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Maroons’ inspiration for a new season

Some inspirational messages for the fall Maroons’ season lines Van Buren Street in front of Clinton High School. The CHS marching band practiced near the signs Tuesday morning.

Addiction recovery gets a boost in DeWitt County

ROSC program expands thanks to grant from IDHS

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CLINTON — Thanks to a grant from the Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS), DeWitt County is set to receive an expansion of some important substance addiction health services.

Tony Kirkman said a “soft launch” of the expanded services in DeWitt County began in January. Kirkman is executive director of the Piatt County Mental Health Center.

In July, the Piatt county center received a grant from IDHS to fund the expansion, which began officially that month.

The Recovery-Oriented System of Care (ROSC) engages the community through all aspects of recovery, including prevention, treatment and recovery support. The program also will rely on the counsel of “People with Lived Experience” (PLE), that is, people who have been in the clients’ position, to navigate the needs and barriers to treatment in a particular area, Kirkman said.

The council guiding the program, which includes medical professionals, local health department staff and board, mental health board members, school district officials, prevention services, treatment facilities, youth groups and law enforcement, meet regularly and

have identified three main goals of the program in DeWitt County.

Those goals include reducing the stigma related to substance use disorder (SUD) and to understand it as a disease rather than a moral or character flaw, reduce barriers to accessing treatment and provide recreational activities free of alcohol/substances for the sober community.

“ROSC believes that, instead of asking what is wrong or deficient with someone, we should look at an individual’s strengths and what do they have access to in their local community,” Kirkman said.

The ROSC council meets regularly as it plans how best to tailor the program to DeWitt County. The council also is working to publicize how people can receive training for Narcan use, the drug used to

treat overdose victims, how to communicate with the public as well as awareness activities.

The council recently named Maggie Memmott as the DeWitt County ROSC coordinator, who will officially begin presiding over meetings in September.

During the council’s August meeting, held at the DeWitt/Piatt Bi-County Health Department office, Clinton, Kirkman said a number of community sectors expressed interest in supporting the program.

“They will be supportive of recovery efforts as they unfold here in DeWitt County,” Kirkman said.

He said entities interested were not obligated beyond simply supporting the efforts of the program.

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Warner Library schedules special activities for September

CLINTON — The Vespasian Warner Public Library will buzz with activity in September.

Library staff is celebrating Library Card Sign-Up Month, introducing the public to the new digital microfilm reader and announcing a new face in library leadership.

As always, the community is encouraged to visit the library to borrow books, movies, and more or attend a free event.

September is Library Card Sign-Up Month

Residents can celebrate by getting their own library cards this month. With a library card, patrons can discover new and exciting worlds. They can borrow the latest popular books and movies and take free DIY classes, among other activities and services.

In September, new library cardholders will receive a bookmark, pencil or magnet. Current library card holders can replace

their lost or damaged card for free, normally \$1. All library visitors also can visit the children’s floor to complete a scavenger hunt for a sticker prize.

New digital microfilm reader

The library’s historic newspaper collection includes papers from Clinton, Farmer City, Kenney and Weldon, with some papers going back as far as 1854. This collection is a valuable resource for the history

of local communities. The newspapers are all available to view on microfilm.

Library visitors will have even better access to these historic records thanks to the Friends of the Warner Library, members of the DeWitt County Genealogical Society (DCGS) and an anonymous donor. This helped the library purchase a digital microfilm reader.

The reader offers a crisp, clear display of the newspapers and has the

capability to easily save articles to flash drives or email. Visit the library on Thursdays, and volunteers from DCGS will show you the reader.

Melissa Snow enjoys new role as Youth Services Manager

The library announces that Melissa Snow accepted the role of Youth Services Manager at the library, effective August 1.

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Board says ‘no’ to carbon capture

Vote to ban carbon capture wells from all zoning districts

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CLINTON — It appears carbon capture technology isn’t on its way to DeWitt County.

The county board voted unanimously Aug. 24 to ban carbon capture wells from all of the county’s zoning districts.

David Helper, former member of the Logan County Board and former Logan county zoning chairman, addressed DeWitt County Board members about how his board went about approving carbon capture wells there.

“I served on the Logan County Board for 22 years and for most of that time I chaired the zoning committee, so I can fully appreciate the role you are in tonight,” Helper said.

Helper said the Logan County Board’s philosophy was, whenever casting a negative vote, “it should be based on substance and evidence.”

Helper said when the carbon capture issue came before them, they retained a subject matter expert at the expense of Navigator CO2, the company proposing carbon capture wells in Logan County. Navigator is the same company proposing similar wells in DeWitt County.

Logan County hired Prof. William Roy, Department of Nuclear Plasma and Radiological Engineering at the University of Illinois. Roy has been a consultant on carbon capture to the U.S. Department of Energy, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the U.S. Department of Agriculture and has served as an expert witness for the U.S. Department of Justice.

Carbon capture, also known as carbon sequestration, is a method of drawing CO2 out of the atmosphere or from facilities that produce it as a byproduct and injecting it into underground geological formations determined to be suitable for its storage. CO2 is recognized by a vast majority of scientists as a major culprit in climate change.

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Helper pointed out that the Department of Energy employs some 10,000 Ph.D-level scientists with more than 100 Nobel Prize winners among them.

In 2021, the Department of Energy began a trio of initiatives, “with carbon sequestration being an inherent part of these projects,” Helper said.

“The U.S. Department of Energy initiative would not have been undertaken unless those genuine experts had not deemed it to be safe, practical and in the public interest,” he said said.

The U.S. National Sequestration Education Center is located on the campus of Richland Community College, Decatur.

Decatur’s Archer Daniels Midland Company began a carbon capture project at its plant in 2009. Company representatives say the project has been successful, but some news outlets have reported internal company communications suggest there is disagreement about the project’s long-term promise.

Some environmental groups say, while useful in some applications, such as fertilizer plants, CO2 capture technology in ethanol production is simply an excuse to continue fossil fuel production.

Helper said, if the DeWitt County board voted to restrict CO2 wells, it would be rejecting the Department of Energy’s determinations.

“While the motion before you might have a “feel good” element, it is unnecessary,” Helper said. “Your zoning ordinance contains no mechanism to allow or even consider carbon sequestration.”

Helper suggested the board table the motion so the county could maintain control of the issue without alienating the Department of Energy. Testimony by the head of the DOE in 2016 was instrumental in Illinois legislation that helped keep nuclear plants, including Clinton Power Station, open.

The DeWitt County Board’s land use committee has discussed the Navigator carbon capture plan periodically since fall 2022. In October 2022, committee member Terry Ferguson said he was contacted about the plan by Navigator. At that time, committee members expressed skepticism about the safety of carbon capture and feared interfering with the Mahomet aquifer, the county’s primary source for municipal and rural drinking water.

During its December 2022 meeting, land use members first addressed the possibility of explicitly prohibiting carbon capture wells in the county through modifying language in the code.

There was no discussion before board members voted Aug. 24 to ban CO2 injection wells from the county. The motion was previously tabled during a July meeting.

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The council also plans to meet with EMS and fire departments about Narcan use and distribution during those agencies’ quarterly meetings.

Memmot said she was conducting outreach in Farmer City.

“Last week was a really good meeting,” Memmott said.

Memmott also said she had conducted two recovery group meetings at the First Christian Church, Clinton. Five people attended the first meeting, increasing to six for the second meeting, she said.

“I’m super excited about it, and excited my family is in it with me,” Memmott said.

Kirkman said DeWitt County was included in the IDHS Deflection Pre-Arrest Diversion Area. Other counties in the area include Piatt, McLean, Coles, Vermillion, Douglas.

“So, we’ll see how that goes,” he said.

Deflection refers to law enforcement helping refer people to treatment programs as a way of keeping them out of the court system. In DeWitt

County, as in other counties, someone with a substance use problem facing prosecution might often go through what is known as “drug court.” There they would be required to complete a program to avoid serving jail time.

“Quite frankly, law enforcement doesn’t like going out to the same address or arresting people,” Kirkman said. “They want to see people get well and get treated.”

Kirkman said the program also looks at helping the families of someone arrested on drug charges and those committing minor theft in order to support a drug addiction.

ROSC activities
Outreach Group Recovery
• 701 E. Clinton Avenue, Farmer City
6 p.m. on Sundays

• 100 N. Jackson Street, Clinton
Noon on Saturdays

Call Maggie Memmott at (217) 619-9234 with questions or email mmemmott@piattmhc.org.

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Snow previously served as the library’s Youth Services Assistant for the past two years.

“I’m excited about our expansion of programming and storytimes,” Snow said. “I’m also looking forward to many of our traditional events such as Trick or Treat in October.”

Snow will be responsible for events, materials and in-library activities for ages 0-18.

The library is open Monday-Thursday from 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Friday from 9

a.m.-4 p.m., and Saturday from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Hours are subject to change.

The library will be closed on Monday, Sept. 4, in observance of Labor Day. The building will also close at noon on Friday, Sept. 22 and will be closed on Saturday, Sept. 23, during the Apple ‘n Pork Festival weekend.

For more information, visit www.vwarner.org, call (217) 935-5174, or visit Facebook @ VespasianWarner.

State increasing farmer access to mental health services

DECATUR — Gov. J.B. Pritzker joined the Illinois Department of Agriculture (IDOA) at the 2023 Farm Progress Show to announce funding for a grant program aimed at providing more access for farmers to mental health services

The announcement was made in partnership with the Illinois FFA Foundation and the Southern Illinois University (SIU) School of Medicine.

