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MADISON COUNTY NEWSLETTER



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FEBRUARY 2021

County Board Approves Chairman's Appointments of New Members



The County Board added three new members on Jan. 29.

Mike Babcock of Bethalto took the seat of Tom McRae who was elected Madison County's Circuit Clerk.

Terry Eaker of Bethalto replaced Chrissy Dutton who resigned after moving out of the district.

Valarie Doucleff of Godfrey took Ray Wesley's seat after he resigned to become the Circuit Clerk's Office deputy chief.

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Chairman Kurt Prenzler named Head of East-West Gateway



EAST-WEST GATEWAY
Council of Governments

Madison County Board Chair Kurt Prenzler is named the new chair for the East-West Gateway Council of Government Board of Directors.

The board approved Prenzler's appointment at its Jan.27 meeting, and he will serve as chairman for remainder of the year. Prenzler served as the board's vice chair during the past year.

Prenzler started his second term as county board chairman in December 2020. Prior to being elected chairman he served as the county's treasurer for six years.

Prenzler studied business and finance at the Wharton School of Business and law at the University of Illinois. Passionate about numbers, Prenzler earned his certified public accountant designation and rather than conduct audits or prepare taxes, he chose to work in finance and acquisitions for various companies throughout the Midwest.

East-West Gateway was formed in 1965 as part of a national policy to more equitably distribute federal funding in metropolitan areas by involving municipal and county jurisdictions in the decision making process.

As the region's federally designated metropolitan planning organization, East-West Gateway plans and approves federal funding for major regional transportation and homeland security projects.

The East-West Gateway board of directors has 24 voting members, including the mayor of the city of St. Louis, and the top elected officials of the surrounding seven counties. There are five non-voting members on the board in addition to the 24 voting members.

The East-West Gateway region consists of the city of St. Louis, and Franklin, Jefferson, St. Charles and St. Louis counties in Missouri, and Madison, Monroe, and St. Clair counties in Illinois.

The board meets last Wednesday of each month.

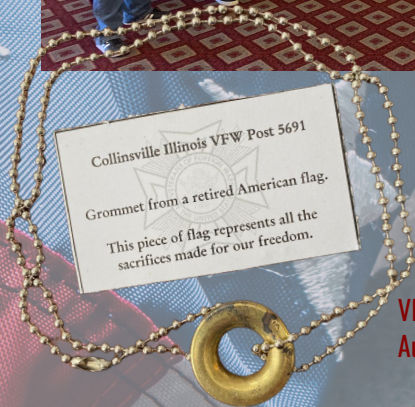


**The LAST DAY to pay
Madison County
Property Taxes
is by 4:30 p.m. Friday,
Feb. 19.**

"Delinquent taxes are due in person," Treasurer Chris Slusser said. "Taxes that are not paid will be placed in the annual Property Tax Sale on Monday, Feb. 22."



Veterans Supporting Madison County Vaccination Clinic Staff & Volunteers



Veterans delivered snacks to COVID-19 vaccination volunteers and workers on Feb. 12 at Gateway Convention Center in Collinsville.

VFW Post 5691 in Collinsville donated 34 boxes of snacks and 20 cases of bottled water just before noon to the Madison County Health Department's vaccination site.

"We are so thankful for these items," Health Department Director Toni Corona said. "You have no idea. We cannot purchase these kind of items with our grants. This is really an unmet need."

Corona said the majority of the people working at the vaccination site health department employees and volunteers. She said many of them are working 10 and 12 hour days and its not been an easy job.

"We feel like (the Health Department and its volunteers) are the heroes and we just wanted to say thank you," VFW Post Commander Alonzo "Skip" Skipper, and U.S. Navy veteran, said.

Skipper said that veterans, along with post auxiliary members collected money to purchase the supplies. He said Chris Rydgig with Edward Jones of Maryville and Sam's Club in Glen Carbon also contributed.

VFW members and navy veterans Chester Townzen and Don Digirolamo assisted in delivering the snacks along with Post Auxiliary members, President Shelly Steuart and Joe Lodes.

Skipper also presented Corona with a grommet necklace made from a retired U.S. flag.

"We are allowed to officially retire a flag by burning it," he said. "When we are done we pull the flags' brass grommets from the pit and polish them and make them into necklaces."

Corona said she was honored to receive such a piece. A small card that comes with the necklace states, "this piece of flag represents all the sacrifices made for our freedom."

Skipper gave Corona a plastic bag filled with necklaces for her to give to health department employees.

"I will wear this with pride," Corona said. "I appreciate your service to our country and everything you've done for us, thank you."





CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY in *Madison County*

Madison County is honoring Alton resident Anita H. (Manns) Banks with its Living Legend Community Service Award.

Service to the church and community forms the foundation for Banks' actions.

County Board member Michael "Doc" Holliday of Alton, nominated Banks for the award, and said it is for that very reason he selected her.

