

# FREE Midweek Brief

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## Shots fired call ends with multiple arrests, weapon charges

On 7/15/24 at about 12:16 PM, Macomb Police responded to the area of Albert St. and Piper St., in Macomb, for a report of shots fired. Officers arrived on scene, determined there were no injuries, that the suspects had fled the scene, and began collecting evidence. Officers searched the neighborhood for the suspect vehicle. MPD officers and detectives developed a lead on the suspects, located evidence at the scene, and ultimately found the vehicle. MPD developed information that the suspects were in a residence and likely still armed.

Officers surrounded the residence, located on Derry Ln. in Macomb, while detectives

secured a search warrant. Once the warrant was acquired, MPD officers, assisted by deputies from the McDonough County Sheriff's Department and troopers from the Illinois State Police (ISP), were able to call out the suspects one at a time. The suspects were secured without incident. The search warrant was served and evidence located to support charges.

Macomb Police Chief Jeff Hamer advises the investigation is ongoing and more charges may be brought forward. We are investigating whether these weapons are linked to other crimes.

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## withonevoice Concerts Begin Thursday in Macomb

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MACOMB, IL - Western Illinois University is hosting a group of choral professionals this week, with public performances scheduled in Macomb and Chicago.

withonevoice, a new, non-profit professional vocal ensemble of 16 singers based in Chicago, IL, began a week-long residency program at the WIU-Macomb campus on Sunday. The ensemble will include professional musicians and teachers from Illinois, Iowa, Wisconsin and Arizona with a vision to provide performances, educational experiences and workshops that promote vocal versatility and exploration.

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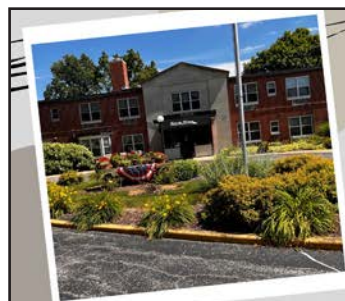
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# Arrests

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Charged were:

Deandre Smith Jr., age 22, of Hazel Crest, was charged with Reckless Discharge of a Firearm (720 ILCS 5/24-1.5) and 2 counts of Illegal Possession of Weapon by a Felon (720 ILCS 5/24- 1.1).

Christian D. Walker, age 24, of Macomb, was charged with 2 counts of Illegal Possession of Weapon by a Felon (720 ILCS 5/24-1.1). Walker also had a McDonough County Warrant for Indirect Criminal Contempt at the time of his arrest.

Kirk G. Waters, age 24, of Macomb, was charged with Reckless Discharge of a Firearm (720 ILCS 5/24-1.5) and 2 counts of Illegal Possession of Weapon by a Felon (720 ILCS 5/24-1.1). Waters also had warrants from Cook and McDonough Counties for weapons and drug offenses.

All suspects are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

## TODAY'S JOKES

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Q: Why did the chicken cross the Web?  
A: To get to the other site!

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**Death Notices**

**Robert Duane Skien**

67, of Table Grove

Robert Duane Skien, 67, of Table Grove, Illinois passed away at his home on Sunday, July 7, 2024.

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.

**Alma C. Feathers**

87, of Colchester

Alma C Feathers of Colchester passed away Monday, July 1, 2024, at her home in Colchester, with her family at her side.

Funeral services were held Friday, July 5, 2024 at the Jones Mortuary, Colchester. Burial followed at Mt. Auburn Cemetery in Colchester.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to the Alma Feathers Memorial Fund.

**Kathy Brown**

71, of Colchester

Kathy Brown, 71 of Colchester, passed away Thursday, July 4, 2024, at Macomb Post Acute Care Center, with family at her side.

Cremation rites have been accorded. No services are planned at this time. Jones Mortuary in Colchester is assisting the family with arrangements. Condolences and memories can be expressed to the family at jonesmortuaryfh.com.

**John Kent Hobbs**

78, of Macomb

On July 12, 2024 John Kent Hobbs lost his battle with kidney failure, just shy of his 79th birthday.

A memorial service will be held at 11:00 am on Thursday July 18, 2024 at the Macomb Wesley United Methodist Church with Pastor Don Long Officiating. Where visitation will be from 9:30 am until 11:00 am prior to the service. In lieu of flowers, the family asks for donations to be made to the St. Louis Mercantile Library (<https://giving.umsl.edu>). 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).

**Leslie Eugene Morgan**

84, of Macomb

Leslie Eugene Morgan, 84, of Macomb died at 1:45 p.m. Friday, July 12th, 2024, surrounded by his family.

