

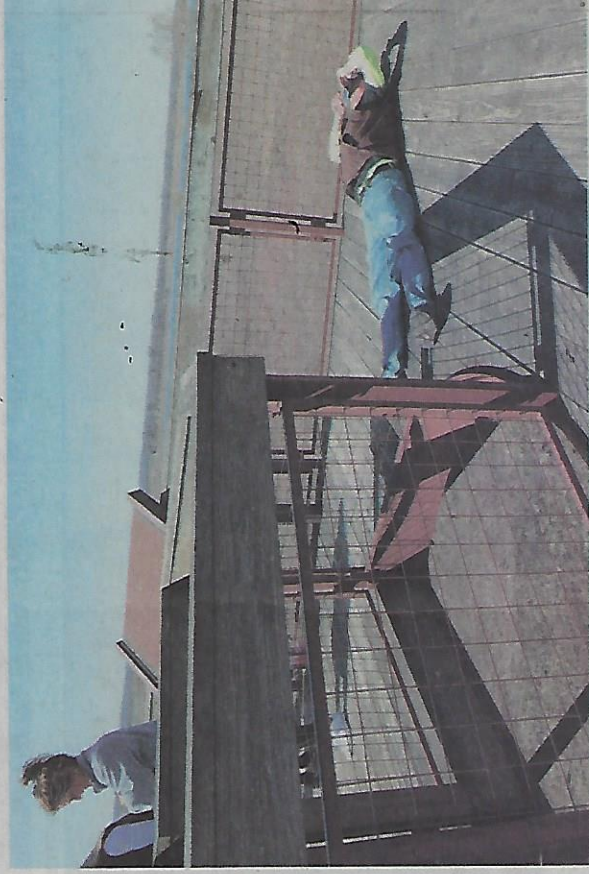
# Eclipse viewers gather at waterfowl refuge

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The Dixon Waterfowl Refuge outside of Hennepin was a popular destination for partial eclipse viewers Monday. About two dozen people scattered about the nature area, including atop

the watch tower, at the nature preserve viewing the eclipse with special glasses. The Putnam County Library District led viewers to the location.

While Southern Illinois was treated to a total eclipse, viewers in the Illinois Valley were treated to more than 90% coverage.



Photos by Derek Barichello

**TOP RIGHT:** Ben Fogle of Cedar Point and his wife Macy watch the partial solar eclipse Monday from the boardwalk of the Dixon Waterfowl Refuge outside of Hennepin with their daughters Vada and Indie. **ABOVE LEFT:** Pam Hafley of Granville views the partial solar eclipse Monday from the trail at Dixon Waterfowl Refuge outside of Hennepin. **ABOVE:** A viewer lies on his back to get a better view of the partial solar eclipse Monday from the tower at the Dixon Waterfowl Refuge just outside of Hennepin.

The Putnam County Community Center would like to introduce you to our Outreach Coordinator, Rhonda Aimone. Rhonda has been working with us now over a year and she enjoys reaching out and visiting the aging and disabled community, in Putnam County. Her forte is educating clients and caregivers on benefits and services for which they are eligible and assisting them with gaining access to those services. Rhonda will be visiting Standard, Granville, Mark, McNabb, Putnam, Magnolia, Hennepin and Lake Thunderbird in the next couple of months. You can always stop in to see her at the local libraries, schedule below. If you wish to meet with Rhonda, please call the Putnam County Community Center at 815-339-2711 to set up a visit with her or you can always come in to our facility at 128 First St. Standard, IL. Mon-Fri 8am-3 pm.

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