

## DAYBOOK

## By the numbers

Today is Thursday, Dec. 2, the 336th day of 2010. There are 29 days left in the year.

## Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 2, 1970, the newly created Environmental Protection Agency opened its doors. (Its first director was William D. Ruckelshaus.)

## Wednesday Lottery:

Pick Three - Midday: 6-6-0

Pick Three - Evening: 2-9-2

Pick Four - Midday: 2-9-5-4

Pick Four - Evening: 4-1-8-4

Little Lotto: 7-13-17-24-34

Lotto: 2-15-17-18-20-38

Lotto Jackpot: \$2 million

Mega Millions Jackpot: \$62 million

**Today's Birthdays:** Character actor **Bill Erwin** is 96. Actress **Julie Harris** is 85. Former Attorney General **Edwin Meese III** is 79. Senate Majority Leader **Harry Reid** (D-Nev.) is 71. Actress **Cathy Lee Crosby** is 66. Movie director **Penelope Spheeris** is 65. Actor **Ron Raines** is 61. Country singer **John Wesley Ryles** is 60. Actor **Keith Szarabjka** is 58. Actor **Dan Butler** is 56. Broadcast journalist **Stone Phillips** is 56. Actor **Dennis Christopher** is 55. Actor **Steven Bauer** is 54. Country singer **Joe Henry** is 50. Rock musician **Rick Savage** (Def Leppard) is 50. Rock musician **Nate Mendel** (Foo Fighters) is 42. Actress **Rena Sofer** is 42. Rock singer **Jimi (cq) HaHa** (Jimmie's Chicken Shack) is 42. Actress **Lucy Liu** (lucy) is 42. Rapper **Treach** (Naughty By Nature) is 40. Tennis player **Monica Seles** is 37. Singer **Nelly Furtado** is 32. Pop singer **Britney Spears** is 29. Actress **Daniela Ruah** (roo-ah) (TV: "NCIS: Los Angeles") is 27. Actor **Alfie Enoch** (Film: "Harry Potter" films) is 22. Actresses **Deanna and Daniela Canterman** are 18.

## Area calendar

## Today

**Kiwanis Board** - Bartlemy's Accounting, 116 N. Kickapoo, 7 a.m.

**Mobile Health Unit** - CLOSED - Maintenance Day

**Parent Support Group** - First United Methodist Church, 302 Broadway, 10 a.m.

**NA** - 410 Pulaski St., 10:30 a.m.

**Medicare Insurance Assistance** - The Oasis, 2 to 4 p.m.

**Goldwing Road Rider's Association** - Staff meeting, Blue Dog inn, 6 p.m.

**AA Big Book Study Group** - 410 Pulaski St., 6 to 7:30 p.m.

**AA meeting** - Mount Pulaski Christian Church Fellowship Center, 114 N. Lafayette, 6 to 7:30 p.m.

**Lincoln Optimist Club** - First United

Dental Only

**AA Meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 9 a.m.

**Free Blood Pressure Check** - The Oasis, 10 to 11:30 a.m.

**Open AA meeting** - 507½ Pulaski St., 6 p.m.

**AA Meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 6 p.m.

**NA Meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 9 p.m.

**Whitetails Unlimited Dinner banquet** - Knights of Columbus Hall, 5:30 p.m.

## Saturday

**Logan Bible Fellowship** - Steak 'n' Shake, 7 a.m.

**Open AA meeting** - Non-smoking, 507½ Pulaski St., 8 a.m.

**Kids Closet** - Free children's clothing, Open Arms Christian Fellowship, 311

## Area deaths

## David Earl Beecraft

JACKSONVILLE — David Earl Beecraft, 59, of Jacksonville, IL, passed away at 8:46 p.m. November 30, 2010 at Passavant Area Hospital in Jacksonville, IL.

Arrangements are pending at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln.

## Wayne Feese

COLUMBIA, KY — Wayne Feese, 71, of Columbia, KY, formerly of Mason City, IL, died Monday, November 29, 2010 at his residence after a long illness. He was born October 19, 1931 in Mt. Pulaski, IL, son of Cassius and Mabel Prince Feese. He married Connie Ogden Martin on July 6, 1963 in Greenview, IL. She survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Kim (Larry) Allen of San Jose, IL; four sons, Doug Feese of Springfield, IL; Ken (Victoria) Feese, of Covina, CA; Mike (Karin) Martin, Rick (Donette) Martin all of Mason City, IL. There are nine grandchildren and two great-granddaughters. Also surviving are his uncle Charles (Cheryl) Feese; his aunt Jewel Allsopp and several cousins and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents and two sons.

He operated Wayne's Appliance Service from 1988 until retirement in 2002. He was a member of the Egypt Christian Church of Egypt, KY. He enjoyed genealogy and working in his yard.

Memorials may be made to Jeff Feese Scholarship Fund in care of Illini Central High School or Pets without Parents.

Funeral Services will be held Saturday, December 4, 2010, at 10:30 am at Hurley Funeral Home in Mason City, IL with Nash Shawgo officiating. Burial will be

in Mason City Cemetery. Visitation from 5 pm to 7 pm, Friday, December 3, 2010 at Hurley Funeral Home in Mason City.

Hurley Funeral Home in Mason City is in charge of arrangements. Online memorials for the family may be left at [www.hurleyfh.com](http://www.hurleyfh.com)

## David J. Larson

LINCOLN — David J. Larson, 58, of Lincoln passed away on Wednesday, December 1, 2010 at 5:03 a.m. at his home.

A Memorial Service for Mr. Larson will be held on Saturday, December 4, 2010 at 10:30 a.m. at the Peasley Funeral Home in Lincoln with Chaplain Tim Hawthorn officiating. Military Rites will be accorded by American Legion Post

N Visitation is scheduled.

David James Larson was born on January 4, 1952 in Lincoln the son of John Elmer and Marjorie Elizabeth Griffith Larson.

He is survived by his companion: Oris Simmons, his children: Jessica (Scott) Kunzicker and Sean Larson both of Austin, Tx., his siblings: Marjorie Ann (Don) Sapp of Manta, John Charles (Linda) Larson of Lombard, Thomas Robert (Betty) Larson of Lincoln, Mary Elizabeth Virginia (Randy) Gristy of Villa Park.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Mr. Larson graduated from Lincoln High School in 1970. He then served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War.

He was a journeyman Welder.

He was a member of the American Legion.

Memorials may be made to Gifts for Yanks Who Gave thru American Legion Post 263.



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A soldier selects food for breakfast Wednesday morning at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. The U.S. Army plans to get new recruits into better shape with a revamped approach to health, fitness and diet at basic training.

## Army revamps training diet

By ALAN SCHERZAGIER  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

FORT LEONARD WOOD, Mo. — At Army training sites across the nation, the mess hall is beginning to look different. Milk and juice dispensers are replacing soda fountains, and whole grains are being substituted for white bread and pasta.

The military increasingly believes that producing quality recruits starts at the dinner table during basic training, so it has started a more emphatic effort to change their eating habits. Color-coded labels point the way to healthy items, and drill sergeants stand watch over the chow line, calling out soldiers who don't put enough fruit on their plates.

Many new soldiers have never given much thought to their diets — a problem that reflects the poor food choices of a nation with more and more obese people.

Doctrine Command. "This is a civilian problem that we're receiving and fixing."

Army leaders unveiled the approach Wednesday at Missouri's Fort Leonard Wood. It's the first substantial change to the Army's basic fitness training in decades.

The most visible changes will be in mess halls, but the program extends beyond food to overall health and fitness. The "soldier athlete" initiative is designed to prepare recruits with training methods similar to those of elite athletes — including greater use of professional trainers, physical therapists, and strength and conditioning coaches.

The system also focuses more attention on injury prevention, flexibility and mobility, coordination and aerobic endurance. Outdated exercises such as bayonet drills are being eliminated in favor of core strength workouts.

Healthy eating is deemed so essential that drill sergeants now

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Today is Friday, Dec. 3, the 337th day of 2010. There are 28 days left in the year.

## Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 3, 1984, thousands of people died after a cloud of methyl isocyanate gas escaped from a pesticide plant operated by a Union Carbide subsidiary in Bhopal, India.

## Thursday Lottery:

Pick Three - Midday: 8-8-6

Pick Three - Evening: 3-4-5

Pick Four - Midday: 7-6-0-8

Pick Four - Evening: 5-3-6-0

Little Lotto: 1-3-13-18-33

Lotto Jackpot: \$2.25 million

Mega Millions Jackpot: \$62 million

**Today's Birthdays:** Country singer Ferlin Husky is 85. Singer Andy Williams is 83. Movie director Jean-Luc Godard is 80. Singer Jaye P. Morgan is 79. Actor Nicolas Coster is 77. Actress Mary Alice is 69. Rock singer Ozzy Osbourne is 62. Actress Heather Merzies is 61. Rock singer Mickey Thomas is 61. Country musician Paul Gregg (Restless Heart) is 56. Actor Steven Culp is 55. Actress Daryl Hannah is 50. Actress Julianne Moore is 50. Olympic gold medal figure skater Katarina Witt is 45. Actor Brendan Fraser is 42. Singer Montell Jordan is 42. Actor Royale Watkins is 41. Actor Bruno Campos is 37. Actress Holly Marie Combs is 37. Actress Lauren Roman is 35. Pop-rock singer Daniel Bedingfield is 31. Actress Anna Chlumsky is 30. Actor Brian Bonsall is 29. Actress Amanda Seyfried is 25. Actor Michael Angarano is 23. Actor Jake T. Austin is 16.

## Area calendar

## Today

**Mobile Health Unit** - Logan County Department of Public Health, 109 3rd St., 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3:30 p.m. - Dental Only

**AA Meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 9 a.m.

**Free Blood Pressure Check** - The Oasis, 10 to 11:30 a.m.

**Open AA meeting** - 507 1/2 Pulaski St., 6 p.m.

**AA Meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 6 p.m.

**NA Meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 9 p.m.

**Whitetails Unlimited Dinner banquet** - Knights of Columbus Hall, 5:30 p.m.

## Saturday

**Logan Bible Fellowship** - Steak 'n' Shake, 7 a.m.

**Open AA meeting** - Non-smoking, 507 1/2 Pulaski St., 8 a.m.

**Kids Closet** - Free children's clothing.

Open Arms Christian Fellowship, 311 Broadway, 9 a.m. to noon.

**AA meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 9 a.m.

**Pet adoptions** - Logan County Animal Control, 1517 N. Kickapoo St., 10 a.m. to noon.

**Living Life on Life's Terms Women's Meeting** - 315 S. Butler St., 4 p.m.

**AA meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 6 p.m.

**NA meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 8 p.m.

## Sunday

**AA meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 9 a.m.

**Public Trap Shoot** - Lincoln Sportsmen's Club, 1 p.m.

**NA Big Book meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 5 p.m.

**Closed Big Book AA meeting** - Non-smoking, 507 1/2 Pulaski St., 7 p.m.

**Salt Creek ABATE** - Lincoln VFW, 2 p.m.

## Area deaths

## David Earl Beecraft

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He was a member of the Christian Church.

He was born August 19, 1951 in Mechanicsburg, IL, the son of Earl L. and Ardella C. Bergschneider Beecraft.

He is survived by one sister: Karen A. Petro of Lincoln.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother: Larry G. Beecraft.

A family graveside service will be held Monday, Dec. 6 at 1:30 p.m. at Zion Cemetery in Lincoln. Interment will be at Zion Cemetery

in Lincoln. Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln is handling the arrangements.

Memorials may be made to the National Downs Syndrome Society.

## Edwin L. Bush

Edwin L. Bush, 91, of Lincoln passed away at 3:50 a.m. Thursday at Christian Village in Lincoln, IL.

Arrangements are pending at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln, IL.

## Ann Gossett

BEND, ORE. — Ann Gossett Palmer, 79, died on November 24, 2010, with her family by her side, after a hard-fought battle with cancer. Baird Funeral Home of Bend, Oregon is in charge of arrangements.

## House censures Rep. Rangel

By LARRY MARGASAK AND LAURIE KELLMAN THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Veteran Rep. Charles Rangel, the raspy-voiced, backslapping former chairman of one of Congress' most powerful committees, was censured by his House colleagues for financial misconduct Thursday in a solemn moment of humiliation in the sunset of his career.

After the 333-79 vote, the Democrat from New York's Harlem stood at the front of the House and faced Speaker Nancy Pelosi as she read him the formal resolution of censure.

Responding, he admitted he had made mistakes and said he was sorry he had put fellow House members in an embarrassing position. But he suggested the winds of politics were involved as well.

"In my heart I truly feel good," Rangel said. "A lot of it has to do with the fact that I know in my heart that I am not going to be judged by this Congress, but I am going to be judged by my life."

It was only the 23rd time in the nation's history that a House member received the most severe punishment short of expulsion. Rangel committed ethical and fundraising violations of House rules, including

submitting misleading financial statements and failing to pay all his taxes, the chamber's ethics committee determined last month.

Before the censure vote, the House rejected an attempt to reduce his punishment to a simple reprimand. That vote was 267-146.

The dapper congressman, wearing a blue suit, blue tie and a blue handkerchief, told his fellow lawmakers, "I have made serious mistakes." But he pleaded with them to be "guided by fairness," taking account of his long record and his service in the Korean War.

Before that, the chairman of the ethics committee, Democratic Rep. Zoe Lofgren of California, said the censure her committee recommended was consistent with a Democratic pledge to run "the most honest, most open, most ethical Congress in history."

She said Rangel "violated the public trust" while serving in influential positions including chairman of the tax-writing Ways and Means Committee.

Rangel was at times contrite, saying that members of Congress "have a higher responsibility than most people" for ethical conduct and that senior lawmakers like himself "should act as a model" for newer lawmakers.



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**Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y., speaking Thursday on the floor of the House of Representatives in Washington.**

"I brought it on to myself," he said of his troubles.

Rep. Jo Bonner of Alabama, the top Republican on the ethics committee, said the nation's voters were paying attention to how the House dealt with a member who committed serious ethical violations.

"I have no doubt the people we work for will be watching with interest," Bonner said.

The House chamber was about two-thirds full. Many members had their heads bowed over mobile phones and a few iPads. Someone's BlackBerry pinged every time an e-mail arrived.

A half-dozen members spoke in Rangel's defense, arguing a reprimand was appropriate. A handful of Democrats applauded after one of them, Republican Rep. Peter King of New York, backed Rangel.

Rangel has said repeatedly he did not intend to break any House rules, and he walked out of the ethics committee's deliberations last month because, he said, he had been treated unfairly for "good faith mistakes."

The panel found him guilty on 11 of 13 charges and overwhelmingly recommended that he be censured.

It's a difficult sunset for Rangel's long career. A jovial politician with a distinctive voice, Rangel was re-elected in November with more than 80 percent of the vote despite being under an ethics cloud for more than two years.

He has argued that censure is reserved for corrupt politicians — and he's not one of them.

## McCain flays military study

By ANNE FLAHERTY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — A doubting John McCain led Republican opposition Thursday to letting gays serve openly in the military, sternly clashing with the Pentagon's top leaders and warning that soldiers would quit in droves if Congress repealed the "don't ask, don't tell" law.

In tense exchanges with Defense Secretary Robert Gates and Adm. Mike Mullen, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, McCain and other Republicans dismissed a Pentagon study on gays as biased and said objections by combat troops were being ignored.

Gates and Mullen defended the study, but McCain blamed politics for pushing the matter forward during wartime. He predicted Marines, in particular, would abandon their service if they had to serve along with gays open about their sexual orientation.

"We send these young people into combat," said McCain. "We think they're mature enough to fight and die. I think they're mature enough to make a judgment on who they want to serve with and the impact on their battle effectiveness."

Gates shot back that asking troops if they want to serve alongside gays would amount to issuing a referendum on a policy decision that should be made by Congress or the courts. The goal of the study, he said, was to find out if it could be done without hurting the mili-



ALEX BRANDON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

**Defense Secretary Robert Gates, right, accompanied by Joint Chiefs Chairman Adm. Michael Mullen, listens to a question on Capitol Hill in Washington Thursday, Dec. 2, 2010, as they testified before the Senate**

tary's ability to fight.

"Are you going to ask them if they want 15-month tours? You going to ask them if they want to be part of the surge in Iraq? That's not the way our civilian-led military has ever worked in our entire history," Gates said.

McCain, a four-term Republican and former Navy pilot who endured a harrowing ordeal as a prisoner of war during the Vietnam War, has taken a higher profile on socially divisive issues since losing the 2008 presidential race to Barack Obama. He has even defied with his wife, Cindy, who in a recent online video opposed the military policy and accused the government of treating gays like "second-class citizens."

Frowning and lecturing Gates and other top officials who tried to defend the Obama administration's effort to repeal the gay ban, McCain scoffed at their contention that the concerns of combat troops could be addressed through time and training.

His opposition foreshadows this month's Senate debate on a bill to overturn the 1993 "don't ask, don't tell" law banning gays from serving openly in the armed forces.

Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., has promised a Senate vote. But Republicans have blocked previous attempts on procedural grounds. Further hurting chances of repeal is an agreement among the Senate GOP not to vote on any bill this month before addressing

## School nutrition bill sent to Obama

By MARY CLARE JALONICK THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — More children would eat lunches and dinners at school under legislation passed Thursday by the House and sent to the president, part of first lady Michelle Obama's campaign to end childhood hunger and fight childhood obesity.

The \$4.5 billion bill approved by the House 264-157 also would try to cut down on greasy foods and extra calories by giving the government power to decide what kinds of foods may be sold in vending machines and lunch lines. The bill could even limit frequent school bake sales and fundraisers that give kids extra chances to eat brownies and pizza.

The first lady said in a statement after the vote that she was "thrilled" about House passage. She called the bill "a groundbreaking piece of bipartisan legislation that will significantly improve the quality of meals that children receive at school."

Republicans said the bill is too expensive and an example of government overreach. Even former Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin has weighed in, bringing cookies to a speech at a Pennsylvania school last month and calling efforts to

## The record

## Nov. sales exceed expectations



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## By the numbers

Today is Saturday, Dec. 4, the 338th day of 2010. There are 27 days left in the year.

## Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 4, 1783, Gen. George Washington bade farewell to his Continental Army officers at Fraunces Tavern in New York, telling them, "With a heart full of love and gratitude I now take leave of you."

## Friday Lottery:

Pick Three - Midday 0-7-6

Pick Three - Evening: 1-8-8

Pick Four - Midday: 4-5-0-1

Pick Four - Evening: 7-2-9-8

Little Lotto: 5-21-22-26-33

Lotto Jackpot: \$2.25 million

Mega Millions: 6-11-12-18-56

Mega Ball: 12

Mega Millions Jackpot: \$62 million

**Today's Birthdays:** Actress-singer **Deanna Durbin** is 89. Game show host **Wink Martindale** is 77. Pop singer **Freddy Cannon** is 74. Actor-producer **Max Baer Jr.** is 73. Actress **Gemma Jones** is 68. Rock musician **Bob Moseley** (Moby Grape) is 68. Singer-musician **Chris Hillman** is 66. Musician **Terry Woods** (The Pogues) is 63. Rock singer Southside **Johnny Lyon** is 62. Actor **Jeff Bridges** is 61. Rock musician **Gary Rossington** (Lynyrd Skynyrd; the Rossington Collins Band) is 59. Actress **Patricia Wettig** is 59. Actor **Tony Todd** is 56. Jazz singer **Cassandra Wilson** is 55. Country musician **Brian Prout** (Diamond Rio) is 55. Rock musician **Bob Griffin** (The BoDeans) is 51. Rock singer **Vinnie Dombroski** (Sponge) is 48. Actress **Marisa Tomei** is 46. Actress **Chelsea Noble** is 46. Actor-comedian **Fred Armisen** is 44. Rapper **Jay-Z** is 41. Actor **Kevin Sussman** is 40. Actress-model **Tyra Banks** is 37. Country singer **Lila McCann** is 29. Actress **Lindsay Felton** is 26. Actor **Orlando Brown** is 23.

## Area briefs

## Retired teachers plan meeting

Members of the DeWitt-Logan Retired Teachers Association will meet at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Lincoln Bonanza restaurant.

Officers for 2011 will be installed.

Following the Christmas luncheon, Jim Bachman, executive director of the Illinois Retired Teachers Association, will give the latest information on what will affect retired teachers.

Lesleigh Bennett will provide Christmas music.

## DAR to hold Christmas Tea

The Abraham Lincoln Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution will hold a Christmas tea at 1:30 p.m. Dec. 11. It will be hosted by Carol Schwantz.

Retired Logan County Treasurer Mary Ellen Bruns will be the special guest.

## Area deaths

## Neida L. Conrad

Nelda L. Conrad, 87 of Urbana, died at 5:45 a.m. December 3, 2010 at Champaign County Nursing Home, Urbana.

Funeral services will be 10:00 a.m. Monday, December 6 at St. John's Lutheran Church, 509 S. Mattis Ave., Champaign. Rev. Mark Elliott officiating. Burial will be at Locust Grove Cemetery, Philo. Visitation will be from 4 to 6 p.m. Sunday at Renner-Wikoff Chapel, 1900 S. Philo Rd., Urbana.



Mrs. Conrad was born July 22, 1923 in Havana, the daughter of William and Emma Zeizenutz Tigar. She married Roger L. Conrad on February 10, 1946 in Havana and he survives. She is also survived by a son, Steven C. Conrad of Urbana and a daughter, Jan Gerstner (Jim) of Peoria, grandchildren, Stephanie Polk (Damon), Doug Gerstner, Gregory Gerstner (Tara), Katherine Bialecki (James) and eight great grandchildren. She is preceded in death by a brother.

