

Short-term rentals revisited

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CLINTON — After attending an Airbnb, short-term rental seminar in Chicago recently, commissioner John Wise returned Tuesday to city council renewing his call for action on short-term rentals in residential areas.

Wise said Aurora, Ill. had a plan for regulating short-term rentals.

"They have a heck of a plan that they're using in their city," Wise said. "I told Dana Korneman, the head of the planning commission and said I was going to be bringing it up."

Wise said Korneman was receptive to getting the issue on a planning commission agenda to solicit public comment and move the issue forward.

"We need to get it to the planning commission and discuss it," Wise said. "We've had it on our plate since January."

Short-term rental units are permitted in the Clinton downtown area, but an ordinance regulating them in residential areas does not exist. A number of homeowners have inquired with the city about the process of establishing short-term rentals.

"It's time we move forward with it, and he (Korneman) is more than willing," Wise said.

Residents interested in addressing the planning commission about the topic at a future meeting should contact the city hall about when it might appear on the agenda.

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Homecoming court 2023

Pictured is the Clinton High School homecoming court of 2023. **Front**, left to right, Macy Carter, Brooke Reeves, Carly Reynolds, Addison Douglas. **Back**, left to right, Aiden Toohill, Mason Walker, Drew Moser, king, Lesley Guerrero, queen, Brooks Cluver, Dawson Graves.

Just a cluckin' good time!

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Pull up to the home of Barb and Jack Dunham in rural Clinton and you will be greeted by a flock of chickens and a couple of roosters wandering in their front yard. The birds may be found under the evergreen trees, in the grandchildren's playhouse, or despite efforts to the contrary, on the front porch. They'll also frequent their custom built coop in the backyard.

The Dunhams have four grandchildren who like to stop by not only to see Grandma and Grandpa, but to visit with Baby, French Fry, April, Marley, and the other 14 chickens and two roosters free-roaming the property.

Each chicken has a

proper name thanks to the Dunham's grandchildren and when Barb calls, the flock comes running.

"Heeeeerrreee..... chickie, chickie chickie! Come on, chickie, chickie, chickie!" Barb calls and running as fast as their little legs will take them, the chickens hustle to follow.

"Marley is the friendliest," says Barb. Potato is the largest at an estimated eight pounds. Fraley is "mouthy" and "always cluckin' around."

Barb, who laughingly refers to herself as "the crazy chicken lady," says her daughter-in-law suggested they consider adding chickens to their property. Barb grew up around chickens at her grandmother's, so she was comfortable with the idea.

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Barb Dunham holds one of her flock of chickens at their home in rural Clinton.

Drones for hunting illegal in Illinois

SPRINGFIELD — The use of unmanned aircraft, or drones, for any aspect of hunting or recovery of wildlife is unlawful, the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) reminds the public.

"Not only is drone use for hunting unlawful in Illinois, it goes against the spirit of fair chase and widely accepted hunting ethics," said Jed Whitchurch, director of the IDNR Office of Law Enforcement. "Illinois Conservation Police officers will be monitoring for drone use during the fall and winter hunting seasons. We encourage all hunters to familiarize themselves with the Wildlife Code, abide by the law, and have a safe and successful hunting season."

The fall hunting season got under way on Sunday, Oct. 1 with the opening of archery deer and turkey seasons throughout Illinois.

IDNR and Illinois Conservation Police have received several inquiries from the public about the use of drones for scouting and tracking animals. The unlawful use of drones for hunting could result in enforcement action, including, but not limited to, the seizure and forfeiture of unlawfully used equipment.

Hunters are advised to review all requirements of the Illinois Wildlife Code, which regulates the taking of wildlife and the use of unmanned aircraft in these situations (520 ILCS 5/2.33(i) and 520 ILCS 5/1.2o).

Special 'mourning' setting at museum in October

CLINTON — This fall, something special will take place at the C.H. Moore Homestead and DeWitt County Museum.

From October 1-31, the historic house will be staged showing how it would have been in the Moore household when mourning and preparing for a funeral. Clocks will be stopped, mirrors veiled, mourning wreaths adorning the front doors, the porch draped in black, the vacant chair set aside, funeral biscuits placed on the table dining room table and a casket in the formal parlor.

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DeWitt County Museum director Joey Long shows a framed memorial made from human hair. The memorial is part of the museum's mourning display. A history of this type of memorial is on page A2.

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Increase to driving test age requirement recommended

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SPRINGFIELD — Illinois Secretary of State Alexi Giannoulias this week filed administrative rules that would increase the age at which a driver is required to pass a driving test when they renew their license, raising it from 75 to 79.

The rules — proposed by Giannoulias to the legislative Joint Committee on Administrative Rules

— would keep in place a state policy that went into effect during the COVID-19 pandemic.

During the pandemic, lawmakers in Springfield temporarily modified several requirements for driver's licenses to ease strain on the secretary of state's office, which oversees driver services facilities. That included the age increase for required driver tests.

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2023 Clinton High School homecoming parade

Above: Clinton High School band helps lead off this year's CHS homecoming parade, traveling from First Christian Church along W. Main Street and Illini Drive to the high school. **Below:** The CHS football team.



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In other council business, commissioners approved the purchase of two computers for city hall from JANO Technologies, not to exceed \$3,500. Items placed on file for the next council meeting included the purchase of

seven Motorola mobile radios and 14 portable radio upgrades from Clear Talk Communications, not to exceed \$43,261.77. Other items placed on file included a new postage machine for city hall from Midwest Mailing

& Shipping Systems, Inc. for \$3,821, and a supplemental resolution to the 2023 Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) summer street maintenance plan for \$9,000.

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Those visiting for daily tours will have two narrative options, the story of C.H. Moore and the homestead or the story of C.H. Moore's funeral and customary mourning practices of his time. Daily tours will begin upon arrival. Large group daily tours, however, will require advanced reservations, which can be made by calling the museum at 217-935-6066. Museum daily tour hours are Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

In addition, "Mourning Moore Tours by Candlelight" will be offered October 14-27. On those evenings, the entire house

will be illuminated by candlelight as the scene is set for a traditional Victorian era funeral. Artifacts, garments, photographs, jewelry and an array of other items related to Victorian era mourning etiquette, rituals and customs will also be displayed throughout the house.

Pre-purchased tickets will be required for the evening candlelight tours, which will take place at 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. Event tickets are now available for \$12 each and can be purchased at the museum or by calling 217-935-6066. A limited number of tickets are available, so be sure to purchase soon.

Victorian Hair Art

Hair art peaked in popularity, during the 19th Century.

Some companies printed catalogs filled with weaving patterns for the hair and various fittings such as earrings, rings, necklaces and cuff links. Like crocheting or knitting, women would weave hair in the evenings and sometimes, even create beautiful works of art.

William G. Shaw

purchased a section of land known as 1900 Creek, in DeWitt County in 1857. William and his wife Elizabeth moved to DeWitt County, from Clermont County, Ohio. Some of the Shaw family remained in Ohio and others never made the move to the United States from Ireland. A lock of hair from loved ones, both near and far, was a way for family members to remember their dead.

Evenings were spent

intricately weaving the hair into a work of art that was later displayed in the Shaw home, atop a hill, overlooking their DeWitt County farm.

This framed floral vase, weaved from the Shaw family hair, has stayed in DeWitt County, since the time of its 19th century creation.

Courtesy of C.H. Moore Homestead & DeWitt County Museum



A casket on display during the Moore manor's mourning period exhibit.
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Pre-war Detroit

Doug Brisard, of Clinton, stopped by the Clinton Journal recently, driving his 1938 Pontiac Sedan Deluxe 8.

