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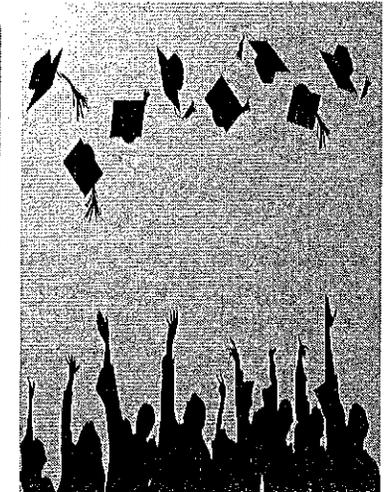
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MAY

- 5- MAROA LODGE #454 7:30PM
- 7- 8-9 CITY WIDE RUMMMAGE SALES
- 7- V.F.W. POST # 3287 6:00 PM @ LIBRARY
- 7- AMERICAN LEGION 6:30PM @ LIBRARY
- 8- BOOK SALE AT LIBRARY 9-6
- 9- BOOK SALE AT LIBRARY 9-NOON
- 9- POST OFFICE ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE
- 9- OPEN HOUSE AT THE FIREPLACE 1-3 PM
- 11- MAROA-FORSYTH SCHOOL BOARD 7:00PM
- 12- FOOD PANTRY 9AM-10AM @ CHRISTIAN CHURCH
- 12- FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY 5:00PM @ LIBRARY
- 13- MAROA LIONS CLUB 6:30PM @ METHODIST CHURCH
- 16- CITY WIDE CLEAN UP 6:00 AM TILL NOON
- 18- LIBRARY BOARD MEETING 6:30PM
- 18- CITY COUNCIL 7:00PM AT CITY HALL
- 19- H.C.E. 5:30PM
- 21- ZONING BOARD 7:00PM AT CITY HALL
- 26- FOOD PANTRY 4:00PM-5:00PM @CHRISTAIN CHURCH
- 27- MAROA LIONS CLUB 6:30PM @ METHODIST CHURCH

JUNE

- 2- MAROA LODGE #454 7:30 PM
- 4- V.F.W POST #3287 6:00 PM AT LIBRARY
- 4- AMERICAN LEGION 6:30 PM AT LIBRARY
- 8- MAROA-FORSYTH SCHOOL BOARD 7:00 PM
- 9- FOOD PANTRY 9 AM-10 AM AT CHRISTIAN CHURCH
- 10- MAROA LIONS CLUB 6:30 PM AT METHODIST CHURCH
- 15- LIBRARY BOARD MEETING 6:30 PM AT LIBRARY
- 22- NEWSLETTER NEWS IS DUE @10.AM
- 22- CITY COUNCIL MEETING 7:00 PM AT CITY HALL
- 23- FOOD PANTRY 4:00-5:00 PM AT CHRISTIAN CHURCH
- 24- MAROA LIONS CLUB 6:30 PM AT METHODIST CHURCH
- 27- MASON'S PORK CHOP DINNER AT CITY HALL 5:00PM-7:00
- 27- FIREWORKS AT DUSK

MAROA POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR

January 23, 2015 to February 21, 2015

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

CHIEF L. BRAD WILKEY

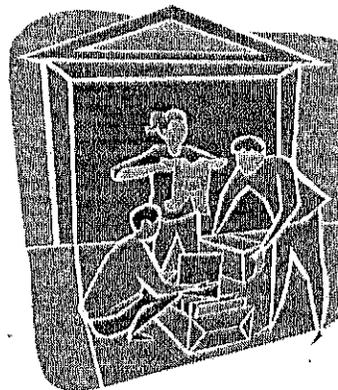
TRAFFIC

Speeding	14	Open Doors	8
Operating Uninsured Motor Vehicle	1	Check Welfare of a Child	1
Speeding School Zone	1	Attempted Suicide	1
Driving while Suspended	1	Driving Complaint	1
No Valid Driver's License	1	Domestic Problem	1
Improper Use of a Turn Signal	1	Mental Health Issue	1
Driving While License Is Revoked	1	Return Property	1
Failure to Signal when Required	1	Register	
Written Warnings	12	Sex Offender	2
Battery to a Child	1	Security Checks	12
Identity Theft Complaint	1	ATV Compliant	1
Phone Scam	1	Preserve the Peace	1
Property Damage	1	Other Calls to Service	6
TOTAL	38	TOTAL	97