Mrs. Conrad graduated from Methodist School of Nursing in Peoria. She was a registered nurse and worked at Lincoln College. She later worked at Carle Foundation Hospital and became supervisor. She also taught medical education at the hospital and was a nurse at the Assembly Hall on the U of I campus. After retirement she joined the Carle Auxiliary and became a hospital volunteer. She was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Champaign and was a very active member. She was also an avid Illini fan.

Memorials may be made to St. John's Lutheran Church or the Salvation Army. Condolences may be offered at [www.renner-wikoffchapel.com](http://www.renner-wikoffchapel.com).

## Shelby J. Helton

Shelby J. Helton, 72, of Mt. Pulaski died at 1:05 P.M. December 2, 2010 at Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital, Lincoln, IL.

She was a retired nurse. She was a member of the Red Hat Society and was an avid supporter of the Special Olympics, and attended Mt.

Pulaski First United Methodist Church.

She was born May 12, 1938 in Freeport, IL to Nevin and Dorothy Nichols Kitzmiller. She married Garth L. Helton on November 24, 1979 in Mt. Pulaski, IL.



She is survived by her husband, Garth Helton of Mt. Pulaski, IL; five children, Scott Ray of Chicago, IL, Deb (Bill) Millett of Normal, IL, Denise Rivers of Fort Collins, CO, Marty (Carol) Spear of Mt. Pulaski, IL, and Sally Spear of Lincoln, IL; five step-children, Cheryl Lee of Decatur, IL, Byron Helton of Mt. Pulaski, IL, and Michael Pruitt of Oklahoma; three brothers, Jay (Shirley) Kitzmiller of Dixon, IL, Charlie (Laurel) Kitzmiller of Oregon, IL, and David Kitzmiller of Fort Collins, CO; three sisters, Ellen (James) Harrill of LaPorte City, Iowa, Cheryl (Marv) Lundquist of Mt. Morris, IL, and Alice (Marv) Leopold of Roscoe, IL; 13 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

Her parents preceded her in death.

Services will be held at 11:00 A.M. Tuesday, December 7, 2010 at the Mt. Pulaski First United Methodist Church, Rev. Rachel Stockle presiding.

A visitation will be held from 9:00-11:00 A.M. Tuesday, December 7, 2010 at the church prior to services. Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home, Mt. Pulaski is handling arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, the family would like memorials made to the Logan County Special Olympics or to the American Cancer Society.

## Matthew J. Malin

LINCOLN — Matthew J. Malin, 49, of Lincoln passed away at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2, 2010, at his home.

Funeral arrangements are pending at the Peasley Funeral Home in Lincoln.

## Charles K. "Chuck" Wilson

Charles K. "Chuck" Wilson, 82, of Lincoln, IL died at 12:55 A.M. Dec. 3, 2010 at Heartland Nursing Home, Peoria, IL.

He was a retired teacher of 40 years at Minier

and Buffalo-Tri City High School, and was also a chemist at Lehn and Fink, Lincoln. He attended First United Methodist Church of Lincoln, where he served as a United Methodist lay leader and summer camp grandparent. He was also a Boy Scout leader of Troops 109 and 102 and was awarded the Silver Beaver Award, the highest award for a troop leader. He was a member of the Lincoln Lions Club, volunteered at Little Lambs Day Care, participated in the Walk to Emmaus and was a volunteer missions worker through the church. He was a 1946 graduate of Lexington High School and a 1954 graduate of Illinois Wesleyan University. He was a founding member of the local chapter of Habitat for Humanity. He served in the U.S. Air Force from 1946-1949.



He was born June 18, 1928 in Clinton, IL to Keith Duncan and Leah Stone Wilson. He married Joyce L. Hardesty on Sept. 6, 1954 in Peoria, Illinois.

He is survived by his wife, Joyce, of Lincoln; children Keith (Jane) Wilson of Charleston, IL, Laura (Gary) Hacker of Bartonville, IL, Ellen (Dan) Dowell of East Peoria, IL, Tim (Lang) Wilson of Normal, IL, Gretchen (Rob) Jones of Lincoln, Lesley (Scott) Cooper of Lincoln; nine grandchildren, Nathan (Laurie) Hacker, Ted (Sara) Hacker, Tori (Josh) Schacht, Sam Wilson, Elizabeth Wilson, Gabrielle Hacker, Nick Jones, Natalya Jones and Michaela Wilson; three great grandchildren, Kelsi Hacker, Kaleb Hacker and Makinley Schacht; three brothers and two sisters.

He is preceded in death by one grandson, Clint Dowell, one brother and one sister.

Services will be held at 11:00 A.M. Tuesday, Dec. 7 at First United Methodist Church of Lincoln, Rev. Mark Kaley presiding. Interment will be held at Sugar Grove Cemetery, Wapella.

A visitation will be held Monday from 4:00-7:00 P.M. at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home, Lincoln, IL.

Memorials may be made to the Lincoln Logan Food Pantry or Habitat for Humanity.

## Residents claim Danville

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The record

Police beat  
Multiple charges

Lincoln police arrested Jermayne Montgomery, 37, of the 1300 block of McLean Street at 3:22 p.m. Friday at North Kickapoo Street at Lincoln Avenue on a charge of driving while license suspended.

Lincoln police arrested William E. Butler, 50, of the 100 block of North Elliott at 7:03 p.m. Friday at Pekin and Elliott streets on a charge of no valid drivers license.

Lincoln police arrested Peter J. Brennan, 26, of the 100 block of South Logan Street at 8:59 p.m. Friday in the 800 block of Woodlawn Road on two Logan County traffic warrants.

Lincoln police arrested John W. Steen, 37, of the 1200 block of North Logan Street at 3:55 p.m. Saturday at his residence on charges of domestic battery and criminal damage to property over \$300.

Lincoln police arrested James W. Pusey, 24, address unavailable, at 5:48 p.m. Saturday at St. John's Hospital, Springfield, on charges of domestic battery, aggravated assault, cruel treatment of an animal, criminal trespass to a residence and criminal damage to property over \$300.

Lincoln police arrested Dien P. Nguyen, 36, of the 900 block of 21st Street at 8:20 p.m. at his residence on a charge of aggravated domestic battery.

Lincoln police arrested Jeremiah A. McMullen, 24, of the 1100 block of North State Street at 10:12 p.m. Saturday on Woodlawn Road at Malerich Drive on a charge of driving while license suspended.

Lincoln police arrested David R. Langley, 26, of the 100 block of

alcohol, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of between 2.5 and 10 grams of cannabis.

A Logan County deputy arrested Andrew R. Mason, 23, of the 2500 block of 14th Street at 8:07 p.m. at 2100th Street on charges of driving under the influence of drugs, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of less than 2.5 grams of cannabis.

Illinois State Police arrested Keith M. Wright, 21, of Rockford at 1:27 p.m. Saturday on I55 on a Winnebago County warrant.

Illinois State Police arrested Amanda I. Atwood, 28, of Collinsville at 11:14 p.m. Saturday on a charge of driving under the influence of drugs.

Fire calls

Alarm malfunction

Lincoln firefighters responded to the 1300 block of North Postville Drive at 2:56 p.m. for an alarm malfunction.

Rescue runs

Aid calls

Lincoln firefighters responded with Logan County Paramedics to medical emergencies at:

A residence in the 1000 block or North College Street at 12:13 p.m. and again at 1:50 p.m. Friday.

A residence in the 200 block of Fifth Street at 3:01 p.m. Friday.

A residence in the 20 block of Keokuk at 11:30 a.m. Saturday.

A residence in the 800 block of North Union Street at 12:07 p.m. Saturday.

A residence in the 300 block of Keokuk Street at 1:29 p.m. Saturday.

A residence in the 100 block of North Postville Drive at 6:46

Area deaths

Theodore Edward Albertin

ATLANTA — Theodore Edward Albertin, age 84, of Atlanta, IL died Friday, December 3, 2010 at St. John's Hospital in Springfield, IL.



He was born on May 21, 1926 in California, MO., the son of Theodore H. and Lydia Baade Albertin. After high school, Mr. Albertin served in the WWII Army Medical Corps until November 1946. Upon his return to Missouri from the South Pacific, he married Jewelada "Judy" Rickman on November 16, 1946; she preceded him in death on August 31, 2009.

He received his Bachelor and Masters Degrees from the University of Missouri, and taught vocational agriculture at Ashland, and Kahoka, Missouri. He received a Specialist Degree in School Administration from Western Illinois University, Macomb IL., and beginning in 1965 served his remaining educational career as a high school principal at Augusta, Bluffs, and Pleasant Plains, Illinois.

At the time of his death he was a member of the Lincoln St. John's United Church of Christ. He was a former member of the Missouri and Illinois Education Associations and the Illinois Principals Association.

He was also preceded in death by his parents; one son, Scott; and three sisters, Anna Cook and

Frida McKee both of California, Mo., and Lydia Reischauer of St. Louis, Mo.

He is survived by two sons, Marc (wife, Jeanne), and Anthony "Tony" both of Atlanta, IL; one sister Emma (husband, Cliff) Wrinfrow of Thayer, MO; two grandchildren, Trenton Albertin and Tara Shane; and four great granddaughters.

Cremation will be accorded by Springfield Crematory.

There will be a Memorial services at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 16, 2010 at Ellinger-Kuz & Park Funeral Home, 530 N. 5th St. Springfield, IL with Reverend Richard W. Reinwald officiating.

Eurial will be on Sunday, March 27, 2011 at 1:30 p.m. in Immanuel Cemetery, California, MO.

Ellinger-Kunz & Park Funeral Home, 530 N. 5th St. Springfield, IL is in charge of arrangements.

Visit our online obituary at [www.ellingerkunzfuneralhome.com](http://www.ellingerkunzfuneralhome.com)

Edward Allspach

MOUNT PULASKI — Edward Allspach, 82, of Mount Pulaski passed away at 4:36 a.m. December 6, 2010 at Vonderlieth Living Center in Mount Pulaski.

Arrangements are pending at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader in Mount Pulaski.

Russell L. "Rusty" Fleshman

BROOKSVILLE, FL — Russell L. "Rusty" Fleshman, 69, of Brooksville, FL, formally of Lincoln, IL, passed away Nov. 26, in Brooksville, FL.

He served in the U.S. Navy from 1959 to 1963. He retired as a draftsman with Lockheed Martin at the NASA Space Center in Florida.

Father James, Mother Louise, Brothers, Richard E., James D. and Sister Alice preceded him in death.

Rusty was born on Jan. 22, 1941 in Chicago, IL.

He is survived by Brothers Thomas (Sally), Robert (Connie) of Lincoln and John (JoAnne) of Harvard, IL. Several Nieces, Nephews, and long time friend, Don Bowles of Coco, FL.

Grave Side services will be held at 1:00 p.m. Dec. 9 at Old Union Cemetery Lincoln, IL.

Family and Friends are invited to the American Legion, 1740 5th St., after the service.

In lieu of flowers, The Family would like memorials made to the Humane Society of Logan County, P.O. Box 404, Lincoln, IL 62656.

Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home Lincoln, IL are in charge of arrangements.

Shelby J. Helton

Shelby J. Helton, 72, of Mt. Pulaski died at 1:05 P.M. December 2, 2010 at Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital, Lincoln, IL.

She was a retired nurse. She was a member of the Red Hat Society and was an avid supporter of the Special Olympics, and attended Mt. Pulaski First United Methodist



Church.

She was born May 12, 1938 in Freeport, IL to Nevin and Dorothy Nichols Kitzmiller. She married Garth L. Helton on November 24, 1979 in Mt. Pulaski, IL.

She is survived by her husband, Garth Helton of Mt. Pulaski, IL; five children, Scott Ray of Chicago, IL, Deb (Bill) Millett of Normal, IL, Denise Rivers of Fort Collins, CO, Marty (Carol) Spear of Mt. Pulaski, IL, and Sally Spear of Lincoln, IL; five step-children, Cheryl Lee of Decatur, IL, Byron Helton of Mt. Pulaski, IL, Michael Pruitt of Oklahoma, Cori Herndon of Quappaw, OK and Austin Pruitt of Oklahoma; three brothers, Jay (Shirley) Kitzmiller of Dixon, IL, Charlie (Laurel) Kitzmiller of Oregon, IL, and David Kitzmiller of Fort Collins, CO; three sisters, Ellen (James) Harrill of LaPorte City, Iowa, Cheryl (Marv) Lundquist of Mt. Morris, IL, and Alice (Marv) Leopold of Roscoe, IL; 13 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

Her parents preceded her in death. Services will be held at 11:00 A.M. Tuesday, December 7, 2010 at the Mt. Pulaski First United Methodist Church, Rev. Rachel Stockle presiding.

A visitation will be held from 9:00-11:00 A.M. Tuesday, December 7, 2010 at the church prior to services. Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home, Mt. Pulaski is handling arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, the family would like memorials made to the Logan County Special Olympics or to the American Cancer Society.

By the numbers

BAKER & SON TREE SERVICE



**DAYBOOK**

**By the numbers**

Today is Wednesday, Dec. 8, the 342nd day of 2010. There are 23 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:**

On Dec. 8, 1941, the United States entered World War II as Congress declared war against Japan, a day after the attack on Pearl Harbor.

**Tuesday Lottery:**

- Pick Three - Midday: 1-9-3
- Pick Three - Evening: 7-1-6
- Pick Four - Midday: 5-9-4-4
- Pick Four - Evening: 0-7-9-4
- Little Lotto: 4-12-15-21-35
- Mega Millions: 4-38-45-53-54
- Mega Ball: 9
- Lotto Jackpot: \$2.75 million
- Mega Million Jackpot: \$74 million

**Today's Birthdays:** Actor-director Maximilian Schell is 80. Flutist James Galway is 71. Singer Jerry Butler is 71. Pop musician Bobby Elliott (The Hollies) is 69. Actress Mary Woronov is 67. Actor John Rubinstein is 64. Rock singer-musician Gregg Allman is 63. Reggae singer Toots Hibbert (Toots and the Maytals) is 62. Actress Kim Basinger (BAY'-sing-ur) is 57. Rock musician Warren Cuccurullo is 54. Rock musician Phil Collen (Def Leppard) is 53. Country singer Marty Raybon is 51. Rock musician Marty Friedman is 48. Actor Wendell Pierce is 47. Actress Teri Hatcher is 46. Rapper Bushwick Bill (The Geto Boys) is 44. Singer Sinead (shih-NAYD') O'Connor is 44. Actor Matthew Laborteaux is 44. Rock musician Ryan Newell (Sister Hazel) is 38. Actor Dominic Monaghan is 34. Actor Ian Somerhalder is 32. Rock singer Ingrid Michaelson is 31. R&B singer Christette Michele is 28. Rock singer-actress Kate Voegele (VOH'-geh) is 24. Actress AnnaSophia Robb is 17.

**Area calendar**

**Today**

- Mobile Health Unit** - New Holland Village Hall, 9 to 11:30 a.m. - No Nurse Practitioner
- NA** - 410 Pulaski St., 10:30 a.m.
- Rotary Club** - Rusty's Clubhouse and Grill, noon.
- Mobile Health Unit** - Atlanta, 1 to 3:30 p.m. - No Nurse Practitioner
- TOPS No. 1783** - Wilmert Lounge, 2 John United Church of Christ, 204

- Civil Service Commission** - Lincoln City Hall, 6 p.m.
- AA Big Book Study Group** - 410 Pulaski St., 6 to 7:30 p.m.
- AA meeting** - Mount Pulaski Christian Church Fellowship Center, 114 N. Lafayette, 6 to 7:30 p.m.
- GROW Support Group** - ALMH Conference Room C, 6:30 p.m.
- Rainbow Girls** - Masonic Temple, 7 p.m.

**Area deaths**

**Edward Leigh Allspach**

MOUNT PULASKI — Edward Leigh Allspach, 82, of Mt. Pulaski died at 4:36 a.m. Monday, December 6, 2010 at Vonderlieth Living Center in Mt. Pulaski. He was born December 7, 1927 in Mt. Pulaski to Elmer Edward and Helen Eola Birks Allspach. He married Shirley Jean Carter on February 26, 1948, she survives.



Also surviving is one son George (Karen) Allspach of Mt. Pulaski; four daughters, Kathryn (Scott) Steinfort of Miramar, FL, Linda (Dennis) Sheehan of Lincoln, IL, Jerilee (Brad) Gibbs of Crawford, CO, Jo Ellen (Mark) Gilbert of Paris, IL; One brother Donald (Shirley) Allspach of Mt. Pulaski, 13 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by one son David Edward Allspach and one brother John Birks Allspach.

Mr. Allspach was a member of the Lake Fork Grade School Board of Education (President), Mt. Pulaski Grade School Board of Education (President), Logan County Soil and Water Conservation District for 35 years (Chairman of the Board), received the Illinois Soil and Water

Conservation Districts' Governor's Award for the Conservation Farm Family of the Year in 1996, Union Drainage District Commissioner, Logan County Cemetery District (Chairman of the Board), Steenbergen Cemetery Board of Directors, Menard Electric Co-op Board of Directors, and the Prairie State Model T Car Club.

Visitation for Mr. Allspach will be from 3:00-7:00 p.m. Friday, December 10, at the Mt. Pulaski Christian Church Family Life Center. Funeral services will be at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, December 11, 2010 at the Mt. Pulaski Christian Church. Burial will be in Steenbergen Cemetery, Mt. Pulaski. Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home, Mt. Pulaski, is handling arrangements.

Memorials may be made to Vonderlieth Living Center or St. Mary's Hospital in Decatur.

Ed was a loving husband and dedicated father of six children. He had a passion for farming and stewardship of the land. He was active in many service and leadership roles in the community. In later years, Ed enjoyed traveling with his wife Shirley and was an avid antique car enthusiast. This generous man will be greatly missed by family and friends.

**Norman 'Jack' Horn**

MOUNT PULASKI — Norman 'Jack' Horn, 93, of Mt. Pulaski, IL passed away at 7:28 p.m. December 6, 2010 at Memorial

Medical Center, Springfield, IL.

He was a retired farmer and a member of Mt. Pulaski Zion Lutheran Church.

He was born July 16, 1917 in Mt. Pulaski, IL, the son of Reuben J. and Lydia Grathwohl Horn. He married Hilma L. Wilham. He later married Betty Ann Rich.



Survivors include his wife: Betty Ann Horn of Mt. Pulaski, IL; two

daughters: Carol (Paul) Turner of River Forest, IL and Maryan (Alan) Murphy of Chestnut, IL; one son: Larry Horn of Mt. Pulaski, IL; two nephews and a niece; there are also three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers: John and Robert Horn.

Memorial services will be at 3:00 p.m. Saturday, December 11, 2010 at Zion Lutheran Church in Mt. Pulaski, IL with Rev. Christopher Decker officiating. Burial will be at a later date.

Visitation will be held from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. prior to services at Zion Lutheran Church. Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Mt. Pulaski is handling arrange-

ments.

Memorials may be made to Zion Lutheran School or donor's choice.

**Matthew J. Malin**

LINCOLN — Matthew J. Malin, 49, of Lincoln formerly of Galena, passed away peacefully at his home on Thursday, December 2, 2010 after a short battle with cancer.

Matt was born on June 22, 1961



the son of Peter and Marilynne Collins Malin.

Matt is survived by his mother Marilynne Malin of Galena, his fiancée: Lisa

Hill of Lincoln, his son Collin Malin and Collin's mother

Carrie Lynn Miller of Scales Mound, IL, two brothers: Michael (Barbara) Malin of Algonquin, Mar (Glenda) Malin of Chicago, one sister: Michelle (Taras) Hazek of Marengo. He is also survived by several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father.

No services are scheduled. Cremation rites have been accorded.

Peasley Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

**Elizabeth Edwards loses Chewing**

## DAYBOOK

### By the numbers

Today is Thursday, Dec. 9, the 343rd day of 2010. There are 22 days left in the year.

#### Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 9, 1854, Alfred, Lord Tennyson's famous poem, "The Charge of the Light Brigade," was published in England.

#### Wednesday Lottery:

Pick Three – Midday: 0-2-1

Pick Three – Evening: 7-5-9

Pick Four – Midday: 4-6-2-4

Pick Four – Evening: 3-4-6-4

Little Lotto: 13-23-24-28-33

Lotto: 8-10-14-16-34-49

Lotto Jackpot: \$2.75 million

Mega Millions Jackpot: \$88 million

**Today's Birthdays:** Actor **Kirk Douglas** is 94. Actor **Dick Van Patten** is 82. Actor-writer **Buck Henry** is 80. Actress **Dame Judi Dench** is 76. Actor **Beau Bridges** is 69. Jazz singer-musician **Dan Hicks** is 69. Football Hall-of-Famer **Dick Butkus** is 68. Author **Joe McGinniss** is 68. Actor **Michael Nouri** is 65. Former Sen. **Thomas Daschle** (D-S.D.) is 63. World Golf Hall of Famer **Tom Kite** is 61. Singer **Joan Armatrading** is 60. Actor **Michael Dorn** is 58. Actor **John Malkovich** is 57. Country singer **Sylvia** is 54. Singer **Donny Osmond** is 53. Rock musician **Nick Seymour** (Crowded House) is 52. Comedian **Marlo Cantone** is 51. Actor **David Anthony Higgins** is 49. Actor **Joe Lando** is 49. Actress **Felicity Huffman** is 48. **Crown Princess Masako** of Japan is 47. Country musician **Jerry Hughes** (Yankee Grey) is 45. Sen. **Kirsten Gillibrand** (D-N.Y.) is 44. Rock singer-musician **Thomas Flowers** (Oleander) is 43. Rock musician **Brian Bell** (Weezer) is 42. Rock singer-musician **Jakob Dylan** (Wallflowers) is 41. Country musician **Brian Hayes** (Cole Deggs and the Lonesome) is 41. Actress **Allison Smith** is 41. Songwriter and former "American Idol" judge **Kara DioGuardi** (deeh-GWAHR'-dee) is 40. Country singer **David Kersh** is 40. Rock musician **Tre Cool** (Green Day) is 38. Rapper **Canibus** is 36. Rock musician **Eric Zamora** (Save Ferris) is 34. Rock singer **Imogen Heap** is 33. Actor **Jesse Metcalfe** is 32. Actor **Simon Helberg** is 30.

