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Macomb's haunted past and new future

By **CHELSEA MCDUGALL**
This Week Editor

Tim Weaver by all practical purposes is what you'd call an average person. Like those "average" people, there are aspects about him that make him stick out in the crowd.

A WIU student studying engineering, Weaver runs his own cleaning business, Tim's Cleaning Service, by day. But when the sun goes down and when most of the world is sleeping or taking pleasure in the comfort and safety of their homes, Weaver takes to the streets. A student and businessman by day, Weaver turns to ghost hunting at night.

Weaver will continue the legacy of the Haunted Macomb tours, one that was started by Garret Moffett five years ago. Weaver is putting a whole new spin on ghost hunting.

"I've always been interested in the paranormal. I grew up watching scary movies and I just like the darker side of things," Weaver said.

When Moffett left the area to lead haunted Abraham Lincoln tours in Springfield, Weaver, who worked on the previous tours, could not sit idle and let his passion slip away.

"There was no one left here to do (the tours) and I didn't want this great thing to die," Weaver said. "Garret's got some pretty big shoes to fill. But it's



Photo by Chelsea McDougall

Haunted Macomb tour guides are all new this year. Clockwise from left: Michelle Weaver, Tim Weaver, Chad Frederick, Rod Shumaker and Ashley Frederick.

been a joy, it really has." Weaver, a Bushnell native, has finally found his calling.

"For me to be left with these tours is like a dream job," Weaver said.

The tours, which are all new this year, began Friday. They start at 7 p.m., every Friday and Saturday through November. Weaver is

employing new tour guides with tours of new buildings. The tour has been skimmed down to three buildings to allow for more investigation, history and haunting.

The tour will let the audience become the ghost hunters and expose the paranormal activity at the Old Bailey House, the old Lamoine Hotel and

the Courthouse.

"You never know what you will find, or what will find you," it says on the Haunted Macomb Web site.

"There is a lot of history that goes along with those buildings, as well as paranormal activity," Weaver said.

Each participant will be given a pair of divining

rods, which are brass, L-shaped wire rods. They are held loosely in one's hands and are used to detect disturbances in the electromagnetic field.

When they move they are detecting those "disturbances" known as ghosts.

"It is explained to us by

See Haunted

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Horn Field Campus Haunted Trail will thrill and chill

The forest will be alive with ghosts, goblins and ghouls Friday and Saturday, Oct. 20-21 and Oct. 27-28.

WIU's Horn Field Campus and department of recreation, park and tourism administration (RPTA) will once again feature the Haunted Trail at WIU's Horn Field Campus, south of Macomb. The outdoor haunted house, which will be open from 7-10 p.m., takes place along Horn Field's Oak Hollow Trail with numerous fright stations sure to elicit screams of terror (and delight) from all who dare to enter. Admission is \$5 per person and \$3 per person for groups of 15 or more.

In years past, Horn Field has created a haunted corn maze to entertain crowds but due to alternative crop rotation, the agriculture department is harvesting soybeans. There is no corn maze this year.

Groups wishing to host a "scare site" on the Haunted Trail should contact Horn Field Campus Manager Mindy Harpman by Wednesday, Oct. 11 at 309-833-5798, MJ-Harpman@wiu.edu or HF-campus@wiu.edu.

All "scare sites" will adhere to set guidelines and must follow a Halloween-theme. Violent or gruesome sites will not be permitted. Participants will vote on their favorite "scare site" while participating, and the group with the most votes at the

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Shades of autumn:

Fall weather brings plenty of fall activities for the family

By **CHELSEA MCDUGALL**
This Week Editor

Fall is not over when Spoon River Drive ends. There are still plenty of activities to entertain the family outdoors before Jack Frost comes knocking at the door.

For most farmers, this time of year means harvesting. And for some it means corn maze mania!

Rogers Pumpkin Farm
Come lose yourself in Rogers Pumpkin Farm, Lomax. It is open for the season with its famous corn maze.

The maze, designed by Kathi Rogers, is in the shape of a tractor. There is a new challenge this year as participants will try to find plywood cut-outs of tractors throughout the maze. There are

five in total and each tractor has a name. When participants can name all five, they get a small pumpkin as the prize.

The roughly five-acre corn maze takes about 30 minutes to go through.

"Some people (take) a little longer because they are so determined to find every one of those

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Courtesy Photo

Rogers Pumpkin Farm is host to visitors from all over the region. After a short drive through the country, patrons will find a wide variety of activities.

Support groups

Monday, Oct. 9

- 10 a.m., Macomb Weight Loss Surgery support group, MDH Auxiliary Workroom, 309-772-3839
- 3 p.m., Bereavement support group - New Horizons, MDH Room 103, 309-836-1543
- 3:30-5 p.m., Depression Group - Finding Hope (8-session adult depression group), MDH Health Services Building I, 309-836-1582
- 5:30 p.m., Breast cancer support group, MDH Auditorium B, 309-836-584
- 6:45 p.m., Overeaters Anonymous, University Baptist Church, 315 N. Sherman St., Use the rear door
- 8 p.m., AA Red Door Group meets at 314 N. McArthur, C.N.H.

Tuesday, Oct. 10

- 3:30-5 p.m., Women's empowerment group and children's activity group, call Cindy or Jessica for location, 309-837-6622
- 8 p.m., AA Red Door Group meets at 314 N. McArthur, C.S.H.

Wednesday, Oct. 11

- 10:30 a.m. to noon, Chronic Pain Support Group, Behavioral Health Services, lower level, MDH Health Services Building I, pre-registration required, 309-836-1582
- 12:10 p.m., AA Midday Group meets at University Baptist Church, 315 N. Sherman, C.N.H.
- 3:30-5 p.m., Getting Sober Group, Behavioral Health Services, MDH Health Services Building I, lower level, pre-registration required, 309-836-1582
- 8 p.m., AA Red Door Group meets at 314 N. McArthur, C.N.H.
- 8 p.m., AA Meeting, Health Services Building, 505 E. Grant, lower level, N.C.H.
- 8 p.m., Alanon meeting, Health Services Building, 505 E. Grant, lower level
- 8 p.m., AA meeting, 101 Main St., Industry, C.N.

Thursday, Oct. 12

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

Friday, Oct. 13

- 12:10 p.m., AA Midday Group meets at University Baptist Church, 315 N. Sherman, O.C.N.H.
- 8 p.m., AA Red Door Group meets at 314 N. McArthur, C.N.H.

Saturday, Oct. 14

- 8 p.m., AA Red Door Group meets at 314 N. McArthur, O. N. H.

Sunday, Oct. 15

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

Monday, Oct. 16

- 8:30-10 a.m., Freedom from Smoking program, MDH Room 103, \$60, this six-week program provides many ideas on how to quit smoking and stay quit. The piCo Smokelyster, a breath monitor, will be utilized to measure the level of carbon monoxide in the smoker's system, pre-registration required, 309-836-1584
- 3-4:30 p.m., Bereavement Support Group - New Horizons, MDH Room 103, Macomb, 309-836-1543
- 3:30-5 p.m., Depression Group - Finding Hope (8-session adult depression group), MDH Health Services Building I, Behavioral Health Services, lower level, 309-836-1582
- 5:30 p.m., Breast Cancer Support Group, annual picnic at Old Bailey House, 100 S. Campbell, 309-836-1584
- 6:45 p.m., Overeaters Anonymous, University Baptist Church, 315 N. Sherman St., Use the rear door
- 8 p.m., AA Red Door Group meets at 314 N. McArthur, C.N.H.