OTHER SERVICE CALLS

Assist M.F.D.	2
Assist Motorist	3
Assist Dewitt C.S.O.	1
Assist Macon C.S.O.	5
Assist D.C.F.S.	1
Animal Complaint	3
Parking Citation	11
Suspicious Person	1
Follow ups	34

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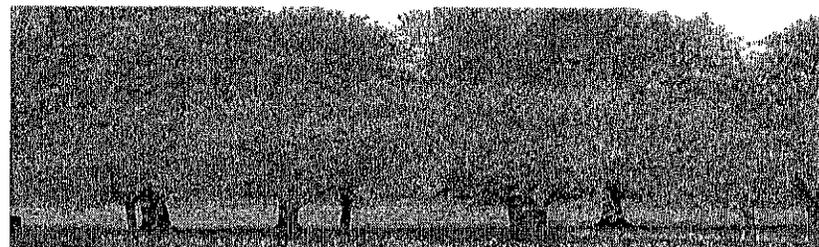
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MAROA POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR

February 21, 2015 to March 20, 2015

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TRAFFIC

Speeding	16	Suspicious Person	4
No Valid Drives		Follow Ups	33
License	1	Vacation Checks	7
No Insurance	4	Parking Citation	2
Driving While		Open Doors	9
License is Suspended	1	Visitation Problems	2
Written Warnings	16	Animal Complaint	3
Verbal Warnings	1	Parking Complaint	
Personal Injury	2	Snow Route	1
Identity Theft-Tax Return	1	Mental Health Issue	1
Disorderly Juveniles	3	Four Wheeler	
Violation of an Order		Complaint	1
Of Protection	1	Driving Complaint	1
Phone Scam	2	Other Public	
Disorderly Adult	11	Service	6
Warrant Arrest	1		
Resisting a Police Officer	1		
Attempted Residential			
Burglary	2		
TOTAL	63	TOTAL	86

OTHER SERVICES CALLS

Assist Motorist	3
Assist Dewitt C.S.O.	1
Assist Macon C.S.O.	5
Assist D.A.S.	2
Assist Maroa F.D.	3
Suspicious Vehicle	2

REST IN PEACE

Janice L Doak, 83 passed away February 8, 2015. Mrs. Doak was born in Atwood, on December 13, 1931 the daughter of Loren E. and Edith (Lewis) Randall. She married Thomas E. Doak on Sept 15, 1951. He preceded her in death on February 18, 12988. Janice was avid Maroa-Forsyth High School sports fan. Janice loved to travel she went all over the world. She leaves behind two beloved sons: Clifford Lee of Decatur, Loren Edward (Donna) of Maroa. Grandsons: Christopher M of Maroa, Andrew (Ramya) Lewis of Chicago and Timothy William of Nashville TN. One sister Cleo P. Rose of Decatur. Mrs. Doak was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and her sister Elizabeth with who she shared bowling and traveling. She felt so blessed in this life.

Jack Lee Hopkins, 71 of Maroa passed away on February 24, 2015. Jack was born on April 11, 1943 the son of John & Dorothy (Steinheimer) Hopkins. Jack enlisted in the United States Navy in 1962-1966. He was Honor Man of his Basic Training Company and received the Vietnam Service Medal. Jack married DeAnne (Miller) on March 17, 1968. He leaves behind his loving wife DeAnne. Three sons John (Tami) of Maroa, Jeffrey (Dana) of Reno NV, Jared Hopkins of Maroa. Six grandchildren. Preceded in by his parents. Jack and his mother (Dorothy) were involved in a tragic car accident on Oct 26, 1991. This accident left Jack paralyzed and took the life of his mother. The accident left Jack with tremendous courage and he was truly an inspiration to many.



