

FREE Midweek Brief

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MHS Present "Oklahoma!"



MARK YOUR CALENDARS! The Macomb High School will present "Oklahoma!" on April 4-6, 2024. Performance Times are: Thursday, April 4th- 7:00 pm, Friday, April 5th- 7:00 pm and Saturday, April 6th- 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm. Tickets will be available at the door.

B-PC 2024 Academic Awards Night

Academic Awards Night will be Monday, May 6, 2024 at 6:30pm in the High School Auditorium.

If you are planning to present an award to a high school student, please contact Shanti Willey at the High School Office at 309-772-2113 with the name of the award to be presented, the name of the person presenting the award, and the name of the student who will be receiving the award. In order to make programs the high school will need this information by April 29, 2024.

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McDonough County Health Department Recognizes 50 years of WIC during National Nutrition Month

Macomb, Illinois- 2024 marks 50 years of the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) program. McDonough County Health Department is recognizing 50 years of positive public health outcomes, facilitating access to healthy food, breastfeeding support, health screenings and referrals. March is National Nutrition Month and WIC in McDonough County has helped thousands of women, infants and children get the supplemental nutrition that helps them thrive.

WIC is a supplemental program that provides nutritious foods, nutrition counseling and referrals to health and other social services at no charge to participants. WIC serves income eligible pregnant, postpartum, and breastfeeding women, and infants and children up to age 5 who are at nutrition risk. WIC reduces fetal deaths and infant mortality, reduces low birth weight rates, and increases the duration of pregnancy, improves the growth of nutritionally at risk infants and children, decreases the incidence of iron

deficiency anemia in children, improves the dietary intake of pregnant and postpartum women and improves weight gain in pregnant women. Children enrolled in the program are more likely to have a regular source of medical care and have up to date immunizations. It also improves children's diets as well as their cognitive development.

The McDonough County Health Department WIC hours are Monday and Tuesday afternoons, 12:30pm-5:00pm and Wednesday and Thursday mornings, 7:30am-12:00pm. Call (309) 837- 9951 ext 2270 or visit www.mchd-ep.com for more information. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

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- Final round of Rocky on Parade
- Information on running for office
- Local real estate transactions
- Local high school sports updates

Free Colorectal Cancer Test Kits

McDonough District Hospital is providing **FREE** Hemoccult-ICT test kits. These test kits are the first step in detecting colorectal cancer.

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Western Illinois Regional Council (WIRC), a nonprofit based in Macomb, is now hiring motivated people for these leadership positions:

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Salary is negotiable. Expected range is \$90k to \$100k, depending on experience and qualifications.

To learn how to apply and read the full job requirements, visit wirpc.org/employment/. Applications accepted until March 15, 2024.

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MAR 21 9:00 - 11:00 am
APR 17 1:00 - 3:00 pm

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High school students should inquire with their school about using a college visit day. We will provide a letter to confirm attendance at our event.

SPOON RIVER COLLEGE

TODAY'S JOKES

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A: A "flour" garden!

Q: Why did the farmer bury all his money?
A: To make his soil rich!

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WEDNESDAYS 5-8PM

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Death Notices

Mary Virginia Taylor

92, of Buffalo, MO (formerly of Prairie City)

Mary Virginia Taylor, 92, of Buffalo, MO, formerly of Prairie City, passed away peacefully surrounded by family on February 28, 2024.

Mary's life was celebrated Monday, March 4, 2024 at Martin-Hollis Funeral Home, Bushnell. Burial followed at the Bushnell City Cemetery.

Memorials can be made to any Methodist Church or local animal shelter of choice.

Please sign the Guestbook and leave condolences at www.martinhollisfh.com.

Carol (Hocking) Western

96, of Macomb

Carol (Hocking) Western, 96, of Macomb, Illinois was called home to be with Jesus on Friday March 1, 2024 at 9:37 pm surrounded by her family in her home.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 am on Tuesday March 5, 2024 at the Maple Avenue Christian Church with Pastor Donnie Case officiating. Visitation will be two hours prior to the service from 9:00 until 11:00 am. Burial will be in the Pleasant View Cemetery in Assumption, IL at 3:00 pm. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions can be made to the Maple Avenue Christian Church or to the McDonough District Hospital Hospice Program. Dodsworth-Piper-Wallen Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Please sign the guestbook and leave condolences at www.dodsworthfh.com.

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. Cost is \$45 and includes a laminated copy of the obituary.

Thank You

We would like to thank our family, friends and the community for the outpouring of support, including phone calls, cards, food, flowers, thoughts, prayers and kind words that we have received during this most difficult time. There are no words to express our gratitude for the outpouring of love and support.



The Jones Family

Douglas Farris

79, of Adair

Douglas Farris, of Adair, passed away Sunday, February 25, 2024 at the Lamoine Retirement Living in Macomb.

Doug enjoyed living the quiet life and spending time with family and friends.

A private graveside service will be at Prairie Rest Cemetery in Delavan. The family received friends Friday, March 1, 2024 at the Delavan Baptist Church.

Davis-Oswald Funeral Home in Delavan is handling the arrangements.

