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Thomas, Page analyze media, Bush administration

By **CHELSEA MCDUGALL**
This Week Editor

Two prominent media figures were in Macomb on Wednesday, April 18 and analyzed some of today's hottest news items.

Helen Thomas, a 57-year journalist for United Press International (UPI), covered every president since Kennedy and was a former White House bureau chief. She is known for asking the "tough questions" and still retains a front row seat in the White House West Wing Briefing Room. Thomas recently left UPI and is now a syndicated columnist for Hearst Newspapers.

Thomas was joined by Clarence Page, a Pulitzer Prize winner for commentary in 1989. Page has been a columnist and member of the Chicago Tribune editorial board since 1984.

The title of the panel discussion, "The News Media's Impact on Shaping Our Perceptions of Culture and Diversity," also featured Pam Huey, a WIU alumna who works for the Star Tribune in the Twin Cities, Minn. The discussion was moderated by



Photo by Chelsea McDougall

Clarence Page (left) and Helen Thomas, respected journalists, were part of a panel discussion at WIU on Wednesday, April 18.

Mark Ridolfi, editorial page editor at the Quad City Times.

Among the topics discussed were recent events spotlighted in every mainstream news source, such as the now infamous Don Imus quote, the carnage at Virginia Tech and the Bush administration.

Thomas, who called the Kennedy years "the golden years," sharply criticized the Bush

administration and the mainstream media's coverage of it, saying the media did "a horrible job in the run up to the invasion of Iraq," adding it wasn't until recently that reporters "came out of a coma."

She said in the time after Sept. 11, reporters were afraid to ask the tough questions for fear of being labeled unpatriotic.

"They gave up their

most powerful weapon - skepticism," she said. She questioned why more people were not

outraged at what was happening.

Thomas made references to torture interrogation at Guantanamo Bay, adding America has lost its reputation in the face of these injustices.

"America has lost its great reputation for being decent," Thomas said.

Thomas also criticized the lack of Bush's press conferences, which by his second term total to six, which is the least in the history of any president.

"A presidential news conference is the only place for the president to be questioned ... he's hiding, if a president is not questioned, he would be a king, a dictator," she said.

In the face of the massacre at Virginia Tech, Page said reporters initially covering the story

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Wanted: scavengers

Scavenger hunt in need of more participants

By **JONATHAN MOHR**
Eagle Staff Writer

Organizers of the Saturday, April 28 Scavenger Hunt to benefit the McDonough County Community Dental Center are conducting a search of their own - a hunt for more participants.

"We have a lot of people who are supportive and are willing to volunteer for the various tasks to operate the scavenger hunt," organizer Bob Bowen said. "What we need is more teams to participate."

The deadline for registration is Wednesday, April 25 at 5 p.m. Organizers were originally hoping at least 50 teams would participate, but as of late last week, Bowen said they were far short of that goal.

Organizers hope local businesses will step forward and sponsor an employee team or perhaps even challenge a neighboring business. They are also looking for sponsors willing to cover the \$50 entrance fee for other teams.

All funds will be used to assist in the establishment of the dental clinic, which will cater to low-income patients using Medicaid and other government services.

The registration fee includes lunch, which begins at 11:30 a.m. in the Macomb High west parking lot. Aramark and Pepsi are providing

hotdogs, chips and drinks for all participants.

The two-hour scavenger hunt kicks off at 1 p.m. Teams will be given a list of 100 items and the objective is to find as many as possible.

It won't be easy, Bowen promised. "They will be unique items," he said. "For instance, you might have to (find) someone ... who is 70 years of age wearing a red hat or a 3-year-old with a blue dress on or a specific license plate from 1976 or a banner for the Chicago Cardinals."

Some items will be relatively simple, Bowen said, while others may stretch the imagination or wrack the brain. The harder something is to find, the more points it will be worth. The team that finishes with the most points is the winner.

The first place prize is \$150, second place receives \$100 and third receives \$50, compliments of First State Bank.

The only limit on team size is the number of people who can be safely crammed into one vehicle.

Registrations may be turned into the customer service desk at Hy-Vee. Bowen has distributed applications to all members of the clinic task force and to all service club members throughout the county, including Kiwanis, Rotary and Lions.

Bowen may be contacted, 309-833-4608, for further information. Gene Koslowski, Don Black and Bowen are coordinating the event.



Photo by Chelsea McDougall

The Clothesline Project was held at the WIU Union on Tuesday, April 17 as a tribute to survivors of violence against men and women. Different colored shirts were hung on clotheslines behind the University Union. Each color shirt represented a different type of abuse. Blue was for women survivors of incest or child sexual abuse, orange was for women who have been raped or sexually assaulted, purple was for women attacked because of sexual orientation, white was for women who have died of violence, yellow for women who have been battered or assaulted and gray for men who have been physically or sexually abused. The shirts were created by victims.

Support groups

Tuesday, April 24

- 9 a.m. to noon, Senior Health Insurance Program (S.H.I.P.), MDH first floor, front entrance, walk-ins welcome, 309-836-1579
- 3:30-5 p.m., Women's empowerment group and children's activity group, call Cindy or Jessica for location, 309-837-6622
- 8 p.m., AA Red Door Group, 314 N. McArthur, C.S.H.

Wednesday, April 25

- 10:30 a.m. to noon, Chronic Pain Support Group, Behavioral Health Services, lower level, MDH Health Services Building I, pre-registration and session fees required, 309-836-1582
- 12:10 p.m., AA Midday Group meets at University Baptist Church, 315 N. Sherman, C.N.H.
- 3:30-5 p.m., Getting Sober Therapy Group, Behavioral Health Services, lower level, MDH Health Services Building I, pre-registration and session fees required, 309-836-1582
- 3:30-5 p.m., Adult Children of Dysfunctional Families Therapy Group, MDH Health Services Building I, Behavioral Health Services, lower level, pre-registration and session fees required, 309-836-1582
- 6:30-8:30 p.m., Divorce Care support group, Argyle Bible Church, 309-776-3073
- 7 p.m., Macomb Weight Loss Surgery support group, MDH Auxiliary Workroom, 309-772-3839
- 8 p.m., AA Red Door Group, 314 N. McArthur, C.N.H.
- 8 p.m., AA Meeting, Health Services Building, 505 E. Grant, lower level, N.C.H.
- 8 p.m., Alanon meeting, Health Services Building, 505 E. Grant, lower level
- 8 p.m., AA meeting, 101 Main St., Industry, C.N.

Thursday, April 26

- By appointment, S.H.I.P. (Senior Health Insurance Program, MDH Auxiliary/Volunteer Room, lower level, 309-836-1579
- 5:30 p.m., AA Women's Group, 314 N. McArthur, O.S.H.
- 5:30 p.m., TOPS weight loss support group, University Baptist library, 315 N. Sherman
- 6:30 p.m., Boundaries Seminar and Support Group, Wesley UMC, 309-833-2153
- 8 p.m., AA Red Door Group, 314 N. McArthur, C.S.H.
- 10 p.m., NA Red Door Group, 314 N. McArthur, O.S.H.

