



Obituaries
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Suspect found dead in Macon County

CLINTON — At approximately 9 p.m. on Monday, DeWitt County CenCom received a call from someone saying they believed they had located the vehicle driven by Jose De Jesus Gomez Muñoz near a wind tower in Macon County just south of the DeWitt/Macon County line.



Jose De Jesus Gomez Muñoz

Muñoz was wanted for the Sunday killing of his father-in-law, John Wesley “Wes” Anderson, of rural Kenney. DeWitt County deputies responded to the location, along with Macon County deputies, and found the white Honda Accord driven by Muñoz.

Muñoz was in the driver’s seat of the vehicle and had apparently died from a self-inflicted gunshot wound, DeWitt County Sheriff Mike Walker revealed Tuesday morning on the sheriff’s Facebook page.

Macon County Sheriff’s Office, Macon County Coroner and Illinois State Police will be handling the death investigation of Muñoz.

Authorities were searching for Muñoz, 45, of rural Kenney, after he allegedly shot two people near Kenney on Sunday.

The DeWitt County Sheriff’s Office, assisted by multiple additional law enforcement agencies, responded at about 3:23 p.m. on Sunday to a report of an active shooter south of Kenney on Kenney Road. The sheriff’s office at that time issued a public warning for residents to stay away from the area.

Residents within a two-mile radius were advised to shelter in place or evacuate, if possible, and to report suspicious activity to 911.

Deputies located one victim in his vehicle on Ill. Rt. 54 and Jordan Street, in Kenney, Walker reported during a media statement at the sheriff’s office on Sunday night. Walker said the victim had multiple gunshot wounds and was transported to Warner Hospital, Clinton, and then to Carle Hospital, Champaign, where he remained in stable condition.

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Marc Rogers / Journal
A 2023 Gleaner combine at the 2023 Farm Progress Show.

Technology reigns supreme at the Farm Progress Show

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DECATUR — The largest agricultural show in the U.S. landed in Decatur last week, and it proved to be bigger than ever.

This is big event for ag industry-related people and even many who aren’t.

There are many reasons not to miss this extravaganza. There are displays, food, demonstrations, information on all sorts of things, and, of course, food.

This year was exceptional in the number of advancements made

in new technologies that even a person with an industrial technology degree has a tough time wrapping his head around.

Dogs even played their part in this year’s show.

An event featured the canine stars from America’s Got Talent fame. They were all rescue dogs.

On the agriculture front, there was a sprayer that can pinpoint a particular kind of weed in the field and spray it, and each spray capsule has up to five nozzles to cover five different types of weeds.

And, then there is the Terracamp NEXAT harvester, which tills, plants, sprays and harvests

with one machine, instead of two combines, four tractors, a disc, tillage tools or any other farm equipment. The machine has been in testing for about five years all over the world, including in the U.S.

AGCO was celebrating 100 years of the Gleaner combine, and John Deere was celebrating the 100th anniversary of the John Deere Model D tractor.

International Harvester was celebrating 100 years but actually began in 1924 with Farmall tractors. Next year will be the company’s official 100th year.

The new technology is here and moving rapidly.



A 100-year-old John Deere model D tractor.

There were demos of tractors with no driver collecting grain from combines and taking to the field without any spillage.

alternates years with the show’s Iowa venue. It will return to Decatur in 2025.

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The Farm Progress Show

Honor Flight veteran recognized for his service

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CLINTON — In late August, Land of Lincoln Honor Flight (LLHF) #68 carried Kenny resident Jim High, a U.S. Air Force veteran of the Vietnam era, to see the memorials in Washington D. C.

Along with Jim and 92 other veterans were 86 guardians, one of which was Jim’s son Jimmy, who also is a veteran. Two of the veterans honored were from the Korean War era, and the others were from the Vietnam era.

The veterans visited the World War II, Korean, and Vietnam War Memorials along with the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington Cemetery, the Lincoln Memorial, the U.S. Marine Corps Memorial and the U.S. Air Force Memorial. A side trip from the memorials is

a tour of the National Air & Space Museum, in Chantilly, Va.

This day of honor is provided at no cost to veterans.

“Our mission is to show our most senior veterans our gratitude for their service by hosting this day of thanks absolutely free to the veterans. They have paid enough; it is our turn to pay them back,” said LLHF President Joan Bortolon.

LLHF is a 501.C3 entity and has no paid staff. All proceeds go into the flights and tours in support of American veterans. Unfortunately, this year’s October flight has been cancelled due to a low number of veterans signed up.

If you know a veteran who would like to go on this trip, contact Land of Lincoln Honor Flight in Springfield. There is a September flight that includes another veteran from Clinton.



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Jim High with his son, and guardian, Jimmy.

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NEWS

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Walker said four other people were in hiding and located by law enforcement, and a fifth person was dead at the scene.

Muñoz was wanted for murder and several other felonies in connection with the crime, Walker said. He said it appeared Muñoz left the scene in a white, 2019 Honda Accord, Illinois license DT50632.

On Tuesday, Walker announced enough time had elapsed since the incident, he felt the suspect was likely out of the area, and Kenney area residents could resume their normal activities.

Later on Tuesday, DeWitt County Coroner Randy Rice revealed the identity of the deceased victim as John Wesley "Wes" Anderson, 78, of rural Kenney. Rice reported Anderson was pronounced dead at the scene on Sunday.

The second victim was identified as Kigan Antonio Muñoz. Kigan Munoz received multiple gunshot wounds and was listed as stable at Carle Hospital, Champaign.

Anderson was the father-in-law of Jesus Muñoz and grandfather of Kigan Muñoz.

