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## **Two More Communities Join Countywide Yard sales**

White City and Standard City have joined the Macoupin County yard sales on May 19 and 20 bringing the total to 15 towns participating.

Fifteen communities, including eight along Route 66, have joined together for their citywide yard sales in an effort to better promote not only their yard sales, but their communities, said Nora Feuquay, Macoupin County Economic Development Coordinator.

The countywide yard sales idea originated during meetings with the county's communities that lie on Route 66, and grew to include all of the county, she added.

The communities that have confirmed their participation include: Benld, Bunker Hill, Carlinville, Dorchester, Eagarville, East Gillespie, Gillespie, Girard, Modesto, Mt. Clare, Sawyerville, Standard City, Staunton and White City and Wilsonville.

Businesses and other groups are also using the weekend to promote to those in town looking for a bargain.

In Gillespie and Benld, visitors can enjoy food specials and extended hours at three area restaurants. Toni's Restaurant on Highway 4 in Benld is offering early bird specials on breakfast and will open at 6 a.m. on both Saturday and Sunday.

Roma's Pizza, in downtown Gillespie, will offer visitors .99 cent pizza slices from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. The Dairy Queen, located by Gillespie High School, will open early at 10 a.m. to serve their regular menu.

Retailers in Gillespie's downtown will also have sidewalk sales during the yard sales.

On Saturday in Girard, the 4-H Clover Cadets will be selling pork chops, pork burgers and baked goods from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the four-way stop. This is a community service fundraiser for the group and will go toward purchasing school supplies for kids who need them.

In Carlinville, visitors can start their Saturday off with Krispy Kream donuts, which the Carlinville Community Chamber of Commerce will sell, and then have lunch with the 4-H Federation. The Federation, a 4-H group for teens, will be selling pork chops and pork burgers in front of Kahl's Greenhouse from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. The funds raised by the 4-H Federation go toward club activities and for project books for clubs throughout the county.

Staunton's Masonic Lodge, 118 E. Main, will sell food and have a flea market both Saturday and Sunday.

The Bunker Hill Friends of the Library will sell food at the library, located at 220 E. Warren Street, on Saturday.

To sign up for yard sales in the following communities contact:

Benld, Dorchester, East Gillespie, Eagarville, Gillespie, Mt. Clare, Sawyerville, Wilsonville-Coal Country Chamber of Commerce, Mickey Robinson, 217-839-4888 or visit [www.coalcountrychamber.com](http://www.coalcountrychamber.com) for more information. Deadline to get on the yard sale map is noon Friday, May 11.

Bunker Hill- Bunker Hill Chamber of Commerce Bob Johnessee, 618-585-3890 or Jim Kiffmeyer, 618-585-3061. Deadline is May 14.

Carlinville-Carlinville Community Chamber of Commerce, Kasey Schwartz, 217-854-2141 or [info@carlinvillechamber.com](mailto:info@carlinvillechamber.com). Deadline is May 11.

Girard-Maureen Nichols, [girardgaragesale@yahoo.com](mailto:girardgaragesale@yahoo.com). Deadline is May 1.

Modesto-Village Clerk DeAnn Arnold, 217-439-7577.

Standard City-Village Clerk Christi Harris, 217-854-9393

Staunton-City Clerk Marilyn Herbeck, 618-635-2233. Deadline is May 11.

White City-Village Clerk Janine Mathenia, 217-999-6123 (2 to 4 p.m. Mon.-Fri.). Deadline is May 16.

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