

# FREE Midweek Brief

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## Happenings at the YMCA Senior Center

Mark your calendar for some interesting and informative programs at the YMCA Senior Center. In the upcoming weeks a variety of offerings, which are free to attend, are available for area seniors and others.

On Friday, August 16, at 12:30pm Brenda Sayre will entertain the group with her Antiques Show and Tell presentation. She will address the difference between what is considered vintage and what is an antique. This is also a time where attendees can share an item to get Brenda's insight on it. Please no coins, military paraphernalia or clothing.

On Wednesday, August 21 Diann Sugden from the Illinois Extension Office will offer the program, Healthy Cents: What is Healthy Food & How Can We Afford It? This class starts at 12:15pm-1:15pm. All are welcome to attend.

Interested in playing 7- or 10-point Pitch? Please give Cindy a call as we are trying to fill out a group to play on Tuesday afternoons.

These opportunities are free; it would be great to call the Senior Center at 309-837-5733 and let us know you are planning on attending.



## Illinois State Treasurer Michael Frerichs Returns Record \$301 Million to Residents In Fiscal Year 2024

### Money Match Drives Big Increase in Missing Money Returned

Illinois State Treasurer Michael Frerichs returned a record \$301 million to 321,558 Illinois residents through the state's missing money program during Fiscal Year 2024.

"Putting money back in people's pockets helps families and our state's economy," Frerichs said. "This money belongs with its rightful owners, and we have added tools to return more of it."

Illinois' missing money program — also known as I-CASH — is one of the state's oldest consumer protection initiatives. The Illinois State Treasurer is tasked with safeguarding and returning unclaimed property, including the contents of overlooked safe deposit boxes, unpaid life insurance benefits, forgotten bank accounts and unused rebate cards. The Illinois State Treasurer

is legally required to return unclaimed property to its owner or heirs, no matter how long it takes.

Frerichs has given back more than \$2 billion during his time in office. When Frerichs first became Treasurer, there were 60,000 claims paid a year. Today, more than 300,000 claims are paid a year, owing in no small part to Frerichs' complete restructuring of the missing money process. The State Treasurer's Office added electronic claims

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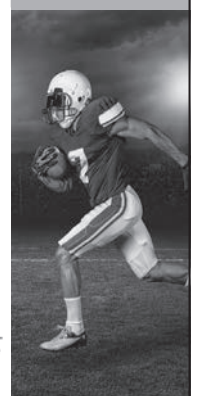
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## POLICE REPORTS

### Macomb Police Department

7/29

Jaheim M. Johnson, 22, Macomb, was charged with battery, hate crime

Gabriel J. O'Brien, 21, Macomb, was charged with DUI/alcohol, squealing/screeching tires

Mercedes A. Hobson, 33, Macomb, was arrested on a McDonough County warrant

Gregorio M. Pedro, 32, Peoria, was charged with no insurance-operating under suspension, operating an uninsured motor vehicle

John B. Ritter, 66, Table Grove, was charged with careless driving

7/30

Dennis W. Moon, 76, Macomb, was charged with illegal dumping on private property

7/31

Jason Z. Morser, 43, Blandinsville, was charged with no insurance-operating under suspension

Aaron J. Gantner, 35, Macomb, was charged with careless driving

Jerome W. Fess, 52, Macomb, was charged with careless driving

8/1

Dicky Ray Barnes, 67, Coolidge, AZ, was charged with careless driving

8/2

David W. Norris, 66, Macomb, was charged with careless driving

Timothy B. Vigezzi, 25, Macomb, was charged with operating an uninsured motor vehicle

## TODAY'S JOKES

Q: What's a witch's favorite school subject?

A: Spelling!

Q: What do you get when you put a cow on a trampoline?

A: A milk shake!

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### McDonough County Sheriff

7/30

Jason Eric Hicks, 49, Macomb, was charged with residential burglary, criminal trespass to residence, theft

Kenneth Lenard Cosby, 30, Dolton, was arrested on a McDonough County warrant, foreign warrant

8/2

Christian Edwards Erskin, 19, Macomb, was arrested on a McDonough County warrant

8/3

Jennifer Rae Bunch, 52, Bushnell, was charged with disorderly conduct, aggravated battery/great bodily harm/PC, resisting a peace officer, aggravated assault of peace officer/fire/ER worker

Justin Jacob Tournear, 30, Bardolph, was charged with driving on suspended or revoked drivers license

Skylar Makenzie Shannon, 19, Bushnell, was arrested on a McDonough County body attachment warrant

Destiny Janelle Shumaker, 23, LaHarpe, was charged with DUI/alcohol, driving on suspended or revoked drivers license

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## Death Notices

### Barbara J. Corzatt

94, of rural Dallas City

Barbara J. Corzatt, 94, of rural Dallas City, Illinois, passed away at 3:05 a.m. Wednesday, August 7, 2024 at The Elms in Macomb, Illinois.