“As governor, as a father, and as someone who has personally witnessed the mental health epidemic among family and friends, there is nothing more important than making sure every Illinoisan has access to the mental health services they need to lead happier and healthier lives,” Pritzker said. “Our greatest problems require our most creative solutions — and I am confident that this grant program will simultaneously break down barriers and open up doors for our state’s number one providers.”

“As chairman of the Governor’s Rural Affairs Council, it is clear how much our farmers and agricultural communities contribute to Illinois,” said Lt. Governor Juliana Stratton. “As many in our rural communities struggle not only with mental health but overcoming stigma to seek help, our state is coming together with the Rural Mental Health Grant Program to provide the support our rural communities need and deserve. “That is at the core of this grant program, and we will continue to invest in the efforts that uplift the needs of rural Illinoisans.”

The Farm Family Resource Initiative (FFRI) was created initially as a pilot program covering six Illinois counties providing telehealth mental health access in addition to a helpline. Following its overwhelming success, the FFRI was expanded to cover all 102 counties in the state. In addition to the telehealth helpline, family members can now access six free telehealth mental health sessions.

The program will also fund up to 20 grants at \$1,000 each to support FFA chapters implementing local

initiatives encouraging access to mental health resources. Grants will be used to increase awareness of mental health and wellness in schools and communities across Illinois. All FFA chapters in Illinois are eligible to apply for the grant, and grant applications will be available from the Illinois FFA Foundation in fall 2023.

“Thanks to Governor Pritzker’s leadership, FFA membership has jumped from 23,000 to over 41,000,” said IDOA Director Jerry Costello II. “This talented pool of leaders are the perfect messengers for this important task.”

The FFRI funding resulted from IDOA’s grant application for the “Farm and Ranch Stress Assistance Network” funded by the United States Department of Agriculture National Food and Agriculture (USDA NIFA). Funds are provided to state departments of agriculture to connect individuals who are engaged in farming, ranching, and other agriculture-related occupations to stress assistance programs.

“Mental health affects people from all professions — especially farmers whose job, success and livelihood relies on many things out of their control,” said State Sen. Doris Turner (D-Springfield). “Together, we can uplift the health and well-being of some of our state’s hardest working individuals.”

“With partners like the Illinois Department of Agriculture and the Illinois Department of Human Services, we are moving the health of rural families forward,” said Dan Mahony, President of the Southern Illinois University System. “Now working with Illinois FFA Chapters, we have the opportunity to expand our impact by engaging youth in a multi-generational approach to mental health and wellness.”

“FFA members are creative thinkers and know and understand their communities,” said FFA Executive Director Mindy Bunselmeyer. “I’m excited to see the unique ways our membership will look to tackle this challenge.”

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Elder abuse: Combating injustice

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Elder abuse is the intentional mistreatment or harming of an older person. An older person is defined by the Social Security Act as someone over age 60. This abuse takes many forms – including physical, emotional, and sexual harm, neglect, and financial exploitation. More than 1 in 10 older adults experience some form of abuse each year. That number is likely much higher because elder abuse is often underreported— especially in underserved communities.

Abuse victims typically show emotional and behavioral red flags, such as depression, unusual fear or anxiety, or intentional isolation. Many victims are abused by someone they know or trust. It’s important to look for unusual changes in behavior around:

- Family members.
- Staff at inpatient facilities.
- Hired or volunteer caregivers.
- People in positions of trust like doctors or financial advisors.



You can also help make a difference by checking in with older loved ones. Looking for warning signs of mistreatment is the first step to preventing abuse. Signs of physical abuse include bruises, burns, or other unexplained injuries.

There may also be signs of neglect like:

- Poor nutrition or hygiene.
- Lack of necessary medical aids like glasses or medications that a caretaker should be providing.

There may also be indications of financial abuse. These may include:

- Unpaid rent.
- Sudden changes to a will.
- Unusual changes in money management.

- Large, unexplained financial transactions.
- Mortgages despite sufficient financial resources.
- Allowing someone new to access bank accounts.

If you suspect that someone is a victim of elder abuse, don’t ignore it! If you or someone you care about is in a life-threatening situation, call 911. If you suspect that something isn’t right – but nobody seems to be in immediate danger – contact:

- Your local Adult Protective Services at www.napsa-now.org/help-in-your-area.

- The National Center on Elder Abuse at 1-855-500-3537 (ELDR).

You can also find additional local resources by searching the Eldercare Locator for your community at eldercare.acl.gov/Public/index.aspx.

Take some time to call or visit with an older adult. Ask if they are okay and listen to what they tell you. Pay attention to signs of abuse or unusual behavior. Most of all, don’t be afraid to report instances of suspected abuse. Please share this information with those who need it.

Donna D. Stanwood

CLINTON — Donna D. Stanwood, 95, of Clinton, passed away at 7:04 a.m. on August 23, 2023, at Manor Court, Clinton.

Services will be conducted at 2 p.m. on Saturday, September 2, 2023, at Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton, with Ernie Harvey, Jr. and Mike Cahill officiating. Burial will follow at Oakview Cemetery, Armington, Ill. Visitation will be held from 1–2 p.m. on Saturday at the funeral home.

Memorials may be directed to the Mennonite College of Nursing at Illinois State University or Little Galilee Christian Camp.

Donna was born on July 24, 1928, in Bloomington, Ill., the daughter of Karle M. and Edna E. (Kistler) Hickey. She married Ivan B. Stanwood on October 1, 1949, in Armington, Ill. He passed away on February 2, 2023.

Survivors include her children, Ivanna Lynn (Richard) Koritz, Clinton; and Timothy Lee (Beth) Stanwood, Des Moines, Iowa; grandchildren, Scott, Karle, Kristy Jo,



Kelly, Merci, Mical Amy, Kristy Leigh, Brittany, and Maggie; 17 great-grandchildren; and siblings, Michael G. (Barbara S.) Hickey, Springfield.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two sons, Eric Wayne Stanwood and Christopher Dean Stanwood, and brother, Myron J. “Bud” Hickey.

Donna was a longtime nurse, retiring from the American Red Cross. She was a past member of Creve Coeur Christian Church and current member of the Clinton First Christian Church. Donna enjoyed needle work.

Online condolences may be made at www.calvertmemorial.com



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Friendship Center beneficiary of Baum Charity Car Show 2023

CLINTON — The DeWitt County Friendship Center will be the beneficiary for the 17th Annual Scott’s Charity Car Show, scheduled for Sept. 24, in Clinton.

Baum Chevrolet Buick organizes the event, which is held at the dealership, 810 W. Van Buren, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

A committee of employees selected the DeWitt County Friendship Center due to the Center’s need for a new roof.

The Center organizes programs and activities for senior citizens in DeWitt County and surrounding locations. Many programs focus on maintaining physical, emotional and

psychological health. Specific offerings include wellness checks, assistance with Medicare and prescription drug access, and Peace Meals. Support is also offered to senior caregivers.

Nearly all activities are held at its building, located at 410 E. Washington St., Clinton.

Organizers expect another strong turnout for the car show, which brought out more than 250 vehicles during last year’s show.

“Each year the show gets stronger, and our community shows up for the year’s beneficiary,” said Scott Baum, owner of Baum Chevrolet Buick and show organizer. “We believe the Friendship

Center fills a very important need in our community and we are pleased to help support their cause.”

Registration for the event begins at 9 a.m., and an opening ceremony will begin at 12 noon. Awards will be presented at 2:30 p.m. There are eight car classes, five truck classes, street rods, Jeep and miscellaneous classes. Food and ice cream will also be available on-site.

Registration for the event is \$15 per vehicle and there is no admission fee for spectators. Food and entertainment will be available on the dealership grounds. A free shuttle to the Apple and Pork Festival is provided.

In the past, the show

has fundraised for beneficiaries such as the Central Illinois Alzheimer’s Association, Guardians of the Children, Clinton YMCA, and The Vault.

In addition to the show, fundraising activities include a raffle for a ’57 Chevy Golf Cart, Blackstone grill, or \$300 cash. Tickets are \$10 for 1 or \$100 for 11, and can be purchased in advance at Baum Chevrolet Buick and Baum Chrysler Jeep in Clinton, and Baum Motor Company in Farmer City.

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1969 - Col. Moammar Gadhafi came into power in Libya after the government was overthrown.

1970 - The last episode of "I Dream of Jeannie" aired on NBC-TV. The show premiered was on September 18, 1965.

1971 - Danny Murtaugh (Pittsburgh Pirates) gave his lineup card to the umpire with the names of nine black baseball players on it. This was a first for Major League Baseball.

1972 - America's Bobby Fischer beat Russia's Boris Spassky to become world chess champion. The chess match took place in Reykjavik, Iceland.

1979 - The U.S. Pioneer 11 became the first spacecraft to visit Saturn.

1982 - J.R. Richard returned to major league baseball after a two-year absence following a near-fatal stroke.

1982 - Mexican President Jose Lopez Portillo closed all the country's private banks.

1985 - The Titanic was found by Dr. Robert Ballard and Jean Louis Michel in a joint U.S. and French expedition. The wreck site is located 963 miles northeast of New York and 453 miles southeast of the Newfoundland coast.