Kenney Fall Festival Friday and Saturday

KENNEY — The 38th Kenney Fall Festival is scheduled for Sept. 8 from 5:30-9 p.m. and Sept. 9 from 7 a.m.-9 p.m. in downtown Kenney. The festival is a free event sponsored by the Kenney Civic League.

Friday night opening ceremonies are scheduled to start at 5:30 p.m. with the flag presentation by the Kenney-Hallsville American Legion Post 1133, opening prayer by Ernie Harvey, of Kenney Christian Church, the National Anthem, performed by Emma Leimbach, and taps, performed by Jake Morse and Walker Leimbach.

Immediately following opening ceremonies will be BINGO for prizes. The Sugar Creek Cloggers will perform at 6 p.m., the Modern Cowboyz will perform at 7 p.m., and The Depot will feature Next Thing Smokin' from 9-11 p.m.

Saturday activities will begin with biscuits and gravy by Diana for donations served at the Kenney Community Center from 7-9 a.m. The festival parade will begin at 10 a.m. in Village Park. At noon and 1 p.m. will be more BINGO for prizes, 12:30 p.m. Let's Dance, 1:30 and 3:30 p.m. Kenney Christian Church ladies aide cake walks.

At 2 p.m., there will be a service dog demonstration by Nan Reinhart, southern gospel duo Echo's of Grace will perform at 2:30 p.m., and the Heartland Cloggers will perform at 4 p.m. The Amazing

Hypnotist Dan will entertain and the CHS M-Squad and CJHS dance team will perform at 6:30 p.m. Green Diamond Express will be on stage from 7-9 p.m.

At 9 p.m., all drawings and raffles will be announced. Dick & Brad will perform from 9-11 p.m. at The Depot.

Other activities at the Festival will include Austin's Animals petting zoo, food booths and arts and crafts. From 11 a.m.-7 p.m. will be C. Dub's Bounce House & Slide, The Depot and ABATE bags tournament at 11 a.m. with sign-up from 10-11 a.m., for \$5, a blind draw with 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place awards.

From noon-2 p.m., the Rhoades brothers stock car display will be present, 2:15-4:15 p.m. balloon twister Andrew will create his many characters for free. From 3-5 p.m., there will be free face painting and from 4-5 p.m. Terry's train for free.

The Kenney Fire Department will hold its annual chicken supper from 2:30-5:30 p.m. or until they run out. The supper is drive up/pick up again this year. Tickets are \$10/adults and \$5/children. They also will hold raffles.

The Kenney Heritage Association will feature root beer floats and popcorn. They also will have a game booth. The Kenney Civic League will feature walking tacos, BBQs and pop. They also will have hourly prizes and grand prize raffles.

New store site's lack of neatness a problem for nearby residents

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CLINTON — As Clinton's new Dollar General store, located at Ill. Rt. 54 east and E. North Street, begins operation with temporary electrical power, residents living in the area aren't happy with the messy state of the site.

At Tuesday's city council meeting, resident Kendra Hunt highlighted an itemized list of problems she had kept track of. Hunt was one of a group of residents who protested the store's opening, citing a fear of flooding and traffic.

Hunt said she and her neighbors continued to get blowing trash and debris not properly handled at the store. She said employees cleaned up the trash just before the store opened. But, she and another resident said the area is

back to being covered with trash.

Hunt said that over the summer weeds were allowed to grow several feet tall until some workers leveled them with a front end loader.

Commissioner Dan Ballenger said he had the weeds knocked down as a temporary measure. He said now that the store was open, store management had no excuse for keeping the weeds mowed.

Hunt also said while the store was under construction, some work was done after sunset, disturbing the neighbors, which she cited was against city ordinance.

The insect problem also has been bad in the area, Hunt said, and workers often leave vehicles running with headlights pointed in the direction of nearby houses.

She also questioned why the store was getting

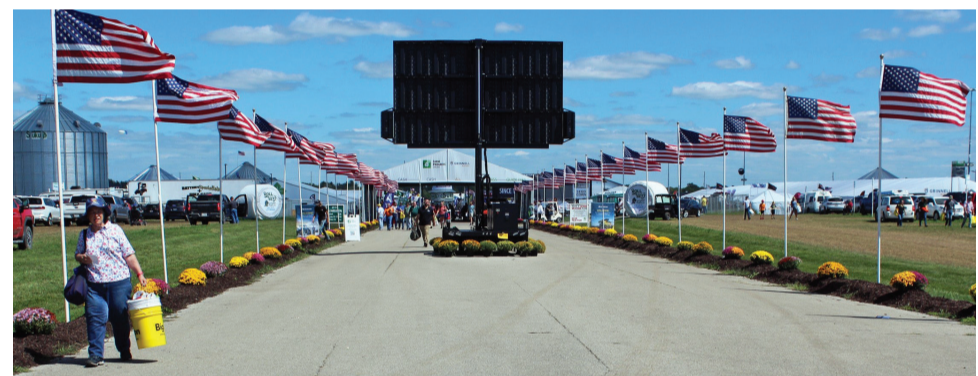
electrical power from a generator.

Another resident explained something related to the electrical service was damaged when the parking lot cement was poured. She said Ameren was aware of the problem, and the generator was temporary until the problem could be repaired.

She said she was prepared to be a good neighbor to the store, but she expected the same in return from Dollar General. She said she had hoped a fence would be erected to separate the store parking lot from the residential area.

Commissioner Ballenger said it still could be possible to persuade the company to put up a fence, and he asked city administrative assistant Taylor Baxter to contact Dollar General about the issue.

Farm Progress Show 2023



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The Avenue of Flags entry to the Farm Progress Show. **Below:** A special weed detection and spray boom. **Bottom:** The new "gas" in town; the Methane Power tractor.



