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Illinois corn growers optimistic about Mexico meeting

Kevin Bessler The Center Square

SPRINGFIELD – Corn farmers in Illinois are keeping a close eye on U.S. negotiations with Mexico over possible genetically modified corn restrictions.

Mexico has suggested a ban of genetically modified corn for human consumption and says it could eventually ban it for animal feed as well. The U.S. Trade Representative's announced this week it has called for consultations with Mexico over the dispute. If the issue isn't resolved, it could lead to trade sanctions for violating the U.S.-Mexico-Canada trade agreement.

Mexican officials have said that genetically modified corn may have health effects, but has not provided any evidence.

"When we first heard about it we thought they can't be serious, because it is just an incredible potential change and would be absolutely devastating to the Mexican economy," said Collin Waters, director of exports and logistics with the Illinois Corn Growers Association.

Mexico has been importing genetically modified feed corn for years, buying about \$3 billion worth annually. Illinois is one of the leading corn producers in the country.

The Mexican economy minister, who spoke with the U.S. Trade Representative's Office in February, has said Mexico already produces more of the white corn used for tortillas than it consumes, while corn imported from the U.S. is for livestock feed and industrial uses.

More than 90 percent of corn grown in the U.S. is genetically modified, according to the National Corn Growers Association. U.S. officials have criticized Mexico's new policy as not being proven, as GMO products have long been consumed safely.

"Illinois corn farmers are happy to see the USTR take steps to hold Mexico to the terms they agreed to when negotiating the U.S. Mexico Canada Agreement for trade," said Illinois Corn Growers Association president Matt Rush in a statement. "Resolution of this trade dispute will bring certainty to the marketplace that Illinois corn farmers need."





Courtesy of Clinton Otters / Rob DeLeon Clinton YMCA

Otters compete at Illinois District Meet

The Clinton Otters YMCA swim team competed recently at the Illinois District Meet, held in Springfield and the Illinois Junior District Meet, Effingham. See more photos and stats on pages B1 and B2.

Compliments all 'round for public workers

Commissioners praise employees, approve expenditures

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CLINTON — It was an evening for compliments as commissioners lauded the efforts of city employees and area emergency responders. Comments came during the regular city council meeting.

Commissioner of public property John Wise complimented officers

of the Clinton Police Department for their conduct and traffic control efforts during local funerals.

"They do a wonderful job," Wise said about police officers and sheriff's deputies.

Wise said he attended the funeral of his motherin law on Tuesday and appreciated the two departments' escort work.

"They escort you out, they block traffic, and they just do a great, respectful job," Wise said. "I am, personally, thankful for them. The respect that they show is awesome, and I appreciate that."

Wise reported water plant supervisor Lloyd Francis remained on medical leave but the plant was operating normally.

"The guys have been

doing a great job," he said. Everybody's been working together."

Wise said city employees

in general did a great job of working together.

"It's a credit to all the

departments. You guys oversee some awesome employees," Wise told fellow commissioners.

Continuing the theme, commissioner Dan Ballenger praised emergency responders for handling a major natural

gas leak in the city one week, followed by a serious car accident the next.

"They all came together again," Ballenger said. "It was everybody, agencies working together."

In additional business,

Ballenger said his department had an emergency expenditure. Brakes went out on a fire department truck. He said he expected the cost to replace the brakes to be about \$5,000, near the discretionary spending limit for emergencies.

"It was something that had to be done," he said.

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accounts and

emergency.

emergency,"

to the hospital."

Edmunds

he said.

Tom Edmunds said he

was grateful for DeWitt

County EMS after he

suffered a recent medical

"I had a little health

said. "I wake up, and I

see two paramedics, four

firemen and one police

officer, and they took me

received excellent care.

"I could not have asked

for better care; they did an

excellent job, and I'm glad

I'm here to talk about it,"

said

finances

Edmunds

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Arts and crafts

It was all about card-making recently at the DeWitt County Friendship Center during arts and crafts time.

Two flown to Carle Hospital following Feb. 28 accident

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CLINTON — Area emergency personnel responded late Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 28 to a single-vehicle accident west of Clinton on Burns Hill Road.

A resident in the area reported the accident to CenCom dispatch and reported the car was on its roof and one occupant of the vehicle was calling for help.

Dispatchers requested a pair of emergency medical airlift helicopters for the two occupants of the vehicle. Sheriff Mike Walker told the Clinton Journal the accident occurred just before the first major hill on Burns Hill Road west of the Rt. 51 intersection. He said the vehicle sustained major damage.

Walker said it appeared the driver lost control of

the vehicle, left the road and struck some trees. Names of the occupants

withheld

being

because they are minors. The first helicopter arrived within about 20-30 minutes and flew the first occupant to be extricated from the wreck to Carle Hospital, Champaign, Walker said. He said it took more than an hour to extricate the second victim because of the way the vehicle was positioned. That person also was airlifted to Carle Hospital.

The helicopters were able to land in an area

near the accident.

Kenney and Maroa fire departments also responded to the scene.

Maroa firefighters worked to secure a second landing zone, if necessary.

One of the teens was released from the hospital the following day.

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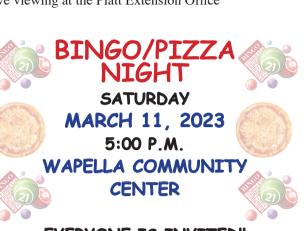
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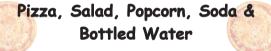
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Courtesy of Roberta Newnam Left to righ, John Newnam (2nd place), Dawson Dunham (Best in Show), Scarlette Jn Baptiste (3rd place), Charlotte Trummel (1st Place).