NEWS

How SSA.gov helps you



Selena Higgins
Social Security district manager, Bloomington

We're excited to announce the addition of two helpful screening tools on SSA.gov! These tools are the Benefits Screener and the Card Replacement Screener. The Benefit Screener helps you determine your eligibility for benefits and the Card Replacement Screener helps you request a replacement Social Security card. Let's go over how you can use these tools.

Benefits Screener
You can access the Benefits Screener tool at www.ssa.gov/prepare/check-eligibility-for-benefits to determine which benefits you may be eligible for, typically in 10 minutes or less! Whether you're considering retirement, disability, survivor, or other types of benefits, this tool will guide you in the right direction.

To use the screener, select the "Start" button and answer a few questions about what's going on in your life. You will immediately get a response that tells you which benefits you may be eligible for based on your answers.

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need a physical Social Security card, you can use this screener to determine the best way to replace it.

Depending on your situation, you may be able to request a replacement Social Security card without visiting a local office. Select "Answer a few questions" on the Replacement Card page to get started. If you can't complete the process online and have to visit an office, you can save yourself time by starting with the online application.

Requesting a replacement Social Security card is free. In most situations, you do not need to present a physical card – just knowing your Social Security number is usually enough. But if you do need the physical card, you can use this online screener to get started.

SSA.gov continues to be a safe and secure way to conduct your business with us online. The redesigned website—with its online tools—is the quickest, easiest, and most convenient way to begin.

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But that policy was scheduled to expire on Oct. 1, so Giannoulas' office filed emergency rules to extend it beyond that date, along with identical permanent rules. That rulemaking committee's next regular meeting is planned for Oct. 17 in Chicago, at which point it can determine whether to leave the rules in place, request changes or file an objection.

"This change would make Illinois driving standards for senior drivers more consistent compared to other states while keeping Illinois as one of the strictest states for license renewals," Giannoulas said in a Wednesday news release.

Under the pandemic-era policy and the rules proposed by Giannoulas, all drivers aged 78 and younger must renew their licenses every four years. At age 79, drivers must complete a driving test as part of that process.

State policies for those aged 79 and older would not change under Giannoulas' proposed rules. Drivers aged 81 to 86 must renew their license and take a vision and driving test every two years, and drivers aged 87 and older must renew their license and take those tests every year.

Illinois is the only state in the country that has a driving test requirement for people over a certain age. Illinois also requires more frequent driver's license renewals for people over age 80, something only 23 states require.

The change will affect approximately 3 percent of Illinois' driving population, according to the secretary of state's office.

As part of the temporary change, the secretary of state's office issued a report on driving safety among older drivers, which found that drivers aged 75 years and older were involved in fewer crashes – even after the temporary rule change went into effect – than

those aged 16 to 69 years. "When it comes to total crashes, individuals who are aged 75 and older consistently experienced lower crash rates compared to nearly every other age group," according to the report.

Age-related requirements for drivers have been a longtime issue for AARP Illinois, an advocacy group that represents the interests of those over age 50.

"Age alone is not determinative of driving performance" Ryan Gruenenfelder, outreach and advocacy manager at AARP Illinois, told Capitol News Illinois.

Gruenenfelder said AARP receives complaints about age-related requirements for drivers, noting they make competent drivers feel "targeted" for their age. He said the organization will continue to work with the secretary of state's office and advocate for using a person's mobility or indicators of driving behavior to trigger possible driving test requirements, regardless of age.

But Gruenenfelder said AARP commends Giannoulas for his recommendation this week. The group also approves of Giannoulas' September action to move the state's busiest driver services facilities to an appointment-based model, as well as this week's announcement that two new facilities targeted to senior drivers will offer walk-in services.

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Sharon Doenitz

WAPELLA — Sharon Doenitz, 87, of Wapella, passed away at 2:07 p.m. on September 27, 2023, at Luther Oaks, Bloomington.

Services will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Saturday, September 30, 2023, at Clinton United Methodist Church, Clinton, with Pastor Darrell Howard officiating. Visitation will be held from 10-11 a.m. on Saturday at the church. The family entrusted Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton, with arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to DeWitt County Museum, Clinton United Methodist Church, or Gentiva Hospice.

Sharon was born on October 10, 1935, in Jerseyville, Ill., the daughter of William and Mabel (Arfsten) Garber. She married Robert Doenitz on November 18, 1956, in Jerseyville.

Survivors include her

husband, Robert Doenitz, Bloomington; children, Amanda Doenitz, of California, and Todd (Ellen) Doenitz, of Plymouth, Mich.; five grandchildren Halle (Jackie) Doenitz, Amy (Ryan) Lilly, Maj. Andrew (Breanna) Doenitz, Courtney Doenitz (Mario Macari), and Charles Doenitz; and four great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and three siblings William Garber, Barbara Garber, and Richard Garber.

Sharon was a member of the Clinton United Methodist Church, Land of Lincoln Quilters Guild, DeWitt County Historical Museum, and Salt Creek Patchmakers.

Most of all, Sharon loved spending time with her children, grandchildren, and her friends and her family in the farming community.

Online condolences may be made at www.calvertmemorial.com

A scam close to home

Ooops. I came very close to falling for a scam just like the ones I always warn against in this column.

The text message on my phone appeared to come from the local pharmacy. The words said that they had questions and would I please call. Included in the text was a link to touch that would dial the number for me ...

At the last minute I pulled my hand away and studied the message more closely.

The pharmacy was in the chain where I do business, but it was from the branch in the next town, not where my prescriptions are. And when I looked closely at the number in the link to click, I realized it was from an area code in a completely different state.

I put the phone down and got on the internet. Sure enough, that linked number was fake and was used in all manner of scams, including ones that could have instantly downloaded malware onto my phone. I called the pharmacy in question (from my other phone) just to be sure they hadn't

SENIOR NEWS LINE
by Matilda Charles

sent it. No, they hadn't. I very carefully deleted that scam message, being sure not to touch that link.

So all is well, but I'm a bit unnerved by just how close I came to blithely clicking that link because I didn't initially question the message.

Save yourself some potential trouble by looking closely at any text messages you get on your phone.

Scammers are getting wiser, but they're not infallible. The pharmacy used in my text message was genuine, a logical request from a specific local company.

What they didn't realize was that they were working from an old list. We now have a branch of that pharmacy here in town. I would not have used the pharmacy in the next town, and that was my clue.

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1927 - “The Jazz Singer” opened in New York starring Al Jolson. The film was based on the short story “The Day of Atonement” by Sampson Raphaelson.

1928 - War-torn China was reunited under the Nationalist leader Chiang Kai-Shek.

1937 - “Hobby Lobby” debuted on CBS radio.

1939 - Adolf Hitler denied any intention to wage war against Britain and France in an address to Reichstag.

1948 - “Summer and Smoke” by Tennessee Williams opened on Broadway.

1949 - U.S. president Harry Truman signed the Mutual Defense Assistance Act. The act provided \$1.3 billion in the form of military aid to NATO countries.

1954 - E.L. Lyon became the first male nurse for the U.S. Army.

1961 - U.S. president John F. Kennedy advised American families to build or buy bomb shelters to protect them in the event of a nuclear exchange with the Soviet Union.

1962 - Robert Goulet began the role of Sir Lancelot in “Camelot”.

1973 - Egypt and Syria attacked Israel in an attempt to win back territory that had been lost in the third Arab-Israeli war. Support for Israel led to a devastating oil embargo against many nations including the U.S. and Great Britain on October 17, 1973. The war lasted 2 weeks.

