

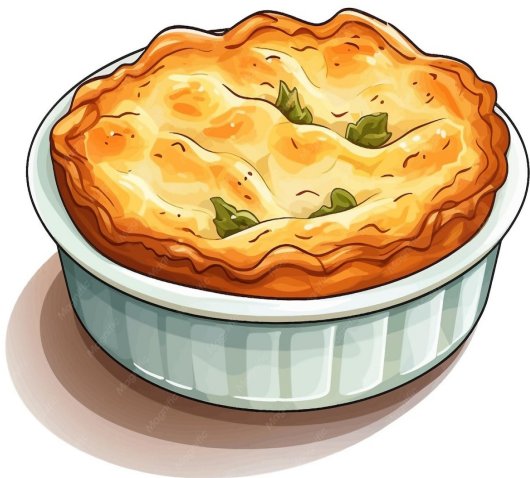
CHICKEN AND VEGETABLES POT PIE RECIPE

Metric Imperial

- 1 can CAMPBELL’S® Condensed Low Fat Cream of Chicken Soup
  - 2 cups cubed, cooked chicken
  - 1 cup Frozen mixed vegetable thawed (e.g. peas, carrots, celery, mushrooms)
  - 1 medium potato, diced, cooked without salt
- 1 frozen uncooked pastry shell (9" / 23 cm), thawed 15 minutes

HOW TO MAKE CHICKEN POTPIE

1. Combine cream of chicken soup, chicken, mixed vegetables and potato; spread in empty pie plate.
2. Top with pastry shell and press pastry against rim of pie plate. Prick pie crust to allow steam to escape.
3. Bake in preheated 400°F (200°C) oven until pie pastry is deep golden brown – about 20 to 25 minutes.



Neighbors



Macoupin County Housing

FROM THE DIRECTOR’S DESK



Fall is officially here! You are welcome to decorate for the holidays, just be sure to take decorations back down a few days after the holiday. All Halloween decorations must be taken down by November 7th.

- ❑ Keep in mind decorations for any occasion must be safe (not a trip hazard, no electric cords running along the ground, and in good condition). Anyone with questions can call the office.
- ❑ If you are using pumpkins for your outside decorations please make sure they are not rotting. If we notice rotting pumpkins we will remove them and charge.
- ❑ Please be safe when trick-or-treating in the developments. Only visit residences with the porch light on, children should stay with an adult and obey trick-or-treat days and times for each town. Stay Safe and Healthy! *Dionne Wyatt, CEO*

OFFICE NEWS

The office will be closed on Monday, October 12th , 2026 to observe Columbus Day!

Preventative Inspections for OCTOBER  
GILLESPIE 47-10 503-511 GILLESPIE ST  
304-306 HIGH ST  
504-510 SOUTH ST  
307-311 FILLMORE ST

Inspire Inspections  
Carlinville 47-15 1-15 HARDING CRT  
16-20 OLROYD CRT  
Gillespie 502-520 LYNN ST



**Address:**  
P.O. Box 226  
760 Anderson St. Carlinville, 62626  
217-854-8606  
Fax: 217-854-8749

**Toll Free:**  
1-866-363-5142

**Office Hours:**  
Monday & Tuesday  
7:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m.  
Closed Wednesdays  
Thursday & Friday  
7:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m.

Emergency Work Order  
Number:  
(217) 827-2100

EMERGENCIES INCLUDE:

- ♦ Gas leaks
- ♦ Broken water pipes
- ♦ Exposed electrical wires
- ♦ No heat (if the outside temperature is 45-degrees or lower)
- ♦ Sewer line stoppage (not drain line) - this includes a clogged toilet
- ♦ CO/Smoke detector beeping or chirping
- ♦ Also fire, flood, or anything that threatens life, safety or property damage

October is Fire Prevention Month!