Services were held Tuesday, August 13, 2024 at the LaHarpe Christian Church with Rev. Rick Goettsche and Rev. Bruce Goettsche officiating. Burial in Durham Cemetery.

A memorial fund has been established for The Elms or LaHarpe Union Church. To leave an online condolence for the family, please visit Barb's obituary at [banksandbeals.com](http://banksandbeals.com).

### David John Fosdyck

74, of Peoria (formerly of Macomb)

David John Fosdyck, 74, of Peoria, formerly of Macomb passed away at 3:40 a.m. Friday, August 9, 2024 at Beardstown Health and Rehabilitation Center in Beardstown.

Cremation rites have been accorded. There will be no services.

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](http://clugston-tibbitts.com).

### Harvey Brinton

96, of Quincy (formerly of Galesburg & Vermont)

Harvey William Brinton, 96, of Quincy and formerly of Galesburg & Vermont, passed away at 9:44 am on Saturday, August 10, 2023, at Blessing Hospital in Quincy.

Funeral services honoring Harvey's life will be conducted at 1:00 pm on Wednesday, August 14, 2024, at the Triplett & Wood Funeral Home of Rushville. Pastor Charla Meyers will officiate. Interment will follow at the Rushville City Cemetery where military rites will be conducted by the United States Navy & The Schuyler American Legion Post #4. Visitation will be held from 12:00 noon until the time of services at the funeral home. Memorial contributions in memory of Harvey are suggested to St. Jude Children's Hospital or to the First Lutheran Church of Galesburg. You are invited to share your memories of Harvey and leave a condolence at [www.triplettwood.com](http://www.triplettwood.com)

### Kimberly D. Ward

56, of Canton

Kimberly D. Ward, 56, of Canton, passed away Thursday August 8, 2024 at OSF Richard L. Owens Hospice Home in Peoria.

Cremation will be accorded. The family will plan a celebration of life at a later date. To leave online condolences visit [henrylange.com](http://henrylange.com).

### Vernon Lee Ford

79, of Smithfield

Vernon Lee Ford, 79, of Smithfield, passed away at 3:35 PM on Monday, August 5, 2024 at Sunset Nursing Home in Canton.

Per Vernon's wishes, there will be no services, cremation rites will be accorded through Sedgwick Funeral Homes & Crematory. Memorials can be made to Donor's Choice. To leave online condolences please visit [www.sedgwickfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sedgwickfuneralhomes.com).

### Sherry L. Homan

77, of Macomb

Sherry L. Homan, 77, of Macomb passed away at 11:55 p.m. Monday, August 5, 2024 at her residence.

Cremation rites have been accorded. A Memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, August 14, 2024 at Clugston-Tibbitts Funeral Home in Macomb with David Homan officiating. Visitation will be held one hour prior to services at the funeral home. Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery in Macomb.

Memorials may be made to the American Lung Association. You may leave condolences and sign the guest book online at [clugston-tibbitts.com](http://clugston-tibbitts.com).

### Barbara Kay Bown

81, of Macomb

Barbara Kay Bown, age 81, of Macomb, Illinois, went to be with our Lord and Savior on July 4, 2024.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. on Saturday, August 24, 2024 at Clugston-Tibbitts Funeral Home in Macomb with Lisa Crowder, Traditions Hospice Chaplain, officiating. Private internment will be held prior to the service. Memorials may be made to Traditions Hospice of Macomb. Condolences and memories may be expressed to the family at the service.

You may leave condolences and sign the guest book online at [clugston-tibbitts.com](http://clugston-tibbitts.com).

### Shirley Rose Ebey

97, of Macomb

Shirley Rose Ebey, 97, of Macomb, Illinois passed away at 9:28 pm on Thursday August 1, 2024 in Macomb.