Friday, April 27

- 12:10 p.m., AA Midday Group, University Baptist Church, 315 N. Sherman, O.C.N.H.
- 3:30-5 p.m., Anger Management Therapy Group, MDH Health Services Building I, Behavioral Health Services, lower level, pre-registration and session fees, 309-836-1582
- 8 p.m., AA Red Door Group, 314 N. McArthur, C.N.H.
- 10 p.m., NA Red Door Group, 314 N. McArthur, O.S.H.

Saturday, April 28

- 6 p.m., Macomb Movement Disorders Support Group, The Elms, 309-833-3670 or macombmovementdisorders@yahoo.com
- 8 p.m., AA Red Door Group, 314 N. McArthur, O. N. H.

Sunday, April 29

- 3 p.m., AA Women's Group, University Baptist Church, 315 N. Sherman, O.N.H.
- 8 p.m., AA Red Door Group, 314 N. McArthur, C.S.H.
- 8 p.m., AA meeting, 101 Main St., Industry, O.N.

Monday, April 30

- 3:30-5 p.m., Depression Therapy Group - Finding Hope (8-session adult depression group), MDH Health Services Building I, Behavioral Services, lower level, pre-registration and sessions fees required, 309-836-1582
- 6:45 p.m., Overeaters Anonymous, University Baptist Church, 315 N. Sherman St., use the rear door
- 8 p.m., AA Red Door Group, 314 N. McArthur, C.N.H.

AA meeting abbreviations: S - smoking allowed; N - nonsmoking meeting; H - handicapped accessible; C - closed (open only to those who desire to stop drinking); O - open to friends, family or anyone interested

Around the county

Monday, April 23

- 1:30-3:30 p.m., Rules of Road review course, YMCA, 400 E. Calhoun, Macomb
- 6 p.m., La Leche League Early Beginnings program, 339 S. Johnson St., Macomb
- 7 p.m., author Dinesh D'Souza will speak, WIU University Union Lamoine Room
- 7 p.m., Colchester Area Historical Society meets, Colchester City Building at Friendway Park, everyone welcome, 309-7765247
- 7 p.m., "Tales from Arab Detroit," Al-Musharaka Film Series, WIU University Union Sandburg Theatre, free, popcorn, soft drinks provided
- 7:30 p.m., Prairieland Barbershop Chorus rehearsal, four-part harmony singing, Macomb Presbyterian Church, Dudley and Carroll, 309-837-1388

Tuesday, April 24

- Noon, Colchester Area Business Association (CABA) meeting at the Lions Den in Colchester
- 5 p.m., "Focusing Cultural Fitness," discuss how different cultures promote exercise, WIU University Union Sandburg Theatre
- 7 p.m., West Prairie School Board meeting, West Prairie Middle School, Colchester
- 7:30 p.m., faculty recital, Michael Stryker, jazz piano, COFAC Recital Hall, WIU campus
- 7:30 p.m., "Othello," presented by University Theatre, 309-298-2900 for tickets
- 7:30 p.m., historical film presentation by Lee Brice, Macomb City Hall Community Room

Wednesday, April 25

- 10 a.m. to noon, Childbirth and Infant Care: Condensed "L.A.T.E." Childbirth Instruction Class, MDH Auditorium B, this is a two hour version of L.A.T.E. for anyone who cannot attend night classes. Breathing and relaxation will not be covered, free, pre-registration required, 309-836-1570.
- 1:30 p.m., Chapter K PEO meets at the home of Mary Lakkie-Hermann
- 7-9 p.m., Childbirth and Infant Care: "L.A.T.E." Childbirth Instruction Class, MDH Auditorium B, free, pre-registration required, 309-836-1570
- 7:30 p.m., "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," Western Hall, WIU campus
- 7:30 p.m., "Othello," presented by University Theatre, 309-298-2900 for tickets

Thursday, April 26

- 5:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., Kiwanis Pancake Day, American Legion, 221 W. Washington, Macomb, \$5 at the door
- 1:30 p.m., Dancing Seniors meeting, YMCA Macomb Senior Center, new members needed, 309-836-7412 or 309-833-2766
- 2-6 p.m., blood drive, Macomb Assembly of God, 112 Robin Rd., Macomb, 309-837-5470
- 6 p.m., Medical Explorers, meet at All Pets Veterinary Clinic, 722 W. Jackson St., Macomb, contact Larry Ayers, 309-836-1616
- 7:30 p.m., choirs student conductors' concert, COFAC Recital Hall, WIU campus
- 7:30 p.m., "Othello," presented by University Theatre, 309-298-2900 for tickets

Friday, April 27

- 5:30-7:30 p.m., "Celebrating Town and Gown"

- alumni event, \$20, The Forum, 309-298-1419
- 7:30 p.m., steel band concert, COFAC Recital Hall, WIU campus
- 7:30 p.m., "Othello," presented by University Theatre, 309-298-2900 for tickets
- 7:30 p.m., "Inspector Hound," Macomb Community Theatre, South Johnson Road, 309-837-1828

Saturday, April 28

- 8:30 a.m., Learn to Fly Fish program, \$5 with lunch, meet at Citizens National Bank, 127 S. Side Square, Macomb, 309-837-0643
- 9 a.m. to noon, Lions blood drive, Lions Club, 207 S. Fulton, 309-776-4803
- 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., dog wash, Water Works Car Wash, 1305 E. Jackson St., \$5 per dog, sponsored by Interact Club
- 11:30 a.m., Scavenger Hunt, proceeds benefit McDonough County Community Dental Center
- 1-3 p.m., SIDS baby shower, WIU University Union Sandburg Lounge, sponsored by the Gwendolyn Brooks Cultural Center, 309-298-2220
- 7:30 p.m., Symphonic Wind Ensemble President's concert, COFAC Recital Hall, WIU campus
- 7:30 p.m., "Othello," presented by University Theatre, 309-298-2900 for tickets
- 7:30 p.m., "Inspector Hound," Macomb Community Theatre, South Johnson Road, 309-837-1828
- 7:30 p.m., WIU Symphonic Wind Ensemble President's Concert, WIU COFAC Recital Hall. Admission \$5

Sunday, April 29

- 2 p.m., Colchester Sesquicentennial planning meeting, Colchester City Hall Community Room, Friendway Park
- 2:30 p.m., Garden Walk show, Wesley United Methodist Church, 1212 W. Calhoun, Macomb, proceeds used for summer camp scholarships for MHS students
- 7:30 p.m., The Advantage, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, COFAC Recital Hall, WIU campus

Monday, April 30

- 1:30-6:30 p.m., blood drive, Macomb Donor Center, 1520 W. Jackson St., Macomb, sponsored by Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center and Centennial Morning Rotary
- 5 p.m., Macomb City Committee of the Whole, City Hall
- 5:45 p.m., Alliance of Empowerment meeting, WIU University Union Board Room, 309-298-2220
- 6:30 p.m., Getting to the Heart of the Matter, Part 2 of a 3-Part Educational Series on Heart Disease, Macomb High School Fellheimer Auditorium, 1525 S. Johnson Street, Macomb, free and open to the public, 309-836-1584.
- 7 p.m., Macomb Community Theatre membership meeting, 309-837-1828
- 7 p.m., Colchester City Council, City Hall
- 7:30 p.m., Prairieland Barbershop Chorus rehearsal, four-part harmony singing, Macomb Presbyterian Church, Dudley and Carroll, 309-837-1388



