

# County works on shelter staffing

Committee tries to balance staffing hours against potential animal control volume

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CLINTON — The county made some progress Monday toward getting the animal shelter back on solid ground.

Frustrations surrounding the county animal shelter boiled over July 31, when an animal control employee spelled out her grievances during a special meeting of the county board’s public safety committee. She said workers at the shelter felt overwhelmed and the county was not doing enough to help them.

A huge backlog of paperwork left behind by the previous animal control administrator is part of the problem, according to county officials. During the county finance committee meeting Monday, county board chairman Dan Matthews said the backlog involved several years of neglected reports.

The physical state of the shelter also required the county to hire a cleaning service to mitigate longstanding sanitary problems in the kennels and other areas of the shelter.

“We don’t have a clue what (they) were doing out there the last four years,” Matthews said about the previous administrator and assistant. “We just know the place was filthy dirty, bins full of worms and maggots; there were dead dogs in the freezer for more than seven months.”

On Monday, the finance committee took up Matthews’ recommendation to rewrite the animal control administrator’s job description to include primarily administrative and supervisory duties. Matthews suggested staffing at the shelter should include two animal control officers who would handle the majority of animal case calls and manage the kennel. Job descriptions for the animal shelter do not currently include those for animal control officers.

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## Founders Day will feature special guests August 20

CLINTON — Celebrate Clinton Association is ready to welcome three special guests to the August 20 Founders Day event and encourages residents to join them on Mr. Lincoln Square.

A ceremony will open the festivities at 1 p.m. on Mr. Lincoln’s Square with three special impersonator guests, Abe Lincoln, C.H. Moore and Thomas Snell. The three men each played an important role in the growth of central Illinois and Clinton.

Offering remarks on what Clinton means to them will be city commissioner Tom Edmunds, who currently serves as mayor, and Bobbi Perryman, director of the Vespasian Warner Public Library. Clinton vocalist Sara Jenkins, accompanied by the Central Illinois Ukelele Group, will perform “Illinois,” the

state’s anthem written in the 1890’s by Civil War veteran Charles H. Chamberlin.

Lincoln, Moore and Snell will lead the audience on a stroll from Mr. Lincoln’s Square to Moore’s former home, now the C.H. Moore Homestead and Museum. A short play written by Celebrate Clinton Association volunteer Edith Brady-Lunny will be performed by Lincoln, Moore and Snell on the front porch of the Homestead, starting at 2 p.m.

Refreshments will be served by Celebrate Clinton and the DeWitt Clinton Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution at the Homestead after the performance.

The museum is offering free admittance for tours.



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## Jenna Hoffman wins gold medal in AAU Junior Olympics

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CLINTON — Clinton Junior High pole vaulter Jenna Hoffman had plenty of momentum going earlier this year when she took 1<sup>st</sup> place in the IESA State Finals. That momentum helped her win a gold medal this summer at the national level.

Hoffman took the gold medal at the AAU Junior Olympics, held July 26-Aug. 5 in Des Moines, Iowa. She competed in regional competition to make the cut for the junior Olympics.

“You have to be in the top 16,” Hoffman said. “There were less than 16 in our region, so we automatically qualified.”

Regionals were held this year in Lisle, Ill.

The AAU Junior Olympics draw athletes from a wide geographical area.

“There were people there from around the world,” said Hoffman’s dad, Nick Hoffman.

Jenna Hoffman said there were people from Puerto Rico and Hong Kong, among other places.

Hoffman competed in the 13-under age group. She will be an 8<sup>th</sup> grader next year at CJHS.



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Clinton 7th grade pole vaulter Jenna Hoffman with her gold medal from the AAU Junior Olympics.

Hoffman competed against four other pole vaulters, each getting three vaults per height. Hoffman cleared 8-feet and then advanced to 8-feet, 6-inches.

“And then 9 and 9-6,” Hoffman said. “I can’t remember how many attempts it took on each.”

She took the gold on her 9-6 attempt, beating her state record by five inches. Her personal record is 10-feet, 3-inches, which she set during competition over the summer in Wisconsin.

Hoffman trains with the

Flying Dragons club, in Normal, which provided the poles she used in competition. The club takes care of transporting the poles to Hoffman’s competition site.

Her calm composure likely helped Hoffman in her gold medal quest.

She said, while she was nervous during regionals, which determined if she would go to the Junior Olympics, that disappeared when she got to Des Moines.

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## Jenny Rittenhouse celebrates 90th birthday

Jenny Rittenhouse will turn 90 on Saturday, August 12. In celebration of her special milestone, her children Mike Rittenhouse, Julie Kinkaid and Randy Rittenhouse invite family and friends to send cards to Jenny. to help her celebrate.



## Shelter / from page A1

The administrator must have a knowledge of state statutes and local regulations. One of that person’s responsibilities is to maintain records pertaining to field calls answered by shelter staff.

Chairman of the finance committee Melonie Tilley said she wasn’t certain the plan was the correct one for the county. The current fiscal year budget for the shelter is several thousand dollars in the red.

“I think we should have an animal control administrator, but I think that person should not only be administrating the office duties but be partly responsible for taking care of the animals.”

Chairman of the public safety committee Megan Myers said one of the challenges for people working at the shelter was being able to handle the recent influx of animals and answer animal calls, while keeping up with other duties, such as enforced the county’s animal ordinances. And, she said she felt the shelter needed to be open to the public during the days and times promised.