Graveside services were held at 1:00 pm on Saturday August 10th at Oakwood Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Macomb Fire Department, with special designation towards Heroes Fund to assist child victims of fires.

Dodsworth-Piper-Wallen Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Please sign the guestbook and leave condolences at [www.dodsworthfh.com](http://www.dodsworthfh.com).

### Chad Michael White

34, of Mendon

Chad Michael White, 34 of Mendon, passed away Friday, August 2, 2024 at Blessing Hospital in Quincy.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Aug. 8, 2024 at Arnold's Funeral Home in Canton, MO. Interment was in Forest Grove Cemetery at Canton.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Chad White memorial, established in his memory to support his daughters.

Contributions can be sent to Arnold's Funeral Home, 1100 White St., Canton, MO 63435. The family deeply appreciates your support and kindness during this time.

### Joyce A. Derry

88, of Macomb

On August 5, 2024 at 10:35 am, our Mom, Joyce A Derry, age 88, fulfilled her journey here on earth in her home surrounded by her loved ones.

In her final wishes she requested no formal services. She wanted friends and family to take a few moments and reminisce of happy, crazy moments they had shared.

Our Mom was an extraordinary woman who we loved with all of our hearts. We feel truly blessed that we were able to be with her and fulfill her requests on her final journey here on earth.

### William C. Francis

86, of Macomb

William C. Francis, 86, of Macomb, Illinois, passed away at 12:50 AM Sunday Aug. 11, 2024 at Blessing Hospital in Quincy, Illinois.

A visitation will be held Tuesday Aug. 20, 2024 from 4-6 PM at the Dodsworth-Piper-Wallen Funeral Home; followed by a Celebration of Life at the Macomb Elks Lodge from 6:30- 8:30 PM. Cremation has been accorded. Memorial Contributions may be made to Smile Train Organization for Cleft lips and palate corrective surgery or 40-et-Voiture 913 Nurses Scholarship Fund.

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# Community Calendar

## *Blandinsville*

### **SATURDAYS**

#### **Story Hour and Crafts**

Saturdays at The Blandinsville-Hire Library at 10 AM. Snacks will be available. Check out the many new kids and young adult books. Spend some time at the library and take a book home to read!

## *Bushnell*

### **AUG. 21-24**

#### **Town & Country Fall Festival**

Live entertainment in the park, Arts and Craft Show, Pie & cake auction & much more! The Parade will be held on Thursday. Boden Amusements will provide carnival food and rides.

### **AUGUST 22**

#### **Friends Feeding Friends**

On August 22, 2024, Friends Feeding Friends is serving a free-will offering meal from 4:30PM to 6:30PM at the Community Christian Center in Bushnell.

### **FRIDAY, AUG. 23**

#### **Bushnell Class of 1969 Reunion**

at the Bushnell VFW. Doors open at 5:30, please bring snack or appetizer, but if you can't there will be plenty. Come and enjoy a night of fellowship and memories. Hope to see you there!

## *Colchester*

### **AUG. 29-SEPT. 2**

#### **Annual Labor Day Celebration**

features a parade, carnival, food and drink vendors, flea market, Antique Engine Tractor Show and various entertainment. The event is free and open to the public.

## *Spava*

### **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7**

#### **Camp Ellis Days**

Parade at 10am, Live entertainment all day.

## *Macomb*

### **EVERY TUESDAY**

#### **Al-Anon meeting**

AlAnon will meet at 3 pm on Tuesdays at the University Baptist Mission house 309 North Sherman. AlAnon is a 12 step meeting for family and friends of alcoholics and drug addiction.

### **EVERY WEDNESDAY**

#### **Weekly Bible School**

Held every Wednesday from 7-8pm at Victory Baptist of Macomb. This is for ages 4 through adult. REFLECT youth group meets each Wednesday from 6-8. Location: 10460 N.1200th Road in Macomb.

### **THURSDAYS & SATURDAYS**

#### **Macomb Farmers Market**

The Macomb Farmers Market will be along the Lafayette & Carroll sides of Chandler Park this Thursday, August 1 & Saturday, August 3, from 8 a.m. to Noon, with fresh, locally grown produce; locally raised beef, pork, lamb, & chicken; breads, pies, cookies, & other baked goods; grilled cheese sandwiches, brats, flavored popcorn, & soft drinks; honey & syrup; live plants & fresh flowers; & hand-crafted goods of all sorts.