UPCOMING START DATES

- May 1: Computer Basics
- May 8: Intro to MS Access
- May 15: PowerPoint
- May 17: Food Service Recertification
- May 23: Food Service Sanitation
- May 24: Managing Conflict
- May 26: Chicago Trip

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- May 17: Current Topics in Nutrition Telenet Series - The Mediterranean Diet - A Second Look
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- May 24: Local Government Telenet Program - TIF Districts

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Blood drive April 30

The Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center and the Centennial Morning Rotary Club are teaming up for a Community Blood Drive from 1:30-6:30 p.m., Monday, April 30 at the Macomb Donor Center, 1520 W. Jackson St., Macomb.

To schedule an appointment, call Greg Van Vleet, 309-333-9250, or Christi Moe, 309-836-2810.

Donors who last gave blood on or before

March 5 are eligible to donate again.

Blood donation is a safe and simple procedure that takes only about one hour. Donors must be at least 16 years old, be in good health and weigh 110 pounds. 16-year-old donors must present a signed parental consent form that is available from the Blood Center offices. People with controlled high blood pressure and diabetes are eligible to donate.

Learn how to fly fish

Join Citizens Sensations for a "Learn to Fly Fish" Class on Saturday, April 28.

Forgotonia Flyfishers will present this relaxing fishing method. The day begins at 8:30 a.m. in the front lobby of Citizens National Bank, 127 S. Side Square, Macomb.

After an informational session, the group will proceed to Patton Park for hands-on experience, followed by a light

lunch.

Come learn a new skill or hobby, or if you are already skilled, come and enjoy the day. It will be a day of fun, food and friends. Bring a buddy or make new friends.

Flyfishing equipment and lunch are provided. Pre-registration is requested. Register by calling 309-837-0643. Cost is \$5 per person. The event is open to the public.

Colchester Sesquicentennial committee meets

A Colchester Sesquicentennial planning meeting will be held at 2 p.m., Sunday, April 29 at the Colchester City Hall Community Room.

All interested individuals and representatives of churches, businesses and organizations are invited to attend. Plans for the Sesquicentennial May 26 activities will be finalized.

The Colchester Sesquicentennial activities will start Saturday, May 26 and include the Veterans Memorial Dedication and grand opening of the temporary Colchester Museum in the old Hunt building next to Jones Mortuary. The Veterans Memorial dedication will be held at 1 p.m. at the former Princess Theatre site. The dedication will have dignitaries speaking, a 30 military piece band from Arlington Heights and a

color guard performing. Several military vehicles will be on display. The Lions Club will be serving food at their building and on the Prairie. For more information about the Veterans Memorial, contact Elvin Hodges, 309-776-3338.

The temporary Colchester museum will be open from Memorial Day through Labor Day. Hours and times for the museum will be announced later. If you have potential items such as letters, posters and artifacts of any type or items having historical meaning, contact Jo Carson.

The deadline for the Labor Day Book is June 1. Those who want to have special memory ads in the book are to contact Carol Hodges, 309-776-4835, by June 1.

A vintage style show is

being planned. If you have vintage clothing from 1857 through the years that you would be willing to loan or if you would be willing to be a model, contact committee member Rachel Louderman, 309-776-3884.

Pat St. John and his committee are researching houses for a self-guided

tour. Many volunteer opportunities are available. The Veterans Memorial needs help in getting the area ready for May 26. Colchester Lions Club needs help Memorial Day. The temporary museum could use help in set up and staffing the museum during the summer.

Interact Club to hold annual dog wash

The Interact Club, a high school youth group sponsored by the Macomb Rotary Club, will be holding a dog wash Saturday, April 28 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Water Works Car Wash, 1305 E. Jackson St.

All dog owners are invited to bring their dogs and let the Interact Club transform them into pampered pooches. The cost is only \$5 per dog and all proceeds will benefit the local animal shelter.

Reservations are not necessary. Contact Alexandra Harrison, club adviser, 309-836-5280.

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Brice helps public to celebrate historical films

Modern moviemakers and filmgoers are enamored with tales of the heroes, villains and events of ancient history. Their tales are told and retold on the big screen. But just how accurate are these cinematic interpretations of the past?

On Tuesday, April 24, the Friends of the Macomb Public Library

present Dr. Lee Brice who delves into the topic of "Ancient History and Film: Cinematic Window on the Modern World." The presentation will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the Macomb City Hall Community Room.

Whether it is in the grand expanse of biblical narratives, the imagined world of Greek myth or the power of Rome, the ancient world continues to inspire topics for modern film. While it's easy to poke fun at the movies for their errors and the poetic license they exercise, there is much to celebrate and learn. Film and television are the lenses through which most people learn about the ancient world. This illustrated presentation examines a selection of clips highlighting the value of these films and the ways in which they inform about the modern world.

Brice is an assistant history professor at WIU and an Illinois Humanities Council Road Scholar.

The event is sponsored by the Illinois Humanities Council and the Friends of the Macomb Public Library. It is free of charge and open to the public.



Dr. Lee Brice

Cruise Caribbean islands with WIU steel band

Manage your schedules accordingly and make plans to attend a Shakespearean tragedy, an Andrew Lloyd Webber musical and a versatile steel band that takes you on a Caribbean cruise.

Experience a beautiful production set in the Victorian era as relationships create tragedy in "Othello." This production depicts the transformations of jealousy endured by Iago, Othello, Emilia, Cassio and Desdemona in a production that provides gut-wrenching and emotional scenes.

All the details of this poignant rollercoaster are dependent on one another as if you were reading a topnotch crime novel that keeps you enthralled until the very end. The script is written in a smart and stylish way as actors need to keep their acting methods aligned with the script as well as the director's vision.

Directed by epla Hassan, this cast of talented individuals includes performances by Michael Johnson (Othello), Colin Wasmund (Iago), Benjamin Cole (Cassio), Samantha Dubina (Desdemona) and Melody Betts (Emilia).

Many of you will be familiar with this all-star cast including Cole and Betts, who were prominent in the 2005 production "Blithe Spirit." Both actors have remarkable talent and are able to find balance between instinct and technique.

I'm sure that with this particular ensemble, the actors found their motivation. With a healthy collaboration between the writer, director and actor, they also were able to personalize their characters and make their character's actions come to life.

The show begins at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 24 and runs until Saturday, April 28. Admission is \$13 for public and \$11 for seniors, youth and students. Tickets can be purchased through the Mainline

Center Stage

Le Alexander



Theater Box Office, 309-298-2900.

On Wednesday, April 25, a kaleidoscope of colors will be welcomed onto the stage of Western Hall as one of the most colorful musicals entertains audiences.

"Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" is a miraculously heartening and enjoyable musical voyage into a vibrant and ageless biblical story.

Consisting of a large cast, the talents and passions put forth through the incorporation of elaborate costumes as well as outstanding staging and lighting effects prove this show is for all ages.

Enjoy a ride through biblical Egypt with uplifting music from Andrew Lloyd Webber ("CATS") and "Evita") and lyricist Tim Rice ("Beauty and the Beast"). The music combines a variety of genres including pop, country and rock that ease the souls of every musical enthusiast. The musical also has energy with glorified choreography. According to reviews, the touring cast has all the right ingredients including a youthful actor that brings an exuberant Joseph to life. Audiences claim Adam Ryan Tackett stands out as a winningly energetic Joseph, a definite must for the lead role of the self-titled production. The show begins at 7:30 p.m. and tickets can be purchased through the Mainline Theater Box Office.

Your senses will be alive when you hear the sweet sounds of the WIU Steel Band. Their sounds provide rhythm and texture that mesmerize individuals with harmonic

qualities.

The popularity of steel pans has intriguingly increased over the years and you'll be disappointed if you miss this performance. I've been at numerous steel band concerts and they are truly enjoyable as you listen to the unique island sounds.

This band has the reputation of excellence and, although the members graduate, new musicians continue to generate quality performances. If you've never enjoyed this musical experience, go to the College of Fine Arts and Communication (COFAC) Recital Hall at 7:30 p.m., Friday, April 27. Admission is free.

Other events:

- The Al-Musharaka Film Series presents "Tales from Arab Detroit" on Monday, April 23 at 7 p.m. in the Sandburg Theatre of the WIU University Union. Admission is free with popcorn and soft drinks provided.

- International Film Series presents "Curse of the Golden Flower" on Wednesday, April 25 and Thursday, April 26 at 3:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. at the Cinema I and II. Admission is \$5.25; R.

- The WIU Choirs Student Conductors Concert is Thursday, April 26 at 7:30 p.m. in the COFAC Recital Hall. Admission is free.

- The Macomb Community Theatre presents "The Real Inspector Hound" on Friday, April 27 and Saturday, April 28 at 7:30 p.m., at the Pat Crane Memorial Theater. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors and \$6 for students.

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DVD Review

Smokin' Aces not so smokin' hot

Ever get the feeling someone is trying too hard to be creative? Someone like your local starving artist, sous chef, favorite amateur film critic...

I do too. As "Smokin' Aces" progressed from an intriguing Mafioso-macabre into a been-there-done-that blood bath, I got the notion that a potentially potent plot was wasted on too many exit wounds and not enough exit strategies, mainly the front and back doors.

While "Smokin' Aces" wasn't bad enough to make me boycott Hollywood, it was nonetheless a letdown. There were too many unoriginal moments and predictable situations. I had high hopes and was left with vertigo, dizzy and disappointed.

The story follows the hunt for Las Vegas entertainer Buddy "Aces" Israel (Jeremy Piven), a shady character with strong mob ties.

Labeled as a snitch, a large bounty is placed on Aces' head, which, of course, brings out the dirtiest, most sadistic hit men and hit women.

The result is chaos, carnage and convenient plot twists.

It wouldn't have hurt writer/director Joe Carnahan to choose backspace over bang-bang a couple of times.

While the characters have cool, colloquial looks, they are basically hodgepodge-hybrids ripped from the scripts of yesteryear.

There was a hit man with Texas Chainsaw impulses and another who wears the synthetic, lifelike masks used in the "Mission Impossible" series.

I was even reminded of "Saving Private Ryan" when the casino manager-type meets a slow, meticulous demise.

And then there's the mercenary with chewed off fingertips. That's right ... not fingernails, fingertips. Reminded me of "Hostel."

There's a little bit of Guy Ritchie's "Snatch" and a lot of Quentin Tarantino's everything.

But not nearly enough intrigue. Or suspense, despite the multiple shootouts. Or fun, despite the intense action.

Or potential for a sequel because you need living characters for that.

The film is obviously rated R for strong violence, language, drug use and brief nudity.

The cast ensemble features Ray Liotta, Ryan Reynolds, Andy Garcia, Alicia Keys, Jason Bateman, Ben Affleck and Common among others.

Despite everything I've said, I do not loathe this film.

I was simply expecting much more. So... "Smokin' Aces." It's a classic case of might-be Muilenburgable.



Matt Muilenburg

The ugly world of bloggers

Many people know or at least can agree that print journalism is in a dire situation. With the advent of the Internet, image-saturated cable news and large corporations buying newspapers by the handful, print journalism, as we know it, is in trouble.

First comes money-hungry corporations, then comes bloggers, then comes the baby in the baby carriage.

An argument in newsrooms is whether or not a bloggers presence on the Internet can be considered journalism. Most refer to the blog-adverse as "old fogies" who are afraid of this new medium and the young journalists coming up the ranks seem to be blog-friendly.

I fall somewhere in the gray area. As a young journalist, to me blog is a horribly ugly word and I cringe at its very mention.

In order to settle this argument, one must consider what a journalist really is. Is there any difference between me sitting at a computer at work writing about current issues for print rather than any other Joe Schmo off the street writing at home on his blog? The difference? More than \$20,000 in college loans? Is that it? I'd like to think my college education was not wasted and I could have just stayed at home to write rather than get up for those annoying 8 a.m.

From the Editor

Chelsea McDougall



classes.

But is everyone with a computer and a keyboard considered a journalist? If my 16-year-old cousin can blog, should I be worried about her stealing my scoop?

My Microsoft Word software doesn't even recognize blog as a word and insists on putting annoying red lines underneath the word and makes suggestions to replace it with the words "bog, blot, bloc, blob and blow." So if Microsoft doesn't recognize it, should we as a career? As an area of study?

I can only imagine future course descriptions at WIU, "Blogging 101 where grammar, punctuation and even truth get thrown out the window." The English and journalism department would get a much needed boost in funding if the blogging masses stepped away from their glowing computer screens for such a class.

That being said, I am not utterly opposed to blogging. In a culture so image focused, it is great for 16-year-olds to express

themselves with words rather than holes in their faces. (I just looked in the mirror and saw my mother). It is great that words are again making a comeback, but I do not acknowledge blogs as journalism. They are a mere form of expression.

Ridden with error after error and typically nothing more than speculation and opinion - count me out. I however, respect bloggers' opinions to write what they wish. My biggest

problem is when Google News provides a link to a blog from the home page. I just hope when people click on those they know the difference.

So for now, I stick to my someday old-fashioned print media and relish in the fact I am a journalist and that title sounds much nicer than blogger. Say it with me, "BLAAHHHC." The sound of it is enough to make your tongue wretch at its awful dialect. So take that, blaahhggers.

DVD Recommendation

By LE ALEXANDER
Eagle Correspondent

Top Recommendation:

"The Queen" magnifies royalty to a new level while maintaining accurate re-enactments of important events within British society and the world.

