

**South County
SPOTLIGHT**

St. Patrick Catholic Charities - Tolono
IL Free Food Pantry
Every Monday from
5-6:30 and Friday
9-10:30 -Located
at the Parish -
providing Fresh
produce, meat and
pantry items. Serving
all of Champaign
County

The Giving Place
is open every
Wednesday from
4pm-6pm in Tolono
to help families in
need with food items.

3rd Thursday of
every month - Tolono
Fun Day Committee
meet at 6:30 @ Police
Station

VFW of Villa Grove
Bingo Every Friday
Night @ 7pm

4/29 Heritage FFA
Plant Sale @ Gazebo
in Downtown Homer
10am-6pm & 4/30
from 9am-2pm

4/30 Tolono Junior
Trustee Applications
Deadline

4/30 Village of
Sidney Dumpster
Days 7am-11am

5/1 Steak Dinner
Fundraiser for
Catholic Charities @
Philo Tavern, Philo:
Cash bar @4pm
Dinner at 5pm

5/2 Village of Sidney
Board Meeting @
7pm

If you have an
upcoming event that
you would like to see
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Catholic Charities 19th Annual Steak Dinner May 1 in Philo

The Catholic Charities Community Advisory Board of Champaign and Piatt counties invites you to attend The 19th Annual Steak Dinner at Philo Tavern in Philo on Sunday, May 1. Philo Tavern is located at 101 Washington Street in Philo.

Cash bar opens at 4 p.m. Dinner is served at 5 p.m.

This annual fundraiser benefits several important charitable programs in Champaign and Piatt counties, including the Parish Giving Program, the Light of Hope Giving

Sidney Improvement Group Sponsored Easter Egg Hunt

By Ann Rhoton SCCTP News Correspondent

The Sidney Witt Park Ball Park was the site for the long awaited for Sidney Improvement Group sponsored Easter egg hunt on Sunday, April 24!

The hunt originally scheduled to take place on Saturday, April 9 had to be postponed due to muddy conditions and the Saturday, April 16 rain date was rescheduled to April 24 due to the need for more volunteers and the hope for warmer conditions.

The hunt was held for children up to 12 years of age and areas of the park were sectioned off for the different

age groups with the 8 – 12-year old's hunting for Easter eggs and other treats on the Witt Park walking trails.

The wind and threat of inclement weather did not stop folks from attending the Easter egg hunt and children up to 12 years of age found multi-colored eggs with treats in them and Cheez-It crackers, potato chips, pudding, applesauce, cookies, Easter pencils, eggs with gifts of money, and much more.

The yellow-colored eggs were a little harder to find as they blended in amongst the yellow dandelion bouquets that were in full bloom at the

park.

The walking trails were a lot of fun to search as well as treats were hidden along the trails and in the trees and your correspondent most definitely got plenty of exercise at the park and on the walking trails!

Many thanks to the Sidney Improvement Group for putting on the event!

I hope readers enjoy photos of all of the fun at the Sidney Improvement Group sponsored Easter Egg Hunt published in this week's edition of the Southern Champaign County Today Paper.



Stella Smith from Sidney fills her basket with Easter treats at the Sunday, April 24 Sidney Improvement Group sponsored Easter Egg Hunt at Sidney's Witt Park. Photo by Ann Rhoton.



Ready, Set, Go! Children enjoy hunting for treats at the Sunday, April 24 Sidney Improvement Group Easter Egg Hunt at Witt Park in Sidney. Photo by Ann Rhoton.



Children enjoy hunting for Easter treats hidden on and along Sidney's Witt Park walking trails at the Sidney Improvement Group sponsored Sunday, April 24 Easter Egg Hunt. Photo by Ann Rhoton.

Sidney American Legion Discusses Poppy Distribution and Color/Honor Guard

April 18 Sidney American Legion Post 433 Meeting Coverage – by Ann Rhoton SCCTP News Correspondent

The Sidney American Legion Post 433 met on Monday, April 18 at 6:00 p.m. at the Post Home located at 221 South David Street in downtown Sidney.

