

Water plant back to normal operation

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CLINTON — City commissioner John Wise recently reported repair and other work continues on the city water plant.

“The plant is 20-some years old, and we’ve got things that are breaking,” Wise told other commissioners during the Sept. 5 council meeting.

“There are things we try to get parts for, and it’s kind of tough on some of the older stuff.”

He said, however, everything at the plant was back up and running.

Wise thanked plant employees for their extra work to restore capacity at the facility.

Work at the plant included the lime treatment silo and pumps. Wise said work to rebuild some pumps continued. Repairs, especially those involving lime treatment, now should have the water running clear again.

Some other work was waiting on the completion of plans by engineers, but Wise assured the council the work was on track.

“Probably won’t get to it this fall ...but it is coming,” he said.

Look at wind ordinance continues

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CLINTON — Members of the county board’s land use committee covered more ground Monday during a work session as they progress toward adjusting the county’s wind energy ordinance.

Throughout the summer, land use members have scrutinized language in the ordinance to give the county as much control as possible in light of the state’s 2023 wind energy mandate. Essentially, counties cannot enact wind facility rules that contradict state regulations.

As members met Monday, they also await any proposed changes coming forward from the county’s Regional Planning Commission (RPC) to avoid any confusion in rewriting the final language.

In March, DeWitt County State’s Attorney Dan Markwell advised the land use committee to not change language in the county’s ordinance. At that time, committee members were looking for a more exacting description about when and how long it would take for operators of the Alta Farms II wind energy facility to curtail its wind turbines. “Curtailment” is the practice of slowing or stopping wind turbines during major storm events to prevent possible interference with Dopplar weather radar.

The county board subsequently voted in August to fine Enel Energy after the company failed to curtail turbines during a July severe thunderstorm and tornado warning.

During the March land use meeting, members discussed the vagueness of the time frame for how long it would take to curtail turbines during a severe weather warning. Markwell said the interpretation of what was considered “timely” could come up if the issue were ever challenged in court.

“Whatever kind of checklist or policies you might have for the zoning administrator, that’s not binding on the wind farm,” Markwell said. “I suggest not really having anything, because if it would go to court, we don’t want them subpoenaing our procedures and making it about ‘Well maybe they didn’t follow their own policies and procedures’.”

In late May, Illinois enacted legislation that limits local regulation of wind energy facilities. Counties were required to adopt the state regulations but still have some flexibility to adjust their local ordinances, provided they don’t clash with the state rules.

The state regulations cover a variety of aspects in regard to site and zoning standards. Counties are prohibited from establishing more stringent standards.

The state law also prohibits counties from banning commercial wind and/or solar developments or from enacting moratoriums on those projects.

The county also is examining its solar energy ordinance for possible changes.



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Street improvments under way

Workers were busy Tuesday working to install new curbs and gutters along S. Madion Street.

Bees could be a new buzz word in town

Bee group president asks city to change ordinance that prohibits beekeeping

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CLINTON — Clinton residents might eventually be permitted to keep bees if city commissioners decide to change the ordinance.

Tera Kaupraun, of the Sangamon Valley Beekeepers Association, recently addressed the Clinton City Council about allowing residents to keep bees. Clinton currently has an ordinance barring the keeping of bees and nuisances.

“I’ve been a beekeeper for the past five years, and I sell honey here on the square at the Farmers Market,” Kaupraun said.

Kaupraun’s club conducts a beginning beekeeping class each winter, and she said they typically see people from Clinton interested in keeping bees.

“But, then, they find out they aren’t allowed to within city limits,” Kaupraun said.

She also said many people had approached her during the Farmers Market interested in keeping hives on their property.

“The desire is definitely there for some of your residents,” she said.

She said beekeeping is an interesting hobby for high school students and activity for the local FFA group that could make it possible for students to compete on local, state

and national levels.

“You have the strictest ordinance in the entire state,” Kaupraun said. “I wonder if it isn’t from fear and disinformation.”

She pointed out that honeybees were responsible for one out of three foods eaten in the U.S.

“They are responsible for pollinating 35 percent of the world’s crops, and they pollinate 130 different types of fruits and vegetables,” Kaupraun said.

They pollinate \$15 billion worth of crops

each year, she added.

The disappearance of the honeybee in the U.S. has caused alarm in some quarters of the agriculture and scientific communities because of the crucial role they play as pollinators. Residential beekeeping is being encouraged to help restore honeybee populations.

She said Clinton residents who wanted to keep bees also would be helping their neighbors’ gardens through the bees’ pollination.

Kaupraun said large cities across the U.S.

allow beekeeping, and she offered to help the city revamp its ordinance to allow keeping bees in Clinton.

Commissioners appeared receptive to the idea of allowing beekeeping.

“I’ve been on the council a long time, and I don’t think it has ever been brought up,” said acting mayor Tom Edmunds.

Other commissioners thanked Kaupraun for her presentation and said they would discuss the issue.

Kaupraun’s group is associated with the Illinois Beekeepers Association.



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New CPD officer

City clerk Cheryl Van Valey swears in new Clinton Police Department officer Gracie Edwards during the Sept. 5 city council meeting.

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NEWS

DeWitt Clinton NSDAR marks Constitution Week

CLINTON — Communities throughout the U.S. will celebrate the spirit and meaning of the country's Constitution beginning on September 17. On this day in 1787 at Independence Hall in Philadelphia, 39 delegates at the Constitutional Convention signed the Constitution of the United States of America. Nearly 170 years later, in 1955, DAR spearheaded an effort to set aside one-week annually when Americans could celebrate this historic signing. After petitioning Congress to set aside the week of September 17-23, on August 2, 1956, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed Constitution Week into law. Constitution Day on September 17, marks the beginning of this week-long celebration. The purpose of the celebration is to emphasize the responsibility of protecting and defending the Constitution, preserving it for posterity, understanding its significance to our heritage and its foundation to our way of life. Local chapters of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR) will celebrate with many events to honor this founding document.

Law Enforcement

Clinton Police Department

Citation 09/04/23 Patrick B. Riggs 42, Clinton No Valid Drivers License. Notice to Appear issued.

On 09/02/23 Clinton Police arrested Trevor G. Goveia 28, Downs for Driving without Lights when required, Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol, Driving Under the Influence with a B.A.C. greater than .08 and Operating Uninsured Motor Vehicle. Goveia was transported to the DeWitt County Jail and released to Corrections.

On 09/02/23 Clinton Police arrested Zachary N. Wetherell 25, Clinton for Retail Theft. Wetherell was transported to the DeWitt County Jail and released to Corrections.

On 09/03/23 Clinton Police arrested Arthur S. Pride 62, Clinton for Criminal Trespass to Land. Pride was transported to the DeWitt County Jail and released to Corrections.

DeWitt County Sheriff's Office

Sept. 1-8

David Wilkins, 57, Lincoln, was issued Citations for No Valid Driver's License and Operating Uninsured Vehicle. Wailkins was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

John Chaney, 67, Oakley, was issued a Citation for Speeding (77 mph in a 55 mph zone). Chaney was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Trinity Wallen, 22, Modesto CA, was issued a Citation for Speeding (79 mph in a 65 mph zone). Wallen was given a Promise to Comply and was released.

Franklin Wheeler, 40, Clinton, was arrested on a DeWitt County Warrant charging him with Possess Lost Credit/Debit Card/ FTA. Wheeler posted the necessary bond and was released.