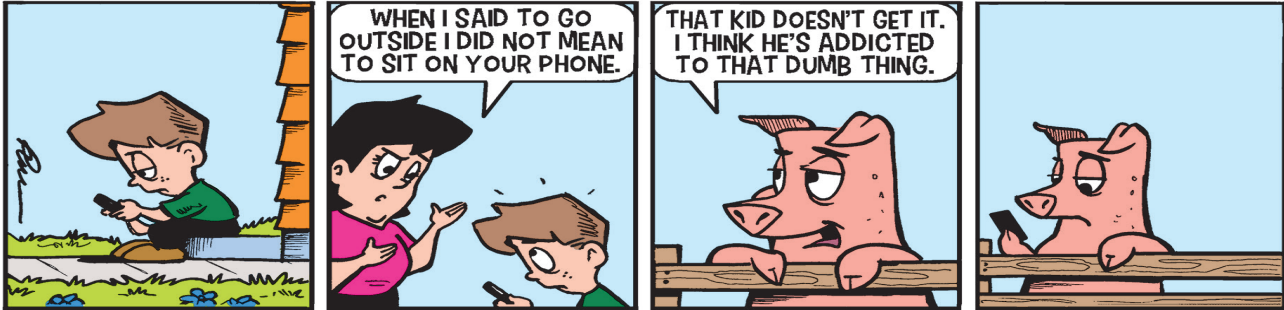
1979 - Pope John Paul II became the first pontiff to visit the White House.

1991 - Elizabeth Taylor married Larry Fortensky. The ceremony was held at Michael Jackson’s estate near Los Angeles, CA. It was Taylor’s 8th marriage and Fortensky’s 3rd.

1992 - Ross Perot appeared in his first paid broadcast on CBS-TV after entering the U.S. presidential race.



Amber Waves



From proud to angered

I have deep respect for the blood shed in establishing this nation and for the wisdom of our founding fathers in enacting the laws that govern the nation.

We are a nation founded in civil disobedience that developed into an armed revolution to enact a nation of laws and civil liberties. Our military has protected us and, Congress is charged with maintaining those laws that support our Constitutional freedoms.

This past week my wife and I traveled to the Washington D. C. area to attend the retirement ceremony for our eldest son and 34 other Army soldiers. The ceremony was conducted at Fort Myers just outside of DC in Virginia. Let’s just say the ceremony was impressive in a huge amphitheater. The U. S. Army band was present, a Revolutionary army unit, another military band, a color guard and more Army officers in one location then I have ever seen before.

I observed our son in a full dress uniform and thought back over time. The little boy who used to crawl onto my lap and loved horsey rides across the living room floor. The care free teenager who loved high school sports and graduated from Clinton. The kid who went to college and simply didn’t fit in at 18. He enlisted in the Army and deployed to Kosovo. It’s amazing what being

in an armed conflict can do to a young person’s maturity. He was always a good kid, but he lacked a rudder. After Kosovo and Germany he had a rudder.

He completed his tour of duty and got his college degree. He fit in. He then became a police officer in the Metro East area. Much to our surprise the job seemed boring to him. He went back to the Army and became an officer via Officer Candidate School.

He did his tours in the Middle East in hostile situations, but that was his job, and he was invested in that career. He married an Armenian/Russian girl and they would have three boys. I look at that 6’3” officer in a dress uniform beside his 6’4” 14 year old son, his wife and boys and think life has been good. He spent just short of 27 years in the military with 23 of those being in the regular U. S. Army.

His family has gone through much separation due to his deployments. He chose a military career, that few choose today. His family has supported him whether in the States, Germany or in a hostile deployment. His family breathes American patriotism. He has one room of his home dedicated to his military history. It is rather impressive.

At the retirement ceremony we watched 35 career soldiers enter into retirement. The retirees were officers and enlisted personnel, men



and women, and all races. These soldiers had given up the most productive years of their lives to protect this nation and to assure all that human freedoms would and will prevail.

The father in me is very proud to have seen that little boy grow up from a carefree child to an accomplished Army officer. His grit has been tested more than any of us have ever been asked to do. The other soldiers have had similar experiences. As American citizens, we should all give thanks for these men and women in uniform that have sacrificed so much of their lives for this nation. That retirement ceremony simply made all of those in attendance PROUD of the American soldier. Take a moment and tell a veteran that you are thankful for their service.

While we were at a retirement ceremony the nation’s government continued. Congress and the President were tasked with enacting a budget by October 1. Less than 10 miles from Fort Myer, Congress was in session. I love debate and our founding fathers encouraged vibrant debate on the legislative floor. They also realized that a

final decision had to be made on issues before them.

Today meaningful debate is a lost art. Both Republicans and Democrats love to pontificate “ad nauseum.” Both parties fail to understand that revenue is finite and wants are infinite. That Republicans and Democrats will not talk to each other and simply ignore the other’s comments is political insanity. The nation came within hours of shutting down many of its agencies simply because a bunch of egotistical men and women cannot behave like adults.

The agreement to continue funding is only good for 45 dies and we may have another session of brinkmanship. This is ludicrous. If members of Congress cannot talk to members across the aisle, then they don’t need to be in Congress. I don’t care what party they belong to. Congress needs to talk civilly and negotiate, or get out of office. The only feeling I am getting lately from Congress is ANGER.

I would much rather write an article on how two sides debated, negotiated and came to an agreement then write about the continued childish actions of our Congress. The Army forces its officers to make decisions, stalemate is not an option in the military context. Think about it.

Holiday party at the VA 2023



by Freddy Groves

been there far too long.) Get their permission and input for the best path to take going forward. Perhaps a lunch on a certain December date? Perhaps pizza, soft drinks and holiday cookies?

Is there a large day room on the medical ward? With tables and chairs?

Do you want to consider gifts? Contact the nursing station on your designated floor and ask about small gifts of things like

puzzle books, mechanical pencils, military caps, handheld games, T-shirts, candy, handkerchiefs, small bedside calendars and so forth. Get a head count (and add a few extra in case more patients check in) to make sure each veteran gets a little wrapped gift.

Contact a local pizza shop and arrange for several types of pizza (plus the paper plates and napkins) to be delivered at a certain time. You might even get a big discount if the owner or manager is a veteran. Don’t forget cups and ice for the drinks. Borrow a CD player

and all the holiday tunes you can find to play in the background. If there’s a base near you, ask for volunteers to come help at the party, in addition to your own group. The more the merrier.

What will be most appreciated at your party is listening. Sitting with the veterans in the hospital and sharing your experiences and listening to theirs might well be the highlight of their holiday season.

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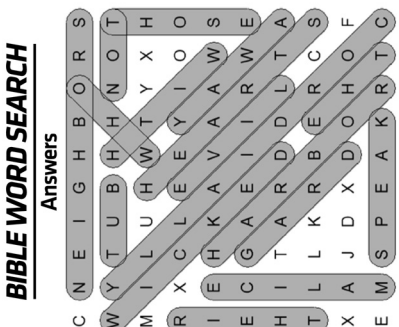
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BIBLE TRIVIA

By Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Malachi (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. What color is the great throne on which God sits while passing final judgment? Gold, Silver, Purple, White
3. In II Timothy 3, all scripture is given by the _____ of God. Blessing, Reproof, Willingness, Inspiration
4. According to Paul, who pretends as an angel of light? The unholy, Satan, Herod, The wicked
5. Which epistle warns against patronizing prostitutes? Luke, Romans, 1 Corinthians, Philippians
6. “What” of the spirit is the word of God? Sword, Praise, Love, Lamp

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Preparing food for wok cooking

Welcome to my little corner of culinary delights. In all cases, mise-en-place is paramount. This is especially true in wok cookery. Once the food begins to be put into the wok, there is no slowing down. There will be no time for finding ingredients or reading a recipe.

It is at this point that the cook must know what they are doing. I say “cook” rather than “chef” at this point. A cook generally needs to follow a recipe closely and might not know how to deviate. Not so with a chef.