1986 - Jerry Lewis raised a record \$34 million for Muscular Dystrophy during his annual telethon for Jerry's kids over the Labor Day weekend.

1997 - In France, the prosecutor's office announced that the driver of the car, in which Britain's Princess Diana was killed, was over the legal alcohol limit.

1998 - The movie "Titanic" went on sale across North America.

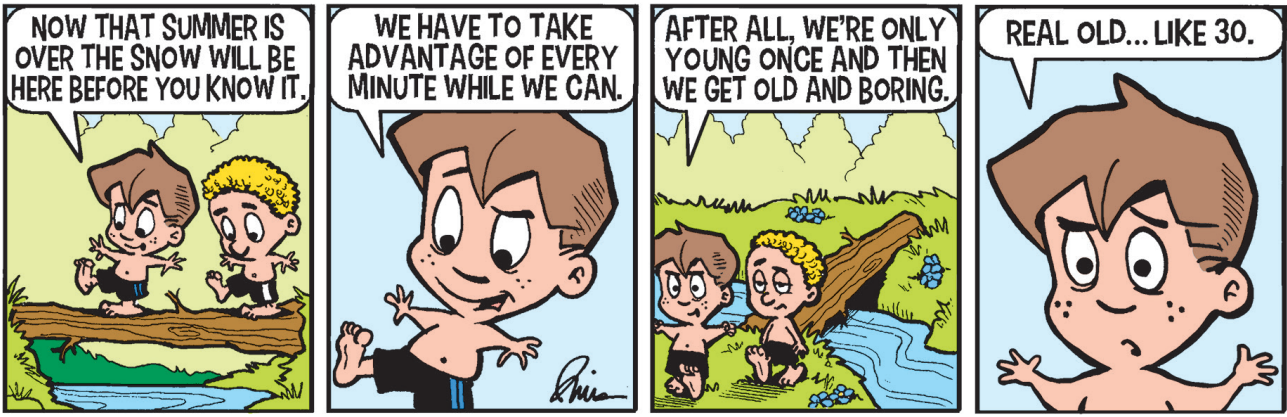
1998 - Mark McGwire (St. Louis Cardinals) hit his 56th and 57th homeruns to set a new National League record. He would eventually reach a total of 70 for the season on September 27.

1998 - J.K. Rowling's book "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" was released in the U.S. This was the first book in the Harry Potter series.

1998 - Vietnam released 5,000 prisoners, including political dissidents, on National Day.

1999 - Twenty-two of major league baseball's 68 permanent umpires were replaced. The problem arose from their union's failed attempt to force an early start to negotiations for a new labor contract.

Amber Waves



The Republican debate

I watched most of the debate last Wednesday evening. I was not impressed.

The debate was a verbal food fight between the candidates. Ronald Reagan's 11th commandment was constantly violated. That commandment was, you do not speak ill of fellow candidates. You express your views and how your views will better the nation.

Reagan led with positive politics, not attacks. Reagan won. Perhaps the candidates should go back to undergraduate college political science courses and learn some basic political science.

The winner of the debate was Trump, and he wasn't there. 12.8 million people watched the debate on Fox News. Tucker Carlson had a 30-minute interview with Trump on X, formerly Twitter, that aired at the same time.

That interview had 14.8 million viewers. Love Trump, or hate him, the numbers don't lie. The American public wanted to hear what Trump had to say and not the candidates on the stage in Wisconsin.

After the debate DeSantis, Ramaswamy and Haley all picked up new money, but those funds paled in contrast to what Trump brought in.

Fox news basically fired Carlson and he appears to be doing very well with his news podcasts and other endeavors.

Trump gets indicted and he goes up in the polls and rakes in the donations. The normal view of political races has been turned upside down. Conventional wisdom says that both Trump and Carlson should now be on the sidelines and old news. Reality is that they are the news and are front and center and everyone else is trying to play catch up and failing.

As to the debate itself, the pundits give the win to DeSantis and many for Ramaswamy. Haley was a distant third for the pundits. Personally, I tend to believe Haley won the debate and gained some traction.

DeSantis has proven to be an effective governor in Florida. Unfortunately, on Wednesday he simply did not excite anyone with his comments. Ramaswamy had the excitement and talking points, but lacked substance and an understanding of how national and international events intertwine.

Pence got the microphone but failed to advance his position. Scott had insight, but simply did not get to the microphone and display



his credentials.

Christie and Pence both certainly made no blunders. They took no chances and failed to get their agenda out there. The other gentlemen on the platform simply did not get much of my attention.

Haley deserves a second shot. She is the only female on the platform. She also struck me as the only adult in the food fight between the candidates. She held her ground but was not arrogant.

She had a real understanding of political reality in Washington and the nation. Her understanding of foreign policy concerns was the best of all the candidates. She also came across as a mother and wife, which I believe will serve her very well with female voters and most men. Haley impressed me while the others did not.

D O N N A STANWOOD—Donna was my mother-in-law for 53 years. Regardless of all the mother-in-law jokes out, I couldn't ask for a better one. She was the matriarch of the family

by Dave T. Phipps

until her passing last week. This has been a tough year for my wife. She has lost her father, mother and two of her father's siblings. All were over 90 years of age. Donna and Ivan were married for 73 years, a rarity in today's world.

They moved to Clinton from their retirement home in south Texas as they wanted to be near family in their final years. They succeeded. They were active in church and the community until the last year of their lives.

They enjoyed Clinton and the community was good to both. They felt at home here and now they are going home together. They had great care at Liberty Village. The family wishes to thank all for their support of Donna and Ivan.

On a lighter note, while going through Donna's old papers, Ivy found her mother's hospital bill at her birth. 95 years ago Donna was born at Brokaw Hospital in Bloomington. That hospital bill was for 11 days in the hospital at the rate of \$4 per day. The entire hospital bill was \$57.15. Her dad paid less than \$60 to bring her into this world.

My question is this: What is Larry going to charge to take her out?

Mobile medical units are coming

The Department of Veterans Affairs is sending a fleet of 25 mobile medical units across the country over the next six months, and the first ones are already out there, with the initial two having arrived in Orlando, Florida, and Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

These mobile medical units are intended to provide care and support to homeless veterans and those at risk. Veterans will be able to get primary care, lab work, telehealth services, audiology, women's health and more from the Homeless Patient Aligned Care Teams (HPACT) that will move

from place to place in the vehicles. They'll be parked in a variety of VA medical centers, outpatient clinics and referral centers -- wherever there are VA services.

Whether you're near San Diego, California; Chicago, Illinois; Bay Pines, Florida; or New Orleans, Louisiana, there is a van coming. To check the schedule of anticipated arrival dates and locations of the medical units, go to <https://tinyurl.com/bdfzmzpa>.

If you can't wait on the van, if you are a homeless veteran or at risk for becoming homeless, call 877-424-3838 any hour



of the day or night. Don't wait. Make the call as soon as you know what your situation is going to be.

Go online to www.va.gov/HOMELESS/HPACT.asp for more information about the care teams and how they can help you.

The mobile medical unit vehicles will add to the 83 mobile vet centers the VA has scattered across the country that provide a place for confidential

counseling and outreach. They're able to access your records from those locations so your care can stay on track. You can talk to someone quickly by calling the Vet Center Call Center at 877-927-8387. Whether you're the veteran or a veteran's family, whether you want to talk about your military experiences, traumatic events or any other issue, veterans will be at the other end of the phone, day and night. See www.vetcenter.va.gov for more information. Click on "Locations" to find the vet center closest to you.

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Lincoln, IL 62656
(217) 651-8291





So he got up and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion for him, and ran and embraced him and kissed him.

LUKE 15:20

Detail of "The Return of the Prodigal Son" by Rembrandt (1620-1669)

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AREA CHURCHES DIRECTORY

Crosspoint of Clinton
412 S. Monroe Street, Clinton
(217) 935-8627
Sr. Pastor, Spencer McPherson
3 p.m.-Sunday worship
7 p.m.-Mondays family prayer
7 p.m.-Wednesday Bible study

Christ Lutheran Church & preschool
701 S. Mulberry Street, Clinton
Office (217) 935-5808
Preschool office (217) 935-4675
8:15 a.m.-Sunday worship
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
Pastor-Paul Stroup
clintonpresbyterian.org
9:15 a.m.-Sunday school
10:30 a.m.-Sunday worship with nursery available
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PC - A Place to Belong - Believe - Become

Clinton United Methodist Church
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 Children's program (pickup is available)
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

First Baptist Church
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
Adult Bible School 10:45 a.m.
Worship Services: 9:30 a.m.
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.