### **SUNDAY, AUG 18**

#### **All You Can Eat Breakfast**

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.

### **MONDAY, AUG 19**

#### **Genealogical Society's Meeting**

The McDonough County Genealogical Society's meeting will be held at the Western Illinois Museum on Monday, August 19th at 6:00 PM. Brian Schmidt will be presenting the program about the historic buildings on the Rushville Square. Everyone is welcome to attend.

### **WEDNESDAY, AUG 21**

#### **Antique & Collectibles Club**

Meet at Engraving By Lin, 33 East Side Square - Macomb. Program/Presenter: Lin Stults. All meetings are open to the public and we hope you will join us.

### **FRIDAY, AUG. 23**

#### **2024 Downtown Block Party**

Whether you are a student at Western Illinois University or Spoon River College, a resident of Macomb, or a visitor from out of town YOU are invited to join us in Chandler Park from 4:30-6:30pm. Sponsored by the City of Macomb, Macomb Area Chamber of Commerce, Western Illinois University and Spoon River College.

#### **Prairieland Conservancy Tour**

-Alice Henry & Prairieland Conservancy This-  
tle Hills Tour from 4:30-6:30pm. For questions or driving instructions email Cindy Owsley at owsely1953@yahoo.com.

### **FRIDAY, AUGUST 30**

#### **Annual Scholarship Golf Outing**

C.T. Vivian Project Foundation Annual Scholarship Golf Outing at Harry Mussatto Golf Course, 1215 Tower Road

### **SEPT. 6 & 7**

#### **Macomb Balloon Rally**

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## **SEPTEMBER 7**

### **Friends of the Library Book Sale**

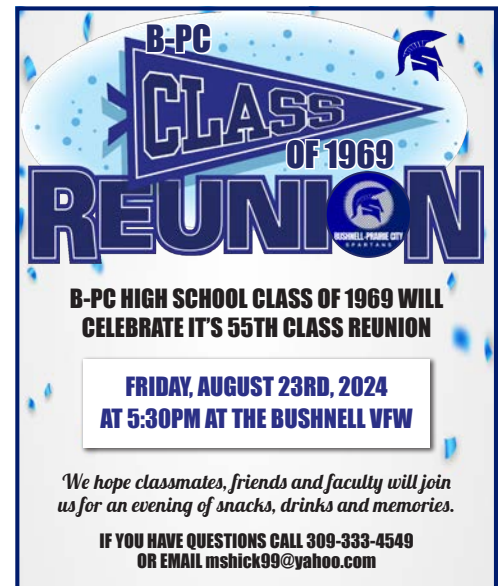
from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Chandler Park in conjunction with the Gazebo Art Festival. This sale will feature a large selection of children, youth and adult books arranged in subject areas along with a wide assortment of CDs, DVDs, and audio books. This is a fair weather sale only and will be cancelled in the event of rain.

### **Gazebo Art Festival**

in Chandler Park from 9AM to 4PM. features 25 artists representing stained glass, mosaics, kiln-fired glass, ceramics, woodworking, metal sculptures, painting, needle felting, photography, fractal art, Zen gardens, woven and hand-dyed textiles, metal jewelry, and more!

### **YFC Disc Golf Tournament**

Registration at 8am and tee off at 9am in Everly & Glenwood parks.



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### The Cafe

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### Chandler Park Summer Concert Series

On August 14 the Prairieland Barber-shop Chorus will close out the Summer Concert Series. Plan to stop by Wednesday at noon and enjoy music from local musicians!

### Macomb City Hall Lawn

The City of Macomb welcomes the community to the Front Lawn of City Hall this summer for performances by the Macomb Municipal Band. Join us from 7:00PM-8:30PM on Thursday, Aug. 15. This event is free and open to the public. Please bring your own lawn chairs and blankets.

### New Copperfield's

Macomb area musicians Jacque and Emily will perform folk, popular and other tunes together at New Copperfield's Book Service, 120 North Side Square, Macomb, Saturday, August 17 at 1:00 P.M.

### Hickory Ridge Concerts

Jazz/roots musician Jim Kanas will take the stage on Saturday, August the 17th at 7:00 pm in the historic Ellisville Opera House in Ellisville. Jim is a jazz guitarist and American roots musician/stylist, a composer and multi-instrumentalist.