“We have not been able to do that just because there have been a lot of

things going on,” Myers said.

Other issues have involved the shelter accepting animals it would not normally accept, such as dogs that are bite risks, residents asking them to respond to issues with wild animals, and other cases.

Committee member Terry Ferguson asked if they could accomplish their goals by having a two-person team rather than three and then fill in with contract help.

Myers and Tilley concurred that plan would cost more than employing a third person.

Contractors generally charge a “loaded labor rate,” which includes wages as well as other expenses in its hourly rate.

Tilley still felt the shelter did not need three full-time employees.

“There’s going to be too much wasted time,” she said.

Tilley felt, once the backlog of paperwork was taken care of, it would free time for an administrator to handle other duties.

“There’s not going to be that much paperwork,” Tilley said. “Going forward, how much paperwork is that person

going to be doing?”

“Do you think someone working 40 hours a week plus 20 hours off hours is worth \$41,000,” asked Matthews. “A 60-hour job?”

Matthews said if the county expected its animal control administrator to be at the shelter all day during the week, that person also likely would accrue substantial hours handling off-duty calls.

He said a future plan for the shelter could not be compared to how the facility was managed earlier because, “we weren’t doing the job before.”

Matthews said board members who have volunteered to help at the shelter have discovered, “just how difficult the job is.” He suggested, once the paperwork was caught up, a full-time administrator could determine how many hours to schedule a third person.

Tilley and county board administrative assistant Dee Dee Rentmeister said there was the possibility someone they talked to, who was familiar with shelter paperwork, would be available to help clear the backlog.



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“It wasn’t really stressful,” she said. “I wasn’t very nervous at all.”

Before competing this summer, Hoffman was nationally ranked 13<sup>th</sup> in her age group. Her coach at Flying Dragons told the Clinton Journal in June he thought she could beat the 8<sup>th</sup> grade pole vault record next year at State Finals.

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## Devores celebrating 65th wedding anniversary Aug. 20

CLINTON — Ron and Marjorie Devore, Clinton, will celebrate their 65<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on August 20.

Ronald Devore and Marjorie Parker were married on August 10, 1958, at the Clinton, Ill. Presbyterian Church, the Rev. Dr. Philip R. Coen officiating.

The Devores lived in Decatur for 18 months and then moved back to Clinton, when they bought a home at 1202 E. South Street. They now live in the house they built in 1969, located at 816 W. Woodlawn Street.

They are proud parents

of Steven Devore (wife, Jessica), of Clinton, grandparents of three, Cady Devore, of Warrensburg, Gavin and Vanessa, of Clinton, and great-grandparents of Cayleigh, Ryker, Karlee, and Emeree, a soon to be baby girl, all of Warrensburg.

Ron is a retired locomotive engineer for Illinois Central Railroad, now Canadian National Railway. Marjorie is a retired teacher.

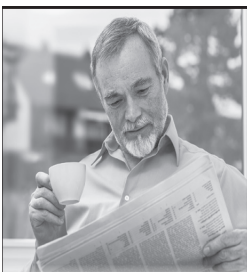
Due to unforeseen circumstances, the previously scheduled open house has been canceled.

## New officer joins Clinton Police

The Clinton Police Department recently welcomed its newest member to the department, Officer Gracie Edwards. Edwards hails from Hudson, Ill. and holds a bachelor's degree in Criminology and Criminal Justice from Southern Illinois University. She also is a 2021 graduate of the University of Illinois Police Training Institute. Edwards previously served with the Bradley University Police Department and the Danvers, Ill. Police Department, where she served as a patrol officer, firearms instructor, and oversaw multiple administrative aspects of the department.

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## How can scams go on this long?

A grandson collected his grandmother's survivor benefits for 30 years after her death.

How, one wonders, can that happen? Is no one checking to be sure those who receive benefits are still living?

In this case the survivor benefits, based on the woman's marriage to a veteran, kept going to her bank account. And the grandson kept spending the money, \$1,100 per month for 30 years. He pleaded guilty, as he should have, but was only charged with one count of stealing government

property in a plea deal. For that he could get 10 years.

Then there was the woman who kept a scam going for 48 years after her mother died. Apparently no one at the Department of Veterans Affairs did the math and calculated how old the woman was. The daughter just kept signing checks and sending handwritten letters asking for address changes and saying she was unable to find her mother's Social Security number. She'll be required to pay back over \$400,000, but there's no jail sentence in this case.



by Freddy Groves

The daughter is now 76 years old.


If you want to do the right thing, after the death of a veteran or someone receiving survivor benefits, call the VA. Just call 800-827-1000. You might be eligible to receive benefits yourself, depending on the relationship. Or, if you delay and benefits have been sent out already, you'll need to make

arrangements to send the money back. In the case of a disabled veteran, you also might be asked to return any equipment issued by the VA, such as wheelchairs.

It's the same with Social Security. Call them at 800-772-1213 to stop the payments.

Do the right thing ... before the authorities come knocking at your door. One thing to keep in mind: Even if the amount of money you steal is less than \$100, you could still go to jail for a year.

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1965 - The U.S. conducted a second launch of “Surveyor-SD 2” for a landing on the Moon surface test.

1975 - The U.S. vetoed the proposed admission of North and South Vietnam to the United Nations. The Security Counsel had already refused to consider South Korea’s application.

1984 - Carl Lewis won his fourth gold medal in the 1984 Summer Olympics.