"Mrs. Banks has been a stellar leader in the Alton community for many years," Holliday said. "With her work and dedication to her church, and her church family, as well as several community organizations she is someone who can be counted on."

The annual award is presented during the County Board's February meeting in honor of Black History Month. Due to COVID-19 and the board continuing to hold meeting via remote, Holliday said he scheduled a time to present Banks with the award at her home.

After graduating from Edwardsville High School in 1954, Banks moved to Alton.

Banks worked as a parent coordinator for Madison County Economic Opportunity Commission project Head Start, where she also served as employment counselor for 15 years; Alton School District culinary specialist for 12 years and nutrition specialist for 12 years before retiring.

Through the years she advanced her education by taking classes at Lewis and Clark Community College and Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, by enrolling in refresher courses in human resource management.

Banks is an active member of Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church. She serves as a member of the culinary committee, the Dan Gurdon Scholarship Committee, the Lonnie Calmese Banquet Committee, church announcement clerk, condolence clerk and secretary for the Women's Sunday School class.

Besides her busy church schedule, Banks advocates for the things she



believes in by giving back to the community.

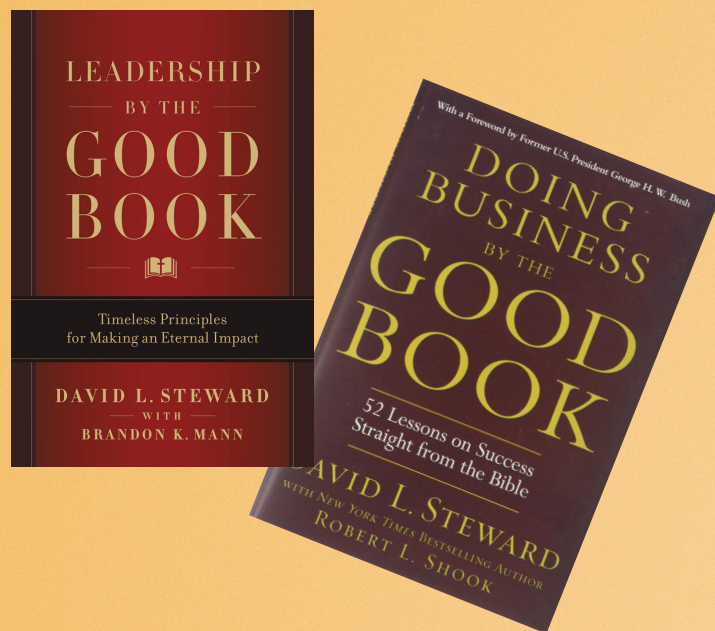
Banks served as the chair on the Foster Grandparents Advisory Board, as a member of the Alton Chapter of NAACP executive committee, past state president of the Illinois Association of Club Women and Youth Affiliation and member of Reba Hill Civic Charity and Educational Club.

Beside her service Banks has many hobbies, including her passion for cooking, which she enjoys sharing with others.

Banks says one thing she is most proud of is her service as employment counselor. Through the years she helped place people in a variety of industrial jobs in the county — Olin Corp., Shell Oil Co. (Wood River Refinery,) Laclede Steel Co. and Owen Glads Co. She said the last person she placed in a job recently retired from the Wood River Refinery in Roxana after 40 years of service.

Banks believes in a life of service — to her community and to her church. Her motto, "If I can help someone along the way, then my life will not be in vain."

"Mrs. Banks life has been filled with purpose," Holliday said. "She is someone that can be depended on to be supportive and in a place when and where she is supposed to be."



KURT PRENZLER, CPA
Chairman, Madison County Board

Whenever I read a “good book” I always like to share my thoughts, especially when there are ties to Madison County. Here are two books authored by David Steward, the founder and chairman of World Wide Technology (WWT), the county’s largest private employer, that I feel deserve attention.

In 2004, Steward published his first book, “Doing Business by the Good Book, 52 lessons on Success Straight from the Bible,” when WWT was a “billion dollar” company. He published his second book, “Leadership by the Good Book, Timeless Principles for Making an Eternal Impact,” 16 years later, when the company’s annual revenues exceeded \$12 billion.

Since founding the company in 1990, it’s grown into one of the largest privately held firms in the world, with a “worldwide” presence to match its name.

Madison County benefits from the technology service provider company headquartered in St. Louis.

The company occupies 3.7 million square feet of space in Madison County, and employs more than 1,700 employees and 500 contract workers, making it the largest private employer in the county. Operations include the production and assembly of technology equipment, along with product storage and distribution.

In addition, WWT put its name on the area’s leading motorsports venue — World Wide Technology Raceway at Gateway, home of NASCAR, INDYCAR and National Hot Rod Association (NHRA) racing events.

The idea for Steward’s first book came about after leading a Sunday school class. Each of its 52 chapters applies a text from the Bible to the business world.

The introduction of the book begins, “When I founded World Wide Technology, Inc. in 1990, I wanted to run a company based on the teachings of the Bible.” Service is one concept emphasized by Steward, both to customers and employees, and he cites many examples from the life and teachings of Christ.