Logan Ashworth, 19, LeRoy, was issued a Citation for Failure to Reduce Speed Accident. Ashworth was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

All suspects are presumed innocent until found guilty in a court of law.

CHS Wall of Honor nominations now open

CLINTON — Nominations are now being accepted for the CHS Wall of Honor. All nominees must be a CHS alumni; additional qualifications are listed below. Nomination forms may be obtained on the Clinton Schools website under the High School tab, or by contacting Samantha Rich in the High School Office at (217) 935-8337 ext. 1001 or srich@cusd15.org. Nominations are due into the high school office no later than October 6, 2023, and inductees will be honored at the home basketball game on January 12, 2024. All nominees who are not chosen will be kept on file for five years. If not chosen after five years, they will need to be renominated to be considered for the Wall of Honor. Qualifications for nominees to the Wall of Honor All nominees must be a CHS alumni, then it is open to any athlete, student with academic honors, team, or any club that has attained statewide recognition. Any athlete/student who finishes first in a state meet shall be automatically nominated to the selection committee. Any CCHS varsity team with an undefeated regular season shall be automatically nominated to the selection committee. A CCHS team/club shall be considered for nomination if it has attained outstanding record status or state recognition. Outstanding athletes of CCHS who have brought honor or fame to the Clinton community by their athletic achievements at the High School, Collegiate, or professional level. Any athlete/student of CCHS who has achieved great success in their distinguished career that brings honor and recognition to CCHS or the Clinton Community. Any CHS alumni who have made significant contributions or given meritorious service to the programs at CCHS: may include coaches, administrators, and friends of the program. Valedictorians or Salutatorian of their class. Distinguished governmental service, either state or federal by a CHS alumni Any CCHS alumni, who, in their service to our country, be it military, law enforcement or the fire service, dies in the line of duty. There is a 10-year waiting period for athletes/students or teams to qualify for eligibility.

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John Wesley ‘Wes’ Anderson

KENNEY — John Wesley “Wes” Anderson, 78, of Kenney and Harlingen, Texas, passed away at 9 p.m. on September 3, 2023, at his family residence, Kenney.

Services will be conducted at 3 p.m. on Monday, September 11, 2023, at the Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton, with Nathan Hodel officiating. Burial with military honors will follow at Memorial Park Cemetery, Clinton. Visitation will be held from 6–8 p.m. on Sunday, September 10, 2023, and 2–3 p.m. on Monday at the funeral home. The family requests casual attire.

Memorials may be directed to the Kenney Fire and Rescue.

Wes was born on February 22, 1945, in Decatur, the son of B.J. “Jack” and Mary (Davis) Anderson. He married Joan Kay Herman on February 14, 1970 in Mt. Auburn, Ill.

He is survived by his wife of 53 years and their children, John William (Michelle), of Palm Harbor, Fla., and Susan Muñoz, Kenney; four grandchildren, Kigan Muñoz, Jack Anderson, Jorie Anderson, and Payton Anderson; and sister, Phyllis (Roger) Thomas, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Other survivors include sister-in-law, Judy Buzzard, brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Gary



and Laniesa Herman, nieces and nephews, as well as numerous friends in Kenney and Texas.

He was preceded in death by his parents and in-laws, Paul and Mildred Herman.

Wes graduated from Warrensburg-Latham High School in 1963 and served four years in the U.S. Air Force (Okinawa). He then farmed in the Beason/Kenney area for 39 years. He also operated Anderson Refrigeration and Electric.

Wes was a former member of the Kenney Fire Department, trustee of the fire department, board member of the Bank of Kenney, Kenney Heritage Association, Prairie State Model-T Ford Club of America (Decatur) and Prairie A’s Model-A Club (Champaign).

Wes and Joan began winters in Texas in 1979 and eventually became Texas residents. They returned to Kenney each summer.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to the Kenney Fire and Rescue unit for their assistance and support.

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NEWS

Jose de Jesus Munoz Gomez ‘Jesus’

KENNEY — Jose de Jesus Muñoz Gomez “Jesus,” 45, of Kenney, passed away 1:47 p.m. on September 5, 2023.

Private family Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. John’s Catholic Church, Clinton, with Fr. Thomas Szydlak Celebrant. Burial will follow at Oak Park Cemetery, Clinton.

Jesus was born on March 27, 1978, in San José de las Flores, Jalisco, Mexico, the son of Jose and Eufracia (Gomez) Muñoz Garcia. He married Susan Kay Anderson on June 30, 2001, and St. John’s Catholic Church, Clinton.

Survivors include his wife, Susan Kay Muñoz, Kenney; parents Jose and Eufracia Muñoz Garcia, Clinton; son Kigan Antonio Muñoz, Clinton; one brother Jose Antonio Muñoz, Clinton; four sisters Maria (Tom) Hector, Clinton; Maria Otilia Muñoz Gomez, Clinton; Adela Muñoz



Gomez, Clinton; Rogelia (Carlos) Ochoa, Dwight, Ill.; nieces and nephews Kade, Carlos, Cristian, Jack, Sandra (Jacob), Alexis, Abeline, Andrea, Jorie, and Payton; also his beloved dogs Chato and Muneca.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents and one nephew, Maddox Muñoz.

Jesus worked at Kelly Construction, in Decatur, for 13 years.

Online condolences may be made at www.calvertmemorial.com

Terry Don Niederer

CLINTON — Terry Don Niederer, 65, passed away peacefully at home on September 3, 2023.

Terry was born on March 20, 1958, son of Don and Delores Niederer. They survive.

Also surviving are Terry’s brother Randy Nieder and sister Cindy (Dave) Niederer-Stasell, nephew Ben and nieces Lucy, Kallie and Grace, and his faithful dog,

Angus.

A celebration of life with military honors will be held at 1 p.m. on Sunday, September 17 at Clinton American Legion Hall, 219 N. Elizabeth Street. A light lunch will be served.

Memorials may be made to the Niederer family.

Terry was retired. His favorite sport was duck hunting.

He served as a medic in the U.S. Army.

Terry will be dearly missed.

Age 70 or older but not yet receiving benefits?

Selena Higgins
Social Security district manager, Bloomington



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Food prices

SENIOR NEWS LINE
by Matilda Charles

The Bureau of Labor Statistics issued a food prices report comparing this summer to the summer of 2022. While they acknowledge that prices of food are continuing to rise, they claim that the rate of that increase has slowed. They say that the cost of groceries went up only 4.9% from last year.

I’d like to know where, exactly, they do their shopping -- because I’ll go there.

We can point the finger of blame in several directions, per the nightly news -- the war in Ukraine, wildfires, droughts, avian flu -- but I point that finger in one additional direction: greed.

I have a thick stack of grocery receipts, batched by date, so it’s easy to check the prices that I paid a month ago, six months ago, a year ago, etc. Along with a handy online calculator, I can see that one particular item I commonly buy rose in price from \$4.27 to \$5.95 just in the past several months. That equates to a 39 percent increase in price. It’s not even a fancy cut of meat -- it’s bread.

I have to wonder if the food companies don’t watch the news and decide to see just how much we’ll put up with, like the frog in the pan of increasingly heated water. How long before we jump out?

By “jump out,” I mean refuse to buy. Granted, we can’t avoid buying food, but we can refuse to pay for higher priced items. For example, I’m experimenting with a way to cut my grocery bill that is simply this: I buy whatever brand is the cheapest. If I want a can of beans, maybe the store brand is the cheapest, maybe it’s a flavor I haven’t tried before, maybe it’s on sale. Whatever it is, I buy the cheapest.