First Church of the Nazarene
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

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

Lane Christian Church
(217) 935-2557
www.lanechurch.org
Jim Kilson, preaching and teaching minister
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9 a.m.-Sunday school
10 a.m.-worship
5:30 p.m.-youth group
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200 S. Alexander Street, Clinton
(217) 570-0105
www.lifebridges-church.com
Pastors-Jonathan and Dana Taylor
10 a.m.-Sunday celebration
10 a.m.-AMPED Kids for ages (1-5 grades)
10 a.m.-AMPED Jr. (birth-K)
7 p.m.-AfterShock teen church, 6th-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

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
502 N. Monroe Street, Clinton
(217) 935-3727
Rev. James Owusu-Yeboah, pastor
4 p.m.-Saturday mass
8:30 a.m.-Sunday mass

St. Patrick Catholic Church
320 S. Locust Street, P.O. Box 116, Wapella
(217) 935-8510
Office hours: 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Tues. & Thurs.
Father Geoff Horton, pastor
9 a.m.-Sunday, Tues. & Thurs. mass
www.saintpatrickwapella.org

Texas Christian Church
8301 Texas Church Road, Clinton
(217) 454-6846
www.Texaschristian-church.org
Scott Marsh, minister
9 a.m.-Sunday school
10 a.m.-Sunday worship
6 p.m.-Sunday evening worship
6 p.m.-Wednesday prayer meeting

The Blessed Hope Seventh-Day Adventist Church
112 N. Monroe St., Clinton
(217) 731-4005
9:30 a.m.-Saturday, Sabbath school
11 a.m.- worship with pot luck afterwards
6 p.m.-Wednesday, prophecy meetings

Wapella Christian Church
101 N. Poplar
(217) 731-4404
Josh Gorrie, minister
Wapellacc.com
9 a.m.-Sunday school
10 a.m.-worship
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BIBLE WORD SEARCH

by Elie's Spiritual Treasures

Psalm 27:10-11

Though my father and mother forsake me, the LORD will receive me. Teach me your way, LORD; lead me in a straight path because of my oppressors.

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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 TRIVIA

By Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Amos (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. From Exodus 16, what wilderness did the Israelites come unto between Elim and Sinai? Nod, Lot, Dan, Sin
3. In a letter to Christians at Corinth, what did Paul say was the greatest? Faith, Love, Charity, Tithes
4. What king wrote a letter to Hezekiah concerning surrender? Sennacherib, Artaxerxes, Belshazzar, Jabin
5. In Judges 1, who fed 70 kings at his table? Samson, Elisha, Adonibezek, Neco
6. Who were Nadab and Abihu the sons of? Joshua, Aaron, Moses, Mordecai

ANSWERS: (1) DIO, (2) Sin, (3) Charity, (4) Sennacherib, (5) Adonibezek, (6) Aaron

"Test Your Bible Knowledge," a book with 1,206 multiple-choice questions by columnist Wilson Casey, is available in stores and online.

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Choosing a wok

Welcome to my little corner of culinary delights. I once had the privilege of observing how an Asian restaurant kitchen operates. There were no Americans working in the kitchen.

The stove top was a thick boilerplate with four holes about 10-to-12-inch diameters. With the jets on, fire shot out of those holes with a loud roar. The wok would nicely fit over those holes.

The oil, followed by the food, were stirred constantly while cooking. I forgot how hot the man said the heat was. I do know it was hotter than anything our stoves can produce. It was awesome to watch professionals cook

The wok is the cooking device. They do not use fry-skillets or sauce-pans as we do. They do not even use steamers for doing their steaming.

The wok is made from thin sheet metal formed into a hemisphere (like a huge mixing bowl). This design allows it to heat-up quickly and cool quickly. And to use it properly requires dedication.

All the food must be prepared and ready prior



The Culinary Corner

Chef Roger Joss

to cooking. Once the cooking procedure begins, the cook must be vigilant and not leave their post until the cooking process is finished. Once the cooking process begins, the cooking deration is relatively short. This will be obvious once I begin describing each step of the process.

What does one look for in a wok? Before I get into that, I need to state that a wok is not necessarily for stir-fry cooking.

At college and at home, I have used either a skillet or sauté pan. The main requirement in stir-fry cooking is high heat. In any case, do not feel you must rush out and purchase any special equipment.

However, a wok makes it a bit easier with better results. And as with any cookware, do your homework and be sure what is best for you and your purpose.

There are many kinds of woks. The general purpose for that is to make the buyer think they

need this or that brand over another competitor's brand. The true purpose of a wok is simply for stir-fry. Therefore, a simple basic type is likely good enough.

The average wok for home cooking is 14 inches diameter. It is hemispherical without a flat of any kind on the bottom. Many are darkened. Yes, dark colors absorb heat best; whereas, shiny light colors reflect heat.

But that is not necessarily why the original woks are dark. It is due to treatment of the metal to help keep them rust resistant. It could be done by seasoning the metal or using chemicals as one does with "gun bluing" and anodizing. But my purpose is not to teach metallurgy.

Please pay attention when I warn you against some of these non-stick coated cookware. Do not purchase the applied plastic coatings. Such surfaces are harmful to your health. The very nature of stir-fry eliminates the need for non-stick cookware.

Until next time, peace to all.

Clear out Stuff that

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119 ANNOUNCEMENTS

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(119TFN)

NEW TO TOWN? Stop by our office for your Free 2021-2022 Community Guide. This guide will tell everything you need to know about settling into Clinton and making it home.
Clinton Journal
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201 DOMESTIC/CHILD CARE

NO INDIVIDUAL, unless licensed or holding a permit as a childcare facility, may cause to be published any advertisement soliciting a child care service. *A childcare facility that is licensed or operating under a permit issued by the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services may publish advertisements of the services for which it is specifically licensed or issued a permit. The Clinton Journal strongly urges any parent or guardian to verify the validity of the license of any facility before placing a child in its care. *Family homes that care for no more than three (3) children under the age of twelve or which receive only children from a single household, for less than 24

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305 GARAGE/ RUMMAGE SALES

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word. **OUR RAIN GUARANTEE:** If it rains on your sale day, we'll rerun the same ad (only date & time changes) for free. Must run within 2 weeks.

305 GARAGE/ RUMMAGE SALES

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, DEWITT COUNTY, ILLINOIS, NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC., Plaintiff, v. RYAN JOHNSTON, AKA RYAN A. JOHNSTON; ALYSON BOUCHER; JOSEPH F. BOUCHER; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants, Case No. 2023FC16 The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Ryan Johnston, AKA Ryan A. Johnston, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, that the said suit has been commenced in the

INFORMATION

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Mail: P.O. Box 615 Clinton, IL 61727

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Circuit Court of the Sixth Judicial Circuit, DeWitt County, Illinois by the said plaintiff against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at the Southeast corner of a tract of land recorded in Book 220 at Page 233 on June 2, 1983 of the records in the Recorder's Office of DeWitt County, Illinois, which is also the Northeast corner of a surveyed tract as recorded in Plat Book "G" Page 48 on June 10, 1974 of the records in the Recorder's Office of DeWitt County, Illinois, this point of beginning is also described as being on the East line of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 22, Township 21 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, DeWitt County, Illinois, this point being 691.00 feet North of the East 1/4 corner of said Section 22, running

thence Westerly along the South line of the tract covered by Warranty Deed recorded in Book 220 Page 233 for 313.50 feet to the point of intersection with the East line of a tract covered by Warranty Deed recorded in book 240 Page 63 of the records in the Recorder's Office of DeWitt County, Illinois; thence Northerly along the East line for 270.00 feet; thence Southeasterly for 315.68 feet to a point on the East line of the Northeast 1/4 of said Section 22, said point of being 233.00 feet Northerly of the Point of Beginning; thence Southerly along the East line of the Northeast 1/4 of said Section 22 for 233.00 feet to the point of beginning, situated in DeWitt County, Illinois. 14668 Autumn Road, Wapella, IL 61777 02-22-277-010 Now, therefore, unless you, Ryan Johnston, AKA Ryan A. Johnston, Unknown Owners

and Non-Record Claimants, and the said above named defendants, file your answer to the complaint in said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the office of the Clerk of the Sixth Judicial Circuit, DeWitt County, Illinois, on or before October 7, 2023, default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a Judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/> service-providers.htm to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/faq/gethelp.asp> or contact the Clerk of this Court. Edward R. Peterka (6220416) MANLEY DEAS KOCHALSKI LLC Attorneys for Plaintiff One East Wacker, Suite 1250, Chicago, IL 60601 Phone: 312-651-6700; Fax: 614-220-5613 Email: sef-erpeterka@manleydeas.com One of Plaintiff's Attorneys File Number: 23-010595 I3227043

LEGAL 19835 Aug 18, Aug 25, Sep 1, 2023



CLINTON COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOLS
VACANCY NOTICE NO. 5
Please apply on-line at www.applitrack.com/Clinton/onlineapp unless noted otherwise.

Clinton High School

- Spanish Teacher, application deadline September 15, 2023
- Library Aide, please see website for requirements for paraprofessional license <https://roe17.org/licensure/paraprofessionals> application deadline September 15, 2023
- Administrative Support Personnel – Paraprofessional license preferred, please see website for requirements for paraprofessional license <https://roe17.org/licensure/paraprofessionals> application deadline September 15, 2023

Transportation

Sub Bus Driver, (\$24.50 per hour) Bus Drivers must have a CDL or be willing to obtain one.
• Sub Crossing Guard and Bus/Van Monitors, (\$16.00 per hour), apply online or pick up application at unit office located west side of High School.

Athletics

- Head Softball Coach, please apply online or email letter of interest, resume, and letters of recommendation to Matt Koeppel, AD, at mkoeppe@cUSD15.org
- Assistant Softball Coach, please apply online or email letter of interest, resume, and letters of recommendation to Matt Koeppel, AD, at mkoeppe@cUSD15.org

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- Teacher Aide - Bilingual (English & Spanish), please see website for paraprofessional license <https://roe17.org/licensure/paraprofessionals>

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Bargain Garage Sale Ads

Multi-family Garage Sale Household items, many VHS tapes, some furniture and all...
MOVING OUT OF STATE SALE I'M MOVING OUT OF STATE AND MUST SELL...
All for sale! Please email or call before stopping by the house. Sewing machine w/accessories & cover...used very little \$200 "King Koil" mattress

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STATE OF ILLINOIS, CIRCUIT COURT DEWITT COUNTY

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

2023-MR-6

Request of: Jena Renae Vinson

There will be a court date on my Request to change my name from: Jena Renae Vinson to the new name of: Richard Fox Mulder.