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

Around the county

Monday, Oct. 9

- 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., "Where in the World are We?" presentation at Lake Argyle, for 10-year-olds and above, presented by Pete Fandel and Jay Solomon, \$10, pre-registration required, 309-837-3939
- Noon, Housing Authority, Eisenhower Tower
- 1:30-6:30 p.m., blood drive, Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center, Macomb Donor Center, 1520 W. Jackson St., 309-342-7646
- 5 p.m., Macomb City Committee of the Whole, City Hall
- 5:30 p.m., McDonough County Humane Society meeting, Spoon River College M114, 309-776-3087
- 6 p.m., Macomb Airport Authority Board of Commissioners, Airport Authority office, Terminal Building, Macomb Municipal Airport, 16190 E. 1300th Rd.
- 7 p.m., Good Hope Village Board, Village Hall
- 7:30 p.m., Prairieland Barbershop Chorus rehearsal, four-part harmony singing, Macomb Presbyterian Church, Dudley and Carroll, 309-837-1388

Tuesday, Oct. 10

- 5:45-8 p.m., Christian Women's Community Bible study, Old Dairy, Macomb, \$16 for workbook, 309-833-1141 or 309-837-7577
- 6 p.m., Community CPR class, MDH Auditoriums A and B, Macomb \$20 fee, pre-registration is required, 309-833-6031
- 6-8 p.m., Divorcing Parents Education program, MDH Health Services Building 1 Auditorium, two sessions, two-evening format, \$27, pre-registration required, 309-836-1582
- 7 p.m., Macomb PC Users Group program on "How to Troubleshoot Your Computer and Increase Its Speed" by Rafael Obregon in Room 332 of Knoblauch Hall, parking off of Western Avenue between WIU Malpass Library and Knoblauch Hall, <http://homepage.macomb.com/~pccub>
- Registration due for foodservice certification sanitation seminar, Oct. 30 and 31, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day, 309-837-5158

Wednesday, Oct. 11

- 7-11:30 a.m., blood drive, Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center, Macomb Donor Center, 1520 W. Jackson St., 309-342-7646
- 9-11 a.m., Christian Women's Community Bible study, University Baptist Church, Macomb, call 309-833-1141 or 309-837-7577 for workbook
- 7 p.m., Get Connected!, introduction to Colchester First Christian Church, at Colchester First Christian Church, 201 N. Hun St., 309-776-3475
- 7 p.m., Macomb County Finance/Insurance Committee, third floor McDonough County Courthouse
- 7 p.m., lecture, "Where Have All the Flowers Gone? The Nature of the Nature in a Post-Natural World," by WIU professor John Simmons, WIU

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- 7-9 p.m., child safety class, free, MDH Health Services Building Auditorium, 309-836-1570
- 7:30 p.m., Order of the Eastern Star, Macomb Masonic Temple.
- 7:30 p.m., All-jazz showcase, COFAC Recital Hall

Thursday, Oct. 12

- By appointment only, S.H.I.P. (Senior Health, Insurance Program), MDH Auxiliary/Volunteer conference room, lower level, 309-836-1579
- 10-10:30 a.m., Macomb Public Library program and storytime, Chinese Halloween Holders
- 1:30-6:30 p.m., blood drive, Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center, Macomb Donor Center, 1520 W. Jackson St., 309-342-7646
- 1:30 p.m., P.E.O. chapter meets at the home of Betty Viar
- 1:30 p.m., Dancing Seniors meeting, YMCA Macomb Senior Center, new members needed, 309-836-7412 or 309-833-2766
- 5-6:30 p.m., L.E.A.R.N. Weight Management program, MDH Auditorium B, covers all aspects of weight control through healthy living, pre-registration required, \$100 includes book and materials, 309-836-1584
- 6-8 p.m., Christian Women's Community Bible study, Argyle Bible Church, Colchester, \$16 for workbook, 309-833-1141 or 309-837-7577
- 6-8 p.m., Divorcing Parents Education program, MDH Health Services Building 1 Auditorium, two sessions, two-evening format, \$27, pre-registration required, 309-836-1582
- 6 p.m., Colchester Community Connections, Colchester City Hall
- 7 p.m., West Prairie School Board meeting, West Prairie High School, Sciota
- 7 p.m., Senior Center Pitch Club, YMCA Senior Center

Friday, Oct. 13

- 4:30 p.m., Park Board Finance Committee meeting, Macomb Park District Office, 1406 N. Randolph

Saturday, Oct. 14

- 7:30 p.m., WIU Symphonic Wind Ensemble, COFAC Recital Hall

Monday, Oct. 16

- 1:30-6:30 p.m., blood drive, Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center, Macomb Donor Center, 1520 W. Jackson St., 309-342-7646
- 7 p.m., Bushnell City Council, City Hall
- 7 p.m., Macomb School Board, MHS library
- 7 p.m., Macomb City Council, Macomb City Hall, second floor
- 7:30 p.m., MDH Board, MDH Board Room
- 7:30 p.m., Prairieland Barbershop Chorus rehearsal, four-part harmony singing, Macomb Presbyterian Church, Dudley and Carroll, 309-837-1388

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Prairie Trader may have closed, but Paul Kirwan wants Macomb to know tables are still open at the Secret Garden Tea Room. Kirwan is the owner/chef at the Secret Garden, where they still serve food daily and live jazz every Thursday night.

Blood drive Oct. 19

The Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center and the Macomb Fire Department will host a blood drive Thursday, Oct. 19, from 3-6 p.m., at the Macomb Fire Department Bunk Room, 219 W. Jackson St.

Donors who last gave blood on or before Aug. 24 are eligible.

Call the Watch Office at 309-836-7800 to make an appointment.

Police Academy starts Oct. 9

McDonough County Sheriff Michael Johnson would like to invite area Senior Citizens to 2006 McDonough County Sheriff's Department Senior Citizens Police Academy.

Deputies from the McDonough County Sheriff's Department will present a host of presentations including K-9, neighborhood drug detection, Internet safety scams and fraud, police tactics and community policing.

Johnson is pleased to again offer this vital program to senior citizens. The Senior Citizens Police Academy is part of the Sheriff's Department continuing effort to reach out to members of the community.

The academy begins Oct. 9 and will be held on four consecutive Mondays through Oct. 30 from 10:30 a.m. to noon.

The Senior Citizens Police Academy is free and open to any senior 55 years of age and better. Refreshments will be served.

It will be held at the McDonough District Hospital Health Services Building One, in the

WIU 2006 Homecoming Week

A week of campus activities are planned for WIU's Homecoming 2006 - "Hooray for Hollywood" - beginning Friday, Oct. 6 through Homecoming Day Saturday, Oct. 14.