Eventually the food companies will wise up and realize that we won’t be held hostage by their high prices.

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Disability claims lost since 2018

As far back as 2018 there have been technical problems with uploading disability claims on the Department of Veterans Affairs’ website, except nobody knew. There were no indications at the time that anything was going awry. But those claims weren’t received.

When you hit the SEND button, it didn’t go. Your disability claim has likely been sitting in that internet “dead zone,” neither moving forward nor backward, unseen.

But somehow they found them, 32,000 claims sitting there unprocessed since 2018.

Now, having found those 32,000 claims in the dead zone, the VA is sending out letters to all the affected veterans. The problem was first reported by Military.com, when the spouse of one of their former employees received the letter about the lost claims.

It brings up several questions:

Did veterans file alternate claims when they didn’t hear back? Did they assume they’d been denied when they received no reply? Have the veterans, unfortunately, passed away? Do the surviving spouses know their veteran had filed? And are they due any money?



At this point you don’t need to do anything, they say. All affected veterans whose claims were found stuck in the system will be notified and their claims hustled through. Claims benefits will be backdated to the “stuck” date.

Unless you decide to take charge of your situation and check it out. The VA’s website gives this page of instructions to file disability claims: www.va.gov/disability/how-to-file-claim. You can file your claim online, by mail using Application for Disability Compensation and Related Compensation Benefits (VA Form 21-526EZ), in person when you deliver your application to a VA regional office or with help from a Veterans Service Officer.

That same instruction page says that it’s taking 104 days to get a decision. You can also check the status of your claim from that page. Do that, just to make sure. And if you have trouble signing into your MyVA411 account, or creating one, you can call 800-698-2411 for help.

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1953 - The National Boxing Association adopted the 10-point scoring system for all of its matches.

1955 - Betty Robbins became the first woman cantor.

1959 - Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev arrived in the U.S. to begin a 13-day visit.

1961 - The U.S. resumed underground testing of nuclear weapons.

1965 - "Lost in Space" premiered on CBS TV.

1965 - "Green Acres" premiered on CBS TV.

1971 - Greenpeace was founded.

1978 - Muhammad Ali defeated Leon Spinks to win his 3rd World Heavyweight Boxing title.

1982 - The first issue of "USA Today" was published.

1983 - The U.S. Senate joined the U.S. House of Representatives in their condemning of the Soviet Union for shooting down a Korean jet with 269 people onboard.

1990 - France announced that it would send an additional 4,000 soldiers to the Persian Gulf. They also expelled Iraqi military attaches in Paris.

1993 - The FBI announced a new national campaign concerning the crime of carjacking.

1994 - U.S. President Clinton told Haiti's military leaders "Your time is up. Leave now or we will force you from power."

1995 - The U.N. Fourth World Conference on Women was held in Beijing.

1997 - The domain name "google.com" was registered.

1998 - Ayatollah Ali Khamenei ordered the Iranian military to be on full alert and massed troops on its border with Afghanistan.

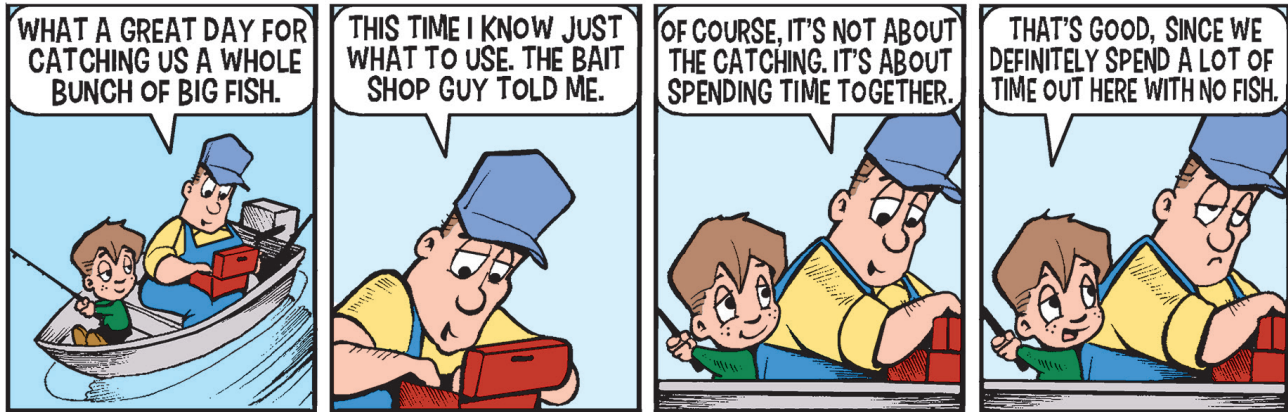
1998 - It was announced that 5.9 million people read The Starr Report on the Internet. 606,000 people read the White House defense of U.S. President Clinton.

1999 - The United Nations approved the deployment of a multinational peacekeeping force in East Timor.

2003 - In Independence, MO, the birthplace of Ginger Rogers was designated a local landmark. The move by the Independence City Council qualified the home for historic preservation.

2012 - Legoland Malaysia opened in Nusajaya, Johor, Malaysia.

Amber Waves



Ouch

Have you ever stubbed your toe or hammered a thumb. It's ouch time when that occurs. Life and politics have their share of ouches. Here are some from the past week.

I used to take warfarin for blood clots. Now, remember, warfarin is the lethal element in many brands of rat and mice killer. Just think of an attorney ingesting rat killer into his system. Many of you may be thinking let's double the dose.

Warfarin was cheap and thus I liked it. Unfortunately it didn't work and my doctor put me on Eliquis, a high priced blood thinner. The retail price for this medication (a 30-day supply of 60 pills) is \$656.99. The same pill in Canada per my internet perusing was \$2/pill or \$60 for the month. With my insurance coverage from Aetna I paid \$47.00 for the month's supply. Not good compared to Canada, but the stuff works and I am a captive client. September changed the equation. The retail price was the same, BUT I HIT THE DONUT HOLE FOR MEDICARE. My copay went up to \$153.01.

Medicare coverage is pretty good until you hit certain limits and then you get nailed for potentially several thousand dollars more until Medicare pays for what they call catastrophic coverage. Paying three times what I normally paid for 8 months was an OUCH situation.

Fortunately, I can pay the increased cost. However, there are a lot of folks out there who have much smaller retirement benefits or do not earn a sufficient income to pay for high priced medication. The price differential between Canada and the united States for the same medication is ludicrous.

I fully support a drug company's right to make a profit from its product. That pill costs at retail here \$10.95 and in Canada \$2. The pricing certainly has the appearance of price gouging to this country boy. To the Biden administration's credit they are going to negotiate 10 Medicare prescription drug costs with the pharmaceutical industry. Eliquis is one of those ten drugs on the list to be negotiated. But for



now the only term that fits is OUCH.

Twenty two years ago the 9/11 terrorist attacks occurred. Every year since that date, the President has commemorated the attack and those that perished by attending a memorial at one of the sites of the attacks. This year that changed.