Services will be held at 1:30 PM Wednesday July 17, 2024 at the Dodsworth-Piper-Wallen Funeral Home, where visitation will be Tuesday July 16, from 5-7 PM. Pastor Caleb Sparrow will officiate. Full military rites will be at Bailey Cemetery in Macomb, IL. Memorial Contributions may be made to McDonough District Hospital Hospice Program. Please sign guestbook or leave condolences at [www.dodsworthfh.com](http://www.dodsworthfh.com).

**Bernard Roger Carr**

82, of Bushnell

Bernard Roger Carr, 82, of Bushnell, Illinois passed away on July 12, 2024 at his residence.

Cremation Rites have been accorded. Memorial service with Military Rites will be held at 11:00 am on Wednesday July 17, 2024 at the Martin-Hollis Funeral Home with Rev. Kurt Ayres officiating. Visitation will be on Tuesday July 16, 2024 from 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm at the Martin-Hollis Funeral Home. Memorial contributions are suggested to the Bushnell United Methodist Church or to the Veteran's Assistance Commission of McDonough County (VACMC). Please sign the guestbook and leave condolences at [www.martinhollisfh.com](http://www.martinhollisfh.com).

**Jared Adam Thrapp**

45, formerly of Macomb

Jared Adam Thrapp, a devout husband, father, son, and friend, entered the eternal kingdom of God on Wednesday, July 3, 2024, in Branson, Missouri.

There will be a Celebration of Life held 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. on August 10, 2024, at College of the Ozarks Keeter Center Royal Oak Forum, 1 Opportunity Ave, Point Lookout, Missouri, with a meal to follow celebration. There will be an additional Celebration of Life held in Blandinsville, Illinois on August 24, 2024, visitation 9:30 a.m., celebration 11:00 a.m. with meal to follow, Blandinsville First Christian Church, 230 W Washington St, Blandinsville, Illinois. Services and cremation are under the direction of Cremations of the Ozarks. To leave an online condolence or share a memory, please visit [www.cremationsoftheozarks.com](http://www.cremationsoftheozarks.com).

**June B. Shappell**

100, of Plymouth

June B. Shappell, 100, of Plymouth, IL died at 5:00 am Saturday July 13, 2024 at her home.

As per June's request cremation will be accorded and there will be no services. Private burial will be held at a later date in St. Mary's Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the St. Mary's cemetery and can be mailed to the Hamilton Funeral Home PO Box 368 Augusta, IL 62311.

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

**James L. Hermes, Sr.**

90, of Table Grove

James L. Hermes, Sr, 90, of Table Grove, passed away July 11, 2024 at The Elms Rehabilitation Center in Macomb.

Funeral Service will be 5:00 pm Thursday July, 18, at Calvert & Metzler Memorial Home in Bloomington, IL with Fr. Thomas Szydluk officiating. A visitation will be prior to the funeral from 3-5 pm at Calvert & Metzler. Memorials are to St. Jude's or American Heart Association. Private Family burial will be Friday at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood, IL.

**John Sloan, Jr.**

61 of Tulsa, OK

John Marshall Sloan, Jr., 61 of Tulsa, Oklahoma, passed away on June 20, 2024.

A gathering of family and friends will be held from 10:00-11:00 a.m., Saturday, July 20, 2024 at the funeral home. A graveside service with military honors will be held at 11:00 a.m. at the Avon Cemetery, Avon, Illinois. Moore Memorial Home, Avon, is handling the arrangements.

**See more Death Notices on page 7**

Death notices (name, death date and services) run free of charge. Families who wish to have a complete obituary published in the Tuesday or Friday Community News Brief newspaper (including picture, family, work history, 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](mailto:communitybrief@gmail.com). Cost is \$45 and includes a laminated copy of the obituary.

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# Community Calendar

## Blandinsville

### WEDNESDAYS

#### Christian Church Youth Program

Every Wednesday for 5th grade thru High School students from 4-5:30pm throughout the school year.

### THURSDAYS

#### After-School Program

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.

### SATURDAYS

#### Story Hour and Crafts

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

### WEDNESDAYS THRU JULY 24

#### Summer Reading Program

Read, Renew, Repeat will be held at the Blandinsville-Hire Library on Wednesdays June 26-July 24 (no program on July 17) from 10am-12pm. The program is designed for all ages and features the idea of focusing on protecting species from extinction, maintaining and restoring habitats, enhancing ecosystem services, and protecting biological diversity.

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 4

#### First Christian Church 175th Anniversary

with services beginning at 9:30 am. There will be special music, a choir, pictures and a memory booklet, and a catered meal following services. Please join us for services and a meal. We want to gather at least 175 family and friends to help us celebrate!