While students got their week underway Oct. 6, activities for alumni begin Friday, Oct. 13 with the 5-10 p.m. All-Alumni Social at the Alumni House. From 4-6 p.m., alumni and friends are invited to the Brophy Hall Open House to see its renovations and remodeling. The open house will highlight the kinesiology department, the dance program and programs in athletics and campus recreation that are offered in Brophy Hall. Students will lead tours of the facility and visitors will have the opportunity to see demonstrations in the research and teaching areas.

WIU's 83rd Homecoming Day, Oct. 14 activities kick off with the Old Stompin' Ground Runaround 5K run/1.5 mile walk at 8 a.m. at the Alumni House, followed by a continental breakfast.

The traditional Homecoming Parade begins at 9:30 a.m., near the Macomb Square at Washington and Lafayette streets. It proceeds through the Square and community to Adams Street, passing both Sherman Hall and the Alumni House, then turning north onto Western Avenue and east onto C.T. Vivian Way (Murray Street) to end in front of the University Union.

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday

Homecoming Parade begins at 9:30 a.m. on Oct. 14

alumni are invited to reconnect with friends and faculty at The Right Place in the campus mall directly west of Hanson Field.

Join new Alumni Director Amy Spelman at The Right Place tent for the annual Alumni Cookout. In addition, each academic college will have

areas set up with information and visiting with the deans, faculty and staff, and the Division of Student Services will host its annual Alumni and Friends Luncheon. Read more about all The Right Place college activities on the alumni Web site, www.wiu.edu/alumni, and click on "Homecoming 2006."

Fighting Leathernecks football, ranked No. 21 in the Sept. 25 Sports Network I-AA Top 25 Media Poll and No. 22 in the CSN Coaches Poll, hosts Youngstown State, ranked No. 8 by Sports Network (Sept. 25), at 1:05 p.m. at Hanson Field.

Reservations for Homecoming activities can be made online through the alumni Web site, follow the "Homecoming 2006" link to the "Online Event Registration" via the secure server. Ticket prices include, per person: football tickets, \$10; cookout, \$5; mums, \$5; 5K Run entry, \$10; and Homecoming T-shirt, \$10.

For more information on Homecoming events, contact the Office of Student Activities at 309-298-3232. For alumni information, contact the WIU Alumni Association at 309-298-1914.

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Stigers able to sooth audiences with savvy sound

Smooth jazz standards, harmonized material and exuberant artistry come to WIU this week as Curtis Stigers performs for one night in the Grand Ballroom of the University Union.

His intimate performance will be one not to miss as this strong artist has charisma and consistent admiration across the country.

Stigers' performances are always enjoyable and provide a great opportunity to benefit from a relaxing evening.

I've seen Stigers perform three times already and his performances are impressive, intelligent and finger-snapping.

Enjoying his stellar performances in an intimate atmosphere add to his savvy, yet edgier style.

Stigers covers numerous songs by legendary artists like Randy

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Newman, Sting, Willie Nelson and Tom Waits, while also performing some original songs.

His latest album, "I Think It's Going to Rain Today," has a great repertoire of jazz music and is just as classy as all of his other major albums.

Calm, collective and pleasurable, believe me when I say that his music can be enjoyed everywhere outside of a live performance, including in the car, at home and even at work.

Combine Stigers' performance, snacks and a cash bar and you have a wonderful opportunity

to enjoy the big city, jazz club style.

Make your way over to his concert at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 10. Tickets can be purchased in advance at 309-298-2900 or at the door.

It seems as though the community will celebrate another week of jazz concerts as the WIU School of Music Jazz Studies program will present an All-Jazz Showcase Concert at the College of Fine Arts and Communication (COFAC) Recital Hall.

As what I'm sure is to be another enjoyable evening of great music, the Jazz Studio Orchestra will perform "Central Park North," "A Child is Born," and "Don't Git Sassy." Accompanying the JSO will be the Jazz Combo I, which will be playing "Listen Here" and "A Night in Tunisia," a pop-

ular tune by Dizzy Gillespie.

The WIU Jazz Band and the Jazz Combo II are also performing. Expect music by Thad Jones, Bobby Shew, Victor Young and Mike Tomaro.

These individuals have spent many hours rehearsing every day and are becoming great jazz artists at WIU.

Their long hours spent studying the music provides audiences with the true value of awe-inspiring techniques.

The performance will be held Wednesday, Oct. 11 at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free and open to the public.

Other events:

The International Film Series will present "The Prairie Home Companion" on Wednesday, Oct. 11 and Thursday, Oct. 12 at 3:30 p.m., and 7 p.m., at

the Cinema I and II. Admission is \$5.

The Macomb High School Choir will hold its Fall Concert at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 10. Join the concert choir, jazz voices, madrigal singers and the mixed chorus in a wonderful evening of celebratory music. Performance is held at the Fellheimer Auditorium.

Dr. Anita Werling, WIU music professor, will present an organ recital at 7:30 p.m., Friday, Oct. 13 at the First Presbyterian Church in Macomb. Admission is free and open to the public.

The WIU Black Student Association and University Union Board will present "Twista" at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 14 in Western Hall. Ticket prices vary and can be purchased in advance at the Mainline Theatre Box Office, 309-298-2900.

DVD Releases: Top Recommendation -

Take a few moments to laugh this week when "Click" comes out on DVD, featuring Adam Sandler, David Hasselhoff and Kate Beckinsale. Michael Newman (Sandler) has problems keeping up with his job and his family. In order to get back into the game, Newman has gained control of the ultimate solution: a universal remote control that can simplify his hectic life. Rewinding and fast forwarding. Newman has it pretty simple now until things get a little out of hand, literally. Focusing on the idea of spending more time with your family and reinvesting your life in spontaneous moments, the film helps audiences understand the importance of family values. Also, starring Christopher Walken and Sean Astin; PG-13.

Other releases:
• "A Prairie Home Companion" starring Tommy Lee Jones, Meryl Streep, Lindsay Lohan, Woody Harrelson and Garrison Keillor; PG-13.
• "Garfield: A Tale of Two Kitties" starring Bill Murray, Jennifer Love Hewitt, Billy Connolly, Lucy Davis and Breckin Meyer; PG.
• "Butterfly Effect 2" starring Eric Lively and Erica Durance; R.
• "Waist Deep" starring The Game, Tyrese Gibson, Paul Terrel Clayton and Meagan Good; R.

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African Film Festival in Macomb and Monmouth Oct. 9 – Nov. 4

The inaugural Western Illinois African Film Festival: Two Campuses, Two Continents, One Festival – a joint effort by faculty at WIU and Monmouth College – brings 10 films and four of the filmmakers to these communities for four weeks of informational entertainment Monday, Oct. 9 through Saturday, Nov. 4.

"For those of us who are unfamiliar with Africa and its rich and diverse film industries, this festival will be an eye-opener," said Peter Cole, WIU associate history professor and a member of the planning committee. "The organizing committee has selected films from many parts of the vast continent and diverse peoples of Africa, north and south, east and west."

The film festival was organized by, and for, both schools and their surrounding communities. All films are open free to the public. Every showing will allow for some audience discussion before and/or after the film, either with the filmmaker or with a professor, Cole added.

Seven film dates are scheduled for Macomb and three dates in Monmouth.

The festival began with the 6 p.m., Monday, Oct.