Cub Scout Pack 4142 holds Pinewood Derby

CLINTON February 4, Cub Scout Pack 4142 held it's annual Pinewood Derby at Lane Christian Church. The derby is one of the activities the scouts look forward to each year.

This year, 24 scouts between kindergarten and

5th grade participated in the race. Each scout designed and built their car for the event. Trophies were awarded for 1st - 3rd place as well as "Best in Show." The event began with a family class race, which allowed parents and siblings to also get involved with the fun.

The Pinewood Derby has been a scouting tradition since 1953. The event encourages the scouts to be creative in their designs.

This year saw fantastic car designs, including a stick of butter and an arrow. Scouts also learned about the importance of aerodynamics and weight placement when it comes to speed.

Scouts BSA Troop 1142, Scouts BSA Troop 7142, and Venture Crew 2142 provided support during the event. The older scouts assisted with check in, monitoring of the "impound lot," and car movement to and from the race track.

The Pack expressed its gratitude for the assistance provided during the event.



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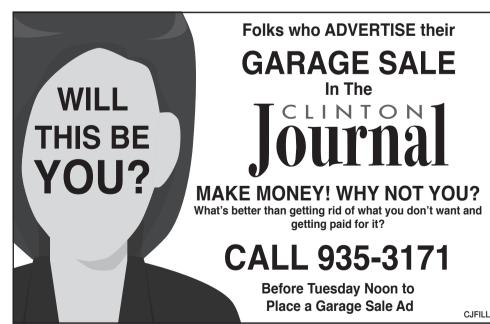
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Buchanan, commissioner of streets and public improvements, said crews beginning to pick up brush after the last week's storm, which included wind gusts as high as 60 mph. The city will begin its regular seasonal brush pick up starting in about two weeks, Buchanan said.

Additionally, council voted accept a contract with Encore Service Developmental for ground maintenance on the square, including a six-block radius, city hall, Downey Park and the Roque Court Peace Park. The total contract is for \$109,735 for two years, 2023 and 2024.

council also approved a contract with Lauterbach & Amen, LLP, for auditing services. The contract will include audit and TIF 2023 for \$35,290. 2024, \$36,380, 2025, \$37,470, and single audit for 2023 for \$5,000, 2024 \$5,200, and 2025, \$5,400.



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Slam the scam: How to spot government imposters

Selena Higgins Social Security district manager, Bloomington

Do you know how to spot a government imposter scam? Knowing how to identify potential scammers will help safeguard your personal information.

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Jenalee (Hayes) Macy

HEYWORTH March 2, 2023, Jenalee (Hayes) Macy was welcomed into the presence of Jesus her Saviour. She passed away in the very room in which she was born on November 26, 1926, to Orin and Maybelle Hayes. She graduated from

Heyworth High School and attended Illinois State Normal University on a full scholarship. She married Raymond Macy on September 1, 1946, in Heyworth. He preceded her in death in 2003.

They were co-owners of Macy Photo Studio for 30 years.

Surviving are her children, Pam (Craig) Armitage, Iowa Falls, Kathy Iowa, Heyworth, Roger (Sara) Macy, Iowa Falls, Iowa, Mary (Dean) Martin, Milton, Ontario, Canada, grandchildren, Ben (Jamie) Armitage, Joel (Michelle) Armitage, Kara (Jon) Caforio, Amanda Macy, Andrew (Murland) Macy, Jenn (Aldi) Silva, Kristen (Derek) Smith, Jill (Jory) Cohen, Josh (Kord) Martin, and Reese (Riley) Martin. She had 16 greatgrandchildren.



She was preceded in death by her parents, two sisters, Melba Morehead, LaVonne Nelson, and one brother, Lloyd Hayes.

Visitation will be held on Friday, March 10, from 6-8 p.m. at Calvert-Metzler Memorial Home, in Bloomington. funeral will also be held there on Saturday, March 11 at 11 a.m. followed by a graveside service at Randolph Township Memorial Cemetery, in Heyworth.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Heyworth Public Library and the Heyworth Ambulance Service.

Please view the obituary and share your condolences and memories online at www. calvertmemorial.com

Don't be rushed

One life event we don't want to think about having to do for a loved one is planning a funeral. But sometimes we must, and it can be stressful and loaded with the potential to be scammed in some way.

A small amount of help is coming. The Federal Trade Commission wants online funeral pricing. And it makes sense. When you need to organize a funeral, emotions are running high. You won't be at your best when it comes to thinking about pricing and services.

Back in 1984, the FTC created the Funeral Rule, but it only requires funeral homes to show lists of the prices of caskets and any outer burial containers, such as a grave liner. And it was only required that a potential customer be given those prices in person, certainly not by phone. To make it worse, funeral homes only had to show pictures or the item itself after the prices were disclosed.

By then, of course, you were at the funeral home, unhappy and sad and stressed. The last thing you wanted to do is treat it like a car purchase and shop around. So you



by Matilda Charles

signed the paperwork on the spot, possibly paid too much and maybe didn't get the items and services you wanted.

There are a few ways to ensure that your vulnerability at that time isn't exploited.

Before you leave the house to organize a funeral, go online to check local funeral home websites. They might be among the very few to actually post pricing and services.

Take someone with you. Get the price list (in writing) of what the funeral home offers.

Before you sign any paperwork, contact the Funeral Consumers Alliance (funerals.org) and get their advice. There's a group in every state. On their website, click on "Consumers" and scroll down to "Don't Know Where To Begin? Start Here."