### Area deaths

#### Magnus Eugene Hopp

LINCOLN — Magnus Eugene Hopp, 67, of Lincoln, IL passed away at 7:03 p.m. December 6, 2010 at Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital in Lincoln.



He worked as a fork lift operator for Verallia and for Precision Products. He was a member of the Glass Bottle Blowers.

He was born April 14, 1943 in Wyanet, IL the son of Magnus J. and Bertha Philhower Hopp.

Survivors include his siblings: Daniel (Harriet) Hopp of Lincoln; Wanita (Frank) Przykopanski of Lincoln; Doris Spencer of Atlanta, Robert Hopp of Springfield; Sharon (Bill) Kennett of Broadwell.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Mr. Hopp was cremated and services are being handled by

Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln, IL.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

#### Matthew J. Malin

LINCOLN — Matthew J. Malin, 49, of Lincoln formerly of Galena, passed away peacefully at his home on Thursday, December 2, 2010 after a short battle with cancer.

Matt was born on June 22, 1961 the son of Peter and Marilynne Collins Malin.



Malin and Collin's mother

Matt is survived by his mother Marilynne Malin of Galena, his fiancée: Lisa Hill of Lincoln, his son Collin

Carrie Lynn Miller of Scales Mound, IL, two brothers: Michael (Barbara) Malin of Algonquin, Mark (Glenda) Malin of Chicago, one sister: Michelle (Taras) Hazek of Marengo. He is also survived by several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father.

No services are scheduled. Cremation rites have been accorded.

Peasley Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

#### Margaret A. Wilmert

LINCOLN — Margaret A. Wilmert, 98, of Lincoln, passed away December 6, 2010 at the Christian Nursing Home.

Visitation will be Saturday, December 11, 2010 from 10:00



AM until 11:00 AM at St. John's United Church of Christ in Lincoln. Funeral services will be at 11:00 AM Saturday

also at the church. Burial will follow in New Union Cemetery, Lincoln. Margaret was born January 16, 1912 the daughter of Marion and Sue (Primm) Sparks. She married

Clifford Wilmert in 1938.

She was a member of St. John's United Church of Christ, pairs and spares at the church, the Lucas Chapel Dinner Club, the local chapter of the DAR, and was proud of the fact that she was a school teacher in a one room school house for eight years. She was particularly fond of Abraham Lincoln and how his heritage was connected to hers. She collected Abraham Lincoln memorabilia.

Surviving are her son John C. Wilmert of Lincoln, IL; three granddaughters: Yolanda (Doug) Martin of CA; Stacey Marten (Chris) of Litchfield, IL; and Dana (John) Damm of St. Louis, MO.; seven great grandchildren; sister Gertrude Munsch of Lincoln, IL and brother Marion Sparks Jr. "Jay" of CO.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and brothers Russell and Wayne Sparks.

Memorial Donations may be made to St. John's United Church of Christ in Lincoln.

Holland Barry & Bennett Funeral Home in Lincoln is handling arrangements.

## Senate likely to ratify nuclear pact



**DAYBOOK**

**By the numbers**

Today is Friday, Dec. 10, the 344th day of 2010. There are 21 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:**

On Dec. 10, 1906, President Theodore Roosevelt became the first American to be awarded the Nobel Peace Prize, for helping mediate an end to the Russo-Japanese War.

**Thursday Lottery:**

- Pick Three - Midday: 5-2-9
- Pick Three - Evening: 0-5-7
- Pick Four - Midday: 0-3-6-9
- Pick Four - Evening: 5-6-8-7
- Little Lotto: 04-08-14-21-27
- Lotto Jackpot: \$3 million
- Mega Millions Jackpot: \$88 million

**Today's Birthdays:** Former Agriculture Secretary **Clayton Yeutter** (YEYE-tur) is 80. Actor **Tommy Kirk** is 69. Actress **Fionnula Flanagan** is 69. Pop singer **Chad Stuart** (Chad and Jeremy) is 69. Actress-singer **Gloria Loring** is 64. Pop-funk musician **Walter "Clyde" Orange** (The Commodores) is 64. Rhythm-and-blues singer **Ralph Tavares** is 62. Rhythm-and-blues singer **Jessica Cleaves** (Friends of Distinction) is 62. Country singer **Johnny Rodriguez** is 59. Actress **Susan Dey** is 58. Former Illinois Gov. **Rod Blagojevich** is 54. Actor **Michael Clarke Duncan** is 53. Jazz musician **Paul Hardcastle** is 53. Actor-director **Kenneth Branagh** (BRAH'-nah) is 50. Actress **Nia Peeples** is 49. TV chef **Bobby Flay** is 46. Rock singer-musician **J Mascis** is 45. Country singer **Kevin Sharp** is 40. Rock musician Scot (cq) **Alexander** (Dishwalla) is 39. Actress-comedian **Arden Myrin** is 37. Rock musician **Meg White** (The White Stripes) is 36. Violinist **Sarah Chang** is 30. Actress **Raven-Symone** is 25.

**Area calendar**

- Today** 507½ Pulaski St., 8 a.m.
- Mobile Health Unit** - Logan County Department of Public Health, 109 3rd AA meeting - Non-smoking, 410 Pulaski St., 9 a.m.

**Area deaths**

**Victor C. Cope**

LINCOLN — Victor C. Cope, 89, of Lincoln, IL passed away at 9:15 a.m. December 9, 2010 at Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital in Lincoln, IL.

Arrangements are pending at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln, IL.

**Larry William McDaniel**

SPRINGFIELD — Larry William McDaniel, 60, of Springfield, formerly of Mason City, passed away at his home at 5:30 a.m. on Thursday, December 09, 2010. He was born November 29, 1950 in Springfield, to Roy Irving and Stella (Chaffin) McDaniel.

Mr. McDaniel is survived by two sons, Josh McDaniel of Mason City and Jared McDaniel of Springfield. Also surviving are two sisters, Virginia Daniel of Montgomery Village, MD, Alice Tebben of Columbia, TN and one brother, Joe McDaniel of Peoria. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Mr. McDaniel was a Viet Nam veteran, serving in the US Army from 1968 — 1972. He had worked

as a baseball umpire for 23 year and was certified with IHSA for the last 16 years. He was also a member of the Mason City Jackson Keen Post #496. He had worked for IDOT for many years as a highway maintainer and lead worker.

Cremation rites have been accorded and a visitation will be held at the Hurley Funeral Home in Mason City from 3:00 until 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 18, 2010.

Memorial contributions may be made to Illinois Little League Inc. District #17 Umpire's Fund, Mason City Park District Baseball or to the donor's choice. Online memorial messages may be left for the family at [www.hurleyfh.com](http://www.hurleyfh.com).

Hurley Funeral Home in Mason City is in charge of arrangements.

**Marlene Faye Tibbs**

NEW HOLLAND — Marlene Faye Tibbs, 77, of New Holland, formerly of Lincoln, IL, passed away at 7:40 p.m. December 8, 2010 at Memorial Medical Center, Springfield, IL.

Arrangement are pending at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln.

**The record**

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## DAYBOOK

### By the numbers

Today is Saturday, Dec. 11, the 345th day of 2010. There are 20 days left in the year.

#### Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 11, 1936, Britain's King Edward VIII abdicated in order to marry American divorcee Wallis Warfield Simpson.

#### Friday Lottery:

Pick Three - Midday: 0-4-3

Pick Three - Evening: 0-7-3

Pick Four - Midday: 7-1-0-0

Pick Four - Evening: 8-6-5-1

Little Lotto: 01-06-11-15-18

Lotto Jackpot: \$3 million

Mega Millions: 23-27-33-44-46

Mega Ball: 36

Mega Millions Jackpot: \$88 million

### The record

#### Police beat

Lincoln police arrested Corey E. Scott, 20, of the 1000 block of North State Street at 2:16 p.m. Thursday on charges of domestic battery and criminal damage to property.

A Logan County deputy arrested Richard D. Wiley, 35, of Steger at 1:45 p.m. Thursday at the Logan County Courthouse on a Lake County, Indiana warrant.

An Illinois state trooper arrested Mallory N. Masters, 25, of Springfield at 4:30 p.m. Thursday on Interstate 55 on a Sangamon County warrant.

Lincoln police arrested

Miranda K. Mattingly, 29, of the 900 block of North Logan Street at 4:59 p.m. Thursday at her residence on two Logan County warrants for failure to appear on DUI charges.

A Logan County deputy arrested Brandt M. Patton, 35, at 8:15 p.m. Thursday in the 700 block of Hickox Drive on an Illinois Department of Corrections warrant.

Lincoln police arrested Peter A. Shawgo, 44, of the 1200 block of 1800th Street at 11:48 p.m. Thursday at the intersection of North Hamilton and Keokuk streets on a charge of driving with a suspended driver's license.

### Citizen of the Month

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driving force behind the formation of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, which is a national organization that targets high school students.

"Any youth in Logan is my priority," said Shelton.

"We became instant friends with Mel and Joyce because I think we all loved living in Lincoln," said Shelton.

Both of the Kinzies are now deceased, but he hopes to continue the MI K Breakfast at the

### Area deaths

#### Edwin L. Busch

Edwin L. Busch, 91, of Lincoln passed away at 3:50 a.m. on Dec. 2, 2010 at Christian Village in Lincoln.

He was born on Dec. 3, 1918 in Pennsylvania Township, IL, the son of E.J. and Lucille Copper Busch. He married Rose A. Glenn on Nov. 19, 1941 in Middletown, IL. She preceded him in death on Oct. 24, 2008.



Mr. Busch was retired from Illico Independent Oil Co. in sales and marketing. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, which he served in from 1943-1946. He was also a member of the Lincoln Masonic Lodge #210, the Lincoln Chapter of Forty and Eight and the First Presbyterian Church.

He is survived by two sons: Bob Busch of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; and Glenn (Susan) Busch of Azle, Texas; and one granddaughter: Olivia Busch of New York, New York.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Rose.

He was the last of his immediate family.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 16 at First Presbyterian Church of Lincoln with Rev. Phillip Blackburn officiating.

A visitation will take place from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 15 at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln.

Interment will be at Irish Grove Cemetery in Middletown, IL.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

#### Norman E. Moriearty

Norman E. Moriearty, 78, of Effingham passed away at 1:50 p.m. Wednesday, December 8, 2010 at the Carle Foundation Hospital in Urbana, IL.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Tuesday, December 14, 2010 at the First Christian Church, 901 Henrietta, Effingham, with John H. Monnet officiating.

Visitation for family and friends will be held from 5 to 8 p.m., followed by Masonic rites, at Kull Funeral Chapel, Altamont, IL. Additional visitation will be held from 11 a.m. until the funeral service time at 1 p.m. at First Christian Church in Effingham.



Military burial rites will be conducted by American Legion Post #120 of Effingham in Arborcrest Memorial Park, rural Effingham, following the funeral services.

Memorials may be given to the Shriner's Children's Hospital or the donor's choice.

Norman Eugene Moriearty was born on December 19, 1931 in Lincoln, IL, one of 11 siblings, to the family of James Moriearty Sr. and Lucile Carson-Moriearty. He married Darlene Guley on November 16, 1974 in the First Christian Church, Effingham, IL, by the Rev. Lawrence Beebe. She survives.

Norman moved from Lincoln to Effingham in 1971. In 1980, he opened and managed the Dixie Truckers Home in Tuscola, IL. In 1981, he was the Refinery Restaurant manager and co-owner.

Norman also sold real estate for Collins and Reality World Real Estate and worked with his sons as an independent property insurance adjuster. In 1983, he operated the Best Western Inn Restaurant and Lounge.

Beginning in 1986, Norman was also self-employed selling municipal electronics retailing equipment to law enforcement agencies until his untimely death. Norman was a master mason with the Grand Lodge of Texas A.F. & A.M., Post #1058 in Post, Texas, and the ANSAR Shriners A.A.O.N.M.S. of Springfield, IL. Norman also proudly served his country in the United States Army from 1954-1956.

In his passing, he leaves behind his wife: Darlene Guley-Moriearty of rural Effingham, IL; three sons: Michael (wife, Lynda) Moriearty of Lubbock, Texas; Steven (friend, Becky) Moriearty of Elizabethtown, Kentucky; and Mark (wife, Alice) Moriearty of Dallas, Texas; two daughters: Crystal (husband, John) Habing of rural Effingham, IL; and Barbara Ann Moriearty of Sacramento, California; three brothers: James Moriearty Jr., David L. Moriearty, and Michael A. (wife, Jeri) Moriearty, all of Lincoln, IL; three sisters: Jacquelyn M. Simpson of Lincoln, IL; Marjorie M. (husband, Jack) Poffenberger of Lincoln, IL; and Stephanie P. Moriearty of Bethpage, New Jersey; and one sister-in-law: Mrs. John (Betty) Moriearty of Lincoln, IL.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother: John C. Moriearty; three sisters: Patricia E. and her husband Richard, Kelm; Evelyn S. and her husband Owen, Westerfeld; and Carolyn W. and her husband Ray, Wallinger; one brother-in-law: Harold Simpson; and one sister-in-law: Mrs. James

Jr. (Francis) Moriearty.

#### Marlene Fay Tibbs

Marlene Fay Tibbs, 77, of Lincoln passed away at 7:40 p.m. Dec. 8, 2010 at Memorial Medical Center in Springfield.

She was born Dec. 15, 1932, the daughter of Russell and Virginia Sanders Kirby.

She was retired from the Illinois Department of Corrections, where she acted as Head of Diefary at the Logan Correction Center. She was also a member of the Eagles 2708 Auxiliary and Women of the Moose.



She is survived by one son: Scott Tibbs of Phoenix, AZ; one daughter: Kay (Dallas) Banister of Girard, IL; one sister: Jeanine Boyer of Montgomery, Alabama; four grandchildren: Christi (Jason Withers) Poe; Jeff (Sandy) Banister; Lisa (Daren) Schmedeke; and Matthew Wilkens; and six great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one son: Daniel Russell.

Services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Monday, December 13, 2010 at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln. Chaplain Henry Johnson will officiate.

Visitation will take place from noon until the time of the service Monday at the funeral home. Interment will be at Richmond Grove Cemetery in New Holland, IL.

Memorials may be made to the organization or agency of the donor's choice.



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## DAYBOOK

## By the numbers

Today is Monday, Dec. 13, the 347th day of 2010. There are 18 days left in the year.

## Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 13, 1862, Union forces suffered a major defeat to the Confederates in the Civil War Battle of Fredericksburg.

## Saturday Lottery:

Pick Three - Midday: 878  
Pick Three - Evening: 984  
Pick Four - Midday: 8496  
Pick Four - Evening: 5272  
Little Lotto: 2-6-13-21-30  
Lotto: 6-11-25-33-51-52

## Sunday Lottery:

Pick Three - Midday: 052  
Pick Three - Evening: Not available  
Pick Four - Midday: 1734  
Pick Four - Evening: Not available  
Little Lotto: Not available  
Lotto Jackpot: \$3 million  
Mega Millions Jackpot: \$104 million

**Today's Birthdays:** Former Secretary of State George P. Shultz is 90. Actor-comedian Dick Van Dyke is 85. Actor Christopher Plummer is 81. Country singer Buck White is 80. Music/film producer Lou Adler is 77. Movie producer Richard Zanuck is 76. Singer John Davidson is 69. Actress Kathy Garver (TV: "Family Affair") is 65. Singer Ted Nugent is 62. Rock musician Jeff "Skunk" Baxter is 62. Country musician Ron Getman is 62. Actor Robert Lindsay is 61. Country singer-musician Randy Owen is 61. Actress Wendie Malick is 60. Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack is 60. Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke is 57. Country singer John Anderson is 56. Singer-songwriter Steve Forbert is 56. Singer-actor Morris Day is 54. Actor Steve Buscemi (boo-SEH-mee) is 53. Actor Johnny Whitaker is 51. Actor-comedian Jamie Foxx is 43. Actor Bart Johnson is 40. TV personality Debbie Matenopoulos is 36. Rock singer-musician Thomas Delonge is 35. Actor James Kyson Lee is 35. Actress Chelsea Hertford is 29. Rock singer Amy Lee (Evanescence) is 29. Country singer Taylor Swift is 21.

## Area calendar

## Today

**Department of Rehabilitation Services** - The Oasis, 9 to 11 a.m.

**Mobile Health Unit** - Logan Co Department of Public Health, 109 3rd, Dental Only, 9 to Noon and 1 to 3:30 p.m.

**AA** - 410 Pulaski St., 9 a.m.

**LCHD Satellite Clinic** - Christian Village Congregate Building, 10 to 11 a.m.

**Weight Watchers** - Jefferson Street Christian Church, 5:30 p.m.

**MS Support Group** - Lincoln Room, Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital, 315 Eighth St., 7 p.m.

**Eagles Auxiliary** - Eagles Lodge, 7 p.m.

**Lupus Support Group** - ALMH Conference Room, 7 p.m.

**Middletown Tree Commission** - Middletown Village Hall, 7 p.m.

**Logan County Young Republicans** - Old Republican Headquarters, 7 p.m.

**Boy Scout Troop 102** - First United Methodist Church, 7 p.m.

**Boy Scout Troop 6** - St. John United Church of Christ, 7 p.m.

**Lincoln Odd Fellows Lodge** - 845 Wyatt Ave., 7:00 p.m.

**Pekin Street AA** - Trinity Episcopal Church, 7 p.m.

**NA** - 410 Pulaski St., 8:30 p.m.

## Tuesday

**WIC Classes** - Logan County Health Department, 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

**Free Blood Pressure Screening** - ALMH Conference Room, 9 a.m. to noon.

**Veterans' Assistance** - The Oasis, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Neighborhood Watch** - Wendy's restaurant, 9 a.m.

**Weight Watchers** - Jefferson Street Christian Church, 10 a.m.

**NA** - 410 Pulaski St., 10:30 a.m.

**Mobile Health Unit** - Chestnut City Park, 9 to 11:30 a.m. - No Nurse Practitioner

**Kiwanis Club** - Rusty's, noon.

**Mobile Health Unit** - Mount Pulaski Courthouse, 1 to 3:30 p.m. - No Nurse Practitioner

**TOPS, III 1970** - Lincoln Library,

weigh-in, 5 to 5:45 p.m.; meeting, 6 p.m.

**Gold Wing Road Rider's Association** - Coffee break, Ted's Garage, Clinton, Ill. eat at 6 p.m., ride at 7 p.m.

**Land of Lincoln 12 & 12 AA** - 505 Broadway, 6 p.m.

**AA** - 410 Pulaski St., 6 p.m.

**Divorce Recovery Support Group**, Jefferson Street Christian Church, 7 to 9 p.m.

**Celebrate Recovery** - The Well, Jefferson Street Christian Church, 7 to 9 p.m.

**Moose Chapter 1109** - Moose Family Center, 7 p.m.

**Parents Support Group** - K of C Meeting Room, 6 p.m.

**Knapp/Chestnut/Becker Historical Society** - Knapp Library Museum, 7 p.m.

**Fraternal Order of Eagles** - Eagle's Lodge, 7:30 p.m.

**NA** - 410 Pulaski St., 8 p.m.

**Closed 12 x 12 AA meeting** - Non-smoking, 507½ Pulaski St., 7 p.m.

## Wednesday

**Mobile Health Unit** - Latham, 9 to 11:30 a.m. - No Nurse Practitioner

**NA** - 410 Pulaski St., 10:30 a.m.

**Rotary Club** - Rusty's Clubhouse and Grill, noon.

**Mobile Health Unit** - Broadwell, 1 to 3:30 p.m. - No Nurse Practitioner

**TOPS No. 1783** - Wilmet Lounge, St. John United Church of Christ, 204 Seventh St., weigh-in, 4:15 to 5 p.m.; meeting 5:15 p.m.

**AA meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 6 p.m.

**Open AA meeting** - Non-smoking 507½ Pulaski St., 7 p.m.

**Lincoln Elks Lodge 914** - Elks Lodge, 7 p.m.

**NA meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 8 p.m.

## Midwest takes snowy beating

By Patrick Condon  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MINNEAPOLIS — The inflatable roof of the Minnesota Vikings' stadium collapsed Sunday and roads were closed throughout the upper Midwest as a storm that dumped nearly 2 feet of snow in some areas crawled across the region.

A blizzard warning was in effect for parts of eastern Iowa, south-eastern Wisconsin, northwestern Illinois, and northern Michigan, according to the National Weather Service. Surrounding areas including Chicago were under winter storm warnings.

The Metrodome's Teflon roof collapsed after Minneapolis got more than 17 inches of snow. No injuries were reported. The snowfall that ended Saturday night was one of the five biggest in Twin Cities history, National Weather Service meteorologist James McQuirter said. Some surrounding communities got more than 21 inches of snow, he said.

Interstate 90 from Albert Lea to the South Dakota border and state highways remained closed. Plows that had been pulled off the roads Saturday began work at 4 a.m. Sunday but were struggling with drifts as high as 5 feet, Minnesota Department of Transportation spokeswoman Rebecca Arndt said. Plow drivers also were hampered by a large number of stalled cars.

"Stalled vehicles slow them up more than big drifts," Arndt said. Although roads were open in Wisconsin, state officials urged drivers to stay home because blowing snow severely limited visibility. Tod Pritchard, a spokesman for Wisconsin Emergency Management, said travel was expected to become even more difficult in the afternoon because tem-



A vehicle sits stranded Sunday in the ditch along Highway 18 in Charles City, Iowa. Winter storms passed over northern Iowa over the weekend, dumping several inches of snow over the region and causing numerous accidents.

peratures were falling and at a certain point, road salt would no longer be effective.