One of my culinary instructors told the class that wok cooking is the fastest form of cooking. I do not necessarily agree with this. When I cook, I include the preparation time required. This would include preparing the meat and vegetables from start to finish. Because the food is cooked at a very high heat, it is necessary to prepare everything accordingly.

In regular cooking and baking, small frozen items may be placed directly into boiling water,



The Culinary Corner
Chef Roger Joss

the oven or even deep fryer. Small items, such as frozen French fries, almost instantly defrost. The heat begins cooking the whole item at once. Larger items must be fully thawed before they can be cooked or baked. However, cooking with a wok is a bit different.

If for example we are to stir-fry prawns, and they are frozen, they must be thawed completely before going in. The heat would be too high. There would be little explosions and prawns trying to get out. There would be a sudden cooling of the thin amount of oil. The cooking uniformity would be thrown off. Bottom line, just don’t do it! Nothing frozen, regardless of size, is to go into a hot wok.

Keep in mind two things when stir-frying. The food will be subjected to high heat, and traditionally, the food is eaten with chop sticks. That should

tell you a lot about preparational procedures. The vegetables, for the most part, use a julienne or batonnet cut. The meat is to be sliced into strips. If the meat is to be cut into smallish squares, then make sure the meat fillets are thin. Ground meat can be used provided it is held together in the form of patties or balls. That also goes with anything minced.

If garlic and/or ginger is being used, it is generally used for its flavor. In this case, it would be finely minced. Other food items that are small diced and/or minced is probably for sushi or soup. This is all very different. But then, what do you expect? Although different, it is very good.

I love this part of culinary. It allows me to say, “Although we are all very different, is that not very good.” If we all knew and believed alike, we would learn very little. If there was no change, this would be a dull world. Variety is the spice in life. Until next time, peace to all.

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NEWS

Cluck / from page A1

The grandchildren love playing with them—even painting their claws—which the birds patiently tolerate. The children can pick up the chickens, turn them on their backs, and the birds “stay really calm,” according to Jack.

The Dunhams purchased their first 12 chickens from the Clinton Tractor Supply store. They later ordered “Easter-egger” chickens that lay pink and blue colored eggs.

The custom coop, built by Jack, includes an automatic door that opens at sunrise and closes at sunset. Chickens, Barb explains, don’t see well at night so they instinctively know to return to the coop

before sunset.

Currently, only one chicken is laying eggs, but the Dunhams expect that to increase very soon. Chickens start laying eggs between five and eight months of age, Barb explains. Once their flock begins to lay eggs, the couple anticipates they’ll have about a dozen eggs each day.

The chickens provide entertainment for the Dunhams and their grandchildren. They all know the chickens’ hierarchy—or pecking order—and their quirks, noting different personality traits in each.

Their 2-year-old granddaughter can sit in

the yard and the chickens will come running to her. “They love her,” says Jack. “The grandkids have had so much fun,” adds Barb.

The cost of having chickens is pretty affordable, the Dunhams say, after the cost of building the coop. The chickens were about \$3 each and the food and treats total about \$50 each month, but the expense has been well worth it for the fun and joy the flock has brought the family.

“We’ve had a lot of fun with them,” says Barb. “It has been a lot of work,” adds Jack, “but it’s more than paid off in entertainment.”



Top: Barb and Jack Dunham’s flock of chickens and roosters enjoy an afternoon treat.
Katy O’Grady-Pyne/Journal



Right: Jack and Barb and Jack Dunham’s granddaughter Scarlett patiently paints the toes of a chicken.
Courtesy of Barb Dunham

Below: Jack Dunham built the “Fluster Cluck Hotel” for the family’s chickens.
Courtesy of Barb Dunham



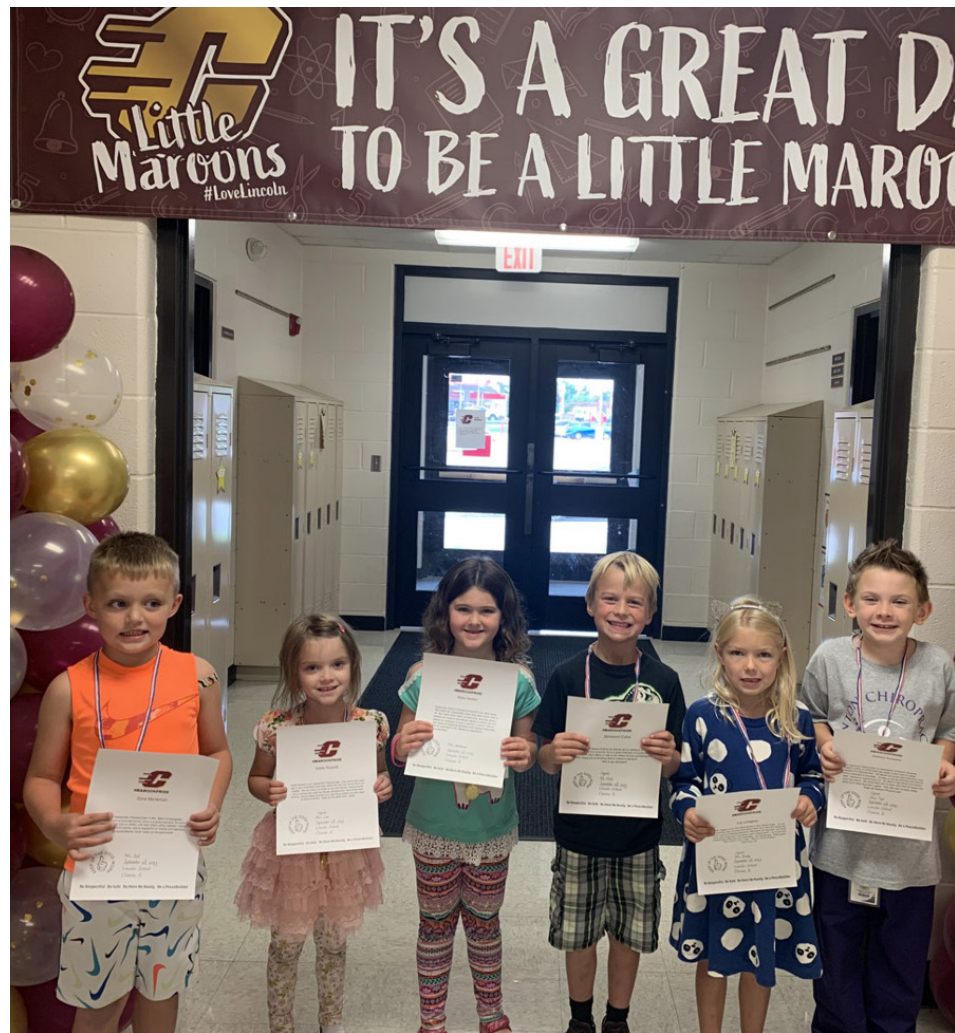
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Peace BUILDERS



Douglas School

Clinton’s Little Maroons have been hard at work learning about being PeaceBuilders. PeaceBuilders are respectful, safe and responsible. September PeaceBuilders for Lincoln School were, from left to right, Ezra Monkman, Sadie Russell, Mylee Danison, Jameson Cuba, Lily Lindgren and Dawson Suzewitz.



Lincoln School

Left to right, Oliver Monkman, Paxton Imig, Kwyn Morris, Lennox Dallas, Gwendolyn Lane, Kaisley Steward.



‘See You at the Pole’

Students at Clinton Elementary School, left, and Clinton Junior High School, right, were among those who participated in the recent “See You at the Pole” prayer day. Students from Clinton High School, Lincoln School and Chester East Elementary School also participated in the prayer day.