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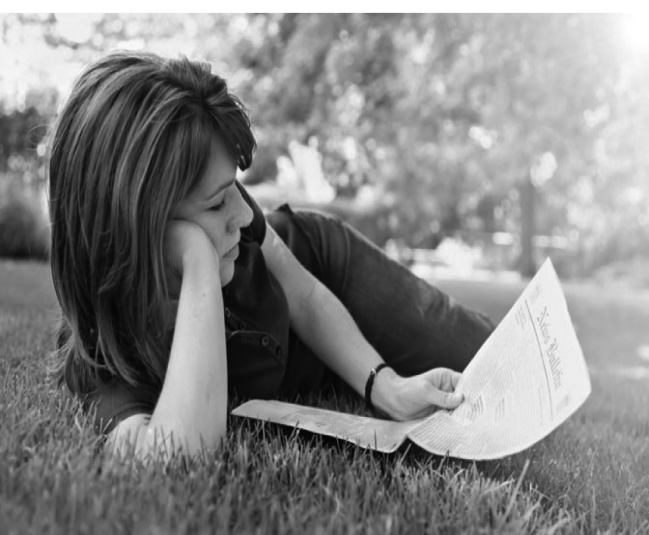
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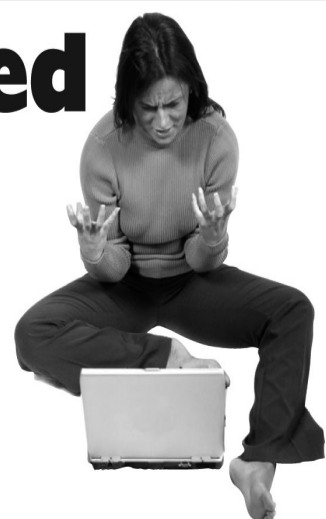


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NEWS

Thomas M. Dwyer

CLINTON — Thomas M. Dwyer, 63, of Clinton, passed away at 6:14 a.m. on September 2, 2023 at Carle BroMenn Medical Center, Normal.

Services will be held at 3 p.m. on Saturday, September 9, 2023, at Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton, with Dave Glenn officiating. Visitation will be held from 1-3 p.m. on Saturday at the funeral home.

Tom was born on March 8, 1960, in San Bernardino, Calif., the son of Richard Dale and Virginia June (Leonard) Dwyer. He married Wanette Ann Curless on June 3, 1989, in Havana, Ill.

Survivors include his wife Wanette Dwyer, Clinton; children Laney Dayle (Zach) Newberry, Clinton, and Keegan Thomas (Amara Clark) Dwyer, Astoria, Ill.; siblings Patty (Kevin) Kirkbride and Rick (Sandy) Dwyer; sister-in-law Tonya (Darryl) Holmes, and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and three siblings, Dixie Dale Dwyer, Judy Dwyer and Guy Christopher.



Tom worked for the Boilermakers Local #60 for many years before working at the Clinton Power Station, Local #51, where he worked for 29 and a half years before his retirement in September of 2021.

He was an avid fisherman, deer and mushroom hunter, and Green Bay Packers fan. He looked forward to hunting season every year with his kids. He enjoyed the time he spent coaching his son's JFL football team.

Tom's family will always remember his deep belief in the existence of UFOs and Bigfoot. He loved his family deeply, especially his grand dog Bear and will be missed by all who knew him.

Online condolences may be made at www.calvertmemorial.com

Five ways to apply for Social Security online

Selena Higgins
Social Security district manager, Bloomington

We continue to make it easier for you to access our programs and benefits. Our website offers a convenient way to apply for benefits online.

Here are 5 ways you can apply for benefits using ssa.gov.

- **Retirement or Spouse's Benefits** – You must be at least 61 years and 9 months and want your benefits to start in no more than 4 months. Apply at www.ssa.gov/retirement.

- **Disability Benefits** – You can use our online application, available at www.ssa.gov/benefits/disability to apply for disability benefits if you:
 - Are age 18 or older.
 - Are not currently receiving benefits on your own Social Security record.
 - Are unable to work because of a medical condition that is expected to last at least 12 months or result in death.
 - Have not been denied disability benefits in the last 60 days. If your application was recently denied, our online appeal application is a starting point to request a review of the determination we made. Please visit www.ssa.gov/apply/appeal-decision-we-made.

- **Supplemental Security Income (SSI)** – SSI provides monthly payments to adults and children with a disability or blindness who have income and resources below specific financial limits. SSI payments are



also made to people age 65 and older without disabilities who meet the financial qualifications. If you meet certain requirements, you may begin the process online by letting us know you would like to apply for SSI at www.ssa.gov/ssi. If you do not have access to the internet, you can call your local Social Security office to make an appointment to apply.

- **Medicare** – Medicare is a federal health insurance program for:
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 - Some people younger than 65 who have disabilities.
 - People with end-stage renal disease or Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS).

If you are not already receiving Social Security benefits, you should apply for Medicare 3 months before turning age 65 at www.ssa.gov/medicare.

- **Extra Help with Medicare Prescription Drug Costs** – The Extra Help program helps with the cost of your prescription drugs, like deductibles and copays. People who need assistance with the cost of medications can apply for Extra Help at www.ssa.gov/medicare/part-d-extra-help.

Please share this information with those who need it.

Laura 'Loretta' E. Colliver

WAPELLA — Laura "Loretta" E. Colliver, 92, of Wapella, passed away on September 3, 2023.

Laura was born on September 2, 1931, in Clinton, the daughter of Walter Robert and Susan Esthel Jones.

She married the love of her life, John L. Colliver, on June 17, 1951, in Perry, Mo. He preceded her in death on March 18, 2023.

Also, preceding her in death were her parents and brothers, Walter Jones, Calvin Jones and Delbert Jones; sisters, Helen Colliver, Susan Ester Jones, Donna Massey and Twila Goad.