1984 - U.S. President Ronald Reagan was preparing for his weekly radio broadcast when, during testing of the microphone, the President said of the Soviet Union, “My fellow Americans, I am pleased to tell you that I just signed legislation that would outlaw Russia forever. We begin bombing in five minutes.”

1984 - The Cincinnati Reds honored major league All-Star and Hall of Fame catcher Johnny Bench by retiring his uniform (#5).

1988 - Dick Thornburgh was unanimously confirmed by the U.S. Senate to be the next attorney general. He succeeded Edwin Meese III.

1990 - Egyptian and Moroccan troops joined U.S. forces in Saudia Arabia to help protect from a possible Iraqi attack.

1991 - The space shuttle Atlantis ended its nine-day journey by landing safely.

1992 - In Bloomington, MN, the Mall of America opened. It was the largest shopping mall in the United States.

1994 - The Tenth International Conference on AIDS ended in Japan.

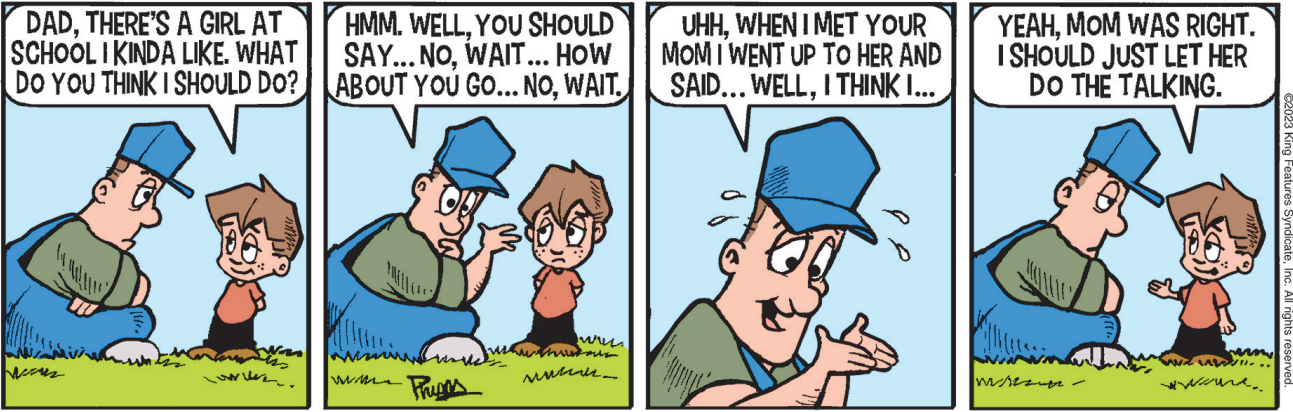
1994 - A U.S. federal jury awarded \$286.8 million to about 10,000 commercial fishermen for losses as a result of the 1989 Exxon Valdez oil spill.

1995 - All U.S. nuclear tests were banned by President Clinton.

1997 - U.S. President Clinton made the first use of the line-item veto approved by Congress, rejecting three items in spending and tax bills.

1998 - British Petroleum became No. 3 among oil companies with the \$49 billion purchase of Amoco. It was the largest foreign takeover of a U.S. company.

Amber Waves



Biden vs Trump  
...or none of the above

This column has not been favorable to either Biden or Trump of recent date. Both men had great potential to lead this nation. For both candidates, it appears that time has passed.

Biden was known as the senator who could walk across the aisle and strike a deal that was agreeable to all. Many had great hopes when he came into office that that policy would continue. Unfortunately, Biden has lost his way in regards to talking to the other side. Biden sold his soul to the Progressives of the Democratic Party, and there is no return to bipartisanship.

Trump reestablished the nation as a world leader economically and militarily. On those two issues alone, history will afford Trump a positive review. Unfortunately, that bravado comes with a mouth larger than the Grand Canyon. Trump’s style of management stifled debate as he marginalized those who disagreed with him. Those who dislike Trump truly dislike him and rarely look at the positives of his administration. They

are simply angered by just hearing his name.

This brings us to the current status of the 2024 presidential election.

Democrats and Republicans have forgotten this is one nation of varied individuals and interests. We have become a winner-take-all style of government, which is not what our founding fathers envisioned. Look at the progressives on the left and the Trump loyalists on the right. The two sides cannot even hold a civil conversation.

The FBI and the Department of Justice have been weaponized with the indictments of Trump. I am not giving Trump a pass, but much of the charges appear to be very politically motivated. Then look at Biden. Admittedly, Washington D.C. is about who you know and connections. That is political reality 101. However, if Biden was in fact selling his political influence to nations with adverse interests to the US, that is a very serious matter.

Both Biden and Trump come into the race with serious personal political



baggage. Trump has the weight of criminal charges pending and total hatred from the progressives. Biden has a family empire that is now facing allegations of corruptions and total hatred from the Trump supporters.