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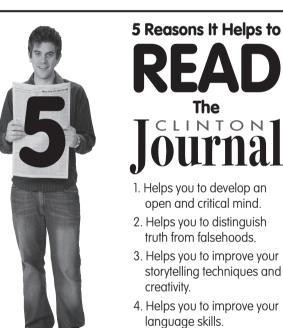
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Becky Adams will speak at the genealogical meeting Mar. 14

CLINTON — The DeWit County Genealogical Society will meet at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, March 14 at Vespasian Warner Public Library.

The speaker will be Becky Adams, who will talk about the "Early Years of the Clinton Square."



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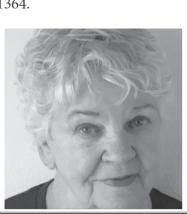
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1953 - North Korean gunners at Wonsan fired upon the USS Missouri. The ship responded by firing 998 rounds at the enemy position.

1955 - The last broadcast of "The Silver Eagle" was heard on radio.

1956 - Julie Andrews at the age of 23 made her TV debut in "High Tor" with Bing Crosby and Nancy Olson.

1959 - "Sweet Bird of Youth", a play by Tennessee Williams, opened in New York City.

1965 - Walter Matthau

and Art Carney opened in "The Odd Couple". It later became a hit on televi-

1966 - The North Vietnamese captured a Green Beret camp at Ashau Valley.

1966 - France withdrew from NATO's military command to protest U.S. dominance of the alliance and asked NATO to move its headquarters from Paris.

1969 - James Earl Ray pled guilty in Memphis, TN, to the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr. Ray later repudiated the guilty plea and maintained his innocence until his death in April of 1998.

1971 - The U.S. Senate approved an amendment to lower the voting age

1975 - The North Vietnamese Army attacked the South Vietnamese town of Ban Me Thout.

1980 - Iran's leader, Avatollah Khomeini, lent his support to the militants holding American hostages in Tehran.

1981 - The U.S. Postal Service announced an increase in first class postage from 15 to 18 cents.

1982 - The U.S. banned Libyan oil imports due to their continued support of terrorism.

1986 - The Wrigley Company, of Chicago, raised the price of its seven-stick pack of Wrigley's chewing gum from a quarter to 30

1987 - The Vatican condemned surrogate parenting as well as test-tube and artificial insemination.

1990 - Haitian President Prosper Avril was ousted 18 months after seizing power in a coup.

1991 - "Phase Echo" began. It was the operation to withdraw 540,000 U.S. troops from the Persian Gulf region.

1995 - U.S. Secretary of State Warren Christopher told Yasser Arafat that he must do more to curb Palestinian terrorists.

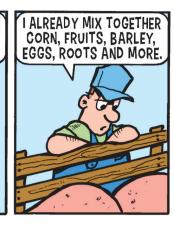
2002 - The Associated Press reported that the Pentagon informed the U.S. Congress in January that it was making contingency plans for the possible use of nuclear weapons against countries that threaten the U.S. with weapons of mass destruction, including Iraq and North Korea.

2003 - North Korea test-fired a short-range missile. The event was one of several in a patter of unusual military maneuvers.

Amber Waves









49, 50 or 51?

We have been 50 states as a country for quite a while. Most of us have become quite comfortable with that number of 50, but there are many who are now advocating some changes. Not sure where the

final result will be, but it is always interesting to see what the locals are advocating. While it has never really gained any real political traction, there has been a debate in Illinois to separate into two states. Basically, the argument is that Chicago and downstate are really governmental separate entities. We should then be two states. I've pondered that

argument for years. The machine politics of Chicago frustrates this downstate boy, but that machine is weakening as seen by the indictment of former Speaker Mike Madigan and the failed reelection campaign of Mayor Lori Lightfoot. Α divorce between downstate and Chicago, as a state, would be very messy with thousands of unknown political and economic ramifications. Sometimes it is simply best to leave things alone and work within the system.

What is really catching the nation's attention is Idaho and Oregon, with

Texas and D.C. on the backburner. Politicians of both political parties are having serious discussions about some major changes in Oregon and Idaho. Eastern Oregon is very rural and very conservative as is their next door neighbor Idaho. Western Oregon is very liberal in its voting patterns. Does this sound like Chicago and downstate?

The thought is to take the 13 eastern counties of Oregon and literally move them to Idaho to create a greater Idaho. The nation would have the same number of states, but Oregon would be true blue and Idaho would be deep red. The Senate would probably not change and the House would probably not change either.

There are several groups in both states that are seriously considering this change. Again, the counter argument is be careful of what you ask for as you might get it. In this case you would have that messy divorce in Oregon and that blended family in Idaho. Can it work? Perhaps, but it will take a lot of effort on behalf of both states to make it work and then Congress would have to have its say on the issue also.

This brings us to Texas, which has historically threatened to secede from

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the Union by vote. The Texas legislature has a pending bill to do just that. This proposal has national security issues written all over it. Many would and do view such an action as treason. We as a nation fought a civil war over this type of issue. The harm to the nation is still being felt to this day. This would truly be a knock down and volatile divorce that neither Texas or the Country truly want.

Washington D.C. has always been a point of contention. This small area of land in what was part of northern Virginia has been without statehood since inception. Our founding fathers wanted a capitol that was not a state. The capitol was to be neutral and that has been the case from the beginning. Residents of Washington D.C. are American citizens, but they have no votes in Congress. They are allowed by Congress govern themselves essentially a city, but Congress retains oversight.

Congress has rarely exercised its authority to

change local law in D.C., but that may be occurring now. D.C. recently passed a very liberal criminal justice bill that really relaxed the criminal code to the great benefit of the offenders.