## Bushnell

### AUGUST 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.

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 23

#### Bushnell Class of 1969 55th Class 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

### EVERY MONDAY

#### Colchester Library Story Hour

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

## Macomb

### 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 operates every Thursday and Saturday from 8 am to Noon in downtown Chandler Park. Shop for fresh produce, locally raised meat, baked goods, honey & jams, coffee & beverages, garden plants & cut flowers, hand-crafted items, and more. Music on Saturday, June 8: the Prairie Dogs.

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 17

#### Summer Concert Series

Enjoy live entertainment Wednesdays at noon in Chandler park. Rain location: Western IL Museum.

### THURSDAY, JULY 18 & 25

#### Little Lunchers

at the Chandler Park Gazebo from 12-1pm. Story time, play time and free lunch. We are so excited for another year of partnering with the Macomb Public Library.

### FRIDAY, JULY 19

#### Cat Tails at Yappy Hour Beach Party

for the McDonough County Animal Shelter from 6-8pm at the American Legion Post in Macomb. Tickets are \$35 and are limited. Get your ticket now at HSMCIL.org. The dress is casual or beach attire! We will have a silent auction, food and drink, live music and FUN!

### SATURDAY, JULY 20

#### Destination 6 Live Pro Wrestling

No Turning Back, 136 W. Carroll St. Doors open at 5:15pm for VIP and 5:30pm for General Admission, show starts at 6pm. Cost is \$30 VIP, front row \$25, General admission \$20 and kids \$10. Tickets available online through cash app or at the Destination 6 Arena. No outside food or alcohol allowed.

#### Raising Saints Block Party

from 10am-noon children can enjoy bounce houses/inflatables, foam party, face painting, snow cones at no cost in front of the St. Paul School on Washington St. From 6-midnight, adults can enjoy live music by Craig Corzatt and Captain Geech & the Shrimp Shack Shooters as well as food & a cash bar in the lot by Vatalies on West Jackson.

#### Chris Villillo's Forgottonia

at Hainline Theatre at 7pm.

### SATURDAY, JULY 27

#### Grand Prairie Fundraiser

for Samaritan Well at the Macomb VFW. Doors open at 6pm. The cost is \$15 per person or \$120 for table of 8. There will be a 50/50 drawing and Silent Auction and Raffle. Bring some treats and some friends and let's have some fun!

### TUESDAY, JULY 30

#### C.T. Vivan's 100th Birthday Celebration

The City of Macomb, Macomb Arts Center and Visit Unforgettable Forgottonia are marking what would have been C.T. Vivan's 100th birthday! Plan to join us in Chandler Park from 5-7pm as we celebrate Vivian's legacy of courage, determination, and leadership.

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 6

#### 2nd Annual National Night Out

Get involved in Macomb's National Night Out campaign to promote police-community partnerships by attending this community-building event from 5-7pm at the Macomb Police Department, 120 S. McArthur St.

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 10

#### 3 on 3 No Take Backs Tournament

on the Downtown Square-rain location will be the YMCA. No take backs, no checking the ball.. it's full on once the ball is live! 4 players per team, boys and girls division. Grades 1-2; 3-4; 5-6; 7-8; 9-10; 11-12.

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 15

#### Macomb Municipal Band Performs

The City of Macomb welcomes the community to the Front Lawn of City Hall for live music from 7:00PM-8:30PM. This event is free and open to the public. Please bring your own lawn chairs and blankets.

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### Chandler Park Summer Concert Series

On July 17 we will have King Neptune Blues. Plan to stop by Chandler Park Wednesdays at noon and enjoy music from local musicians! Rain location: Western IL Museum, 201 S. Lafayette St.

### Macomb Municipal Band

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, August 15. This event is free and open to the public. Please bring your own lawn chairs and blankets.

### The Cafe

On Wednesday, July 17 Johnny Olsen performs from 5:30-7:30pm. Thursday, July 18 Open Mic Night from 8-12pm and Friday, July 19 Pomantone takes the stage from 7-9pm. Tyler Clark will be here Wednesday, July 24 from 5:30-7:30pm.

### Forgottonia Brewing

Troublesome Ridge Bluegrass Band Saturday, July 20 at 7pm.

### The Forum

What a great night of music we have on Saturday, July 27. We will have Banda Clave Nueva from 9pm-2am. Cost is \$40.

### Storm Shelter Pub - Avon

Rock'n Papas, will perform at The Storm Shelter Pub, 102 N Main St, Avon, on Saturday, July 20, beginning at 8pm.

### The Wine Sellers

Regional favorites Sally Weisenburg & Don Berbaum take the stage from 5:30 till 7:30 on Saturday, July 20th, playing their fine blend of R&B, Blues, jazz and originals.

