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McDonough CEO launches "Through the Decades Trivia Night"

Community invited to test their trivia knowledge on December 9 at Park Place, Macomb



MACOMB, Ill. – The McDonough County CEO Class is holding a "Through the Decades Trivia Night" on December 9 at 7:00 p.m. at Park Place in Macomb, Illinois. The student entrepreneurs have designed the night as a fun evening that's sure to test your knowledge, featuring trivia questions from different decades.

This event is the featured class business for this year's McDonough County CEO program, and the student members of the class are working together to plan, coordinate and execute the event.

"I'm looking forward to seeing everyone in the community come together and enjoy a fun night of fellowship and trivia," says Justice Keene, McDonough CEO class member serving as chief marketing officer.

The Through the Decades Trivia Night isn't just a night to showcase your smarts - it's also an opportunity to support a good cause. A portion of the proceeds from the event will help the CEO students launch their personal businesses, making it a night of fun with purpose.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. with the fun starting at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$20 per person or \$150 for a team of 8 people. Tickets can be purchased online or by visiting: tickettailor.com/events/mcdonoughcountyceo.

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Agronomy Club Shines at Section 11 Agronomy Contest

MACOMB, IL - -The Agronomy Club at Western Illinois University recently hosted the Section 11 Agronomy Contest, creating an enriching and competitive environment for students. The event brought together dedicated members of the Agronomy Club under the guidance of faculty advisor Joel Gruver.

The Agronomy Club, composed of passionate students with an interest in the science of soil management and crop production, organized and executed the Section 11 Agronomy Contest with enthusiasm and dedication.

"Rooted in passion, nurtured by dedication, the Agronomy Club at WIU has cultivated a thriving environment through the Section 11 Agronomy Contest," Gruver said. "With soil science enthusiasts like Stephanie Reiter, Clay-



ton Walch and Fuller Anderson shaping its essence, the contest becomes a fertile ground for students to showcase agronomic expertise. The success of this contest is a testament to the unwavering commitment to excellence within our academic

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Dakota Chance Lockmiller, 18, Joy, was charged with aid/abet/possession/sell stolen vehicle

Conner Lynn Johnson, 18, Macomb, was charged with stalking, criminal trespass to state land

Deondra Lene Jackson, 34, Macomb, was charged with criminal trespass to residence, residential burglary, aggravated assault/use deadly weapon

William Shayne Thorpe, 36, Macomb, was arrested on a McDonough County warrant

11/29

Stephen Michael Burbidge, 30, Macomb, was arrested on a McDonough County warrant

Gabriell Monique Mendes, 20, Miami, FL, was charged with retail theft/disp merch/less than \$300

Rodney Dale Kitchens, 36, Bushnell, was charged with no valid drivers license

Macomb Police Department

11/28

Dana P. Corbix, 21, Macomb, was charged with careless driving

11/29

Karissa A. Kitch, 25, Macomb, was charged with trespassing

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A: It was feeling crumb-y!

Q: What kind of shoes do spies wear?

A: Sneak-ers!

Thank You

My sincerest Thank You to everyone who planned, helped and attended my "surprise" birthday party - and when I say surprise, I do mean surprise! After the initial shock was over, the afternoon was great!

My deepest Thanks for all the cards, gifts, calls and kind words. I so enjoyed everything and visiting with everyone.

To my family, a most grateful Thank You. You are all so special and I know it was a lot of work. Again, my Thanks and my love to my family and friends. May god bless all of you.

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Death Notices

Joyce Hiland

79, of Augusta

Joyce A. Dean Hiland, 79, of Augusta, passed away at 8:45pm Thursday, Nov. 30, 2023 at the Golden Good Shepherd Home in Golden, with her family at her side.

Funeral services were held Monday, Dec. 4, 2023 at the Hamilton Funeral Home in Augusta, with Pastor Sheri Renner officiating. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery in Augusta.

Memorials may be made to Woodlawn Cemetery Association or Augusta Senior Citizens Center. The Hamilton Funeral Home in Augusta, is handling arrangements

Fred Gardner III

60, of LaHarpe

Fred Gardner III, 60, of LaHarpe, Illinois, passed away at 2:10 p.m. Sunday, November 26, 2023 at the Macomb Post Acute Care Center, Macomb, Illinois.

A memorial service will be held in honor of Fred on March 16, 2024 in Chicago Forest Preserves, specific location TBD.

Cremation has been entrusted to Banks & Beals Funeral Home. To leave an online condolence for the family, please visit Fred's obituary at banksandbeals.com.