"We're really urging everyone to stay off the roads today and stay hunkered down at home," Pritchard said.

The storm had already dropped up to 18 inches of snow in parts of northern and central Wisconsin, he said, and light snow continued Sunday morning.

Some 420 air travelers spent the night in Grand Forks, N.D., after four planes were diverted from Minneapolis, where the storm had closed all but one of that airport's runways. After a traction truck broke down on the one operational

runway, planes circled the airport until they had to head to other regional airports for fuel.

Some passengers stayed at the airport, others got hotel rooms.

"It was chaotic, it was crazy completely. We were packed like sardines and we were shocked," passenger Leah Edmondson told WDAZ.

Three of the four planes had left Grand Forks by late Sunday morning.

The weather was an unexpected burden for one Minnesota man who had pledged to camp out on the roof of a coffee shop to help his daughter's school raise money.

Hospital executive Robert Stevens donned four layers of long underwear, heavy boots and a down coat before embarking on his quest Friday night.

He vowed not to come down until he had raised \$100,000 — but at about 3 p.m. Saturday, he decided to come down after high winds shredded his tent canopy and kept knocking over the hay bales protecting his tent.

But then on Sunday morning, Stevens was headed back up to brave the subzero wind-chills. He had only raised \$54,000 and said if he didn't get to his goal the school would likely close.

## After 40 years, SIU museum to display shelved totem pole

By Stephen Rickerl  
SOUTHERN ILLINOISAN

CARBONDALE — A Native American artifact that has sat in the archive of the University Museum for nearly 40 years is at last being put on display.

The University Museum at Southern Illinois University will be displaying a 13-foot tall totem pole that has been in its archive since 1972.

David Gugerty, museum intern and graduate student in the master's of public administration program, has focused his semester-long internship in the museum on installing the totem pole.

Gugerty said the pole came to the university museum as part of a donation of artifacts from Herb

Baker and Gwendolyn Baker Miller. He said the pole stood on display in the Baker's yard near Lake Michigan for many years, causing noticeable fading of the colors and decay of the wood.

Gugerty said the totem pole is a depiction of a Tlingit Native American story of Raven, a mythical character. It depicts three adventures of Raven's life. He said the pole shows at the uppermost, the raven with the sun halo around its head. Below are three children of the sun who live above the earth and then raven coming back to earth bringing sunlight.

Gugerty said the middle segment of the pole shows Fog Woman with two salmon. Fog Woman brought salmon to the streams. The lower-most segment of the totem shows

Raven, after living on earth with Fog Woman, going into the sea riding on a frog's back.

He said the "Sun and Raven" is a traditional story told by many cul-

tures of the Northwest Coast. Gugerty said the original pole depicting the story was commissioned by a member of the Raven phratry (clan).

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## Area deaths

## Norman E. Moriearty

Norman E. Moriearty, 78, of Effingham passed away at 1:50 p.m. Wednesday, December 8, 2010 at the Carle Foundation Hospital in Urbana, IL.

Funeral services will be

conducted at 2 p.m. Tuesday, December 14, 2010 at the First Christian Church, 901 Henrietta, Effingham, with John H. Monnet officiating.

Visitation for family and friends will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. Monday, followed by Masonic rites, at Kull Funeral Chapel, Altamont, IL. Additional visitation will be held from 11 a.m. until the funeral service time at 2 p.m. at First Christian Church in Effingham.



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## DAYBOOK

## By the numbers

Today is Tuesday, Dec. 14, the 348th day of 2010. There are 17 days left in the year.

## Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 14, 1799, the first president of the United States, George Washington, died at his Mount Vernon, Va. home at age 67.

## Monday Lottery:

Pick Three - Midday: 6-0-1

Pick Three - Evening: 3-1-4

Pick Four - Midday: 0-5-2-4

Pick Four - Evening: 5-5-4-2

Little Lotto: 5-8-21-32-39

Lotto: 14-17-19-22-34-46

Lotto Jackpot: \$3.25 million

Mega Millions Jackpot: \$104 million

**Today's Birthdays:** Jazz musician **Clark Terry** is 90. Singer-actress **Abbe Lane** is 79. Actor **Hal Williams** is 72. Actress-singer **Jane Birkin** is 64. Actress **Patty Duke** is 64. Pop singer **Joyce Vincent-Wilson** (Tony Orlando and Dawn) is 64. Entertainment executive **Michael Ovitz** is 64. Actress **Dee Wallace** is 62. Rhythm-and-blues singer **Ronnie McNeir** (The Four Tops) is 61. Rock musician **Cliff Williams** (AC/DC) is 61. Actor-comedian **T.K. Carter** is 54. Rock singer-musician **Mike Scott** (The Waterboys) is 52. Singer-musician **Peter "Spider" Stacy** (The Pogues) is 52. Actress **Cynthia Gibb** is 47. Actress **Natascha McElhone** is 41. Actress-comedian **Michaela Watkins** is 39. Rhythm-and-blues singer **Brian Dalmrymple** (Soul For Real) is 35. Actress **KaDee Strickland** is 35. Actress **Tammy Blanchard** is 34. Actress **Sophie Monk** is 31. Actress **Vanessa Hudgens** is 22.

## Area calendar

## Today

**WIC Classes** - Logan County Health Department, 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

**Free Blood Pressure Screening** - ALMH Conference Room, 9 a.m. to noon.

**Veterans' Assistance** - The Oasis, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Neighborhood Watch** - Wendy's restaurant, 9 a.m.

**Weight Watchers** - Jefferson Street Christian Church, 10 a.m.

**NA** - 410 Pulaski St., 10:30 a.m.

**Mobile Health Unit** - Chestnut City

smoking, 507½ Pulaski St., 7 p.m.

## Wednesday

**Mobile Health Unit** - Latham, 9 to 11:30 a.m. - No Nurse Practitioner

**NA** - 410 Pulaski St., 10:30 a.m.

**Rotary Club** - Rusty's Clubhouse and Grill, noon.

**Mobile Health Unit** - Broadwell, 1 to 3:30 p.m. - No Nurse Practitioner

**TOPS No. 1783** - Wilmet Lounge, St. John United Church of Christ, 204 Seventh St., weigh-in: 4:15 to 5 p.m.; meeting 5:15 p.m.

## Area deaths

## Berniece Joos

TREMONT — Berniece Joos, 91, of Tremont, mother of a Lincoln resident, died at 9:15 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 11, 2010. Berniece passed on into the arms of Jesus with her loving family around her.



She was born July 7, 1919, in Forrest, Ill., the daughter of Sam and Lena (Honegger) Kyburz. She married Benjamin D. Joos on Oct. 8, 1944, in Peoria. He died Feb. 12, 1991. She also was preceded in death by eight brothers and four sisters.

Surviving are two sons, Dennis Joos (Kitty Rindler) of Bartonville and Benjamin Joos, Jr. of East Peoria; four daughters, Jane (Jim) Hellrigel of Tremont, Cheryl (Bill) Blunier of Grabill, Ind., Barbara (Tom) Mauhar of Lincoln and Bonnie Mullins of Tremont; and one sister, Wilma McVay of LaFayette, Ind.; 16 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Berniece was a member of the Tremont Apostolic Christian Church, the Deer Creek Home Extension and the Cloverdale Home Extension. She served as a volunteer at Apostolic Christian Restmor and as an Election Judge for Tazewell County.

Our Beloved Berniece, cherished Mother, Grandmother, Sister, and Friend. We honor your memory as one who spent her life

in service to her family and her faith. As we humbly carry on without you, we strive to continue your legacy of family and service to the Lord. We will deeply miss your sense of humor and infectious laughter. God Bless you now, as you sing with the Angels.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 16, 2010, at Tremont Apostolic Christian Church with church ministers officiating. Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 15, 2010, at Knapp-Johnson Funeral Home and Cremation Center in Morton and from 9 to 9:45 a.m. Thursday at the church. Burial will be in the Tremont Apostolic Christian Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Apostolic Christian Restmor, 1500 Parkside Ave., Morton, IL 61550 or the Tremont Apostolic Christian Church, 601 S. Chestnut St., Tremont, IL 61568.

To view Berniece's video tribute or to leave an online condolence for the family, visit [www.knappjohnson.com](http://www.knappjohnson.com).

## Helen Lavern Wachter

PARIS, MO — Helen Lavern Wachter, 82, of Paris, formerly of Lincoln, Illinois, passed away at Monroe Manor Nursing Home in Paris, Mo., on Sunday, December 12, 2010.

Mrs. Wachter was born on October 8, 1928, in Naylor, Missouri, the daughter of Jerry and Carrie Mae Hughes Rohlfs. On November 28, 1947, she mar-

ried Forrest Wachter and he preceded her in death on November 15, 2007. Helen and her husband enjoyed farming and in her younger years, she often drove grain trucks to help with the family harvest. She also worked as a clerk at the USDA office in Lincoln, Illinois before her retirement in 1986.

Mrs. Wachter is survived by one brother, Donnie Rohlfs, three children, Michael Wachter of Mt. Pulaski, IL, David Wachter of Lincoln, IL and Laura Long of Paris, Mo., six grandchildren and two step grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, two sisters and one brother.

Visitation will be held at the Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln, IL from 12 to 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 15, 2010, with funeral services at 2:00 p.m. at the Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln, IL. Burial will be in Zion Cemetery at Lincoln, IL. Local arrangements were made by Agnew Funeral Home in Paris, Mo.

## Betty Whitler

GIRARD — Betty Whitler, 86, of Girard, died Saturday evening, December 11, 2010, at Memorial



Medical Center, Springfield, IL. She was born October 19, 1924, the daughter of Elizabeth Eccles and

George Bowman. She graduated from Girard High School, Class of 1942. She married Arnold H. Whittler on July 27, 1945 at Camp Lajeune, North Carolina. He preceded her in death earlier this year.

After graduation from high school, she attended Browns Business College and worked for Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing in Springfield. She served with her husband in ministries at Christian Churches in Concord and Litterberry as well as several in Arkansas. She worked as receptionist and accounting at the Lincoln Shopper Newspaper in Lincoln, IL. She also served as assistant dorm manager at Lincoln Christian College. Most recently she worked several years for the Macoupin County Public Health Department.

She is survived by four children, Jacquelyn of Oak Lawn, IL, Jason (Patricia) of Carrollton, TX, Jan (Laura) of Fontana, WI, and Jeff (Jeanette) of Girard, IL. A son, James A. Whitler, preceded her in death. Also surviving are two nephews, Ron Jackson and Ed Mauney, 6 grandchildren, and 4 great-grandchildren.

A memorial service is scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 14, at 2:00 p.m. at First Christian Church, Virden, IL, with John Huxtable officiating. Burial will be in Girard Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be given in her name to Lincoln Christian University Scholarship Fund, Lincoln, IL.

## The record



**DAYBOOK**

**By the numbers**

Today is Wednesday, Dec. 15, the 349th day of 2010. There are 16 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:**

On Dec. 15, 1791, the Bill of Rights went into effect following ratification by Virginia.

**Tuesday Lottery:**

- Pick Three - Midday: 6-3-5
- Pick Three - Evening: 1-2-1
- Pick Four - Midday: 2-2-4-5
- Pick Four - Evening: 3-9-6-5
- Little Lotto: 4-20-24-26-36
- Mega Millions: 18-22-25-31-38
- Mega Ball: 29
- Lotto Jackpot: \$3.5 million
- Mega Million Jackpot: \$104 million

**Today's Birthdays:** Actor-comedian **Tim Conway** is 77. Singer **Cindy Birdsong** (The Supremes) is 71. Rock musician **Dave Clark** (The Dave Clark Five) is 68. Rock musician **Caroline Appice** (Vanilla Fudge) is 64. Actor **Don Johnson** is 61. Actress **Melanie Chartoff** is 60. Movie director **Julie Taymor** is 58. Movie director **Alex Cox** is 56. Actor **Justin Ross** is 56. Rock musician **Paul Simonon** (The Clash) is 55. Political strategist **Donna Brazile** is 51. Country singer **Doug Phelps** (Brother Phelps; Kentucky Headhunters) is 50. Movie producer-director **Reginald Hudlin** is 49. Actress **Helen Slater** is 47. Actress **Molly Price** is 45. Actor **Michael Shanks** is 40. Actor **Stuart Townsend** is 38. Figure skater **Surya Bonaly** is 37. "Crowd-hyper" **Kito Trawick** (Ghostown DJs) is 33. Actor **Adam Brody** is 31. Actor **George O. Gore II** is 28. Actress **Stefania Owen** (TV: "Running Wilde") is 13.

**Area calendar**

**Today**

**Mobile Health Unit** - Latham, 9 to 11:30 a.m. - No Nurse Practitioner  
**NA** - 410 Pulaski St., 10:30 a.m.

Senior Apt. Building, 1500 Seventh St., 6 p.m.  
**AA Big Book Study Group** - 410 Pulaski St., 6 to 7:30 p.m.

**Area deaths**

**Carroll Elmer Auer**

QUINCY — Mr. Carroll Elmer Auer, 81, of the Illinois Veteran's Home in Quincy, formerly of Lincoln, Illinois, died at 8:40 p.m.



Friday (December 10, 2010) at the Illinois Veteran's Home.

Born May 28, 1929 in Lincoln, Illinois, Carroll was

the son of Elmer and M. Lucille Harford Auer.

Mr. Auer served his country in the U. S. Air Force from 1948 until 1950.

An active member of Faith Assembly of God in Lincoln, Illinois. Mr. Auer was also active with church construction for the Assembly of God Churches in Illinois.

Mr. Auer was employed at Remington Rand and later for Sound Business Systems of Seattle, Washington for many years, retiring as service manager.

In retirement, Carroll was a driver for Xamis Ford of Lincoln.

Survivors include a son,

Douglas Auer and his wife Mary Ann of Metamora, IL; three daughters, Deborah Rorabaugh and her husband Claude of Washougal, WA, Alicia Auer of Shoreline, WA and Christina Auer of Chino, CA; nine grandchildren, Adam Rorabaugh, Jonathan Auer, David Auer, Johanna Auer, Elizabeth Auer, Sarah Auer, Daniel Auer, Mary Beth Auer and Andrew Auer; a sister, Eleanor Lamm and her husband Robert of Lincoln, IL; and many loving nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

Mr. Auer was preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 10:00 in the All Faiths Chapel at the Illinois Veteran's Home in Quincy by the Rev. John Adams. Burial with Military Honors will be in the Sunset Cemetery at the Illinois Veteran's Home in Quincy.

Visitation will be Friday from 9:00 until the time of services at the All Faiths Chapel.

Memorials may be made to Faith Assembly of God Church or the Illinois Veteran's Home Residents' Activity Fund in care of Zehender Robinson Stormer Cookson Funeral Home, 1435 State Street, Quincy, IL 62301.

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## Area deaths

### William Harold Conner

William Harold Conner, 84, of Beason, passed away on Tuesday, December 14, 2010 at the Illinois Veterans Home in Quincy.

William was born on July 9, 1926 in Beason the son of William Coley and Daisey Reba Tapscott Conner.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy and U.S. Army serving during WWII, Korean Conflict and Vietnam. He retired from the military in 1970.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

He survived by one brother, Gerald Connor of Beason; three sisters, Norma Buchanan of Houston, TX, Darlene Deiss of New Holland, IL, Roxanna Farlin of Bloomington and several nieces and nephews.

Cremation will be accorded by Springfield Crematory. Burial will be at a later date.

Ellinger-Kunz and Park Funeral Home, 530 N. 5th St. Springfield, IL is in charge of arrangements.

### Walter D. Gleason

PEKIN - Walter Daniel "Walt" Gleason, 70, of 623 Hillyer Street, passed away at 8:08 a.m. Thursday, December 16, 2010 at his residence.

Born October 13, 1940 in Lincoln to Thomas

Richard and Loretta Gwendola (Lee) Gleason, he married Myra Jean Mote on May 28, 1966 in Lincoln. She survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Rhonda (Bill) Hodges of Mapleton, Jill Gleason of Pekin, and Erin (Michael) Powell of South Pekin; six grandsons, J.J. Pyatt of Springfield, Dallas Fardel, Jared Pyatt and Cole Pyatt, all of Pekin, Connor Powell of South Pekin and Billy Hodges of

Mapleton; three brothers, Leo (Joyce) Gleason of Clawson, Michigan, John Gleason and Frank (Rosemond) Gleason, both of Berkley, Michigan. He also leaves his former son-in-law, Jerry (Karen) Pyatt of Pekin.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one grandson, Dakota Fardel; three brothers and two sisters.

Walt served in the United States Army Military Police in Germany from 1958 to 1964.

He was a member of the George M. Maple AMVETS Post #235, the William Schaefer American Legion Post #44, the Roy L. King Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1232, the Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie #1869 and the Tobin Nanninga Marine Corps League Detachment 85, all in Pekin. He also was a former member of the Pekin Family Moose Center #916.

He also served as a member of the Tazewell Area Ceremonial Team Honor Guard in Pekin.

He was of the Catholic faith.

He worked for Caterpillar, Inc. in East Peoria and Mapleton as a heat treat operator for 27 1/2 years, retiring in 1994.

Walt enjoyed babysitting his grandchildren, and volunteering for Pekin Youth Hockey. He also was a fan of the Chicago Bears and Chicago Cubs.

His funeral will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Preston-Hanley Funeral Homes & Crematory in Pekin, where military rites will be provided by the United States Army and the Tazewell Area Ceremonial Team. Deacon Ernie Whited will officiate. Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Monday at the funeral home. Cremation will be accorded following services. Burial of ashes will be at a later date in Zion Cemetery in Lincoln.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Tazewell Area Ceremonial Team in c/o Mary Kerby, 1104 Court Street Pekin, IL 61554.

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## DAYBOOK

## By the numbers

Today is Monday, Dec. 20, the 354th day of 2010. There are 11 days left in the year.

## Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 20, 1860, South Carolina became the first state to secede from the Union as all 169 delegates to a special convention in Charleston voted in favor of separation.

## Saturday Lottery:

Pick Three - Midday: 1-1-6

Pick Three - Evening: 4-4-3

Pick Four - Midday: 3-3-7-7

Pick Four - Evening: 6-4-5-9

Little Lotto: 10-15-20-21-22

Lotto: 29-31-33-36-37-49

## Sunday Lottery:

Pick Three - Midday: 6-0-9

Pick Three - Evening: 7-1-3

Pick Four - Midday: 8-1-9-5

Pick Four - Evening: 8-5-9-5

Little Lotto: 01-18-21-26-31

Lotto Jackpot:

Mega Millions Jackpot:

Today's Birthdays: Actress

**Audrey Totter** is 93. Comedian

**Charlie Callas** is 83. Actor **John**

**Hilleman** is 78. Actress **Kathryn**

**Joosten** is 71. Rock musician-music

producer **Bobby Colomby** is 66.

Rock musician **Peter Criss** is 65.

Psychic/illusionist **Uri Geller** is 64.

Producer **Dick Wolf** ("Law & Order")

is 64. Rock musician **Alan Parsons** is

62. Actress **Jenny Agutter** is 58.

Actor **Michael Badalucco** is 56.

Actress **Bianche Baker** is 54. Rock

singer **Billy Bragg** is 53. Rock singer-

musician **Mike Watt** (The

Secondmen, Minutemen, FIREHOSE)

is 53. Actor **Joel Gretsch** is 47.

Country singer **Kris Tyler** is 46. Rock

singer **Chris Robinson** is 44. Actress

**Nicole deBoer** is 40. Movie director

**Todd Phillips** is 40. Singer **David**

**Cook** ("American Idol") is 28. Actor

**Jonah Hill** is 27. Singer **JoJo** is 20.

## Area calendar

## Monday

Department of Rehabilitation Services - The Oasis, 9, to 11 a.m.

Mobile Health Unit - Logan County Health Department, 109 3rd St., 9 to Noon; 1 to 3:30 p.m. - Dental Only

AA - 410 Pulaski, 9 a.m.

Weight Watchers - Jefferson Street Christian Church, 5:30 p.m.

Logan County Genealogical and Historical Society - Research Center, 114 N. Chicago, 6:30 p.m.

Village of San Jose - Board meeting, Village Hall, 7 p.m.

Boy Scout Troop 102 - First United Methodist Church, 7 p.m.

Logan Railsplitting Association - St. John United Church of Christ, Seventh and Maple streets, 7 p.m.

Boy Scout Troop 6 - St. John United Church of Christ, 7 p.m.

Lincoln Rebekah Lodge No. 204 - 845 Wyatt Ave., 7 p.m.

Pekin Street AA - Trinity Episcopal Church, 7 p.m.

Third Degree Knights of Columbus - K. of C. Hall, 7:30 p.m.

NA - 410 Pulaski St., 8:30 p.m.

## Tuesday

Courthouse, 1 to 3:30 p.m.

Gold Wing Road Rider's Association - Coffee break, Ted's Garage, Clinton east at 6 p.m. and Ride at 7 p.m.

TOPS, Ill 1970 - Lincoln Library, weigh-in, 5 to 5:45 p.m.; meeting, 6 p.m.

Tough Love Parents Support Group - K of C Meeting Room, 6 p.m.

AA - 410 Pulaski St., 6 p.m.

Divorce Recovery Support Group, Jefferson Street Christian Church, 7 to 9 p.m.

Celebrate Recovery - The Well, Jefferson Street Christian Church, 7 to 9 p.m.

Lincoln Masonic Lodge - Masonic Temple, 7 p.m.

Orphans Home Rebekah Lodge - Friendship Manor, 7 p.m.