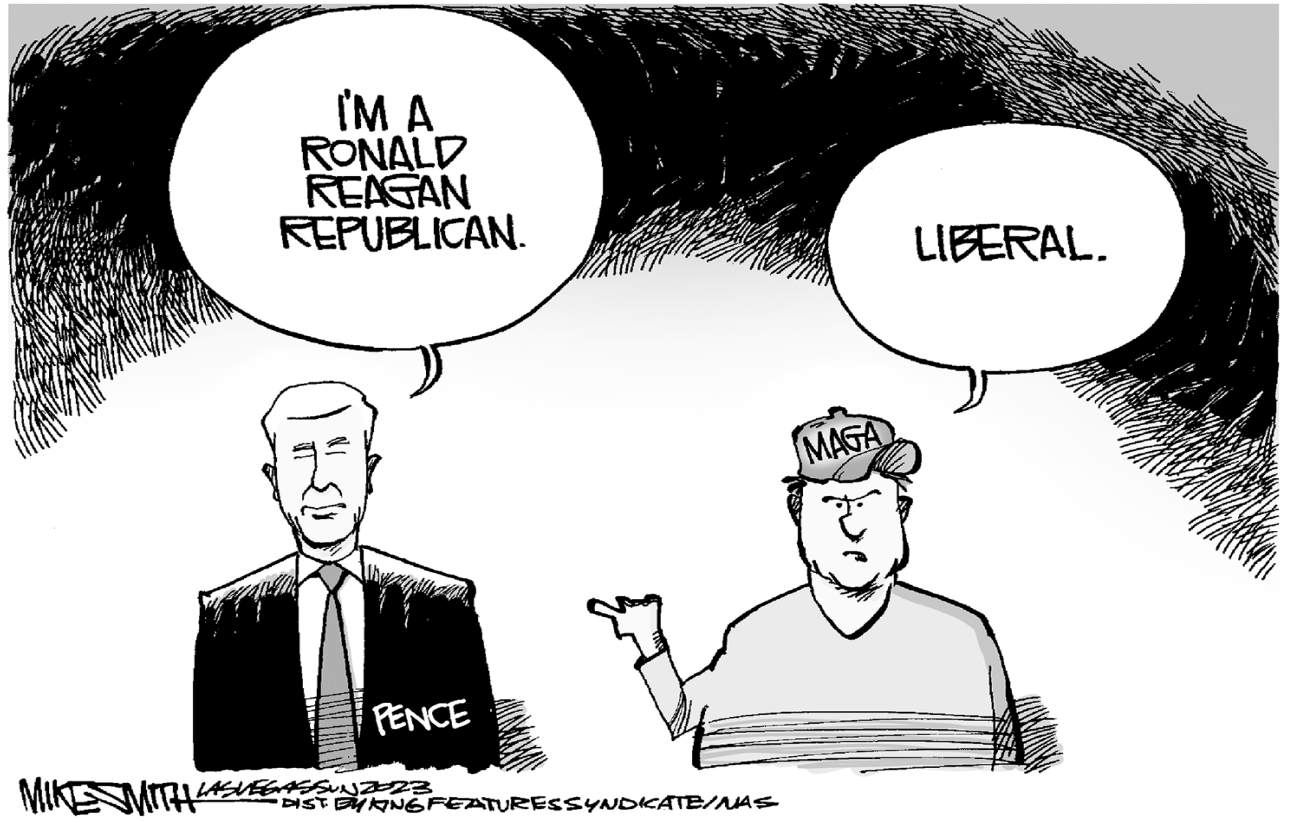
Biden retains the core of the Democratic Party and the progressives as his support. His base is strong. Trump has the Trump loyalists, an equally strong base. Neither has the real power to knock the other out. Both have their age as a detriment. Both have skilled political machines. Neither side acknowledges the legitimacy of the other. It is simply war.

Add to this, the third-party scenario. Cornel West and the Green Party may make a very decided run for the Presidency. His running may very well take many of the progressive votes from Biden. Then we have the No Labels bipartisan group that is

talking about running Joe Manchin. It’s a crap shoot as to which party this group will take votes from. If either of these groups decides to mount a presidential campaign the electoral college may really be in play. Even more interesting is if no one gets the electoral college majority, the election goes to Congress and each state gets one vote. This election has more potential for chaos than any in my lifetime.

With the sheer weight of baggage that both Biden and Trump each have isn’t It time that both parties give real consideration to their alternative plans. The Republicans have numerous candidates wanting to run for President. The Democrats have two, and others simply waiting for Biden to bow out.

This nation needs a President who is respected by all and has the ability to project US interests in the world and keep this nation safe. I don’t see those characteristics in the two current front runners. Surely with 300 million people this country has that leader.



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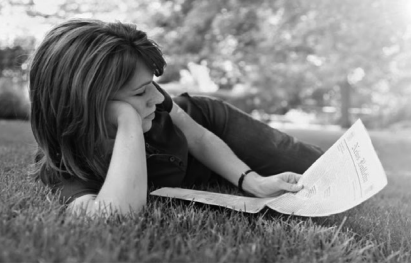
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1. Is the book of Miriam (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?

2. Which book may be summarized as “Bad times do not change the nature of God”? Judges, Job, Jeremiah, Jonah

3. From 2 Chronicles 9:11, what are psalteries for singers? Robes, Stringed instruments, Lyrics, Abodes

4. In Revelation 6, what’s the name of the fourth horseman? Death, Power, Brimstone, Terror

5. From Ecclesiastes 3, there is a time to break down and a time to? Plow, Climb, Rejoice, Build up

6. Which of these was Abraham’s wife? Rebekah, Martha, Sarah, Michal

ANSWERS: 1) Neither, 2) Job, 3) Stringed instruments, 4) Death, 5) Build up, 6) Sarah

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## Chinese cooking techniques

Welcome to my little corner of culinary delights. Across the whole of China, as well as other Asian countries, many, if not most of the cooking techniques, are the same. There are two primary reasons for this; migration and popularity. If you discover a better or exciting way of cooking, would you not adopt and practice it? A third factor is the need to replicate the same end results consistently. If stir-frying is not used on vegetables, how else will you keep the crispness, color, and flavor of fresh vegetables? If red cooking techniques are not used, how will you achieve that special rich flavor in your meats?