The court date will be held: on September 6th at 01:30 p.m., at 201 W Washington St, Clinton, DeWitt, in Courtroom #2.

/s/ Jena Vinson
Jena Vinson

LEGAL 19836
Aug. 18, Aug. 25, Sept. 1, 2023

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Notice of Public Sale is hereby given that an auction will be held online on www.lockerfox.com beginning on September 14th at 12:00pm ending September 21st , 12:05 pm to sell the following individuals' articles to enforce lien against such articles, for storage furnished at Storage Unlimited, 1506 Route 54 East, Clinton IL 61727, (217) 935-3200 under a rental agreement with: 12:01 pm, Melodie G. Alvarez, occupant of space 1M11, items: Furniture, table, shelving, household goods, boxes and misc. 12:02 pm, Melodie G. Alvarez, occupant of space 1D17, items: outdoor storage box, table, shelves, couch, refrigerator, boxes and misc. 12:05 pm, Charissa M. White, occupant of space 1M31, items: furniture, toddler bed, tv, window air conditioner, boxes, bags and misc.

LEGAL 19840
Aug. 25, Sept. 1, 2023

LEGAL

STATE OF ILLINOIS, CIRCUIT COURT DEWITT COUNTY

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

Request of: Kathryn Leigh Anderson

2023-MR-11

There will be a court date on my Request to change my name from:

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

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 SUBDIVISION 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 Mortgageor(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 elec-

tronically 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/efiling. 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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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DEWITT COUNTY, CLINTON, ILLINOIS IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: } C. ORIS MILLER, Deceased. } 2023-PR-000028 NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF CLAIM DATE -- INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION NOTICE is given of the death of C. ORIS MILLER. Letters of Office were ordered issued on August 22, 2023 by Circuit Judge Karle Koritz to Oris Mark Miller, Independent Co-Executor, 105 East Alley Street, Sidney IL 61877, and Sandy K Fitzgerald, Independent Co-Executor, 2702 Arlene, Urbana, IL 61802, and whose attorney is William M. Goldstein, Goldstein Law Offices, PC, 501 W University Ave, Suite One, Champaign, Illinois 61820. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, DeWitt County Courthouse, 201 W Washington St, Clinton, Illinois 61727 or with either of the above-named Representatives

of the Estate, or both, within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice or if mailing or delivery of a Notice from the Representative is required by Section 18-3 of the Probate Act of 1975, as amended, then on or before the date stated in such Notice. Any claim not filed within that time period is barred. Copies of any claim filed with the Clerk of the Court must be mailed or delivered to one of the Co-Executors and to the Attorney for the Estate within 10 days after it has been filed, and proof of such mailing must be filed with the Clerk of the Court. DATED: August 23, 2023 Oris Mark Miller, Co-Executor Sandy K Fitzgerald, Co-Executor Estate of C. Oris Miller, Deceased William M. Goldstein Attorney for the Estate of C. Oris Miller Goldstein Law Offices, PC 501 W University Ave, Ste 1 Champaign, IL 61820 217/369-0670 wmgoldlaw@aol.com

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THE BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES OF THE VESPASIAN WARNER PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT DEWITT COUNTY, ILLINOIS ORDINANCE NO. 23-1 COMBINED ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR LIBRARY PURPOSES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2023 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2024 WHEREAS, the Illinois Municipal Budget Law, 50 ILCS 330/1, et seq., as amended, requires all Illinois municipal corporations, as broadly defined therein, to adopt a combined annual budget and appropriation ordinance, specifying the objects and purposes of expenditures; and the Illinois Public Library District Act, 75 ILCS 16/30-85 and 75 ILCS 16/35-25, provides procedures for the passage of a budget and appropriation ordinance; and WHEREAS, pursuant to the above and other appropriate statutes, a budget and appropriation ordinance has been prepared in tentative form at the designation of this Board, and has been made available for public inspection for at least thirty (30) days prior to final action, and a public hearing on said budget and appropriation ordinance was held prior to final action hereon on August 23, 2023, and notice of said hearing was published on July 21, 2023, in the *Clinton Journal*, a secular newspaper with a general circulation within the District; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Library Trustees of the Vespasian Warner Public Library District, DeWitt County, Illinois, as follows: Section 1. The following budget, con-

taining an estimate of all receipts of said Library District, and of the expenditures there from, be and the same hereby is adopted as the budget for said District for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024, and the same sums are hereby appropriated as necessary to defray the said expenses and liabilities of this Library District, for the objects and purposes indicated, for said fiscal year: I. GENERAL FUND [75 ILCS 16/35-5] APPROPRIATIONS FOR ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES PATRON SERVICES MATERIALS & OTHER CIRCULATING ITEMS \$40,800 DIGITAL RESOURCES & PLATFORM FEES \$13,000 SYSTEM FEES - IHLS/OCLC \$16,000 SUMMER READING CLUB \$5,000 CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS \$4,000 ADULT PROGRAMS \$5,100 YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS \$2,500 ARCHIVES & PRESERVATION \$1,000 TOTAL PATRON SERVICES \$87,400 STAFF AND BENEFITS SALARIES \$400,000 CONVENTION/MEETING \$2,000 DUES & FEES \$1,000 EDUCATION & TRAINING \$2,000 HEALTH INSURANCE \$90,000 TOTAL STAFF AND BENEFITS \$495,000 BUILDING AND GROUNDS GARBAGE DISPOSAL \$1,500 UTILITIES - GAS/ELECTRIC \$85,000 UTILITIES - WATER \$3,000 UTILITIES - TELEPHONE \$6,000 TAXES - REAL ESTATE \$4,000 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES - BUILDING \$120,000 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES - EQUIPMENT \$15,000 TOTAL BUILDING AND GROUNDS \$234,500 ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNTING \$7,000 BANK CHARGES \$50 REIMBURSEMENT: MILEAGE & CELL PHONE \$3,500 LEGAL \$7,500 MARKETING \$15,000 APPLE N PORK EVENT \$500 MISCELLANEOUS \$1,000 OFFICE EXPENSES \$7,000 PROCESSING \$4,000 COPIER EXPENSES \$3,500 POSTAGE \$2,000 NEWSPAPER PRINTING \$2,000 INTERNET/COMPUTER/NETWORK MAINT. \$25,000 SPECIAL PROJECTS \$15,000 GRANT EXPENSES \$18,000 CONTINGENCIES \$10,000 TOTAL ADMINISTRATION \$121,050 TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES \$937,950 II. SOCIAL SECURITY FUND [40 ILCS 5/21-110; 21-110.1] APPROPRIATIONS FOR ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES PAYROLL TAXES - SS-MEDI \$35,000 TOTAL SOCIAL SECURITY FUND EXPENDITURES \$35,000 III. ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT FUND [40 ILCS 5/7-105; 7-171] APPROPRIATIONS FOR ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES

IMRF CONTRIBUTIONS \$50,000 TOTAL IMRF EXPENDITURES \$50,000 IV. AUDIT FUND [75 ILCS 16/30-45 and 50 ILCS 310/9] APPROPRIATIONS FOR ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES AUDIT \$14,000 TOTAL AUDIT FUND EXPENDITURES \$14,000 V. LIABILITY, WORKERS' COMPENSATION AND UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE [745 ILCS 10/9-107] APPROPRIATIONS FOR ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES LIABILITY INSURANCE/TORT/RISK MGMT. \$125,000 TOTAL LIABILITY INSURANCE FUND EXPENDITURES \$125,000 VI. BUILDING MAINTENANCE FUND [75 ILCS 16/35-5] APPROPRIATIONS FOR ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES REPAIRS/MAINT. - BUILDING \$75,000 REPAIRS/MAINT. - GROUNDS \$8,000 REPAIRS/MAINT. - EQUIP \$65,000 TOTAL BUILDING MAINTENANCE FUND EXPENDITURES \$148,000 VII. SPECIAL RESERVE FUND [75 ILCS 16/40-50] APPROPRIATIONS FOR ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES CAPITAL EXPENDITURES - BUILDING \$1,080,000 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES - EQUIPMENT \$45,000 TOTAL SPECIAL RESERVE EXPENDITURES \$1,125,000 Section 2. There is hereby appropriated for the fiscal year: I. GENERAL FUND [75 ILCS 16/35-5] \$937,950 II. SOCIAL SECURITY FUND [40 ILCS 5/21-110; 21-110.1] \$35,000 III. ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT FUND [40 ILCS 5/7-105; 7-171] \$50,000 IV. AUDIT FUND [75 ILCS 16/30-45 and 50 ILCS 310/9] \$14,000 V. LIABILITY, WORKERS' COMPENSATION AND UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE [745 ILCS 10/9-107] \$125,000 VI. BUILDING MAINTENANCE FUND [75 ILCS 16/35-5] \$148,000 VII. SPECIAL RESERVE FUND [75 ILCS 16/40-50] \$1,125,000 Section 3. All unexpended balances of proceeds received annually from public library taxes not in excess of statutory limits may be transferred to the Special Reserve Fund, heretofore established according to 75 ILCS 16/40-5, pursuant to plans developed and adopted by this Board and said unexpected balances shall be accumulated in this fund for the purpose of erecting a new library building, purchasing a site for the same, or building an addition thereto, or furnishing necessary equipment theretofore. The Board further appropriates all sums accumulated in said fund or transferred thereto during the 2024 fiscal year, subject to compliance with statutory procedures set forth above. Section 4. Except as otherwise provided by law, no further appropriations shall be made at any time within such fiscal year, provided that this Board may from time to time make transfers between the various items in any fund not affect-