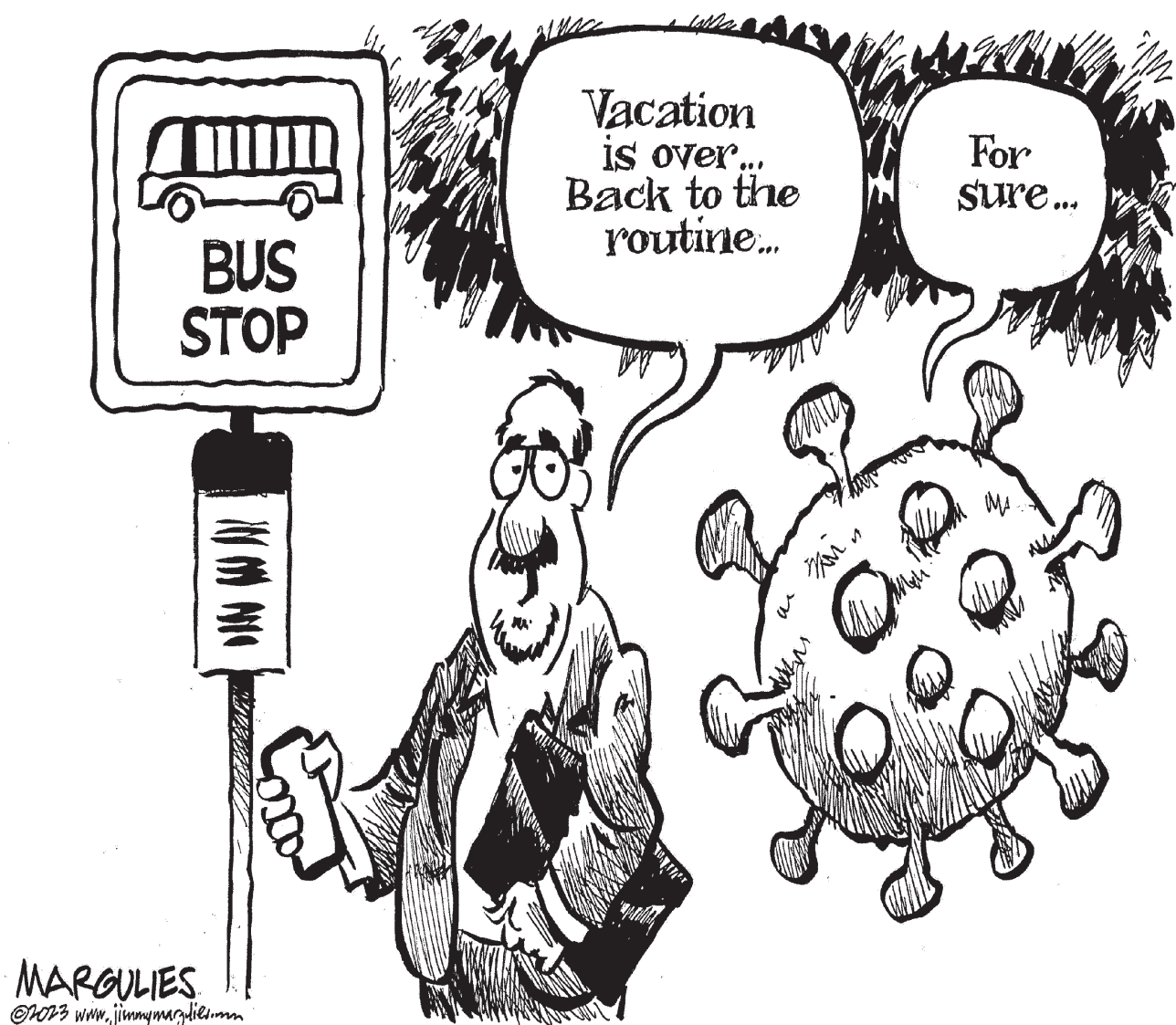
President Biden attended an economic summit in India and made a few remarks when his plane refueled in Alaska on September 11. Then on the same day the administration announced that there would be a prisoner swap with Iran. Iran is to release five American held in their prisons and the U. S. will release five Iranians held in U. S. prisons.

Additionally, the U. S. will release \$6 billion dollars to Iran that the U. S. had previously frozen in place. The American public does not know

at the moment who the five Iranian prisoners are. These could be some pretty bad characters who may well go back to Iran to foment new crimes on this nation. The money being released is to be used for humanitarian efforts in Iran. That is comforting when the Iranian government informs the world it will be determining what humanitarian efforts mean.

As Americans, we are happy to get our citizens back on American soil. The question is at what cost to our nation. The United States has essentially agreed to pay the ransom. That action may well lead to more arrests/abductions of American citizens by Iran and others.

The 9/11 families view Biden's actions as a personal affront to their family members and the nation. National security operatives view the Iranian swap as a breach of national security. These actions taken on September 11 by the Biden administration appear to be unearned errors. OUCH.



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BIBLE TRIVIA

By Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Jehoshaphat (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?

2. In Revelation 8, what's the falling star called when the third angel sounded? Armageddon, Wormwood, Rapture, Zabulon

3. Who carried a letter from the king of Syria to the king of Israel? Stephen, Naaman, John the Baptist, Delilah

4. From 2 Chronicles 11, Rehoboam took 18 wives and how many "score" of concubines? One, Two, Three, Four

5. What name did the apostles give to Joseph, a Levite from Cyprus? Barnabas, Cephas, Amos, Gideon

6. In 2 Corinthians, who traveled to Corinth to help pick up an offering for needy saints? Vitas, Timothy, Philemon, Titus

ANSWERS: 1) Neither, 2) Wormwood, 3) Naaman, 4) Three, 5) Barnabas, 6) Titus

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by Elie's Spiritual Treasures

Psalm 27:13-14

I **remain confident** of **this**: I **will see** the **goodness** of **the** LORD in the **land** of the **living**. Wait **for** the LORD; be **strong** and **take heart** and **wait** for the **LORD**.

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Find the **bolded/underlined** words in the diagram. They run in all directions — forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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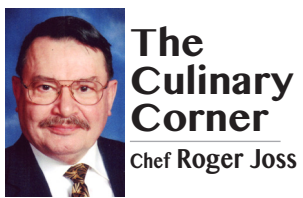
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Making fried rice

Welcome to my little corner of culinary delights. As a rule, I like things to be authentic in every way. However, there are exceptions. In this case, I do not find cooking rice in a wok to my advantage. For basic rice, I prefer the simple method as found in average American cookbooks. It takes a ratio of 1:2 by volume of rice to water. From there, we can proceed with the authentic wok methods of oriental cooking.

The wok ring is to be placed over our burner with the larger diameter down. The wok is placed on top of that. To begin with fried rice, it must be decided what other items will be included. With fried rice, it is not the practice to have just the rice alone. Let us do ours with bacon, lettuce, and tomato pieces.

The precooked rice is held in reserve. The wok is pre-heated to medium heat. Add chopped bacon and fry until crispy. Dredge it out and towel away the excess oil. Crumble the bacon. Remove the rendered bacon grease leaving behind about a tablespoon



The Culinary Corner
Chef Roger Joss

worth. Add chopped yellow onions and cook. After one minute, add a few tablespoons worth of chicken stock. Stir lightly. Add a splash of rice wine or red wine if preferred. Finally, the cooked rice is added. Let us try three cups worth. Cover so it can steam for half-a-minute followed by stir-frying until the rice is hot. Due to the lettuce and tomatoes being delicate, they are added last, along with the bacon bits. Add a splash of Soy sauce or Worcestershire sauce is optional but preferred.