Bernard A. Smith

73, of Macomb

Bernard A. Smith age 73 of Macomb, passed away Monday February 26, 2024, at McDonough District Hospital. Cremation Rites have been accorded. Jones Mortuary in Colchester is handling arrangements. Graveside services for both Glenda and Bernard, will be at Mt. Auburn Cemetery in Colchester at a later date. Memorial is to the family to help with expenses. Condolences and memories can be expressed to the family at jonesmortuaryfh.com.

Kandyce Enright

73, of Tennessee, IL

Kandyce S. Enright age 73 of Tennessee, Illinois, passed away, February 26, 2024, at Blessing Hospital in Quincy. Cremation rites have been accorded. No services are scheduled at this time. Jones Mortuary in Colchester is handling arrangements. Condolences and memories can be expressed to the family at jonesmortuaryfh.com.

Charles W. Sloan

80, of Avon

Charles W. Sloan, 80, of Avon, passed away at 8:44 p.m. Wednesday, February 28, 2024 at his residence.

Cremation rites have been accorded with no services planned. A private family interment will take place in the Avon Cemetery.

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David Kerr

71, of Macomb (formerly of Augusta)

David E. Kerr, 71, of Macomb, IL formerly of Augusta, IL died at 4:30 am Saturday March 2, 2024 at his home.

Funeral services will be held at 10:00 am Thursday March 7, 2024 at the Bowen Christian Church in Bowen, IL by Pastor Tom Spain. Burial will follow the service at Woodlawn cemetery in Augusta, IL. Visitation will be held from 4:00 to 7:00 Wednesday March 6, 2024 at the Bowen Christian Church. Memorial contributions may be made to the Bowen Christian Church or the LaPrairie Community Church. The Hamilton Funeral Home in Augusta, IL is handling arrangements.

Monte G. Easley

64, of Ipava

Monte G. Easley, 64, of Ipava, IL, passed way at 10:47 am on Friday, March 1, 2024 at his home in Ipava.

Cremation rites have been accorded. A memorial service will be held at 1 pm on Thursday, March 7, 2024 at the Berean Christian Church in Ipava. Kelvin Celestine will be officiating. Interment will be in the Ipava Cemetery. Following the service and interment on March 7, a celebration of life will be held at the Ipava American Legion with a meal provided by Bucher Boys BBQ and friends along with the legion. Memorials may be made to the Ipava Park Fund to go towards the tree project.

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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!

Bushnell

FRIDAY, MARCH 8

Back to the 90's Music Trivia

at 7pm at the Bushnell VFW. Proceeds support B-PC Baseball.

SATURDAY, MARCH 9

Odd Fellows Breakfast

Bushnell Odd Fellows Lodge #322 will be serving a Pancake and Whole Hog Sausage Breakfast 6am to noon at 265 W. Osborne St. \$8 for adults.

SATURDAY, MARCH 16

Checkrow Church Trivia Bowl

Checkrow Community Church Trivia Bowl from 5:30-9:00 pm at the Checkrow Community Church

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

at Rosemary & Rust, 135 E Hurst, Bushnell, from 9-11am.

Pool Bingo at the VFW

doors open at 6pm, game starts at 6:30pm. \$5/ card, \$10/3 cards, \$15/6 cards. There will be a 50/50 raffle, Silent auction of baked goods, prizes for all ages and family friendly. All proceeds benefit the Bushnell Community Swimming Pool. Donations are needed for the auction, reach out to the VFW if you would like to donate a baked item.

SATURDAY, APRIL 6

Second Chance Prom at Tellers

"Let's Dance Through The Decades" at Tellers, 408 E. Main, from 7:30-11pm. There will be a DJ and dancing, photo booth, sweet treats and we will crown a king and queen. \$30 per couple or \$15 for single. Must be 21 to attend.

Colchester

EVERY MONDAY

Colchester Library Story Hour

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

SATURDAY, MARCH 16

Colchester Sr. Center Fundraiser

from 11am-2pm at the Sr. Center. Menu includes Ham N Beans, Cornbread, Steamburgers, Pie, tea and coffee. There is a free will donation.

Macomb

FRIDAYS DURING LENT

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry

4:30-6:30pm in the St. Paul Gym, 322 W. Washington St. Carry out or Dine-in options. Order online at <https://knights-of-columbus-682.square.site/>.

SUNDAYS

Serenity AA Group

closed meeting at Macomb City Hall Community Room at 10am.

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.

FRIDAY, MARCH 8

McDonough Co. Retired Teachers Meeting

at Trinity Lutheran Church, 123 S. Campbell Street, Macomb at 9 am with speaker Nick Knowles/ YMCA. Coffee will be served.

SATURDAY, MARCH 9

Winter Farmers Market

from 8:30am til noon at the American Legion on East Washington Street.

Western Illinois Fiber Fest

from 10am-4pm Fiber farmers & artisans will be set up throughout the McDonough County 4-H Building, located at 3022 W Jackson St. in Macomb.

SATURDAY, MARCH 9 & SUNDAY, MARCH 10

Mineral, Fossil, Gem & Jewelry Show

at the WIU Student Union.