ing the total amount appropriated, or appropriations in excess of those authorized by the budget in order to meet an immediate and unforeseen emergency, by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the trustees present and voting, as provided by 75ILCS 16/30-90, et seq., and this Board may amend this budget and appropriation ordinance from time to time by the same procedure as prescribed by statute for the original adoption of a budget and appropriation ordinance; provided that nothing in this section shall be construed to permit transfer between funds required by law to be kept separate. Any remaining balances after the close of the fiscal year up to twenty percent (20%) of the appropriation shall be available until August 31st for the authorization of payment of obligations incurred prior to the close of the fiscal year, and until September 30th for the payment of such obligation, and any remaining balances shall be available for the transfer to the Special Reserve Fund to be accumulated, as provided by 75 ILCS 16/30-90. Section 5. This ordinance is passed pursuant to statutory authority and the Illinois Public Library District Act; Illinois Municipal Budget Law; and other statutes heretofore unto appertaining. Section 6. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, and publication according to law. Section 7. That if any section, subdivision, or sentence of this ordinance shall for any reason be held invalid or to be unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this ordinance. Section 8. That a certified copy of the Budget & Appropriation Ordinance shall be filed with the County Clerks within 30 days after adoption. Section 9. The following determinations by the Board of Trustees are hereby made part of the aforesaid budget: (a) An estimate of all cash on hand at the beginning of the fiscal year is expected to be \$1,786,159. (b) An estimate of all the cash expected to be received during the fiscal year from all sources is \$1,108,175. (c) An estimate of all the expenditures contemplated for the fiscal year is \$2,434,950. (d) An estimate of all the cash expected to be on hand at the end of the fiscal year is \$459,384. (e) An estimate of the amount of property taxes to be received during the fiscal year is \$1,011,925. PASSED by the Board of Library Trustees of the Vespasian Warner Public Library District, DeWitt County, Illinois on this 23rd day of August, 2023, by a vote of: AYES: 6 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 APPROVED: Janelle Sams-Thomas Vice President, the Board of Library Trustees of the Vespasian Warner Public Library District, DeWitt County, Illinois

ATTEST: Becky Adams Secretary **Estimate of Revenue for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 for Vespasian Warner Public Library District** The following is an estimate of revenues, by source, anticipated being received by Vespasian Warner Public Library District, County of DeWitt, State of Illinois, during the fiscal year 2024. **SOURCE AMOUNT** 1. Real Estate Tax \$1,011,925 2. Personal Property Replacement Tax \$40,000 3. Services and Fees \$8,950 4. Interest Income \$5,500 5. Farm Income \$25,800 6. Per Capita Grant \$15,765 7. Miscellaneous Grants \$235

Total: \$1,108,175 The undersigned, being the Treasurer of the Vespasian Warner Public Library District, hereby certifies that the foregoing is an estimate of revenues to be received by Vespasian Warner Public Library District during the fiscal year 2024. Dates: August 23, 2023 Matthew Love Treasurer Vespasian Warner Public Library District

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THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DEWITT COUNTY – IN PROBATE IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF THOMAS J. CURL, DECEASED, and THE THOMAS J. CURL LIVING TRUST DATED APRIL 26, 2006, AS AMENDED AND RESTATED, THE HELEN M. CURL LIVING TRUST DATED APRIL 26, 2006, AS AMENDED AND RESTATED, Petitioners, v. HELGA CARL, HELGA CARL'S SONS, IF LIVING, Respondents. NO. 2023-PR-27 **NOTICE OF HEARING** TO: Helga Carl Dorwiesenweg – 8 35043 Marburg, Germany YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that due to the unavailability of the court, the hearing on the petitioner's Petition to Determine Further Duties as to the Unclaimed Money for Helga Carl scheduled for the 22nd day of September 2023 at 9:00 am has been reset to September 29, 2023 at 9:00 am before the Honorable Karle E. Koritz, Courtroom A, in the DeWitt County Building, 201 West Washington Street, Clinton, Illinois, or as soon thereafter as is convenient. A copy of said petition is attached hereto and made a part of this notice. Dated this 25 day of August, 2023. The Thomas J. Curl Living Trust, and the Helen M. Curl Living Trust, Petitioners BY: TAYLOR & LYNCH BY: /s/ Joseph B. Taylor Joseph B. Taylor

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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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DEWITT COUNTY – IN PROBATE IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF THOMAS J. CURL, DECEASED, HELEN M. CURL, DECEASED, and THE THOMAS J. CURL LIVING TRUST DATED APRIL 26, 2006, AS AMENDED AND RESTATED, THE HELEN M. CURL LIVING TRUST DATED APRIL 26, 2006, AS AMENDED AND RESTATED, Petitioners, v. HELGA CARL, HELGA CARL'S SONS, IF LIVING, Respondents. 2023-PR-27

PETITION TO DETERMINE FURTHER DUTIES AS TO THE UNCLAIMED MONEY FOR HELGA CARL

NOW COMES Stanley Tuggle and Stephen Tuggle as Successor Trustees of the Thomas J. Curl Irrevocable Trust and the Helen M. Curl Irrevocable Trust, both created and dated April 26, 2006, as amended and restated, and petitions the court to determine the amount of distribution and deposit if possible of unclaimed money, and in support thereof states as follows:

1. Thomas J. Curl created the Thomas J. Curl Living Trust, amended and restated dated April 26, 2006 between himself Thomas J. Curl and his wife Helen M. Curl, both named as trustees. Said Trust is attached as Exhibit "A".

2. Helen M. Curl, wife of Thomas J. Curl, created the Helen M. Curl Living Trust Agreement amended and restated dated April 26, 2006, in which both Helen M. Curl and Thomas J. Curl were named as trustees. Said Trust is attached as Exhibit "B".

3. On July 13, 2018, Helen M. Curl died a resident of Tallahassee, Florida. Thomas J. Curl then became sole Trustee of both trusts.

4. On April 24, 2022, Thomas J. Curl died a resident of Tallahassee, Florida, leaving both trusts without a trustee.

5. Pursuant to the terms of each the Thomas J. Curl Living Trust and the Helen M. Curl Living Trust, Article V.e., names brothers Stephen Tuggle and Stanley Tuggle as Successor Co-Trustees to act in the place of Thomas J. Curl and Helen M. Curl.

6. Both trusts are currently in force and effect and have

not been terminated.

7. Thomas J. Curl's Trust, Article III H.2.b. (iii) makes the following gift: Gift to Helga Carl. Upon Grantor's Wife's death, the Trustees shall distribute the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to Helga Carl, last known address of Marburg, Germany, if she is then living, and if she is not, this gift shall pass in equal shares to such of Helga Carl's sons as is then living.

8. Helen M. Curl's Trust Article III H.2.b. (iii) states in part: Gift to Helga Carl. Upon Grantor's Husbands' death, the Trustees shall distribute the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to Helga Carl, last known address of Marburg, Germany, if she is then living, and if she is not, this gift shall pass in equal shares to such of Helga Carl's sons as is then living.

9. The Trustees interpretation of these gifts indicate that Helga Carl, or hers sons if living, is owed the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), five thousand dollars (\$5,000) from each trust.

10. Following the death of Thomas Curl on April 24, 2022, the trustees, through their attorney, commenced a search for all of the 19 legatees, including that of Helga Carl. All of the 19 legatees were located with the exception of Helga Carl. The trustees have made a diligent effort to locate Helga Carl to determine if she is currently living and if she has any sons. The efforts to find and locate Helga Carl, or her family, include the following:

A. Through the address book of decedents, Helen and Thomas Curl, last know address fo Helga Carl was Dorfriesenweg-8 at 35043 Marburg, Germany. Another possible address was Ron Hauser Street 8 at Marburg, Germany.

B. On August 15, 2022, a letter was addressed to the family members of Helga Carl at Dorfriesenweg-8 at 35043 Marburg Germany. The letter was then returned due to insufficient address and it could not be delivered.

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

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

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

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

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

11. Up until filing this petition, there are no Illinois estate proceeding as to Thomas J. Curl and Helen M. Curl.

All proceedings through the state of Illinois are through their existing trusts as described herein.

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

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

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

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

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

B. That the court make a determination as to the amount of money owed to Helga Carl, if living, and if not, then to Helga Carl's sons if any are living.

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

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

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

The Thomas J Curl Living Trust and The Helen M. Curl Living Trust, Plaintiffs,
By: Taylor & Lynch, their attorneys
By: /s/ Joseph B. Taylor

VERIFICATION
Under penalties of perjury as provided by law pursuant to Section 1-109 of the Code of Civil Procedure, the undersigned certifies that the statements set forth in this

instrument are true and correct, except as to matters therein stated to be on information and belief, and as to such matters the undersigned certifies as aforesaid that they verily believe the same to be true.