### American Legion

Dixieland Band led by John Cooper plays Tuesday, Aug. 20 from 7-9pm in the American Legion Post 6, 221 E. Washington St., Macomb. No admission, but there is a freewill offering during the show.

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### Residence Hall Move-In Begins for WIU

Copy By: University Communications

MACOMB, IL – Residence Halls at Western Illinois University will open for all students to move-in beginning 8 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 15.

Welcome Crew volunteers will be helping students move into their residence hall room from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 15 and Friday, Aug. 16. Before arriving on campus, students are encouraged to view the packing list and move-in guide sent to them in July. This information can also be found on the move-in website, at [rebrand.ly/wiumovein](http://rebrand.ly/wiumovein).

Stay informed of move-in updates by following the UHDS Facebook page and checking your WIU email.

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and eliminated red tape that slowed small-money claims.

The Enhanced Money Match program is a key driver in this success. The program allows the Treasurer's Office to automatically return money to individuals without the need to file a claim. Frerichs worked with the General Assembly to raise the limit on the amount of money returned this way to \$5,000.

The Enhanced Money Match program leverages data already collected by the state and cross-matches it with the Treasurer's unclaimed property database. When a name and mailing address are matched, identified, and confirmed, the unclaimed property owner receives a letter from the Treasurer's Office that describes the amount and source of the money. After one additional security step is concluded, a check simply is issued to the owner. All people have to do is watch for it in the mail.

Frerichs also added a Friends and Family "share" feature. When visitors to the I-CASH website come across the name of someone they know, they can select the "share" icon and provide the email address of their friend or relative. Frerichs' office will notify the individual by sending an email that mentions the missing money along with the name of the friend or relative who spotted it. Then, that individual can start the process of retrieving their missing money.

This year, Treasurer Frerichs unveiled a Spanish-language missing money website. The site works the same way as its English-language counterpart. People enter a name and city or ZIP code into the search box, and if there's a match, they can start filing a claim online.

When the Treasurer's Office's safe deposit boxes fill up, unclaimed items go up for auction after 10 years of private and public attempts to locate the owner or heirs. The next live unclaimed property auction will be on Saturday, Aug. 17 at 11 a.m. at the Lincoln Stage at the Illinois State Fair, with a preview of items starting at 9 a.m. All auction proceeds are held in perpetuity for the rightful owners.

Illinois is a national leader in the unclaimed property space and is frequently consulted by other states' leaders who are seeking to reform their unclaimed property laws, rules, and procedures.

The Illinois State Treasurer's Office recommends that people check at least twice each year at [icash.illinoistreasurer.gov](http://icash.illinoistreasurer.gov) to see if missing money is waiting for you.

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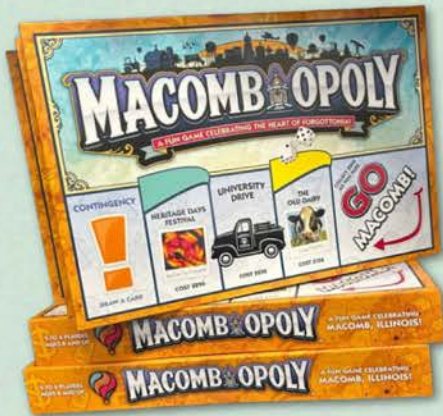
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## Post 6 Big Band Returns August 28

By: John Cooper

Don't miss opening night of the Post 6 Big Band! Summer break is almost over, and we can't wait to play for you again. There is no charge to attend the Post 6 Big Band program. Through free will offerings, our community of loyal listeners have donated enough money to purchase music and equipment that helps enrich the experience for everyone. In that way, the community is as much a part of the band as are the musicians. It's really Our Big Band!

The 7th season of the Post 6 Big Band kicks off on August 28, at the Macomb American Legion, 221 E Washington St, 7-9 p.m. You can stay connected by liking our Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/post6bigband](http://www.facebook.com/post6bigband) A schedule of performances is available on our Facebook page. Hope to have you join us soon!

Are you a Dixieland Band fan? Join The Lamoine River Ramblers, the 3rd Tuesday of each month, 7-9 p.m. at the Macomb American Legion—SAME TIME, SAME PLACE, different night—GOOD MUSIC!



