

# Moultrie County Courthouse News

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11 for disobeying a stop sign on Route 32 at Route 133 in Lovington. Ticket was filed January 15.

Mikala L. Hames, 18, of Decatur was ticketed January 9 for improper lane usage on Route 32 at West Louis Street in Sullivan Township. Ticket was filed January 15.

### Criminal Petitions

Dustin Willoughby, 35, of Sullivan has been charged with aggravated fleeing or attempt to elude a police officer, a Class 4 felony; unlawful possession of methamphetamine, a Class 3 felony; and obstructing justice, a Class 4 felony.

Willoughby, or someone whose conduct he is accountable for, is accused of driving a motor vehicle while willfully fleeing or attempting to elude Deputy Robert Kidd, a peace officer wearing a police uniform and driving a Moultrie County Sheriff squad vehicle, on or about December 29 after having been given a visual signal by Deputy Kidd to stop the vehicle and such flight involved disobeying two or more official traffic control devices—a stop sign at the intersection of Coalshaft Road and County Road 110 North and a stop sign at Route 32 and Western Avenue.

Willoughby is accused of possessing on or about December 29 less than five grams of a substance containing methamphetamine.

Willoughby is also accused of knowingly concealing physical evidence during a traffic stop

attempted by Officer Kidd of a vehicle in which Willoughby was a passenger on or about December 29 boy throwing a baggie containing meth residue and drug paraphernalia out of a moving vehicle. Charges were filed January 9.

Tabitha R. Willoughby, 38, of Sullivan has been charged with aggravated fleeing or attempting to elude a peace officer, a Class 4 felony. Willoughby is accused of driving a motor vehicle on or about December 9 while willfully fleeing or attempting to elude Moultrie County Sheriff Deputy Robert Kidd—a peace officer wearing a police uniform and driving a Moultrie County Sheriff squad vehicle—after having been given a visual signal by Deputy Kidd to stop the he was driving and such flight or attempt to elude involved disobeying two or more traffic control devices. Charge carries one to nine years in prison and maximum fine of \$25,000. Charge was filed January 9.

### Marriage Licenses

A marriage license was issued January 11 to Adam Ross Yeager and Amy Elizabeth Courtright, both of Sullivan.

### Real Estate

Marilyn Joyce Smith granted Marilyn Joyce Smith and Roger Dale Smith Jr. a quitclaim deed for a parcel in SW SE 26-13-6.

Betty C. Williams and Terry B. Williams granted Sherry M. Williams, Shelly L. Williams, and Angela C. Williams a warranty deed for Lot 3 of Bush-

ert’s Subdivision in Marrowbone Township.

Shannon Houdek granted Robert Wayne Herschberger a warranty deed for Lots 1 and 2 in Block 6 of James Camfield’s Addition, Sullivan.

Robert Wayne Herschberger granted Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Incorporated and First Mid Bank and Trust, N.A. a mortgage Lots 1 and 2 in Block 6 of James Camfield’s Addition, Sullivan.

Stanley Paul Giberson, also known as Paul Giberson, and Michelle M. Giberson, also known as Michelle Giberson, granted Stephen C. McCullough and Brittany D. McCullough a warranty deed for a parcel in 1-12-6.

Stephen C. McCullough and Brittany D. McCullough granted Washington Savings Bank a mortgage for a parcel in 1-12-6.

Ronald S. Loy granted Daniel T. Loy and Amber R. Loy a warranty deed for Lots 9 and 12 in Block 3 of Anderson’s First Addition, Sullivan.

Wagner Limited Partnership granted Pamela J. White a warranty deed for a parcel in NE 10-15-4.

Federal National Mortgage Association granted Illini Rentals LLC a warranty deed for multiple lots and blocks in Allen Clore’s First Addition, Lovington.

Tina L. McPheeters, independent executor of Denton C. McPheeters, granted William A. Hocker and Helen E. Hocker an executor’s deed Lot 62 of Leisure Acres Estates in Sullivan

Township.

City of Sullivan granted Spencer E. Perry and Angela M. Righter a warranty deed for Lots 6 and 7 in Block 8 of the Original Town Sullivan.

Spencer Perry and Angela M. Righter granted Scott State Bank a mortgage for Lots 6, 7, and 8 in Block 6 of the Original Town Sullivan.

Central Mortgage Company, formerly known as Arvest Central Mortgage Company, granted Randy J. Dowd and Toni J. Dowd a release for multiple parcels in 15-15-6.

Midfirst Bank granted Garry M. Vaughn a release for a parcel in Elm’s First Addition, Bethany.