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

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Weldon Community Fire Protection District, of the Counties of DeWitt and Piatt, in the State of Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending May 31, 2024, will be on file and conveniently available to public inspection at the Firehouse in Weldon, Illinois, in said Fire Protection District, from and after the 1st day of September, 2023. NOTICE IS FURTHER HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing on said Tentative Budget 23rd day of October, 2023, at the Firehouse in Weldon, Illinois, in said Fire Protection District, and that the Final Budget and Appropriation Ordinance will be adopted by the Board of Trustees of said Weldon Community Fire Protection District, at a special meeting thereof to be held at 6:30 o'clock P.M., Central Daylight Time, on the 23rd day of October, 2023, at said Firehouse in Weldon, Illinois in said Fire Protection District. By Order of the Board of Trustees of said District. Dated this 28th day of August, 2023. WELDON COMMUNITY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BY: CURT UTTERBACK, Secretary

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Sept. 1, 2023

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FINAL ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE NO. 63

AN ORDINANCE SETTING FORTH THE BUDGET AND

MAKING APPROPRIATIONS OF SUMS OF MONEY FOR ALL OF THE NECESSARY EXPENDITURES OF THE WAYNESVILLE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT LOCATED IN DEWITT COUNTY, IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, FOR THE CORPORATE PURPOSES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JUNE 1, 2023 AND ENDING MAY 31, 2024.

WHEREAS, there has been prepared, in final form a Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Waynesville Community Fire Protection District, located in DeWitt County, in the State of Illinois, and the President of said Fire Protection District has made the final Budget and Appropriation Ordinance conveniently available to public inspection for at least thirty (30) days prior to final action thereupon.

AND WHEREAS, the public hearing was held as to such Budget and Appropriation Ordinance on the 17th day of August, 2023, at 6:00 P.M., Central Daylight Time, notice of which was given at least thirty days prior thereto by publication in the Clinton Journal, a newspaper of general circulation in said County and Fire Protection District, and all other legal requirements have been complied with;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Trustees of the Waynesville Community Fire Protection District:

SECTION ONE

That the fiscal year of this Fire Protection District be, and the same is hereby fixed and declared to be from June 1, 2023 to May 31, 2024.

SECTION TWO

That the following budget, containing an estimate of the cash expected to be received by the said Fire Protection District during such fiscal year from all sources, and an estimate of the expenditures contemplated for such fiscal year, and a statement of the estimated cash expected to be on hand at the end of such year, be, and the same is hereby adopted as the budget of said Fire Protection District for the said fiscal year and shall be in full force and effect from and after this date.

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

1. Cash balance, beginning of the year \$24,492.74
2. Portion of taxes from prior year \$0
3. Estimated amount that will be received from collections on 2023 levy \$37,146.65
Total estimated receipts \$61,639.39
Total of estimated expenditures for fiscal year \$37,300.00
Estimated cash expected to be on hand at the end of such year \$24,339.39

SECTION THREE

That the following sums of money be, and the same are hereby appropriated for the corporate purposes of the said Waynesville Community Fire Protection District

herein specified for the fiscal year ending May 31, 2024.

1. **CONTRACTUAL SERVICES**

(a) Maintenance Service-Equipment \$1,000.00
(b) Maintenance Service-Vehicles \$1,200.00
(c) Legal Services \$1,800.00
(d) Telephone (Frontier) \$1,000.00
(e) Travel \$150.00
(f) Training \$1,500.00
(g) Utilities \$2,700.00

TOTAL FOR CONTRACTUAL SERVICES \$9,350.00

2. **COMMODITIES**

(a) Maintenance Supplies-Building \$1,600.00
(b) Maintenance Supplies-Equipment \$2,100.00
(c) Maintenance Supplies-Vehicles \$1,500.00
(d) General Supplies \$700.00
(e) Auto Fuel/Oil \$2,000.00

TOTAL FOR COMMODITIES \$7,900.00

3. **CAPITAL OUTLAY**

(a) Equipment \$8,500.00

4. **OTHER EXPENDITURES**

(a) Community Relations \$1,500.00
(b) Miscellaneous Expense \$1,000.00
(c) Clothing \$1,200.00

TOTAL FOR OTHER EXPENDITURES \$3,700.00

5. **INSURANCE FUND**

(a) For vehicle and building insurance expense \$6,000.00
(b) Workman's Compensation insurance expense \$1,450.00

TOTAL OF INSURANCE FUND \$7,450.00

6. **AUDIT AND ACCOUNTING**

(a) For accounting fees \$400.00

TOTAL OF ALL OF ABOVE FUNDS \$37,300.00

SECTION FOUR

That the funds derived from sources other than the 2023 tax levy may be allotted by the Board of Trustees to such appropriation and in such amounts, respectively, as by such Board may be determined, within the limits of said appropriations, respectively.

SECTION FIVE

That the unexpended balance of any item or items of any appropriation made by this ordinance may be expended in making up any deficiency in any item or items in the same general appropriation made by this ordinance.

SECTION SIX

That should any clause, sentence, paragraph, or a part of this ordinance be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole, or any part thereof, other than the part so declared to be invalid.

SECTION SEVEN

This ordinance shall be known as Ordinance No. 63.

SECTION EIGHT

This ordinance shall

be in full force and effect on and after its passage, approval and publication, in accordance with the law.

/s/ John L. Perring
President of the Waynesville Community Fire Protection District

PASSED: August 17, 2023

PUBLISHED: September 1, 2023

ATTEST: /s/ Kayla A. Wiggins
Secretary of the Waynesville Community Fire Protection District

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Sept. 1, 2023

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/s/ Kari L. Harris/ba
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♠ QT42 ♥ ♦ ♥ JT4 ♣ JT9542	North West East Declarer	
♠ A86 ♥ KQT762 ♦ ♦ ♣ AKQ3		

Both Vulnerable
South West North East
1♥ Pass 3♥ Pass
6♥ All Pass

South might have opened the bidding with an artificial game-forcing 2♣, but one way or the other it seems that N-S should get to slam on these cards. In fact 7♥ is a fine contract, though a hard one to reach. Sadly, our Declarer even managed to go down in 6♥, which took a lot of doing!

Against 6♥, West led the ♠J, Dummy went down and South rued the missed grand slam. Even so, this being a duplicate bridge event, making the overtrick was important. With that in mind, he counted four side-suit tricks, and could make the rest with ruffs back and forth. In fact, with 10 trumps between the two hands he even had one trump more than was needed to score 13 tricks. So, he cashed the ♥A, followed by his two remaining Club winners. Tragically for Declarer, East ruffed the third round of Clubs and fired back a trump. Suddenly, Declarer's 13 tricks had been compressed into 11 and he was down one!

Declarer's drawing of a round of trumps served no useful purpose whatsoever, the missing trumps being miniscule and offering no overruffing threat. Also, cashing that third Club was a needless risk, Declarer could count up to 13 with just three side-suit tricks and ten trumps. Making the overtrick was simple enough: Win the ♠A, cash the ♠K (pitching a Spade), cash the ♠A, and merrily cross-ruff the rest of the hand for all the tricks. That ♠Q was one winner too many, if instead Declarer had been dealt ♠AK32 then he would have made 13 tricks with ease!

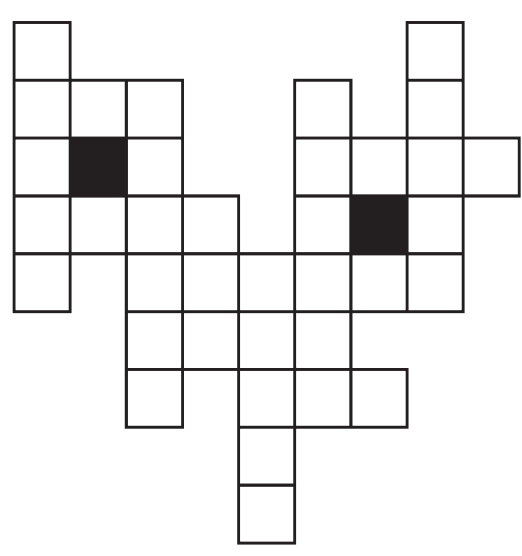
For bridge games, classes, or seminars, contact Mike Tomlianovich by phone:

FEAR KNOT

By: rj johnson

DOUBT? ...OR DARE!

TBE
REMPEA
BYALD
♥EDLA
MULECY
♥RFA
♥AMTE
BECAL
YED
♥ELYFAT
♥MARLE
♥ETRA



Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH or HEART). Fit each string's word either across or down to knot all twelve strings together.

