

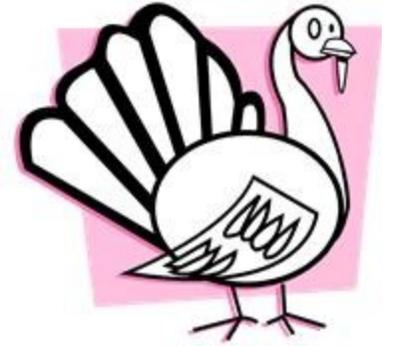
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**UNDERWOOD**

Charlotte Eloise Underwood, 85 of Maroa. Passed away peacefully on Saturday July 23, 2011. She married her husband of 58 years Robert (Bob) Underwood on March 28 1953. Charlotte graduated from Maroa High School, attended Millikin University and worked as a secretary at the High School and Decatur Memorial Hospital in her early life. She wrote a weekly column and took pictures for the Maroa Prairie Post. Charlotte was a dedicated member of the Maroa United Methodist Church and sang in the choir and at weddings and funerals for many years.

Charlotte is survived by her husband Bob; her children: Rich (Candy) Underwood of Say brook, Jim (April) Underwood & Kenny Underwood all of Maroa.

**STREICH**

Robert G. Streich, 49, Maroa, died Saturday Sept. 10,2011 . Robert was born November 21, 1961 in Decatur the son of Glen J. and Barbara L. (Wiles) Streich. Robert worked for DeAngelo Brothers, Inc. and also helped on the family farm. Robert is survived by his parents Glen & Barbara of Maroa: a daughter Caryn Randall Streich of Harristown: sister Suzy (Jim) Powell of Cerro Gordo: two nephews Bradley & Brandon Powell: grandmother Mary Barker of Mt Pulaski: his significant other Connie Wilson of Maroa and her two granddaughter Haliee & McKayla; and Robert's favorite dogs, Bel Air and Whiskey.

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**OCTOBER 2011**



- Oct-4 Maroa Lodge #454 7:30 pm
  - Oct-6 Fire Truck Parade and Open House @ dusk
  - Oct-6 V.F.W. #3287 6:00 pm @ Library
  - Oct-6 American Legion 6:30pm @ Library
  - Oct-10 Maroa Library Board 7:00pm
  - Oct-11(Tuesday) Maroa-Forsyth School Board 7:00pm
  - Oct-11 Food Pantry M.C.C. 9:00-10:00am
  - Oct-11 Fall in Love with Maroa @The Fireplace 7:00pm
  - Oct-12 Lions Club 6:30 pm @ U.M.C.
  - Oct-18 H.C.E. 7:00 pm @ Library
  - Oct-24 City Council 7:00 pm @ City Hall
  - Oct-25 Food Pantry M.C.C. 3:30-5:30pm
  - Oct-26 Lions Club 6:30 pm @ U.M.C.
  - Oct-31 Trick-or-Treat Hours 5:00pm till 8:00pm
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**NOVEMBER 2011**



- Nov-1 Maroa Lodge #454 7:30 pm
- Nov-3 V.F.W. #3287 6:00 pm @ Library
- Nov-3 American Legion 6:30 pm @ Library
- Nov-8 Friends of the Maroa Public Library 3:00pm @Library
- Nov-8 Food Pantry 9:00am-10:30am Maroa Christian Church
- Nov-9 Lions Club 6:30pm @ U.M.C.
- Nov-14 Maroa-Forsyth School Board 7:00pm
- Nov-14 Maroa Public Library Board 7:00pm
- Nov-15 H.C.E. 7:00pm @ Library
- Nov-17 Zoning Board 7:00pm @ City Hall
- Nov-22 Food Pantry 3:30pm-5:30pm Maroa Christian Church
- Nov-23 Lions Club 6:30pm @ U.M.C.
- Nov-23 DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER 10:00AM @ CITY HALL**
- Nov-24-25 City Hall Closed for Thanksgiving/Have a Great Thanksgiving
- Nov-27 Community Christmas Church Cantata 3:00 pm M.C.C.
- Nov-28 City Council Meeting 7:00pm @ City Hall



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## Maroa Fire Department

The Maroa Fire Department is pleased to announce that it will be holding its' annual Fire Truck Parade and Open House on Thursday, October 6<sup>th</sup>.