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**Rushville Center • 706 Maple Avenue**

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**August 21 • 4:00-6:00 pm**

Please be sure to bring in 2022 Income tax information, 2022 W-2s and other income, Social Security numbers, FSA IDs, passwords, and email addresses for ALL contributors to the FAFSA. This includes Student, Parent, and/or Parent's Spouse. You may bring your personal device if you choose.

If you have not created an FSA ID and Password and need assistance with that, assistance will be provided, but please be aware it could take 3-5 business days for your information to be verified before a FAFSA can be completed. In that case you can contact SRC Financial Aid to schedule a one-on-one appointment to assist in the completion. Call 309-649-7030 for assistance.



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The salary range for the position is \$18.08/hr. For individuals that do not have a CDL at the time of hire, the non-CDL pay rate would apply until the CDL license is obtained. A DOT pre-employment physical, drug screen and background investigation will be required prior to employment. McDonough County residency required.

General employment applications are available at the Mayor's Office in Macomb City Hall; 232 E. Jackson Street, Macomb, IL or on-line at: <https://cityofmacomb.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/APPLICATION-FOR-EMPLOYMENT-.pdf>

Completed applications for this position must be returned to the Mayor's Office in City Hall no later than **5:00 p.m. on August 23, 2024.**

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## NOTICE TO BIDDERS CITY OF MACOMB

### HVAC Replacement for Macomb Police Department

The City of Macomb will receive sealed bids for the replacement of HVAC units for the Police Department. Sealed bids will be received at the City Clerk's office, 232 East Jackson Street until 10:00 a.m., Friday, August 23, 2024, at which time they will be opened. Plans and specifications are available at the office of the City Clerk, 232 East Jackson Street, Macomb, IL. The City of Macomb reserves the right to waive technicalities and to reject any or all bids. Questions must be received in writing on or before Monday, August 19, 2024 4:00 p.m., and directed to Chief Jeff Hamer by phone (309)-833-4505, OR email ([jhamer@macombpolice.com](mailto:jhamer@macombpolice.com)). Electronic or emailed bids will not be accepted.

Renee Lotz  
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## PUBLIC NOTICE

Disabled Veterans Homestead Exemption: has expanded the exemption to include veterans of World War II, regardless of their level of disability. These veterans would receive a **100% reduction in their residential property's assessed value** and would not be required to reapply for the exemption each year.

The exemption also expands the Disabled Veteran's Homestead Exemption to remove the requirement of the discharge status.

Please contact the McDonough County Supervisor of Assessments Office for more information regarding these changes.

Phone: (309)833-5305

Email: [DeborahC@assessor.mcdonough.il.us](mailto:DeborahC@assessor.mcdonough.il.us)

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**4 FAMILY GARAGE SALE:** 3 Twig Rd., Friday and Saturday, Aug 16 & 17, 9am-? Lots of different sizes of clothes, collectables, dishes and more! Come Check Us Out and visit our friends at 6 Marty Lane, they are having a moving sale!

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## STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Lucie Winborne

\* After 10 minutes of looking at yourself in a mirror in a dimly lit room, your bored brain will distort your reflection, triggering the appearance of imaginary monsters such as "Bloody Mary."

\* Sologamy is the act of marrying yourself.

\* In 1895, there were only two cars in the entire state of Ohio ... and they still ended up crashing into each other.

\* The record for most passengers on an airplane was set in 1991 when 1,086 Ethiopian Jews were evacuated to Jerusalem on a Boeing 747. However, the plane landed with 1,088 passengers, as two babies made their earthly debut during the flight.

\* Pineapples were a status symbol in 18th century England. In fact, they were so expensive that you could rent them by the night and take them to parties with you.

\* In the first quarter after Covid lockdowns, lipstick sales shot up nearly 50%.

\* The Apollo 11 astronauts had to go through customs upon their return to Earth and declare moon rocks, moon dust and other lunar samples, according to the form signed by all three and filed at the Honolulu Airport in Hawaii on July 24, 1969.

\* Cymothoa exigua is a parasite that severs the blood vessels of a fish's tongue and becomes a new functional tongue.

\* Bella and Edward's relationship in the "Twilight" book and film series meets all 15 criteria set by the National Domestic Violence Hotline for being in an abusive relationship.

\* An estimated 10% of Europeans are immune to HIV infection because they have an ancestor who survived bubonic plague.

Thought for the Day: "It isn't what you have, or who you are, or where you are, or what you are doing that makes you happy or unhappy. It is what you think about."

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