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GO FIGURE!

by Linda Thistle

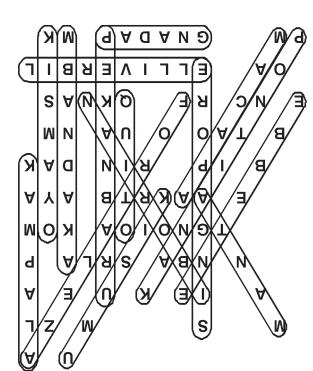
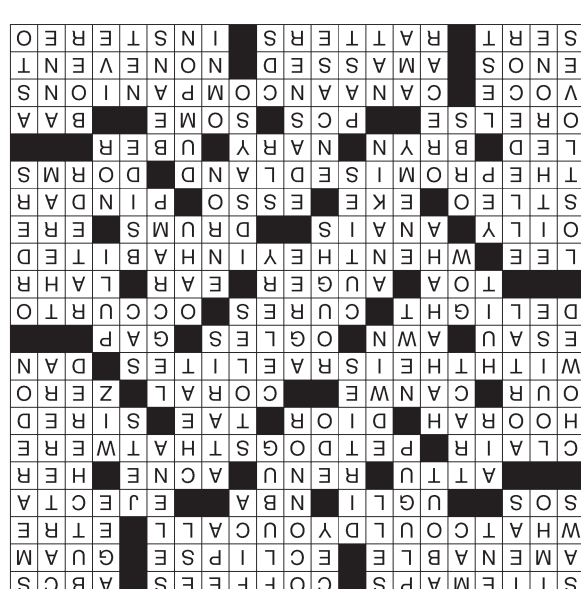
The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

DIFFICULTY: ★

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult
★★★ GO FIGURE!

	+		×		22			
-		×		×				
	×		-		19			
×		-		+				
	+		+		23			
24		23		18				
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	8	9

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Answers

Super Crossword

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MILK-AND-HONEY POOCHES

ACROSS

1 Web page directories
9 Espresso, e.g.
16 Basic lessons
20 Open to suggestion
21 Solar or lunar phenomenon
22 U.S. island territory
23 Start of a riddle
25 Paree "to be"
26 Tar's "Help!"
27 Wrinkly tangelo
28 Cavaliers' org.
29 Stuff expelled from a volcano
31 West Aleutian island
33 Brand of contact lens solution
35 Outbreak of zits
37 Reply to "Which girl?"
38 Mom on "The Cosby Show"
41 Riddle, part 2
45 Old-style "Yay!"
47 Voguish Christian
48 — kwon do

49 Was the father of
50 — Lady of Guadalupe
51 Eager kids' question
53 Pinkish red
55 Not even one
56 Riddle, part 3
61 Aykroyd of film
62 Favorite son of Isaac
63 Beard on grain
64 Eyes lewdly
65 Fissure
67 Great joy
69 Remedies
70 Cross the mind of
74 — T (exactly)
75 Boring carpentry tool
76 Otology subject
77 Bert who played a lion
78 Spike on a film set
81 Riddle, part 4
85 Grease-laden
87 Diarist Nin
88 Snares, e.g.
89 Previous to, in verse
90 Canonized fifth-cen. pope
92 Barely manage, with "out"

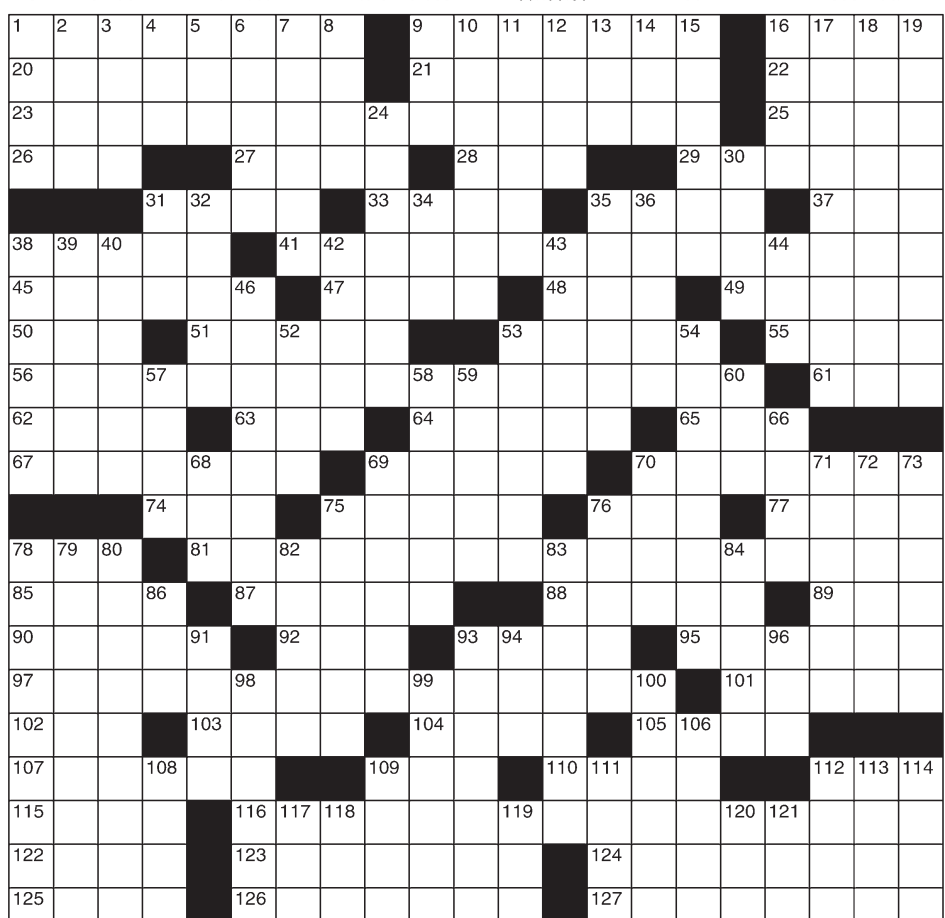
93 Canadian gas brand
95 Ancient Greek lyric poet
97 End of the riddle
101 Campus complexes
102 Commanded
103 — Mawr College
104 — a one (zilch)
105 Rival of Lyft
107 Threat ender
109 Windows 10 runners, e.g.
110 A few
112 Ewe noise
115 Viva —
116 Riddle's answer
122 Slaughter of baseball
123 Racked up
124 Anticlimactic happening
125 Muralist José María —
126 Rodent-catching cats
127 With two-channel sound

DOWN

1 Plank cutters
2 Modest "I think," online
3 Alternatives to 9-Across
4 Suffix with absorb
5 Bucko
6 In re
7 Put a stopper in
8 Vend
9 Ron of the 1970s Dodgers
10 First female Supreme Court justice
11 Viral cause of a winter woe, informally
12 It funds Soc. Security
13 Pollution-control gp.
14 U.S. immigrants' class
15 Gomez of "Getaway"
16 Old Time film critic James
17 Totally bungled
18 The late 1970s, politically
19 Applied, as finger paint
24 Makes soiled
30 787s, e.g.
31 Lung filler
32 Pamphlet
34 Old name for Tokyo
35 Classic game consoles

36 Bamboozle
38 Had grub
39 Thelma's film sidekick
40 Of a major blood vessel
42 Astronomer Hubble
43 Furry scarves
44 Musical set in Oz, with "The"
46 "Ver-r-r-ry funny"
52 Salamander
53 V8 vegetable
54 Charley horse, e.g.
57 French for "eight"
58 Areas on a golf course
59 Be in accord
60 Bodily pouch
66 Pooch with a corded coat
68 Pai — poker (casino)
69 Adorable kids
70 Waikiki's island
71 Like many gory movies
72 Constellation
73 Mandates
75 Skywalker of "Star Wars"
76 Scandalous corporation of 2001

78 Old sweeties
79 Whichever of the two
80 Alternative magazine to House Beautiful
82 Rival
83 "Sounds right to me"
84 Back of a 45 record
86 "Darn tootin!"
91 Poetic eyes
93 "Roots"
94 35mm camera inits.
96 Fish-fowl linkup
98 Coal mine vehicle
99 Put in a crate
100 Burden
108 For fear that
109 Bygone
111 Bygone Dodge
112 Dutch South African
113 Novelist Rice
114 In re
117 Doc's org.
118 Rebel Turner
119 Jewel box inserts
120 Tennis barrier
121 "Now — see it all!"



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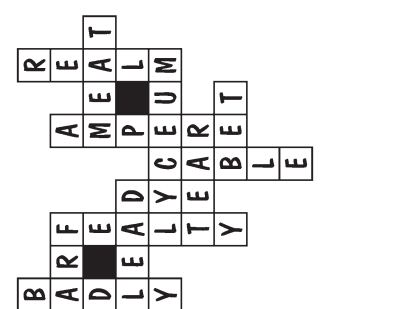
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Answers

Super Crossword



Go Figure!

SPORTS



Marc Rogers / Journal
The coaches discussing a play with the umpire while the Lady Bombers wait.

CJHS Lady Maroons fall to A-O Lady Bombers 10-6

Marc Rogers
jmarre@frontier.com

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retake the lead.

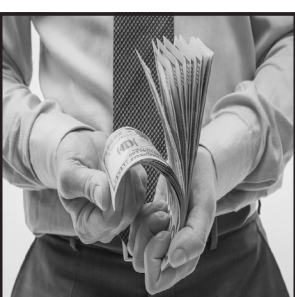
The Lady Maroons fought back to tie, with a run in the bottom of the fifth inning. Following a scoreless sixth inning, the Lady Bombers unleashed a torrent of five runs to take the lead in the seventh inning.

The Lady Maroons tried to come back but fell short with only one run, losing 10-6.

Karson Massey started on the mound for the Lady Maroons and was relieved in the sixth inning by Campbell Bless. The offense was led by Faith Gates hitting 2-4 at the plate.



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Karson Massey started on the mound for the Lady Maroons.



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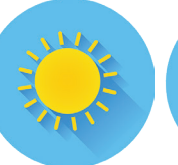
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High 91




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High 91



Tuesday
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High 93



Wednesday
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High 91



Thursday
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High 90

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