In the second book, Steward recounts difficulties from his early years in business and shares insights and examples of how God’s word influenced his leadership and bolstered his faith.

Not only is Madison County blessed by the economic impact of the company, but also by the good example of its founder.

I’ve been told by people who know Steward that his life reflects his teachings. Both books will inform, inspire and enrich those who read them.



[Read more about David Steward and his company.](#)



World Wide Technology

COUNTY OFFICIALS CORNER

Monthly Reports by Elected Officials

Madison County schools have been navigating a challenging situation the last 11 months. COVID-19 virus forced us to change how we educates students.

Most of our schools have returned to in-person learning while others remain in hybrid or remote learning situations. Each locally elected school board has had the ability to operate in the manner that they feel best fits their communities' needs. Parents have had the choice, in all districts, to choose to have their children learn remotely if they preferred.

Our schools that are in-person have been following all of the CDC and Illinois Department of Public Health guidelines and have proven to be quite able to provide a safe educational learning environment for the students. Students have done a great job at following the guidelines and additional rules.

Most students prefer to attend school rather than learn virtually at home. Limited space in our schools, coupled with the social distancing rules, have made adjusting the hours of the school day a necessity. The schools have all done a great job of feeding their students throughout the pandemic, even with the adjustment to the length of the school day.



Regional Superintendent

Robert Werden



The arrival and distribution of the COVID-19 vaccine will help return our schools to pre-viral normalcy. The Regional Office of Education worked with the school districts and the Madison County Health Department to plan a fair and efficient distribution system for educators.

We have approximately 10,000 educators in Madison County including teachers, bus drivers, custodial staff, paraprofessionals, administrators and food service personnel. Educators are included in the Phase 1b category by the state and federal guidelines. This category also includes many other important individuals in our community and it will take time to vaccinate everyone in this category.

We are asking everyone to be patient as the limited amount of vaccine is distributed. We anticipate that as more doses of the vaccine are produced it will speed up the process to vaccinate everyone who wants it.

The administration of the vaccine and the advancement of medical treatments for COVID-19 should serve to shrink the numbers of infections in our communities. As those numbers decrease, more schools will return to in-person learning and athletic and fine arts events will return. We are looking forward to that here at the ROE and are working hard to ensure that we do our part to expedite the process.

To learn more click on a link below

Community Links

Educator Links

District Links



Coroner Stephen P. Nonn

The Madison County Coroner's Office closed out the month of January 2021 receiving and investigating 316 death reports, which represents 102 reports more than January 2020.



an investigator with the squad during his years with the Detective Division of the Madison County Sheriff's Office. Nonn retired from the Sheriff's Office in 2000 and had risen to the position of Deputy Commander for the Major Case Squad.

Currently, Nonn sits on the Major Case Squad Board of Directors of the organization with a history in solving some of the region's most brutal and heinous crimes since 1965.

As mentioned before, the coroner's office is a law enforcement entity. Illinois coroners have peace officer powers with arrest authority. As the career staff interacts regularly at violent crime scenes and other emotionally charged events, the career investigators are trained and armed with weapons under Illinois law.

Mandatory firearms qualifications for the coroner's office was held on Jan. 12. All staff successfully completed the course of fire and training conducted by the agency's range officer, Chief Investigator Kelly Rogers. The Coroner's Office will soon be transitioning to new 9mm caliber pistols to maintain uniformity with the Madison County Sheriff's Office.

Although the violent deaths grab attention in the news, your Madison County Coroner's Office investigates deaths by natural causes as well. Some expected or anticipated. Others sudden and shocking to the people left behind. The majority of sudden deaths investigated are related to heart disease.



February is American Heart Health Month. Take the time to learn – or refresh – on how to control your risk factors and develop a heart healthy lifestyle. Also, learn what to do when encountering a “heart emergency” by taking a CPR and first-aid course (when the Pandemic returns us to more conventional social settings of course!) or reviewing the material online. A little knowledge can save a life.

The week of Jan. 27 through Feb. 2 was Coroner/Medicolegal Death Investigator Recognition Week. Your Madison County Coroner's Office celebrated it by serving its public and citizens with the same dedication and devotion given the other 51 weeks of the year.

2 Found Slain in Home

CASE NUMBER 171

**VICTIMS: JOLAINE AND
KENNETH LANMAN
SEPTEMBER 27, 1989
ST. CLAIR COUNTY, IL**



**Commander:
Sgt. Stephen Nonn
Madison County, IL**

The Major Case Squad was activated at the request of the St. Clair County Sheriff's Department after the bodies of Jolaine Lanman, 35 and her son, Kenneth, 3, were discovered at their home. Both victims died as a

result of numerous stab wounds.