The fire truck parade will begin at dusk and the open house will be following the fire truck parade. Activities for this event are still being planned but there will be the firefighters tug-o-war again this year. Check out our website for more up-to-date information.

The Maroa Fire Department would like to congratulate firefighters J.C. Clark and Jason Ridlen on becoming state certified firefighter 2s. To become a firefighter 2, a firefighter must take a yearlong class and pass a state test. Also, the Maroa Fire Department would like to congratulate Lieutenant Tim Peasley on becoming a licensed EMT-Basic. Tim took a 6-month class at Latham Fire Department and passed the state test to become a EMT-B.

The Maroa Fire Department is also pleased to announce that it has upgraded its' medical services to Basic Life Support Assist. Which will allow EMT-Basics and above to better serve their community.

Maroa Fire wearing pink - The Maroa Fire Department will be wearing pink medical gloves on all EMS calls in October for breast cancer awareness.

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ENGAGEMENT

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# A Cancer Benefit & Poker Run



A Cancer Benefit and Poker Run will be held for Matthew Mullins of Maroa on Oct. 8, 2011. Contributions can be made at any Hickory Point Bank & Trust in care of Matt Mullins cancer benefit fund. Registration will be held from noon to 1:00 pm at Coziahr Harley-Davidson, 150 W Marion, Forsyth. The fee is \$10 per person. A silent auction and 50/50 raffle will be held at Sliders Bar & Grill, U.S.36 East, the last stop on the run. Music will be provided by Greg Bicker's Band and D.J. also. For more information please call 794-5590.

Just a Friendly reminder that Sr. Bingo is still meeting the 1st Thursday of the month. At Maroa Library from 12:30- 2:30 pm. Come and play BINGO and enjoy some time with friends !!!!



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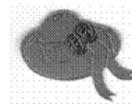
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Saturday	8:30-Noon	Saturday	8:00-Noon

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## THE RED HATS



The Red Hat Trio and The Sour Notes met at the Maroa Public Library in August for a delicious salad luncheon. The eleven ladies who attended had a great time with the game, Skeet Ball, provided by Janice. The game was a lot of fun and prizes were given out. We missed those who could not make the party. Our next service project will be to make Christmas stockings for nursing homes and we will stuff them with candy, etc. at our Christmas party. Plans were announced for rest of year and plans discussed also for 2012. There will be lots of events to look forward to in 2012. We have plans for some bus trips along with doing things locally. Our main goal is just having fun with good friends.



This will be our first Christmas season since opening the doors to The Fireplace-109 E. Main, Maroa. We have received so much support and feel it is fitting to begin an annual project for our community.

"Stockings for The Fireplace" will begin October 1st. We are asking residents to donate new, warm and cozy socks, slippers and slipper socks to be distributed before Christmas to Maroa residents-big and small (we all love to purchase those cute little sockies and slippers but please keep in mind that big feet get cold, too.)

By October 1st there will be a big mailbox outside The Fireplace front door for easy drop-off. The box will be checked daily and all items will be taken inside for later distribution. Deadline is December 3rd.

We hope you share in our excitement and want to be an active part of "Stockings for The Fireplace" because WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT to make this project a success!!

Thank you,  
Bill and Brenda Zombro



On Saturday, December 3rd **The Fireplace** will ho-ho-host "BREAKFAST WITH SANTA" for children 10 and under. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Children may eat breakfast and visit with Santa anytime between the hours of 8-10 am.

Santa will be available to greet all good girls and boys, listen to their Christmas Wish List and pose for pictures with them, so remember to bring your camera!!

Christmas is a magical time of year for tots!

We plan to make **The Fireplace** a part of that MAGICAL experience!

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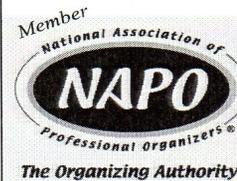
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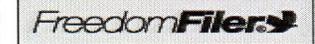
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The Maroa Public Library Board of Trustees has voted to increase the age of computer users to 16. This change has been effective since September 12, 2011. The change states "Patron must be at least 16 years of age or have a parent/guardian present at all times for computer usage". If you have any questions regarding this change please call the library 794-5111.