NA - 410 Pulaski St., 8 p.m.

Closed 12 x 12 AA meeting - Non-smoking, 507½ Pulaski St., 7 p.m.

## Wednesday

Mobile Health Unit - New Holland Village Hall, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

NA - 410 Pulaski St., 10:30 a.m.

Rotary Club - Rusty's Clubhouse and

## Area deaths

## Fern L. Gresham

ATLANTA — Fern L. Gresham, 79, of Atlanta passed away on Saturday, December 18, 2010 at 2:05 a.m. at St. Joseph Medical Center in Bloomington.



Funeral Services for Mrs. Gresham will be held on Tuesday, December 21, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. at the Quiram Peasley Funeral

Home in Atlanta with Mr. Maurice Stribling officiating.

Visitation will be held on Monday evening from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at the funeral home and one hour prior to the service.

Burial will be in the Atlanta Cemetery.

Fern L. Gresham was born on February 1, 1931 in Waynesville the daughter of Harold and Rose Cox Harvey. She married William Thomas Gresham in December 14, 1947. He preceded her in death on September 17, 2008.

Surviving her is her son: Gary (Delores) Gresham of Atlanta, one sister: Liz Riddle of Hillsboro, Son-in-law: Billie Timm of Hartsburg. Five grandchildren three step grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, eight step great-grandchildren, one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her daughter: Patricia L. Timm, one sister: Grace Simp, one brother Harold Harvey Jr.

Fern was a seasonal worker for Mountjoy Hybrids, The Palms Grill, Atlanta Cleaners, and retired from The Dixie Trickers Home as a head cook after 20 years of service.

Memorials may be made to the Atlanta Christian Church or to the Atlanta Rescue Squad.

## Charley Head, Jr.

LINCOLN — Charley Head Jr., 77 of Lincoln, passed away December 17, 2010 at Memorial

Medical Center in Springfield.

Visitation will be 6 pm on Tuesday, December 21, 2010 at Holland Barry & Bennett Funeral Home in Lincoln. Memorial services will follow at 7 pm with Paul Weber and Joe Brisenio officiating.

Burial will be at a later date at Camp Butler National Cemetery.

Charley was born November 6, 1933 in Jameson, AL. The son of Charley Head Sr. and Fannie Smith Head.



He proudly served his country in the United States Marine Corp.

He married Ruth Smith on August 4, 1934. She preceded him in death on June 29, 1994.

He later married Kathleen Swanson on June 30, 1995 in Lincoln, IL.

Surviving are his wife Kathleen Head of Lincoln; son Greg Head (Jan) of Germantown Hills, IL.; daughter Lynda Salander (David) of Lincoln, IL.; son Lynn Head of Lincoln, IL.; step daughter Darla Lynn (Gary) of Michigan; step daughter Christine Harman (Tim) of Mason City, IL.; 9 grandchildren; 1 great grandchild; brother Jim Head of AL.; sister Bonnie Peck (William) of AL.; sister Betty Escue of TN.; and sister Sue Perryman of AL.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife Ruth, and his daughter Susan Head.

## Melville W. "Mel" Kelso

MORTON — Melville W. "Mel" Kelso, 76, of Morton, died at 5:40 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 18, 2010, at OSF St. Francis Medical Center in Peoria.

He was born Sept. 7, 1934, in East Orange, N.J., to Leonard and Helen (Kreiss) Ryon. Helen later married Ivan Kelso. Mel married Dorothy Heineken on May 16,

1959, in Emden, Ill. She preceded him in death on Oct. 26, 2010. He also was preceded in death by his parents and one brother.

Surviving are two sons, Steve (Christine) Kelso of Grand Rapids, Mich., and Scott (Carrie) Kelso of Chicago; one daughter, Leann

(Bill) Dexter of Tremont, Ill.; and three step-grandchildren, Philip, Nathaniel and Ellen.

He was a graduate of the Spaulding Academy in

Peoria.

Mel worked as a photographer for WEEK-TV 25 and the Peoria Journal Star. He also owned and operated Kelso Studio in East Peoria until the early 1970s. He then worked for Caterpillar Inc. for nearly 30 years, retiring as a certified quality engineer.

He was a member of Advent Lutheran Church in Morton.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 22, 2010, at Advent Lutheran Church in Morton, with Rev. Dennis O'Brien officiating. Visitation will be from 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 21, and from 9 to 9:45 a.m. Wednesday, both at Advent Lutheran Church in Morton. Burial will be in Roberts Cemetery in Morton.

Knapp-Johnson Funeral Home and Cremation Center in Morton is handling arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to the John Muir National Historic Site through the National Park Service for home care and preservation, 4202 Alhambra Ave., Martinez, CA 94553. The Kreiss family owned the Muir House in Martinez, Calif., from 1937 to 1955. This house is a national historic site and was Mel's boyhood home.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.knappjohnson.com](http://www.knappjohnson.com).

## Mary Bell Maupin

CAPE GIRARDEAU, MO — Mary Bell Maupin, 87, of Cape Girardeau, MO, died Saturday, December 18, 2010 at Auburn Creek Assisted Living in Cape Girardeau, MO.

She was born November 7, 1923 in Shasta, IL to James Young and Ella Mulee Burns Johnson.

She and Wood Maupin were married January 22, 1960 at Cape Girardeau, MO. He passed away March 28, 2003.

Mary worked for the Lowenbaum Dress Factory in Cape Girardeau, MO, and later worked for Florsheim Shoe Co. from 1969 to 1983.

She was a member of Sovereign Grace Church in Jackson, MO.

Survivors include: Daughter - Darla J. (Robert) Franklin of Lincoln, IL. Sons - Timothy R. (Patricia) Yow of Charleston, IL. Mark A. (Christy) Yow of Chatham, IL. and Jack K. (Debra) Maupin of Cape Girardeau, MO.

Sister-in-law - Bessie Johnson, wife of Sam, of Cape Girardeau, MO. 11 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by Parents, Husband, Sisters - Virgie O. Warren, Deloris I. Barrett and Mabel Jones. Brother - Samuel B. Johnson.

Friends may call from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Monday, December 20, 2010 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel in Cape Girardeau.

Funeral will be at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, December 21, 2010 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel in Cape Girardeau with the Rev. Drew Dietz officiating.

Burial will follow at Fairmont Cemetery in Cape Girardeau, MO. Memorial contributions may be given to Sovereign Grace Church, Jackson, MO 63755.

Online condolences may be made at [www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com](http://www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com).

Ford & Sons Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

## Holiday lights speak volumes

**DAYBOOK**

**By the numbers**

Today is Wednesday, Dec. 22, the 356th day of 2010. There are 9 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:**

On Dec. 22, 1910, a fire lasting more than 26 hours broke out at the Chicago Union Stock Yards; 21 firefighters were killed in the collapse of a burning building.

**Tuesday Lottery:**

- Pick Three - Midday: 335
- Pick Three - Evening: 929
- Pick Four - Midday: 3052
- Pick Four - Evening: 1975
- Little Lotto: 3-16-21-29-30
- Mega Millions: 8-11-12-31-32
- Mega Ball: 29
- Lotto Jackpot:
- Mega Millions Jackpot: \$145 million

**Today's Birthdays:** Former House Speaker Jim Wright is 88. Actor Hector Elizondo is 74. Country singer Red Steagall is 72. Former World Bank Group President Paul Wolfowitz is 67. Baseball Hall-of-Famer Steve Carlton is 66. ABC News anchor Diane Sawyer is 65. Rock singer-musician Rick Nielsen (Cheap Trick) is 64. Rock singer-musician Michael Bacon is 62. Baseball All-Star Steve Garvey is 62. Singer Robin Gibb is 61. Golfer Jan Stephenson is 59. Actress Bernadette Stanis is 57. Rapper Luther Campbell is 50. Country singer-musician Chuck Mead is 50. Actor Ralph Fiennes is 48. Actress Lauralee Bell is 42. Country singer Lori McKenna is 42. Actress Dina Meyer is 42. Actress Heather Donahue is 36. Actor Chris Carmack is 30. Actor Logan Huffman is 21. Rhythm-and-blues singer Jordin Sparks is 21.

**Area calendar**

- Today**
- Mobile Health Unit - New Holland Village Hall, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.
  - NA - 410 Pulaski St., 10:30 a.m.
  - Rotary Club - Rusty's Clubhouse and Grill, noon.
  - Mobile Health Unit - Atlanta, 1 to 3:30 p.m.
  - TOPS No. 1783 - Wilmer Lounge, St. John United Church of Christ, 204 Seventh St., weigh-in, 4:15 to 5 p.m.; meeting 5:15 p.m.
  - AA - 410 Pulaski St., 6 p.m.
  - Lincoln Elks Lodge 914 - Elks Lodge, 7 p.m.
  - Open AA meeting - Non-smoking 507 1/2 Pulaski St., 7 p.m.
  - NA - 410 Pulaski St., 8 p.m.
- Thursdays**
- Free Legal Assistance - For those age 60 and older, The Oasis, 9 a.m.
  - AFSME Retirees Union - Bonanza restaurant, 10:30 a.m.
  - NA - 410 Pulaski St., 10:30 a.m.
  - Mobile Health Unit - Logan County Health Department, 109 3rd St., 9 to
- Noon; 1 to 3:30 p.m.
- Medicare-Insurance Assistance - The Oasis, 2 to 4 p.m.
  - AA Big Book Study Group - 410 Pulaski St., 6 to 7:30 p.m.
  - AA meeting - Mount Pulaski Christian Church Fellowship Center, 114 N. Lafayette, 6 to 7:30 p.m.
  - GROW Support Group - ALMH Conference Room C, 8:30 p.m.
  - Rainbow Girls - Masonic Temple, 7 p.m.
  - NA - 410 Pulaski St., 8 p.m.
- Friday**
- Mobile Health Unit - Closed for Christmas holiday
  - AA Meeting - 410 Pulaski St., 9 a.m.
  - Free Blood Pressure Check - The Oasis, 10 to 11:30 a.m.
  - Land of Lincoln Big Book AA - 505 Broadway, 6 p.m.
  - AA Meeting - 410 Pulaski St., 6 p.m.
  - Open AA meeting - 507 1/2 Pulaski St., 6 p.m.
  - NA - 410 Pulaski St., 9 p.m.

**Area deaths**

**Laura Alice Schilling**

Laura Alice Schilling, 88, of Nashville, TN, formerly of Lincoln, IL, passed away on Dec. 20, 2010.

Arrangements are pending at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln.

**Margaret Mae Spaulding**

Margaret Mae Spaulding, age 85, of McLean, IL, passed away at 9:25 p.m. Monday, Dec. 20, 2010 at Advocate BroMenn Medical Center, Normal, IL.



Her funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Monday at the Calvert & Metzler Memorial Home in Bloomington, IL, with Rev. Don Doty officiating.

Burial will be in McLean Cemetery in McLean, IL.

Visitation will be from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday at the Calvert & Metzler Memorial Home. Memorials may be made to the Community Cancer Center in Normal, or Alzheimer's

**Disease research.**

Margaret was born Dec. 7, 1925 in LeRoy, IL, the daughter of E.L. and Lois Bishop Deatrick. She married Lushion D. Spaulding on Jan. 30, 1945 in Lincoln, IL. He passed away on Nov. 25, 1996.

Surviving are six children: Bonnie (Roger) Shifflet of McLean, IL; Reggie (Becky) Spaulding of McLean, IL; E.J. (Beverly) Spaulding of McLean, IL; Les (Denise) Spaulding of Heyworth, IL; Lois (Mike) Meridith of McLean, IL; Fred (Julie) Spaulding of Heyworth, IL. Margaret is also survived by 16 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; two great-grandsons; and four brothers: Paul Deatrick of Wapella, IL; Delmar (Elsie) Deatrick of Bloomington, IL; Donald (Nila) Deatrick of Heyworth, IL; and Roger Deatrick of LeRoy, IL.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two sisters, two brothers and three great-grandchildren.

Margaret enjoyed spending time with her family. She enjoyed baking and jigsaw puzzles. She will be missed by all who knew her.

Online condolences may be left at [www.calvertmemorial.com](http://www.calvertmemorial.com).

**The record**

**Police beat**

Lincoln police arrested Rebecca M. Lee, 21, of Lincoln at 11:24 a.m. Monday at the intersection of North Monroe and 13th streets on a charge of driving with a revoked driver's license.

San Jose police arrested Wallace West, 59, of San Jose at 10:25 a.m. Monday at his residence on a charge of domestic battery.

Lincoln police arrested Frankie L. Skelton, 43, of Lincoln at 8:01 p.m. Monday at her residence

on a charge of retail theft.

Lincoln police arrested Brittney K. Holt, 27, of Lincoln at 8:20 p.m. Monday in the 600 block of North Adams Street on a charge of retail theft.

**Fire calls**

**Person in distress**

Lincoln firefighters responded to a report of a person in distress at 6:43 a.m. Monday in the 1200 block of Pekin Street.

**Motor vehicle accident**

Lincoln firefighters responded to a motor vehicle accident with no injuries at 11:35 a.m. Monday at the intersection of North Monroe and 13th streets.

**Outside rubbish fire**

Lincoln firefighters responded to an outside rubbish fire at 2:46 p.m. Monday in the 400 block of Fifth Street.

**Rescue runs**

**Aid calls**

Lincoln firefighters responded

with Logan County Paramedics to medical emergencies at:

A residence in the 1300 block of Rutledge Drive at 8:23 a.m. Monday for an EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with injury.

Friendship Manor at 10:14 a.m. Monday for an EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with injury.

Castle Manor at 7:40 p.m. and 8:41 p.m. for medical assists.

A residence on College Street at 9:47 p.m. Monday for a medical assist.



Motorists drive along Pacific Coast Highway in the rainy weather in Santa Monica, Calif.

**California braces for the next wave of heavy rainfall**

By GILLIAN FLACCUS THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES—If six days of pounding rain wasn't enough to dampen holiday spirits, a seventh could prove to be downright dangerous.

Forecasters expected heavy rains across California going into today, and authorities began evacuations late Tuesday as concern grew about potential mudslides in the wildfire-scarred foothills across the southern part of the state.

Officials ordered evacuation of 232 homes in La Canada Flintridge and La Crescenta, foothill suburbs of Los Angeles, because of forecasts of more heavy rains on already saturated mountainsides.

San Diego police evacuated dozens of homes and businesses but no structural damage was reported in the city, said Lt. Andra Brown.

A commuter rail station was closed in the city's Sorrento Valley area due to heavy rains. About a dozen homes were evacuated in a cul-de-sac south of downtown.

A mudslide closed one street in the La Jolla area of San Diego. Farther inland in Riverside, a surge of water swept through a homeless camp near the banks of the Santa Ana River.

Rebecca Truver, 45, was holed up in her tent when her dog and her cat started acting strangely.

"They knew something was happening," Truver said of her dog and cat. "Then all of a sudden the water came through up to my knees."

Three people suffered minor injuries and about 50 lost all their belongings in the flood, Ruth Record, with Come as You Are Homeless Ministries, told the Riverside Press Enterprise.

Other inconveniences have so far been relatively minor: Rescuers

**Colorado gets snow — lots of snow**

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DENVER—The skiing should be spectacular this holiday in Colorado's mountain resorts. The question is whether travelers will be able to reach the slopes.

A series of monster snowmakers is dumping several feet of snow by Christmas on Colorado's mountains. But the weather system that brought snow and rain to the West Coast could make travel to the mountains difficult in Colorado in coming days.

Several mountain passes have been closed because of heavy snow, and avalanche warnings scattered from Steamboat Springs south to the San Juan mountains has state highway crews closing Cameron Pass and other roads to clear heavy snow accumulation threatening drivers.

Late Tuesday afternoon, about 10 miles of Interstate 70, the main route from Denver to the ski resorts, were closed because of a collision between two trucks, one of which was carrying 40,000 pounds of an explosive gel used for industrial purposes. Eastbound I-70 was reopened by evening, but the westbound lanes were expected to stay closed for several more hours.

had to pluck some stranded motorists from rain-swollen creeks. Shoppers dodged puddles while buying last-minute Christmas gifts.

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**By the numbers**

Today is Thursday, Dec. 23, the 357th day of 2010. There are 8 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:**

On Dec. 23, 1968, 82 crew members of the U.S. intelligence ship Pueblo were released by North Korea, 11 months after they had been captured.

**Wednesday Lottery:**

- Pick Three - Midday: 8-7-2
- Pick Three - Evening: 4-1-4
- Pick Four - Midday: 5-1-0-8
- Pick Four - Evening: 5-0-1-1
- Little Lotto: 3-6-11-26-39
- Lotto: 3-8-16-17-45-47
- Lotto Jackpot: \$4.5 million
- Mega Millions Jackpot: \$188 million

**Today's Birthdays:** Actor Gerald S. O'Loughlin is 89. Actor Ronnie Scler is 79. Emperor Akihito of Japan is 77. Pro Football Hall of Famer Paul Hornung is 75. Actor Frederic Forrest is 74. Actor James Stacy is 74. Rock musician Jorma Kaukonen is 70. Rock musician Ron Bushy is 69. Actor-comedian Harry Shearer is 67. Gen. Wesley K. Clark (ret.) is 66. Actress Susan Lucci is 64. Singer-musician Adrian Belew is 61. Rock musician Dave Murray (Iron Maiden) is 54. Actress Joan Severance is 52. Singer Terry Weeks is 47. Rock singer Eddie Vedder (Pearl Jam) is 46. The first lady of France, Carla Bruni-Sarkozy, is 43. Rock musician Jamie Murphy is 35. Jazz musician Irvin Mayfield is 33. Actress Estella Warren is 32. Actress Anna Maria Perez de Tagle is 20.

**Area calendar**

**Today**

- Free Legal Assistance** - For those age 60 and older, The Oasis, 9 a.m.
- AFSME Retirees Union** - Bonanza restaurant, 10:30 a.m.
- NA** - 410 Pulaski St., 10:30 a.m.
- Mobile Health Unit** - Logan County Health Department, 109 3rd St., 9 to Noon; 1 to 3:30 p.m.
- Medicare-Insurance Assistance** - The Oasis, 2 to 4 p.m.
- AA Big Book Study Group** - 410 Pulaski St., 6 to 7:30 p.m.
- AA meeting** - Mount Pulaski Christian Church Fellowship Center, 114 N. Lafayette, 6 to 7:30 p.m.
- GROW Support Group** - ALMH Conference Room C, 6:30 p.m.
- Rainbow Girls** - Masonic Temple, 7 p.m.
- NA** - 410 Pulaski St., 8 p.m.

- Christmas holiday
- AA Meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 9 a.m.
- Free Blood Pressure Check** - The Oasis, 10 to 11:30 a.m.
- Land of Lincoln Big Book AA** - 505 Broadway, 6 p.m.
- AA Meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 6 p.m.
- Open AA meeting** - 507½ Pulaski St., 6 p.m.
- NA** - 410 Pulaski St., 9 p.m.

**Saturday**

- Logan Bible Fellowship** - Steak 'n' Shake, 7 a.m.
- Open AA meeting** - Non-smoking, 507½ Pulaski St., 8 a.m.
- AA meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 9 a.m.
- Pet adoptions** - Logan County Animal Control, 1517 N. Kickapoo St., 10 a.m. to noon.
- Living Life on Life's Terms Women's Meeting** - 315 S. Butler St., 4 p.m.
- AA meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 6 p.m.
- NA** - 410 Pulaski St., 8 p.m.

**Friday**

- Mobile Health Unit** - Closed for

**The record**

**Rescue runs**

**Aid calls**

- Lincoln firefighters responded with Logan County Paramedics to medical emergencies at:
  - A residence in the 100 block of Southgate Street at 11:53 a.m. Tuesday.
  - A residence in the 200 block of Hamilton Street at 12:05 p.m. Tuesday.

**Rust Belt states losing people,**

**Area deaths**

**Marguerite Dunham**

Marguerite Dunham, formerly of Atlanta, Illinois, passed away peacefully, Dec. 13, 2010, at the age of 99 in Boulder City, Nevada.

She was born Oct. 21, 1911, to Roscoe C. & Emma Mae Leshner in Normal, Illinois; she was one of seven children.

She met Leland H. Dunham, also known as Bill, in 1934, and they were married April 17, 1937. From their union, a son, William (Marilyn) of Prescott, Arizona, a daughter, Carol Doane, (Bill) of Flagstaff, Arizona, and a daughter, Marilyn Sutch (Richard) of Henderson, Nevada, were born.

She had lived in Phoenix for many years before moving to Boulder City, Nevada, about five years ago, to be near her daughter, Marilyn. She resided in an assistant living facility, The Homestead, and was very happy living there.

She was a wonderful wife and mother and the matriarch of her family. She is survived by her three children, 5 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, and one great-great grandchild, three step-grandchildren, and two step-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband of 24 years, who died May 11, 1961, and one granddaughter.

The family requests that donations be made, in her memory, in lieu of flowers, to The Atlanta, Illinois Library & Museum, Atlanta, Illinois, 61723, or a charity of your choice.

A memorial service will be held Dec. 27, 2010 at 10 a.m. at her place of residence, the Homestead, in Boulder City, Nevada.

Services will be held in Atlanta, Illinois, in the latter part of April or first of May, 2011, and burial will be in the Atlanta Cemetery next to her late husband, Judge Leland H. Dunham. The time and place of the service will be announced at a later date.

**David Lee Eskew**

David Lee Eskew, 47, of Dawson, formerly of Mount Pulaski,



Quincy, Springfield, Divernon and Bath, joined his heavenly father at noon on Dec. 20, 2010, after a 34-month battle with colorectal cancer.

He was born on April 8, 1963 in Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois, the youngest child of William "Bill" Vervey and Norma Jean (Points) Eskew. He was united in marriage by Judge John Mehlick to Melanie Patton Tisdale

on July 2, 1993 at the Sangamon County Building in Springfield.