Ah yes, the red cooking technique. What is it and how is it executed? This prep-technique is correctly known as “hung-shu”. It is a form of stewing your meat choices in diluted soy sauce. The choices of meats are generally limited to Beef, pork, chicken, or duck. Even carp can be used. The meat is stewed in a large quantity of watered-down soy sauce. It is cooked until tender. This process produces a reddish-brown



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colored meat having a rich flavor. The meat is then strained out and plated on a bed of rice or noodles or combined with other ingredients. This is a “must try” adventure.

I did promise to cover the lacquer roasted technique of cooking for you. This is primarily a Cantonese practice. The meats used would be larger than stew-size chunks. They would be back bacon, ribs, or poultry. Chunks of beef could be included. The process requires a sugary concoction of honey, corn syrup and maltose. The meat is generally roasted on a spit until it reaches a glossy crispy coating. The cooking process not only caramelizes the sugars but also carbonizes much of it. Due to this, the sweetness becomes subtle.

If maltose cannot be found in the ethnic isle of your favorite grocery store, make your own. It is simply done by adding soy sauce with sugar to the consistency of paste. For those allergic to

soy, substitute cooking oil. This paste is applied during the roasting. Do not forget what I instructed about applying barbeque sauces. Barbeque sauce also has a high-level sugar content. The sauce would start burning and turn into carbon before the meat had a chance to cook through.

Velvetting is the last cooking prep-technique I shall cover. If you want a moist and succulent dish, velvetting is the answer. This consists of coating meat, fish, or seafood with a mixture of cornstarch and salt mixed with egg whites. A little rice wine is added for flavor.

In order to understand the amounts necessary and the final application of the coated meats, individual recipes should cover this. I cannot help much in this area since I am not well practiced in it.

Now to proceed from Chinese prep-techniques on to Asian cooking techniques. In this Chinese form of stir-frying techniques, I am well versed.

Until next time, peace to all.



### THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE

If you say, “The Lord is my refuge,”  
and you make the Most High  
your dwelling,  
no harm will overtake you,  
no disaster will come near your tent.  
For he will command his angels  
concerning you  
to guard you in all your ways...

PSALM 91:9-11

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7 p.m.-Wednesday Bible study

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701 S. Mulberry Street, Clinton  
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Preschool office (217) 935-4675  
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9:30 a.m.-Sunday school  
Preschool Tues., Wed. and Thurs. morning and afternoon sessions.

### Clinton Church of Christ

Bus. Rt. 51 south, Clinton  
(217) 935-5058  
Stephen R. Bradd, Gospel preacher  
AudioEvangelism.com  
Clinton CofC.com  
9 a.m.-Sunday morning Bible study  
10 a.m.-Sunday morning worship  
1 p.m.-Sunday worship  
7 p.m.-Wednesday evening Bible study

### Clinton Church of God

720 E. Woodlawn Street, Clinton  
clintoncog.org  
Mark Cooper, pastor  
9:30 a.m.-Sunday school  
10:30 a.m.-Sunday morning worship  
6 p.m.-Sunday night service  
7 p.m.-Wednesday service

### Clinton Presbyterian Church

402 N. Center Street  
Office hours: 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Mon.-Fri.  
Tel. (217) 935-6178  
Fax (217) 935-6128  
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clintonpresbyterian.org  
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10:30 a.m.-Sunday worship with nursery available  
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308 E. Main Street  
Rev. Darrell Howard  
(217) 935-5869  
clintonumcil.org  
9 a.m. Sunday Worship  
10:30 a.m. Sunday School Children & Adult  
5 p.m. Saturday Evening Worship in

### chapel

3:30 p.m. Thursday  
JC Stars After School  
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3rd Sunday S.W.A.G  
Sr & Jr High Youth  
6 p.m. Extended Table 2nd and 4th Mondays  
12:30 p.m. Wednesday Backpack Ministry

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220 Illini Drive, Clinton  
(217) 935-2032  
firstbaptistchurch3@frontier.com  
Jonathan Roberson, pastor  
9:30 a.m.-Sunday school  
10:30 a.m.-Sunday worship  
5 p.m.-Sunday evening worship  
7 p.m.-Wednesday mid-week prayer meeting

### First Christian Church

100 N. Jackson Street, Clinton (W. Main & N. Jackson)  
clintonfcc.com  
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First Kids Worship for 3-yr -olds - 5th grade is available at 9:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.  
Nursery available at each morning service.