You might wonder why I failed to give exact amounts for each ingredient (i.e., ¼ cup onions). By now, you should be practiced enough to know how much of what should go well with the primary ingredient. Once you obtain that level, cooking will be more fun and rewarding. If you find it difficult for now, do not

worry, it will come. There are other combinations with fried rice such as using diced carrots, peas, Bok choy, water chestnuts and other vegetables added. Quickly, for example, I will give the oriental fried rice combination. This time, I will include the amounts. Stir and toss two cups worth cooked rice in Tablespoon oil adding ½ cup each of water chestnuts and raisins. Once heated, stir in cup soy sauce. Due to so many possible variations, it is helpful to learn how to estimate proper amounts without the need of a recipe. Simply know your basics and procedures that fit the needs.

The above examples are westernized. In true fashion, the wok would be at high heat. But I must detail this method before it is used. It therefore becomes important to know the cooking order and what needs to be precooked. This is a bit more difficult. I will begin this refresher course in the next article.

Until next time, peace to all.

Lincoln Zone Rally Sept. 21

CHESTNUT — “Abounding in Love for One Another” will be the theme of this year’s Linoln Zone Rally of the Lutheran Women’s Missionary League, located at Zion Lutheran Church, 401 N. Logan Street, Chestnut, on Thursday, Sept. 21.

Opening devotions will be held at 9:30 a.m. by the Rev. David Dunlop. The rally will feature the Rev. Wayne Knolhoff, a representative of the Orphan Grain Train.

Zone president Alice Meeker will conduct the business meeting, and zone vice president Dora Thompson will

direct a Christian Life program based on “Abounding Love for One Another.”

Food and household products donations will be given to the Neighborhood Care Center, of Clinton.

The LWML is an auxiliary of the Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod. Central Illinois District funds numerous charity projects worldwide.

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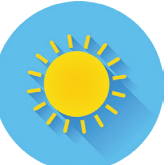

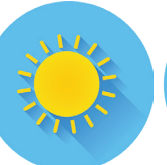
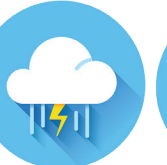

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Maroons golfers in action in Farmer City, Eureka

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FARMER CITY/EUREKA — On Sept. 5, the girls and boys golf teams split for different tournaments. The boys were involved in a quad meet at Blue Ridge (Farmer City) with Tri-Valley, Fisher, and Blue Ridge. The team did well, taking first with a score of 164. Tri-Valley was second, 10 shots back with Fisher scoring 186 and Blue Ridge scoring 194. Individually, the Maroons were on point with Brooks Cluver as medalist with a school record tying score of 32 (Matt Michael scored 32 in 1982). Aiden Toohill scored 41 followed by Ashton Douglas at 45,

Cole Fentress at 46, Brikey Carter at 50 and Ryan Pine at 52. The girls team didn't fair as well as a team but had good scoring at the Eureka Coach Cool Classic. Fieldcrest was first with a 199 score, Eureka took second at 201, Olympia was third at 206 and Clinton was fourth with a score of 208. The ladies were close, missing 3rd by two strokes and second by seven strokes. Sarah Mills took fourth place shooting a 47, followed by Carley Earle with a 53 (9th place). Leah Mills shot a 54 (her personal best score ever) with Grace Gates shooting a 54 and Emma Sanders shooting a 56. #Maroon Pride, #Swinging Hard



MAXIMUM DAMAGE

The defense will score the ♠A, ♥A and a Diamond trick for sure, but the rest of the hand looks solid for Declarer. The only hope for the defense is that the 4-1 trump split will prove awkward for Declarer. How can East inflict maximum damage and set 4♥?

West's opening lead is the ♦J, won in Dummy. At this point the defense's strategy is to lead Diamonds at every opportunity, hoping that repeated ruffs by Declarer (or Dummy) will eventually set up a trump trick for East. At Trick 2, Declarer tackles trumps, and let's suppose that East grabs her Ace immediately, cashes a Diamond and continues the suit. Dummy ruffs that and plays a second round of trumps, getting the news of the 4-1 break. Now Declarer must delay drawing trumps while he knocks out the ♠A. When West is in he persists with Diamonds, again ruffed in Dummy. Now Declarer is home free, he simply crosses to hand with a Club, draws trumps and is left with nothing but black suit winners. Making 10 tricks

East can do better than that. She must hold off with the Ace on the first round of trumps. And also on the second round! Now Declarer is done for. If he leads a third trump then East will finally take her Ace, after which repeated Diamond leads will set up a trump trick for East ... and if Declarer abandons trumps then East's small trump will score a Club ruff. Down one!

Nice defense by East, who will remember to say "Great opening lead, Partner!" The auction told West that Declarer was probably in a 4-4 fit and had a bad trump split in his future. So, West concluded that a forcing defense might be the best way to put Declarer's trump holding under pressure. Accordingly, he led his long Diamond suit, the only way to set the contract.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DEWITT COUNTY, CLINTON, ILLINOIS IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: } C. ORIS MILLER, Deceased. } 2023-PR-000028 **NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF CLAIM DATE -- INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION** NOTICE is given of the death of C. ORIS MILLER. Letters of Office were ordered issued on August 22, 2023 by Circuit Judge Karle Koritz to Oris Mark Miller, Independent Co-Executor, 105 East Alley Street, Sidney IL 61877, and Sandy K Fitzgerald, Independent Co-Executor, 2702 Arlene, Urbana, IL 61802, and whose attorney is William M. Goldstein, Goldstein Law Offices, PC, 501 W University Ave, Suite One, Champaign, Illinois 61820. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, DeWitt County Courthouse, 201 W Washington St, Clinton, Illinois 61727 or with either of the above-named Representatives of the Estate, or both, within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice or if mailing or delivery of a Notice from the Representative is required by Section 18-3 of the Probate Act of 1975, as amended, then on or before the date stated in such Notice. Any claim not filed within that time period is barred. Copies of any claim filed with the Clerk of the Court must be mailed or delivered to one of the Co-Executors and to the Attorney for the Estate within 10 days after it has been filed, and proof of such mailing must be filed with the Clerk of the Court. DATED: August 23, 2023

Oris Mark Miller, Co-Executor
Sandy K Fitzgerald, Co-Executor
Estate of C. Oris Miller, Deceased
William M. Goldstein Attorney for the Estate of C. Oris Miller
Goldstein Law Offices, PC
501 W University Ave, Ste 1
Champaign, IL 61820
217/369-0670
wmgoldlaw@aol.com

