

FREE Midweek Brief

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Humane Society Casino Night Set to Raise Funds for New Shelter & More

Local Organization Works to Ensure Outstanding Care for Wayward Pets

By Darcie Shinberger

MACOMB, IL – For more than 40 years, the Humane Society of McDonough County (HSMC) has provided supplemental assistance to the McDonough County Animal Shelter in their work to provide housing, medical care, foster opportunities and adoption of wayward dogs and cats who find themselves at the local shelter through no fault of their own.

Throughout the year, HSMC raises funds to support their initiatives to assist homeless and needy animals in the county through memberships, donations, memorials and the Cat Tails at Yappy Hour fundraiser. The major fundraising event for the new shelter is Casino Night, which is coming up Saturday, March 1.

See HSMC on page 8



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- If you have emergency warning signs of flu sickness, you should go to the emergency room. The emergency room should be used for people who are very sick.

If you have flu symptoms and are in a group at higher risk of serious flu-related complications, or if you are very sick or worried about your illness, contact your healthcare provider. See CDC on page 9



WIU Joins ZeeMee to Meet Prospective Students

MACOMB, IL - - Western Illinois University is partnering with ZeeMee, a social media app that helps students during their college decision journey.

ZeeMee is a tool that connects students with other students, college admissions officers and potential roommates. Students have exclusive chat channels to ask a current WIU student or admissions counselor questions about their school choice.

After WIU launched on this platform last week, 1,055 students joined the channel to start communicating with each other.

WIU plans to host engagement activities on ZeeMee such as trivia, events for finding new friends and regular live Q&A sessions with current WIU admissions student ambassadors.

For more information, contact WIU Undergraduate Admissions, at admissions@wiu.edu.

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Martin David Janssen, 62, Macomb, was charged with DUI/alcohol

Hannah Brooke Wisener, 25, Elvaston, was charged with DUI/alcohol over .08, DUI/alcohol, aggravated DUI/no insurance

William Harvey McGlaun, 53, Colchester, was charged with domestic battery, domestic battery/physical contact

Robbin Rae Ballard, 51, Bushnell, was arrested on a McDonough County body attachment warrant, DUI/drugs, possession of drug paraphernalia

2/10

Alberto Rolando Deleon, 36, Silverton, TX, was charged with DUI/alcohol

Linarez Ciprian Rossel, 43, Bushnell, was arrested on a foreign warrant

MACOMB CITY POLICE

2/9

Joseph W. Carrier, 47, Maocmb, was charged with trespassing

Jason R. Kepler, 49, Macomb, was charged with trespassing

Sharon L. Lesner, 60, Macomb, was charged with trespassing

Timothy M. Roberts, 60, Maocmb, was charged with careless driving

Anna C. May, 21, Jacksonville, was charged with speeding

Ronald J. Fargen, 66, Table Grove, was charged with careless driving

2/10

Tyler D. Williams, 28, East St. Louis, was charged with possession of Cannabis less than 10 grams

Christian T. Krzyzaniak, 19, Macomb, was charged with criminal trespass to land

Caitlyn L. Hernblom, 27, Colchester, was charged with improper lane usage, failure to reduce speed

Sierra L. Walker, 30, Good Hope, was charged with operating an uninsured motor vehicle

Kevin T. Carroll, 29, Lewistown, was charged with discharge of fireworks

Zylon K. Wear, 28, Maocmb, was charged with discharge of fireworks

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

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A: There was a fork in the road!

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Death Notices

Russell "Rusty" Poling

70, of Augusta

Russell "Rusty" Poling, 70, of Augusta, IL, passed away at 2:07 a.m. on Friday, February 14, 2025, at Memorial Medical Center in Springfield.

A private burial service will be held at a later time. The family wishes to extend their deepest gratitude to those who have supported them during this time of loss.

Arrangements are being handled by the Hamilton Funeral Home in Augusta, IL.

Charles S. Lambert

90, of Macomb

Charles S. Lambert, 90, of Macomb, passed away at 11:03 AM Friday Feb. 14, 2025 at the Macomb Acute Care Center in Macomb.

Cremation has been accorded. Graveside services will be in Blackburn Cemetery and a Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

Dodsworth-Piper-Wallen Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Please sign guestbook or leave condolences at www.dodsworthfh.com.

Laura Holman

60, of Cayuga, IN

Laura Holman, 60, of Cayuga, Indiana, passed away at 11:15 a.m. Monday, February 10, 2025, at the Union Hospital, Clinton, IN.

