

Scott County Times

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"Were it left to me to decide whether we should have a government without newspapers, or newspapers without a government, I should not hesitate a moment to prefer the latter."

- Thomas Jefferson, 1787



Bread of Love

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Monday, July 2
Fried chicken, whipped potatoes, coleslaw, apricots, whole wheat bread. Cold supper No. 1.

Tuesday, July 3
Cheeseburger with pickles and onions, baked beans, fresh sliced tomato, pineapple, bun. Cold supper No. 2.

Wednesday, July 4
Closed for the holiday.

Thursday, July 5
Ham and potato casserole, green beans, tropical fruit, oatmeal cookie, whole wheat bread. Cold supper No. 3.

Friday, July 6
Turkey Cavatappi, steamed broccoli, tossed salad, fruit fl uff, dinner roll. Cold supper No. 4.

For diabetics, fruit is always available as a substitute for dessert. Milk provided with each meal.

Timely Matters

✓ The Winchester American Legion will have its Ham and Bean Dinner at the American Legion Post 442 in Winchester Monday, Aug. 16 from 4:30 to 7 p.m. It is an all-you-can-eat meal with applesauce, corn bread, coffee, tea and desserts. The cost is \$4. Dinners will be served on the third Monday of each month.
✓ Looking for girls interested in participating in the 2012 Aley Junior Miss Homecoming festivities. Girls between the ages of 10-13 are eligible to participate. Please call Stephanie at 217-883-0435 or Breanna at 217-370-5681.

✓ The "Book Ends" unit of Scott County Homemaker Extension Association (HEA) has a change for their Aug. 2 meeting. The book to be read for discussion is "Half Broke Horses" by Jeannette Walls; also, the meeting will be held at the Winchester Public Library on North Main St. The book chosen for Sept. is "The Secret Life of Bees" - Author is Susan Kidd. All meetings are at 6:30 pm on the first Monday each month. The welcome mat is always out. Should you have questions feel free to call Phyllis Rhodes, unit chairman, (371-2007) or just come to the meeting.

✓ The First National Bank of Winchester will hold free blood pressure screenings in their Winchester lobby from 12:30-2:30 p.m. every Thursday. For more information please call the bank at 217-742-3134.

✓ The Scott County Health Department will hold the monthly immunization clinic Thursday, Aug. 12 from 10-2 p.m. at the Health Department. Kindergarten and Freshmen students have required immunizations for entrance into school. There is a \$7.00 charge for each vaccination. If you have a Medical Card or Kid Care, you must

bring the current one with you.
✓ Seeking information on the Winchester Hotel. We are asking anyone who can help provide any historical facts, year built, photo descendants of original owner (James Cheseldine) or memories of the early day's of the Winchester Hotel. Please call Mary at 217-655-8969 or email msbuilders.royer@yahoo.com.
✓ Winchester's Dollar General store is "Going to the Dogs" Saturday, June 30 as it hosts a 'Meet and Greet' with the dogs of Scott County Dog Rescue from 9 a.m. until noon.

Seniors urged to apply for Circuit Breaker grant

Illinois Department on Aging Director John K. Holton, Ph.D., is reminding Illinois seniors about their last chance to get approved for Circuit Breaker property tax grants before the program ends July 1. The Circuit Breaker program provides grants to eligible seniors and persons with disabilities to help them reduce the costs of property taxes, license plate renewals and rides on public transit.

After June 30, property tax grants will no longer be available. The General Assembly did not appropriate funds for Circuit Breaker property tax grants for fiscal year 2013.

The department mailed more than 120,000 letters notifying people if they apply for Circuit Breaker on or after July 1, only the license plate discount, Seniors Ride Free and Disabled Ride Free benefits will continue to be processed. The property tax grant and Illinois

Cares Rx pharmaceutical assistance are no longer available.

"We're sorry to see the end of the Circuit Breaker program," said Director Holton. "But we remain committed to working with older adults during these challenging times. Pending applications will continue to be processed for eligi-

bility on a first come basis through June 30, 2012, and, of course, subject to funding for the rest of this current fiscal year."

Since time is of the essence for seniors to apply for Circuit Breaker to receive property tax grants for use through the 2012 calendar year, seniors and persons with disabilities are urged to apply online because it is the fastest way to get approved. Paper applications take longer, but people who get their applications in the mail postmarked by June 30 will have their applications processed.

To be eligible for the Circuit Breaker property tax grant, license plate discount and Ride Free Transit card through the end of the 2012 calendar year, your total income in 2011 must have been less than:

\$27,610 for a household of one
\$36,635 for a household of two, or \$45,657 for a household of three People who have already applied by submitting their 2011 Application Form IL-1363, do NOT have to reapply.

For more information about program services to assist older adults in Illinois and their caregivers, call the IDoA Senior HelpLine at 1-800-252-8966 or for TTY (hearing impaired use only) call 1-888-206-1327.

Winchester Public Library

Join us for Summer Reading at Winchester Public Library on Tuesday July 3, 2012 at 10 a.m. Children of all ages welcome!

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