9 showing of "Who's Afraid of Ngugi" in Morgan Hall 109 on the WIU campus. A discussion with filmmaker Manthia Diawara, professor of comparative literature (Africana Studies) at New York University, followed at 7:30 p.m.

Other films scheduled in Macomb include the following:

Friday, Oct. 27 (4 p.m.)

- "The Twelve Disciples of Mandela" will be shown in the WIU University Union Sandburg Theatre.

Director Thomas Allen Harris will give an introduction and lead a discussion following the film, which explores a dozen South African activists who helped found the African National Congress.

Harris, who was raised in the Bronx and Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, is the stepson of one of the "disciples" of which this film pays tribute.

Saturday, Oct. 28

(7 p.m.) - "Thunderbolt," which will be shown in Morgan Hall 109 on the WIU campus, is Tunde Kelani's film of the still-living effects of the brutal Nigerian civil war of the 1960s.

Sunday, Oct. 29

(4 p.m.) - "Africa Dreaming," a series of short films from Namibia, Tunisia, Senegal and

Mozambique, will be shown in Morgan Hall 109.

Films scheduled in the Monmouth College Hewes Library Barnes Electronic Classroom include:

Thursday, Oct. 26

(7 p.m.) - "Flame" is Ingrid Sinclair's 1996

tribute to women fighters in the Zimbabwean liberation struggle that aroused the ire of war veterans and the military because it revealed officers sometimes used female recruits as "comfort women."

Sponsors for the Western Illinois African Film Festival include the WIU Center for Innovation in Teaching and Research, Provost's Office, University Theme Committee, Expanding Cultural Diversity Project and the departments of history, African and American studies and women's studies as well as Monmouth College's public affairs committee, Association for Student Activity Planning, Global Partners Project and the modern foreign languages department and the National Geographic Society.

For more information, e-mail Cole at P-Cole@wiu.edu or Heather Brady at Hbrady@monm.edu.

Faculty works, Social Class exhibits on display at WIU Gallery

Two new exhibits began Tuesday, Sept. 26 in the WIU Art Gallery - the annual art department Faculty Exhibition and "A Matter of Class: Selections from the Permanent Collection." The exhibits will run through Thursday, Oct. 19.

The faculty exhibit includes recent works from WIU's 18-member art department in a variety of media.

The other presentation, "A Matter of Class," uses works from the University Art Gallery's permanent collection to explore the notions of social and economic class within

various societies and cultures. The artworks represent a range of time periods and cultures, and include works by Rembrandt Van Rijn (Dutch), William Hogarth (English), Francisco Goya (Spanish), Honoré Daumier (French) and Ichuysai Kuniyoshi and Kunisada Toyokuni (Japanese).

American artists include L.R. (Rowley) Jacobs, Macena Barton, Aaron Bohrod, J. Theodore Johnson, Gregory Orlott, Charles M. Turzak and several from the WPA (Works Progress Administration) era as well as contempo-

rary American artists.

"A Matter of Class" exhibit is presented in conjunction with WIU's American Democracy project and the 2006-07 campus theme, "Global Challenges and Personal Responsibility - Cultural Diversity" and supports the First Year Experience common reading topic based on the book, "Class Matters."

The WIU Art Gallery is open free to the public from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays and from 6-8 p.m., Tuesdays during exhibitions.

For more information, visit the Art Gallery Web site at www.wiu.edu/ArtGallery.

Local University of Illinois chapter fall meeting

The West Central Illinois chapter of the University of Illinois Alumni Association will meet at 6 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 19 at Chandler's in Macomb.

The guest speaker is Ed Kieser, the meteorologist for WILL AM and FM in Champaign. Kieser will put into perspective a variety of "abnormal" weather events that collectively average out to "normal" conditions on Earth. Find out more about how forecasts are pre-

pared and how technical information is made understandable to the public.

A buffet dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m., followed by the speaker. The meeting is open to current and past U of I

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Jane's Off Jackson Business Focus

By JONATHAN MOHR
Eagle Staff Writer

Thanksgiving and Christmas are right around the corner, but so is Jane's Off Jackson – the corner of Randolph and Washington in Macomb, that is.

As the holidays approach, local cooks will once again be preparing perhaps the most important meals of the year. Jane's Off Jackson carries practically everything a host could want for making the holidays even more delicious than normal.

That includes just about anything related to cooking turkey, the staple of the holiday table. Owner Jane Reynolds' inventory list includes turkey roasters, turkey lacers, turkey lifters and thermometers, as well as spices to make the bird taste better than ever.

Most holiday celebrations are heavy on desserts, so Jane also carries a wide range of bakeware, including Remekin dishes, for preparing favorite treats. Jane's also offers anything needed for making homemade candy.

For hosts who like to give the table a holiday theme, Jane's offers a variety of linens, dishes and other dining-related decorations that accent the season.

There's also drink mixes, including cocoa mixes and a variety of tea and coffee flavors perfect for sipping around a yuletide fire.

Christmas shoppers will find a wide range of cookware, recipe books, gourmet food items, gift baskets and other items that will go perfectly under the tree or in the stocking.

There is even something for younger cooks. Jane's carries kid-sized aprons, cooking jackets and baking sets and other "fun kitchen things for kids," as Reynolds calls it.

Jane does not sell cooking skills, but customers can develop those through the cooking classes she offers in the store.

This fall, John Lawrence is offering a series of four classes called "Cooking American" on the second Tuesday of each month, from September through December. Each session will explore the history and evolution of American cooking.

This fall, Jane's will also feature demonstrations from local cooks such as chocolate maven Becca and gingerbread house artist Johanna Rosson, who has appeared on "Paula's Home Cooking" with television chef Paula Deen. Dean Rockwell will also be showing and selling pottery at Jane's. Check with Jane's Off Jackson for all dates.

Above all, Jane, a cooking enthusiast herself, wants to give shoppers unsurpassed service.

"We know our products," she said. "We really work hard to bring in things that people do want ... I think it's a common goal that most of the store owners in Macomb have right now."

Customers who visit Jane's can also wander through open doorways to shops next door like The Wine Seller's or Sullivan Taylor Coffee Shop, all while enjoying an ice cream cone from Jane's. Reynolds wants her customers to enjoy an unsurpassed shopping experience and not just her store.

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the laws of physics ... that energy basically never dies, it just transfers to different forms. So what happens to the energy when it leaves our bodies? Science says that it makes an impression, like leaving fingerprints on the environment around it, that's what we're going to investigate," he said.

The last stop on the tour is the upstairs of the Lamoine Hotel. It has no power and it has no water, so Weaver said any energy from there will be a "paranormal phenomena."

Professional investigators from Alton came to Macomb to inspect the old hotel and could not ignore what they discovered.

"They've seen a lot of things at night out of the corner of their eye ... they're divining rods and EMF detectors were going crazy in certain rooms," Weaver said. "They just had an overwhelming feeling that there is a lot of negative energy attached to the building."

The audience members become the investigators. It is an actual ghost hunt and nothing is staged or fabricated. Everything the participant sees is real and

there is no acting.

"We have ... things that we know about the building, but I'm sending the crowd up there to find out for themselves," Weaver said. "Overall my main goal is opening the mind of the skeptic to something new. I want to turn skeptics into believers."