"The Queen" focuses on the election of Tony Blair as the British prime minister immediately followed by the death of Princess Diana. The film visualizes the struggles of these two events in a sympathetic way. Re-examining the events, the film provides a high definition of credibility through a unique device of incorporating real newsreel footage that highlighted the events that occurred.

Helen Mirren gives life to HM Queen Elizabeth II and humanizes the portrayal in order to stay away from any false caricatures. Mirren's multi-layered performance is sparking as she provides fascinating insight. The musical score is magnificent with pieces that provide a light touch of majestic beauty and sweet melody. Do not pass up this film as it truly goes past the typical biographical film.

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Bushnell school board discusses coaches' salaries

By JONATHAN MOHR
Eagle Staff Writer

Before Bushnell-Prairie City CUSD 170 and Avon CUSD 176 enter into a full sports co-op next year, a few salary issues need to be worked out, said B-PC Athletic Director Stan Prentice, at the Bushnell-Prairie City school board meeting Wednesday, April 18.

Some of B-PC's assistant coaches do not make nearly as much as their counterparts in the Avon district. That could lead to some hard feelings, Prentice warns. "We need to even things up if we can," Prentice said. "(The coaches) are in it for the love of the sport. But at the same time, if they know that somebody's getting paid more ... sometimes it is an issue with some. Let's eliminate the issues."

Prentice presented the school board with salary information for both schools, as well as information from other nearby school districts that participate in sports co-ops.

One item of interest was a comparison between the assistant volleyball and assistant football coaches

salaries. Both seasons last 11 weeks but the assistant volleyball coach, who is paid by Avon, will make \$2,327 next fall while the assistant football coach, who is paid by B-PC, will make \$1,824.

The head coaches for football and volleyball were paid nearly identical salaries, but when head football coach John McCormick found out about the assistant's salary discrepancy, he told Prentice he believed his assistants were underpaid.

A pay discrepancy does exist between the head baseball coach (paid by B-PC) and head softball coach (paid by Avon). The baseball coach makes \$1,824, compared to \$3,324 for the softball coach. Both seasons last approximately 12 weeks.

The pay gap between the assistant baseball and softball coaches is even greater. The assistant baseball coach (paid by B-PC) makes \$998 per season while the assistant softball coach (paid by Avon) makes \$2,327.

Conversely, the head girl's basketball coach (paid by Avon) makes \$3,324 while the head

boy's basketball coach (paid by B-PC) makes \$3,594.

Prentice believes these discrepancies could be corrected by establishing a uniform pay scale for coaches at both schools. He estimated roughly \$8,200 would be needed to bring Bushnell coach's salaries to present Avon levels.

"When you enter into a partnership, you need to try and make everything as consistent as possible," Prentice said.

In other business:

• High School principal Anita Pyles announced a special meeting would be held at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, May 2 in the Jr./Sr. High Library to discuss issues related to the co-op. School board members and administrative staff will be present to discuss concerns and answer questions.

• The board approved a new home school policy and a new risk management plan that will help the

district access tort fund money.

• Don Swartzbaugh, of the B-PC Education Foundation, updated the board regarding the use of money available through a foundation established by a former teacher, the late Mabel Emory. The foundation will earn approximately \$40-50,000 per year in interest, Swartzbaugh said, with the money being used to help the school and fund related educational projects and activities.

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Michael's hair designer Tina Mahoney shaves the head of a WIU student for St. Baldrick's Day. Donated money will benefit children's cancer.

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WIU invites public to HIV discussion

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The discussion, "The Downplaying of HIV/AIDS in the Minority Community," is open free to the public.

For more information, call the Gwendolyn Brooks Cultural Center, 309-298-2220.

Housing Authority recognizes Housing America 2007 Campaign

The Housing Authority of McDonough County (HAMC) will recognize the national Housing America 2007 Campaign to educate and inform the public and decision makers of the critical need to address the nation's housing and community development concerns.

"This is a critical time for public housing in America and in McDonough County," said HAMC Executive Director Bill Jacobs. "The proposed Housing and Urban Development budget for 2008 will result in a cumulative funding shortfall of more than \$3 billion since 2001. This comes at a time when more than 12 percent of Illinois residents are living below the federal poverty line."

"Currently, all but one of our four housing properties in McDonough County have a waiting list and that one exception is rare," Jacobs said.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER Macomb Public Water Supply Did Not Meet Treatment Requirements

Our water system recently violated a drinking water standard. Although this was not an emergency, as our customers, you have the right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we did to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor your water for turbidity (cloudiness), caused by suspended particles. This tells us whether we are effectively filtering the water supply. Water samples for March 2007 showed that 45 percent of turbidity measurements were over 0.3 turbidity units. The standard is that no more than 5 percent of samples may exceed 0.3 turbidity units per month. The turbidity levels are relatively low. However, their persistence is a concern. Normal turbidity levels at our plant are 0.24 units.

What should I do?

You do not need to boil your water or take other actions. We do not know of any contamination, and none of our testing has shown disease-causing organisms in the drinking water.

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What does this mean?

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What happened? What is being done?

A problem occurred with the treatment system at the water plant. Heavy rain and flooding led to poor raw water quality at Spring Lake. These conditions made treatment difficult and led to high turbidity in the finished water. Adjustments in the treatment process were made and the raw water quality improved. Turbidity was back down to an acceptable level by the end of March. We have not had any problems since that time.

The Water Plant has retained the services of Benton and Associate's engineering firm, to conduct a comprehensive performance evaluation of our equipment and operating procedures. We are reviewing the chemicals used to treat the water. We will begin operating on a 24 hour basis to optimize the treatment process and minimize problems that occur when starting up the Water Plant.

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The symptoms above are not caused only by organisms in drinking water. If you experience any of these symptoms and they persist, you may want to seek medical advice.

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Panel

were faced with tightlipped administration and police, and thus forced to talk to anyone they could.

"What do they do," Page said. "They talk to anyone they can get a hold of. I find in most cases people want to talk."

Page added the first day of coverage was what he called "chaos" - a scramble to answer the questions on the minds of people throughout the county. The next day, he said, the media did a nice job perpetuating a national day of mourning.

Page has been a recent figure featured in media and has commented about Imus. In 2000, Page made Imus say a pledge that he would stop making derogatory comments on his radio show. Since then, Page hasn't been asked back.

Prior to that, Page was a regular guest on Imus'

radio show, causing some concern from Page's colleagues. Page noted Imus' recent comments are not new. Imus has been making derogatory comments for some time.

Page reasoned why Imus has just recently come under fire. He said it was a slow news day being the weekend before Easter. Another was his targets were unwarranted. Page said celebrities and public figures were fair game, but when it comes to a basketball team "that did nothing to Imus," it was just unfair.

Another reason was the "You Tube effect," he said. You Tube is a popular Web site where people can post videos and comments were quickly posted to the web and were viewed by more people than those listening to the show that day. Those comments will live in infamy on the web.

As word spread of his remarks, sponsors began pulling out and thus money and thus Imus' job.

Thomas, now a syndicated columnist, said her first column lacked

"edge."