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October 7

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October 8

1871: Drought prevailed across the Midwest during the summer and fall. Chicago only recorded an inch of rain between July and October. The tinder-dry conditions and strong winds over 30 mph fanned a small fire, which eventually turned into a major 3-day firestorm in Chicago. Nearly three square miles of the city were destroyed by the fire, which killed 300 people and left 90,000 homeless.

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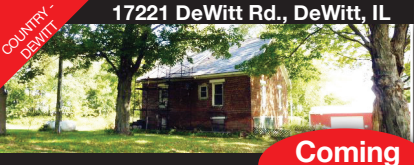
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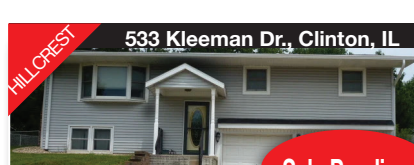
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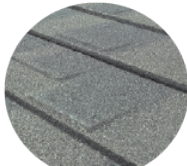
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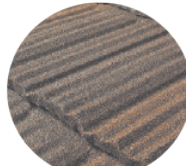
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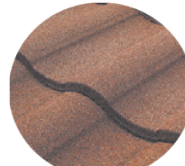
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Clinton golfers headed to State play

CLINTON — Clinton's Brooks Cluver is state-bound in boys' golf. Brooks will tee up at Weibring Golf Course at Illinois State University in Normal on Friday and Saturday.

Clinton's Sarah Mills is going to state in girls' golf. She is just the second Clinton girl to advance to this level in golf.

Sarah shot 88 to advance as an individual. She tied for 14th out of 110 golfers.

Carley Earle shot 100 and tied for 50th.

Sarah will tee off Friday at Red Tail Run golf course in Decatur.

Boys and girls golf take 1st in Forsyth

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FORSYTH — The Maroons and Lady Maroons golf teams hit the Hickory Point Golf Course (Forsyth) for a meet with several other teams on September 25.

CHS teams took first place honors. The girls team shot a 206 total to edge out second place St. Teresa who had a 207. Sarah Mills shot a 48 (2nd) followed by Carley Earle (4th) with a 49, Leah Mills (7th) with a 53, Addie Koritz (10th) with a 56 and Grace Gates shot a 64. The

girls team is headed to the regionals at Harrison Park Golf Course in Danville.

On the boys side, they had a 161 total to best Maroa/Forsyth at 184 and St. Teresa at 242. Brooks Cluver shot a 38 and was the boys medalist.

The rest of the team included Aiden Toohill (2nd) with a 38, Ryan Pine (4th) with a 41, Briley Carter (5th) with a 43, Cole Fentress (7th) with a 47, and Ashton Douglas (10th) with a 51. The boys team heads to Metamora Fields in Metamora for their regional play.



Sports photos Marc Rogers / Journal
The game begins with the initial kickoff.

Maroons 54-20 over Meridian Hawks

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CLINTON — After a season opening win away, the Maroons lost their home opener and then went on the road again.

They lost their first game to Eureka 28-47, but then headed south to Central A&M (Moweaqua) where the Maroons surprised the Raiders by winning 28-20.

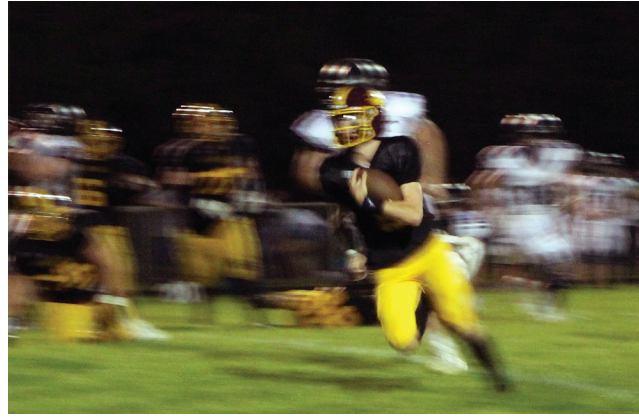
This brings us to the second home game for the Maroons who hosted the Meridian (Macon) Hawks in their second conference battle of the season. This was also Military Appreciation Night along with M-Squad night.

The game started off well for the Maroons with

touchdown (TD) runs by Dawson Graves and Mason Walker to give the home team a 13-7 lead, the first with a failed extra point. Then, in the second quarter, the Maroons extended their lead on a run Tristan Potts run for another TD with an extra point tacked on for a 19-7 lead.

The last part of the second quarter was a glitch in time for the Maroons as they allowed the Hawks back in the game with two TDs; one with an extra point, one without giving them a 20-19 lead.. However, the home team didn't buckle, and with 9 seconds left executed a long pass for a TD and no extra point to retake the lead 25-20.

After the halftime festi-



The start of a Maroon long gain of yardage.

ities, the teams returned to the field, and it was the Maroons' half all the way.

Meridian scored no points in the second half, while the Maroons went to work, scoring 4 TDs with extra points (one being a 2-point-er). In this time, Colton Walker had two interceptions and a 92-yard passing

TD from Keaton Graves, while Mason Walker had 3 rushing TDs to cap the Maroons scoring to win 54-20.

The Maroons are now 3-2 overall and 2-0 in the conference.

Story on Clinton's homecoming win over Tuscola coming Oct. 13.

Maroons' golfers take first place in Clinton Invitational Tournament

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CLINTON — Before heading off to the Central Illinois Conference Tournament, the Clinton Maroons' golf team hosted their annual Clinton Invitational at the Clinton Country Club.

This year's tournament had 12 schools vying for top honors or just to get practice in for the regionals and state finals.

It has been a good year for the Maroons, and this outing was no different. The Maroons performed well enough to take first place with Roanoke/Benson in second and Heyworth in third place.

Brookes Cluver took third place, while Keaton Hamms of Roanoke/Benson took medalist honors with a score of 38 to Cluver's 40. Aiden Toohill took sixth place with a 43, followed by Briley Carter (also at 43), Cole Fentress shooting a 46, and Ryan Pine shooting 49.



The Clinton Maroons (with coaches) and the First Place Team plaque.

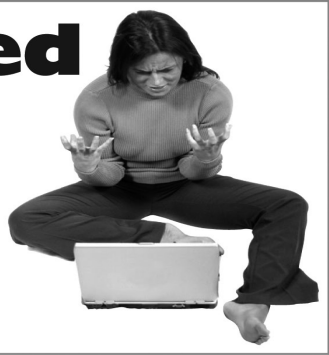


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119 ANNOUNCEMENTS

FAX RECEIVING AND SENDING SERVICE The Clinton Journal will fac-simile documents to other fax machines for private parties and businesses. **RATES:** (Receiving) \$2 - First page, \$1 each page after. (Sending in US) \$3 - First page, \$1 each page after. Get your important docu-ments where they need to be instantly by taking ad-vantage of our facsimile machine. Reproduce com-plete documents and/or pictures by telephone in only a couple minutes! Just stop by the Clinton Journal, 111 S Monroe, Clin-ton - no appoint-

ment necessary. (119TFN)
NEW TO TOWN? Stop by our office for your Free 2023-2024 Community Guide. This guide will tell everything you need to know about settling into Clinton and making it home. Clinton Journal 111 S Mon-roe, Clinton

201 DOMESTIC/CHILD CARE

NO INDIVIDUAL, unless licensed or holding a permit as a childcare facil-ity, may cause to be published any advertisement solic-iting a child care service. *A child-care facility that is licensed or operat-ing under a permit issued by the Illi-nois Department of Children and Family Services may pub-lish advertisements of the services for which it is specifi-cally licensed or issued a permit. The Clinton Journal strongly urges any parent or guardian to verify the validity of the license of any facility before placing a child in its care. *Family homes that care for no more than three (3) children under the age of twelve or which receive only children from a single household, for less than 24 hours per day, are exempt from licen-sure as day care homes. The three children to whom this exemption applies includes the family's natural or adopted chil-dren and any other persons under the age of 12 whether related or unrelated to the operator of the day care home. [DCFS Rule, Part 377.3 (c)]

203 HELP WANTED

THE CLINTON JOURNAL is seeking a substi-tute delivery driver. Responsibilities include picking up paper bundles from the Journal office and delivering them to designated busi-nesses in a timely manner. **MUST** have a valid driver's license, reliable transportation and valid insurance. Apply at the Clinton Journal office, 111 S. Monroe St., Clin-

ton. (203TFN)

305 GARAGE/ RUMMAGE SALES

PLACE A RUM-MAGE SALE AD IN THE CLINTON JOURNAL. Dead-line for ads are: Monday, 5:00 PM for the following Fri-day edition. Rate: 1 publication and up to one week online, up to 20 words for \$17.00, additional words are 25¢ a word. **OUR RAIN GUARANTEE:** If it rains on your sale day, we'll rerun the same ad (only date & time changes) for free. Must run within 2 weeks.

