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## **New Macoupin County Website Goes Live**

Macoupin County-In a continuing effort to make county government more accessible to the public, Macoupin County launched its new website on Tuesday, April 17. The new site can be viewed at [www.macoupincountyil.gov](http://www.macoupincountyil.gov).

“While the site is still a work in progress, we felt election day was a good time to launch the new site since some county residents would go to the site seeking election results,” said Vera Pratt, county board member from Girard and chairperson of the Legislative and Technology Committee.

Macoupin County Board Chairman Andy Manar added that the launching of the new site is a first step in the ongoing process of making sure the public can effectively interact with county government.

“As a county board, we want to make sure that the website is a valuable tool for taxpayers,” said Manar. “We realize that it is important that people can easily stay informed of the decisions their elected officials are making.”

Information on the site includes: what services the county’s offices provide, contact information for the offices, a listing of county board members and their districts, a calendar of county events, and a tourism section. Other features such as a calendar of public meetings and posting of meeting minutes are planned.

The county board also is seeking input from county residents to develop the portion of the site that will be devoted to promoting Macoupin County’s historic places and points of interest.

As reported in recent news articles, residents can contact the county’s economic and community development coordinator, Nora Feuquay, to submit digital photos and information on historic places and places of interest that will help promote the county.

“The public can contact me via email or by phone to request the application,” said Feuquay. “The application will also be placed on the website under the tourism section in the near future.”

The application asks for a description outlining the history and significance of the place, and the submission of high-resolution digital photos. Submissions may include, but are not limited to, historic downtown buildings, historic homes, unique barns, statues, cemeteries, churches, museums, or landmarks of an historic individual or event.

“I’ve had several calls requesting applications, and I hope to hear from a lot more people. Macoupin County has a lot to offer and this is our chance to showcase those attributes,” Feuquay added.

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