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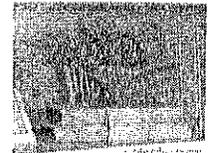
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Richard H. Dahman, 84 of Maroa passed away on Saturday February 28 2015. Richard was born November 4 1930 in Lovington IL. He was the son of Phillip & Vivian (Timmons) Dahman. He married Patricia Sue (Phelps) on July 24, 1955 in Lovington. Richard was a veteran of U.S. Navy serving in the Korean War. He was a painter and member of the Local Painter's Union #288. Richard is survived by his six children, Fletcher (Laura) of Honolulu HI, Joe Dahman of Maroa, Eric (Brenda) of Argenta, Sue Busby of Chicago, Collen (Mike) Jordan of Mt.Zion, Maureen (Odell) Dubson of Clinton. Richard was preceded in death by his parents, wife, three brothers Bill, Bob, and John and one sister Kate.



Celebrating the life of Ronald E. Wikoff, Ron was born May 28, 1942 in Decatur IL. Ron passed away on January 20, 2015. Memorial Service was held at "The Pasture at Carmalita" in Punta Gorda, Florida on March 7, 2015. Officiant was Pastor Bill Klossner. He is survived by his wife: Elaine Granger Wikoff. Brothers: Roger (Shelia) Wikoff, Rick (Nancy) Wikoff both from Maroa. Sister Kay (Lowell) Bone of Greenville IL. Children: Samantha Massey, Step Children: Kelly (Bennett) Shapiro, Mark and Jeff Granger. He is remembered as a teacher, Assistant Principal, Babcock Ranch Manager, a member to hundreds of Charlotte County Youth and an Outstanding horseman and jockey.

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MAROA COMMUNITY PANTRY

As the weather begins to warm up, many of you will be thinking about planting your garden. Each year the pantry networks suggest reminding everyone to "plant an extra row". Some of you already do this and some have not tried it. One of the things that we can hardly ever procure for the pantry is fresh produce. Anything you can donate is greatly appreciated by us, and we are willing to drop by and pick it up. Thanks to all of you in our community that continue to support us through donations and time. If you or someone you know in Maroa township needs help with food insecurity, please call Kathy 794.3780 or Joyce 794.5975.

NEWS

MAROA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

KID'S ACTIVITIES

Children's Church Sunday 10:10 am

Children start Sunday worship with adults then experience the week's Scripture in a fun, interactive way.

Sunday School Sunday 9:30 am

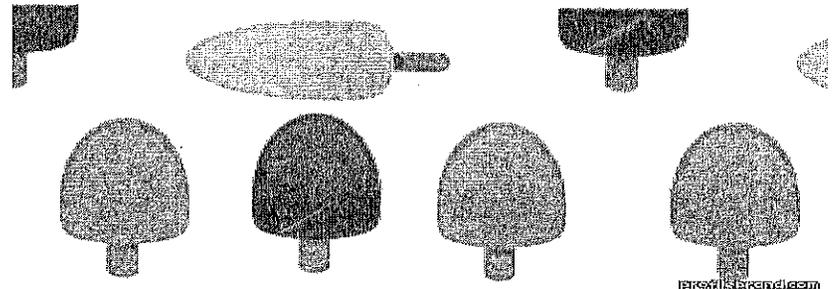
- Sunday School aids children and youth in understanding
- Bible stories, appreciating God's word, and applying it to
- daily living.

HVK Youth Group 1st and 3rd Sundays 5:00-6:30pm.

Kindergarten and up are invited for supper followed by a High Voltage Kids experience of fun, friendship, life lessons, and mission.