Ronald Jurgens and Donna Jurgens granted Scott Seegmiller and Steffanie Seegmiller a warranty deed for a parcel in SE 11-15-6.

Connor W. Weber and Sinead Y. Weber granted Scott State Bank a mortgage.

Kathi M. Garvey, formerly known as Kathi M. Shackles, and Jonathon R. Garvey granted Kathi M. Garvey and Jonathon R. Garvey a quitclaim deed.

Jonathon R. Garvey and Kathi M. Garvey granted Arvest Bank and Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Incorporated a mortgage.

Alva Miller and Elsie Miller granted David William Gingerich and Kristin Rene Gingerich a warranty deed.

David William Gingerich and Kristin Rene Gingerich granted First State Bank a mortgage.

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Duane R. Robson, successor trustee of L. Richard Robson Trust, and Beulah L. Robson, trustee of Beulah L. Robson Trust, granted Duane R. Robson a CRTD for a parcel in SW 35-19-4.

Gregory W. Gallagher Trust granted Brian Patrick Gallagher a warranty deed for Lot 35 of Subdivision 665.

Michael W. Holder and Joy E. Holder granted Kevin William Frerichs and Bridget Rose Frerichs a warranty deed for Lot 9 of Subdivision 257.

Kevin William Frerichs and Bridget Rose Frerichs granted Bank Champaign NA a mortgage for Lot 9 of Subdivision 257.

Damon P. Hawn and Judy A. Hawn granted Cody Jividen a warranty deed for Lots 11 and 12 of Subdivision 383.

John B. Espeland Jr., Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Incorporated, and Mortgage Services II LLC granted PennyMac Loan Services LLC a mortgage for Lot 28 of Subdivision 058.

Honradez Investment Group LLC granted National Premier Investments LLC a quitclaim deed for Lot 1 in Block 4 of Subdivision 233.

John W. Leischner granted John W. Leischner Trust and John W. Leischner, trustee, a deed in trust for parcels in 21-19-5, 16-19-5, 20-19-6, and 20-19-5.

Barbara Bohlen granted Lance Berry and Megan Berry a quitclaim deed for Lot 4 of Subdivision 406.

Shannon L. Creath and Dawn M. Creath granted Jonathan Hassel and Michelle Hassel a warranty deed for Lot 102 of Subdivision 004.

Jonathan Hassel and Michelle Hassel granted Busey Bank a mortgage for Lot 102 of Subdivision 004.

Harry L. Shewhart and Wilma E. Shewhart granted Dianne V. Shewhart, Gary L. Shewhart, and Mark T. Shewhart a TOD for a parcel in NW 34-17-4.

Leo A. Golembiewski Trust, Mary Irene Golembiewski Trust, and Mary Ann Golembiewski, trustee, granted John William Curtis Trust a quitclaim deed for parcels in NW NW 36-21-5 and SW NW 36-21-5.

Heath-Hays Farm Incorporated granted Catherine Ellen Hays a warranty deed for a parcel in NE 33-19-6.

Catherine Ellen Hays granted Ronald Meece and Cindy K. Meece a warranty deed for a parcel in NE 33-19-6.

## Zion News

Thought for the day: “I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine.” —John 10:14

Unless God is revealed to us through personal experience, we can never really know God. Most of us know about God, but that is quite different than knowing God. We learn about God through the organizations of the church, the Sunday school, the youth activities, the worship services.

Many people stop in their quest for God at this point. But, it is one thing to be simply introduced to a person, and quite another thing to know him or her personally.

God reveals himself in many different ways: through the Bible, through nature, through his creation which includes people. Rev. Gartung experienced that as he calculated his budget for 2019 and thought the best way to make ends meet was to pick up a second job.

While he and Mrs. Gartung were sharing a brief snack at McDonald’s in Tuscola, they bumped into a young man and his little boy. The little guy was quite a colorful character, and completely adorable. His father was very friendly and well spoken.

In our visiting, he spoke enthusiastically about his job in Arthur. Of course, the question followed, “Where do you work in Arthur?”

“Masterbrand Cabinets,” he replied with a smile. He proceeded to describe employment there in very positive terms.

On another occasion, Rev. and Mrs. Gartung were picking up some items at Dollar General in Arthur. Rev. Gartung saw a lady shopping there wearing a Masterbrand sweatshirt. He asked her if she worked there. She also spoke in glowing terms of working there for nearly 20 years.

While still in Dollar General, Mrs. Gartung bumped into a young lady. Mrs. Gartung said, “Aren’t you ...?” She replied, “Yes. Aren’t you ...?”

They had worked together briefly at another job. The young lady spoke of how happy she is at her new job. Where? Masterbrand Cabinets.