Dr. Douglass G. Norvell

Douglass G. Norvell, PhD, of Nauvoo passed away peacefully at his home near Nauvoo on Tuesday, November 28.

Cremation has been entrusted to Schmitz-Banks & Beals Funeral Home of Nauvoo. A graveside service will be held at 2:00 p.m. Monday, December 18, 2023 at Calvary Cemetery in Carthage, Illinois, with Fr. Tony Trosley officiating. Military Rites will be presented by the Hancock County Honor Guard.

A memorial fund has been established for the Nauvoo Ambulance Service or PAW Animal Shelter. To leave an online condolence for the family, please visit Dr. Norvell's obituary at sbbfuneralhome.com.

Harold Schnarr

85, of Canton

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Fulton County Humane Society or to Spoon River College Foundation.

A funeral service was held at Oaks-Hines Funeral Home in Canton on Saturday, Dec. 2, 2023. Burial took place immediately following the funeral at Fiatt Cemetery.

To leave online condolences, please visit www.oakshinesfuneralhome.com.

Rex Lane Kitch

66, of Bushnell

Rex Lane Kitch, 66, of Bushnell, Illinois passed away at his residence on Saturday December 2, 2023 at 2:06 PM. He was born February 10, 1957 in Macomb, IL to Don and Edith (Norris) Kitch.

Cremation Rites were accorded by Martin-Hollis Funeral Home. A celebration of life will be announced at a later date. In lieu of flowers memorials are suggested to the family of Rex Kitch. Please sign the guestbook and leave condolences at www.martinholllisfh.com.

Ada Jane Johnston-Renner

93, of Macomb

Ada Jane Johnston-Renner, 93, of Macomb passed away at 2 a.m. Saturday, December 2, 2023 peacefully at her residence.

Cremation rites have been accorded. A visitation will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. on Friday, December 15, 2023 at Clugston-Tibbitts Funeral Home in Macomb. A Celebration of Life will be held on July 5, 2024 at a location to be named later.

Memorials are encouraged to be made to MDH Hospice. You may leave condolences and sign the guest book online at clugston-tibbitts.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.

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THURSDAYS

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Blandinsville Christian Church After-School Program will be held every Thursday for Kindergarten through High School students from 4:00pm until 5:00pm throughout the school year.

Bushnell

EVERY MONDAY

Coffee Club

from 9-10am at Courtyard Estates of Bushnell, calling the Elementary office 309-772-9464.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 6

Community Children's Event

from 2:30-4:00 at the Bushnell Methodist Church. Inclement weather date December 13.

SATURDAY, DEC. 9

Craft & Cookies with Mrs. Clause

from 10am-noon at the Bushnell Public Library, 455 N Dean St, Bushnell.

THURSDAY, DEC. 14

B-PC Elementary Family Game Night

Bushnell-Prairie City Elementary School Family Game Night from 5-7pm. Join us for cocoa, a band performance and a visit with Santa!

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Colchester Library Story Hour

from 10:45-11:45am. Books, crafts, songs and fun!

Good Hope

SATURDAY, DEC. 9

Christmas Around The Park

4pm-7pm Soup Supper at the FireHouse, Santa Arrives, Carriage rides, Vendors, kids activities, I-Spy Game at the Park with Christmas Trees, Christmas House Lighting contest and more!

Macomb

FRIDAY, DEC. 8-10

MAC Art and Craft Market

The Macomb Arts Center 2023 Art and Craft Market will be held Friday, December 8 from 5-8pm; Saturday, December 9 from 10am-4pm; Sunday, December 10 from 1-4pm at the Macomb Arts Center, 25 E. Side Square.

SATURDAY, DEC. 9

McDonough County CEO Trivia Night

at Park Place, 127 E. Carroll, Macomb at 7pm. Tickets are on sale now at \$20 (individual) or \$150 (team of 8). Purchase tickets at <https://buytickets.at/mcdonoughcountyceo/1058216>.

SUNDAY, DEC. 10

Breakfast with Santa at the Macomb Elks

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WEDNESDAY, DEC. 13

The Page Turners Book Club

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Middle School Holiday Band Concert

at 7 p.m. at Fellheimer Auditorium.

THURSDAY, DEC. 14

High School Holiday Band Concert

at 7 p.m. at Fellheimer Auditorium.

SATURDAY, DEC. 16

Donuts with Santa

At Macomb City Hall from 9-11am. There will be pictures with Santa, face painting by West Prairie Art Club & Jessi Goehl & Hope Ash, and a fun craft!