LEGAL 19843
Sept. 1, 8 & 15, 2023

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DEWITT COUNTY, ILLINOIS **STATE BANK OF BEMENT, Plaintiff, vs PAUL J. BROUGHTON, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.** Case No. 22-FC-16 **NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE PUBLIC NOTICE** is hereby given that pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure entered by the Court in the above entitled cause the property hereinafter described or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said judgment, will be sold to the highest bidder. (A) The name, address and telephone number of the person to contact for information regarding the real estate is: **Arthur L. Mann, Tepper & Mann, P.C., 507 S. Broadway Ave., P.O. Box 548, Urbana, IL 61803-0548 Telephone: (217) 328-4300** (B) The common address and other common description, if any, of the real estate is: **995 US Highway 51, Maroa, IL 61756** (C) The legal description of the real estate is: **A part of the Northwest ¼ of Section 34, Township 19 North, Range 2 East of the 3rd Principal Meridian, DeWitt County, Illinois, said tract being more particularly described as: Beginning at the point of intersection of the North line of the Northwest ¼ of said Section 34 and the West Right of Way line of F.A. Route 412 (U.S. Route 51), said point being 171.40 feet South 88°27'27" West of the Northeast corner of the Northwest ¼ of said section, running thence South 88°27'27" West for 299.16 feet along the North line of the Northwest ¼ of said Section 34, thence South 0°26'37" West for 167.56 feet; thence south 89°29'04" East for 265.82 feet; thence south 0°26'45" West for 55.79 feet; thence South 89°33'15" East for 27.55 feet to a point on the West right of way line of F.A. Route 412 (U.S. Route 51); thence North 1°20'44" East for 214.0 feet along said west right of way line; thence North 6°49'09" East for 20.20 feet along said West right of way line to the point of beginning, situated in the County of DeWitt, in the State of Illinois.** (D) A description of the improvements on the real estate is: **Single family residence** (E) The real estate may not be inspect-

ed prior to sale. (F) The time and place of the sale are: **October 25, 2023 at 10:00 a.m., in the Lobby of the DeWitt County Sheriff's Office, located at 101 W. Washington St., Clinton, IL 61727** (G) The terms of the sale are: **Cash** (H) Title will be conveyed subject to all general real estate taxes which are a lien upon the real estate, and special assessments, if any, and easements and restrictions of record. Real estate is sold as is with no representations or warranties. **BUSINESS ADDRESS: ARTHUR L. MANN TEPPER & MANN, P.C. 507 S. Broadway Ave. PO Box 548 Urbana, IL 61803-0548 Telephone: (217) 328-4300 ARDC#1750550 courtfilings@teppermann.com (Only for service of documents & notices)** Legal 19845
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THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DEWITT COUNTY - IN PROBATE IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF THOMAS J. CURL, DECEASED, and THE THOMAS J. CURL LIVING TRUST DATED APRIL 26, 2006, AS AMENDED AND RESTATED, THE HELEN M. CURL LIVING TRUST DATED APRIL 26, 2006, AS AMENDED AND RESTATED, Petitioners, v. HELGA CARL, HELGA CARL'S SONS, IF LIVING, Respondents. NO. 2023-PR-27 **NOTICE OF HEARING** TO: Helga Carl Dorwiesenweg - 8 35043 Marburg, Germany YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that due to the unavailability of the court, the hearing on the petitioner's Petition to Determine Further Duties as to the Unclaimed Money for Helga Carl scheduled for the 22nd day of September 2023 at 9:00 am has been reset to September 29, 2023 at 9:00 am before the Honorable Karle E. Koritz, Courtroom A, in the DeWitt County Building, 201 West Washington Street, Clinton, Illinois, or as soon thereafter as is convenient. A copy of said petition is attached hereto and made a part of this notice. Dated this 25 day of August, 2023. The Thomas J. Curl Living Trust and the Helen M. Curl Living Trust, Petitioners BY: TAYLOR & LYNCH BY: /s/ Joseph B. Taylor Joseph B. Taylor

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The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Notice of Hearing was mailed to the foregoing person by placing said instrument in an envelope clearly addressed, with postage fully prepaid, by First Class Mail and by placing said envelope in a United States Post Office Box in Clinton, Illinois on the 25 day of August, 2023. /s/ Joseph B. Taylor Joseph B. Taylor JOSEPH B. TAYLOR 2803046 TAYLOR & LYNCH 216 SOUTH CENTER STREET P.O. BOX 478 CLINTON, ILLINOIS 61727 TEL: (217) 935-2183 FAX: (217) 935-8219 E-MAIL: attorneys@clintonjournal.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DEWITT COUNTY - IN PROBATE IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF THOMAS J. CURL, DECEASED, HELEN M. CURL, DECEASED, and THE THOMAS J. CURL LIVING TRUST DATED APRIL 26, 2006, AS AMENDED AND RESTATED, THE HELEN M. CURL LIVING TRUST DATED APRIL 26, 2006, AS AMENDED AND RESTATED, Petitioners, v. HELGA CARL, HELGA CARL'S SONS, IF LIVING, Respondents. 2023-PR-27 **PETITION TO DETERMINE FURTHER DUTIES AS TO THE UNCLAIMED MONEY FOR HELGA CARL** NOW COMES Stanley Tuggle and Stephen Tuggle as Successor Trustees

of the Thomas J. Curl Irrevocable Trust and the Helen M. Curl Irrevocable Trust, both created and dated April 26, 2006, as amended and restated, and petitions the court to determine the amount of distribution and deposit if possible of unclaimed money, and in support thereof states as follows:
1. Thomas J. Curl created the Thomas J. Curl Living Trust, amended and restated dated April 26, 2006 between himself Thomas J. Curl and his wife Helen M. Curl, both named as trustees. Said Trust is attached as Exhibit "A".
2. Helen M. Curl, wife of Thomas J. Curl, created the Helen M. Curl Living Trust Agreement amended and restated dated April 26, 2006, in which both Helen M. Curl and Thomas J. Curl were named as trustees. Said Trust is attached as Exhibit "B".
3. On July 13, 2018, Helen M. Curl died a resident of Tallahassee, Florida. Thomas J. Curl then became sole Trustee of both trusts.
4. On April 24, 2022, Thomas J. Curl died a resident of Tallahassee, Florida, leaving both trusts without a trustee.
5. Pursuant to the terms of each the Thomas J. Curl Living Trust and the Helen M. Curl Living Trust, Article V.e., names brothers Stephen Tuggle and Stanley Tuggle as Successor Co-Trustees to act in the place of Thomas J. Curl and Helen M. Curl.
6. Both trusts are currently in force and effect and have not been terminated.
7. Thomas J. Curl's Trust, Article III H.2.b. (iii) makes the following gift: Gift to Helga Carl. Upon Grantor's Wife's death, the

Trustees shall distribute the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to Helga Carl, last known address of Marburg, Germany, if she is then living, and if she is not, this gift shall pass in equal shares to such of Helga Carl's sons as is then living.
8. Helen M. Curl's Trust Article III H.2.b. (iii) states in part: Gift to Helga Carl. Upon Grantor's Husbands' death, the Trustees shall distribute the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to Helga Carl, last known address of Marburg, Germany, if she is then living, and if she is not, this gift shall pass in equal shares to such of Helga Carl's sons as is then living.
9. The Trustees interpretation of these gifts indicate that Helga Carl, or hers sons if living, is owed the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), five thousand dollars (\$5,000) from each trust.
10. Following the death of Thomas Curl on April 24, 2022, the trustees, through their attorney, commenced a search for all of the 19 legatees, including that of Helga Carl. All of the 19 legatees were located with the exception of Helga Carl. The trustees have made a diligent effort to locate Helga Carl to determine if she is currently living and if she has any sons. The efforts to find and locate Helga Carl, or her family, include the following:
A. Through the address book of decedents, Helen and Thomas Curl, last know address fo Helga Carl was Dorfriesenweg-8 at 35043 Marburg, Germany. Another possible address was Ron Hauser Street 8 at Marburg, Germany.
B. On August 15,

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For info on balloon rides contact Brad Haegge, 618-410-6030
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2022, a letter was addressed to the family members of Helga Carl at Dorfriesenweg-8 at 35043 Marburg Germany. The letter was then returned due to insufficient address and it could not be delivered.

