



CASA
Court Appointed Special Advocates
FOR CHILDREN



November 2025 Newsletter

Adams, Brown, Cass, Hancock, Mason, Menard, Morgan, Pike, Schuyler and Scott

Happy Birthday!

10- Brooke Stokes
12- Gloria Davis
14- Angela VanBrooker
17- Bob Bergman
24- Joni McLees
24- John Roth
28- Stephen Meckes
29- Anne Meyer

Happy Anniversary!

Jessica Funk- 6 Years
Ted Eifert- 3 Years
Jeanne Smith- 8 Years
Judy Dillard- 3 Years
Dean Miles- 3 Years
Patricia Penell- 3 Years
Denise Albsmeyer- 5 Years
Robert Bergman- 20 Years
Shirley Swinford- 5 Years

CASA October Numbers



CASA served 494 children.



14 children cases closed.



140 children awaiting a CASA.



4 newly assigned child

Welcome New CASA's

Adams County

Juliet Hubbard
Catherine Shanks
Nicole Mason

Hancock County

Kelly Knox-Kreiss

Learning Opportunities

This month there will be an In-Service on November 13th from 5:15pm-7:15pm at Chaddock's Knowledge Center. This is a continued monthly series presented by Chaddock. This training will be Part Two of focusing on helping CASA volunteers engage with, and respond to, clients who have been exposed to trauma and have disrupted relationships.

Hancock County networking is TBD, keep a look out for information from Mandy Humphry.

Morgan County networking "A Little Lunch & A Lot of Thanks" will be held on November 18th at First Presbyterian Church in Jacksonville at 12:00pm.

Reminders

Office Closed

Our office will be closed November 11th, 2025, in observance of Veterans' Day, November 27th and 28th, 2025 in observance for Thanksgiving.



CASA Contact Update- Welcome Baby Durst!

Brittany Durst, CASA Manager, is officially on maternity leave. Baby Boy was born 10/28/2025. Please reach out to Danielle Buss for any CASA needs at dbuss@advonet.org



Continuing Education

IL CASA has ongoing continuing education opportunities <https://illinoiscasa.org/news-events/>