According to Michelle Weaver, Tim's wife, if there is a ghost or some other paranormal energy that comes out in pictures, it can easily be distinguished from dust particles. If there is some sort of non-human energy in the picture, it usually takes the shape of an orb, which she explained as energy that never dies. It often takes the shape of a spot of light on cameras. Orbs cannot be seen by the naked eye. Skeptics often say orbs are nothing more than dust particles reacting off the camera's flash. That excuse doesn't sit well with Michelle. The difference, she said, is you can see through a dust particle, not an orb.

Michelle added the idea of ghosts and spirits dates back centuries.

"When Jesus died, he came back as what? A

spirit," she said.

With the exception of Michelle, all the tour guides are new this year. The guides have been busy rehearsing and going over history every night for the last couple of weeks.

The tour guides, Jim Mueller, Chad Frederick, Ashley Frederick, Rod Shumaker and Michelle have been busy since the beginning of summer. They have also occupied much of their time researching the history of the buildings. They used a combination of the Internet, the WIU Libraries and first-hand accounts of people who have experienced ghosts or something in these buildings.

Weaver and associates also made the buildings safer for people to walk through by picking up debris from construction that was started and not finished.

The tours last about two and a half hours. At each location, ghost hunters will hear a history of the building and the ghost stories that are based on interviews with people of the community.

The price is \$12 per person and group rates are available for 25 people or more, costing each participant \$10. Special tours can also be scheduled for groups of 25 or more Monday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings.

Michelle also worked with Moffett doing the tours since the beginning. She is also responsible for getting Tim involved in the tours.

"(Michelle has) been a huge help on these tours," Weaver said.

She is also the one who introduced Weaver to the world of ghost touring. Weaver, who is still in contact with Moffett, said Moffett is glad he is keeping the tours alive.

"I thank Garret for all the help he's given me. He's given me advice on how to handle the business aspect of it. He's been a huge help," Tim said.

The tours meet in front of A&G Mercantile at 141 S. Lafayette St., where the participants walk to the three haunted buildings.

Participants are asked to bring their own flashlight and camera to take



Photo by Chelsea McDougal

Tim Weaver, who is taking over the tours from Garret Moffett, has always loved the darker side of things.

as many pictures as they want.

Weaver warned the tour is not for children under 13 years old and adults must accompany people 13-18 years old.

"At night it's a scary place. Whether there's a ghost tour going on or not, when it's pitch black

it's just an unfriendly environment," Weaver said.

Tim and Michelle offered simple advice and that is to "go on the tour with an open mind and let your body feel it."

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Roberts hired a part-timer, Jodi Hailes, to handle the cruises and travel packages. Hailes, who attended school at WIU, has been in the area for 10 years.

According to Roberts, her extensive travel experience will help customers pick the perfect trip.

"She travels a lot and has been to a lot of different places," Roberts said. "She has a lot of enthusiasm, is good with people and friendly," Roberts said of Hailes' other qualifications that made her a perfect fit for the job.

Hailes earned her cruise counselor certification and began working for Roberts in February.

"I love (working for Roberts), she's wonderful," Hailes said. "I'm a big traveler so I really enjoy sending people to places I've already been."

Of all the places she's traveled to,

Hailes said the Rivera Maya tops her list of favorite places.

Roberts also hired Shawna Brown to the travel agency, which wasn't a hard decision for her. Roberts and Brown worked together at another agency, so Roberts was familiar with her talent.

Brown is the Disney Vacation, Hawaii and Mexico specialist. She started with Margaret Roberts Travel Agency in May.

"She brings experience," Roberts said. "She's been to a number of places."

Brown who recently gave birth to a baby girl, Jersey, knows the importance of finding vacation time to relax.

"I love to travel and sending people places that they can relax and enjoy," Brown said.

Roberts has been a travel agent for 20 years. Her agency is located at 18 1/2 West Side Square, just below Sport Zone. For more information or to book a trip, call 309-837-4711.



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Margaret Roberts Travel Agency recently added new staff. From left: Shawna Brown, Roberts and Jodi Hailes

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Leathernecks fall to Badgers

Reid Johnson scored the only goal of the game to lead Wisconsin over WIU with a 1-0 win Wednesday in men's soccer action.

"This type of game really elevated our play," said WIU head coach Dr. Eric Johnson. "It let us know where we are right now and where we need to be. We learned a lot tonight and gained some good experience that will help in the postseason."

Johnson scored in the 17th minute of the game and the Badgers turned the defense up, holding the Leathernecks scoreless for the first time in four games. The loss by WIU breaks a four-game winning streak.

WIU battled with the first-place team in the Big Ten going shot for shot. The Leathernecks outshot the Badgers 14-13, but Wisconsin put more shots on goal at 5-2.

"I thought they came at us real hard toward the end of the first half," Johnson said. "They really tested our defense and also didn't allow us the opportunities to take the shots we wanted. They closed on our shooters fast. We tried to push the pace in the second half and started to get behind some of their defenders, but we couldn't get anything out of it."

Jeff Schield ripped a shot for WIU that did everything but go into the net.

His shot ricocheted off the post and then off the crossbar before the Badgers' keeper, Jake Settle, made a save and a Wisconsin player came up with the rebound.

While WIU was unlucky with its rebound shot, Wisconsin took full advantage of its rebound chances. Reid Johnson's goal came on a rebounded shot from Victor Diaz.

Diaz kissed a shot off the post and the Leatherneck's goalkeeper, Stephen Paterson, put a hand on the ball and made a save, but Reid Johnson was able to put a head on the ball to score the goal and the win.

Paterson recorded four saves. "This was a great opportunity especially for our young players," Johnson said. "This is the top of the Big Ten and this is the type of environment that the NCAA Tournament is so it was great for everyone on this team to experience this before postseason play begins."

The Leathernecks (7-5-0) will play again Saturday, at 2:30 p.m., against Oral Roberts on John MacKenzie Alumni Field.

The game will follow the women's game against ORU at noon. Both the men's and women's soccer games will be televised live on WIUTV3.

Zuzana fills final roster spot for WIU

Coming from Cape Town, South Africa, Zuzana Vetrova, is set to be a part of the WIU women's tennis team for the spring 2007.

Vetrova is the fifth member of the 2006-07 recruiting class, which includes August signee Kim Lennartsson, November signees Courtney Brooks and Yana Meinert and April signee Stephanie Baumer.

"Zuzana Vetrova is our final signee for the 2006-07 class and we are very excited to have her coming to Western Illinois this January," said head tennis coach Michael Hunt. "We look for her, along with Kim (Lennartsson), to really strengthen the top of our lineup. Zuzanka has amazing footwork and is very quick on the court. She will definitely add to our overall athleticism."

Coached by her mother, Eva Vetrova, at the Arena Tennis Club

in Bratislava, Slovak Republic, Vetrova had a high national ranking of No. 8 in singles and No. 5 in doubles with Martina Oblozinska.

Also a track and field competitor, Vetrova was named the 800-meter national champion. A member of the national team, she competed in Poland, Taiwan and Austria.

Hunt recognizes the strength of the group as a whole and predicts great things.