A time of visitation was held Monday, February 17, 2025, at the funeral home. Funeral services were held at 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, February 18, 2025, at the funeral home. Interment in the Babbitt Cemetery, St. Augustine, Illinois.

Memorial contributions may be made to the wishes of the family and left in the care of the funeral home. Moore Memorial Home, Avon, 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 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 commuitybrief@gmail.com. Cost is \$45 and includes a laminated copy of the obituary.

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William "Bill" Walter Danner

87, of Astoria

William "Bill" Walter Danner, 87, of Astoria, IL, passed away at 7:44 pm on Saturday, February 8, 2025 at Graham Hospital Emergency Room in Canton.

Services were held Friday, February 14, 2025 at Shawgo Memorial Home in Astoria. Pastor Matthew Thiner officiated. Masonic rites provided by the Vermont Masonic Lodge. Military Rites provided by the Astoria American Legion Post#25. Interment was in the Astoria Cemetery.

Memorials in Bill's memory may be left to the Astoria American Legion or the Vermont Masonic Lodge.

Gilbert "Junior" Duffy

90, of Ferris

Gilbert "Junior" Duffy, 90, of Ferris, passed away peacefully at his home on Friday, February 14, 2025, at 7:20 AM.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 AM Thursday, February 20, 2025, at Printy Funeral Home in Carthage with burial to follow in Moss Ridge Cemetery. Visitation will be held from 9:00 AM until time of services at 11:00 AM at the funeral home. Memorials may be directed to the Faith Assembly of God Church in Hamilton or St. Jude's Hospital. Printy Funeral Home of Carthage is in charge of arrangements.

Robert F. "Dobby" Clayberg

90, formerly of Cuba

Robert F. "Dobby" Clayberg, 90, a resident of Wesley Village in Macomb and formerly of Cuba passed away at 12:48 PM Friday February 7, 2025 at McDonough District Hospital in Macomb.

Cremation will be accorded. A private graveside service for family will be held at a later date at the Cuba Cemetery with Pastor Mike Arnett officiating. A military service will follow with the US Army, and the Cuba American Legion.

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Mildred Ann "Millie" Hunt

89, of Blandinsville

Mildred Ann "Millie" Hunt, 89, of Blandinsville, Illinois, passed away peacefully in her home at 2:30 pm, February 12, 2025, surrounded by her family.

Services to Celebrate her Life will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 5, 2025 at the Blandinsville Christian Church. Visitation will be held from 10 to 11 a.m. at the church. Private family burial of cremains will take place at Glade City Cemetery in Blandinsville at a later time.

Memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to: MDH Hospice Program, Blandinsville Christian Church and the Blandinsville Fire Department.

Clugston-Tibbitts Funeral Home in Blandinsville is in charge of arrangements. You may sign the guest book and leave online condolences at clugston-tibbitts.com.

Lyle D. Kreps

82, formerly of Fulton County

Lyle Dean Kreps passed peacefully into the arms of the Lord on Thursday, February 13 surrounded by family.

In Lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Alzheimer Association. Floral deliveries may be made to Reach Church.

Virginia M. De Moss

81, of Blandinsville

Virginia M. De Moss of Blandinsville, Illinois, died on Sunday, February 16, 2025 at the Elms Nursing Home in Macomb.

Cremation rites have been accorded. Grave side services will be held at the Old South Cemetery in Blandinsville, Illinois at 2 p.m. Thursday, April 17, 2025.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers that memorials be made to the HSMC New Animal Shelter.

Clugston-Tibbitts Funeral Home in Blandinsville is in charge of arrangements. You may leave condolences and sign the guest book online at clugston-tibbitts.com.

Glen Archer

60, of Ft. Madison, IA

Glen Archer, 60, of Ft. Madison, Iowa, formerly of Kahoka, Missouri, passed away unexpectedly at his home on Monday, February 17, 2025.

Arrangements are pending at Wilson & Triplett Funeral Home in Kahoka.

Condolences may be left for the family at www.wilsontriplett.com.

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Blandinsville

SATURDAYS

Story Hour & Crafts

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EVERY WEDNESDAY

Youth Program

Blandinsville First Christian Church Youth Program every Wed. for 5th-High School students from 4-5:30pm.

EVERY THURSDAY

After-School Program

Blandinsville First Christian Church After-School Program every Thurs. for K-High School students from 4-5pm.

Bushnell

EVERY WEDNESDAY

Story time for young learners

Every Wed. from 10:30-11:30 The Bushnell Public Library hosts Story time for young learners. We read, practice nursery rhymes/ finger plays, craft, have a snack and practice social skills.