### OCTOBER ACTIVITIES

Oct-3 Library Board Meeting 7:00 pm  
Oct- 6,13, 27 Story time 10-10:45 am  
Oct-26 Book Club 10:00 am  
Oct-4,18 Quilting 9 am-3 pm  
Oct-11, 25 Late Nite Quilting 9 am-9 pm

### NOVEMBER ACTIVITIES

NOV-3, 10, 17 Story time 10-10:45 am  
Nov-7 Library Board Meeting 7:00 pm  
Nov-24, 25 Library Closed for Thanksgiving  
Nov-30 Adult Book Club 10:00 am

The quilters are busy making dresses for the "Little Dresses for Africa" non-profit group. We have committed to send 100 dresses to this organization by the end of the year. Their motto is "We're not just sending dresses, we're sending HOPE!" and we're determined to keep HOPE alive!

October has always been Cancer Cap Month for our quilters, this years will be NO different. We are also busy knitting and crocheting caps to keep heads warm. We will be sharing our craft with local Cancer Care Centers, Carle Hospital Neonatal Center, St Josephs Neonatal Center, Decatur Homeless Shelter, Maroa Food Pantry, and the New Day Foster Home in Beijing, China. If you'd like to help in any way, please stop by the library for patterns.

**REMEMBER TO WATCH OUT FOR THE  
TRICK OR TREATERS  
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## MAROA COMMUNITY PANTRY

In August, we passed the three-year mark providing the community with a FREE pantry. We started with 8 families and are now serving 45! The only way we have been able to continue is through the generosity of so many community members. We are very fortunate to live in an area that can see the local needs and continue to support us. Needless to say, we anticipate even more need during the winter months. Our pantry is a "choice" facility, which means patrons get to choose what they take home with them. This creates less waste because what is taken gets consumed. As we purchase and obtain products we try to keep in mind a balanced diet. If you would like to see the pantry "in action", make a donation, or become a volunteer, please contact Kathy 794-3780 or Joyce 794-5975. Upcoming dates are in this newsletter. Again, thank you Maroa for your many acts of kindness!!

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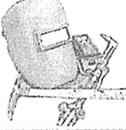
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Cloverbuds is for youth ages 5-8. We are partnering with FFA this year to provide new and exciting activities for the younger group.

4-H and Coverbud clubs meet once a month, elect officers, and develop their own schedule of events for the year. Activities, field trips, community service project and special workshops are all part of the adventure. Make sure you attend our first meeting to help plan the new year! Would you like to find out more? Call Laura Miller at 615-0676 or Chad Ruwe at 520-5190. Or attend our first club meeting on Saturday October 8, 2011 at 10:00 am at the Maroa Public Library. Bring your parents and learn more about the fun things you can do in 4-H !! Thank you! Laura Miller.



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**Traffic**

Speeding	13
Operating Uninsured Motor Vehicle	1
No Valid Driver's License	2
Driving While License Revoked	1
Disobey Traffic Control Device	7
Written Warnings	9
Verbal Warnings	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>35</b>

**Criminal**

Theft of Service (gas)	1
Disorderly Adult	8
Disorderly Juvenile	5
Burglary to Residence	1
Burglary to a Business	1
Battery	1
Possession of a Controlled Substance	1
Resisting & Obstructing a Peace Officer	1
Criminal Damage to Property	1
Stolen Wallet	1
Assault	1
Domestic Problem	4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>27</b>

**Other Service Calls**

Assist Motorist	4
Assist I.D.O.T.	1
Assist M.S.O.	2
Assist M.F.D.	2
Assist D.A.S.	3
Assist I.S.P.	1
Assist D.C.F.S.	1
Suspicious Person	1
Follow ups	45
Check Welfare of Adult	1
Animal Complaint	7
Fireworks Complaint	3
Community Service	2
Ordinance Notice	5
Traffic Detail	3
Found Property	4
Returned Property	2
ATV Complaint	2
Preserve the Peace	1
Vandalism	1
Loud Music Complaint	1
Driving Complaint	2
Other Public Service	4

**TOTAL 103**

**Traffic Accidents**

Personal Injury	1
Property Damage	4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5</b>



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## COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CANTATA

Attention all singers! Practice for the Community Christmas Cantata will begin Tuesday Oct. 4 7-8:30pm at the Maroa Christian Church. All are welcome! Let's come together as a community and have some fun as we prepare our hearts and minds for Christmas. Performance will be Sunday Nov 27th at 3:00 pm at the Maroa Christian Church. Any questions contact Denise Sarna at 794-5361. Submitted, by Denise Sarna.