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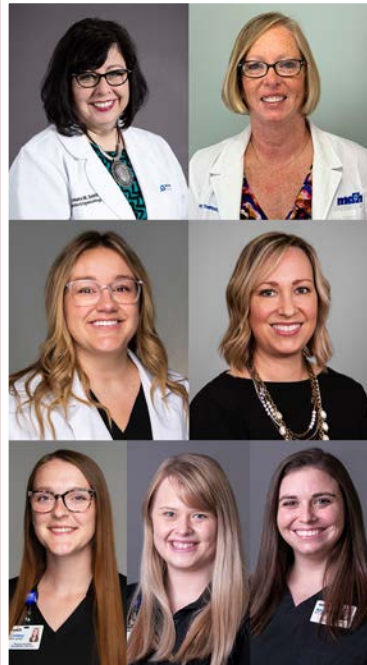


The Ambassador Committee of the Macomb Area Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting on July 16 to welcome Destination Six Pro Wrestling as a brand new Chamber member. Housed in a former church located at 136 W. Carroll St., Cece Impact and family have renovated the space to include a full wrestling ring and made it their mission to provide action-packed entertainment to locals and visitors of all ages. The much-anticipated July 20 NO TURNING BACK X event is now sold out to a crowd of 180 fans. For upcoming events and more, follow Destination Six on Facebook/Instagram.

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**Death Notices**

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**Frances (Frankie) R. Whittaker**

90, of Halifax, VA, formerly of Macomb

Frances (Frankie) R. Whittaker, 90, of Halifax, VA, formerly of Macomb, IL and St. Peters, MO, died July 12, 2024. She was born in 1934 to the late Grace and Floyd Russell of Macomb, IL. She was married to the late Alan C. Whittaker.

A private service and burial will take place at Jefferson Barracks Cemetery in St. Louis. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or the Alzheimer's Association.

Local funeral arrangements were handled by Powell Funeral Home of South Boston, Virginia.

**Richard G. Clark**

92, of rural Colchester

Richard G. Clark, 92, of rural Colchester, IL died at 7:06 pm Monday, July 15, 2024 at his home. Funeral services will be 10:00 A.M. Friday, July 19, 2024, at the Hamilton Funeral Home in Augusta, IL with Rev. Dan Ormond officiating. Burial with Military Honors will follow the service at St. Mary's Cemetery, Colmar, Illinois. Visitation with the family will be 5:00 to 7:00 P.M. Thursday, July 18, 2024, at the Hamilton Funeral Home in Augusta, IL. Memorials may be made to St. Mary's cemetery or Colchester Senior Center.

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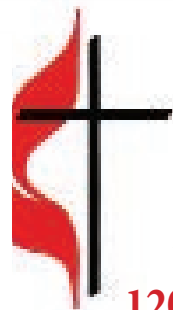
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## STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Lucie Winborne

\* Guglielmo Marconi, whose invention of wireless telegraphy was credited for saving the lives of over 700 Titanic passengers after it sank in 1912, had turned down a free passage on the ship, choosing instead to go to America via the Lusitania three days earlier. He narrowly missed death at sea a second time in 1915, when he was again a passenger on the Lusitania, about a month before it was sunk by a German U-boat.

\* The story of Cinderella first appears in a Chinese book written in the 850s.

\* Margaret Dixon, a Scottish criminal, was hanged at Musselburgh in 1728. However, just a few hours later, she climbed out of her coffin, and was reprieved and pardoned. Still, as her husband was considered a widower because she was "officially" deceased, Scottish law dictated that they had to remarry.

\* The country of Liechtenstein has twice as many registered corporations as citizens.

\* On April Fools' Day 1957, the BBC television documentary "Panorama" broadcast a documentary about the so-called spaghetti orchards of Switzerland, with discussions of spaghetti plantations in Switzerland and Italy, the spaghetti weevil, and the reason for the pasta's being of such uniform lengths held against a background of Swiss "spaghetti trees." Many viewers, forgetting or failing to notice the date, believed the orchards were real!

\* Groups of geese on the ground are called a gaggle, but in the air they're referred to as a skein.

\* Honey has been used as a center for golf balls and in antifreeze mixtures.

\* In 1974, the U.S. Army Materiel Command ran a contest to name its new headquarters building and received around 500 entries. The winner? "The AMC Building."

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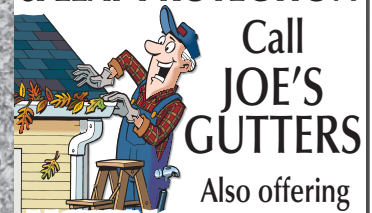
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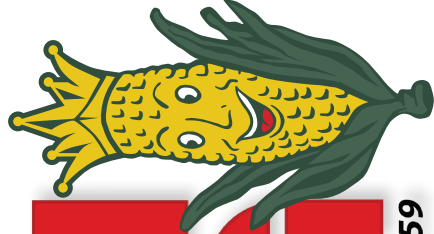
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