accounting, business administration, criminology and criminal justice, early childhood, elementary education, health care management, history, industrial management and applied engineering, information technology, nursing (RN to BSN), psychology and radiologic sciences.

Students in the Saluki Step Ahead program pay the community college rate for their first two years. In the third and fourth years, they receive an annual \$4,000 scholarship. Besides the cost savings, the program also eliminates the need and expense of relocating while continuing their education.

"We are pleased to collaborate with Spoon River College to provide another option for place-bound students in this region," Lane said. "If these students cannot come to

Carbondale to complete their education, we will bring the experience and resources of a doctoral research university to them."

With the signing, Spoon River College became one of more than 40 community colleges in Illinois, Missouri, and Texas to be part of the Saluki Step Ahead program.

"It brings an accessible and affordable bachelor's degree to the SRC students and SRC alumni who are able to keep living and working in this area while achieving their dream," said Oldfield.

Spoon River College is a two-year, public community college in west central Illinois, with campuses and Community Outreach Centers in Canton and Macomb, and Learning Centers in Havana and Rushville. It offers career and technical education and more than 25 transfer programs, and serves students in a 1,566 square mile area that includes portions of Fulton, McDonough, Mason, Schuyler, and Knox counties. For more information about Spoon River College, visit www.src.edu.

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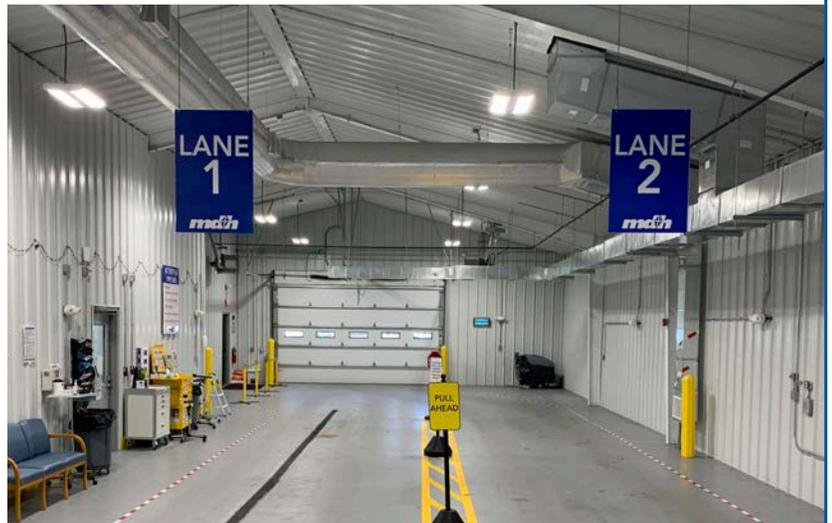
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- MacArthur Early Childhood Center, PreK, 235 W. Grant Street, (309) 833-4273
- Lincoln School, K-2, 315 N. Bonham Street, (309) 833-2095
- Edison School, 3-5, 521 S. Pearl Street, (309) 837-3993
- Macomb Middle School, 6-8, 1531 S. Johnson Street, (309) 833-2074
- Macomb High School, 9-12, 1525 S. Johnson Street, (309) 837-2331

REGISTRATION FEES 2023-2024 registration fees will be waived for all students

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS Attached are the health requirements. More information can be found on the district website. Any other questions regarding health requirements should be directed to the District Nurse (309) 833-6330

SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST Can be found on the district website or will be available in local stores

BACK TO SCHOOL/ORIENTATION DATES

- MacArthur Early Childhood Center - August 17, 2023
Morning Session 8:00 am - 10:00 am
Afternoon Session 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm
- Lincoln School - August 16, 2023
Kindergarten 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm
Grades 1-2 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm
- Edison School - August 16, 2023, 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm
- Grade 3 5:00 - Edison Orientation (Gym), 5:30 - Classroom Presentation, 6:00 - Explore Edison
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- Macomb Middle School - August 11, 2023
Grade 6 Orientation 9:00 am - 10:30 am
Grade 7 Orientation 10:30 am - 12:00 pm
Grade 8 Orientation 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm
- Macomb High School - August 15, 2023
Grade 9 Orientation 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm (parents & students)

Back to School 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm (grades 9-12, parents & students)

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

- Thursday, August 17, 2023 - Kindergarten - 12, full day
- Friday, August 18, 2023 - PreK students will attend a.m. or p.m. session

FOOD SERVICE The Community Eligibility Program (CEP) has been accepted for the 23-24 school year and all students in grades Pre-K through 8th grade will be provided free meals for breakfast and lunch. If students purchase additional meals or milk, they will be charged

- Breakfast (including milk) preschool/prekindergarten through 12th grade \$1.75
- Lunch (including milk) preschool/prekindergarten through 8th grade \$2.70
- Lunch (including milk) 9th grade through 12th grade \$2.95
- Milk \$0.55
- The Breakfast/Lunch Menus can be found on the district website.
- Any questions should be directed to Aramark at (309) 837-2335

BUS TRANSPORTATION Will begin the first day of school, August 17, for those K-12 students who are eligible. Busing for MacArthur students will begin August 22. Students will not be expected to walk more than 1.5 miles, unless they attend MacArthur. Bus stop information will be available on Family Access or by contacting the bus garage at (309) 836-6806. Any other questions regarding bussing should also be directed to the bus garage.

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STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Lucie Winborne

* In 2018, Nataraj Karate set a new Guinness World Record by stuffing 650 drinking straws in his mouth at once. He had to keep them there for at least 10 seconds to break the previous record.

* Human blood cells have different lifespans.

* Dollar bills weren't always green. Colonial money, for example, was tan with black or red ink. The Civil War government began using green ink to print paper money because it didn't fade or easily decompose, which protected against counterfeiting.

* Auto manufacturer Volkswagen makes not just vehicles, but currywurst sausages.

* The first hot-air balloon flight, in 1783, took off with a sheep, a duck and a rooster on board, as it was unknown how the human body would react to flying at high altitudes. (They landed safely.)

* A company in Poland makes dinnerware out of wheat bran.

* Queen Elizabeth II visited the set of the TV series "Game of Thrones" but couldn't be seated on the throne due to an old rule that "the ruling monarch can't sit on a foreign throne."

* While it's not the longest word in the English language, a study of 1.7 million samples of everyday English found that the longest word you're likely to encounter on a daily basis is "uncharacteristically."

* Ants leave pheromone trails when they walk that serve as maps for other ants.

* Although Saturn is the second-largest planet in our solar system, it's also the lightest, and could float in water because it's basically a giant gas ball -- if we had a bathtub big enough to hold it.

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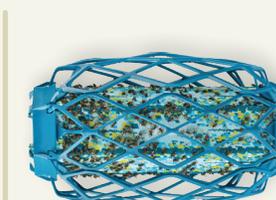
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