LEGAL

STATE OF IL-LINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JU-DICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF DE-WITT

Estate of: Denise M. Whitted Deceased. CASE NO. 2023-PR-32

NOTICE BY PUBLI-CATION OF CLAIM DATE

Notice is given to the creditors of the death of Denise M. Whitted, of 87 Cedar Dr., Clinton, Illinois 61727. Letters of Office were issued on September 13, 2023, to Damon Whitted, Indepen-dent Executor, 701 N. George St., Clin-ton, Illinois 61727, whose attorney is Kevin Hammer, 219 E. Main Street, Clinton, Illinois 61727. The estate will be administered without court super-vision unless under Section 28-4 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/28-4) any interested person terminates indepen-dent administration at any time by mail-ing or delivering a petition to terminate to the clerk. Claims against the Estate must be filed in the office of the Clerk of DeWitt County Circuit Court, DeWitt County Courthouse, 201 W. Washing-ton, Clinton, Illinois 61727, or with the representative, or both, on or before September 22, 2024, or, if mail-

ing or delivery of a Notice from the representative is required by Section 18-3 of the Probate Act, the date stated in the Notice. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the representative and to the repre-sentative's attorney within ten days after it has been filed.

Dated this 14th day of September, 2023.

Kevin Hammer Attorney for the Estate of Denise M. Whitted 219 East Main Street Clinton, IL 61727 217/935-7063

Legal 19858 Sept. 22, Sept. 29, Oct. 6, 2023

LEGAL

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

DEWITT COUNTY - IN PROBATE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES HO-MER WRIGHT, DECEASED

No. 2023-PR-33

CLAIM DATE NOTICE - INDE-PENDENT ADMIN-ISTRATION

Notice is given of the death of the above-named de-ce-dent;

Letters of Office were issued Sep-tember 13, 2023 to Martin Wright, 24311 Prairie Chap-el, Farmer City, Illinois 61842 and Julie Roth, 3072 N. 1200 East Road, Mansfield, Illinois 61854 as Indepen-dent Co-Executors. The attorney for the estate is Bryce A. Lynch of Taylor & Lynch, 216 South Center Street, P.O. Box 478, Clinton, Illinois, 61727.

Claims may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court at the DeWitt County Courthouse, 201 W. Washing-ton Street, Clinton, IL 61727, on or before April 13, 2024. Any claim not filed

within that period is barred. Copies of the Claim filed with the Clerk of the Court must be mailed or delivered to the Represen-tative and to the Attorney within 10 days after it is filed.

The estate will be administered without Court supervision, unless an interested party terminates Indepen-dent Administration by filing a Petition to Terminate under Section 28-4 of the Illinois Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/28-4). A form of a Petition to Terminate Inde-pendent Administra-tion may be opened from the Clerk of the Court at the above address.

Dated this 20th day of September, 2023.

Martin Wright and Julie Roth, Inde-pendent Co-Exec-utors of the estate of James homer Wright, Deceased

BRYCE A. LYNCH 6297077 TAYLOR & LYNCH 216 SOUTH CEN-TER STREET P.O. BOX 478 CLINTON, IL 61727 TEL: (217) 935-2183 FAX: (217) 935-8219 E-MAIL: attor-neys@dewittcountylaw.com

Legal 19862 Sept. 29, Oct. 6, Oct. 13, 2023

LEGAL

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DEWITT COUNTY, ILLINOIS

STEWART WELL SERVICES, INC.

Plaintiff,

vs. NEILL & JONES INSURANCE SERVICE LTD,

Defendant.

No. 2023CH8

NOTICE BY PUBLI-CATION

Notice is hereby given to NEILL & JONES INSUR-

INFORMATION

Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Monday-Friday) **Closed Wednesdays**
Address: 111 S. Monroe St., Clinton
Mail: P.O. Box 615 Clinton, IL 61727

CJ DEADLINES:
• **Mondays** at 5 p.m.
(Deadlines subject to change during holiday times)

DISCLAIMER: If your advertisement appears incorrectly, notify us immediately. We will not be responsible for more than one incorrect insertion, and will only credit customer for one insertion.

All classified marketplace line ads will appear in the following print publications and on our newspaper website:
• Clinton Journal
• www.theclintonjournal.com

Call for pricing that starts at \$19.00 for private party ads and \$30 for commercial business ads and \$17 for garage sale ads.

ANCE SERVICE, LTD., that suit as titled above has been commenced and is now pending against you wherein Plaintiff seeks a money judgment and foreclosure of an oil and gas lien as to the leases and lands de-scribed below:
• T. P. Kiley Lease

Oil and Gas Lease dated May 22, 1962, recorded in Book 162, at page 560, from T. P. Kiley and Laura Kiley to Lloyd A. Harris and covering the following described lands:

NW/4 and W/2 NE/4, Section 28, T21N, R3E of 3rd P.M., DeWitt Coun-ty, Illinois.

• Cora Ryan Lease

Oil and Gas Lease dated May 28, 1962, recorded in Book 162, at page 570, from Cora E. Ryan and others to Lloyd A. Harris and covering the following described lands:

E/2 SE/4, Section 20; and SW/4 SW/4, Section 21, all in T21N, R3E of 3rd P.M., DeWitt County, Illinois.

YOU ARE FUR-THER NOTIFIED that unless on or before October 30, 2023, you shall appear and defend yourself in this suit, default judgment may be entered against you on the day following or thereafter. Dated: September 20, 2023.