Writing for 57 years for wire services, she was accustomed to writing only facts.

"So now I wake up every morning and think 'Who do I hate today?'"

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she said.

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Collins helps to preserve jazz music with the Macomb community

By CHELSEA MCDUGALL
This Week Editor

On a farm north of Galesburg, Ann Collins, of local jazz piano fame, began her journey with the piano. As a young child, Collins had a lot of potential as a pianist. By 5 years old she had learned, by ear, to play a favorite children's song on the piano. By age 6, she was enrolled in piano lessons. She kept studying her love, a love that carried its way through college and now past

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retirement. With a master's degree in music education, Collins taught music at WIU for many years and eventually became the dean of the music department.

Although she said she loves all kinds of music, jazz is where her heart is. "I love the creativity of jazz, you are always improvising, it is always

new, always changing," she said.

Collins has played at numerous local venues and events, but since retirement from WIU, she travels to Mercedes, Texas every winter where she also performs solo acts and "The Ann and Vicky Show" with Vicky Mayo. In addition, she has released two CDs. Collins was

instrumental in the creation of the Al Sears Jazz Festival and books the jazz music for Chandler's Bar and Grill. She also performs with the Ann Collins Trio and the Savoy Stompers Dixieland Band.

"It's really exciting for me to bring an increased awareness of jazz to this community," she said.

Collins can recall a time when jazz was the popular music played on the radio. Over time, jazz has lost its large following but Collins believes it is still important to American music. She believes due to the jazz festival, there is a growing following in Macomb.

"Those of us who grew up in the 1940s, jazz was popular music, we heard it on the radio."

She added jazz is the roots of American music.

"Every style of music, every artist is influenced by what they hear," she said. "The bottom line is jazz is American music, jazz is democracy in action. It is the culmination of spiritual music, marching band, blues, ragtime - they all come



Photo by Chelsea McDougall

Local jazz pianist Ann Collins was instrumental in creating the Al Sears Jazz festival. She fell in love with jazz at a young age.

together to form jazz."

She is passionate about raising awareness and education of the style.

"Jazz is an important part of our culture and we need to preserve it," Collins said.

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The "SISTA" Project, or "Sisters Informing Sisters on Topics about AIDS" will be held from 6-9 p.m., Wednesday, April 25 at the Gwendolyn Brooks Cultural Center (GBCC) on the WIU campus. The educational program is intended for women of color who are at risk for HIV/AIDS and sexually transmitted diseases. Advance registration is required. To register or for more information, call the GBCC, 309-298-2220. The program is sponsored by Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc., Nu Omicron Omega Chapter, the Illinois Department of Public Health Center for Minority Health Services and the GBCC.

Park district offers baby-sitting course

The Macomb Park District will be offering an American Red Cross baby-sitting training course Saturday, May 12 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. for participants 11 years old and up. The class is taught by Leann DeJoode. The baby-sitting training course will provide the opportunity for new and experienced baby-sitters to receive important training. Topics will include how to handle an emergency situation, first aid, child supervision and how to keep yourself and children safe. The cost is \$25 for residents and \$37.50 for non-residents. The deadline to register is Wednesday, May 9.

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Macomb's Jaelyn Lucas prepares to swipe tag Avon/BP-C's Megan Slater in a game earlier this year. Lucas and the Lady Bombers battle Monmouth-Roseville two times this week. Slater and the Lady Trojans host South Fulton on Monday, La Harpe/West Prairie on Tuesday and Canton on Friday.

This week in area athletics

Monday, April 23

WP/L baseball at B-PC/A, 4:30 p.m.
A/B-PC softball vs. S. Ful., 4:30 p.m.
B-PC/A track at Lewistown, 4 p.m.
WP/L girls track at Carthage, 4 p.m.
MHS baseball at Lewistown, 4 p.m.
MHS tennis vs. Quincy, 4 p.m.

Tuesday, April 24

WP/L baseball at Warsaw/Nauvoo-Colusa, 4:15 p.m.
L/WP softball at A/B-PC, 4:30 p.m.
WP/L boys track at Elmwood Invite, 4:15 p.m.
MHS baseball vs. Monmouth-Roseville @ Burlington Bees Stadium, 4:30 p.m.
MHS softball vs. Monmouth-Roseville, 4:30 p.m.
MHS soccer at Jacksonville Tournament TBA
MHS track at Quincy, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, April 25

WP/L baseball vs. Unity, 4:30 p.m.
L/WP softball vs. Unity, 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 26

A/B-PC softball at United, 4:30 p.m.
B-PC/A baseball vs. West Central, 4:30 p.m.
B-PC/A track at Titan Relays, 4 p.m.
WP/L coed track at Warsaw, 4 p.m.
MHS baseball at Monmouth-Roseville, 4:30 p.m.
MHS softball at Monmouth-Roseville, 4:30 p.m.
MHS soccer at Jacksonville Tournament TBA
MHS tennis vs. Pekin, 4 p.m.

Friday, April 27

L/WP softball at West Central, 4:30 p.m.
A/B-PC softball vs. Canton, 4:30 p.m.
B-PC/A baseball vs. Farm., 4 p.m.
MHS soccer at Jacksonville Tournament TBA
MHS boys track at Pekin Dragon Invitational, 4 p.m.

Saturday, April 28

B-PC/A baseball at Lewistown, 10 a.m.
MHS softball vs. Rockridge, 11 a.m.

Westerwinds tennis adds transfer

Ashley Clark has signed with the WIU women's tennis team for the 2007-08 season.

Clark, a Waseca, Minn., native, will transfer to Western Illinois from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Clark is WIU tennis coach Michael Hunt's second addition to the Westerwinds' 2007-08 recruiting class, following Kate Kennedy, who signed this past November.

While at UW-Milwaukee, Clark compiled five wins at No. 2 singles and four wins at No. 1 doubles during the fall 2006 season. She was also named a scholar athlete as a freshman.

"We are excited and I feel very fortunate to have Ashley Clark join our team next year," Hunt said.

Clark was ranked as high as 13 in the United States Tennis Association's (USTA) Northern Section and holds an USTA National Public Parks Championship Title in doubles.

Clark also participated on a Northern Section tennis sectional champion team and finished fifth in the National Team Tennis competition. "She has plenty of high-level USTA experience as well and has trained for some time at an academy down in Florida," Hunt added.

While attending Waseca High School, Clark finished fourth in the Class AA state individual tournament.

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Classy Closet celebrates five-year anniversary

By **CHELSEA MCDUGALL**
Eagle Assistant Editor

Classy Closet owner Sue Marshall decided to change careers about five years ago. In doing so, she had 25 years of a career in education under her belt.

"A friend said ... 'well it can't be that hard, buy a book,' and I did," Marshall joked.

"It was all very serendipity the way it all happened," she said.

Starting from scratch, Marshall said she was fortunate to have help from other local small business owners, whom she still relies on for help or answers to her

questions when needed. "Since I came into this without a background, the learning curve was steep," Marshall said, spoken like a true educator.

Around the time of her career change, the Classy Closet's current building was available for rent.