David graduated from Mount Pulaski High School in 1977, and later Quincy Technical Institute. He worked for numerous businesses throughout his life, including: The Haven Nursing Home, Tri-State Foods, Kennedy Metal Products, Qwik 1 Lube Center, Tuffy Service Center, Ushman Communications, Info. Corner, Mitchell Concrete and most recently, Info. Corner and Donly, Inc. He developed many long-term friendships through his schooling and employment.

Greeting David in heaven are: his grandparents; his father Bill; his father-in-law Jerry Patton; many aunts, uncles, dear friends, and special Sheltie, Shyla.

Left to mourn his loss and cherish his memory are: his wife, Melanie; son Gerad K.; stepson Stephen W. (wife Lesly) Tisdale and granddaughter, Elena Michelle Tisdale; his mother Norma Eskew; mother-in-law Judy Patton; brothers: Billy (wife Nancy); Paul (wife Rena); Louie (wife Kim); and Tom; his sisters: Connie (husband Virgil "Junior") Booker; and Beth (husband Mark) Patton; brothers-in-law: Vince (wife Brenda) Patton; Mark (wife Beth) Patton; and Todd (wife Pam) Patton; special Aunt Daisy Points; and many nieces and nephews, including double-niece and -nephew Lisa Morrison and Walter (wife Faith) Patton; grandnieces: grand-nephews; cousins, including close cousins-in-law Bill and Noelle Patton; a multitude of friends; and much-loved Cocker Spaniel, Lexie.

Per David's request, his remains have been cremated and there will be only graveside services near his final resting place in Mechanicburg Cemetery at 1 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 23, 2010, with Reverend Charlie Carver, Pastor of South Tower Community Church, officiating. Fullenwider-Park Funeral Home in Mechanicburg is in charge of arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, please send memorial donations to Memorial Home Services, 720 North Bond Street, Springfield, IL, 62702, or South Tower Community Church, 1350 South Tower Road, Dawson, IL, 62650.

Cheer on NASCAR's Kyle Busch and/or have a toast to your favorite memories of him in a Celebration of Life at the Blue Moon in Dawson, IL, immediately following services.

"Remember me with smiles and laughter, For that's the only way I'll remember you all. If you can only remember me with tears, Then don't remember me at all."

A special thanks to the compassionate hospice caregivers associated with Memorial Home Services, and specifically Marcia

Nolte and Tom Colbertson.

Please visit our obituaries at [www.fullenwider-parkfuneral-home.com](http://www.fullenwider-parkfuneral-home.com).

**Thelma M. Fulk**

Thelma M. Fulk, 86, of Lincoln passed away at 1:38 a.m. Dec. 22, 2010 at her son's home.

She was born on Nov. 9, 1924 in Lincoln, the daughter of Carl Joseph and Anna Bernadine Werkman Hurley. She married Elmer D. Fulk, Jr. on September 12, 1942 in Lincoln. He preceded her in death on June 6, 1987.



Mrs. Fulk was a metermaid for the City of Lincoln and a matron at the Logan County Jail. She was also a member of the Lincoln Christian Church and the Women of the Moose, an avid Cardinal and Illini fan, and loved playing Bingo and Rummy. She was the happiest when she was helping others and staying busy. She was a very caring and giving mom, grandma, great-grandma and friend.

She is survived by three sons: Larry (Sierra Sue) Fulk; Donald (Rosanne) Fulk; and Dan (Joy) Fulk; and one daughter: Debra (John) Cook, all of Lincoln; three brothers: Richard (Carol) Hurley of Oceanside, CA; and Edward (Ruth) Hurley of Lincoln; one sister: Linda (Jerry) Woodard of Lincoln; seven grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband; one son: Dale Allen; one grandson: Donald Fulk, Jr.; and five brothers.

Mrs. Fulk was cremated. A graveside service will be held Monday, December 27, 2010 at 2 p.m. at Zion Cemetery in Lincoln, IL, with Don Green officiating.

There will be no visitation.

Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home is handling arrangements.

**Artie P. Gabriel**

Artie P. Gabriel, 87, of Rochester passed away on Tuesday, Dec. 21, 2010 at the Oak Terrace Health Care Center.

He was born on March 29, 1923 in Corsicana, Texas, the daughter of Edward Wesley and Annie Marie

(Mann) Hudspeth. She attended schools in Somerset, Texas, and So. San Antonio, Texas. She was employed at Kelly Air Force Base.

(Air Service Command) during WWII as an airplane mechanic and later, for 3.5 years, she was the instructor for the cadets.

She worked for Sangamon Electric for 12 years in Springfield, and later worked as a nursing assistant and for admitting for a total of 12 years at Memorial Medical Center.

After her retirement, she helped care for the elderly in their homes. She was a member of the South Fork Church of Christ, as well as Moreland Rebekah Lodge #573 in Rochester. Artie was also a Gold Club Member at Memorial Medical Center, Friends of Rochester Library and Sangamon County Farm Bureau.

She was preceded in death by her two brothers: James Edward and Eugene; and two sisters: Dorothy Marie and Mildred.

She is survived by three sons: Larry Gabriel (Jill) of Mount Pulaski; Richard L. Gabriel (Sandra) of Rochester; and Eugene Gabriel (Sheila) of Rochester; three daughters: Patricia Ann Logue (Jim) of Rochester; Dorothy Boyd (Floyd) of Nokomis; and Betty Grace Lindsey (Roy) of Waverly; four sisters: Mary F. Hilburn of San Antonio, Texas; Marion J. Hilburn of Jourdanton, Texas; Bobbie Sue Lockwood of Laverne, Texas; and Shirley Melton of New Braunfels, Texas; one brother: Robert W. Hudspeth of San Antonio, Texas; eight grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be on Thursday, Dec. 23 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Wilson Park Funeral Home in Rochester.

Funeral services will be on Friday at 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home, with burial in the South Fork Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Rochester Fire and Rescue Squad or the American Diabetes Association.

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Christmas Eve  
Friday, December 24th  
7pm in the Worship Center  
Sunday following Christmas

## By the numbers

Today is Friday, Dec. 24, the 358th day of 2010. There are 7 days left in the year. This is Christmas Eve.

### Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 24, 1968, the Apollo 8 astronauts, orbiting the moon, read passages from the Old Testament Book of Genesis during a Christmas Eve telecast.

### Thursday Lottery:

Pick Three - Midday: 1-6-3  
 Pick Three - Evening: 6-1-4  
 Pick Four - Midday: 5-3-3-0  
 Pick Four - Evening: 7-7-1-6  
 Little Lotto: 14-22-23-25-31  
 Lotto Jackpot: \$4.5 million  
 Mega Millions Jackpot: \$168 million

**Today's Birthdays:** Songwriter-bandleader **Dave Bartholomew** is 90. Author **Mary Higgins Clark** is 83. Federal health administrator **Anthony S. Fauci** is 70. Recording company executive **Mike Curb** is 66. Rock singer-musician **Lemmy** (Motorhead) is 65. Sen. **Jeff Sessions**, R-Ala., is 64. Actor **Grand L. Bush** is 55. Actor **Clarence Gilyard** is 55. Actress **Stephanie Hodge** is 54. The president of Afghanistan, **Hamid Karzai** (HAH'-mihd KAHR'-zeye), is 53. Rock musician **Ian Burden** (The Human League) is 53. Actor **Anil Kapoor** is 51. Actor **Wade Williams** is 49. Designer **Kate Spade** is 48. Rock singer **Mary Ramsey** (10,000 Maniacs) is 47. Actor **Mark Valley** is 46. Actor **Diedrich Bader** is 44. Actor **Armaury Nolasco** is 40. Singer **Ricky Martin** is 39. Author **Stephanie Meyer** ("Twilight") is 37. "American Idol" host **Ryan Seacrest** is 36.

## Area calendar

### Today

**Mobile Health Unit** - Closed for Christmas holiday

**AA Meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 9 a.m.

**Free Blood Pressure Check** - The Oasis, 10 to 11:30 a.m.

**Land of Lincoln Big Book AA** - 505 Broadway, 6 p.m.

**AA Meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 6 p.m.

**Open AA meeting** - 507½ Pulaski St., 6 p.m.

**NA** - 410 Pulaski St., 9 p.m.

### Saturday

**Logan Bible Fellowship** - Steak 'n' Shake, 7 a.m.

**Open AA meeting** - Non-smoking, 507½ Pulaski St., 8 a.m.

**AA meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 9 a.m.

**Pet adoptions** - Logan County Animal Control, 1517 N. Kickapoo St., 10 a.m. to noon.

**Living Life on Life's Terms Women's Meeting** - 315 S. Butler St., 4 p.m.

**AA meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 6 p.m.

**NA** - 410 Pulaski St., 8 p.m.

### Sunday

**AA meeting** - Non-smoking, 410 Pulaski St., 9 a.m.

**Public Trap Shoot** - Lincoln Sportsmen's Club, 1 p.m.

**NA Big Book meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 5 p.m.

**Closed Big Book AA meeting** - Non-smoking, 507½ Pulaski St., 7 p.m.

**Habitat for Humanity of Logan County** - Getting Smarter with Your Money program, Logan Court Hi-Rise, 1028 N. College St., 2 p.m.

## The record

## Area deaths

### Steven P. Burger

DECATUR — Steven P. Burger, 66, of Decatur passed away Tuesday, December 21, 2010 at Decatur Memorial Hospital with his family at his bedside.



A Celebration of Life service for Steven will be held 2:00 p.m. Sunday, December 26, 2010 at Faith Baptist Church, 875 W. Grove Rd. Decatur, Illinois 62521, with a visitation starting at 1:00 p.m. to the time of service, Pastor Joseph Huss to officiate. Entombment will be at the Star of Hope Mausoleum at Graceland Cemetery. Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home is assisting the family with these arrangements. Memorials may be made to Faith Baptist Church or the charity of the donor's choice. Online condolences and memories may be shared with the family at [www.gracelandfairlawn.com](http://www.gracelandfairlawn.com).

Steven was born December 4, 1944 in Bloomington, IL, the son of Richard and Reva (Scogin) Burger. He retired from ABF trucking and was a member of the Teamsters for 47 years.

He attended Faith Baptist Church. He married Paulene Lauterberg, August 3, 1963.

He leaves behind to cherish his memories, wife; Paulene of 47 years, son; Steven Burger of Mt. Zion, daughters; Paula McDonald of Lincoln, and Rebecca Wilhelm of Lincoln, grandchildren; Aaron Murray, Amanda Murray, Rick Gharrett Jr, David Gharrett, Megan Wilhelm, Timothy McDonald, Stephanie Oglesby, Damien Burger, Dustin Oglesby, Dante Burger, great-grandchildren; Hailee Gharrett, Dylan Murray, Gavin Murray, and David Gharrett Jr, and relatives; Brenda Shriver, Rod Burger, and Tonda Bagosy.

He was greeted into Heaven by his parents, daughter, Tara Lynn Burger and grandparents.

Steven was a wonderful and loving husband, father and grandfather.

### Thelma M. Fulk

Thelma M. Fulk, 86, of Lincoln passed away at 1:38 a.m. Dec. 22, 2010 at her son's home.



She was born on Nov. 9, 1924 in Lincoln, the daughter of Carl Joseph and Anna Bernadine Werkman Hurley. She married Elmer D. Fulk, Jr. on September 12, 1942 in Lincoln. He preceded her in death on June 6, 1987.

Mrs. Fulk was a metermaid for the City of Lincoln and a matron at the Logan County Jail. She was also a member of the Lincoln Christian Church and the Women of the Moose, an avid Cardinal and Illini fan, and loved playing Bingo and Rummy. She was the happiest when she was helping others and staying busy. She was a very caring and giving mom, grandma, great-grandma and friend.

She is survived by three sons: Larry (Sierra Sue) Fulk; Donald (Rosanne) Fulk; and Dan (Joy) Fulk; and one daughter: Debra (John) Cook, all of Lincoln; three brothers: Richard (Carol) Hurley of Lincoln; Virgil (Judy) Hurley of Oceanside, CA; and Edward (Ruth) Hurley of Lincoln; one sister: Linda (Jerry) Woodard of Lincoln; seven grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband; one son: Dale Allen; one grandson: Donald Fulk, Jr.; and five brothers.

Mrs. Fulk was cremated. A graveside service will be held Monday, December 27, 2010 at 2 p.m. at Zion Cemetery in Lincoln, IL, with Don Green officiating.

There will be no visitation. Memorials may be made to Lincoln Christian Church or Yanks Who Gave.

Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home is handling arrangements.

### Wanda L. Morris

LINCOLN — Wanda L. Morris, 75 of Lincoln, passed away December 23, 2010 at St. Clara's Manor in Lincoln.

Graveside services will be 11:00 AM Tuesday, December 28, 2010 at Zion Cemetery.

Wanda was born September 26, 1935 in Waynesville, IL, the daughter of R.V. "Toots" Gaston and Dollie M. (Cisco) Gaston. She married James W. Morris on November 24, 1951.

She was baptized at Lincoln Christian Church.

Surviving are her husband James of Lincoln, IL.; son Gary A. Morris and his wife Velma of Lincoln, IL.; grandchildren: James S. Cook of Phoenix, AZ.; Brian S. Cook and his wife Tracey of Washington, IL.; Wendy Carlton and her husband Tyrone of Lincoln, IL.; and Heather Fulk and her husband Jon of Minneapolis, MN.; nine great grandchildren, two great grandchildren, and her brother C.F. "Mannie" Gaston of Lincoln, IL. also survive.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and siblings Arkel C. Gaston, Calvin "Jake" Gaston, Venona L. Letterle, and Margaret Prah.

Memorial donations may be made to The Harvest of Talents For World Hunger at Lincoln Christian Church.

Holland Barry & Bennett Funeral Home in Lincoln is handling arrangements.

### Laura Alice Schilling

NASHVILLE, TN — Laura Alice Schilling, 88, of Nashville, TN formerly of Lincoln, passed away at 2:10 p.m. December 20, 2010 at Green Hills Health and Rehab Center in Nashville, TN.



She was a retired state employee and a housewife. She was a member of the Beason United Methodist Church. Laura was a Lincoln retail business woman working at the Perk-Up and managing Erik Kent, both on the square. She also served as site interpreter/researcher at the Postville and Mt. Pulaski Courthouses. She served for 12

years on the Logan County Board from 1986-1998 serving on airport and farm, animal control and liquor committees. As the first chair of the solid waste committee, she ultimately traveled to France to view their advanced methods of waste management.

She was very active in the community, volunteering for the American Cancer Society, Lincoln Community Concert Association, Lincoln Railsplitter Association, Lincoln Balloon Fest, Beason Band Boosters, Beason Girl Scouts and the ALMH Auxiliary.

She was also a member of the Beason United Methodist Women, ABWA and Logan County Herb Guild. Along with her hobbies of needlework, sewing, gardening and hat making, in her early years she loved being a hair style model for her brother, Art, a cosmetologist.

She was born September 22, 1922 in Mitchell Dam, AL the daughter of Earl W. and Nancy Annie Jones Smith. She married John W. Schilling June 6, 1941. He preceded her in death in May 1989.

She is survived by two daughters: Nancy Christina Davis of Nashville, TN and Tamra Lorraine Ince of Conowingo, Maryland; two granddaughters: Deborah Elaine and Abigail Elizabeth Ince of Conowingo, Maryland. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, one infant son: John Wesley Schilling III, three brothers: Earl, Art and Bill Smith and one sister: Mae Nell Lowery and one son-in-law: Barry M. Davis.

Services for Mrs. Schilling will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, December 29, 2010 at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln, IL with Rev. Robert Baker officiating. Interment will be at Harmony Cemetery in Beason, IL. Visitation will be Tuesday, December 28, 2010 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, Beason United Methodist Church or the Beason Fire Department.

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By the numbers

Today is Monday, Dec. 27, the 361st day of 2010. There are four days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 27, 1968, Apollo 8 and its three astronauts made a safe, nighttime splashdown in the Pacific.

Saturday Lottery:

- Pick Three - Midday: 7-1-5
- Pick Three - Evening: 6-0-9
- Pick Four - Midday: 5-2-3-5
- Pick Four - Evening: 0-2-0-8
- Little Lotto: 6-7-14-15-38
- Lotto: 7-25-27-43-45-49

Sunday Lottery:

- Pick Three - Midday: 3-7-2
- Pick Three - Evening: 2-7-9
- Pick Four - Midday: 2-8-6-6
- Pick Four - Evening: 8-7-6-8
- Little Lotto: 4-20-27-31-37
- Lotto Jackpot: \$4.75 million
- Mega Millions Jackpot: \$196 million

**Today's Birthdays:** Former U.S. Sen. **James A. McClure**, R-Idaho, is 86. Rockabilly musician **Scotty Moore** is 79. Actor **John Amos** is 71. Actress **Charmian Carr** (Film: "The Sound of Music") is 68. ABC News correspondent **Cokie Roberts** is 67. Rock musician **Mick Jones** (Foreigner) is 66. Singer **Tracy Nelson** is 66. Actor **Gerard Depardieu** is 62. Jazz singer-musician **T.S. Monk** is 61. Singer-songwriter **Karla Bonoff** is 59. Actress **Tovah Feldshuh** is 58. Rock musician **David Knopfler** (Dire Straits) is 58. Journalist-turned-politician **Arthur Kent** is 57. Actress **Maryam D'Abo** is 50. Country musician **Jeff Bryant** is 48. Actor **Ian Gomez** is 46. Actress **Theresa Randle** is 46. Actress **Eva LaRue** is 44. Professional wrestler and actor **Bill Goldberg** is 44. Actress **Tracey Cherelle Jones** is 41. Bluegrass singer-musician **Darrin Vincent** (Dailey & Vincent) is 41. Rock musician **Guthrie Govan** is 39. Musician **Matt Slocum** is 38. Actor **Wilson Cruz** is 37. Singer **Olu** is 37. Actor **Masi Oka** is 36. Actor **Aaron Stanford** is 34. Actress **Emilie de Ravin** is 29. Christian rock musician **James Mead** (Kutless) is 28. Rock singer **Hayley Williams** (Paramore) is 22.

Area calendar

Today

Department of Rehabilitation Services - The Oasis, 9 to 11 a.m.

Mobile Health Unit - CLOSED - Maintenance Day

AA - 410 Pulaski St., 9 a.m.

Weight Watchers - Jefferson Street Christian Church, 5:30 p.m.

Lincoln's Logan County Arts and Crafts Guild - Postville Courthouse State Historic Site, 914 Fifth St., 7 p.m.

Parkinson's Support Group -

Mobile Health Unit - Mount Pulaski, 1 to 3:30 p.m.

Gold Wing Road Rider's Association - Coffee break, Ted's Garage, Clinton eat at 6 p.m. and Ride at 7 p.m.

TOPS, III 1970 - Lincoln Library, weigh-in, 5 to 5:45 p.m.; meeting, 6 p.m.

Tough Love Parents Support Group - K of C Meeting Room, 6 p.m.

AA - 410 Pulaski St., 6 p.m.

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Area deaths

Quincy L. Allison

TUSCOLA — Quincy L. Allison (age 89) of Tuscola died at 6:55 P.M. on December 24, 2010.

Funeral services will be at the First Christian Church of Tuscola, 101 East Church Street, Tuscola, IL at 11:00 A.M. on Monday, December 27, 2010. Scott Zorn and



Bruce Parmenter will officiate. Visitation will be held from 9:30 A.M. until time of services on Monday at the church. Burial will be in the Tuscola Township Cemetery with military graveside rites accorded. Hilligoss Shrader Funeral Home, 705 South Main Street, Tuscola, IL is handling the arrangements.

Q. Lee Allison was born in Newton, IL on December 31, 1920 to Harry and Clara (McCoy) Allison. He was married to Joyce (Portlock) on October 5, 1941 in Newton. She survives. Survivors also include one son James Allison, Lincoln; two daughters Melody Barber, Tuscola, and Mary Ogden, Tuscola; eight grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, one sister, son Stephen, and grandson Troy.

Lee graduated from Newton Community High School in 1938 and served in the army during World War II in central Europe with the 284th Engineer Combat Battalion. He worked for Roy Moulden in radio and started his own business Allison Radio in 1945 and continued in business for 28 years. After retiring, he worked for Community Service Systems, formerly of Lakeland, CO, and for Christian Homes, Inc. of Lincoln, IL. He was a member of the First Christian Church of Tuscola, where he served as a

teacher and elder for many years. He was also a Rotarian for many years and was president of Rotary during the golden anniversary years.

In Lieu of Flowers, Memorials are suggested to First Christian Church of Tuscola and/or Lincoln Christian University of Lincoln, IL.

Online condolences to the family may be sent to hilligossshraderfh.com.

Troy Morris Clark

PEKIN — Troy Morris Clark, 29, of Pekin, IL, died at 10:20 A.M.



Thursday, Dec. 23, 2010, at his home.

He was born Nov. 21, 1981 in Pekin to Rob and Lori Hunt Clark. Survivors include his mother and step-father, Lori and Greg Briggs of Lincoln; father and step-mother, Rob and Kelly Clark of Havana; step-grandmother, Mary Vannatta of Hettick; step grandparents, Bill and Norma Briggs of Emden; three brothers, Cody, Kyle and Conner; four sisters, Cassie, Tisha, April and Angela and his two best friends, Jesse and Joe.

Troy was presently employed at Metalcraft Co. in Morton.

His funeral will be at 1:00 pm. Monday, Dec. 27, 2010 at Davis Mortuary in Delavan. Rev. Allen Payne will officiate. Visitation will be from 11:00 am. until time of service, at the mortuary. After the service, cremation will be accorded and private disposition of remains will be at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to an educational fund for his niece and nephews.

