

Macoupin County Fair & Agricultural Association
 Non-Fair Activities
 2008

April	12 & 13	Auction
May	17-18	Illinois State High School Rodeo
	24	Auction – Mike Crabtree
	31	Nancy Ruyle & others – Bates Bldg. & pavilion – Grad. Party
June	14	U of I Extension – Bates Bldg & Beef Pavilion
	13-15	Macoupin Relay for Life
	16	U of I Extension – Bates & 4-H bldg
	20-22	Illinois Junior Rodeo Association
	27	U of I Extension – 4-H Project (Food) – 4-H Bldg
	28-29	Limousin Cattle Show – Tim Eike – 217/741-3453
July	7-12	Gwillim Trucking – truck show
	14-19	Macoupin County Fair
Aug.	2	Mac. Co. Amateur Radio Club – Bill Ogle
		Fair Demolition Derby
	15	MCFB Rally Day
Sept.	6	Auction – Mike Crabtree
	14	Emmanuel Baptist
	27	Animal Control
	28	<i>Auction - Mike Crabtree</i>
Oct.	4	U of I Extension – Food, Bates & 4-H Bldg
	11	ABATE
	18	Health Department Drive through
	26	<i>Auction - Mike Crabtree</i>

*Dear Andy,
 Enclosed please find updated Fairgrounds Activities Schedule.*

*Thanks,
 Dale Kasten*



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Both the House and Senate adjourned last night (9/23/08). While Monday was mostly spent idly spinning wheels, Tuesday saw Legislators get around to more substantial work. The Senate manage to concur with the House on both the Fund Sweeps Bill (**SB 790**) and an attached appropriations Bill (**SB 1103**) – the House having passed these the last time they convened to restore cuts to State Parks and other programs made by the Governor. These bills will now be sent to the Governor where they will wait for him to act upon them.

The Senate also voted to pass an ethics bill (**SB 780**) which contained the Governor’s exact language from his earlier amendatory veto of the ethics bill, which was rejected earlier. Needless to say, this caused some sparks to fly. The return of another hot issue was Senator DeLeo’s Autism bill (**HB 2070**), which passed the Senate but not with a fair amount of grandstanding. Earlier this month, the House rejected the Governor’s Amendatory Veto language which was similar to the language in **HB 2070**. Meanwhile the House voted to accept a number of the Governor’s Amendatory Vetoes, including the Governor’s changes to the ALL KIDS audit. The following is a list of bills which were voted on in the Illinois General Assembly by one chamber or both.

Bills passed by both chambers

HB 1533	ALL KIDS Audit Report Premiums	Both Houses Accepted Amendatory Veto
HB 3286	Health Policy Center Act	Both Houses Accepted Amendatory Veto
HB 5318	Healthcare Worker Task Force Appointment	Both Houses Accepted Amendatory Veto
SB 546	Notary Public	Both Houses Accepted Amendatory Veto
SB 790	Funds Sweep Transfers \$221,250,000 from special state funds to the General Revenue Fund. The bills identifies which funds to sweep and the dollar amount. The funds sweeps will be used to restore some of the \$1.4 billion in cuts made by the Governor to the fiscal year 2009 budget.	Passed Both Houses
SB 1103	Budget Cut Restoration – Appropriation	Passed Both Houses
SB 2327	CMS High Value Transactions Study	Both Houses Accepted Amendatory Veto

Bills passed by the Senate and sent to the House

HB 2070	Autism Coverage Bill Amends the Counties Code to provide individuals under 21 years of age coverage for autism spectrum disorders. Provides that this coverage shall be subject to a maximum benefit of \$36,000 per year, but shall not be subject to any limits on the number of visits to an autism service provider.	Passed Senate
SB 780	Ethics Bill Prohibits members of the General Assembly from being employed by the State, a municipality, or a unit of local government, with specified exceptions. Contains all of the Governor’s amendatory veto language that was brought up for a vote in the Senate this week.	Passed Senate

House Bill 824 now law... On Monday, the Senate overrode the Governor’s amendatory veto of HB 824, the campaign funding reform legislation. The House took the same action last week. The new law bans businesses with more than \$50,000 in state contracts from making political donations to constitutional officers who award the contracts. The bill will become law on January 1, 2009.