/s/ Michelle Van Valey Clerk of the Circuit Court

Jarred R. Tynes ARDC #6293977 Black, Ballard,

McDonald, P.C. P.O. Box 4007 Mt. Vernon, IL 62864 Telephone: 618-242-3310 Fax: 618-242-3735 Email: jtynes@illinoisfirm.com 6114-936267

Legal 19864 Sept. 29, Oct. 6, Oct. 13, 2023

LEGAL

STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT & CIRCULATION Title of publica-tion: The Clinton Journal. Publica-tion number: 114N 118-60. Date of filing: Sept. 22, 2023. Frequency of issue: Weekly. No. of issues published annually: 52. An-nual subscription price: \$65.00 and \$79.00. Complete mailing address of known office of publication: 111 S. Monroe St. Clinton, IL 61727. Complete mailing address of headquarters or general business office of publisher: News Media Corpo-ration, 211 Highway 38 East, P.O. Box 46, Rochelle, IL 61068. Full name and complete mailing address of publisher, editor and managing editor: Publisher: Katy Pyne, 111 S. Monroe St., Clinton, IL 61727; Editor: Gordon Woods, 111 S. Monroe St., Clinton, IL 61727; Managing editor: none. Owner: News Media Corporation, 211 Highway 38 East, P.O. Box 46, Rochelle, IL 61068. John C. Tompkins Revocable Trust, 211 Highway 38 East, Rochelle, IL 61068. Known bondhold-ers, mortgagees and other security holders owning or holding 1 percent

or more of total amount of bonds, mortgages or other securities: Central Bank, 340 May Mart Drive, Ro-chelle, IL 61068. A. Total no. of copies (net press run). Average no. copies each issue during preceding 12 months: 2498. No. copies of single issue published nearest to filing date: 2149. B. Paid circula-tion (By Mail and Outside the Mail). 1. Mailed outside - county paid subscriptions stated on PS form 3541. Average no. copies each issue during preceding 12 months: 25. No. copies of single issue published nearest to filing date: 25. 2. Mailed in-county paid subscriptions stated on PS form 3541. Average no. copies each issue during preceding 12 months: 406. No. copies of single issue published nearest to filing date: 389. 3. Paid distribution outside the mails including sales through dealers and carriers, street ven-dors, counter sales and other paid distribution outside USPS. Average no. copies each issue during preceding 12 months: 268. No. copies of single issue published nearest to filing date: 260. 4. Paid distribution by other classes of mail through the USPS. None. C. Total paid distri-bution. Average no. copies each issue during preceding 12 months: 699. No. copies of single issue published nearest to filing date: 674. D. Free or nominal rate distribution. 1. Outside- county in-cluded on PS form

Substitute Bus Drivers Needed




Please apply online or pick up an application at the Unit Office, 1200 IL-54, Clinton.

www.applitrack.com/Clinton/onlineapp

Must have or be willing to obtain CDL.

\$24.50 per hr.





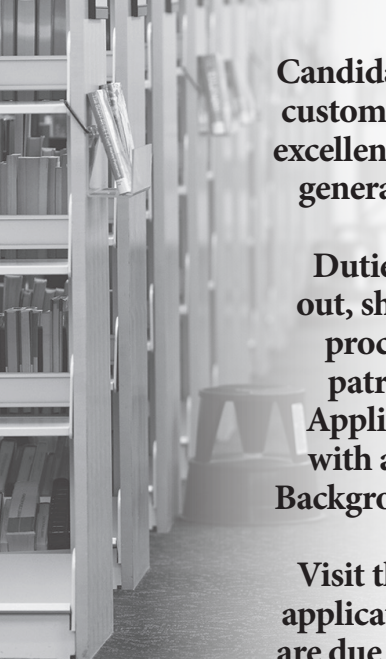
The Vespasian Warner Public Library District at 310 N. Quincy St. in Clinton is seeking qualified applicants for the position of part-time clerk. Work schedule is Tues & Thurs, 3PM-7PM and occasional Saturday hours.

Candidates must be interested in working in a customer service-oriented organization, have excellent communication skills, possess strong general computer skills, attention to detail, and a willingness to learn.

Duties include checking materials in and out, shelving books, answering phone calls, processing new materials, and assisting patrons with basic reference questions.

Applicants must be at least 18 years of age with a high school diploma or equivalent. Background check required. \$13.00/hour with paid holidays.

Visit the library or www.vwarner.org for an application and job description. Applications are due by 4pm on Friday, October 13, 2023 at the library or email perryman@vwarner.org.



3541. Average no. copies each issue during preceding 12 months: 5. No. copies of single issue published nearest to filing date: 5.

2. In-county included on PS form 3541. Average no. copies each issue during preceding 12 months: 19. No. copies of single issue published nearest to filing date: 19.

3. Free or nominal rate copies mailed at other classes through the USPS. None.

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F. Total distribution. Average no. copies each issue during preceding 12 months: 728. No. copies of single issue published nearest to filing date: 703.

G. Copies not distributed: Average no. copies each issue during preceding 12 months: 1770. No. copies of single issue published nearest to filing date: 1446.

H. Total. Average no. copies each issue during preceding 12 months: 2498. No. copies of single issue published nearest to filing date: 2149.

I. Percent paid. Average no. copies each issue during preceding 12 months: 92%. No. copies of single issue published nearest to filing date: 96%.

I certify that the statements made by me above are correct and complete.

Katy Pyne, Publisher

Legal 19866
October 6, 2023

LEGAL

STATE OF ILLINOIS
CIRCUIT COURT
DEWITT COUNTY

PUBICATION
NOTICE OF
COURT DATE FOR
REQUEST FOR
NAME CHANGE
(ADULT)

Request of: Alexia Sapphire Johnson
2023MR12
There will be a court date on my Request to change my name from: Alexia Sapphire Johnson to the new name of: Alexander Sapphire Johnson
The court date will be held: on Nov. 1, 2023 at 11:00 a.m., at DeWitt County Courthouse, 201 W. Washington St, Clinton, DeWitt, in Courtroom #A.
/s/ Alexia Johnson
Alexia Sapphire Johnson

LEGAL 19869
Sept. 29, Oct. 6, Oct. 13, 2023

LEGAL

KENNEY FIRE
PROTECTION
DISTRICT

NOTICE OF SOLICITATION FOR SEALED BIDS FOR AUXILIARY BUILDING PROJECT
OCTOBER 1, 2023
Pursuant to 70 ILCS 705/11k, the Kenney Fire Protection District is soliciting sealed competitive bids for purchase and

construction of an auxiliary building on property adjacent to the District's fire station at 109 E. Sheldon Street, Kenney, IL 61749. Written requirements are available by contacting Fritz Robinson at 217-620-5407 or by email at secretary@kenneyfire.org. The deadline for submission of sealed bids to the District is October 31, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. Sealed bids may be submitted by U.S. Mail to the District at the following mailing address: Kenney Fire Protection District, PO Box 196, Kenney, IL 61749, or by personal delivery to 109 E. Sheldon Street, Kenney, IL 61749, no later than 6:00 p.m. on October 31, 2023. Bids are to be clearly marked "Station Project Bid" on the outside of the envelope. Bids will be publicly opened at a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Fire Protection District to be held on November 2, 2023 at the Fire Station at 109 Sheldon Street, Kenney, IL 62749 at 6:00 p.m. Late or incomplete bids will not be accepted or eligible for consideration. It is the bidder's responsibility to assure and verify the actual receipt of its bid by the District by the submission deadline. The District reserves the right to reject any and all bids after evaluation of bids for either budgetary reasons, a change in the procurement plans of the District, or the failure of any or all bids to be non-responsive or not responsible as determined by the Board of Trustees. All bids must comply with and meet Prevailing Wage Act requirements and Public Construction Bond Act requirements as well as all other requirements stated in the separate Project Requirements and Additional Terms & Conditions for the project.

Legal 19870
October 6, 2023

LEGAL

RUTLEDGE TOWNSHIP FUNDS ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT TOWN OF RUTLEDGE, DEWITT COUNTY, ILLINOIS FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 2023

Rutledge Township Funds Balance forward April 1, 2022 \$ 145,311.42

Revenue Summary:
RE Property Tax \$101,252.20
Replacement Tax \$3,746.65
Interest Income \$41.38
Interfund Transfer \$3,000.00
TOIRMA Insurance Dividend \$551.00
Total Revenue: \$ 108,591.23

Expenditure Summary:
Central Culvert (culverts) \$4,398.72;
U.S. Treasury (payroll taxes) \$3,801.27; TOIRMA (liability insurance) \$3,798.00; Chris Dean (shed rent, phone, polling place rent) \$5,700.00; All Others Under \$2500 - \$16,929.39
Total Expenditures: \$ 34,627.38

Compensation Summary:
Range: Under \$25,000: William R. Dean, Kurt Wells, Michael Edmonds;

Tim Walsh; Denny Sutter; Rick Tharp; Keith Taylor.
Total Compensation:
\$ 19,747.18

Total Expenditures \$ 54,374.56

Total Funds On Hand March 31, 2023
\$ 199,528.09

I, Michael Edmonds, Supervisor of Rutledge Township, DeWitt County, Illinois, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the Annual Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023.