The House has voted to repeal the local legislation and President Biden has indicated he will sign that bill or a similar bill as it went too far in liberalizing offender rights. Senate is now debating the bill. If D.C. was a state, the bill would now be law in D.C. and federal officials would be subject to that law. The passage of this legislation by the D.C. city council, over the mayor's veto, may very well be the death knell to the current movement to make D.C. a state. Time will tell.

There has always been some interest making American Samoa and Puerto Rico states. Residents in both territories are American citizens, but like D.C. they have no vote in Congress. At the moment there is not a viable movement for statehood.

What number do you like? The number 50 has worked for a long time and seems like a good number to stay with.

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Who would have thought it ... stealing diabetic test strips for profit? Apparently there's money to be made from those medical supplies. And one Michigan woman, in charge of procurement at a Department of Veterans Affairs pharmacy, made a lot of it, stealing in excess of 7,500 boxes of the strips over the years.

She wasn't alone in the scheme. She'd sell them to a co-thief who'd make her own sales down the line to a third party in Pennsylvania.

The first in line in the

theft chain has already confessed and faces 20 years in the slammer, not to mention a very hefty fine. The second in line also confessed. The two of them, however, are pointing fingers at Number Three, who they say is the actual mastermind of the thefts.

Diabetic test strips? Who knew?

Then there is the New Jersey former Marine who claimed **PTSD** from having to handle after human remains natural disasters in two foreign countries. Before his scheme fell apart, he'd netted in excess of \$118,000 in disability

by Freddy Groves

benefits. His big mistake, besides telling lies, was that he sent threatening messages to a member of the Office of Inspector General staff, plus anyone else who would be working on the case. He'll be sentenced this summer, but he's looking at 10 years in prison and heavy fines just for the lying part, and five years for the threats as well as big fines.

In Oklahoma, a man phoned a VA facility threatening to kill people

... and then he showed up. His beef, apparently, was not getting a quicker appointment date to be seen at the clinic. He wanted his meds, and he gave them 30 minutes to prescribe them or he'd be there to murder people. Not only did he have a loaded .357 firearm (and a handful of zip ties), but he took the items into a federal facility. He later claimed not to remember making the call.

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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

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Street, Clinton (217) 935-3727 Rev. James Owusu-Yeboah, pastor 4 p.m.-Saturday mass 8:30 a.m.-Sunday mass

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Church 8301 Texas Church Road, Clinton (217) 454-6846 www. Texaschristianchurch.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

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BIBLE WORD SEARCH

by Elie's Spiritual Treasures

Psalm 25:1-2

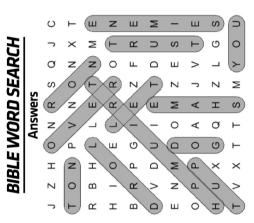
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Northeastern coast recipes

Welcome to my little culinary corner of delights. I wish to give you recipes particular to the Northeastern coast regions we just covered. This will only be a very small sampling for the sake of introducing the type of cuisine for that

Lobsters and clams are popular along the coast especially for the State of Maine. There really is very little to the cooking of them. Simply steam your clams in a pot with a tight lid until the clams start to open. With lobsters, throw them live into a pot of boiling water. Both are enjoyed with butter. If desired, squeeze some lemon juice over them.

Brown bread is a popular New England treat. It is best when cooked under steam. At college we have a huge commercial steam oven. I doubt most people would have one in their homes. Whenever I need to steam cook an item too large for my stack steamers, I use a large Dutch oven or stockpot depending on the size of the item. Put water in the bottom and something that will hold the cake or bread pan above the water. Some of my stockpots have screen inserts for such purposes. Recall how I taught you to prevent mineral stains on the insides of pots. It is time for the bread recipe. Dry ingredients are

combined first. Those ingredients would be 1 cup each of graham flour, rye flour and yellow cornmeal. Further include 1½ teaspoons of baking soda and 1 teaspoon of salt. After combining the ingredients the way I had

taught earlier; start adding



Çulinary Corner By Chef Roger Joss

34 cup molasses and 2 cups of sour cream. Combine thoroughly until reaching batter consistency. desired, a cup of sultanas or raisins may be mixed in at this point. Recall how I taught you to suspend raisins in batter. Liberally butter your mold and pour the batter into it one third of the way up the mold. Cover with buttered foil. After 2 hours of steam baking, keep testing doneness with a toothpick. Keep checking the water level as it cooks. Cool on a wire rack.

Jonnycakes is a Rhode Island favorite. very simple and quick. Combine thoroughly 1 cup of cornmeal, one tablespoon of granulated sugar and 1/2 teaspoon of salt. Whip in 1 cup of boiling water. Slowly mix in milk a tablespoon at a time until it reaches the consistency of pancake batter (on the verge of being sloppy). On a lightly greased griddle set at 350°F, drop globs of batter onto the griddle using a large spoon. Allow to cook on one side until browned and crusty. Then flip it and do the other side.

Boston baked beans is obviously from the New England area. It uses the ingredients most common in that region from earliest times. Those ingredients would be beans, salt port and molasses. Since the recipe is very easy to find, I will not include it here.

Until next time, peace to

Praise band concert Sunday at Clinton Presbyterian

CLINTON — Everyone is invited to a praise band concert at 4 p.m. on Sunday, March 12 at Clinton Presbyterian Church, 402 N. Center Street.

Fellowship with chili, cornbread and dessert is scheduled after the concert.