Popsicles in the park!

Wet (possibly messy) cool fun coming this summer to Spencer Park.



NEWS

We are throwing a party and you are the special guests !

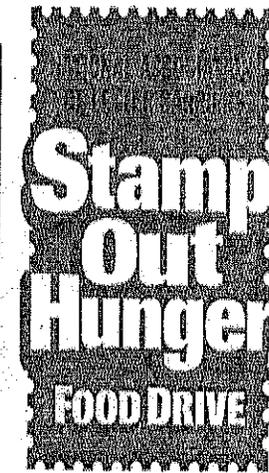
The Fireplace will celebrate its 5 year anniversary on Saturday, May 9, 2015. We are inviting everyone to join us as we celebrate this very special event.

Our small town of Maroa and surrounding areas have supported us so much in the past 5 years that we want to do something special for you!

On Saturday May 9, 1 pm-3 pm we invite you to stop by The Fireplace at 109 E Main, Maroa for refreshments. This will be an open house so drop by anytime and stay as long as you like. You can expect a party atmosphere on that spring day with the tables and parlor decorated just for you! We want to say thanks to those of you that have used our small banquet facility to host your special events and gatherings. We also want to take the time to welcome those of you that have been wanting to check out The Fireplace but haven't had the time. May is a beautiful time of the year and we hope everyone will take a few minutes out of their busy day to stop in and say "HI" and enjoy refreshments. Between 1-3 pm we will be handing out tickets (1 per person) for a drawing to be held later that day. The winning ticket will receive 1 free, 4 hour rental (valued at \$80.00) and may be used anytime, (as long as we are not already booked.) Everyone has a special occasion in their life and the winning ticket holder will be able to host their next party right here in Maroa at The Fireplace.

Come as you are and help us celebrate.

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts. !



Every second Saturday in May, letter carriers in more than 10,000 cities and towns across America collect the goodness and compassion of their postal customers, who participate in the NALC Stamp Out Hunger National Food Drive — the largest one-day food drive in the nation.

Led by letter carriers represented by the National Association of Letter Carriers (AFL-CIO), with help from rural letter carriers, other postal employees and other volunteers, the drive has delivered more than one billion pounds of food the past 20 years.

Carriers collect non-perishable food donations left by mailboxes and in post offices and deliver them to local community food banks, pantries and shelters. Nearly 1,500 NALC branches in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam and the Virgin Islands are involved.

USPS and Campbell Soup Company are major supporters. Campbell Soup earmarked an additional 1 million pounds of canned food to the drive. Other supporters are AARP, Feeding America, Publix, Walassis/Red Plum, Cox Target Media and Valpak Direct Marketing Systems, which promotes the drive on 40 million packets delivered to postal customers.

The drive also relies on the backing of the National Rural Letter Carriers Association, the Feeding America food bank network, the United Way of America and its local United Ways, the AFL-CIO Community Services network, Uncle Bob's Self Storage and countless local sponsors.

To donate, just place a box or can of non-perishable food next to your mailbox before your letter carrier delivers mail on the second Saturday in May. The carrier will do the rest. The food is sorted, and delivered to an area food bank or pantry, where it is available for needy families.

With more than 50 million people facing hunger every day in America, including nearly 17 million children, this drive is one way you can help those in your own city or town who need help.

May 9, 2015

REST IN PEACE

Norma Ruth Porter, of Maroa passed away on March 22, 2015. Norma was born December 21, 1936 in Decatur, IL the daughter of Herman F. & Martha (Sobeski) Koshinski. She married Ivan W. Porter on April 30, 1955. Ivan passed away August 11, 2013. Survivors include her children, Debra Kay (Dick) Morstatter of Oreana, Linda Sue Harrington of Decatur. Randy Lee Porter of Maroa, Janice Drue (Mark) Collins of Edwardsville, and Kimberly Ann (Michael) Earls of New Canton. 9 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren, 1 great great grandchildren. 2 Sisters Frances Stirling of Decatur and Barbara William of Wilerson S.C. 1 Brother Walter Koshinski of Pennsylvania. Norma was preceded in death by her parents, 1 sister Mary-Helen Williams and 3 Brothers Herman "Doc", Eugene "Ko" and Leo Koshinski. Norma was an avid bowler and LOVED the Cardinals .