/s/ Michael Edmonds
Township Supervisor

Legal 19872
October 6, 2023

LEGAL

THE CIRCUIT
COURT FOR THE
SIXTH JUDICIAL
CIRCUIT

DEWITT COUNTY - IN PROBATE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARY ALICE MCINTOSH, DECEASED

2023-PR-34

CLAIM DATE
NOTICE - INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION

Notice is given of the death of the above named decedent;

Letters of Office were issued on September 22, 2023 to Candyce Sue Kasch, 11145 Surrey Park Trail, Johns Creek, Georgia as Independent Executor. The attorney for the estate is Bryce A. Lynch of Taylor & Lynch, 216 South Center Street, P.O. Box 478, Clinton, Illinois, 61727.

Claims may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court at the DeWitt County Courthouse, 201 West Washington Street, Clinton, Illinois, 61727, or with the attorney for the estate who also acts as the registered agent for the Executor, said agent and attorney being Bryce A. Lynch of Taylor & Lynch, for the services of claims or other designated matter, or both on or before April 20, 2024. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of the claim filed with the Clerk of the Court must be mailed or delivered to the attorney for the estate which also acts as the registered agent for the estate, Bryce A. Lynch of Taylor & Lynch and file with the clerk proof of such mailing or delivery within 10 days after it is filed.

The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless an interested party terminates Independent Administration by filing a Petition to Terminate under Section 28-4 of the Illinois Probate Act (755ILCS 5/28-4). A form of a Petition to Terminate Independent Administration may be obtained from the Clerk of the Court at the above address.

Dated this 28th day of September, 2023.

Candyce Sue Kasch, Independent Executor of

ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT
SANTA ANNA TOWNSHIP & ROAD DISTRICT
FISCAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 2023

TOWNSHIP -- REVENUE SUMMARY:

Property Taxes - 123,838; State Replacement Tax 26,071; Sale of Lots 2,700; Insurance Dividends - 759.
Rental Income - 200, Interest 277
TOTAL REVENUES: \$153,845

TOWNSHIP -- EXPENDITURE SUMMARY:

Harper Lawn Care 7,560; IRS 5,763; Robert Scarbrough 3,869; TOIRMA 5,029;
All other disbursements less than (\$2,500) - \$14,244
TOTAL VENDORS: \$36,465

TOWNSHIP -- COMPENSATION SUMMARY:

Range: Under \$25,000.00: Dana Bettinger; Carlos Burton; Michelle Castle; Bruce Gammage; Joetta Gammage; David Holtz; Jamey Jo Jean; Martin Kopp; Glenn Reeser; Robert Scarbrough; David Trenkle; Adam Weedman; Sallie White
TOTAL COMPENSATION: \$72,013

ROAD DISTRICT -- REVENUE SUMMARY

Property Taxes - 134,693; State Replacement Tax 32,420; Insurance Dividends - 789; Interest Income 253
TOTAL REVENUES: \$168,155

ROAD DISTRICT -- EXPENDITURE SUMMARY

Illiana Construction Co. \$96,255; Doss Construction \$39,324; Santa Anna Township (Payroll Reimb.) \$32,134; Pearl Trucking 12,601; Yeagle Electric \$8,292; SBC Heating & Air, Inc. \$8,142; TOIRMA 5,235; City of Farmer City \$4,934;
All other disbursements less than (\$2,500) - \$9,232
TOTAL VENDORS: \$216,149

ROAD DISTRICT -- COMPENSATION SUMMARY

Range: Under \$25,000.00: Michelle Castle; David Holtz; Terry Holtz; Colby Larkin; Lane Spieker; Lance Spieker
TOTAL COMPENSATION: \$30,079

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF CONDITION (Excerpt from Comptroller Report)									
	GENERAL	SPECIAL REVENUE	CAPITAL PROJECT	DEBT SERVICE	ENTERPRISE	INTERNAL SERVICE	FIDUCIARY	DISCREETLY PRESENTED COMPONENT UNITS	
Revenues (*Line 240)	177,573	199,129	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Expenditures (*Line 270)	87,933	236,694	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures (*Line 301)	34,640	(37,265)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transfers In (*Line 302)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transfers Out (*Line 303)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bond Proceeds (*Line 304)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other (*Line 305)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance (*Line 306)	34,640	(37,265)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Previous Year Fund Balance (*Line 307)	325,640	581,557	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other (*Line 308)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Current Year Ending Fund Balance (*Line 310)	360,279	544,292	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL DEBT	OUTSTANDING BEGINNING OF YEAR	ISSUED CURRENT FISCAL YEAR	RETIRED CURRENT FISCAL YEAR	OUTSTANDING END OF YEAR					
0	0	0	0	0					
(*Line 405)		(*Line 411)	(*Line 417)	(*Line 423)					

Subscribed and sworn to this 25TH day of September 2023.

Michelle Castle
Michelle Castle District Treasurer

I, Joetta Gammage, Clerk of Santa Anna Township, Dewitt County, Illinois, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the Annual Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023.

Joetta Gammage
Joetta Gammage - Clerk

Legal 19871
October 6, 2023

the Estate of Mary Alice McIntosh, Deceased

BRYCE A. LYNCH 6297077
TAYLOR & LYNCH 216 SOUTH CENTER STREET P.O. BOX 478 CLINTON, ILLINOIS 61727
TEL: (217) 935-2183
FAX: (217) 935-8219
E-MAIL: attorneys@dewittcountylaw.com

Legal 19873
October 6, October 13, October 20, 2023

LEGAL

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING THE INTENT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER 15, DEWITT, MACON AND LOGAN COUNTIES, ILLINOIS TO SELL \$1,700,000 SCHOOL FIRE PREVENTION AND SAFETY BONDS
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Community Unit School District Number 15, DeWitt, Macon and Logan

Counties, Illinois (the "District"), will hold a public hearing on the 17th day of October, 2023, at 6:30 o'clock P.M. The hearing will be held in the Clinton Junior High School Library, 701 Illini Drive, Clinton, Illinois. The purpose of the hearing will be to receive public comments on the proposal to sell bonds in the amount of \$1,700,000 for the purpose of conforming its existing facilities that house students to the building code promulgated by the State Board of Education of the State of Illinois, by altering, reconstructing and repairing said facilities and having equipment purchased and installed therein. By order of the President of the Board of Education of Community Unit School District Number 15, DeWitt, Macon and Logan Counties, Illinois. DATED the 19th day of September, 2023.
Sondra Baker Secretary, Board of Education, Community Unit School District Number 15, DeWitt, Macon and Logan

Counties, Illinois

Legal 19874
October 6, 2023



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BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS & SERVICES GUIDE



The logo for the Clinton Area Chamber of Commerce & Tourism Bureau is displayed. It features the text "Clinton Area" in a large, elegant script font, with "CHAMBER OF COMMERCE" in a bold, sans-serif font below it. Underneath that, "& Tourism Bureau" is written in a smaller, italicized script font. To the right of the text is a QR code. Below the QR code is a small circular logo with the text "CLINTON AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE". At the bottom of the logo area, the address "100 S. Center St., Suite 101, Clinton, IL 61727" and the phone number "217-935-3364" are listed, followed by the email address "chamber@clintonilchamber.com" and the website "www.clintonilchamber.com". Social media icons for Facebook and Instagram are also present.



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