C. Neither the records of the decedents, nor the 19 legatees, were able to give the trustees a better address.

D. Multiple internet searches by the staff of Taylor & Lynch yielded no further results.

E. A letter was sent on March 7, 2023 to Lendex Research, Inc., a professional search firm. Lendex Research, Inc. then indicated that they would be unable to be of any assistance.

F. The trustees propose to deposit the \$10,000.00 from the two trusts for Helga Carl with the DeWitt County Treasurer, and to mail notice to the last known address of Helga Carl but also publish for Helga Carl as to the intent to deposit said money.

G. The trustees have made a diligent effort to locate Helga Carl but are unable to do so.

11. Up until filing this petition, there are no Illinois estate proceeding as to Thomas J. Curl and Helen M. Curl. All proceedings through the state of Illinois are through their existing trusts as described herein.

12. State statute on deposit of unclaimed money set forth in 755 ILCS 5/24-20 indicates that when a legatee cannot be located through diligent effort, the representative, by leave of court, may deposit with the county treasurer the money for the missing person, and the county treasurer will give a receipt to the Trustees, which shall then be filed in court.

13. The Trustees, Stanley Tuggle and Stephen Tuggle, have been administering the trusts of Helen M. Curl and Thomas J. Curl since the death of Thomas J. Curl in April of 2022 and are nearing the end o the administration of the trusts. It is unlikely that any further efforts will be successful in the location of Helga Carl in Marburg, Germany, as to whether she is living, and if no, Helga Carl's sons. Trustees seek approval to tender the money owed to Helga Carl to the DeWitt County Treasurer and to receive a receipt and file the same with the court under the above case number.

14. The Trustees also seek confirmation that Helga Carl, or her living sons, are owed the total sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), five thousand dollars (\$5,000) from each trust.

Wherefore, the Trustees Stephen Tuggle and Stanley Tuggle, as successor Trustees of the Thomas J. Curl and Helen M. Curl trusts, pray that as follows:

A. That this petition be set for hearing and that the publication of notice and mailing of notice for Helga Carl be deemed adequate by the court for the trustees.

B. That the court make a determination as to the amount of money owed to Helga Carl, if living, and if not,

then to Helga Carl's sons if any are living.

C. That the court make a determination that diligent effort to locate Helga Carl and her family has been made and that the Trustees are directed to pay said \$10,000 to the DeWitt County Treasurer and to receive a receipt and file said receipt in this court filing.

D. That upon compliance of making the payment to the DeWitt County Treasurer and receiving a receipt and filing the same with the court, the Trustees are released and discharged from the cash gift as to Helga Carl.

E. That the successor Trustees be granted such other relief or instructions as the court deems proper.

Respectively submitted,

The Thomas J Curl Living Trust and The Helen M. Curl Living Trust, Plaintiffs,

By: Taylor & Lynch, their attorneys
By: /s/ Joseph B. Taylor
Joseph B. Taylor
VERIFICATION
Under penalties of perjury as provided by law pursuant to Section 1-109 of the Code of Civil Procedure, the undersigned certifies that the statements set forth in this instrument are true and correct, except as to matters therein stated to be on information and belief, and as to such matters the undersigned certifies as aforesaid that they verily believe the same to be true.

Dated this 2 day of August 2023
/s/ Stanley R. Tuggle
Stanley Tuggle, successor co-trustee of the Thomas J. Curl Irrevocable Trust and the Helen M. Curl Irrevocable Trust created by the Thomas J. Curl Living Trust and the Helen M. Curl Living Trust dated April 26, 2006, as amended and restated
/s/ Stephen Tuggle
Stephen Tuggle successor co-trustee of the Thomas J. Curl Irrevocable Trust and the Helen M. Curl Irrevocable Trust created by the Thomas J. Curl Living Trust and the Helen M. Curl Living Trust dated April 26, 2006, as amended and restated

THIS DOCUMENT PREPARED BY:
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ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on Monday, August 28, 2023, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of DeWitt County, Illinois, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all of the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as:

T DYER GUNSMITH & MACHINE
9698 BUCKS RD
HEYWORTH, IL

61745

Dated: Monday, August 28, 2023

No. 2023-193

/s/ Kari L. Harris/ba
COUNTY CLERK

LEGAL 19849
Sept. 1, 8 & 15, 2023

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

Estate of: James Earl Summers
Deceased.
CASE NO. 23-PR-29

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF CLAIM DATE

Notice is given to the creditors of the death of James Earl Summers, of 62 Hillcrest Dr., Clinton, Illinois 61727. Letters of Office were issued on August 22, 2023, to David Wayne Summers and Jeanette Andrews, Independent Co-Executors, 430 S. Main St., Farmer City, Illinois 61842, and 108 N. Elizabeth St., Clinton, Illinois 61727, whose attorney is Kevin Hammer, 219 E. Main Street, Clinton, Illinois 61727. The estate will be administered without court supervision unless under Section 28-4 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/28-4) any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing 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. Washington, Clinton, Illinois 61727, or with the representative, or both, on or before March 8, 2024, or, if mailing 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 representative's attorney within ten days after it has been filed.

Dated this 28th day of August, 2023.
Kevin Hammer
Attorney for the Estate of James Earl Summers
219 East Main Street
Clinton, IL 61727
217/935-7063

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THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DEWITT COUNTY – IN PROBATE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF RONALD J. SWINGER, DECEASED
2023-PR-31

CLAIM DATE NOTICE – INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION

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

Letters of Office were issued on August 28, 2023 to Jennifer Somers-Swinger, 1309 Pepper Mill Lane, Champaign, Illinois 61822 as Independent Executor. The attorney for the estate is Joseph

B. Taylor 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. Washington Street, Clinton, IL 61727, or with the representative, or both, on or before March 8, 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 representative and to the attorney 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 (755 ILCS 5/28-4). A form of a Petition to Terminate Independent Administration may be opened from the Clerk of the Court at the above address. Dated this 31st day of August, 2023.

Jennifer Somers-Swinger, Independent Executor of the Estate of Ronald J. Swinger, deceased.
JOSEPH B. TAYLOR 2803046
TAYLOR & LYNCH 216 SOUTH CENTER STREET
P.O. BOX 478
CLINTON, ILLINOIS 61727
TEL: (217) 935-2183
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Sept. 8, 15, 22, 2023

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DEWITT COUNTY – IN PROBATE

ESTATE OF BRUCE WRAGE ELLIOTT, DECEASED
2023-PR-30

CLAIM DATE NOTICE – INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION

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

Letters of Office Testamentary were issued on August 28, 2023, to Herbert Allen Wrage, Jr. aka Allen Wrage, 907 Hardage Lane, Colleyville, Tarrant County, Texas 76034, as Independent Executor. The attorney for the estate is Joseph B. Taylor 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. Washington Street, Clinton, IL 61727, or with the representative, or both, on or before March 8, 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 representative and to the attorney 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 (755 ILCS 5/28-4). A form of a Petition to Terminate Independent Administration may be opened

from the Clerk of the Court at the above address. Dated this 31st day of August, 2023.

Herbert Allen Wrage, Jr. aka Allen Wrage, Independent Executor of the Estate of Bruce Wrage Elliott, deceased
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Sept. 8, 15, 22, 2023

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DeWitt County Zoning Board of Appeals
Case A36-2023

Notice is hereby given that a revised Solar Energy Systems Ordinance has been filed with the above-named board.

DeWitt County Code of Ordinances: TITLE XV LAND USAGE: CHAPTER 157 – SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS ORDINANCE

A copy of the proposed revised Solar Energy Systems Ordinance may be obtained at the Zoning Office in the County Building located at 201 W. Washington, Clinton, IL, or online at www.dewittcountylil.gov.