BIBLE TRIVIA

By Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Athens (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither? 2. In 2 Kings, which

prophet's word caused Syrian soldiers to be struck blind? Gad, Jubal, Solomon, Elisha 3. Where were Saul and

Jonathan's bodies nailed to a wall? Troas, Nob, Beth-shan, Sychar 4. On fleeing from

in a cave? Elijah, Nathan, Daniel, Amos 5. Which converts burned their books of magic? Philistines, Ephesians,

Jezebel, which prophet hid

Hittites, Canaanites 6. In which book is the phrase, "Holier than thou"? 1 Kings, Ezra, Amos, Isaiah

 ζ :20 deiss1 4) Elijah, 5) Ephesians, 6) 2) Elisha, 3) Beth-shan, ANSWERS: 1) Neither,

"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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33rd Annual Model Railroad and Swap Meet Mar. 18 & 19

LENA, Ill. — The Depot Stove Gang Model Railroad Club announces its 33rdAnnual Model Railroad Show and Swap Meet on March 18-19.

Over 26,000 square feet of operating displays, railroad memorabilia, model railroad merchandise. The show is held in three the Lenagymnasiu, Winslow Elementary, Junior High, and High School gymnasiums and cafeterias.

Show hours are 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturday, March

18 and 10 a.m.- 4 p.m. on Sunday, March 19.

Lunch will be available both days in the elementary cafeteria. Lena is located one mile north of U.S. Route 20 on Illinois 73. Directional signs will be posted to guide drivers to 401 Fremont Street, in Lena. Lena is approximately two hours west of Chicago, 11/4 hours south of Madison, Wis., and one hour east of Dubuque, Iowa.

The Depot Stove Gang Show is rated as one of the nicest and largest shows in

the Midwest.

The show and parking are free but will be appreciated at the elementary school

The Depot Stove Gang is an Illinois nonprofit organization registered with the Illinois Secretary of State. For further information, as well as, other area information and attractions including lodging, contact Greater Freeport Partnership at (815) 233-1350.

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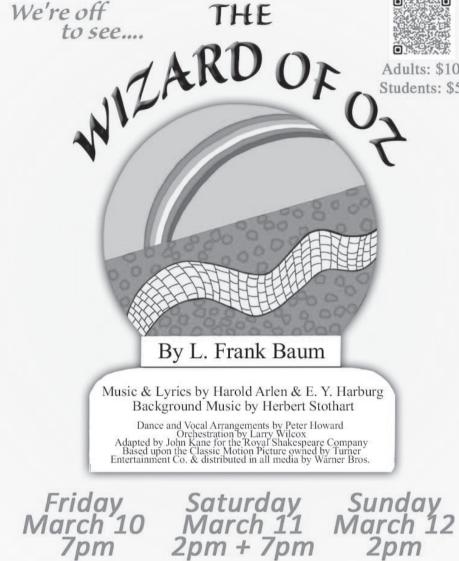
Clinton High School Theater Department will perform The Wizard of Oz this weekend.

Carley Earle and Savannah Burton will share the role of Dorothy; Adyson Beebe and Evan Herrmann will share the Scarecrow role; Ivori Treakle and Maddison Koyak will share the role of Tinman; Emma Leimbach and Emma Sandess will perform the Lion role; and Ava Thierry and Eli Copper will share the role of Oz.

Show times are Friday,

March 10 at 7 p.m., Saturday, March 11 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. and Sunday, March 12 at 2

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and may be purchased at the door.



THE WIZARD OF OZ is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals on behalf of Tams-Witmark LLC.

Ford County Fair announces musical lineup for 2023

MELVIN, Ill. — Ford County Fair, in Melvin, Ill., announced the musical entertainment lineup for the 2023 fair, happening on June 30.

The lineup for the 2023 Ford County Fair Concert includes Sammy Kershaw, Aaron Tippin and Collin Raye in the Roots & Boots tour, coming to the Ford County Fairgrounds on

June 30.

The trio has amassed more than 40 Top 10 radio hits and sold more than 25 million albums.

Halle Kearns, who in two years has amassed over 11M TikTok views, 17M global streams, and 53K Instagram through her music will open the

The concert will take

place at the Ford County Fairgrounds, in Melvin. Gates will open at 6 p.m. and the show will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets include fair admission, parking, and carnival rides and will go on sale on Friday, March 10 at 8 a.m. Tickets also will be available at www. fordcountyfair.org.



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Learn how to be part of a successful deer donation program

URBANA, Ill. – In response to rising food and meat prices and the challenges food pantries have in obtaining meat, University of Illinois Extension, along with key partners, launched the Illinois Deer Donation Program in 2022. This 12-county pilot program fought food insecurity by matching hunters in East Central Illinois with meat processors and food pantries.

Extension is presenting a live online webinar summarizing outcomes of the inaugural program on April 19, from Noon to 12:45 p.m. Information covered will include pounds of

meat donated, number pantries reached, and plans for next year. Food pantry operators, hunters, conservation agencies, and potential meat processors who want to be involved in future donation programs are encouraged to participate. Those interested in attending can register go.illinois.edu/ DeerDonationRecap

The Illinois Deer Donation Program is supported by the Health Equity Achieved Together Project, a multidisciplinary collaboration with University of Illinois SNAP-Ed. The objective of the presentation is to increase awareness of the

program and the role food donation plays in the food security of a community. Participants will also gain an understanding of the steps of a successful donation program, and the relationship between hunters, food pantries, and meat processors. There will be time allotted for questions and answers.

For more information if reasonable accommodation is needed participate, please contact Caitlin Mellendorf call 217-877-6042. Early requests are strongly encouraged to sufficient time for meeting access needs.