"Overall, this class has to be one of the strongest classes ever for Western Illinois tennis," Hunt said. "We are expecting big things out of them right away, including qualifying for the Mid-Con Tournament this Spring and competing for a conference title."

We've got an outstanding group here and I can't wait to get them all on the court at once."

Western golf finishes seventh at NIU Invite

WIU women's golf finished the Northern Illinois Huskie Invitational in seventh place. The Westerwinds carded a two-round total of 649 (317, 332).

Two Westerwinds finished in the top 20, with sophomore Becky Allen leading WIU in a tie for 11th place with a 154 (78,76).

Four strokes behind teammate Allen was senior Karra Johnson in a tie for 16th place with a 158 (76,82). Freshman Jennifer Holt tied for 42nd place with rounds of 78 and 89 for a tournament total of 167. Freshman Jenna Keane and sophomore Maggie

Henke both shot a two-round total of 176 to finish tied for 55th place.

Southern Illinois took first place to host Northern Illinois by one stroke for a final score of 610. In third place was Bradley with a 618 and Detroit Mercy finished in fourth place with a 632. Eastern Illinois took fifth place and North Dakota State took sixth with a 641.



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Macomb soccer
Oct. 9 - ATHENS
4:30 p.m.

Macomb tennis
Oct. 10 - Limestone
4:15 p.m.

Macomb swimming
Oct. 12 - Moline 6 p.m.
Oct. 14 - Quincy Invite
1 p.m.

Macomb cross country
Oct. 10 - Havana High
School 4:15 p.m.
Oct. 14 - Patriot Invite
1 p.m.
Oct. 17 - Olympic
Conference Meet

West Prairie/La Harpe football
Oct. 13 - RUSHVILLE
at WP 7 p.m.

West Prairie volleyball
Oct. 9 - Bushnell-
Prairie City 6 p.m.
Oct. 12 - Yorkwood
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Bushnell-Prairie City football
Oct. 13 - Westwood
7 p.m.

Bushnell-Prairie City volleyball
Oct. 9 - WEST
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Oct. 10 - Havana
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Oct. 13 - WEST
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Oct. 9 - La Harpe
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Activities

tractors," Rogers said.

What started as a 0.8-acre pumpkin farm has increased 10 years later to 15 acres of pumpkins and gourds with 80 different varieties. The corn maze started about four years ago and continues to be a favorite attraction for families, youth groups and schools.

When the corn is about 10 inches tall, Kathi and her husband start creating the maze. It takes all summer to get the maze up to their standards and they work all summer long to keep the paths clean of weeds and other debris.

On a scale of easy, medium and hard, Rogers said the maze is "pretty easy." The reason she makes it so easy is because it is geared toward families and they host a lot of school tours in the fall.

"The teachers get lost more than the students do," Rogers laughed. "I just want to keep it pretty simple."

It costs \$5 for adults and \$3 for children. Special rates are available for school tours and youth groups or similar organizations.

A mother of four and grandmother to five, Rogers is also a teacher's associate for second grade so she knows how to relate to the children and loves to have them around.

"They just have a ball," she said. "They are so excited. When they find all five tractors, they are just elated," she said.

Rogers said it is not just the children who love the maze. Over the past four years, she has had two marriage proposals, one was a few weekends ago.

The young man, who is a student at Drake University, wanted to propose to his girlfriend, a WIU graduate student, at the corn maze because she loves the fall season and anything fall related.

The other proposal was a few years back when a local minister used the maze to explain to his future wife that, like the stalks that surround them, sometimes life is not always going to be an easy path and it may feel like a maze at times.

The corn maze is 2 for 2 in the success rate of marriage proposals. Both women said "yes."

"You never know what's going to happen in the corn maze," Rogers said.

On Oct. 27 and 28 from 7-10 p.m., ghosts and goblins take over for the haunted version of the corn maze. The La Harpe National Honor Society will be working as the spooks for the haunted maze.

"They just make it a little scary, and it's dark in there so it makes it even more scary," Rogers said.

All ages are welcome and participants are asked to bring their own flashlights. The Haunted Maze costs \$6 for adults and \$4 for children.

On the weekends, wagon rides are available, the corn maze is open and children can romp and roam in a play area called "Tipi Town" that has a smaller scale maze for toddlers and they can roll down "Roly Poly Hill."

Rogers Farm is open from 8 a.m. to dusk every day through the end of October.

More information can be found at www.geocities.com/rogerspumpkin or by calling 217-449-3486.

Rogers Farm is about 40 miles northwest from Macomb. To get there, take 67 north to Good Hope, turn left (west) on Rte. 9. Go to La Harpe and take 94 north through Terre Haute to Rte. 96, heading west. Follow the signs to Rogers Pumpkin Farm.

Country Corner Farm Market

The Corn Maze at Country Corner, Alpha (in between Moline and Galesburg) will take on a new look Oct. 14, 20 and 21, from 7-10 p.m. The evening hours are perfect for the haunting of a corn maze and Country Corner promises to be a terrifyingly good time.

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the shape of a tombstone. It is said to be the haunted grounds of a homeless bum named Bob who met an accident one night while sleeping in the cornfield. A runaway train jumped the track and landed on his head. Those in the know, say the decapitated Bob comes back to the same cornfield every October in search of his head. Bob blames everyone for his unlikely accident and, along with his ghostly friends, waits quietly in the corn for intruders who might know the whereabouts of his missing head.

The corn maze was created on the Country Corner farm through the use of global positioning technology. By the use of this technique, a drawing can literally be moved from the page to the field. The initial markings are made in the field and, when the corn is knee high, workers begin by laying out the six hidden checkpoints. The creation of the paths is the next step, which involves careful reading of all the initial markings and physical labor. The Corn Maze is open daily from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and admission is \$5.

Owner Bruce Curry said, "There are more complicated corn mazes, but I want people to enjoy all the activities at Country Corner. Our maze takes about 45 minutes for visitors to find all the hidden checkpoints. People have a good time and then go on to enjoy the rest of the farm."

The Haunted Corn Maze is \$7 per person, and groups of 10 or more receive 10% discount.

Hayrack rides, a bonfire and concessions for a wiener roast will be available each night the haunted maze is open. Country Corner Farm

Market and Pumpkin Patch does not charge entrance or parking fees.

For more information, log on to www.country-corner.com or call 309-629-2359.

Prairie Pumpkin Hunt

Kathleen Clark, chair of the Prairie Pumpkin Hunt, is happy to announce the third family friendly Prairie Pumpkin Hunt at Lakeview Nature Center.

The goal of the hunt is to find the hidden pumpkins just off the trail in the 55 acres of prairie at Lakeview Nature Center. Geared for all new and experienced trail walkers, the Prairie Pumpkin Hunt will be held Thursday through Sunday afternoons from 1-4:30, Oct. 12-15, Oct. 19-22 and Oct. 26-29.

It is easy to play. Each hidden pumpkin is with a can of stickers. Match the can's letter to your game card and attach a sticker. Find 12 pumpkins and 12 stickers and you will win a prize.

The Prairie Pumpkin Hunt is Lakeview's fund-raiser that supports the Bluebird Project. The Bluebird Project maintains and improves the 40 bluebird nesting boxes at Lakeview Nature Center. Game cards, only available at Lakeview Nature Center, are \$3 each. Youth groups, call ahead at 309-836-2887.