Winter Farmers Market

at the Macomb American Legion on Saturday, Dec 16 from 8:30am-12pm. Vendors include honey, microgreens, baked goods, meat, crafts and more!

SUNDAY, DEC. 17

Sons of the American Legion 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.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 20

Antique & Collectibles Club

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FRIDAY, DEC. 8 & SATURDAY, DEC. 9

A Christmas Story at the VIT High School

The VIT High School Drama Club presents A Christmas Story at the VIT High School gym on Friday, Dec. 8 at 7pm and Saturday, Dec. 9 at 2pm & 7pm. Ticket prices-Adults \$8, Students/Seniors \$6 and children 5-12 \$5.



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American Legion

Dixieland Band led by John Cooper plays from 7-9pm on Tuesday, December 19 at the American Legion Post 6, 221 E. Washington St., Macomb. No admission, but there is a free-will offering during the show.

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This class business is one of two culminating experiences in the CEO learning environment, with the second being the students' individual businesses. In the past, McDonough CEO class businesses have brought an escape room, a winter delivery business, and a Battle of the Bands contest to the area.

Students in the McDonough County CEO program come from schools throughout the county, including Bushnell-Prairie City High School, Macomb High School, West Prairie High School and Trinity Academy.

For more information on the CEO program, check out mcdonoughcountyceo.com or email facilitator@mcdonoughcountyceo.com.



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community. Beyond a platform for practical application, the Agronomy Contest celebrates the collaborative spirit and engagement that defines academic pursuits at WIU."

The contest provided a platform for students to showcase their knowledge and skills in agronomy, fostering healthy competition and camaraderie among participants. Gruver, serving as the faculty advisor, played a crucial role in guiding and supporting the Agronomy Club in their efforts.

"We are incredibly proud of the Agronomy Club for successfully hosting the Section 11 Agronomy Contest. The dedication and hard work demonstrated by the club members, as well as the guidance provided by Joel Gruver, is a testament to the commitment to excellence within our academic community," WIU Ag Director Andrew Baker said.

The Agronomy Contest not only provided students with a platform to apply their classroom knowledge in a practical setting but also highlighted the collaborative and engaging nature of academic pursuits at WIU.

For more information on WIU's School of Ag, visit wiu.edu/ag.

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- 10 Pork Bratwurst Patties 3.75 oz.
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162 ACRES± (SUBJECT TO SURVEY) • 2 TRACTS

The Cousins & Mason farm is located a short distance northeast of Macomb, IL (1.5 miles north of the new JD Store) along County Rd 1600E & is further described as being located in Sections 23 & 26, T6N - R2W, Macomb Township, McDonough County, IL.

Tract 1 represents productive, Class A tillable farmland which sells free & clear for the 2024 crop year! Tract 2 represents a combination of tillable/timber acres and is improved with a 3 bedroom home.

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163.36 ACRES - 1 TRACT

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STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Lucie Winborne

* Water itself does not conduct electricity well, but the impurities found in water do.

* When Ethiopian emperor Menelik II didn't feel well, he would eat a few pages of the Bible. While this curious habit didn't do him any harm as long as his consumption was limited, in 1913, feeling particularly ill after a stroke, he ordered an entire Old Testament book of Kings to be fed to him, a page at a time, but died before he could complete it.

* Humans can live unprotected in space for about 30 seconds if they don't hold their breath.

* Two actors have died while playing Judas Iscariot in live productions of the biblical story by accidentally hanging themselves for real during his death scene.

* Ever find yourself getting a little sleepy during a virtual meeting? Contrary to popular belief, researchers have determined that the cause isn't information overload, but mental underload and boredom. (Frankly, we're not too surprised!)

* A 1999 study found that a single square kilometer (247 acres) of the Amazon rainforest can contain about 90,790 tons of living plants.

* As editors around the globe already know, hearing grammatical errors can cause physical stress.

* Following a nationwide legal battle (and graceful concession from Gregory's Restaurant and Bar in New Jersey), Taco Bell successfully ensured that the term "Taco Tuesday" can be used freely throughout all 50 states.

* If Earth's history was condensed into a 24-hour span, life would have appeared at 4 a.m., land plants at 10:24 p.m., dinosaur extinction at 11:41 p.m., and human history would have begun at 11:58:43 p.m.

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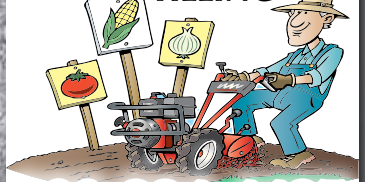
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