In addition to their regular assigned duties, two investigators were deployed to activations by the Major Case Squad of Greater St. Louis. Investigator Diondra Horner was deployed as part of an 18 investigator team assigned to assist the Belleville Police Department in the case of an armed robbery and homicide of a 51-year-old convenience

store employee in that city on Jan. 16. On Feb. 1, Investigator Kelsey Jones was activated along with about 29 other area law enforcement investigators that was called in to assist the Madison County Sheriff's Office in the investigation of an arson fire and double homicide in Godfrey. Coroner's Senior Investigator Shane Liley handled the coroner's death investigation aspect of this case.

The Madison County Coroner's Office has worked alongside the Major Case Squad for many years, with Coroner Steve Nonn having served as

Tips for a Healty Heart

- Get Active
- Enjoy healthy fats, avoid unhealthy ones
- Snap out of sedentary lifestyle
- Don't smoke and avoid secondhand smoke
- Shed excess weight
- Get plenty of sleep
- Avoid overeating by portion controlling your food
- Eat cholesterol friendly foods
- Take care of your teeth
- Reduce stress



For more info visit the American Heart Association

Madison County Chief Deputy Coroner set to retire

After 38 years of dedicated service to the citizens of Madison County, Chief Deputy Coroner Roger D. Smith will be retiring on March 12, 2021.

In his public service career, Smith served as a police officer for Pontoon Beach, Illinois, a firefighter for Long Lake Fire Department, and an EMT with both Laughlin Ambulance Service of Troy and with Campbell's Ambulance Service, in addition to his service with the Madison County Coroner's Office.

Roger became a volunteer deputy coroner in 1987 and then went to full-time status in 1989. During his 34 years with the coroner's office, he rose through the ranks to become Chief Deputy Coroner in 2010.

In addition to his regular duties, he is also a former member of the St. Louis Major Case Squad and a founding member of the Illinois Child Death Review Team. He currently serves as an instructor/lecturer for the Illinois Coroners & Medical Examiners Association and the Southwestern Illinois Law Enforcement Commission, and conducts numerous local trainings with fire department personnel, reserve deputy coroners, and pre-prom presentations at area high schools.

He is an executive board member of the St. Louis Area Regional Response System (STARRS) and is co-chairman of the Mass Fatality Committee. Roger earned the distinction of holding Board Certified Fellow No. 004 of the nationally recognized American Board of Medicolegal Death Investigators, the most current member is No. 3068.

He lives in Prairietown with his wife, Madison County Circuit Judge Amy Maher.

"Roger is a true professional in every sense of the word and will be missed by his co-workers as well as our partners in the fire, police, emergency response agencies, public health departments and medical communities throughout this region. We all wish him the best in his retirement," Coroner Steve Nonn said.



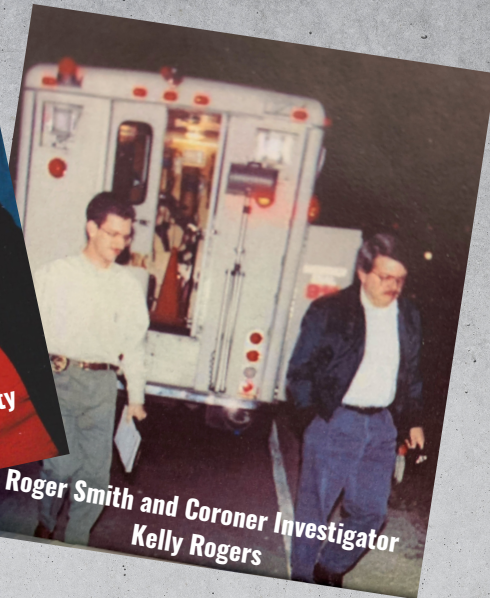
Roger is scary smart and one of the brightest minds I know. He is a walking encyclopedia of knowledge about many things, not just death investigation. He was our Google person before anyone ever heard of Google."

Nonn said Roger is a without question one of the top medicolegal death investigators in the entire country and he is very generous with his knowledge and is always in teaching mode. He credits a lot of his knowledge and skill as a result of his working relationship with and tutelage by Dr. William Drake, retired pathologist for the Madison County Coroner's Office and Forensic Pathologist Dr. Raj Nanduri, also retired.





Roger Smith with the late Madison County Coroner Dallas Burke



Roger Smith and Coroner Investigator Kelly Rogers



The working relationship between Nonn and Smith was very smooth and they complimented each other with new ideas and innovations and constantly improving the coroner's office with continuing education for investigators and the use of cutting edge technology.

"In the 20 years we have been together we worked as a team. I can say with certainty that it was very rare, if ever, that we weren't on the same page on our vision for what this office should be professionally and how it would operate." One specific goal that was achieved and has become a point of pride is the fact that every investigator is a member of the nationally recognized and respected American Board of Medicolegal Investigators (ABMDI)

The hard work paid off and the office has earned the respect of first responders and the medical community throughout Madison County.

Nonn remarked that the office is also recognized by many other county coroners who call our office and ask for advice on how to handle issues within their own jurisdictions.