TRACK BACKER RACE

Bill and Barbara Holley were proud and excited to see their grandchildren run in the "Track Backer" 5K race on July 16. Jeremy and Jessica Spaulding Brown of Collinsville ran in their area events and for good health. Meagan Spaulding Laker of Plainfield IN. ran cross-country for 9 years, 4 of those years at Mac Arthur High School. She, also ran a triathlon in Indianapolis. She, now, runs mostly for the exercise. They all enjoyed the race and thought it was it was well organized Thanks to Jim Underwood and his volunteers.

## MAROA POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR AUGUST 1 TO AUGUST 31, 2011 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, CHIEF L. BRAD WILKEY

### Traffic

Speeding	5
Driving in Wrong Lane	1
No Valid Insurance	2
Driving While License Suspend	1
Failure to Police Vehicle	1
Failed to Properly Restrain a Child	1
Written Warnings	5
Verbal Warnings	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>19</b>

### Criminal

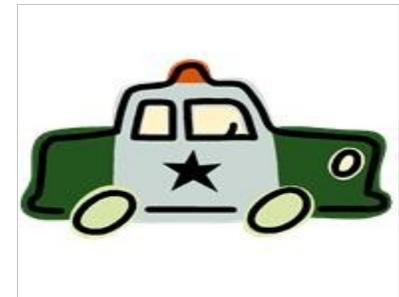
Theft of Property	2
Disorderly Adult	3
Disorderly Juvenile	5
Warrant Arrest	1
Aggravated Battery	1
Arrest For Burglaries	3
Arrest For Battery	1
Juvenile Trespass	1
Criminal Damage to Property	2
Criminal Damage to a Motor Vehicle	2
Juvenile Petition For Theft	1
Domestic Problem	4
Credit Card Fraud	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>26</b>

### Other Service Calls

Assist M.S.O.	3
Assist M.F.D.	3
Assist D.A.S.	1
Assist I.S.P.	1
Assist D.P.D.	1
Suspicious Person	2
Suspicious Vehicle	3
Follows Ups	49
Animal Complaint	2
Ordinance Complaint	2
Traffic Complaint	2
Returned Runaway	1
Other Public Service	6
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>76</b>

### Traffic Accidents

Personal Injury	1
Property Damage	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2</b>



## H.C.E.

The Maroa Patchwork Unit met Aug. 16th at the Maroa Library. We made ham and chicken salad sandwiches for the local Lion's Club Blood Drive. After that our president Ruth Darelus called the meeting to order. We discussed the International Day Event that will be held on Sept 15th. From 11:00 am to 2:00pm. At Macon County Extension office. Our Club will make a poster telling about Scotland's Agriculture and some shortbread for food samples. Karen Halicki told and displayed hardanger embroidery, embroidered bookmarks and stepping stones from recent months workshops. We may make stepping stones in an upcoming meeting. Our next meeting (outing) will be Sept 13th at the Civic Center as we attend the "Taste of Home" event. Also, we are collecting pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. If you would like to contribute they can be given to any HCE member.

The meeting concluded with delicious brownies and gingerbread tea served by Sherryl Young.

Respectively Submitted by:  
Cindy Hoffman



## Calling all Trojan fans

There is always a tailgate party before every AWAY game from 5:30—6:45pm and bring a dish to share. The menu will be grilled brats and hot dogs. We will have a donation box set up to cover the cost of meat, drink, and tableware.

E-mail me if you know of someone who would like to be added to this e-mail list. There are new Trojan families added to the JFL every year and I wanted to let everyone know they are welcome to join us. We have a great time and it is an awesome way to meet new people. If you have a question you can e-mail [vincent.sims@rockmail.com](mailto:vincent.sims@rockmail.com) or you can call me at 217-519-0165.

Trojans played Sullivan –Okaw Valley on 8/26/11 and won 6-62. Trojans played Tolono-Unity on 9/2/11 and won 13-7. Trojans played Clinton on 9/9/11 and won 0-56. Trojans played Monticello on 9/16/11 and won 46-19. Here is the rest of the games for the season. 9/23 @ Meridian, 9/30 vs. Argenta (Homecoming) 10/7 @ Tuscola, 10/14 vs. Central A & M, 10/21 @ Warrensburg .

**!!!!GO TROJANS GOOD LUCK !!!!**

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&  
CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS STORE @ MAROA UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH 9:00 –11:00 AM**