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Rt. 51 and Kleemann Drive, Clinton  
Michael A. Taylor, pastor  
8:30 a.m.-Sunday prayer around the altar  
8:45 a.m.-continental breakfast  
9:30 a.m.-Sunday school / Bible study  
10:30 a.m.-morning worship  
7 p.m.-Wednesday mid-week service

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213 W. Benjamin Street, Kenney  
(217) 944-2275  
Ernie Harvey, minister  
9:30 a.m.-Bible study  
10:30 a.m.-Sunday worship

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(217) 935-2557  
www.lanechurch.org  
Jim Kilson, preaching and teaching minister  
Marcus McCollom, youth and family minister  
9 a.m.-Sunday school  
10 a.m.-worship  
5:30 p.m.-youth group  
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(217) 570-0105  
www.lifebridges-church.com  
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10 a.m.-AMPED Kids for ages (1-5 grades)  
10 a.m.-AMPED Jr. (birth-K)  
7 p.m.-AfterShock teen church, 6<sup>th</sup>-12 grades  
6 p.m.-Wednesday, Strategic Disciple  
6:30 p.m.-Thursday, DIVE teen Bible study  
7 p.m.-Thursdays, 1st & 3rd, Empowered Women / 2nd & 4th, Frontline Men

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(217) 935-3727  
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4 p.m.-Saturday mass  
8:30 a.m.-Sunday mass

### St. Patrick Catholic Church

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(217) 935-8510  
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Father Geoff Horton, pastor  
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www.saintpatrickwapella.org

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(217) 454-6846  
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10 a.m.-Sunday worship  
6 p.m.-Sunday evening worship  
6 p.m.-Wednesday prayer meeting

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6 p.m.-Wednesday, prophecy meetings

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ROLE REVERSAL

♠ AK4 ♥ T94 ♦ T5432 ♣ AK		♠ J6 ♥ 763 ♦ J987 ♣ QT62
♠ Q72 ♥ J852 ♦ KQ6 ♣ 843	North West East Declarer	
♠ T9853 ♥ AKQ ♦ A ♣ J975		

Both Vulnerable  
South West North East  
1♠ Pass 2♦ Pass  
2NT Pass 4♠ All Pass

At rubber bridge, you win the Club lead, cash a second Club, then the top two trumps, and later take a Club ruff. The dust clears and it's 11 easy tricks. Now let's replay this at duplicate scoring, where a second overtrick would be the difference between a great board and a merely average one.

If Declarer is looking for 12 tricks, it won't do to take a second Club ruff on the board, that would promote a second trump trick for the defense. No, instead of taking two ruffs in the short hand, Declarer does better to take *three* Diamond ruffs in her own (the long) hand. Here is the sequence of plays:

- ♣A wins opening lead
- Cash ♦A
- Cash the Hearts
- Cross to the ♠A
- Ruff a Diamond
- Cross to the ♠K
- Ruff a Diamond
- Cross to the ♠K

That's 10 tricks in, and here's the end-position:

Dummy: ♠4 ♦T5  
West: ♠Q ♥J ♣8 East: ♦J ♠QT  
Declarer: ♠T ♣J9

Another Diamond is ruffed by Declarer and West has two choices:

- If he overruffs then Dummy is good
- If he pitches a Club, then Declarer leads a Club and scores Dummy's low trump *en passant*

Usually, we seek extra tricks by taking a ruff or two in the hand with the short trumps (which is usually Dummy). But occasionally, as here, there is a reversal of roles, and we go for multiple ruffs in the long hand, the so-called "dummy reversal".

For bridge games, classes, or seminars, contact Mike Tomlianovich by phone:

Super Crossword

UNTHEMED

ACROSS	61 The Emerald Isle	121 Stylish filmmaker	17 Mo. in spring	51 Military mission, in brief	83 Singer Carly — Jepsen
1 Upside-down-sleeping mammal	62 Play — in (contribute to)	122 Made giggle	18 Final letter	52 Spinner of "Star Trek" films	84 A cow milker tugs on it
8 Economizes to a fault	63 Heap	123 Active, as a law	19 Hosp. triage sites	57 Neckline shape	85 H.S. juniors' exams
14 Untrustworthy sort	64 Graduate student's position that might include conducting experiments	124 Out of sight	24 Riddle-me- —	58 Dinosaur in Nintendo games	90 Campaigning pro
20 One way to serve apple pie	74 "Give — ring"	125 San Fran football team	25 KO counter	59 Actress Kaitlin	91 Net address
21 Very solitary sort	75 Plantain lily, familiarly	126 Music scorer	30 Some sorority letters	60 Singer with the 2007 hit "1234"	92 Wash clothes
22 Monkey (with)	76 Actress Ward of "Sisters"		31 Grab — (eat quickly)	65 Whac- — (reflex-testing game)	93 Untrustworthy sort
23 Frigid-weather readings	77 Polite cut-in words		32 AI who won four Indy 500s	66 Of kidneys	98 Have a spat
26 Military missions, in brief	86 Drains of color		33 French buddy	67 Slyly spiteful	99 Pine (for)
27 Old Ford div.	87 Heaps		34 Driveway-topping goo	68 Engraved stone pillar	102 Food taste associated with MSG
28 Tennis great Chris	88 Tulsa-to-Topeka dir.		37 Something to RSVP to online	69 Divining card	103 Must have
29 Classic Coca-Cola slogan	89 Metropolises, e.g.		38 More stable	70 Old JFK jet	104 Actress Joanne
39 "Son of," in Arabic names	94 Climb		42 Longtime Twins catcher Joe	71 "Die Lorelei" poet Heinrich	105 Red lab dye
40 Thurman of "Kill Bill" films	95 — pro nobis		43 Navel type	72 Actress Massey	106 Divided
41 Volcanic flow	96 Flight guess, in brief		44 Swizzles	73 Window segments	107 Drug dealer
42 Watershed draining dozens of U.S. states	97 "In time the reason shall be made clear"		45 Airline to Oslo	77 Baseballer Martinez	108 Overly fond sort
53 Busy crawler	109 Furnish with new weapons		46 Basketball — Thomas	78 Stayed home for a meal	112 Baby's cry
54 Make sport of	110 Mean Roman emperor		47 2014 Wimbledon winner Kvitova	79 Washer cycle	113 Yes, to Gigi
55 Cocktail party spread	111 Kung — chicken		48 Sickly	80 Gave two pills to, say	114 British "Inc."
56 School in England's East Midlands	112 "The Magic Flute" composer		49 Compete (for)	81 Cool, in jive talk	115 Govt. agent
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally  
Unlisted clue hint: DRINK CONTAINING HOPS