Laura is survived by her four children, Jackie (Bob) Boring, Mike (Karen) Colliver, Tammy (Rich) Doner, Brenda (Dennis) Underwood; grandchildren, Shannon (Mitch) Whitson, Lacy (Beau) Boudreau, Alicia (Eric) Bunting, Jeremiah (Amy) Doner, Amber (Billy) Rutledge, Hillary (JD) Lambert, Lance (Ava) Underwood, Jacob (Taylor) Underwood, Whitney (Ian) Underwood and 13 great-grandchildren with a baby boy due in October; one brother, Oscar Jones and one sister, Lilly (Butch) Green.

Laura retired from Wallace Computer Services in 1993. She enjoyed spending winters in Florida and her trips



to the Peoria Riverboat. Laura loved supporting her kids, grandchildren and great grandchildren at their events. She always had a special place in her heart for the "Old Home Place" where she grew up.

A visitation will be held at Calvert Funeral Home in Clinton on Thursday, September 7, 2023, from 5 to 8 p.m. with a service on Friday, September 8, 2023 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home officiated by Jim Kilson. Burial will follow at Oak Park Cemetery.

Our family would like to thank everyone at Imboden Creek Living Center and Elara Hospice Care.

In Lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Wapella Fire Department or the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Laura was a loving wife, mom, grandma and great grandma. She will be missed by many.

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Skip the yard sale

If all the decluttering you did over the summer has now left you with piles of belongings, you might be ready to just have it all gone.

And you might say, "I think I'll hold a yard sale!" If you've been to several yard sales, it looks so easy.

Holding a yard sale is a lot of work! There's all that sorting, and pricing, and carrying, and recruiting of help, not to mention going around to post flyers (and taking them down after the event), as well as worrying whether the weather will cooperate with a mild, non-rainy day. And then you carry back into the house all the things you didn't sell and stack them up again.

When you really just want it all gone, you have a few other choices. What you need to remember is the "twice" rule: Only pick up and carry an item twice. You pick up an item and put it in your vehicle, and you pick up that item to take it to its final spot. That's it.

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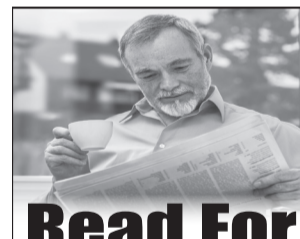
by Matilda Charles

A consignment shop near you can help you earn a few dollars for items in good condition. Some will concentrate on clothing and others might prefer bric-a-brac and knick-knacks. Be sure to clarify the details before you take your items to drop off: How is the pricing decided and what cut does the shop take? Is there a time limit on how long your items can stay there? Is your agreement in writing?

Donations to charity organizations such as Goodwill or The Salvation Army won't get you any cash, but you might end up with a small tax deduction if you get a receipt. Check their websites for information on how to calculate the value of your donations.

Remember: Only pick up an item twice!

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1945 - In Washington, DC, a bus equipped with a two-way radio was put into service for the first time.

1945 - Bess Myerson of New York was crowned Miss America. She was the first Jewish contestant to win the title.

1951 - A peace treaty with Japan was signed by 48 other nations in San Francisco, CA.

1960 - NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, AL, was dedicated by U.S. President Dwight D. Eisenhower. The facility had been activated in July earlier that year.

1966 - NBC-TV aired the first episode of "Star Trek" entitled "The Man Trap". The show was canceled on September 2, 1969.

1971 - In Washington, DC, the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts was inaugurated. The opening featured the premiere of Leonard Bernstein's "Mass."

1973 - Hank Aaron hit his 709th home run.

1974 - U.S. President Ford granted an unconditional pardon to former U.S. President Nixon.

1975 - In Boston, MA, public schools began their court-ordered citywide busing program amid scattered incidents of violence.

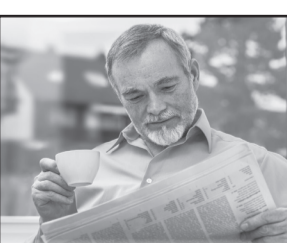
1986 - Herschel Walker made his start in the National Football League (NFL) after leaving the New Jersey Generals of the USFL.

1997 - America Online acquired CompuServe.

1998 - Mark McGwire (St. Louis Cardinals) hit his 62nd home run of the season. He had beaten a record that had stood for 37 years by Roger Maris. McGwire would eventually reach 70 home runs on September 27.

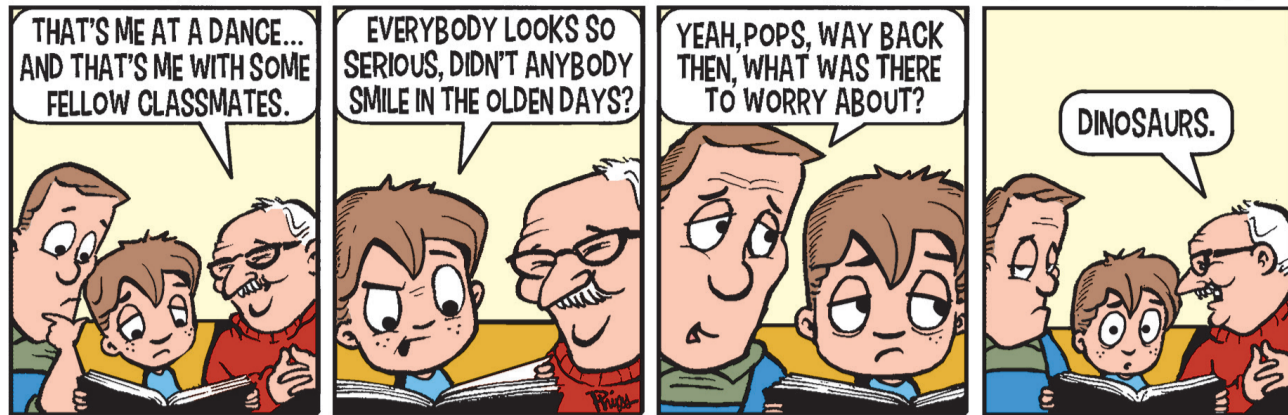
1999 - Russia's Mission Control switched off the Mir space station's central computer and other systems to save energy during a planned six months of unmanned flights.