If you or your family needs an accommodation based on a disability to enjoy this event, contact the Macomb Park District Office at least three days before you plan to attend 309-833-4562, TTY 309-837-7301.

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Party reservations are available and include all activities and a picnic shelter with a fire pit.

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Flowers For Less

Flowers For Less, Monmouth, is open daily for a corn maze. Coming Friday, Oct. 13 there will be a haunted corn maze and graveyard. The maze costs \$5 and will run every night through Halloween.

Children and pets can earn prizes at the costume contest Oct. 28. The contest for pets begins at 1 p.m., and children at 3 p.m., There is also a pumpkin carving and baking contest where participants will create mouthwatering foods out of pumpkins. Both the pumpkins and the baked goods must be at Flowers For Less by noon Oct. 28 for judging.

In addition, Flowers for Less has pumpkins, mums, strawbales, corn stalks, gourds, squash and apples for sale.

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The maid of honor was Ellen Boothe, friend of the bride, Macomb. The matron of honor was Christina Roberts, friend of the bride, West Point.

Bridesmaids were Kathryn McDaniel (bride's matron), friend of the bride, Canton, Mo., Sarah O'Neal, (bride's matron) friend of the bride, Bowen, Laura Walters, friend of the bride, Ames, Iowa, and Megan Shirey, sister of the groom, Carthage.

Flower girls were Kamryn Mennemeyer, cousin of the bride, Old Monroe, Mo., and Ava Duffy, friend of the couple, Carthage.

Best men were Wyatt Green, friend of the groom, Macomb, James Whitcomb, friend of the groom, Macomb.

Groomsmen were Khrist Tobias, cousin of the groom, Loraine, Jason Bruns, friend of the groom, Carthage, Abe Huls, friend of the groom, Macomb, Brian Flesner, brother of the bride, West Point.

Ringbearers were Shad Flesner, cousin and godson of the bride, West Point, and Luke Flesner, cousin and godson of the bride, Springfield.

The reception was held at Denmark Celebrations and Convention Center, Denmark, Iowa.

The couple will reside in Quincy.

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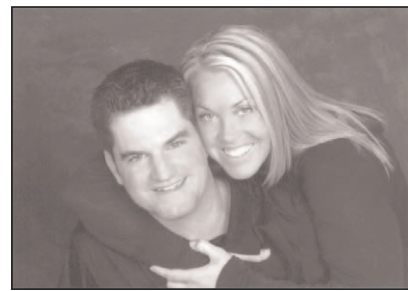
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Reusch-Wyse

Al and Evie Reusch, Macomb, would like to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Jamie Lynn Reusch, to Brent James Wyse, son of Jacqueline Wyse, all of Crystal Lake, and James Wyse, Indiana.

The bride-to-be is a 1995 graduate of Macomb High School and a 1999 graduate of Western Illinois University in recreation, park and tourism administration. She has been employed as a kindergarten teacher at West Elementary School, Crystal Lake, since earning a master's in elementary education from Aurora University.

The prospective groom is a 1992 graduate of South High School, Crystal Lake, and a 1996 graduate of University of Kansas. He is currently employed as an acquisitions editor for the College Division at Pearson Publishing.

The couple is planning an Oct. 20, 2006 wedding at the Seasons of Long Grove, Long Grove.

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Death notices**John A. Friday Sr.**

John A. Friday Sr., 61, Avon, died Saturday, Sept. 30, 2006, at St. Mary's Hospital, Galesburg. Funeral services were held Wednesday, Oct. 4, 2006, at the Dodswoth-Piper-Wallen Funeral Home, Macomb, with Pastor John Prain officiating. Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery, Macomb. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society or the Avon Federated Church Youth Group. Please sign the guestbook at www.dodswothfh.com.

Keith D. Peak

Keith D. Peak, 76, Table Grove, died at 11:35 a.m., Thursday, Sept. 28, 2006, at McDonough District Hospital, Macomb. Funeral services were held Monday, Oct. 2, 2006, at the Table Grove Community Church, Table Grove, with the Rev. Greg Miller officiating. Burial was in Forest Lawn Memory Gardens, Macomb. Full military rites were conducted at the cemetery by the Table Grove American Legion and the Macomb VFW.

Memorials may be made to the Table Grove American Legion.

Lois Allen

Lois Allen, 97, Macomb, died at 12:30 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 3, 2006, at The Elms Nursing Home, Macomb. Funeral services were held Friday, Oct. 6, 2006, at the Clugston-Tibbitts Funeral Home, Macomb, with Pastor Wally Holt officiating. Burial was in Forest Lawn Memory Gardens, Macomb. Memorials may be made to either the Elms Nursing Home or the West Bethel Baptist Church.

Max L. Waller

Max L. Waller, 70, Table Grove, died at 3:12 p.m., Monday, Oct. 2, 2006, at McDonough District Hospital, Macomb. Funeral services were held Friday, Oct. 6, 2006, at the Martin-Hollis Funeral Home, Bushnell, with Pastor John Douglas officiating. Burial was in Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens, Macomb. Memorials may be made to Point Pleasant Methodist Church or Table Grove Fire Department.

Russell E. Mercer

Russell E. Mercer, 82, Table Gove, died at 3:52 p.m., Monday, Oct. 2, 2006, at Culbertson Memorial Hospital, Rushville. Graveside services were held Friday, Oct. 6, 2006, at Vermont Cemetery, Vermont, with the Rev. Ron Green officiating. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society or American Heart Fund.

Peggy Oakman

Peggy Oakman, Fairfield, Iowa, died at 12:52 a.m., Tuesday, Oct. 3, 2006, at the University Hospitals, Iowa City, Iowa. Cremation rites were accorded. Burial of ashes was in the Glade Cemetery, Blandinsville. Memorials may be made to Covenant House, the First Christian Church or to the Southwest Indian Association. Raymond Funeral Home, Fairfield, Iowa, was in charge of arrangements.

Evelyn Arnita Williamson

Evelyn Arnita Williamson, 83, London Mills, died at 12:30 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 3, 2006, Toulon Health Care Center, Toulon. Graveside services were held Friday, Oct. 6, 2006, at East Midway Cemetery, London Mills. Burial was in East Midway Cemetery, London Mills. Corman Memorial Home, London Mills, was in charge of arrangements.

Ruth L. Billeter

Ruth L. Billeter, 97, Good Hope, died at 11:08 a.m., Friday, Sept. 29, 2006, at McDonough District Hospital, Macomb. Funeral services were held Tuesday, Oct. 3, 2006, at the Clugston-Tibbitts Funeral Home, Macomb, with Father Hummel officiating. Burial was in Good Hope Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Macomb Flags of Love.