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Left, Marian Brisard receives a special memorial clock from board president Jared White, symbolizing the 22 years she spent working with the Chamber. Above, Board president Jared White stands with Greg and Mariah Anderson of Triple M Farm: Mariah's Mums and More along with chamber executive director Janice Peterson. Greg

and Mariah took first place in the chamber small business of the year award for this year. Below, left, Board president Jared White stands Josh Shofner of First National Bank along with chamber executive director Janice Peterson. Bank president Shofner received the large business of the year award for this year. Not pictured, medium business of the year Save-A-Lot and nonprofit of the year

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Saturday Partly sunny High 43



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Weather History

March 10

1960: March of 1960 went down in the record books as being the coldest March on record. Average temperatures during the month included 22.6 degrees at Peoria, 24.2 in Springfield, and 25.6 in Champaign. A normal March averages around 40 degrees.

March 11

2000: Heavy snow of 6 to 10 inches, accompanied by blowing and drifting, occurred in parts of central and southeast Illinois from the morning into the early evening. Several weather related traffic accidents resulted in nine serious injuries and one fatality. A 16 year old male was killed in a one car accident near the town of Oakland in Coles County. Four people were injured in a traffic accident near Neoga in Cumberland County, three people were injured in an accident near Assumption in Christian County, and two people were injured in an accident near Windsor in Shelby County. A second, but smaller band of heavy snow, occurred from eastern Morgan County into northern Sangamon County, where 6 to 8 inches was reported.

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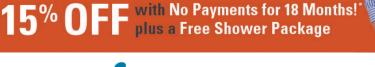
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Z-CLY	Ferguson, Lydia 052114LYD*FERG	Female (8 & Under) 25 Free			18.57Y	11	6.00	8	3/4/23	1 1
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Z-CLY	Ferguson, Lydia 052114LYD*FERG	Female (8 & Under) 25 Back			21.59Y	9	9.00	8	3/5/23	1
Z-CLY	Fought, Dane 090712DAN*FOUG	Male (10 & Under) 50 Free			29.94Y	1	20.00	10 10	3/4/23	1
Z-CLY	Fought, Dane	Male (10 & Under)			1:05.41Y		20.00	10	3/5/23	1
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	Fought, Dane 090712DAN*FOUG							10	3/5/23	1
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Z-CLY	Harper, Abby	50 Back Female (10 & Under)			41.45Y	2	17.00	10	3/4/23	1
Z-CLY	071512ABB*HARP Harper, Abby	50 Breast Female (10 & Under)			40.98Y	5	14.00	10	3/5/23	-
Z-CLY	Harper, Abby	50 Fly Female (10 & Under)			1:26.87Y		16.00	10	3/4/23	-
Z-CLY	071512ABB*HARP	100 IM Female (8 & Under)			23.62Y	36		10	3/4/23	1
Z-CLY	011215AME*HARV	25 Free Female (8 & Under)			23.62Y 29.06Y	36		8 8	3/4/23	1
	Harvey, Amelia 011215AME*HARV	25 Back				37		8 8		1
Z-CLY	Harvey, Amelia	Female (8 & Under)			DQ				3/4/23	1
Z-CLY	O11215AME*HARV	Female (8 & Under)			18.70Y	12	5.00	6	3/4/23	j
Z-CLY	052416AUBAHOUS Houser, Aubrey	25 Free Female (8 & Under)			41.71Y	10	7.00	6	3/5/23	4
Z-CLY	052416AUBAHOUS Houser, Aubrey	50 Free Female (8 & Under)			23.30Y	14	3.00	6	3/5/23	1
Z-CLY	052416AUBAHOUS Houser, Aubrey				DQ	1-4		6	3/4/23	1
Z-CLY	052416AUBAHOUS Houser, Aubrev	25 Breast Female (8 & Under)			DQ 25.09Y	16	1.00	6	3/4/23	4
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Otters compete at District Championships

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SPRINGFIELD — On March 4 competed in hopes of improving their and some achieved state qualifying and 5, the Clinton Otters traveled to individual times, making the podium, times. Springfield to compete in the 2023 Il- or trying to achieve state qualifying times. The Otters had many who Illinois YMCA State Championship. Over the two days, Otter swimmers placed, made the podium, set PRs

Up next for the Otters will be the









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ZZ-CLY	Lamar, Lucas 041610LUC*LAMA	Male (12 & Under) 50 Fly	43.13Y	21	12 12	3/4/23	Delete Edit I Add
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Z-CLY	Mast, Haiden 080104HAI*MAST	Male (21 & Under) 50 Back	32.99Y		18 18	3/4/23	Delete Edit Add
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Z-CLY	Morgan, McKegan 011208MCK*MORG	50 Free Female (21 & Under)		38	15	3/4/23	Add Delete
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ZZ-CLY	072114G		25 Back Male (8	k Under)	DQ			8	3/4/2:	Add Del
ZZ-CLY	072114G	RA*ROB	25 Bream	t	30.58Y	20		8	3/5/2	Add Del
	072114G	RA*ROB	25 Fly			20		8		Add Del
ZZ-CLY	Robinson 072114G	RA*ROB	Male (8 I	k Under)	1:56.61Y	9	9.00	8	3/4/2	Add Del
ZZ-CLY	Robinson 072114G	, Grant RA*ROB		& Under)	48.36Y			8	3/4/2	Add Del
ZZ-CLY	Schrage, 120610A	Ava VA*SCHE	Female (12 & Under) t	45.08Y	23		12 12	3/4/2	Add Del
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ZZ-CLY	Sprague, 06114LU	Lucah CASPRA	Female (8 & Under)	43.91Y	16	1.00	8	3/5/2	Add
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ZZ-CLY	Sprague,	Lucah		8 & Under)	25.08Y	6	13.00	8	3/4/2	Del B Edi
ZZ-CLY	Sprague,	Lucah	Female (8 & Under)	28.45Y	24		8	3/5/2	Ad- Dei
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	06114LU	CASPRA	100 IM					8		Ad-
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ZZ-CLY	Sumner, 031811L1	Lily (L*SUMN	Female (50 Brea	12 & Under) it	43.46Y	16	1.00	11	3/4/2	Ad-
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Z-CLY	3/4/23 Fe 20	male (10 0 MR	& Under)	»McConkey, Sophia Relay Team A »Woods, Elinor »Harper, Abby »Bentz, Katelyn	2:47.91Y		2	34.00 <u>Edi</u>	it Add	Delet
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		0 Free R	ciay	»Ellison, Aliyah »Clodfelter, Jamie »Morgan, McKegan »Koritz, Addie	1:59.83Y					
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SPORTS

Clinton Otters compete in Junior Districts, Effingham

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preparation for the start of the post-season held Mar. 4-5, followed by the State meet.