Post 433 Commander Bill Hensch brought the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. following opening ceremonies and a prayer given by Post 433 Chaplain Fred Olds with 13 members and one guest; your correspondent in attendance.

Commander Hensch informed members that they would not be able to pick

up tickets to sell for their raffle fundraiser because of a printer problem and that they would schedule a special meeting later on in the meeting to pick them up.

Commander Hensch asked if members had received a copy of the Monday, March 21 meeting minutes that were emailed or mailed to post members and if there were any additions or corrections. There were no additions or corrections and the minutes were approved following a motion from Second Vice Commander Glen Dillman and a second to the motion by legionnaire Robert Reifsteck. Post 433 Chaplain Fred Olds pointed out an error of the misspelling of Scott Rhoton's name later in the meeting. This will be corrected.

Post 433 Commander Bill

Hensch introduced the one guest, your correspondent, in attendance at the meeting.

Post 433 Finance Officer Dannie Cline gave the finance report for April. The report was approved as read following a motion from Post 433 Historian Rollo Katterhenry and a second to the motion by legionnaire Michael Schumacher.

Finance Officer Cline also reported that the Operation Honor Guard Day of Giving will take place on Wednesday, May 18, that the Post 433 time slot to accept donations is from 8:00 – 10:00 a.m. at the Sunset Funeral Home in Mahomet, and he asked for volunteers to be at the event. Post 433 Second Vice Commander Glen Dillman, Post 433 Chaplain Fred Olds, legionnaire David Dillman,

and Post 433 Historian Rollo Katterhenry volunteered to participate.

Commander Hensch reported that he had one name of a person in Sidney who is eligible to attend American Legion Premier Illinois Boys State taking place from June 11 – June 17 according to information found at <https://illinoisboysstate.org/>.

Commander Bill Hensch reported as a reminder from last month that Ann Rhoton had reported that the WDWS/WHMS/WKIO Multimedia Group Champaign County American Legion Posts Poppy Distribution Day Drive Through will take place on Thursday, May 26 from 6:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. at 2101 Fox Drive, Champaign.

Commander Hensch reaffirmed that Post 433 is par-

ticipating and reported that Ann will let us know what time slot we will be filling following the Thursday, April 20 5:00 p.m. signup deadline. All monies collected during the individual post time slots go directly to the post.

Commander Hensch reported that Post 433 poppy distribution days are set for the 20th and 21st of May and that locations include the Casey's General Store locations in Philo and Sidney, Dollar General in Philo, the Urbana Walmart (north and south doors), Champaign Lowes (north and south doors) and, additionally, Winston's Old Bank in Sidney on Wednesday, May 25. Post 433 Adjutant Bill McLane will set up the schedule and let everyone know where and when they will be

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31st Annual Arthur Amish Country Quilt Show April 28-30

A variety of over 100 quilts will be displayed at the 31st Annual Arthur Amish Country Quilt Show Thursday through Saturday, April 28-30, at the Otto Center.

The show will open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday and Friday and 10 a.m. top 3 p.m. on Saturday. Admission is \$5.00 per person.

In addition to the quilts in the exhibit, another 100 pieces will be sold during the annual quilt auction that begins at

noon on Saturday.

The show has five judged categories which include Baby, Wall Hanging, Antique, Pieced (pieced machine quilted and pieced hand quilted), and Mixed Techniques. Ribbons and gift certificates will be awarded for first, second, and third place in each category along with the Best of Show winner receiving a \$100.00 gift certificate and all are redeemable for merchandise at participating Arthur merchants.

Visitors will determine the winner of the People's Choice Award ribbon.

Those attending will also have the opportunity to enter a raffle drawing to win a queen-size Amelia's Dancing Star quilt. The drawing will take place on Saturday afternoon.

In addition to the quilts on display there will be a market/vendor area and a lunch stand with sandwiches, cinnamon rolls, cookies, and drinks

available.

The Arthur Quilt Show has become the largest spring quilt exhibition in Illinois Amish Country. It attracts entries from all over Illinois, including many Amish-crafted quilts.

For more information on this year's Quilt Show you may call 217-543-2287.

Come celebrate the fine craft of quilting with us in Arthur!

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