MONDAY, MARCH 11

Jackson St. Pub B-PC Baseball Fundraiser

Support the Bushnell Prairie City Baseball team by eating at Jackson Street Pub from 11am-10pm. Take out orders also available.

SATURDAY, MARCH 16

Destination 6 Pro Wrestling

presents When the Dust Settles at 136 W. Carroll St., Macomb. Doors open at 5:15pm for VIP and 5:30pm for General Admission, show starts at 6pm. Tickets \$30 VIP, front row \$25, general admission \$20 and kids \$10. Tickets available online through cash app or at the Destination 6 Arena.

A Faith Journey: Dorothea Jewell

at 2:00 pm Dorothea Jewell, age 90, will share a short presentation at Trinity Lutheran Church of Macomb about her faith journey. Dorothea and her late husband lived for many decades in intentional Christian communities, before she settled in Macomb. Join us for conversation with Dorothea and one another about diverse expressions of Christian faith. Light refreshments will be provided. Trinity Lutheran is located at 123 S. Campbell Street.

Table Grove

SATURDAY, MARCH 9

Table Grove Fire & Rescue Breakfast

All you can eat breakfast from 6-10am. Pancakes, sausage, bacon, scrambled eggs and biscuits and gravy! Adults \$10 and Children 12 and under are \$5.00.

Webster

SUNDAY, MARCH 10

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Forgottonia Brewing
Dennis will be returning to Forgottonia Brewing on Saturday, March 9 to perform primitive 6 and 12-string instrumental guitar from 7pm-9pm.

Netty Parkers Windmill Pub-Industry
As luck would have it, we have Workin' Man Sam playing on St. Patty's Day, March 16 starting at 8pm. Don't forget your green!

Macomb Elks Lodge
Save the date: We have Sequoia Drive playing for us on Friday, March 29. You don't want to miss this hard working and hard partying top 40 country and rock band, grown from the black dirt of Western Illinois. Music starts at 7pm!

Send calendar events to communitybrief@gmail.com

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Death Notices *continued from page 3*

Janice Pickard

91, of Florida (formerly of Macomb)

Janice Pickard, 91, of Ponte Verdra Beach, Florida, formerly of Macomb, Illinois died on February 27, 2024.

Cremation rites have been accorded and a celebration of life will be held later this year.

Memorials may be made in her honor to the American Lung Association.

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.

Mary D. Bennett

104, of Macomb

Mary D. Bennett age 104 of Macomb, passed away Sunday, March 3, 2024, at Wesley Village in Macomb.

Funeral services will be 11:00 A.M. Thursday, March 7, 2024, at the Jones Mortuary with Rev. Jim Clayton. Burial will follow the services at Mt. Auburn Cemetery in Colchester. Visitation with the family will be from 10:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. Thursday at the funeral home.

Memorials can be made to Colchester Methodist Church or Wesley Village. Condolences and memorials can be expressed to the family at jonesmortuaryfh.com.

Vernon Lee Cracraft

101, of Macomb

Vernon Lee Cracraft, 101, of Macomb passed away Tuesday, January 9, 2024, at The Elms, where he had resided for the last three months of his life.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held for Vernon Cracraft on Monday, March 18, 2024 at The Wesley Community Center, 1200 E. Grant St., Macomb, Illinois. Visitation will begin at 1 p.m., followed by a service at 2 p.m. Friends and family are welcome to attend.

Memorial contributions can be made to The Macomb Public Library or Everly House. Both of these facilities held a special place in Vern's heart.

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STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Lucie Winborne

- * Andrew Jackson's parrot was kicked out of his funeral for swearing.
 - * In 1947, The New York Times opined that "the pizza could be as popular a snack as the hamburger if Americans only knew more about it."
 - * Buzz Aldrin's mother's maiden name was Moon.
 - * When pirate Richard Worley, captain of the New York's Revenge, captured his second ship, he named it the New York Revenge's Revenge.
 - * Wisconsin is known as the Badger State because the area's lead miners used to spend winters in tunnels burrowed into hills -- like badgers.
 - * Jim Carrey was the first actor to have three number one movies in one year.
 - * The Palais Ideal in France was built entirely of stones that a postman named Ferdinand Cheval picked up on his mail route.
 - * Honey hunters in Mozambique use special calls to recruit the services of birds known as honeyguides. The birds lead the humans to bees' nests, and in return, they get the leftover beeswax.
 - * In 1964, a pre-fame 17-year-old David Bowie was interviewed on the BBC program "Tonight" as the founder of The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Long-Haired Men.
 - * Thomas Edison nicknamed two of his kids Dot and Dash after the Morse code signals.
 - * Army ants that misinterpret the scent trails left by other ants will sometimes break from the crowd and march in circles. If enough ants join them, they can form massive "death spirals."
 - * John Quincy Adams was an avid skinny-dipper who included dips in the Potomac River as a regular part of his exercise regimen.
 - * Crayola came from the words for "oily chalk."
 - * The U.S. Senate's Rule XIX states that U.S. senators cannot insult their colleagues.
- Thought for the Day: "Leaders can let you fail and yet not let you be a failure." -- Stanley McChrystal
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