2015 - British researchers announced that evidence of a larger version of Stonehenge had been located about 2 miles from the Stonehenge location. There were 90 buried stones that had been found by ground penetrating radar.



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Amber Waves



by Dave T. Phipps

Trauma and chaplains

Editor's Note: Mr. Koritz wrote his column for this week before later events affected the outcome of this story. Our press deadline would have prevented him from altering it. See page A1.

Sunday was a rough day for DeWitt County and the Village of Kenney. One of Kenney's most respected senior citizens, Wes Anderson, was murdered.

To lose a loved one is always difficult. To lose a loved one through a senseless homicide is traumatic to the family and the community. Wes's grandson was also shot but is in stable condition.

The town of Kenney was instructed by law enforcement to shelter in place while the police searched for the shooter. At this writing the shooter is on the run and a family and community are devastated.

First responders from the DeWitt County Sheriff's Office, Kenney Fire Department and Clinton Police Department were at the scene within minutes. The shooter had fled and the carnage was self-evident.

Multiple law enforcement agencies arrived, and all worked in unison, along with the

medical rescue personnel. The injured grandson was transported to the hospital and the search for the shooter was conducted in earnest, but to no avail. He was gone.

Sheriff Walker has stated the shooter will be found and brought to justice. It is only a matter of time before that occurs.

We always talk about the First Responder response of the police, fire departments, and EMTs in times like these, and they deserve our appreciation and respect. There is one other First Responder position that is often overlooked—the Fire Department Chaplain. For the Kenney Fire Department that is Scott Marsh. Most rural fire departments and law enforcement agencies do not have a chaplain. Kenney saw a need and met it.

My wife and I heard about the shooting in Kenney just minutes before we entered Texas Christian Church for their Sunday evening services. Scott Marsh is the minister, and he was not present. Scott's wife said that he had gone to Kenney for an emergency event.



I knew that Scott was the Kenney Fire Department Chaplain and was or had been a Kenney volunteer firefighter. I would spend a little time on Monday educating myself on the role and Fire Department Chaplains and would have a brief chat with Scott.

Scott said that after two years of being a volunteer fire fighter in Kenney he was asked by the Department if he would like to go to the training to be a Fire Chaplain and he agreed.

It was obvious that Scott enjoys his position of Chaplain and finds it to be a part of his ministry. While many think he is the pastor to the firefighters, Scott provided a more detailed description of his duties. I would describe his job as trying to maintain a working level of calmness during times of great stress.

During fires and medical emergencies his job is to get the victim family members away from the

immediate scene so that emergency personnel can do their job safely. He provides comfort and answers to those in stressful situations to achieve that calmness. He also becomes the counselor to other First Responders who may be under extra stress.

A difficult part of his job is to tell families when a loved one had died. The chaplain is the First Responder that holds victims and other First Responders above the fray. The Kenney Fire Department was truly providing a service to their community when they asked Scott Marsh to be the Fire Chaplain.

Other fire departments, and police agencies, could learn a lot by observing what the Kenney Fire Department has established for a rural community.

Lastly, please remember the Anderson family in your prayers and thoughts this week. They have suffered an unspeakable loss. They are a very strong family, but your prayers and assistance will provide that additional support a grieving family needs.

The VA OIG strikes again

Anyone who calls in advance with threats to kill staff, and then tries to enter a federal building with a loaded firearm, can't be too bright. The man who did this, demanding prescription drugs in his voicemail message, couldn't have been surprised when he was met by Veteran Affairs Police and relieved of the gun in his pocket.

And what was he going to do with those zip ties he had? His mother, who had driven him to the Department of Veterans Affairs clinic and claimed not to know her son planned violence (and

then bailed him out the same day on a \$500 surety bond), told investigators her son's motive would have been to take his doctor hostage.

It wasn't until a day later, when he told an acquaintance he planned to return to the VA that the police took it seriously and grabbed him. When the VA OIG talked to him, the bail amount suddenly went up to \$500,000.

And then there's the guy who tried to get an increase in his VA disability benefits for service-connected degenerative disc disease with degenerative



by Freddy Groves

arthritis. He claimed he had trouble walking, getting out of bed, lifting anything, bending and so on. Sounds quite painful, truthfully, and his exam videos showed that he did indeed have trouble with those activities.

Except it wasn't the truth. He neglected to mention his fitness club membership when he went for his physical exams. VA OIG investigators filmed him at the club

lifting, bending, squatting ... and completing leg presses with 800 pounds of weights. They even discovered his personal stash of online videos showing him doing all those activities. He went to the fitness club the same day as (and the day after) one of his medical exams for Social Security disability, which he'd also applied for.

When he's sentenced he could get 10 years, not to mention a \$250,000 fine, plus an order to pay back the money he stole from the VA.

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THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE

If it had not been the Lord who was on our side, when men rose up against us, then they would have swallowed us alive, when their wrath was kindled against us; then the waters would have overwhelmed us, the stream would have gone over our soul...

PSALM 124: 2-4

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BIBLE WORD SEARCH

by Elie's Spiritual Treasures

Psalm 27:12

Do **not** turn me over to the desire of my foes, for false witnesses rise up against me, spouting malicious accusations.