In addition to his remarkable knowledge and passion for this job, Roger is also known for his quick wit and humor, including some spot on impersonations of both celebrities and local officials. In a job that deals with human tragedy every day, Roger was able to keep a balance between the seriousness and compassion that the job required with keeping the office atmosphere light and loose with his constant humorous banter and sometimes breaking into song, especially Christmas songs, at any time of the year. The good news is that he still plans to be active with STARRS, mass disaster planning, and teaching.

Roger will also remain a volunteer reserve deputy coroner with Chief Deputy Emeritus status and has volunteered to make himself available whenever or wherever the need may arise.

Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 restrictions we are unable to hold a reception to honor Roger for his years of service. Once we have a safe environment to have such a reception, one will be scheduled to give Roger his proper honor and celebratory retirement party, so stay tuned. But for now, please reach out to him to wish him the best in his retirement via e-mail at rdsmith@co.madison.il.us or by phone at (618) 296-4153.

ADMINISTRATOR'S & DIRECTOR'S *Talk...*

Health Department Lauches COVID-19 Hub



Madison County Health Department launched a COVID-19 Information Hub to centralize information about the virus and the response for the community.

The COVID-19 Information Hub features several sections including: COVID-19 Information, COVID-19 Vaccine Information (including number of doses given), Resources, and Translated Materials as well as links to Madison County Health Department Homepage, Madison County Health Department Coronavirus Resource Page, Volunteer Information, and the Madison County Health Department COVID-19 Dashboard. Several sections included answers to frequently asked questions.

"We are excited to launch this COVID-19 Information Hub to help our community easily find information and have a platform that we will continue to update as more information becomes available throughout the remainder of this response," Public Health Director Toni Corona said.

More features will be added to the COVID-19 Information Hub including: the Online Appointment Scheduler and special phone number which will be launched later this week, a map with sites administering vaccines in Madison County (all of which are currently by appointment only,) additional translated materials and local responses to frequently asked questions.

To access the COVID-19 Information Hub, visit <https://coronavirus-response-madcoil.hub.arcgis.com/> or access it through www.madisonchd.org.





MADISON COUNTY BUILDING & ZONING DEPARTMENT'S RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

NEW YEAR, NEW BEGINNINGS

Phew...what a year!

Let me start by giving us ALL a (socially distant) pat on the back for making it through such a tumultuous time filled with so many unknowns and new experiences.

THE GOOD NEWS IS...

2021 is more fitting than ever for a fresh start... a new beginning... a clean slate... a vision for the future.

Madison County Resource Management and Small Clean and Green Steps aim to do just that.

As we continue to provide the necessary resources and strategies for greener living to Madison County residents, we also have BIG PLANS for 2021!

In renewing our commitment to improving the quality of life in Madison County we aim to offer new, fun ways to make positive change.

Our first small step of 2021...

Drum roll, please.

Madison County Clean Communities is taking a front seat in our journey to become more involved locally while making our towns and neighborhoods better, cleaner places to live!

Check out our most recent [Clean Communities](#) work here.

What's the current focus?

We are taking a new, transformative approach to plastic pollution mitigation by activating **CITIZEN SCIENTISTS** (like you) to provide invaluable data about the litter and plastic pollution within our communities

Click on the picture below to find out more.

THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER PLASTIC POLLUTION INITIATIVE CLEAN RIVER, CLEAN SEAS



The Mayors of the Mississippi River, in partnership with the United Nations Environment Programme, National Geographic Society and the University of Georgia, launch an initiative to combat plastic pollution along one of the world's greatest waterways.

It is estimated that up to 40% of plastic pollution entering the Gulf of Mexico, and then into the ocean, originates from the Mississippi River.

Working with volunteer citizen scientists from local communities, the initiative will record data on the state of plastic pollution at key sites along the river. This data will be used to generate a 'plastic pollution map' that will help policy makers, business and citizens take action.

TACKLING PLASTIC POLLUTION ON THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER

In September 2018, state legislators and mayors of cities and towns along the Mississippi River made a commitment to reduce plastic waste in the Mississippi River Valley. Under the leadership of the Mississippi River Cities and Towns Initiative (MRCTI), mayors invited public and private entities to reduce their plastic use or waste stream by 20% by 2020. To support this goal, a new initiative has been launched to generate a first-ever snapshot of plastic pollution along the river.

The initiative will begin with data collection in three locations (to be selected) along the Mississippi River. The data gathered in these locations will be analyzed to understand the state of plastic litter along the river's banks. It is expected that data collection will then be expanded to many more sites along the river.

The initiative will generate a critical baseline for decision-makers in both the private and public sectors, against which to judge the success of their efforts to reduce plastic pollution flowing into the river. It is also expected to reveal heavy concentrations of the same plastic materials or brands in specific areas.