Jimmie Dwaine Hughes Sr. 77, Greensboro GA., formerly of Maroa passed away February 22, 2015. Jim was born on November 28, 1937 to the son of Donald & Evelyn (Coleman) Hughes. He married Elizabeth Ray November of 1957 and were happily married 55 years. Jim worked at UPS for 33 years. He was a member of the Christian Church here in Maroa.

Surviving is wife Elizabeth: daughters Debra Hughes from Myrtle Beach, Susan (Matt) Orred: son Jim Jr. (Nancy) Hughes: Grandchildren Alex, Stacey, Kacey (Wm) Grand, Karli (Kevin) Smith, and Kora Alyne, his 2 sisters, Gloria Prescott and Marcia Hughes, brother Rodger (Barbara)Hughes. Preceding him in death are his parents, 3 brothers, a sister and 2 nephews.

NEWS

Molly Mackenzie Harris, 21 years old from Maroa, graduated in December from the University of Mississippi (Ole Miss) with a Bachelor of Arts degree majoring in Political Science/International Relations with a minor in History.

Molly is a 2011 graduate of Maroa-Forsyth High School and the daughter of Rick and Cyndi Butkovich-Harris, Maroa. She is also the granddaughter Pat Butkovich, Mt. Pulaski and Donald and Carolyn Harris, Ft. Myers Beach, FL.

Molly moved to Washington DC where she accepted a position working for a Member of the United States Congress on Capitol Hill. Molly has spent the past 3 summers interning on "the hill" and is excited to be working in a congressional office. She started her new position in Washington, DC on Jan. 5, 2015.

The Maroa Community Center (Main Street Café) is governed by a board of trustees. There are three elected trustees, each serving 4-year term. Current board members are Vickie Buckingham, Sharon Woolum, and Larry Clark. Sharon and Larry will not be seeking another term in the election of 2017. Larry would like to resign earlier if possible, we are seeking an individual to fulfill the remainder of his term. The board meets once a month on the second Thursday of each month. If you are interested contact Larry 454.1747 Sharon 358.1002 or Vickie 794.5000.

HARVEST

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Morning Worship—10:30am
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NEWS

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

VIRGINIA DOTY TURNED 80 ON MARCH 18TH. MRS. DOTY WAS BORN IN WELDON ON MARCH 18,1935. SHE MARRIED ROBERT DOTY ON JUNE 5, 1954. SHE IS THE MOTHER OF TERRI (RON) BRADEN OF MAROA AND RICK (JODI) DOTY OF CLINTON. SHE HAS SIX GRANDCHILDREN AND 13 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

NEWS

The Maroa Fire Department will be hosting their annual Blood Drive on May 26, from 3-7 pm at the Maroa Fire House. If you would like to donate please contact Tim Peasley at 217.521.8115. The Fire Department is a great way to give back to your community. If you are interested in joining the Fire department, please see any volunteer for more information or contract the firehouse at 217.794.3375.

Library News and Events

Come join the fun at the Maroa Public Library this spring! We offer so much more than books and movies!!! Be sure to "like" us on Facebook and check out our website to keep up to date on all of our fun events! <http://www.maroa.lib.il.us>

Exciting News and Thank You's:

New Children's Programmer: The library is excited to announce Julie Crabtree as the new children's programmer. She is a member of the community and has many years experience working with children. We know she will be a great asset to all of our children's programming and the library as a whole. Stop in and say hello!