THURSDAY, FEB. 27TH

Friends Feeding Friends Meal

Please note the different date - Thursday, Feb. 27th - serving ham and scalloped potatoes, green beans and cake from 4:30-6:30 at the Community Christian Center, 355 W Main St. Donations accepted, but not expected. We will be donating a portion of the free-will offering to the BPC Foundation to purchase new playground equipment.

SATURDAY, MARCH 1

VFW Breakfast

The Bushnell VFW will be serving biscuits and gravy, sausage, eggs, hash browns, pancakes and French Toast from 7-10 a.m at the Post 1422 Hall, 181 E. Hail. On-site, takeout, and curbside service available - for takeout & curbside service call 309-333-9919.

B-PC Education Foundation Fundraiser

at 5pm at the Bushnell VFW. The proceeds from this event will be used to improve the elementary playground to make it more accessible to our students with mobility and sensory needs. There will be a pork loin dinner, cash bar, silent and live auctions. Tickets will be available in advance from trustees and directors (\$20) and at the door (\$25).

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5

Beginner Crochet

The Bushnell Public Library will host Robyn Olson giving instructions and tips on how to crochet a scarf. Join in the fun every Wednesday at 12:45-1:45pm. What to bring: Size H crochet hook and a large skein of yarn. The Library is located at 455 N Dean St, Bushnell.

Colchester

EVERY MONDAY

Move & Groove and Story Hour

held from 9:45-10:45am. Music & physical literacy skills help prepare early learners. Story Hour held 10:45-11:45 with stories, songs, crafts & fingerplays.

SATURDAY, FEB. 22

Colchester Fire Protection District BINGO

Join us for a fun evening of BINGO at the Colchester Fire Protection District at 6pm and help support our fundraising efforts!! Invite your friends to the event to help spread the word!

Industry

NOTE: RESCHEDULED TO SAT., MARCH 1

Trinity Academy Chili Supper

Trinity Academy, 306 E. South Street, Industry, will hold a Chili Supper with live music, good food, children's carnival games, and a silent auction (tables close at 6, 7 & 7:30pm). Food will be served from 4:30-7:30 or until gone. For more information call 309-731-4016.

Macomb

NOTE: CANCELLED WEDNESDAY, FEB. 19

Antiques & Collectibles Club Meeting

at 7pm in the Community Room at Macomb City Hall, 232 East Jackson (east side double doors). This month's program is "Having Fun with Old Trains."

FRIDAY, FEB. 21

Macomb Park District's Puzzle Wars

Bring your best brainpower and your favorite snacks to Washington St. Gym to enjoy a night of puzzling madness. Team check in at 5:30pm and competition begins at 6pm. Teams of 2-4 people will race to complete the same, provided puzzle before the rest in a two hour time slot. The fastest team wins! Cost is \$30 for a team of up to 4.

MONDAY, FEB. 25

Interfaith Alliance Meeting

Interfaith Alliance of Macomb will hold a meeting at 4:30 in the Community Room at City Hall in Macomb.

SATURDAY, MARCH 1

Casino Night

The Humane Society of McDonough County CASINO NIGHT will be held at Macomb's Park Place, 127 E. Carroll St. on March 1, 2025 from 7-10pm. All funds raised go towards the construction of a new animal shelter for McDonough County. We're rolling out important details about this year's event on our Facebook page!

SUNDAY, MARCH 9

Legends & Lattes Book Club

Monthly Book Club focused on Fantasy, Sci Fi, Dystopia and fun at Sullivan Taylor Coffee House from 2-3pm. You might have seen the 1993 hit blockbuster Jurassic Park but have you read the original book it's based off of? Join Legends & Lattes in our sci-fi pick for March in reading Michael Crichton's dinosaur thriller Jurassic Park! Learn how putting profit over ethics leads to a theme park over-run with killer dinos and the heroes who must struggle to survive them!

Plymouth

SATURDAY, MARCH 1

Plymouth Old Settler's Matodor Night

at PCCC (former Old Methodist Church) from 5-7:30pm. \$9 meal comes with dessert & drink. Carry outs available.

SATURDAY, MARCH 8

90's Music Trivia

at Pop A Top Again! We did the 80's now it's time for the 90's! Dress up your teams in your best 90's costumes for a chance to win cash! Teams of 8 \$100 (You can up to 2 additional players for \$15 each) Team of 9- \$115, Team of 10- \$130. No cell phones or smart watch's at the table. 100% payback.