EFFINGHAM — On Feb. 25, the Clinseries. For some swimmer, the Junior Diston Otters Traveled to Effingham to com- tricts is the culmination of their season, and for others it's a chance to make qual-The Otters have worked all season in ifying times for the Districts swim meet,



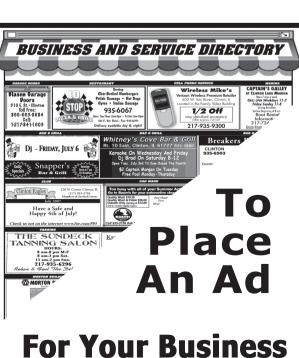


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		Individual Meet	Results		
23 Illini JR Distric cation: Workman nton YMCA Otter	Sports Comp				
Time	F/P/S	Event	Place	Points	Impr
Corrine Adams (
2:04.24Y DQ	F # 9	Girls 8 & Under 100 IM			
27.18Y	F # 33	Girls 8 & Under 25 Fly	1	9	
Evelyn Benz (6)	G				
25.67Y	F # 19	Girls 6 & Under 25 Free	2	7	1.3
43.09Y	F # 31	Girls 6 & Under 25 Fly	3	5	9.8
1:01.00Y	F # 45	Girls 6 & Under 50 Free	3	5	-0.0
32.79Y	F # 59	Girls 6 & Under 25 Back	3	5	2.2
Amelia Bundy (1	10) C				
1:54.74Y	F # 11	Girls 9-10 100 IM	1	9	-5.8
47.38Y	F # 23	Girls 9-10 50 Free	5	3	1.3
1:04.65Y	F # 35	Girls 9-10 50 Fly	3	5	-1.2
1:45.43Y	F # 49	Girls 9-10 100 Free	4	4	1.5
58.33Y	F # 63	Girls 9-10 50 Back	5	3	1.3
Ehvie Chapman		3113 7-10 00 IMEN			
55.18Y	F # 23	Girls 9-10 50 Free	11		2.7
2:09.84Y	F # 49	Girls 9-10 100 Free	7	1	6.4
1:00.50Y	F # 63	Girls 9-10 100 Free Girls 9-10 50 Back	6	2	0.6
		Gins 9-10 50 Back	0	2	0.6
Adam Clodfelter					
3:17.82Y	F # 2	Boys 11-12 200 Free	2	7	10.2
39.36Y	F # 26	Boys 11-12 50 Free	3	5	2.5
47.04Y	F # 38	Boys 11-12 50 Fly	3	5	0.0
1:32.83Y	F # 52	Boys 11-12 100 Free	3	5	8.0
Jamie Clodfelter	(15) G				
DQ	F # 5	Girls 200 Free			
1:48.67Y DQ	F # 69	Girls 100 Back			
DQ	F # 83	Girls 100 Breast			
Corra Cohenour	(6) G				
48.91Y	F # 19	Girls 6 & Under 25 Free	3	5	-0.0
38.87Y	F # 59	Girls 6 & Under 25 Back	4	4	-8.8
Della Cohenour	(9) C				
51.87Y	F # 23	Girls 9-10 50 Free	9		-2.2
1:14.98Y	F # 35	Girls 9-10 50 Fly	4	4	-4.0
2:05.00Y	F # 49	Girls 9-10 100 Free	5	3	-4.7
1:01.43Y	F # 63	Girls 9-10 50 Back	8		-0.9
1:09.27Y	F # 77	Girls 9-10 50 Breast	8		-2.1
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Emmitt Douglas		D 4444 A45		9	
30.46Y 1:10.46Y	F # 20 F # 46	Boys 6 & Under 25 Free	1	9	3.1
		Boys 6 & Under 50 Free	1	9	4.8
Amelia Harvey (
22.80Y	F # 21	Girls 8 & Under 25 Free	1	9	-1.4
55.08Y	F # 29	Girls 50 Free	4	4	-2.1
39.19Y	F # 75	Girls 8 & Under 25 Breast	3	5	5.9
3 Illini JR District	ts 25-Feb-23	rards			
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Annabel Kori					
47.52Y	F # 23	Girls 9-10 50 Free	6	2	-1.17
1:22.51Y	F # 35	Girls 9-10 50 Fly	5	3	
1:53.32Y	F # 55	Girls 100 Free	7	1	6.40
1:01.08Y	F # 63	Girls 9-10 50 Back	7	1	2.30
Kacy Koritz ((12) G				
38.28Y	F # 25	Girls 12 & Under 50 Free	4	4	-0.78
52.62Y	F # 37	Girls 12 & Under 50 Fly	5	3	5.34
1:29.79Y	F # 51	Girls 11-12 100 Free	4	4	-4.43
49.00Y	F # 65	Girls 12 & Under 50 Back	5	3	-4.47
John Newnam	(9) B				
46.92Y	F # 24	Boys 9-10 50 Free	2	7	0.83
1:46.07Y	F # 50	Boys 9-10 100 Free	3	5	-0.64
53.48Y	F # 64	Boys 9-10 50 Back	1	9	-1.72
Charlie Pattor	n (13) B				
2:44.35Y	F # 4	Boys 13-14 200 Free	2	7	-2.71
33.38Y	F # 28	Boys 13-14 50 Free	3	5	-0.29
1:15.44Y	F # 54	Boys 13-14 100 Free	4	4	-3.88
1:31.22Y	F # 68	Boys 13-14 100 Back	5	3	-1.43
Owen Patton	(13) B				
2:38.04Y	F # 4	Boys 13-14 200 Free	1	9	-8.70
1:11.14Y	F # 54	Boys 13-14 100 Free	i	9	-3.36
1:25.37Y	F # 68	Boys 13-14 100 Back	2	7	-2.27
1:33.57Y	F # 82	Boys 13-14 100 Breast	ī	9	-1.60
Madi Penny	an c				
2:40.31Y	F # 3	Girls 13-14 200 Free	2	7	-6.36
1:27.28Y	F # 39	Girls 13-14 100 Fly	1	9	-4.52
1:54.91Y	F # 81	Girls 13-14 100 Breast	5	3	
		0113 13-14 100 IACAS		9	
Ava Schrage 3:25.76Y	(12) G F # 13	Girls 11-12 200 IM	3	5	-6.38
37.01Y	F # 25	Girls 12 & Under 50 Free	2	7	-0.56
45.78Y	F # 65	Girls 12 & Under 50 Free	1	9	-0.36
1:43.46Y	F # 83	Girls 100 Breast	2	7	-9.14
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Avery Watson 38.79Y	F # 25				
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iinton YMCA Ottei	rs [CLY-IL]	Coach: Tracy Karr			
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Abbigail Yardley	(11) G				
42.84Y	F # 25	Girls 12 & Under 50 Free	8		-0.46
1:39.17Y	F # 55	Girls 100 Free	4	4	2.01
50.32Y DQ	F # 65	Girls 12 & Under 50 Back			
59.58Y	F # 79	Girls 11-12 50 Breast	4	4	-1.36



