

2008 Fairgrounds Rental Schedule

April 12+13 Lake Crabtree - Auction - 477-2507
- 727-4468

May 17+18 - Ill. State High School Rodeo

May 31 - Nancy Rygle & others - Bates Bldg + Pavilion - Grad. Party

June 14 U of A Ext. - Bates Bldg + Beef Pavilion

June 13-14 Relay for Life - Frank Pavilion + Grounds South

June 16 U of I Ext. - 9-3p.m. - Bates Bldg. + 4-H Bldg.

June 20, 21, + 22 - Ill. Jr. Rodeo Assn.

June 27 U of A Ext. - 4-H Project (Food) - 4-H Bldg.

June 28+29 Lemmon Show

July 7-12 - Swillman Trucking - Truck Show

July 14-19 Macoupin County Fair

August 2 Mac. County Amateur Radio Club - Jim Pitchford 854-3352
Wants 1st 2nd in August for 3 years

Aug 15 - Mac. Co. F. Bureau + F.S. Rally Day

" 23 - Dr. L. L. L.

October 11 - ABATE

October 18 - Mac Co. Health Dept - Grounds + Bates Bldg.

Andy,

These are the events scheduled so far at the Fairgrounds,
Thanks Don R. R.

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Margaret (Peg) Barkley
Chief Executive Officer
Secretary for the Board

Paul W. Bloomer
Attorney

April 7, 2008

Senator Deanna Demuzio
140 Carlinville Plaza
Carlinville, IL 62626

County Board Chair Andrew Manar
PO Box 535
Carlinville, IL 62626

Dear Senator Demuzio and Chairman Manar:

This letter is to inform you of the news that this housing authority is no longer on the HUD financially troubled list. As you will remember this authority was put on the troubled list due to the Authority putting start up money into The Village at Morse Farm. Please find enclosed a copy of the letter sent by Mr. Steven Meiss, Chicago HUD Director of Public Housing. As you will see Mr. Meiss confirms that the Macoupin County Housing Authority has been officially removed from the "Substandard Financial" Status list and are now designated as a "High Performer". As you can see Mr. Meiss took the extra time to handwrite "Congratulations" on the letter.

In addition I want to remind both of you this Housing Authority is a HUD Certified Credit Counseling Agency and Reverse Mortgage Counseling. If you know of any resident of Macoupin County that need or would like Counseling, this can be done free of charge to the recipient. This Authority is one of the few housing authorities in this area qualified to perform these counseling services.

If you have questions please don't hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,



Margaret (Peg) Barkley
Chief Executive Officer



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Chicago Regional Office
77 W. Jackson Blvd.
Chicago, Illinois 60604-3507

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OFFICE OF PUBLIC HOUSING

March 13, 2008

Ms. Margaret Barkley, Executive Director
Macoupin County Housing Authority
760 Anderson St.
Carlinville, Illinois 62626

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MACOUPIN COUNTY
HOUSING AUTHORITY

Dear Ms. Barkley:

Subject: Removal from Troubled Status

This letter is to confirm that the Macoupin County Housing Authority (MCHA) has been officially removed from the "Substandard Financial" Status, you have completed the tasks outlined in the MOA and you are no longer required to submit monthly reports to this office. The 2005 Financial Assessment Subsystem Score (FASS) was 12 points out of a possible 30, which designated the MCHA as "Substandard Financial". The 2007 FASS score is 26 points out of 30 and the overall designation of this housing authority is now "High Performer". Please continue to provide a quality Low-Rent Program to the residents of Macoupin County.

Should you have any questions, please contact Cynthia Mitchell, PHRS, at (312) 353-1915, extension 2349.

Sincerely,

Steven Meiss, Director
Office of Public Housing
Illinois State Office
Region V

P.S. Congratulations
S.M.

Springfield Coal Company

Letter to Chief Elected Local Government Official & State Dislocated Worker Agency

April 30, 2008

Becky Harmon, Assistant Deputy Director
Bureau of Workforce Development
ATT'N: John-Ray
Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity
620 East Adams Street, 5th Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62701

Andrew Manar
County Board Chairman
215 S. East Street
Carlinville, Illinois 62626

Re: Transition of Crown III to a Contractor

Dear Ms. Harmon and Mr. Manar:

This notice is being provided to you pursuant to the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act of 1988 and the Illinois Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act, which require employers to give official notice to the state dislocated worker unit and to the chief elected official of the appropriate unit of local government in the event of certain employment losses.