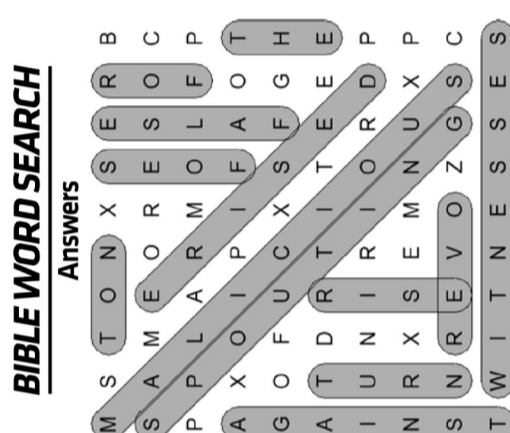
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Find the **bolded/underlined** words in the diagram. They run in all directions — forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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BIBLE WORD SEARCH
Answers

BIBLE TRIVIA

By Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Labour (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?
 2. From Acts 20:35, "That so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words, it is more _____ to give than to receive." Righteous, Understanding, Blessed, Bountiful
 3. Ecclesiastes 3:13 states, "And also that every man should eat and drink, and enjoy the good of all his labour, it is the _____ of God." Will, Gift, Guidance, Law
 4. From Proverbs 14:23, "In all labour there is profit, but the _____ of the lips tendeth only to penury." Whispering, Closing, Talk, Howling
 5. In Ephesians 4:28, "Let him that stole steal no more, but rather let him labour, working with his _____." Brothers, Soul, Might, Hands
 6. From Exodus 20:9, how many days shalt thou labour and do all thy work? Two, Four, Six, Seven
- ANSWERS: 1) Neither, 2) Blessed, 3) Gift, 4) Talk, 5) Hands, 6) Six
- Hardcore trivia fan? Visit Wilson Casey's subscriber site at www.patreon.com/triviaguy.
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On the grainy side

Welcome to my little corner of culinary delights.

As I stated in a few past articles, rice is a primary dish in China and other Asian countries. It should be in our diet more than it is. It has wonderful health values. Clearly, it is not to be found in fast food restaurants around here. It is also easily cooked and versatile as a dish.

If you recall, I had written five articles about rice exactly four years ago. That would be articles 142 - 146 of August and September of 2019. It would be well worth rereading.

In article 143, I gave simple instructions for preparing and cooking rice in general. In following articles, I branched out with more involved cooking with rice. Since we have now reached China in our culinary adventures, I shall add the exotic orient form of creating rice dishes. This will be good practice for you. To go further than this might be cooking too advanced for now. Let us get started.

Since our stoves no longer have large



The Culinary Corner
Chef Roger Joss

wholes for cookware, a frustoconical ring comes with woks used by American cooks. Yes, I said "no longer". The old cast-iron wood burning stoves had discs that could be removed exposing different sized holes. Few people know how this was used.

The old cast-iron skillets and pots had a ring boss on the bottom. That ring was just the right diameter to fit into the hole. One could do all kinds of stirring and scraping. That cookware was going nowhere. Oh, how I miss the relics of yesteryear. I fear I too am becoming a relic of my past. They were so practical. Sorry for digressing again.

Remember that mise en place is the first step. You need to know if you have everything you need in the correct amounts. Preliminary preps need to be done. And then you will be free to set-up the cooking equipment, etc.

If you forgot how to prep rice from my previous articles, I will give you a précis now.

At times, tiny black bugs inhabit rice that has not been sealed and stored properly. They are not harmful nor is the rice damaged in any way. However, they are unsightly. Stir the rice while it soaks in the water. The bugs will float on the surface. Pour them off.

The soaking of the rice will reduce the starch allowing the grains to not be sticky; thus, making the cooked rice fluffy. By soaking the rice, more water is absorbed into the grains. This allows the rice to cook faster. You could have simply rinsed the grains as most cookbooks recommend. That would be okay. But I find soaking has more advantages. The final step to this prep is to remove the water by using a rice colander or large wire strainer. It is now ready for the pot or wok.

In the next article, I will explain how to fry rice.

Until next time, peace to all.

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COURT DATE FOR REQUEST FOR NAME CHANGE (ADULT)

Request of: Kathryn Leigh Anderson

2023-MR-11

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Kathryn Leigh Anderson to the new name of:

Cole Noah Anderson.

The court date will be held:

on October 13th, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. at 201 W. Washington St., Clinton, DeWitt County in Courtroom #A.

/s/ Kathryn Anderson

Kathryn Leigh Anderson

LEGAL 19841 Aug. 25, Sept. 1, Sept. 8, 2023

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DEWITT COUNTY, ILLINOIS FLAT BRANCH MORTGAGE, INC., PLAINTIFF, VS. GERALD NORDGEN, SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF BECKY J GRANT, DECEASED; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; DONALD W STURGEON; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF DONNA JEAN BIGGS; UNKNOWN HEIRS

AND LEGATEES OF BECKY J GRANT, DEFENDANTS. NO. 23 FC 1 1824 EAST MAIN STREET CLINTON, IL 61727 JUDGE PRESIDING JUDGE NOTICE BY PUBLICATION NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO YOU, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants Donald W Sturgeon Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Donna Jean Biggs Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Becky J Grant defendants, that this case has been commenced in this Court against you and other defendants, asking for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to wit: LOTS 19 AND 20 IN BLOCK 4 IN WILLIAM FULLER'S SUB-DIVISION OF 20 ACRES OFF THE NORTH END OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 20 NORTH, RANGE 2 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN THE CITY OF CLINTON, IN DEWITT COUNTY, ILLINOIS. Commonly known as: 1824 East Main Street Clinton, IL 61727 and which said Mortgage was made by, Becky J Grant Mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Flat Branch Mortgage Inc. Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of