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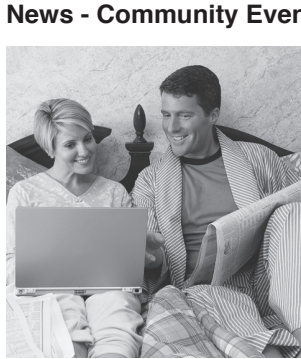
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that pursuant to a Motion for Expedited Judgment and Sale and Order Authorizing Expedited Judgment and Sale entered by this court on July 12, 2023, the property hereinafter described or as much therefore shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment, 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: Braden Newman First National Bank and Trust: 2 Kelli Dr. Clinton, Illinois 61727 (217) 935-2148

The common address of the real estate is: 503 North Elizabeth Street, Clinton, DeWitt County, Illinois, 61727.

b) The legal description of the real estate is: Lot 6 in Block 2 in Madden's Addition to the City of Clinton, according to Plat recorded in Volume "I" of Deeds, page 285 in the Recorder's Office of DeWitt County, Illinois, situated in the County of DeWitt, State of Illinois. Parcel No.: 07-26-354-008

c) A description of the improvements on the real estate is: The property is improved with a single-family residence. d) The real estate is not available for inspection prior to the sale. The property is being sold in an "as is" condition. e) The time and place of the court sale are: August 30, 2023, at 10:30 a.m., at the DeWitt County Sheriff's Office located at 101 W. Washington St., Clinton, DeWitt County, Illinois 61727.

f) The terms of the sale are: Cash in hand. g) Title will be conveyed subject to all general real estate taxes which may be a lien upon the real estate, but have not yet become due and payable, and special assessments, if any, and easements

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 6TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT DEWITT COUNTY - CLINTON, ILLINOIS U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE OF CVF III MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST II Plaintiff, -v.- JOSEPH DEHN AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF LAUREN R. SKROBOT, ALEXANDER SKROBOT, CASPER SKROBOT, THEODORE OLSON, CAVALRY SPV I, LLC, UN-

**KNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF LAUREN R. SKROBOT Defendant 2022 FC 24 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on July 12, 2023, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on August 31, 2023, at the DeWitt County Courthouse, 201 West Washington Street (Main door), CLINTON, IL, 61727, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 520 W. NORTH STREET, WELDON, IL 61882 Property Index No. 14-09-251-008 The real estate is improved with a single family residence. The judgment amount was \$35,401.57. Sale terms: 100% of the bid amount shall be paid in certified funds immediately by the highest and best bidder at the conclusion of the sale. The certified check must be made payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g) (1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the

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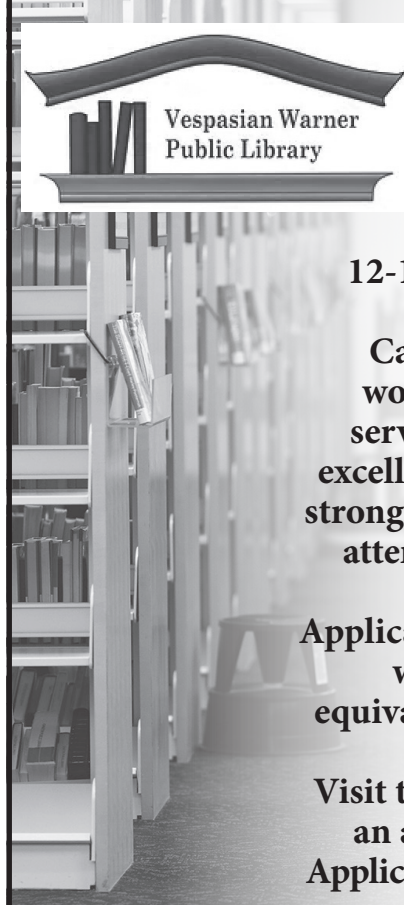
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Corporation at [www.tjsc.com](http://www.tjsc.com) for a 7 day status report of pending sales. Travis P. Barry Kelley, Kronenberg, P.A. 20 N CLARK STREET SUITE 1150 Chicago IL, 60602 312-216-8828 E-Mail: [tbarry@kelleykronenberg.com](mailto:tbarry@kelleykronenberg.com) Attorney File No. M22510 Attorney ARDC No. 6305429 Case Number: 2022 FC 24 TJSC#: 43-2951 NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Case # 2022 FC 24 I3226080

LEGAL 19827 August 4, 11, 18, 2023

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the MAHOMET VALLEY WATER AUTHORITY for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2023, and ending April 30, 2024, is on file and conveniently available for public inspection at the Piatt County Courthouse, Monticello, Illinois, and the DeWitt County Courthouse, Clinton, Illinois, from and after August 11, 2023. NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that a public hearing on said Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance will be held at 1:00 p.m. on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of September,

2023 at the offices of Mahomet Valley Water Authority Office, in the Professional Building, Monticello, Illinois, Piatt County, and that final action on said Ordinance will be taken by the Trustees of the MAHOMET VALLEY WATER AUTHORITY at a meeting to be held at 1:15 p.m. on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023. DATED this 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2023.