To express condolences online visit www.davismortuaryinc.com.

Norman Edward Evans, III

CLINTON — Norman Edward Evans, 56 of Clinton, IL passed away 1:30 P.M. Dec. 25, 2010 at Dr. John Warner Hospital, Clinton, IL.

Arrangements are pending at Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton, IL.

James A. Freehill

EDEN PRAIRIE, MN — James A. Freehill, 88, of Eden Prairie, MN formerly of Lincoln, IL passed away Dec. 21, 2010.

Preceded in death by parents, Cletus and Margaret; brothers, Pete, Joe, Donald and Gene; sisters, Catherine, Patti and Mary.

Survived by beloved wife, Marian; children, Pat Sheftick,

Jimmy Freehill, Charles Freehill and Barbie Chrismore; step-children, Dave Loeber, Barb Tisckos and Gary Loeber; beloved grandchildren and great-grandchildren: brothers, Jerome and Larry; sisters, Theresa and Lois. Jim was a past Grand Knight of the Lincoln Knights of Columbus Council. Jim was also a proud member of the American Legion, Elks and VFW.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at 11 a.m. Wed., Jan. 5 at the Church of St. Edward, 9401 Nesbitt Ave. S., Bloomington, MN. Visitation one hour prior to service at the church. Private interment at St. Mary's Cemetery, Lincoln, IL.

Washburn-McReavy Werness Brothers Chapel is handling arrangements 952-884-8145.

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## DAYBOOK

### By the numbers

Today is Tuesday, Dec. 28, the 362nd day of 2010. There are three days left in the year.

#### Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 28, 1832, John C. Calhoun became the first vice president of the United States to resign, stepping down because of differences with President Andrew Jackson.

#### Monday Lottery:

Pick Three - Midday: 8-0-1

Pick Three - Evening: 8-7-8

Pick Four - Midday: 1-5-9-0

Pick Four - Evening: 4-4-7-5

Little Lotto: 2-25-30-33-35

Lotto: 10-13-17-33-35-40

Lotto Jackpot: \$4.75 million

Mega Millions Jackpot: \$196 million

**Today's Birthdays:** Comic book creator **Stan Lee** is 88. Former United Auto Workers union president **Owen Bieber** is 81. Actor **Martin Milner** is 79. Actress **Nichelle Nichols** is 78. Actress **Dame Maggie Smith** is 76. Rock singer-musician **Charles Neville** is 72. **Sen. Johnny Isakson**, R-Ga., is 66. **Sen. Tim Johnson**, D-S.D., is 64. Rock singer-musician **Edgar Winter** is 64. Actor **Denzel Washington** is 56. Country singer **Joe Diffie** is 52. Country musician **Mike McGuire** (Shenandoah) is 52. Actor **Chad McQueen** is 50. Country singer-musician **Marty Roe** (Diamond Rio) is 50. Actor **Malcolm Gets** is 46. Actor **Mauricio Mendoza** is 41. Comedian **Seth Meyers** is 37. Actor **Brendan Hines** is 34. Rhythm-and-blues singer **John Legend** is 32. Actress **Sienna Miller** is 29. Actor **Thomas Dekker** is 23. Actress **Mackenzie Rosman** is 21. Pop singer **David Archuleta** (TV: "American Idol") is 20.

### Area calendar

#### Today

**WIC Classes** - Logan County Health Department, 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

**Mobile Health Unit** - Chestnut, 9 to 11:30 a.m.

**Free Blood Pressure Screening** - ALMH Conference Room, 9 a.m. to noon.

**Veterans' Assistance** - The Oasis, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Weight Watchers** - Jefferson Street Christian Church, 10 a.m.

**NA** - 410 Pulaski St., 10:30 a.m.

**Kwanis Club** - Rusty's, noon.

Temple, 7 p.m.sx

**NA** - 410 Pulaski St., 8 p.m.

**Closed 12 x 12 AA meeting** - Non-smoking, 507½ Pulaski St., 7 p.m.

#### Wednesday

**Mobile Health Unit** - New Holland Village Hall, 9 to 11:30 a.m.

**NA** - 410 Pulaski St., 10:30 a.m.

**Rotary Club** - Rusty's Clubhouse and Grill, noon.

**Mobile Health Unit** - Atlanta, 1 to 3:30 p.m.

**TOPS No. 1783** - Wilmert Lounge, St.

### Area deaths

#### Ronnie Henry Ackley

MIDDLETOWN — Ronnie Henry Ackley, 68, of Middletown, IL, passed away at 6:02 a.m.



December 26, 2010 at St. John's Hospital in Springfield, IL.

He retired from Caterpillar in Morton, IL in 1999 after work-

ing 30 years as a power trucker. He served in the U.S. Army and was the current treasurer of American Legion Post #672. He was also a member of the Logan County Voiture 40 ET 8.

He was born Nov. 8, 1942 in Middletown, IL the son of Clyde and Bernadine Steinhour Ackley. He married Linda Humphres May 29, 1965 at the Williamsville Christian Church.

He is survived by his wife Linda of Middletown; one son: Brian Ackley of Williamsville, IL; one granddaughter: Brianna Ackley; one grandson: Arron Ackley; one brother: Harold Raymond (JoAnn) Ackley of Mesquite, Nevada; two sisters: Bonnie (Ronnie) Janssen of Middletown, IL and Sandy (Marc) Wendt of Lincoln, IL.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 29 at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln, IL with Pastor Kenny Kidd officiating. Interment

will be at Irish Grove Cemetery in Middletown, IL will full military rites accorded. Visitation will be from 4 until 7 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the Middletown American Legion Post #672.

#### Norman Edward Evans, III

CLINTON — Norman Edward Evans, III, 56, of Clinton, IL, passed away at 1:30 p.m. December 25, 2010 at Dr. John Warner Hospital in Clinton, IL.



Graveside services will be at 11:00 a.m. Friday, December 31, 2010 at Evergreen Cemetery in

Waynesville, IL with Ernie Harvey, Jr. officiating. Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday at Calvert Funeral Home in Clinton, IL. Interment will be at Evergreen Cemetery in Waynesville, IL with Military Rites at the gravesite.

He was born March 9, 1954 in Miami Beach, Florida, the son of Martha (Morris) Evans and Norman Evans, II. He married Kathy Lowery on August 29, 1987 in Waynesville, IL.

He is survived by his wife: Kathy Evans of Clinton, IL; his mother: Martha Vorwerk of Springfield, MO; his children: Matthew Evans and Kristin Evans both of Clinton, IL.

He was preceded in death by his father.

Mr. Evans served in the U.S. Navy from 1974 to 1984 on the USS Sam Rayburn and the USS Ben Franklin. He was a member of the Waynesville American Legion Post 1189. Also an avid supporter of the DeWitt County Youth and was very involved with the Cub/Boy Scout Troop 1142. He was a leader of the Barnett Busy Bees 4-H Club, served on the Youth Advisory Committee of the U of I Extension of DeWitt County and was a coach for the YMCA soccer teams for many years.

Norm moved to the area in 1984 when he was employed at the Clinton Power Station and was still working there at the time of his death.

Memorials may be made to the Education Fund for his children Matthew and Kristin or DeWitt County U of I Foundation to establish a memorial in Norm's name.

#### Norma J. Gallagher

LINCOLN — Norma J. Gallagher, 63, of Lincoln, IL, passed away at 8:10 a.m. December 27, 2010 at her home.



She is survived by her former

She retired in 2002 as a mental health technician.

She was born May 5, 1947 in Lincoln, IL, the daughter of Everett and Gertie Skelton Huskins.

husband: Marvin Gallagher of Lincoln; four sons: Richard Shull of Indiana; Terry Shull of Arizona; Tim Gallagher of Lincoln, IL; Michael Gallagher of Lincoln, IL; two daughters: Christy Bahn of Lincoln, IL; Terri Cox of Nevada; four brothers: Benny Huskins of Springfield, IL; Bruce (Billie) Huskins of Lincoln; Bill (Nancy) Huskins of Lincoln; Bobby Huskins of Eureka, IL; five sisters: Dorothy Matis of Lincoln; Millie Blake of Montgomery City, MO; Patty (Ron) Robison of Lincoln; Mary (Carl) Lingo of Lincoln and Kay Green of Lincoln; 12 grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one brother: Everett and her former husband: Gary Shull.

Services for Mrs. Gallagher will be at 10:00 a.m. Friday, Dec. 31 at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln with Dustin Fulton officiating. Interment will be at St. Mary's Cemetery in Lincoln. Visitation is Thursday from 4 to 7 p.m. at the funeral home in Lincoln.

Memorials may be made to the grandchildren's education fund.

#### Robert Eugene Lamm

LINCOLN — Graveside Service for Robert Eugene Lamm age 83 of Lincoln will be Wednesday December 29, 2010 at 11:00am at the Danville National Cemetery, Danville, IL. Chaplin Paul Witt to officiate.

The family has placed thier trust in the Wolfe Funeral Home in Potomac.

### The record

DAYBOOK

By the numbers

Today is Wednesday, Dec. 29, the 363rd day of 2010. There are two days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 29, 1910, the capital of Oklahoma was moved from Guthrie to Oklahoma City as the state legislature approved a bill which was signed by Gov. Charles N. Haskell. (Although the move was challenged in court, the U.S. Supreme Court upheld the action.)

Tuesday Lottery:

- Pick Three - Midday: 582
- Pick Three - Evening: 838
- Pick Four - Midday: 0374
- Pick Four - Evening: 2493
- Little Lotto: 5-18-26-29-35
- Mega Millions: 6-18-36-40-49
- Mega Ball: 7
- Lotto Jackpot: \$20 million
- Mega Million Jackpot: \$196 million

**Today's Birthdays:** Actress Inga Swenson is 78. ABC newscaster Tom Jarriel is 78. Actress Mary Tyler Moore is 74. Actor Jon Voight is 72. Country singer Ed Bruce is 71. Rock musician Ray Thomas is 69. Singer Marianne Faithfull is 64. Jockey Laffit Pincay, Jr. is 64. Actor Ted Danson is 63. Actor Jon Polito is 60. Singer-actress Yvonne Elliman is 59. Actress Patricia Clarkson is 51. Comedian Paula Poundstone is 51. Rock singer-musician Jim Reid (The Jesus and Mary Chain) is 49. Actor Michael Cudlitz is 46. Rock singer Dexter Holland (The Offspring) is 45. Actor-comedian Mystro Clark is 44. Actor Jason Gould is 44. Movie director Andy Wachowski is 43.

Area calendar

Today

- Mobile Health Unit** - New Holland Village Hall, 9 to 11:30 a.m.
- NA** - 410 Pulaski St., 10:30 a.m.
- Rotary Club** - Rusty's Clubhouse and Grill, noon.
- Mobile Health Unit** - Atlanta, 1 to 3:30 p.m.
- TOPS No. 1783** - Wilmet Lounge, St. John United Church of Christ, 204 Seventh St., weigh-in: 4:15 to 5 p.m.; meeting 5:15 p.m.
- AA** - 410 Pulaski St., 6 p.m.
- Open AA meeting** - Non-smoking, 507½ Pulaski St., 7 p.m.
- NA** - 410 Pulaski St., 8 p.m.

Thursday

- Mobile Health Unit** - Logan County Department of Public Health, 109 3rd St., 9 to Noon and 1 to 3:30 p.m.
- NA** - 410 Pulaski St., 10:30 a.m.

- Medicare-Insurance Assistance** - The Oasis, 2 to 4 p.m.
- AA Big Book Study Group** - 410 Pulaski St., 6 to 7:30 p.m.
- AA meeting** - Mount Pulaski Christian Church Fellowship Center, 114 N. Lafayette, 6 to 7:30 p.m.
- GROW Support Group** - ALMH Conference Room C, 6:30 p.m.
- NA** - 410 Pulaski St., 8 p.m.

Friday

- AA Meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 9 a.m.
- Mobile Health Unit** - CLOSED for New Year's
- Free Blood Pressure Check** - The Oasis, 10 to 11:30 a.m.
- Land of Lincoln Big Book AA** - 505 Broadway, 6 p.m.
- Open AA meeting** - 507½ Pulaski St., 6 p.m.
- AA Meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 6 p.m.
- NA Meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 9 p.m.

The record

Police beat

Multiple charges

- Lincoln police arrested Cyrena M. Broyles, 18, of Lincoln at 8:50 a.m. at her home on charges of domestic battery.
- Lincoln police arrested Damon J. Bradshaw, 19, of Lincoln at 4:36 p.m. at his home on a Logan County Warrant for burglary, theft, criminal damage to property and arson.
- Lincoln police arrested Carrie A. Follis, 36, of Lincoln at 9:56 p.m. at her home.
- Lincoln police arrested Daniel

- L. Gaydosh, 34, of Lincoln at 10:07 p.m. at his home.
- A Logan County deputy arrested Raymond S. Boyer, 50, of Lincoln at 12:35 a.m. in the 1700th block of Fifth Street on a charge of driving under the influence.

Rescue runs

- Lincoln firefighters responded with Logan County Paramedics to medical emergencies at:
  - A residence in the 1100 block of North State Street.
  - A residence in the 300 block of Ninth Street.

Mount Pulaski

Havana may get housing boost

By MICHAEL SMOTHERS  
GATEHOUSE NEWS SERVICE

HAVANA — Residents have trickled away from this city for a decade, but a lack of jobs is not solely at fault. For many, there's nowhere to live.

A team of private and government agencies wants to address that by building 40 homes that people with low-paying jobs could rent — with the help of tax credits, if they qualify — and ultimately own.

"There's just no housing" in Havana and throughout Mason County, Penny Smith, director of the Mason County Housing Authority, said Monday. "I have a waiting list of 150 people," most with jobs paying less than \$10 an hour and many with families, who live with their parents, she said.

The new homes would draw residents from throughout the area to Havana, she said. The city of about 3,300 people has seen its population decline by nearly 10 percent since 2000.

The project would produce "homes, not a

housing project," Smith recently told the Havana City Council. "This is a way to put people in decent, affordable housing."

Mayor Dale Roberts suggested the council tour a similar development in Petersburg before deciding whether to issue a letter of support for the Havana project to the Illinois Housing Development Authority. But he let his own feelings be known.

"I think it's an awesome opportunity," for area residents and the city, he told the council.

Under the plan, Chicago-based Daveri Development Group Ltd. would enlist private investors to build the \$9.3 million project on about 14 acres of farmland just southeast of Havana, which the city would annex.

Residents would have to qualify through a scale combining income and home size. Smith said a two-bedroom home would rent for \$427 per month. Incomes would begin at a maximum of \$26,000 for a one-bedroom home. Tax credits to help in rent payments, however, would be available through the state from the federal

Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The "homes project," Smith said, would include on-site management. Residents would be required to maintain their properties and pass background checks including criminal and credit records. They would have the option to buy their homes after 15 years.

"If (the project) works out, we may expand it to Mason City and Manito" on a smaller scale, she said. The Havana project would be the first of its kind in Mason County.

Last week Daveri and the county housing authority submitted an application to the IHDA for the HUD grant, which the IHDA would administer. The Havana project would be supervised by the county agency under a new program titled Prairieland Housing Development Services.

Roberts said the city council has until April to issue its letter of support. If it does and the grant is approved, construction could start in spring 2012, Smith said.

Springfield council picks new mayor

GATEHOUSE NEWS SERVICE

SPRINGFIELD — Ward 1 Alderman Frank Edwards was elected mayor of Springfield Tuesday night by members of the city council.

The vote was 6 to 4.

Voting against Edwards were Ward 2 Alderman Gail Simpson, Ward 5 Alderman Sam Cahman, Ward 7 Alderman Debbie Cimarossa and Ward 6 Alderman Mark Mahoney.

He was sworn in immediately after the vote. Cimarossa is a Republican on the officially

non-partisan council. The others are Democrats.

Springfield City Clerk Cecilia Tumulty delivered the oath of office to Edwards.

Edwards will serve as interim mayor for the remainder of Mayor Tim Davlin's term.

Area deaths

Norma J. Gallagher

LINCOLN — Norma J. Gallagher, 63, of Lincoln, IL,

passed away at 8:10 a.m. December 27, 2010 at her home.

She retired in 2002 as a mental health technician.

She was born May 8,

1947 in Lincoln, IL, the daughter of Everett and Gertie Skelton Huskins.

She is survived by her former husband; Marvin Gallagher of Lincoln; four sons: Richard Shull of Indiana; Terry Shull of Arizona; Tim Gallagher of Lincoln, IL; Michael Gallagher of Lincoln, IL; two daughters: Christy Bahn of Lincoln, IL; Terri Cox of Nevada; four brothers: Benny Huskins of Lincoln, IL; Bruce (Billie) Huskins of Lincoln; Bobby Huskins of Bloomington, IL; five sisters: Dorothy Mathis of Lincoln; Millie Blake of Montgomery City, MO; Patty (Ron) Robertson of Lincoln; Mary (Carl) Lingo of Lincoln and Kay Green of Lincoln; 12 grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one brother: Everett and her former husband: Gary Shull.

Services for Mrs. Gallagher will be at 10:00 a.m. Friday, Dec. 31 at Fricke-Cavert-Schradler Funeral Home in Lincoln with Dustin Fulton officiating. Interment will be at St. Mary's Cemetery in Lincoln. Visitation is Thursday from 4 to 7 p.m. at the funeral home in Lincoln.

Memorials may be made to the grandchildren's education fund.

Robert Eugene Lamm

Robert E. Lamm of Lincoln passed away on Dec. 23, 2010 at the Danville VA Nursing Home at the age of 83. He was born April 4, 1927 in Danville, IL to Sylvester and Jessie Long Lamm.

He graduated from Lincoln Community High School. He served in the Seabees for four years, after which he attended Washington State College for two years and Danville Community College.

He is survived by his first wife: Shirley; and three sons: Jeff Lamm of Florida; Marvin Lamm of Danville, IL; and Roger Lamm of Homer; four grandsons; and five great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his wife, Eleanor Ruple Lamm of Lincoln; four stepchildren: Elmer Ruple of Decatur, IL; Jerry Ruple of San Antonio, TX; Joy Wadman of St. Augustine, FL; and Denise Williams of Fountaintown, IN; nine step-grandchildren; and 16 step-great-grandchildren. He is survived by

his sister, Ruby Meeker, as well.

He is preceded in death by four brothers and three sisters.

A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, December 29, 2010 at the Danville National Cemetery in Danville, IL, with Chaplain Paul Witt officiating.

Wolfe Funeral Home in Potomac is handling arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Danville VA Hospital in lieu of flowers.

Donald Herman Maaks

BLOOMINGTON — Donald Herman Maaks, 78, of Bloomington, IL, died December 24, 2010 in Ft. Lauderdale, FL.

His funeral service will be held at 1:00pm Friday December 31, 2010 at Carmody-Flynn Williamsburg Funeral Home, Bloomington with Rev. Allen Steinbeck officiating. A private family interment will be in Richmond Grove Cemetery, New Holland, IL. Visitation will be from 10:00am-1:00pm Friday at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, 1822 E. Lincoln St. Bloomington, IL 61701 or Zion Lutheran Church P.O. Box 199 New Holland, IL 62671.

Don was born December 29, 1931 in Lincoln, IL to Frank Carl Frederick and Anna Margaret Roetker Maaks.

He is survived by three daughters, Dawn (Michael) LaVecchia of Charlotte NC, Mila (Jackie) Noblett of Fleetwood NC, and Christina (Mark) Miller of Crumpler NC; eight grandchildren, Melina, Michael, Marco and Sophia LaVecchia, Donte and Troy Wain, Chloe and Dane Miller; a great-grandchild Braelyn Grace Wain; and a sister Diane (Neil) Steffens of Elgin IL.

His parents and a brother preceded him in death.

Don grew up near New Holland, IL, graduating from New Holland grade and high schools. He served in the US Army, Big Red 1, stationed in Germany with an honorable discharge November 30, 1955. Mr. Maaks was a Bloomington businessman for many years as co-owner of The Johnson Transfer Company (Allied Van Lines) and was currently involved in the warehousing business. He was a member of the Transportation Club, The Illinois Movers' and Warehousemen's Association, and the Bloomington Planning Commission. He was also a member of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church of Bloomington.

More gambling



DAYBOOK

By the numbers

Today is Thursday, Dec. 30, the 364th day of 2010. There is one day left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Dec. 30, 1860, 10 days after South Carolina seceded from the Union; the state militia seized the United States Arsenal in Charleston, completing a takeover of all federal property in the city except Fort Sumter.

Wednesday Lottery:

- Pick Three - Midday: 5-0-5
- Pick Three - Evening: 3-1-0
- Pick Four - Midday: 4-3-5-1
- Pick Four - Evening: 4-7-7-0
- Little Lotto: 8-15-17-29-35
- Lotto: 1-23-33-34-50-51
- Lotto Jackpot: \$5 million
- Mega Millions Jackpot: \$237 million

Today's Birthdays: Actor Joseph Bologna is 76. Actor Russ Tamblyn is 76. Baseball Hall-of-Famer Sandy Koufax is 75. Actor Jack Riley is 75. Folk singer Noel Paul Stookey is 73. TV director James Burrows is 70. Actor Fred Ward is 68. Singer-musician Michael Nesmith is 68. Singer Davy Jones is 65. Actress Concetta Tomei (toh-MAY) is 65. Singer Patti Smith is 64. Rock singer-musician Jeff Lynne is 63. TV host Meredith Vieira is 57. Actress Sheryl Lee Ralph is 55. Actress Patricia Kalember is 54. Country singer Suzy Bogguss is 54. "Today" show co-host Matt Lauer is 53. Actress-comedian Tracey Ullman is 51. Rock musician Rob Hotchkiss is 50. Radio-TV commentator Sean Hannity is 49. Sprinter Ben Johnson is 49. Actor George Newbern is 47. Singer Jay Kay (Jamiroquai) is 41. Rock musician Byron McKackin (Pennywise) is 41. Actress Meredith Monroe is 41. Actor Daniel Sunjata is 39. Actress Maureen Flannigan is 38. Actor Jason Behr is 37. Golfer Tiger Woods is 35. TV personality-boxer Laila Ali is 33. Singer-actress Tyrese Gibson is 32. Actress Eliza Dushku is 30. Rock musician Tim Lopez (Plain White T's) is 30. Actress Kristin Kreuk is 28. NBA player LeBron James is 26.