THE CURRENT SITUATION

The Mississippi River is America's most essential inland waterway, providing hundreds of billions of gallons of water each day to key industries, as well as drinking water to 20 million people in 50 cities in 10 states. The ecology of the river is rich in diversity, supporting the livelihoods of people living along the river as well as a wide range of plant and animal species.

THE PROBLEM

Plastic Pollution is a big problem with impacts reaching far beyond the river valley. Up to 80% of the plastic in the oceans originates from land-based sources, and it is estimated that up to 40% of plastic pollution entering the Gulf of Mexico originates from the Mississippi River.



THE SOLUTION

Mayors, researchers, citizens and local organizations are coming together to collect data at different points along the river that can be utilized by decision-makers to inspire and take action. From schools to businesses, everyone can volunteer to collect data!

Madison County receives \$7.8 million in federal rental assistance funding

Madison County is the recipient of a \$7.8 million federal grant aimed at helping renters and landlords impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

“These funds will have a direct impact on Madison County,” Chairman Kurt Prenzler said.

Community Development received \$7,794,864 in grant funding from the Federal Emergency Rental Assistance program that will help the county prevent the eviction of renters in the upcoming months.

“The pandemic created a housing crisis for thousands of Madison County families and landlords,” Community Development Administer Dave Tanzyus said. “With this program the county will be able to distribute funds to eligible households to help with rent and rent arrearage.”

Community Development submitted an application to the U.S. Department of Treasury’s Emergency Capital Investment Program for the direct funding.

Tanzyus said only municipalities/counties with a population of more than 200,000 qualified for the funding. The program is part of a national \$25 billion program to assist families unable to pay rent and utilities due to COVID-19.

Tanzyus said the program would give Madison County, and the Madison County Continuum of Care, resources to address the effects of COVID and the state and federal eviction moratorium.

“Rental assistance is currently the most requested for of assistance coming through the Madison County referral line, making up 52 percent of all calls for help,” Tanzyus said.

Tanzyus said qualifying households could receive assistance with up to 12 months of back rent.

“More and more families will be facing the loss of a place to live,” he said. “Landlords are losing significant rental income. Unlike other forms of rental assistance this can be applied for directly by landlords.”

Owners or landlords renting to eligible households can apply on behalf of their tenants who meet the annual family income of 80 percent of the median income for a family.

Eligible families are residents in Madison County who have an annual family income of 80 percent of the median income for the family.

An application will be made available starting the week of Feb. 22 at participating intake sites or through the Madison County referral line (618) 296-5300.

Must be a resident of the township or community where applying. Visit [Madison County Community Development](#) for a list of places throughout the county to apply.

Officials encourage tenants and landlords to apply as soon as possible.

Income Limit summary

Persons in Family	Income
1	\$ 46,450
2	\$ 53,050
3	\$ 59,700
4	\$ 66,300
5	\$ 71,650
6	\$ 76,950
7	\$ 82,250
8	\$ 87,550

[Click here for more information of the Income Limits Documentation System](#)



THE FAMOUS & INFAMOUS in *Madison County* history in Alton



They called him the Gentle Giant.

At 8 feet, 11.1 inches tall, Robert Wadlow was the tallest man to ever walk the Earth, at least in recorded history. He was born on Feb. 22, 1918. He died young, at age 22.



March 4, 1861 — Abraham Lincoln inaugurated as 16th President of the United States

March 4, 1865 — Abraham Lincoln inaugurated to a second term as President of the United States

"The smallest problems are often the most difficult things to deal with." — Abraham Lincoln, Sept. 15, 1858



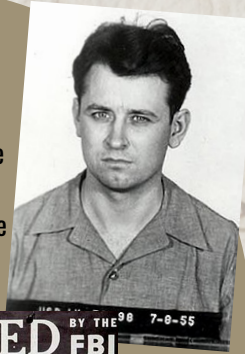
Lincoln Douglas Square in Alton

Visit the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library & Museum for more information



March 10, 1928

James Earl Ray, an American fugitive and felon convicted of assassinating Martin Luther King Jr. at the Lorraine Motel in Memphis, Tennessee, was born in Alton.



The Lorraine Hotel is now the National Civil Rights Museum

VACATION HOME RAFFLE

Win a 7 day stay at the "Shore 'Nuff" Vacation Home!

The home is located in the Morgantown community in Fort Morgan, Alabama. A quick 5 minute walk can take you to the powder white sand beaches of the Alabama gulf coast. Any open date can be chosen. *Expires 12/31/2022.*

Just 20 minutes away from Gulf Shores, Alabama.