Deeds of DeWitt County, Illinois, as Document No. 262375; and for other relief. UNLESS YOU file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this case, on or before September 25, 2023, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF ASKED IN THE COMPLAINT. You have been sued. To participate in the case, you MUST file an official document with the court within the time stated on this Notice called an "Appearance" and a document called an "Answer/Response". The Answer/Response is not required in small claims or eviction cases unless ordered by the court. If you do not file an Appearance and Answer/Response on time, the court may decide the case without hearing from you, and you could be held in default and lose the case. After you fill out the necessary documents, you need to electronically file (e-file) them with the court. To e-file, you must create an account with an e-filing service provider. For more information, go to ilcourts.info/e-filing. If you cannot e-file, you can get an exemption that allows you to file in-person or by mail. You may be charged filing fees, but if you cannot pay them, you can file an Application for Waiver of Court Fees. It is possible that the court will allow you to attend the first court date in this case in-person or remotely by video or phone. Contact the Circuit Court Clerk's office or visit the Court's website to find out whether this is possible and, if so, how to do this. Need help? Call or text Illinois Court Help at 833-411-1121 or go to ilcourthelp.gov for information about going to court, including how to fill out and file documents. You can also get free legal information and legal referrals at illinoislegalaid.org. All documents referred to in this Notice can be found at ilcourts.info/forms. Other documents may be available from your local Circuit Court Clerk's office or website. ¿Necesita ayuda? Llame o envíe un mensaje de texto a Illinois Court Help al 833-411-1121, o visite ilcourthelp.gov para obtener información sobre los casos de la corte y cómo completar y presentar formularios. PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC Attorney for Plaintiff 1 N. Dearborn St. Suite 1200 Chicago, IL 60602 Ph. (312) 346-9088 File No. 22-13839IL-875406 I3227896

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CLINTON COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOLS
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Please apply on-line at www.applitrack.com/Clinton/onlineapp unless noted otherwise.

Clinton High School

- 1. Spanish Teacher, application deadline September 15, 2023
- 1. Library Aide, please see website for requirements for paraprofessional license <https://roe17.org/licensure/paraprofessionals> application deadline September 15, 2023
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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
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LEGAL 19843
Sept. 1, 8 & 15, 2023

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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. 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

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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
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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 in 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 for Helga Carl was Dorfwiesenweg-8 at 35043 Marburg, Germany. Another possible address was Ron Hauser Street 8 at Marburg, Germany.

B. On August 15, 2022, a letter was addressed to the family members of Helga Carl at Dorfwiesenweg-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 of 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 determina-

tion 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 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 dated April 26, 2006, as amended and restated

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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

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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

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Kevin Hammer
Attorney for the Estate of James Earl Summers
219 East Main Street
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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.
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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 - 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.

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A Not-for-Profit Facility has a position of Executive Director available for a self-motivated individual with knowledge of computer programs and skills in bookkeeping and accounting.

They would assume full responsibility for operation of all areas of the DeWitt County Friendship Center. This position requires a caring disposition and the ability to work with older adults. They must have the ability to maintain working relationships with other community and local government bodies and establish new ones as the opportunity arises. Related educational training or related work experience would be beneficial along with supervisory skills and appropriate oral and written communication skills.

There will be an opportunity to identify needs and interests of seniors and plan, coordinate and implement programs and services as needed. Scheduling and facilitating day and evening trips along with the week-long bus trip would be an opportunity to find new and different adventures for seniors.

This is a full-time (37 ½ hours) position and could require irregular hours on the days when trips are taken. The Director is required to be a resident of DeWitt County and reports to the Corporate Board and works with the Advisory Board arranging and implementing plans for fundraisers.

Applications accepted thru Friday, Sept. 15, 2023. For more information please contact Paula Jiles, Executive Director at 217-935-9411 or pick up an application at 410 E. Main St., Clinton.

‘Surge’ in organization efforts has labor leaders optimistic for the future

Peter Hancock
Capitol News Illinois

SPRINGFIELD — As workers in Illinois prepare to celebrate Labor Day this weekend, a new report shows there has been a surge in efforts to organize labor unions in workplaces throughout the state, while overall public approval of labor unions nationally is the highest in nearly six decades.

In 2022, there were 72 successful petitions to organize labor unions in Illinois, which represent 9,600 new unionized workers, the highest single-year numbers at any point in the last decade.

That’s according to The State of the Unions 2023, an annual report by the Illinois Economic Policy Institute, a think tank with strong ties to organized labor, and the Center for Middle Class Revival at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.

After decades of declining union membership and declining unionization rates, U of I’s Robert Bruno, a coauthor of the report, said those numbers may signal a resurgence in the labor movement.

“That’s kind of a leading indicator of an upsurge, of growth in the movement,” Bruno said in an interview. “And if you look at where you’re seeing organizing happening — in a lot of growth sectors with larger numbers of employees — then

you see the kinds of conditions for increasing the actual density of the labor movement.”

While the rate of unionized workers in Illinois had increased in 2020 — followed by a boost of nearly 16,000 new unionized workers the following year — the state saw declines in both metrics in the past year, according to the report. That continued the downward trend in unionization in the last decade. In 2022, there were 734,430 unionized workers in Illinois, which represented 13.1 percent of the state’s total workforce.

The report attributes that to a shift in the state’s economy away from manufacturing and other unionized sectors toward more service- and knowledge-based industries with low unionization rates. It also cites a large number of vacancies in federal, state and local government positions, which make up the bulk of union membership.

The authors also attribute some of that to the 2018 U.S. Supreme Court case, Janus v. the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, which struck down an Illinois law that required public employees who chose not to join the union representing their shop to nevertheless pay a portion of their union dues known as “fair share” or “agency fees.” Those fees covered a portion of the union’s costs for collective

bargaining.