Springfield Coal Company, LLC will be transitioning the operations of its Crown III mine located at PO Box 259, 2 Mine Avenue, Farmersville, IL 62533 in Macoupin County to a contractor operated property.

As a result of this transition, Springfield Coal Company will terminate the employment of all 267 employees at the Crown III effective no later than June 30, 2008. All current employees will be offered employment in their current positions by the contractor and no bumping rights will exist.

The union represented employees are represented by the United Mine Workers of America, Local Union No. 0012. The President of Local Union 0012 is Tony Liebscher, Crown III Mine, P.O. Box 259, Farmersville, Illinois 62533; the President of the International Union is Cecil Roberts, 8315 Lee Highway, Fairfax, Virginia 22031.

If you need any further information with respect to the foregoing, you should contact Tom Austin at (217) 793-7435.

cc: The Hon. Rod Blagojevich
Michael J. Madigan
Barbara Flynn Currie
Emil Jones Jr.
Frank Watson

PO Box 9320
Springfield, IL 62791
Tel 217 698 3300
Fax 217 698-3385



April 30, 2008

Board Chairman Andrew Manar

Macoupin County

215 South East Street

Carlinville, IL 62626

Good morning:

With the foreclosure crisis showing no signs of slowing, Illinois Housing Development Authority along with the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation are hosting Homeowner Outreach Days throughout the State. These events bring together foreclosure counselors, lenders, and informative workshops to assist homeowners who are at risk of losing their homes. We will be hosting an event in your area in the near future. I have included flyers with the dates of these events. Please feel free to pass these flyers out in your area. Any additional help in marketing the event would be helpful in making the event a success.

Please feel free to call me with any questions you may have concerning the event or if you would like flyers in Spanish.

Thank you,

William Smirniotis

William Smirniotis
Managing Director
Homeownership Programs
312-836-5299

WS/lsr

Enclosures

Worried about making payments on your existing home loan?

Come to **Homeowner Outreach Days!**

Get advice from counseling agencies, lenders and the State on finding affordable financing and avoiding foreclosure. Talk to participating lenders about adjusting your existing loan or getting a new fixed rate mortgage.



Homeowner Outreach Days

*for more information visit www.illinois.gov
or call 1-800-532-8785*

Friday May 9, 2008

Springfield

Springfield City Hall

300 S. 7th. St., Room 300
Springfield, IL
4pm to 7pm

Saturday, May 10, 2008

Decatur

Main St. Church

2000 N. Main St.
Decatur, IL
9am to 1pm



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
STATE OF ILLINOIS

Illinois Department of
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April 25, 2008

Ms. Michele Zippay
Macoupin County Clerk
201 East Main Street
Carlinville, Illinois 62626

Dear Ms. Zippay;

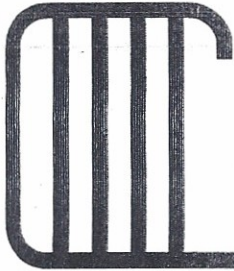
A copy of our recent inspection report of your county jail is enclosed. The *Illinois Compiled Statutes* authorize the Department of Corrections to inspect county jails and to make the results available for public review.

We encourage you to give notice to the citizens of your county, by news release or other means, that this report is available for review.

Sincerely,

Chuck Yelm
Manager
Office of Jail and Detention Standards

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April 25, 2008

Sheriff Donald Albrecht
Macoupin County Sheriff's Office
215 South East Street
Carlinville, Illinois 62626

Dear Sheriff Albrecht:

A copy of our recent inspection report of your county jail is enclosed. The *Illinois Compiled Statutes* authorize the Department of Corrections to inspect county jails and to make the results available for public review.

The one listed noncompliance is easily remedied with the addition of a logbook detailing the issuance of tools and equipment in the kitchen. Your jail administrator has been advised as to how to proceed.

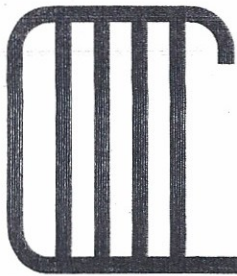
Our office may be contacted at 217/558- 2200, extension 4212.

Sincerely,

Chuck Yelm
Manager
Office of Jail Detention Standards

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cc: Chairman Andy Manar
County Clerk Michele Zippay ✓
Specialist Brad Besson



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**MACOUPIN COUNTY JAIL
2008 INSPECTION REPORT**

The Macoupin County Jail was inspected by Criminal Justice Specialist Brad Besson on April 22, 2008. Entrance and exit interviews were conducted with Jail Administrator Russell Alexander.