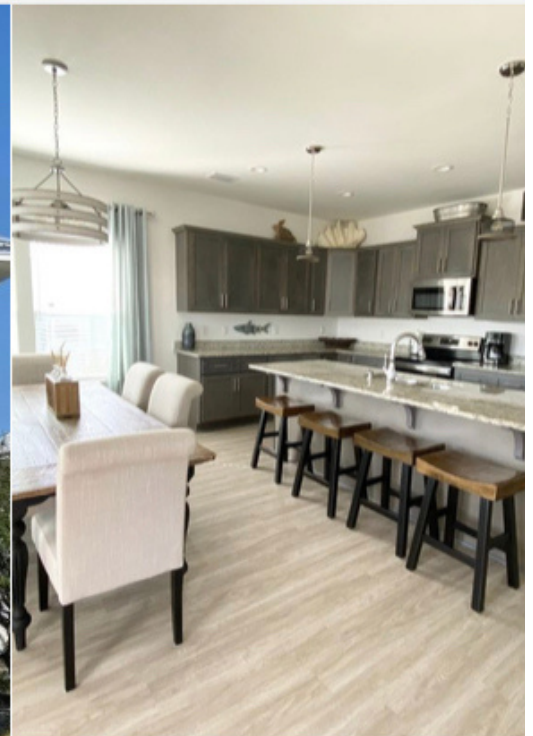
Sleeps up to 12



4 bedrooms



2 bathrooms



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view the
home
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or via phone at

618-296-5398.



Madison County
Child Advocacy Center
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RAFFLE INFO

Tickets are \$25/each
or for 5 for \$100 and
can be purchased by
visiting
www.madco-cac.org
and clicking events

February 23, 2021

ticket purchase deadline

Winner will be announced on
Thursday February 25, 2021.

Purchase tickets at www.madco-cac.org and click Events



Animal Control

Alton.....	463-3553
Bethalto.....	377-5266
East Alton.....	259-8069
Edwardsville.....	656-2131
Glen Carbon.....	288-7226
Granite City.....	452-6233
Godfrey.....	466-7468
Highland.....	654-2131
Madison	876-6268
Pontoon Beach.....	931-5100
Roxana	254-1945
South Roxana.....	254-7469
Venice.....	452-6233
Wood River.....	251-3113
Madison County.....	692-1700

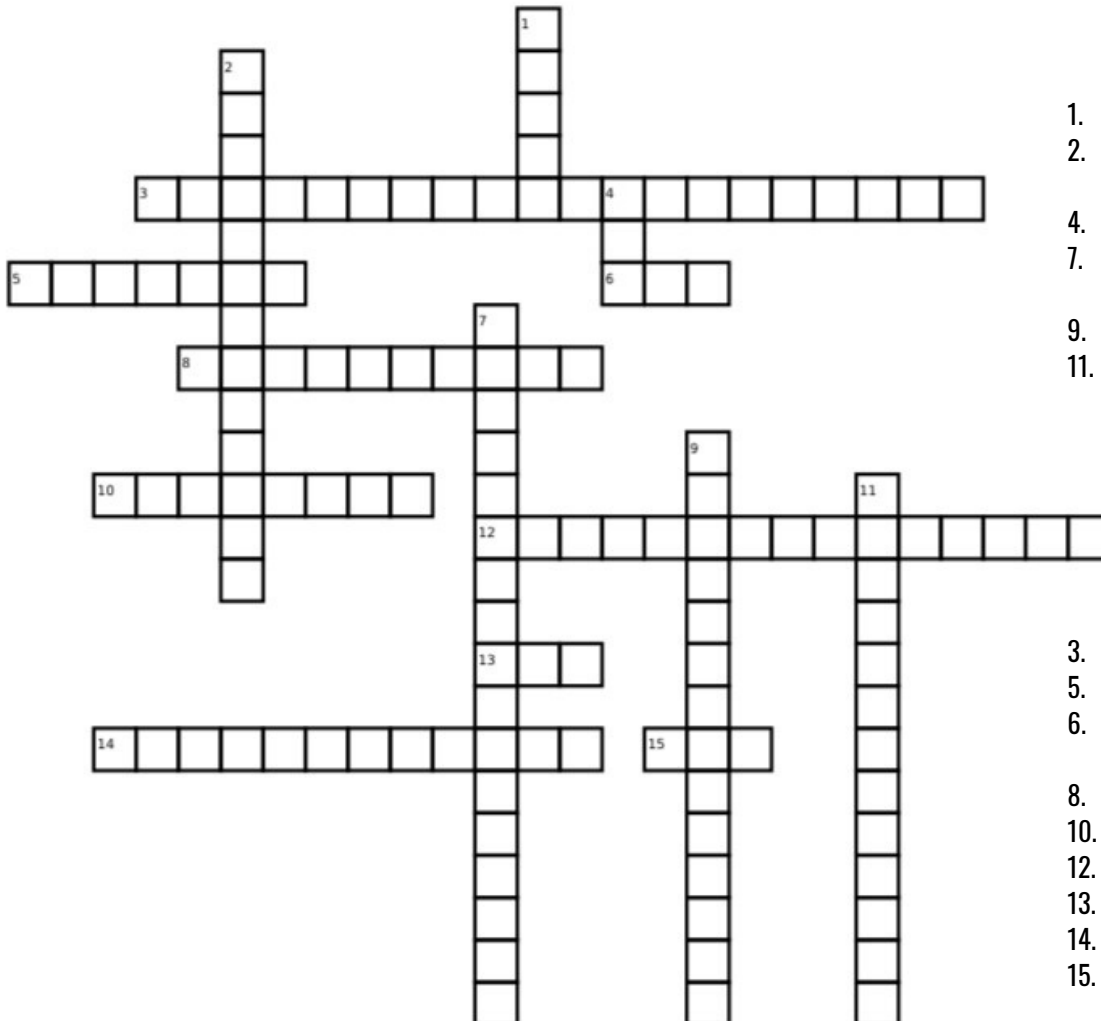
Katherine Conder has a suggestion for pet owners this winter.