“State and local government vacancies increased 78 percent following Janus as wages in the public sector failed to keep pace with those in the private sector,” said ILEPI’s Frank Manzo IV, the other coauthor of the report. “And in Illinois, unfilled positions at public school districts rose 164 percent. And Illinois also had thousands of vacant state local government jobs and in 2022 ... So it’s the labor shortage that’s in part caused by the Janus decision because workers are dissatisfied with pay in the public sector.”

Statewide, public sector union membership has fallen by about 24,000, or 3.3 percent, since the Janus decision and now averages around 334,000.

Still, the report notes, Illinois’ unionization rate of 13.1 percent of its workforce is significantly higher than the national average of 10.1 percent. Nationwide, however, total union membership grew in 2022 to nearly 14.3 million workers, the first time that has happened since 2017.

The report cites an August 2022 Gallup poll that found 71 percent of Americans say they approve of labor unions, up from 68 percent the year before and the highest union approval rating Gallup had recorded since 1965.

The demographics of union membership have

also been changing, with younger workers aged 25-34 making up a larger share of the total. Since 2019, that age group saw a 2.3 percentage point increase in unionization. By contrast, there were declines in unionization among workers aged 35-44 and older workers over 65.

Unionization rates were highest among people with master’s degrees but lowest among people with less than a high school diploma as well as people with professional or doctorate degrees.

The top four industries by unionization rates were public administration, construction, transportation and utilities, and the combined educational and health services industry.

The report notes that the manufacturing workforce, historically a leader in industrial unionization, is now only 8.8 percent organized in Illinois.

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SPORTS



Marc Rogers / Journal
The Clinton Maroons.

Maroons dominate Turks in 43-6 delayed-game win

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DEER CREEK — The Clinton Maroons were set to play the Tremont Turks under the “Friday Night Lights,” but lightning kept delaying the game.

Then, came a deluge of rain. Delays continued until around 11 p.m., when officials decided to postpone the game until the next day. This meant finding another field of play, since the Maroons Cross Country teams had their cross country run scheduled for that evening with approximately 20 teams involved.

A neutral field of play was found in Deer Creek-Mackinaw. As of this

writing, the full stats had not come in to the Journal, but the Maroons won the game 43-6.

The Maroons took a 7-0 lead in the first quarter and then added an astounding 21 more points in the second quarter. Coming out after halftime, the Maroons continued to roll for another 7 points, giving them a 35-point lead going into the final quarter.

In the fourth quarter, the Maroons’ defense finally cracked and allowed the Turks to score 6 points on a touchdown but no extra point.

The offense didn’t crack, though, and scored 8 points in the final stanza for the 43-6 win.



Marc Rogers / Journal
The Maroons band and cheer team begin the night with the National Anthem and the school fight song.

CHS golfers finish well in tournament



Marc Rogers / Journal

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jmarre@frontier.com

CLINTON — The Maroons and Lady Maroons made their home debut on August 30.

Since it was a home meet, everyone played on varsity and junior varsity, including this year’s girls’ team.

The meet was with the Meridian Hawks and the Olympia Spartans. The varsity Maroons took their section of the meet winning by 11 strokes

Scores:	Varsity	JV	Ladies
	Brooks Cluver 36 1st	Hudson Waters 55	Sarah Mills 46 1st
	Aiden Toohill 44 3rd	Carter Cothorn 58	Carley Earle 54 3rd
	Ryan Pine 46 6th	Grady Douglas 62	Addie Koritz 59 4th
	Cole Fentress 47 8th	Seth Trimble 59	Leah Mills 60 5th tie
	Briley Carter 50 12th	Griffin Utterback 62	Grace Gates 60 5th tie
	Ashton Douglas 54 20th	Oliver Goar 63	Emma Sanders 68 9th
	JV Alternates		
	Collin Bostic 58		
	Tanner Whiteside 65		

over Olympia and by 25 strokes over Meridian.

Brooks Cluver was the medalist in the meet with a score of 38.

On the junior varsity (JV), side the Maroons

faced just Olympia in team scoring, losing by 40 strokes, 234 to 194.

On the girls side of the meet, Meridian had a player drop out, so Clinton took first place with a

score of 219.

In single action for the ladies, Sarah Mills was the medalist with a score of 46, for two Clinton medalists in the meet.

Clinton volleyball opens season with strong play

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CLINTON — The Lady Maroons began volleyball season with a bang, a bump and a wallop.

The freshman team took to the court first and had the honor of scoring the first competitive points on the newly named Gene Vance Court. With this honor, they didn’t let down as they dropped the Flanagan/Cornell Falcons in two straight sets, 25-18 and 25-14, thus winning the match 2-0.

It was a great start to an evening in the newly-renovated Clinton High School gymnasium. The bump came in the form of the junior varsity (JV) match.

The first set seemed close at hand but ended with a Lady Falcons 25-18 win. The second set was a tussle of long volleys and hard playing with the away team ending up on top 25-22. The Lady Falcons took the JV match 2-0.

Now it was time for the big guns to wallop.

The varsity first set was not easily won as again there were some strong and long volleys. But, the Lady Maroons had more long service volleys than their opponents and finally prevailed 25-19.

In the second set the Lady Maroons destroyed the opposition with dominating serves that kept them reeling, ending in a 25-11 win of the set and a 2-0 match win.



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A lofty but good serve for the freshman team



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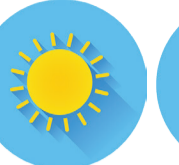
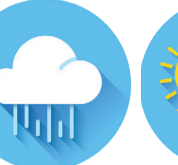
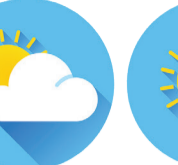

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September 10
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