



Richard and Alberta Bradford

## Bradfords to observe 70th wedding anniversary

Richard and Alberta Bradford will observe their 70th anniversary on Wednesday, July 19.

Richard and Alberta (Watson) were married July 19, 1953 at the Jonathan Creek Christian Church in Sullivan.

They have three children: Brian (deceased), Valerie Chancellor of Arthur, and Michele Price (& husband Chad

of Arthur. They have five grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

Bradford retired in 1991 from USI in Tuscola, and Alberta is a homemaker.

A family celebration is being planned. Cards would also be appreciated and may be mailed to them at: 424 S. Vine St., Arthur, IL 61911

## Our Town Arthur Friday, July 21

Arthur will be hosting WCIA Channel 3 "Our Town" on Friday, July 21 from 4-7 p.m. and this will be a live broadcast downtown. Free spaces are available for business/organizations or any upcoming event/fundraiser is welcomed to participate. Great opportunity to showcase what Arthur has to offer.

Plans are underway for free family activities, inflatables, and the Arthur Fire Department will be serving hot dogs and chips while they last.

We are also asking anyone with antique vehicles (cars, trucks, motorcycles, tractors)

to line the two blocks of Vine Street downtown starting at 3:30 that afternoon. Contact Jim Fleming at 217-791-1026 to register.

Decorate your golf cart or side-by-side and enter the contest. Registration begins at 4:00 pm with voting from 4:30-6:30 and winners announced at 6:45. Prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place-must be present to win.

For more information or to book a spot, contact Christy Miller at 217-246-2860 or Stephanie Wierman at 217-620-7460.



Bob and Darlene Barlow

## Barlows to celebrate 50th wedding anniversary

Bob and Darlene (Newlan) Barlow will be celebrating 50 years of marriage on Friday July 14, 2023.

Bob and Darlene were married in the Lovington First Christian Church on Saturday July 14, 1973 at 2:00pm by Rev. Jerry Elmore with 150 guests attending.

They have one son, Wesley Barlow, who resides in Bloomington, IL. A family trip is being planned at a later date.

Cards may be sent to PO Box 483, Lovington, IL 61937.

## VBS at Arthur Southern Baptist Church

VBS at the Arthur Southern Baptist Church, 530 N. Vine St. will be held July 16-21, from 6:00 pm-8:30 pm Ages Pre-k through (going into) 6th grade.

Spin the spinner, beat the clock, skip ahead, level up, and play to win! Twists & Turns™ is a fantastical celebration of games of all kinds.

From classic tabletop games to strategy games to video games and more, kids will play their way through VBS in fun locations such as the Bible Study Game Room, Wild Card Crafts, Multi-player Missions, and Skip Ahead Snacks!



But more importantly, they'll see Jesus through the eyes of one of His closest friends and discover that trusting Jesus as Savior and following Him changes the game entirely!

It's Vacation Bible School time at the Arthur Southern Baptist Church. Children age pre-k through 6th grade are invited. It's free. July 16-21, 6:00pm to 8:30pm.

This week of fun, food, and exciting learning opportunities is free of charge and open to everyone.

Visit ArthurSouthern.org to register.

## UIS announces Spring Semester 2023 Dean's List

The University of Illinois Springfield has released the names of the 678 students who made the Dean's List for Spring Semester 2023.

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