Egg Hunt: The annual egg hunt was a HUGE success! There were over 150 kids that found more than 5000 eggs filled with candy and prizes! A giant thank you goes out to all who donated candy, the Maroa United Methodist Church, for hosting the EGGstravaganza to fill over 1400 eggs with donated candy and Walmart North and Target of Decatur for donating gift cards used to help purchase candy and prizes. This is truly a community event and we are already looking forward to next year!!

Upcoming Events:

May

Mammogram Clinic: Our last event was so successful, we're doing it again! Wednesday May 13 from 11-3 the DMH Mobile Mammography Unit will once again be here. Please call (217) 876-1111 to schedule an appointment.

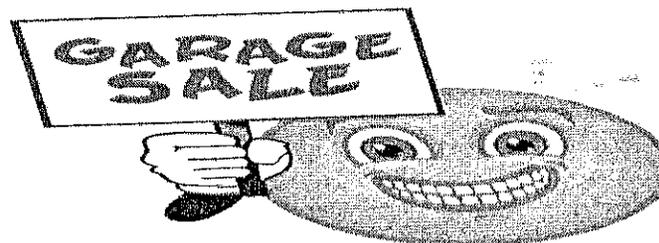
Garage Sale Items: While out and about finding great deals during the citywide garage sales, don't forget to stop in the library. We will have books and other items (including office equipment and furniture) priced to sell!!!

Mom Swap Event: Didn't get rid of everything you were hoping to during your garage sale? Plan to take part in the Library Mom Swap event on May 15-16. This is your chance to trade out items you no longer want with items you need! Watch the website, for flyers around town and facebook for more information!

June

Summer Reading Sign Ups: Come get signed up for our exciting summer reading program the week of June 2-6. This year will be full of all kinds of new surprises. You won't want to miss this!!! If this week won't work for you, it's ok. Contact us and we will work something out.

Senior Medicare Outreach Program: Medicare benefit counselors will be on hand June 17 9:30-11:30 to assist seniors who need extra help with prescription drug costs or help paying premiums, deductibles or coinsurance. Low Income Subsidy (LIS) or Medicare Savings Program (MSP) might benefit you!



MAROA CITY WIDE RUMMAGE SALES

MAY 7,8,9 2015

THURSDAY 4-8 PM FRIDAY 8-5 SATURDAY 8-12

Maroa Library Book Sale

8TH 9AM-6PM

9TH 9AM-NOON



CLEAN UP DAY

MAY 16, 2015

8-NOON

THANK YOU

We like to take the time to Thank each and everyone for their deep concerns during my illness. For the food, phone calls, cards, flowers and most of all for all the prayers and different churches who had me on their prayer chain at the surrounding churches as far as the east coast. We are so blessed to have so many wonderful, friends, family, and neighbors during this time of need. God Bless. Sharon & Gary Brelsfoard.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY



Mr. and Mrs. Harold W. Dunham of Maroa celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary. Mr. Dunham and Joyce (Landgrebe) were married February 20, 1955, in Decatur. He is a Korean War Army Veteran and retired from Bridgestone / Firestone Inc. Joyce is a retired from Maroa-Forsyth High School. They are the parents of Gary, Curt and Judy Dunham all from Maroa, and Carol (Brain) French of Naperville. They have nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Breathe Easy Benefit

Breathe Easy Benefit will be held May 9th 12pm-12am at AIW Hall in Decatur. \$5 entry fee. Raffle ticket given when entry is paid for. Live Auctions will run randomly throughout the day till 9:00pm. Business Expo 1-4pm with companies include Pink Zebra, Youique, Barefoot Books, Cookie Lee, Jamberry Nails, Scentsy & and much more. Bag tournaments sign up in teams \$20. per team. Bands will be playing, come down and enjoy lunch, dinner.

Stay all day and enjoy the Benefit.