IMPROVEMENTS SINCE LAST INSPECTION

1. A new live-scan fingerprint system has been purchased and installed. All security staff have been trained in its use.
2. The ANSOL unit within the kitchen facility has been recharged and cleaned.
3. A new system for the phones used by both the detainees and visitors is now in place.
4. The entire facility's fire suppression system has been updated.
5. A nutritionist has been consulted in regard to caloric values and their relationship to the standards.
6. On 01/16/08, the Macoupin County Department of Public Health inspected the facility kitchen and found it to be 100 % in compliance with their standards.

NONCOMPLIANCES WITH ILLINOIS COUNTY JAIL STANDARDS

Section 701.140 Security

(d) Tools and Equipment

1. All tools and equipment shall be inventoried and securely stored. (knives)
2. The jail shall have a method of accounting for all tools and equipment issued, received, and returned to secure storage. (knives)
3. After use, tools and equipment shall be accounting for by the jail officer responsible and secured in the proper storage place. (knives)

Recommendation: Implement a new logbook to be used daily by the staff assigned to the kitchen.

Brad Besson
Criminal Justice Specialist

Charlene Taylor

From: A Manar [awmanar@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, May 08, 2008 9:46 AM
To: ctaylor
Subject: Fwd: ITS Trail Calendar

Jarid Ott <jott@madisontelco.com> wrote:

Date: Wed, 7 May 2008 18:46:36 -0500 (Central Daylight Time)
From: "Jarid Ott" <jott@madisontelco.com>
To: "ITS Trail Announcements" <its-trail-announcements@its-trail.org>
Subject: ITS Trail Calendar



Dear Friends of the ITS Trail,

This summer will be a busy one for the ITS Trail Committee volunteers, as you can tell by the attached copy of our **Calendar of Events**. We'll be participating in five parades and assisting with the Tour de Garden, Tour de Donut and Tour de Coal events. I'm sure many of us will kick back and enjoy the food, fun and refreshments at the homecomings and the Staunton Rib Cook Off and we'll finish up in the fall with another ITS Trail Appreciation Picnic. We invite each of you to support these events and sponsors, and to cheer for the ITS Trail volunteers as they ride in a parade near you.

If you'd like to ride a recumbent trike in a parade, help with one of the events or would like additional information, please drop me a note at jott@its-trail.org or call one of the numbers listed below.

Thanks and have a great summer!

Jarid Ott
Executive Director
ITS Trail Committee, Inc.
618.635.3150 (Home)
618.779.6261 (Cell)

ITS TRAIL

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JUNE

- 1 Tour de Garden – 10 AM – Beginning at the Illinois Valley Rehabilitation Barn in Gillespie. Tour many beautiful gardens in Gillespie, Dorchester and Staunton, and end the tour at Lake View Nursery in White City. Ride your bike or drive your car. Visit www.its-trail.org for further details.
- 8 Gillespie Black Diamond Days Parade – 5 PM – The recumbent trikes and sign trailers will be participating in this parade.
- 21 Mt Olive Homecoming Parade – 6 PM - The recumbent trikes and sign trailers will be participating in this parade.
- 29 Staunton Homecoming Parade – 5 PM - The recumbent trikes and sign trailers will be participating in this parade.

JULY

- 4 Bunker Hill Homecoming Parade – 10 AM - The recumbent trikes and sign trailers will be participating in this parade.
- 12 20th Annual Tour de Donut – Join in and ride the famous Tour de Donut ride from Staunton through Prairietown and Worden, then back to Staunton. Visit www.bebikeclub.com for further details.
- 12 3rd Annual Staunton Rib Cook Off – Following the Tour de Donut, enjoy the many food and beverage stands on Staunton's Main Street, with ribs being served at 5 PM.

AUGUST

- 2 Dorchester Homecoming Parade – 6 PM - The recumbent trikes and sign trailers will be participating in this parade.

SEPTEMBER

- 27 3rd Annual Tour de Coal – Sign-in and start between 7 & 9 AM at the Benld Elementary School. 15 mile, 30 mile and Metric Century rides available. Visit www.coalcountrychamber.com for further details.

FALL

Annual ITS Trail Appreciation Picnic – To Be Announced.