Here are a few home fire safety tips:

- Test smoke alarms every month. If they are not working, change the batteries or call the office immediately.
- Come up with a fire escape plan and practice it twice a year.
- If a fire occurs in your home, GET OUT, STAY OUT, and CALL FOR HELP. Never go back inside for anything or anyone. Be sure to call the office/emergency number after calling the fire department.
- Stay near cooking to monitor it closely. Keep cooking areas clear of combustibles, and wear clothes with short, rolled-up, or tight-fitting sleeves when you cook. Turn pot handles inward on the stove where you can't bump them and children can't grab them.

Get ready for Halloween and show us what your best outside decorations are!

Resident with the best decorations will win a prize!

- We will start judging the week of October 23rd. Make sure all of your decorations are out and ready!
- Keep in mind all decorations must be safe (not a trip hazard, no electric cords running along the ground, and in good condition).

□ All decorations MUST be taken down by November 7th.



Coloring Contest

Pre-k through High school Senior

One Entry per Child

Will be judged on neatness, originality and age appropriate artwork.

BE CREATIVE!!!!

All Entries must be received by OCTOBER 15th 2026 3:30pm

The winner will be announced in the November Newsletter!

October is Fire Prevention Month!

Please join us at the Administrative Office in Carlinville for a Fire Prevention Activity!

When: Wednesday, October 21st 2025 @ 2:30pm

Where: Macoupin County Housing Authority Parking Lot—760 Anderson St.

We will have hot dogs, chips and drinks along with fire prevention literature, giveaways for the kids, and a fire demonstration from our Maintenance Supervisor & Carlinville Fire Chief, Jess McKee!

FALL  
**Word**  
SCRAMBLE



- 1 ALLF
- 2 PAPEL
- 3 EALF
- 4 NUMPPIK
- 5 NORC
- 6 AHY
- 7 ROCAN
- 8 TEASWER
- 9 RASCERCOW
- 10 WOERFLUNS
- 11 KARE
- 12 DIREYAH
- 13 MUPPKIN CAPTH
- 14 TEPBERMES
- 15 RIQSUREL



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COLORING CONTEST

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_





**City of Benld Curbside Clean Up**  
**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10<sup>TH</sup>**  
Republic will pick up at your residence  
**ALL ITEMS MUST BE at curbside by 6:00 a.m.**  
*ALL bulky items, furniture, and refuse to be included.*  
*Will **NOT** accept landscape waste, bricks, cement, masonry, paint, and those items considered hazardous, restricted or forbidden by law (i.e., tires, batteries, chemicals, burn barrels, electronics-including TV's and computers), appliances, or normal household trash that would be picked up weekly by Republic.*  
**All items for pick up must be piled at the curb (or where you place your cart for weekly pick up) in an area not to exceed 4 ft W, 8 ft L, and 6 ft H**

Gillespie City Trash Pick up will be October 24th 2026

Set items in front of your home for pick up.



### City Fall Cleanup

The city will provide a general debris, yard waste and metals dumpster free to city of Carlinville residents.  
Friday, Oct 2, 2026 from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. & Saturday, Oct 3, 2026 from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
Located at  
**Street Department Garage at 434 North Plum Street**  
The following items you cannot dispose of at City Cleanup:  

- Batteries
- Televisions
- Electronics of any kind
- Paint
- Tires
- Chemicals



**CITYWIDE CLEAN-UP**  
The City of Virden will hold their annual citywide cleanup on the following dates. Citywide cleanup is open to all city residents with a valid form of identification listing their address. Drop off for the clean up will be held at the republic transfer station located on West Dean St., past Lewis Electric Co.