Hazelmae Ruth Settles

Hazelmae Ruth Settles, 95, Springfield, formerly of Rushville, died at 5:50 a.m., Tuesday, Oct. 3, 2006, at the Lewis Memorial Christian Home, Springfield. Funeral services were held Thursday, Oct. 5, 2006, at the Worthington Funeral Home, Rushville, with the Rev. E. Ambrose Stump officiating. Burial will be held at a later date. Memorials may be made to the Lewis Memorial Christian Home, 3400 W. Washington, Springfield, IL 62704. Condolences and expressions of sympathy may be sent to www.worthingtonfh.com

Mark Virgil Lawyer

Mark Virgil Lawyer, 91, Macomb, formerly of Industry, died at 1:55 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 3, 2006, at McDonough District Hospital, Macomb. Funeral services were held Friday, Oct. 6, 2006, at Clugston-Tibbitts Funeral Home, Macomb, with Scott Jones officiating. Burial was in Chockley Cemetery, Eldorado Township, McDonough County, east of Industry. Memorials may be made to either the Chockley Cemetery or The Elms Nursing Home Physical Therapy Department.

Virgil D. Williamson

Virgil D. Williamson, 67, London Mills, died at 5:45 a.m., Monday, Oct. 2, 2006, at Galesburg Terrace, Galesburg. Graveside services were held Friday, Oct. 6, 2006, at East Midway Cemetery, London Mills. Burial was in East Midway Cemetery, London Mills. Memorials may be made in his memory. Corman Memorial Home, London Mills, was in charge of arrangements.

Mildred O. Barker

Mildred O. Barker, 89, Ellisville, died at 3:40 a.m., Thursday, Oct. 5, 2006, at Graham Hospital, Canton. Funeral services were held Monday, Oct. 9, 2006, at Martin-Hollis funeral home, Bushnell, with the Rev. Trisha Chapman officiating. Burial was in Wiley Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Fairview Fire Dept.

Schwerer to compete

The national FFA organization has selected a local student to participate in the national agriscience competition. Jared Schwerer, West Prairie HS-FFA Chapter member, will be competing in the national FFA Agriscience Fair program. The event will be held during the 79th national FFA convention in Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 25-28. More than 300 participants from across the nation will defend their projects against other entries for judging 20 divisions.

Schwerer's project, "Leaching," will be on display at convention in the national FFA Agriscience Fair Area of the FFA National Agricultural Career Show. Categories for competition are biochemistry/microbiology/food science, botany, engineering, environmental science and zoology. Four divisions divide students by grades seven through 12. Each national winning participant receives either a cash award or scholarship.

The agriscience fair programs are sponsored by Ford Motor Company Fund as a special project of the National FFA Foundation, which includes cash awards. FFA is a national youth organization of 490,017 student members preparing for leadership and careers in the science, business and technology of agriculture with 7,210 local chapters in all 540 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. Visit www.ffa.org for more information.



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From left: Ron Ludlum, Bushnell, Foundation Extension Center Community Advisory Committee Member, Kristina Oakman, Prairie City, Christie Lotz, Bushnell, Casey Emory, Avon.

**B-PC Dual Credit
Scholarship winners**

The Carl Sandburg College Foundation's Extension Center Community Advisory Committee announces the fall 2006 Dual Credit Scholarship winners from Bushnell/Prairie High School and Avon High School. They are: Kristina Oakman, Prairie City, Christie Lotz, Bushnell, Casey Emory, Avon.

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**Norville graduates
from basic training**

Army National Guard Pvt. Anthony J. Norville has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

During the nine weeks of training, the soldier studied the Army mission, history, tradition and core values, physical fitness and received instruction and practice in basic combat skills, military weapons, chemical warfare and bayonet training, drill and ceremony, marching, rifle marksmanship, armed and unarmed combat, map reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justice system, basic first aid, foot marches and field training exercises.

He is the son of Buddy and Elizabeth Norville, Prairie City.

New arrivals**Olin Gene Seward**

Olin Gene Seward was born Sept. 19, 2006, at 3:07 p.m., to Lanissa Savage and Ronald Seward. He weighed 9 pounds, 1 ounce and was 21 inches long.

Carter Wells Chapin

Carter Wells Chapin was born Sept. 20, 2006, at 4:29 p.m., to Sandra and Tony Chapin. He weighed 8 pounds, 2 ounces and was 20 inches long.

Sofia Makenzi Welch

Sofia Makenzi Welch was born Sept. 22, 2006, at 7:02 p.m., to Jeri and Chad Welch. She weighed 7 pounds, 4 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long.

Audrey Layne Sutor

Audrey Layne Sutor was born Sept. 23, 2006, at 12:22 a.m., to Amanda and John Sutor. She weighed 6 pounds, 13 ounces and was 19 inches long.



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It's harvest season and area farmer Mike DeCounter was busy harvesting beans in the perfect weather last week. DeCounter farms roughly 3,000 acres of beans and corn in McDonough County. He was nice enough to let the Macomb Eagle ride along.

Artspace comes to Macomb

Artspace, a national, nonprofit organization dedicated to creating space for the arts, will be visiting Macomb on Oct. 12 and 13. During the visit, organization representatives will provide preliminary feedback about the feasibility of creating a major multi-purpose arts facility development for the West Jackson Street corridor. The five areas of consideration are project concept, market need, site suitability, potential to fund and sustain a project and local leadership.

During discussions held last November with community leaders, one of the key ideas that surfaced was enhancing the university connection to the community through the development of an artist studio and/or retail outlet along West Jackson Street.

Haeger is interested in exploring the possibility of converting this space to studios/apartments/retail outlet for local artists.

Conversion of the space would facilitate active participation in the visiting artist program and provide more appropriate working space for students at WIU and other artists residing in the community.

Visit Artspace's Web site, www.artspaceusa.org/ to learn more about the

organization. It has completed a number of interesting projects all across the country. One that mirrors the work involved with here is a project in Minot, N.D.

Members of the local steering committee are Paul Kreider, College of Fine Arts and Communication dean, Bill Brewer, WIU Physical Plant assistant director, Mayor Mick Wisslead, Mike Hayes, city administrator, Yvonne Knapp, Two Rivers Arts Council, Craig Zachrich, Haeger Industries, Kathleen Brown and Lisa

Fulkerson, University of Illinois Extension, and Christopher Merritt, Illinois Institute for Rural Affairs at WIU.

This program is partially supported by Haeger Industries. In addition, financial support has been provided through a grant from the Illinois Arts Council, a state agency, the Two Rivers Arts Council, a regional arts organization, MidAmerica National Bank, First State Bank of Western Illinois, Illinois Institute for Rural Affairs at WIU and U of I Extension.

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Garret Moffett talks to the tour group from Macomb in Springfield.

Spoon River group heads to Springfield for educational trip

Velvet Powell, of Spoon River College, coordinated and escorted an Educational Trip to Springfield on Saturday, Sept. 30.

A total of 44 participants attended, ranging from ages 11-89.

Partnerships with community organizations made this a very affordable trip for the participants. Evaluations from

this trip rated it at above average and excellent. It was a fun and educational day for all.

Participant comments included: "Excellent presentations," "I really enjoyed listening to your guide," "LOVED this trip," "Interesting Stories" and "I really enjoyed the day."

The day turned out great. Beautiful weather,

no glitches, Garret Moffett was fabulous and everyone had a great day. The day was guided by Moffett. Garret is a past resident of Macomb who previously ran the Macomb Ghost Walks. He is now doing the "Lincoln Ghost Walk" in Springfield. He mentioned he was featured in MidWest Living.

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