"If your pets are outside, go sit with them awhile," Conder, Madison County Animal Care and Control manager, said.

Conder said in Illinois the Humane Care for Animals Act makes it illegal to expose an animal to prolonged periods of time in extreme cold conditions.

Conder recommends contacting a local law enforcement agency or animal control agency if they see a dog left outside in cold weather who you believe is in danger.

[Illinois Public Act 100-0740](#)



Down:

1. Virus
2. Who to call for animals when temperatures get cold
4. Donated to health department
7. A transformative approach to plastic pollution mitigation
9. Nickname of the world's tallest man
11. 10,000 educatos in

Across:

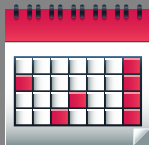
3. Manages Federal grant monies
5. Unpaid property taxes end here
6. Largest, private employer in Madison County
8. Retiring after 38 years
10. American Heart Health
12. Formed in 1965
13. Raffling vacation home
14. In honor of Black History Month
15. Civil rights leader shot by Alton born man

Check out the Citizens Guide on the county's website to find out more on the operations of Madison County Government and its departments.



Madison County Board Meeting Update

Check out the calendar to view upcoming County Board and Committee meetings.



Public access to live board meetings is on Twitch at

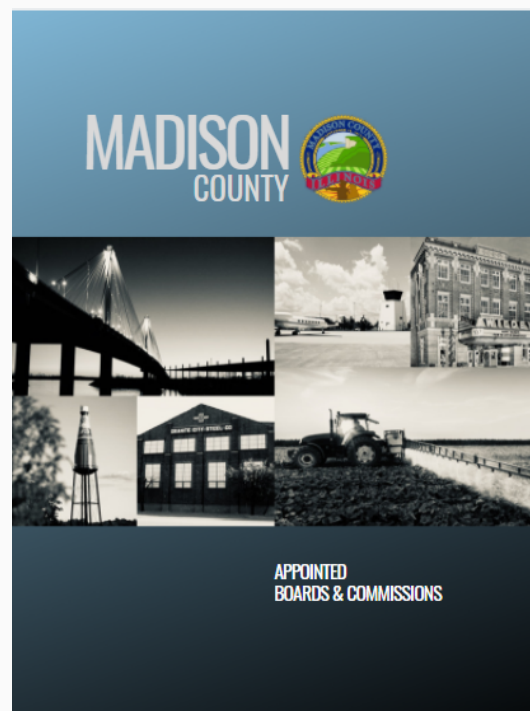
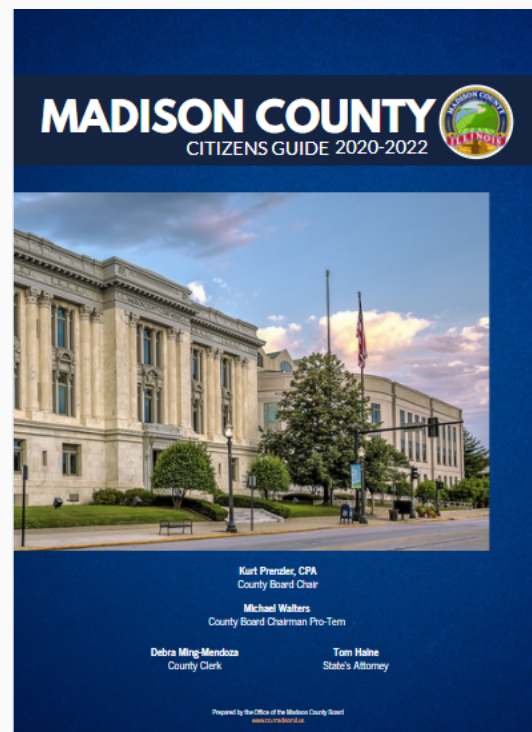
<https://www.twitch.tv/madisoncountyi1>

To listen to past meetings, or read approved minutes, visit

https://www.co.madison.il.us/departments/county_clerk/county_board_records/board_agendas_and_minutes.php for more information.



The Madison County Board Chair appoints individuals to more than 70 boards and commissions throughout Madison County. Click on the booklet to find out more.



Madison County Government continues to share the latest updates surrounding the county's response to COVID-19 on its website and social media pages.



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