| ITEMS WE ACCEPT                    | 8:00 A.M. – 11:45 A.M.                                                                                                                  | ITEMS WE DO NOT ACCEPT   |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| * RESIDENTIAL ITEMS                | <b>THE FOLLOWING SATURDAYS</b><br><b>WARDS 1 &amp; 2</b><br><b>OCTOBER 3, 2026</b><br><b>WARDS 3 &amp; 4</b><br><b>OCTOBER 10, 2026</b> | * HAZARDOUS MATERIALS    |
| * FURNITURE                        |                                                                                                                                         | * COMPUTER MONITORS      |
| * HOUSEHOLD GOODS                  |                                                                                                                                         | * OLDER TUBE TVs         |
| * APPLIANCES (WITHOUT COMPRESSERS) |                                                                                                                                         | * CONCRETE               |
| * SCRAP LUMBER                     |                                                                                                                                         | * PAINT                  |
| * FLAT SCREEN TVS                  |                                                                                                                                         | * TIRES                  |
|                                    |                                                                                                                                         | * YARD WASTE             |
|                                    |                                                                                                                                         | * SHINGLES               |
|                                    |                                                                                                                                         | * CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS |
|                                    |                                                                                                                                         | * CAR BATTERIES          |



# 2027 Youth Indoor Soccer Registration

Demuzio Sports Center • Co-ed • Age 5 / Kindergarten through 8th Grade

\$50 per player | Register by December 28, 2026 | \$20 additional late fee • No refunds.

Please print clearly.

1

PLAYER INFORMATION

Player's full name:

Current grade:

School:

☐ Male

☐ Female

2

DIVISION — CHECK ONE

☐ 5-Year-Olds / Kindergarten (must be age 5 or in kindergarten)

☐ 1st / 2nd Grade

☐ 3rd / 4th Grade

☐ 5th / 6th Grade

☐ 7th / 8th Grade

Siblings playing in the SAME division:

3

PARENT / GUARDIAN & COACHING

Parent/guardian name:

Phone:

Email:

Would you coach?

☐ Yes

☐ No

If yes:

☐ Head coach

☐ Assistant coach

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WAIVER & CONSENT

I, the undersigned, understand that participation in the Carlinville Park District Soccer Program involves risk of injury. I release and hold harmless the Carlinville Park District, its staff and volunteers from any claims or liability. I also grant permission for my child to be photographed for program purposes.

Parent/guardian signature:

Date:

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PAYMENT — CHECK ONE

☐ Cash

☐ Check — payable to Carlinville Park District

☐ Debit/Credit Card — invoice will be emailed

SUBMIT YOUR COMPLETED FORM

Cash/check: Mail or drop off your form and payment in the drop box at 859 Ramey Street.

Card: Email your form to [rbyots2124@gmail.com](mailto:rbyots2124@gmail.com). An invoice will be emailed to you.



Macoupin County  
Public Transportation

509 Illinois Avenue | Gillespie, IL

Phone: 217-839-4130

Fax: 217-839-3809

# OCTOBER 2026 GROUP TRIPS

- THURSDAY, OCT. 1 | Mall Shopping & Dining

• Call for pick-up/drop-off location | Cost: \$20 per person

• Shopping at the Springfield White Oaks Mall

• Dining at D'Arcy's Pint
- WEDNESDAY, OCT. 7 | Antiquing & Dining

• Call for pick-up/drop-off location | Cost: \$20 per person

• Antique Mall Shopping: Pink Elephant, It Is What It Is, The Chirping Frog, Lighthouse Antique Mall

• Dining at Reno's Pizza
- THURSDAY, OCT. 15 | Casino & Dining

• Call for pick-up/drop-off location | Cost: \$20 per person

• Ameristar Casino

• Dining at Cracker Barrel
- WEDNESDAY, OCT. 21 | Shopping & Dining

• Call for pick-up/drop-off location | Cost: \$10 per person

• Litchfield Shopping: Walmart, Aldi, Rural King, Dollar Tree

• Dining at Pizza Man
- THURSDAY, OCT. 29 | Springfield, IL

• Call for pick-up/drop-off location | Cost: \$20 per person

• Springfield Botanical Gardens

• Dining at Olive Garden



Seats are limited and are available on a first come first served basis.

Please call us at 217-839-4130 to reserve a seat.

All riders are entitled to a 15-bag maximum limit, with the max weight of a bag being no more than 20lbs. All riders are responsible for their own bags and purchases. Macoupin County Public Transportation assumes no liability or responsibility for lost, damaged, or stolen items or property.