Beyond

Blood Drive: We are attempting to host a blood drive here at the library this year, but in order to do that, we are needing 30 signatures of people who might be interested. Please come in and sign our sheet if you are willing to give blood and help save a life! Thank you!

Don't Forget:

Volunteers Needed: Looking for a way to get involved in the community this summer? Please consider volunteering your time here at the library. Contact Amber Scott with questions or for details (217)794-5111. Thanks so much!!

Story Time: Join library staff for storytime every Thursday at 10am. Hear a story, play, do art and have a snack while making new friends. There's never a dull moment! Ages: Birth-Pre-K

Tablets and e-readers: The library offers options for checking out books on your tablets and e-readers at no cost to you, simply by using your library card! Stop in and get information on how you can use this fantastic tool to enhance your literary experiences!

New Fine Policy Has Taken Effect: Get those overdue materials in and your fines paid to avoid paying replacement costs or having your account frozen.

Tai Chi: All are invited to the invigorating exercise class that is held every Wednesday and Friday in the Community Room at 9 am. Exercise and socialize!

Are there programs you would like to see YOUR library provide? We love hearing your ideas so swing on over and share your thoughts.

SPRING AND SUMMER FREE CLOTHING GIVE AWAY

The Forsyth United Methodist Church is having another community FREE clothing giveaway on May 2nd, from 8:30 to 12:30. A small free meal will be served from 9am to 12 noon. If you would like to donate clothing, we need adult, teen, children, and infant clothing. The drop off dates will be April 13th to the 25th. Once again there will be a drop off box at the North door of the church at 210 Ruehl St. Forsyth. It's a great place to take your gently used, outgrown, or no longer needed clothes. Please help us help those less fortunate than us. If you will need pick up, you can call 433-5187

Maroa Community Mom Swap

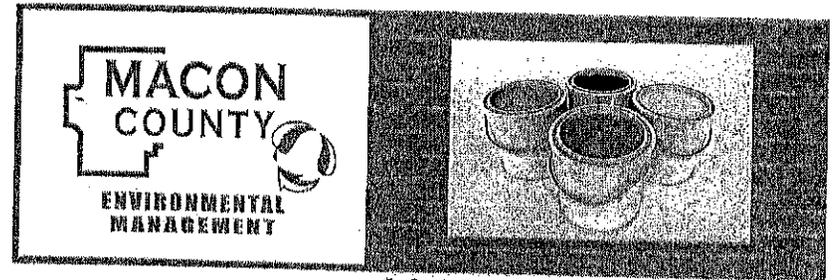
Donate May 15th 9AM - 6PM
Shop May 16th 1PM - 3PM

- Make a donation, receive an entrance ticket to shop through donations for free.
- Donate one or a carload of items, children's or maternity.
- Please drop off donations between 9AM and 6PM on Friday, May 15th in the library Community Room.
- Shop for free on Saturday, May 16th between 1PM and 3PM, first come first serve.



- All items remaining will be donated to Encore Thrift Store in Clinton, IL.
- Volunteers are needed to organize donations at 6PM May 15th. Please contact library if interested.

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Maroa, IL 61756
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2015

Paint, Stain and Varnish Collections

1:30 p.m. — 5:30 p.m.

April 13
May 4
May 18
June 8
July 13
August 3
September 14
September 28
October 19

Location: 1750 North 21st Street, Decatur

Directions: 1750 N. 21st Street is located one block west of 22nd Street (Route 121) between Division and Garfield. From 22nd Street, turn west onto Division Street then right (north) onto 21st Street. Our building is on the east with burgundy awnings. Look for the sign to our parking lot entrance.

3:00 p.m. — 7:00 p.m.

June 22
August 24

Accepted Items

- Latex based paints
- Oil based paints
- Varnishes
- Stains

Please be advised: Latex paint that is solidified may be disposed in regular trash service with container lid off. If you have any questions or need additional directions, please call 425-4505. Visit our website at: www.MaconGreen.com

Residential paint only. No business or commercial paints.

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