Area calendar

- Today**
- Mobile Health Unit** - Logan County Department of Public Health, 109 3rd St., 9 to Noon and 1 to 3:30 p.m.
- NA** - 410 Pulaski St., 10:30 a.m.
- Medicare-Insurance Assistance** - The Oasis, 2 to 4 p.m.
- AA Big Book Study Group** - 410 Pulaski St., 6 to 7:30 p.m.
- AA meeting** - Mount Pulaski Christian Church Fellowship Center, 114 N. Latayette, 6 to 7:30 p.m.
- GROW Support Group** - ALMH Conference Room C, 6:30 p.m.
- NA** - 410 Pulaski St., 8 p.m.
- Friday**
- AA Meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 9 a.m.
- Mobile Health Unit** - CLOSED for New Year's
- Free Blood Pressure Check** - The Oasis, 10 to 11:30 a.m.
- Land of Lincoln Big Book AA** - 505 Broadway, 6 p.m.
- Open AA meeting** - 507½ Pulaski St., 6 p.m.
- AA Meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 6 p.m.
- NA Meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 9 p.m.
- Saturday**
- Logan Bible Fellowship** - Steak 'n Shake, 7 a.m.
- Open AA meeting** - Non-smoking, 507½ Pulaski St., 8 a.m.
- Kids Closet** - Free children's clothing, Open Arms Christian Fellowship, 311 Broadway, 9 a.m. to noon.
- AA meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 9 a.m.
- Pet adoptions** - Logan County Animal Control, 1517 N. Kookapo St., 10 a.m. to noon.
- Living Life on Life's Terms Women's Meeting** - 315 S. Butler St., 4 p.m.
- AA meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 6 p.m.
- NA meeting** - 410 Pulaski St., 8 p.m.

The record

Police beat

- Multiple charges**
  - Lincoln police arrested Michelle R. Guise, 33, of Lincoln at 3:51 p.m. Tuesday on Woodlawn Road at Taylor Court on a charge of driving while her license was suspended.
  - A Logan County deputy arrested Melissa K. Burns, 21, of Poplar Bluff, Mo., at 11:45 a.m. at the Butler County Jail in Poplar Bluff on a Logan County warrant.

Fire calls

- Citizen complaint**
  - Lincoln firefighters responded to a citizen complaint of smoke at 5:35 p.m. Tuesday in the 100 block of Mayfair Drive, the source of which was not found.
- Gas odor**
  - Lincoln firefighters responded to a report of gas leaking from a vehicle at 8:08 p.m. Tuesday in the 1800 block of North Logan Street.

Denmark: Attack over newspaper cartoons thwarted

BY JAN M. OLSEN THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

COPENHAGEN, Denmark — Police in Denmark and Sweden said they thwarted a terrorist attack possibly hours before it was to begin Wednesday, arresting five men they said planned to shoot as many people as possible in a Copenhagen building housing the

men were arrested as they left a suburban Copenhagen apartment, "either heading out to carry out the terror attack or to do some kind of reconnaissance." Scharf described some of the suspects as "militant Islamists with relations to international terror networks." He said more arrests were possible. Authorities said the arrests fol-

Phone outages irk businesses

GATEHOUSE NEWS SERVICE

SPRINGFIELD — Last week's disruption of Frontier Communication's landline phone service was a double-whammy for at least two businesses on Springfield's far west side.

M. J. Kellner Co., a food distributor at 5700 International Parkway, and American Metals Supply, 5651 International Parkway, reported their data lines went out the weekend before the Dec. 20 outage.

When phone lines went down that afternoon, most of their communication was virtually cut off.

"Our phones go out over the T1, so we had no phone or computer Monday, until we forwarded our phone to an employee's cell phone, and then

when the landlines went down Monday afternoon, we lost our only remaining form of connection, our fax line. We had to send employees home to work from home, and it was a very unproductive day in addition to the lost sales," American Metals Supply president Chrissy Nardini said.

Nardini said her business contracts with AT&T for its T1 data line, but it is actually a Frontier line that AT&T is re-selling. The line went down the afternoon of Dec. 18 and was not repaired until early Dec. 21, about 2 or 3 a.m., she said.

"I would estimate we missed about \$20,000 in sales due to being down on Monday, which can't be recouped," she said.

"It's killing our business. We are being told

that a fiber was cut during construction on a bridge. They are giving us no estimated times of repair, and this is a major problem for us and who knows how many businesses."

Dave Rikas, vice president and chief operation officer of M.J. Kellner, said his business experienced the same issues with its T1 line, which is through Verizon. The business' phone service is with Frontier.

Rikas said the T1 line has been down three times in 45 days, and the company has experienced problems with it since they moved to that location 2 1/2 years ago.

"I can't blame it on an issue between Frontier and Verizon as far as the buyout is concerned. The T1 for the data line still runs for Verizon," he said.

Telephone outages

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viously operated by Verizon, said some outages are the result of upgrades being done to provide high-speed Internet to customers who previously didn't have it.

Others are the result of fiber-optic cuts to their lines by other companies doing trenching work near Frontier lines.

But the company is working to ensure line cuts affect fewer customers and that service interruptions become less frequent, a representative said.

"Frontier has completed a review of the broader network and is investing to augment redundant routes and equipment ... to offer our smaller communities and towns a quality network than our customers have had in the past few years," said Steve Saylor, general manager for Frontier's Jacksonville market, which includes communities surrounding Springfield.

Local communities now served by Frontier include Lincoln, Elkhart, Williamsville, Chatham, Waverly, Virden, Auburn, Loami, Girard, Pawnee, Sherman, Pleasant Plains, New Berlin, Divernon and Illopolis.

Several of these towns were affected during Frontier's latest landline disruption Dec. 20 when many residents were unable to make or receive calls.

The problem, which lasted from roughly 2:30 to 9 p.m., resulted from a programming issue with a

piece of equipment in the central office in Chatham, Saylor said.

Another landline disruption that affected Chatham, Sherman and Williamsville occurred Sept. 30 while Frontier was in the process of upgrading its network for high-speed Internet expansion at the McLean Central Office.

"One of the installers patched off the wrong piece of the network," Saylor said. "It was human error."

And on July 29, a cut cable near Salisbury left residents in the Sherman and Williamsville areas unable to make calls outside their villages. Some people had no dial tone at all.

All of the issues have since been fixed, Saylor said. Cell phone service was not affected.

The Illinois Commerce Commission keeps records of phone line outages, and spokeswoman Beth Bosch said Frontier Communications has reported 29 outages since July 1, when it took over Illinois' Verizon lines. So far this year, 10 other companies have reported a total of 77 outages.

Bosch emphasized an outage report from a company does not mean it was responsible for the disruption.

"It could be an outside contractor, another telecommunications carrier using the line or other reasons," she said. "What we try to do is figure out what happened and if

it's preventable so companies or whoever is responsible can fix it."

Bosch said the commission sees no red flags with Frontier's reported outages.

Williamsville Village President Tom Yokley is among local officials who say it's a concern each time landline phone service goes down.

"If it happens on a continuous basis, obviously we're going to have some conversations with Frontier about that and what they're going to do to avoid these kind of things," Yokley said.

"But a lot of the times, it's because somebody cuts a cable, and I don't know that there's much that can be done about that."

"The biggest concern, of course, is those people that may be elderly or shut in that don't have a cell phone and don't have any way to contact people," he said. "Fortunately, with most of our senior citizens, there are contact people that do check on them, especially during those kind of times. Does that mean we can't miss one? No, absolutely not."

Fire and police officials in Williamsville, Chatham and Sherman say they have had to intercept 911 calls to the Sangamon County dispatch center so they could be answered locally and receive a response during service disruptions.

So far, they say they know of no

one being unable to get a response when calling 911.

Dave Dodson, executive director of the Sangamon County Combined Dispatch System and the Emergency Telephone System Department, said once the dispatch center is notified of landline phone problems, personnel are sent to the call box in each respective village.

"We can isolate (a 911 phone call) at the call box. We're fortunate that some of the volunteer fire departments and police agencies man those phone boxes. Sometimes, we'll send dispatchers out to remote locations to answer the phones, but it's taken care of very quickly," Dodson said.

Since he joined the 911 system 2 1/2 years ago, there have been about four to five instances of landline phones being unable to reach the dispatch center, Dodson said.

"The fortunate part about it now is some of the villages now have (electronic notification systems), so if we can figure out there is no service, we can send a message or have the message sent out to these different villages that they don't have 911 and to make sure they call on a cell phone," he said.

Saylor said as Frontier continues to upgrade its network for its high-speed Internet expansion, the company is working to build relationships with community leaders and improve communication when problems arise.

Area deaths

Sheldon "Ted" M. Kesner

DEKALB — Sheldon "Ted" M. Kesner, age 94 of DeKalb, IL, passed away on Wednesday, December 29, 2010 at the Oak Crest Nursing Home in DeKalb, IL. A complete obituary will follow in a following edition. Arrangements by Nelson Funeral Homes & Crematory, www.NelsonFuneralHomes.com or (815) 284-3362.

Donald Herman Maaks

BLOOMINGTON — Donald Herman Maaks, 78, of Bloomington, IL died December 24, 2010 in Ft. Lauderdale, FL.

His funeral service will be held at 1:00pm Friday December 31, 2010 at Carmody-Flynn Williamsburg Funeral Home, Bloomington with Rev. Allen Steinbeck officiating. A private family interment will be in Richmond Grove Cemetery, New Holland, IL. Visitation will be from



10:00am-1:00pm Friday at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, 1822 E. Lincoln St. Bloomington, IL 61701 or Zion Lutheran Church P.O. Box 199 New Holland, IL 62671.

Don was born December 29, 1931 in Lincoln, IL to Frank Carl Frederick and Anna Margaret Roetker Maaks.

He is survived by three daughters, Dawn (Michael) LaVecchia of Charlotte NC, Mila (Jackie) Noblett of Fleetwood NC, and Christina (Mark) Miller of Crumpler NC; eight grandchildren, Melina, Michael, Marco and Sophia LaVecchia, Donte and Troy Waln, Chloe and Dane Miller; a great-grandchild Branelly Grace Waln; and a sister Diane (Neil) Steffens of Elgin IL.

His parents and a brother preceded him in death.

Don grew up near New Holland, IL, graduating from New Holland grade and high schools. He served in the US Army, Big Red 1, stationed in Germany with an honorable discharge November 30, 1955. Mr. Maaks was a Bloomington

businessman for many years as co-owner of The Johnson Transfer Company (Allied Van Lines) and was currently involved in the warehousing business. He was a member of the Transportation Club, The Illinois Movers' and Warehousemen's Association, and the Bloomington Planning Commission. He was also a member of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church of Bloomington.

Patricia Ann Snyder

LINCOLN — Patricia Ann Snyder, 60 of Lincoln, passed away December 29, 2010 at Memorial Medical Center in Springfield, IL.

Visitation will be 5-7 PM Monday, January 3, 2011 at Holland Barry & Bennett Funeral Home in Lincoln. Funeral services will be 11:00 AM

Tuesday, January 4, 2011 also at the funeral home with Rev. Don Hoover officiating. Patricia was

born April 26, 1950 in Charlotte, North Carolina, the daughter of Fred and Lillie Daris (Strube) Setzer. She married Terry Snyder on June 25, 1976.

She was employed as a cashier at Kroger in Lincoln. Patricia loved to sew, but her favorite hobby was loving and caring for others. She always had a kind word, a smile, or some gesture of love for everyone she encountered.

Surviving are her husband Terry Snyder of Lincoln, IL; daughter Levette (Bret) Shade of Chatham, IL; daughter Theresa CLine of Lincoln, IL; son Jake Snyder of Lincoln, IL; grandchildren: Brianna Shade of Chatham, IL; Abby, Emma, and Andrew Cline of Lincoln, IL; and Hayley Turner and Kevin Snyder both of Lincoln, IL; sister Marquita Jones of GA; sister Marilyn Hollingsworth of GA; sister Mary Long of GA; brother Fred "Bubby" Setzer III of GA; and sister Libby Love of NC.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Memorial donations may be made in her name to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital to keep her spirit of love and care alive.

Bad gifts may be history with Amazon's idea



## By the numbers

Today is Friday, Dec. 31, the 365th and final day of 2010.

### Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 31, 1775, during the Revolutionary War, the British repulsed an attack by Continental Army generals Richard Montgomery and Benedict Arnold at Quebec; Montgomery was killed.

### Thursday Lottery:

Pick Three - Midday: 7-3-1

Pick Three - Evening: 0-3-1

Pick Four - Midday: 1-8-3-0

Pick Four - Evening: 6-1-1-2

Little Lotto: 9-10-20-31-32

Lotto Jackpot: \$5.25 million

Mega Millions Jackpot: \$242 million

**Today's Birthdays:** TV producer George Schlatter is 81. Actor Sir Anthony Hopkins is 73. Actor Tim Conditine ("My Three Sons") is 70. Actress Sarah Miles is 69. Rock musician Andy Summers is 68. Actor Sir Ben Kingsley is 67. Producer-director Taylor Hackford is 66. Fashion designer Diane von Furstenberg is 64. Actor Tim Matheson is 63. Pop singer Burton Cummings (The Guess Who) is 63. Singer Donna Summer is 62. Actor Joe Dallesandro is 62. Rock musician Tom Hamilton (Aerosmith) is 59. Actor James Remar is 57. Actress Bebe Neuwirth is 52. Actor Val Kilmer is 51. Singer Paul Westerberg is 51. Actor Don Diamont is 48. Rock musician Ric Ivanietovich (Oleander) is 48. Rock musician Scott Ian (Anthrax) is 47. Actress Gong Li is 45. Author Nicholas Sparks is 45. Actor Lance Reddick is 41. Pop singer Joe McIntyre is 38. Rock musician Mikko Siren (Apocalyptica) is 35. Rock musician Bob Bryar (My Chemical Romance) is 31.

## Area calendar

### Today

AA Meeting - 410 Pulaski St., 9 a.m.  
Mobile Health Unit - CLOSED for New Year's

Free Blood Pressure Check - The Oasis, 10 to 11:30 a.m.

Land of Lincoln Big Book AA - 505 Broadway, 6 p.m.

Open AA meeting - 507 1/2 Pulaski St., 6 p.m.

AA Meeting - 410 Pulaski St., 6 p.m.

NA Meeting - 410 Pulaski St., 9 p.m.

### Saturday

Logan Bible Fellowship - Steak 'n' Shake, 7 a.m.

Open AA meeting - Non-smoking, 507 1/2 Pulaski St., 8 a.m.

Kids Closet - Free children's clothing, Open Arms Christian Fellowship, 311

Broadway, 9 a.m. to noon.

AA meeting - 410 Pulaski St., 9 a.m.

Pet adoptions - Logan County Animal Control, 1517 N. Kickapoo St., 10 a.m. to noon.

Living Life on Life's Terms Women's Meeting - 315 S. Butler St., 4 p.m.

AA meeting - 410 Pulaski St., 6 p.m.

NA meeting - 410 Pulaski St., 8 p.m.

### Sunday

AA meeting - 410 Pulaski St., 9 a.m.

Public Trap Shoot - Lincoln Sportsmen's Club, 1 p.m.

NA Big Book meeting - 410 Pulaski St., 5 p.m.

Closed Big Book AA meeting - Non-smoking, 507 1/2 Pulaski St., 7 p.m.

Salt Creek ABATE - Lincoln VFW, 2 p.m.

## The record

### Police beat

#### Multiple charges

Lincoln police arrested Matthew B. Shull, 23, of Lincoln, at 7:13 p.m. Wednesday at his residence on charges of domestic battery and criminal damage to property.

Illinois State Police arrested Kurt S. Dickerson, 29, of New Berlin, at 5:31 p.m. Wednesday on I-55 on a charge of driving under the influence of drugs.

San Jose Police arrested Joshua K. Hoeniges, 21, of Bloomington on Illinois Route 136 at 11:41 a.m. Wednesday on charges of driving under the influence of alcohol, driving while his license was revoked and retail theft.

A Logan County deputy arrested Joseph L. McCurley, 31, of Springfield, at 8:40 p.m. Wednesday at Elliot and Delavan streets on a charge of possessing a cannabis plant.

A Logan County deputy arrested Aaron D. Barbee, 26 of Mount Pulaski, at 8:22 p.m. Wednesday at Elliot and Delavan streets on a charge of possessing a cannabis plant.

### Fire calls

#### Vehicle accident

Lincoln firefighters responded to a motor vehicle accident with no injuries at Woodlawn Road and Malerich Drive at 9:48 a.m. Wednesday.

### Rescue runs

#### Aid calls

Lincoln firefighters responded with Logan County Paramedics to medical emergencies at:

A residence in the 1000 block of North Kanakake Street at 8:22 a.m. Wednesday.

A residence in the 700 block of North Adams Street at 12:15 p.m. Wednesday.

# Obama craves familiarity

## Seeks comfort and consistency on Hawaiian holiday

By JULIE PACE  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

HONOLULU — More than a week into his Hawaiian holiday, President Barack Obama is proving to be a creature of habit.

While some travelers seek adventure and spontaneity, Obama seeks comfort and consistency. His routine here in Oahu, the island where he was born and mostly raised, is by now patently familiar to the locals trying to catch a

glimpse of their hometown president, and the reporters who come here to cover him.

Obama is almost certain to spend his mornings working out at Marine Corps Base Hawaii. A leisurely dinner with friends and family at Alan Wong's Restaurant, an award-winning eatery in the neighborhood where Obama grew up, is now an annual tradition. And a guaranteed place to spot the president is at Island Snow, a shop near his rented oceanfront home, where

he treats daughters Malia and Sasha to shaved ice, the Hawaiian version of the snow cone.

So, doesn't the president ever want to mix things up a bit, maybe go somewhere new? Not really, says White House spokesman Bill Burton, who is with the president in Hawaii.

"Like most Americans, the president knows what he likes in his own hometown," Burton said. "He's been going to a lot of these places since he was a very young

child and they hold an important place in his life."

Of course, things have changed since the days when Obama lived here with his grandparents and scooped ice cream at a local Baskin Robbins. The logistics of any presidential movement make a truly spontaneous stop nearly impossible. Advance teams scope out all potential destinations ahead of Obama's arrival, and Secret Service agents have to sign off on their security.

## Octomom's home may be sold to porn king

By SHAYA TAYEFA MOHAJER  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES — "Octomom" Nadya Suleman and her 14 children could avoid being evicted from their suburban home if the mortgage holder cuts a deal with a porn kingpin.

After giving Suleman repeated warnings to pay the \$450,000 that's due or get out, Amer Haddadin said he's now considering an offer from Vivid Entertainment co-founder Steve Hirsch to foot the bill.

Suleman has repeatedly declined Hirsch's offers — \$1 million at one

point — to appear in porn videos.

Haddadin said half a million dollars is nothing to Hirsch, whose company is one of the biggest pornography companies based in California's San Fernando Valley.

"I am open to any option that (allows me to) finish with this matter," Haddadin said. "I like his offer and I'm going to go ahead with it if I can, but we'll see after Monday."

Haddadin said he's meeting with his lawyer Monday to talk about the deal and further eviction procedures, and Suleman won't face eviction Friday, as previously reported.

## Area deaths

### Byrl Armond Ballew

KENNY — Byrl Armond Ballew, 87, of Kenney, Ill. passed away at 4:50 p.m. December 29, 2010 at Dr. John Warner Hospital in Clinton, Ill.

Calvert Funeral Homes in Clinton is in charge of arrangements.

### Ruth Marie Bratcher Haak

LINCOLN — Ruth Marie Bratcher Haak, 84, Lincoln, passed quietly Thursday, Dec. 30, 2010 at Memorial Medical Center, Springfield.

Funeral services will be at 10:00 a.m. Monday, Jan. 3 at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Lincoln, with Rev. Andrew Nyren officiating. Visitation will be from 2:00-4:00 p.m. on Sunday at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home, Lincoln. AMVET services will be at 4:00 p.m. following visitation. Memorials may be made to the Illinois AMVETS Auxiliary Scholarship Fund.

Ruth served 25 years as office manager for Barrick Transfer Company in Lincoln then 32 years as Executive Secretary for the Illinois AMVETS Ladies' Auxiliary. She also spent 16 years as Treasurer of the New Salem Property Owners' Association, where she and Arnold had a campsite.

Ruth Bratcher as born on January 30, 1926 to Alton Bratcher and Ruth Bratcher (Brave) and married January 15, 1944 to Arnold Haak, her husband of nearly 67 years. Arnold survives as do two sons: William (Rhonda) Haak of Lincoln and Michael (Nancy) Haak of McLean and grandchildren: Jeff, Chatham; Angie; Felicia, Charleston SC and Casey, McLean.

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A devoted veterans' advocate, she is a life member of the Auxiliaries to the AMVETS, VFW, American Legion and DAV posts in Lincoln. In the AMVETS Auxiliary, she has served in every office at the local level (Post #71), many more at the Division level and in many chairmanships at the State level.

In recent years, she has been a driving force in the Veterans' Memorial Brick project at College Ave. and Union St. in Lincoln.

Condolences may be sent thru the obituary section of lincolndailynews.com

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