A blank canvas to work with, Marshall modeled her store after her favorite clothing store that left town. She wanted a bright, open and welcoming space for her customers. Marshall knows virtually all of her customers by name and when customers come in, Marshall said it is not only to shop but also to connect with friends and make new ones. She looks at her customers not from a business owner's standpoint, but as a friend.

"I have got to know so many diverse people," Marshall said. "I don't have a lot of family, but the people here, they feel like family."

She added her husband also jokes she is "off to the club" when leaving for work.

Five years after opening, Classy Closet has more than 1,100 consigners and Marshall credits much of her success to the "fantastic inventory they provide."

"It's a win-win situation for everybody," she said. "They are recycling clothes and get a percentage of the dividends."

Marshall carries everything from juniors sizes to women's sizes clothing, accessories, shoes, purses and scarves. She recently expanded her inventory to add maternity and vintage clothing. She is also carrying a

new line of maternity clothes.

As a member of the Chamber of Commerce and participating on the design committee, Marshall is passionate about helping fellow business owners. If a customer can't find what they need in her store, she sends them to where they might find what they are looking for.

Marshall is what's known throughout Macomb as a "transplant," someone who attended school at WIU and stayed after graduation. After a short hiatus from 1978-1981, Marshall came back to Macomb and the rest is history.



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MidAmerica National Bank honors Ericson

Kristin Ericson, daughter of Mike and Peggy Ericson, Macomb, has been named the MidAmerica National Bank Senior of the Month for April 2007.

She is involved at school, participating in National Honor Society (NHS), WYSE, Scholastic Bowl, Wind Symphony, Marching Band, Math Team and one-act plays during her four years.

She has earned many honors throughout her high school years, including High Honor Roll for all four years, NHS treasurer, Scholastic Bowl treasurer, first chair flute in Wind Symphony all four years, drum major during her junior and senior years, won the Quincy Symphony Orchestra Concerto Contest, placed second chair flute in the All-State Honor Orchestra in 2006, placed first chair flute in All-State Honor Band in 2007 and earned second place in biology and English at the Sectional WYSE Competition.

She also has been involved as a volunteer in the radiology department at MDH, teaches Sunday School at Trinity Lutheran Church and is a bell ringer for The Salvation Army.

In her spare time, she enjoys watching movies, traveling, reading and baking. She has been employed as a babysitter, gardener, has taught flute lessons and plays flute at community churches.

She is planning to attend the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana next fall and majoring in biology and flute performance.

As Macomb Senior of the Month, she was presented a cash award of \$100.

Simpson receives Alpha Kappa scholarship

The Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc., Nu Omicron Omega Chapter of Springfield awarded scholarships and book stipends to 11 young people for \$500 each. Terrance Simpson, Macomb High School, Macomb, received a Most Improved Academically Scholarship and a \$100 book stipend.

WIU names Hughey as orchestra conductor

Richard Hughey, an American cellist and conductor who has performed and directed in Germany since 1990, has been named the WIU School of Music director of orchestral activities, effective Aug. 1, according to Bart Shanklin, School of Music director.

Hughey will conduct the WIU Symphony Orchestra, succeeding professor Bruce Briney, and serve as recruiting coordinator for the string area. Briney, who came to WIU in 1993, recently was announced as the new conductor and music director of the Quincy Symphony Orchestra. He will remain on the WIU School of Music faculty and continue to teach.

"We are pleased to have an experienced conductor coming on board to head our orchestral program," said College of Fine Arts and Communication Dean Paul Kreider. "This is the first time a faculty position has been solely dedicated to leading the orchestra and we anticipate immediate strengthening of the program. I am confident that Dr. Hughey will bring great things to the School of Music and to Western."

Since 1992, Hughey has served as the artistic director and conductor of the orchestras at Dresden University of Technology (TU Dresden). When he began, TU Dresden had 60 students performing in one orchestra. Today, those numbers have doubled to more than 120 students in two orchestras. Hughey also has served as the artistic director and conductor of the TU-Kammerphilharmonie (Chamber Philharmonic). He has personally programmed and conducted the university's symphony concerts, organized and participated in chamber music performances and coordinated all musical activities on campus as the director of university music, a title he was awarded in 2003 for outstanding service.

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Charlene Distefano, 81, Macomb, died at 8:35 a.m., Wednesday, April 11, 2007, at her residence.
Funeral services were held Saturday, April 14, 2007, at St. Paul's Church, Macomb, with Monsignor Richard Pricco officiating.
Burial was in Park Cemetery, Carthage, Mo.
Memorials may be made to St. Paul's Church or St. Paul's School.
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Margie R. Luthy

Margie R. Luthy, 80, Rushville, died at 5:25 p.m., Friday, April 13, 2007, at her residence.
Funeral services were held Monday, April 16, 2007, at Sugar Grove United Methodist Church, Sugar Grove, with the Rev. Larry Reinke officiating.
Burial was in Herche Cemetery, southwest of Rushville.
Memorials may be made to Cass-Schuyler Area Hospice, 331 S. Main St., Virginia, IL 62691 or Project Lifesaver c/o the Schuyler Co. Sheriff's Dept.
Private condolences and expressions of sympathy may be sent to www.worthingtonfh.com.

Van Dale Vine

Van Dale Vine, 78, Macomb, died at 12:06 p.m., Thursday, April 12, 2007, at his residence.
Memorial services were held Sunday, April 15, 2007, at the Trinity Lutheran Church, Macomb, with Pastor Michael Thomas officiating.
Cremation rites were accorded.
Burial was private.
Memorials may be made to the Trinity Lutheran Church Building Fund.
Please sign the guestbook at www.dodsworthfh.com.
Dodsworth-Piper-Wallen Funeral Home, Macomb, was in charge of arrangements.

Thomas J. Armstrong

Thomas J. Armstrong, 79, Rushville, died at 7:25 p.m., Sunday, April 15, 2007, at Wesley Village Health Care Center, Macomb.
Services were held Friday, April 20, 2007, at the First United Methodist Church, Rushville, with the Rev. Mary Arnold officiating.
Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery, Macomb.
Memorials may be made to Wesley Village Health Care Center, McDonough County Hospice or the First United Methodist Church, Rushville.
Wood Funeral Home, Rushville, was in charge of arrangements.
Private condolences and expressions of sympathy may be sent to www.woodfh.net.

Carl Coyle

Carl Coyle, 44, Macomb, died at 3:42 p.m., Monday, April 16, 2007, at McDonough District Hospital.
Memorial services were held Saturday, April 21, 2007, at Clugston-Tibbitts Funeral Home, Macomb.
Private burial of ashes will be held at a later date.
Memorials may be made to the Amber McBride College Fund or to the MDH Hospice Program.
You may leave condolences or sign the guestbook online at www.clugston-tibbittsfh.com.