This is what one of Zion’s former pastors, Rev. Kenneth Roeder, would refer to as a “Godwink.” God reveals himself through the simplest of personal experiences, and can let us know his will and direction for us. So, at the moment, Rev. Gartung is bi-vocational with a new job at Masterbrand Cabinets, and he is enjoying it!

Our prayer concerns continue to include Katana Ponder, Jerry and BJ Hale, JB and Jean White, Todd Martin and his family, Bobby and Reagan Miller, Jim and Jackie Tholen, Sharon Parsano, Donna Schultz, Jeff Romine, Ben Valerio, David Walker, Elsie Winings, Betty Sawyer, Wilmer and Lela Otto, LaVerne Smith, Jim Dycus, Marvin Helmuth, and Henry Schrock.

Congratulations on Carol Randall’s parents celebrating their 70th wedding anniversary. That is quite an accomplishment!

Last week, Zion was responsible for the weekly worship service at the Arthur Home. Many local churches share in this ministry. It was a joy to use the new PA system at the Home that was provided through the efforts of the Arthur Ministerial Association and its member churches.

A message on a church sign: “Wrinkled with burdens? Come to church for a faith lift.”

Rev. Gartung welcomes your calls and email. You may reach him at 460-1892 or at dennis@gartung.me. He and his wife, Ruthie, would be glad to visit with you. Just give them a call or send an email.

Zion’s worship service starts at 9:00 a.m. each Sunday with various Sunday School activities following at 10:30. Everyone is welcome.

## Wise and Otherwise



## Have we got everything?

By KENT A. STOCK  
Staff Writer

Famous. Last. Words. Our family always asks this question to one another before leaving the house, “Have we got everything?” Even if we are alone—we talk to ourselves of course—we ask the same question.

The automatic response is yes. Nine times out of ten that response is incorrect. Of course, we forgot something. If we are lucky, it only constitutes one trip back into the house to pick something up, to check on something, or who knows what else.

Are we the only family that can turn a five-minute roundtrip to the post office uptown into a 30-minute journey that hopefully ends with the successful mailing of one letter?

There may have been more mail, but we probably forgot it at home on the kitchen table, in the bathroom, on the desk, or right next to the door where we’d be sure we would not forget it.

This traditional family “game” is made even more fun when you actually get out of your driveway and drive sometimes a short distance and sometimes all the way to your destination before realizing, once again—no,

## Shimkus cosponsors pro-life legislation

Congressman John Shimkus (R, Illinois-15) announced he will again co-sponsor several pro-life bills that were reintroduced in the 116th Congress.

“My position on the fundamental right to life has never changed and never will,” Shimkus said. “I supported these important pro-life bills in previous sessions of Congress, and I’m proud to support them again.”

Shimkus requested that he be recorded as a co-sponsor of:

—H.R. 369, the Defund Planned Parenthood Act, introduced by Rep. Vicki Hartzler (R, Missouri-04). This bill prohibits funding America’s largest abortion provider, Planned Parenthood, for one year and reallocates the savings to community health centers. The bill is identical to

we do not have everything!

My favorite is when you get out to the car—hands of course are full—and you start searching for your keys. As you are trying to perform a circus-worthy juggling act with all the stuff you are packing around, you suddenly remember they are probably back in the house.

So you trot, carefully because you are loaded down with all your “important” stuff, back to the house and begin the search. Where can those keys be? Wait, what is that in my coat pocket? Why it is the keys, of course. So you scoop your pile of mail, papers, and whatever other stuff you have up in your arms and get out into the car.

“Have you got everything,” you laugh to yourself as you pull out of the driveway; yes I do, don’t be silly.

Then you get to the post office and remember those bills you were about to mail did not make that final scoop up after the search for the keys.

It is our family way of doing things or not doing things. I hope we are not alone.

Now, did I leave anything out of this week’s column? Let’s not even go there!

H.R. 354 in the 115th Congress.

—Life at Conception Act, to be introduced by Rep. Alex Mooney (R, West Virginia-02). This bill declares that life begins at conception and extends legal protections to children still in the womb. The bill is identical to H.R. 681 in the 115th Congress.

—Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, to be introduced by Rep. Chris Smith (R, New Jersey-04). This bill prohibits performing an abortion on an unborn baby who is 20 weeks or older. The bill is identical to H.R. 36 in the 115th Congress.

—Heartbeat Protection Bill, to be introduced by Rep. Steve King (R, Iowa-04). This bill prohibits an abortion if an unborn child’s heartbeat is detectable. The bill is identical to H.R. 490 in the 115th Congress.