/s/ Amanda Pankau Secretary

Prepared by: Amy M. Rupiper FOLTZ & RUPIPER 114 East Washington Street Monticello, IL 61856 Telephone 217-762-9444 Facsimile: 217-762-8245 [arupiper@foltzan-drupiper.com](mailto:arupiper@foltzan-drupiper.com)

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ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT FOR CREEK TOWNSHIP & ROAD DISTRICT 15200 Middle St., Lane, IL 61750

FISCAL YEAR ENDING March 31, 2023

**TOWNSHIP-REVENUE SUMMARY:** Property taxes 70,106.03; Replacement Tax 49,058.30; Dividends 906.00; Cemetery Lot Sales 450.00; Interest 143.04; Miscellaneous Income (Reimbursements) 850.00 **TOTAL REVENUES: \$121,513.37**

**TOWNSHIP-EXPENDITURE SUMMARY:**

Back 40 Lawn Care 6,110; TOIRMA 2,853; All disbursements equal/greater than \$2,500: \$8,963 All other disbursements less than \$2,500: \$9,722.39 **TOTAL VENDORS: \$18,685.39**

**TOWNSHIP-COMPENSATION SUMMARY:** Range: Under \$25,000: Megan Barth; Jack Nichols; Katy Nichols; Stephen Parker; Theodore Riva; Roger Wantland; Rebecca Wheat; Roger Wilson **TOTAL COMPENSATION: \$47,503.48**

**ROAD DISTRICT-REVENUE SUMMARY:** Property Taxes 116,750.36; Replacement Tax 78,967.63; Interest 440.73 **TOTAL REVENUES: \$196,158.72**

**ROAD DISTRICT-EXPENDITURE SUMMARY:** Koenig Body 27,994.74; Iliana 20,859.80; Illini Overhead Door 8,500.00; Evergreen FS 6,530.00; Hanson Aggregate 3,873.62; TOIRMA 3,486.00; Dawson Maintenance 3,469.24; Big B Agro 3,190.62 All disbursements equal/greater than \$2,500: \$77,904.02 All other disbursements less than \$2,500: \$7,508.78 **TOTAL VENDORS: \$85,412.80**

**ROAD DISTRICT-COMPENSATION SUMMARY:** Range: Under \$25,000: Nathan Spencer **TOTAL COMPENSATION: \$1,766.69**

**SUMMARY STATEMENT OF CONDITION:** ALL FUNDS-REVE-

NUES \$317,672.09 ALL FUNDS-EXPENDITURES \$153,368.36 NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE \$164,303.73 FUND BALANCE APRIL 1, 2022 \$870,706.32 FUND BALANCE MARCH 31, 2023 \$1,035,010.05

I attest that, to the best of my knowledge, this report represents a complete and accurate statement of the financial position of Creek Township as of the end of this fiscal year.

Subscribed and sworn to this 11th day of July 2023.

/s/ Katherine Nichols Supervisor/ Treasurer

I, Rebecca Wheat, Clerk of Creek Township, DeWitt County, Illinois, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the Annual Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023.

/s/ Rebecca Wheat Clerk

/s/ Stephen A. Parker Trustee, 7/11/23 /s/ Theodore T. Riva Trustee, 7/11/23 /s/ Roger D. Wilson Trustee, 7/11/23

LEGAL 19830 August 11, 2023

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

Estate of: Judith Ann Shaw Deceased. CASE NO. 2022-PR-40

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF CLAIM DATE

Notice is given to the creditors of the death of Judith Ann Shaw, of 8163 Northridge Dr., Clinton, Illinois 61727. Letters of Office were issued on January 3, 2023, to Karen Rice, Independent Executor, 8163 Northridge Dr., 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 February 11, 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 7th day of August, 2023.

Kevin Hammer Attorney for the Estate of Judith Ann Shaw 219 East Main Street

Clinton, IL 61727 217/935-7063

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

DEWITT COUNTY - IN PROBATE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF PHILLIP RAY LAMKIN, DECEASED

CLAIM DATE NOTICE - INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION

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

Letters of Office were issued on July 28, 2023 to Timothy J. Lamkin, 3043 North Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois 60618 as Independent Executor. The attorney for the estate is Bryce A. Lynch of Taylor & Lynch, 216 South Center Street, P.O. Box 478, Clinton, Illinois, 61727.

Claims may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court at the DeWitt County Courthouse, 201 W. Washington Street, Clinton, IL 61727, on or before February 11, 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.

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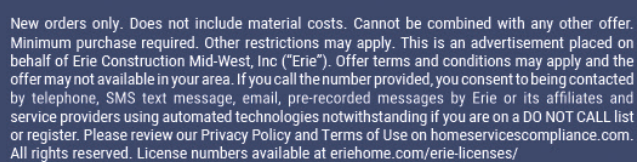
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A photograph of a basement interior before renovation. The wall is covered in a light-colored, textured material with a brick-like pattern. A small, square window with blue shutters is set into the wall. A ceiling light fixture is visible above the wall. In the bottom right corner, there is a pile of debris, including a large plastic bag and some cardboard boxes. The word "BEFORE" is written in large, bold, white letters in the bottom left corner.

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A photograph showing a concrete sidewalk leading to a brick house. A large bush is on the left side of the sidewalk. The word "BEFORE" is written in white capital letters in the bottom left corner.

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