Edwin Arthur Thomas

Edwin Arthur Thomas, 94, Carthage, formerly of Plymouth, died at 9:45 p.m., Sunday, April 15, 2007, at Hancock County Nursing Home, Carthage.
Services were held Wednesday, April 18, 2007, at Hamilton Funeral Home, Plymouth, with the Rev. Sandra Bunnell officiating.
Burial was in Scotts Cemetery, near Plymouth, with military rites conducted by Plymouth American Legion Post 912.
Memorials may be made to Plymouth American Legion Post 912.

Helen Roberta Phillips

Helen Roberta Phillips, 94, Rushville, died at 10:20 a.m., Thursday, April 12, 2007, at Culbertson Long Term Care Facility, Rushville.
Services will be held Tuesday, April 17, 2007, at the First United Methodist Church, Rushville, with the Revs. Mary and Paul Arnold officiating.
Burial was in Rushville City Cemetery.
Memorials may be made to the First United Methodist Church or Culbertson Long Term Care Facility, Rushville.
Wood Funeral Home, Rushville, was in charge of arrangements.
You are invited to share your condolences and memories at www.woodfh.net.

Lucille Williams

Lucille Williams, 77, Macomb, died at 10 p.m., Sunday, April 15, 2007, at Methodist Medical Center, Peoria.
Graveside services were held Thursday, April 19, 2007, at Forest Lawn Memory Gardens, Macomb, with the Rev. Wally Holt officiating.
Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.
Dodsworth-Piper-Wallen Funeral Home, Macomb, was in charge of arrangements.
Please sign guestbook at www.dodsworthfh.com.

Frank R. "Zeke" Statler

Frank R. "Zeke" Statler, 81, Carthage, died at 7:10 a.m., Saturday, April 14, 2007, at the Montebello Health Care Center, Hamilton.
Graveside services with military rites were held Monday, April 23, 2007, at Moss Ridge Cemetery, Carthage, with Pastor Jon Heikes officiating.
Memorials may be made to Blessing Hospice of Hancock County or the Carthage Golf Course.
Printy Funeral Home, Carthage, was in charge of arrangements.

Wilson Murfin

Wilson Murfin, 81, Rushville, died at 8:20 p.m., Monday, April 16, 2007, at Memorial Medical Center, Springfield.
Graveside services were held Friday, April 20, 2007, at Rushville City Cemetery, Rushville, with the Rev. Thomas Ryan officiating.
Worthington Funeral Home, Rushville was in charge of arrangements.
Private condolences and expressions of sympathy may be sent to www.worthingtonfh.com.

Ricky L. Ault

Ricky L. Ault, 50, Henderson, died Wednesday, April 18, 2007, at his residence.
There will be no services.
Cremation rites have been accorded.
Dodsworth-Piper-Wallen Funeral Home, Macomb, is in charge of arrangements.
Please sign guestbook at www.dodsworthfh.com.

Cleatis M. "Buck" Bridgewater

Cleatis M. "Buck" Bridgewater, 73, Macomb, died at 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 18, 2007, at OSF St. Francis Medical Center, Peoria.
Services were held Saturday, April 21, 2007, at Dodsworth-Piper-Wallen Funeral Home, Macomb, with the Rev. Linden Beard officiating.
Burial was in Bardolph Cemetery with military rites.
Memorials may be made to the Macomb VFW.
Please sign guestbook at www.dodsworthfh.com.

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New arrival

Drew Jacie Creasey

Drew Jacie Creasey was born at 6:59 p.m., March 10, 2007, to Susan (Heitman) and Robb Creasey. She weighed 6 pounds 7 ounces and was 19 inches long.



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The prospective groom is a 1997 graduate of Bushnell-Prairie City High School and a 1999 graduate of Spoon River College with an associate's degree in ag business. He is employed as a seed salesman/fertilizer application at Riden Farm Supply.
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Conleigh Iris High

Conleigh Iris High was born at 5:22 a.m., March 29, 2007, to Kristy Lee Turley-High and Carl Wallace High. She weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long.

Lauren Taylor Bishop

Lauren Taylor Bishop was born at 8:18 p.m., March 29, 2007, to Kerrie and Aaron Bishop. She weighed 6 pounds, 12 ounces and was 19 1/4 inches long.

Nika Marie Daytner

Nika Marie Daytner was born at 11:27 a.m., April 1, 2007, to Katrina Marie and Gary Thomas Daytner. She weighed 7 pounds, 15 ounces and was 21 inches long.

Andrew Jacob Butcher

Andrew Jacob Butcher was born at 2:24 p.m., April 2, 2007, to Melanie and Joe Butcher. He weighed 8 pounds, 9 ounces and was 21-1/4 inches long.

Tanner Robert Pearce

Tanner Robert Pearce was born at 9:26 p.m., April 2, 2007, to Melissa Mullin and Joshua Pearce. He weighed 8 pounds, 5 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long.

Micah Alcinda Ayers

Micah Alcinda Ayers was born at 7:55 a.m., April 3, 2007, to Paige and Larry Ayers. She weighed 6 pounds, 11 ounces and weighed 19 1/4 inches long.

Kalissa Reneé Fisher

Kalissa Reneé Fisher was born at 4:49 a.m., April 4, 2007, to Lindsay and Jeremy Fisher. She weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces and was 20 inches long.

Emily Helen Crook

Emily Helen Crook was born at 7:46 a.m., April 4, 2007, to Angela Helen and Edwin William Crook. She weighed 8 pounds, 1 ounce and was 20 inches long.

Rayaan Farooq Chaudary

Rayaan Farooq Chaudary was born at 8:45 a.m., April 4, 2007, to Sobia Farooq and Farooq M. Chaudary. He weighed 6 pounds, 13 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long.

Steven Michael Kitch

Steven Michael Kitch was born at 10:05 p.m., April 4, 2007, to Jessica and Steve Kitch. He weighed 8 pounds, 11 ounces and was 21 1/2 inches long.

Macy Lynn Powell

Macy Lynn Powell was born at 9:20 a.m., April 5, 2007, to Michele L. and Brett Powell. She weighed 7 pounds, 6 ounces and was 19 3/4 inches long.

Jackson Mitchell Kessler

Jackson Mitchell Kessler was born at 5:38 p.m., April 5, 2007 to Ashley A. and Mitchell J. Kessler. He weighed 9 pounds, 8 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long.

Fortnightly Club News

The Fortnightly Club met at the Macomb Library on Tuesday, April 10.

Following the collect, Betty Garner introduced the guest speaker Ellie Zoerink, M.S.W., who is the social worker for the Macomb school district. Her experience spans 17 years.

In her presentation, Zoerink stressed the fact that social work is a doing profession. It forms relationships with clients, shares information, assists in identifying alternatives for action and aids problem solving. Its primary goal is to help an individual in becoming a healthy, functioning community member.

Zoerink works in a variety of community settings but focused her talk on schools. Her work includes teaming with parents, teachers and staff, identifying social programs and supporting the school environment as a place for meeting child and family needs.

The program was concluded with a biographical sketch from a book about Jane Addams, a well known and dedicated Illinois social worker and founder of Hull House in Chicago.

Fortnightly Club will meet again Tuesday, April 24.

TOPS Open House

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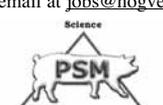
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