Notice is hereby given to all interested parties that a public hearing will be held on the above-mentioned recommendations on the 2nd day of October 2023, at 6:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as is possible. Said hearing will be held in the DeWitt County Building, 201 W. Washington St., Clinton, IL.

David Waters, Chairman
DeWitt County Zoning Board of Appeals

Legal 19854
Sept. 15, 2023

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TUNBRIDGE TOWNSHIP, DEWITT COUNTY, ILLINOIS ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 2023

TOWNSHIP—REVENUE SUMMARY:
Property Tax \$94,642.96; Replacement Tax \$10,523.99; Interest Income \$162.36; Other Income \$2,239.40
TOTAL REVENUES - \$107,568.71

TOWNSHIP—COMPENSATION SUMMARY:
Brian Robinson, Daniel Holland, Jacob Johnson, Janell Thomas, Joan Schneider, Joe Peterson, Kari Williams, Lois Johnson, Nancy Leggett, Paul Williams, Rick Johnson
TOTAL COMPENSATION - \$46,567.22

TOWNSHIP—EXPENDITURE SUMMARY:
TOIRMA \$3,498.00; Out on a Limb \$19,200.00; All others less than \$2,500: \$9,932.31
TOTAL VENDORS - \$32,630.31

ROAD DISTRICT—REVENUE SUMMARY:
Property Tax \$135,717.46; Replacement Tax \$22,085.43; Interest Income \$134.58; Miscellaneous Income \$4,221.00; Rental Income \$36,000.00
TOTAL REVENUES - \$198,158.47

ROAD DISTRICT—COMPENSATION SUMMARY:
Darin Miller, Darrell Miller, James Larkin, Roger Torbert, Ronald Pruett, William Stewart
TOTAL COMPENSATION - \$34,900.00

ROAD DISTRICT—EXPENDITURE SUMMARY:
Ameren Illinois \$3,042.04; Bank of Chestnut \$25,887.19; Barnett Township \$23,955.33; Blunier Implement \$4,660.19; Bob & Ron's Repair Service \$8,505.57; Cusey Machine & Welding \$3,830.00; Evergreen FS \$21,246.23; Frontier \$2,786.61; Larry Peck \$7,500.00; NAPA \$4,002.06; Rahn Equipment Company \$4,380.17; Randy's Tree Service \$3,500.00; TOIRMA \$4,637.00; All others less than \$2,500: \$28,083.52
TOTAL VENDORS - \$146,015.10

All Funds	
Revenues	305,727
Expenditures	<u>260,113</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance	45,614
Fund Balance, April 1, 2022	<u>342,437</u>
Fund Balance, March 31, 2023	<u>388,051</u>

I, Lois Johnson, Town Clerk of Tunbridge 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

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STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE Sixth JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DEWITT COUNTY, JUVENILE DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF: ISAAH NORTH, a minor
No. 22 JA 6

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN TO DAVID ROSE, putative father, and ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN FATHERS, respondents, and to all it may concern, that on the 27th day of July, 2023, a Petition to Terminate Parental Rights was filed under the Adoption Act by Dan Markwell, Dewitt County State's Attorney in the circuit court of Dewitt County entitled "Petition to Terminate Parental Rights", and that in the courtroom of the presiding Judge at the Dewitt County Courthouse, Clinton, Illinois on the 28th day of September, 2023 at the hour of 2:30 pm, or as soon thereafter as this cause my be heard, a hearing will be held upon the petition. THE COURT HAS THE AUTHORITY IN THIS PROCEEDING TO TAKE FROM YOU THE

CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS, AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH THE POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND THE APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD. Unless you appear you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental rights.

Now, unless you appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted against you and each of you, and an order of judgment entered.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, ILLINOIS

DeWitt County, Juvenile Division

IN THE INTEREST OF: ISAAH NORTH, a minor.
No. 22-JA-6

AFFIDAVIT FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

Dan Markwell on oath states:
Each respondent named below cannot be found within this state, or has left this state and cannot be located, so that process cannot be served upon him either personally or by certified mail. The present address of each respondent named below cannot be ascertained upon diligent inquiry. The last known address of each respondent named below is:

Respondent's Name DAVID ROSE
Last Known Address 901 State Route 10 W, Apt #7, Clinton, IL 61727

/s/ Dan Markwell

Signed and sworn to before me this 8th day of September, 2023.
/s/ Alisha M. Boyesen (Notary Public) (SEAL)

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Sept. 15, 2023

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Village of Wapella does not currently have an ordinance governing the keeping of chickens and/or other poultry within the Village limits.

A public hearing on the proposed ordinance amendment will be held at the Village Hall, 312 Main St, Wapella IL on **Wednesday, October 4, 2023, at 8:00 p.m.**

The current ordinances can be viewed on the Village of Wapella website: villageof-wapella.org. A copy of the proposed amendment can be obtained by calling the Village Hall at 217-935-3259.

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NEWS

Focus on safety to prevent accidents during busy harvest season

URBANA, Ill. — Harvest season is beginning across the state, and for farmers, this means early mornings, long days, and the potential for exhaustion that can lead to accidents.

University of Illinois Extension Specialist and Department of Agricultural and Biological Engineering Assistant Professor Josie Rudolphi says that agricultural workers can prevent fatigue during this busy time of year by eating protein-packed snacks to maintain energy throughout the day. She also recommends drinking plenty of water, not just caffeinated drinks, and whenever possible, taking frequent breaks, naps, or energizing walks.

For a safe harvest, Illinois Extension also recommends performing routine maintenance and cleaning of equipment including cab windows, checking for electrical hazards, testing and repairing vehicle lights and “slow moving vehicle” signs, watching for overhead electrical hazards, and managing stress.

Combine fires are one of the most common and expensive types of incidents in production agriculture. They can also cause substantial setbacks during harvest. Prevent debris fires by frequently blowing off debris with a portable leaf blower or air compressor and inspect the engine compartment where chaff may have accumulated around bearings, belts, and other moving parts. Check fuel or hydraulic system lines before harvest and replace any leaking, cracked, or worn-looking lines.

When in the field, keep an eye out for power lines, which are a threat to tall or extended farm equipment. Be aware of overhead power lines and plan a safe route.

Survey the environment before beginning work, taking note of power lines and their location before moving any equipment or extending augers.

“Always work with a spotter when operating large machinery near power lines,” Rudolphi says. “Never attempt to move a power line out of the way or raise it for clearance.”

Learn more about electrical hazards during harvest season from Safe Electricity.

When driving on public roads, avoid heavy traffic times.

“Since many non-farm drivers are unfamiliar with the size and maneuverability of farm equipment, operators should use their hazards and turn signals diligently,” Rudolphi says. “When yielding to oncoming traffic, slow down and be aware of soft shoulders.”

Illinois State Police reminds motorists and farmers to use caution and remember that passing farm implements at intersections and no passing zones is unsafe and illegal. Drivers are encouraged to slow down, allow extra travel time, and stay alert by avoiding distracted driving.

Learn more about sharing the road safely from Doug Gucker, Extension local foods small farms educator.

SOURCE: Josie Rudolphi, University of Illinois Department of Agricultural and Biological Engineering Assistant Professor and Extension Specialist

WRITER: Emily Steele, Media Communications Manager, Illinois Extension



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