Table Grove

SATURDAY, MARCH 15

All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast

from 6am-10am at the Table Grove Community Center serving Pancakes, Sausage, Bacon, Biscuits and Gravy.



Sullivan Taylor

Open Mic Nights are back on Tuesdays at Sullivan Taylor. Anyone with musical talent is welcome to perform Tuesdays from 5-8pm.

The Café

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The American Legion

The Post 6 Big Band led by John Cooper plays from 7-9pm on Wednesday, February 26 in 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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The third annual Casino Night, which is chaired by Humane Society members Kathy Waters and John "JB" Biernbaum, will be held from 7-11 p.m. at Park Place of Macomb, with this year's goal set for \$70,000. The first two years of the event raised over \$100,000 for the building campaign.

Casino Night 2025 is made possible through the generosity of several sponsors, including the "Royal Flush" sponsor Dr. Karen Blakeley, owner and head veterinarian of All Pets Veterinary Clinic in Macomb, which has allowed event organizers to enhance this year's event with more gaming tables and a special gift for all paid attendees.

Tickets are \$50/person and can be purchased at hsmcil.org and from any HSMC board member. Checks, with "Casino Night tickets" written in the memo, can also be mailed to HSMC, P.O. Box 7, Macomb, IL 61455 (must be postmarked by Feb. 20).

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"We appreciate all those who have supported the building campaign over the years, and who continue to support us in all we do," Smith-Skripps added. "It truly is a community effort and we are so grateful."

The Humane Society of McDonough County is a State of Illinois not-for-profit and a qualified 501(c)(3) charitable organization. All donations to Casino Night and the New Building Campaign are tax-deductible.

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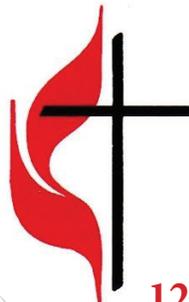
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CDC

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Certain people are at higher risk of serious flu-related complications (including young children, people 65 and older, pregnant women, and people with certain medical conditions). If you are in a group at higher risk and develop flu symptoms, contact your doctor early in your illness. Remind them about your higher-risk status for flu. CDC recommends that people at higher risk for serious flu-related complications should get antiviral treatment as early as possible, because benefit is greatest if treatment is started within 2 days after illness onset.



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Vehicles, Campers, Trailers: 2000 Mack Single Axle Dump Truck, 300 Mack engine, 10 speed, 70K Miles (Road Commission Truck) - 2004 Chevrolet 1500, 2wd, 145k miles, Bed Topper, Good condition - 1999 Fleetwood Discovery motorhome, 36 foot, 45k miles, Slide out, onboard generator - Tommy Lift for Pickup - Leland Aluminum Tilt Trailer, 8.5 x 10 Foot

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FOR SALE: 1992 Dodge Dakota Quad Cab V8 Auto 4x4. 149,000 miles. Runs and drives good. New catalytic converters. \$2,700. A-1 Automotive 1002 E. Jackson St., Macomb, 309-833-2405.

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* In Israel, the movie title "Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs" was translated as "It's Raining Falafel."

* The Latte Index, which was developed by The Wall Street Journal, compares the price of a tall Starbucks latte in dozens of cities around the globe to estimate which currencies are overvalued and undervalued.

* While Finland refers to itself as the "Land of 1,000 Lakes," it actually contains 188,000.

* Gucci manufactured a pair of jeans named the Gucci Genius Jeans that sold for an astonishing \$3,134.

* In 1859, America was swept by a moral panic over young people playing ... too much chess.

* Eighty-five percent of Vakkaru Island in the Maldives is made up of fish feces.

* After Thomas Edison was confined to a wheelchair in his last years, his good friend Henry Ford bought one as well so the two could have wheelchair races around their adjoining Florida estates.

* Fifteen minutes of shivering from cold temperatures can be the metabolic equivalent of one hour of exercise.

* At the age of 104, a fellow by the name of Jack Reynolds became the oldest known person to get a tattoo. He followed that up by becoming, at age 105, the oldest person to ride on a roller coaster.

* St. Nicholas is the patron saint of penitent murderers.

* America's first female state senator was a Mormon polygamist who not only ran against, but defeated, her husband.

* In 2009, an Italian neurosurgeon had a heart attack in the middle of performing surgery. He powered through it when he realized his patient wouldn't recover if he stopped. Half an hour after finishing the surgery, the dedicated doctor had an angioplasty.

Thought for the Day: "You have enemies? Good. That means you've stood up for something, sometime in your life." -- Victor Hugo

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