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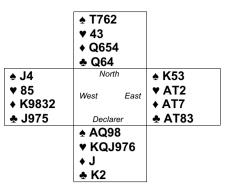
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BRIDGE BITES

A TWO-EDGED SWORD



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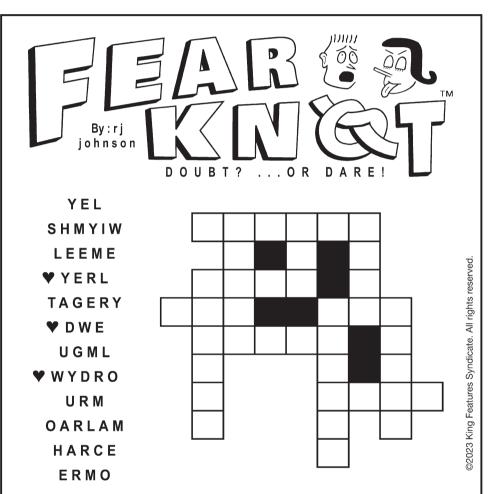
West boldly competed to 3♦, but South pushed on to 3♥, a precarious contract which depended on playing the Spades for one loser. Given the apparent lack of entries to Dummy, that was likely to be problematic.

West led his 4th best Diamond and, as this was the Three, it was clear that West had led from a five-card suit. East won his Ace, and Declarer ruffed the Diamond continuation. Before drawing trumps, Declarer played the ♣K, hoping to force an entry to Dummy. But E-W were up to the challenge. West followed with the Club Nine, the start of a high-low count signal, telling East that West had started with an even number of Clubs. Armed with that information, East could duck the trick, safe in the knowledge that Declarer was not trying to sneak through her singleton King. Then Declarer played the ♥K losing to the Ace, ruffed the Diamond return, and drew the remaining trumps.

The play in the Diamond suit had made it clear that West started with the ♦K, so East needed to hold the ♠K to make up his 15-17 HCP. Should Declarer play ♠A followed by a low Spade (hoping that East had started with Kx)? Or ♠A followed by the Queen (hoping that West had started with Jx)?

How was Declarer to know? West's Club count signal (which had helped East to find the correct play when the ♣K was led) was a two-edged sword, as it also gave away the distribution to Declarer. By now West was known to have started with five Diamonds, an even number of Clubs (surely four), and two Hearts. That left two Spades, and Declarer's only chance was to play ♠A followed by the Queen, hoping that West had started with ♠Jx. Making 9 tricks!

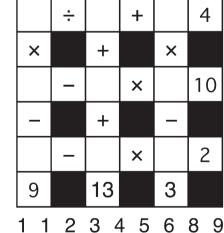
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GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

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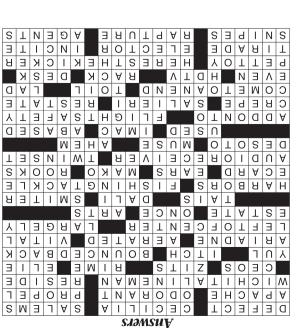


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Super Crossword

7 Common

infant illness

8 Girl played by

Lily Tomlin

9 Bamboozles

11 Quick escape

12 Stuck going

13 When typical

14 Self-indulgent

existence

16 Experience a

huge failure

hair from, as

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106 Young fellow

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108 Sony Bravia

or Sharp

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109 Pool hall

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of office

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112 Plaything for

114 Declaration

when a

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arrives?

119 Angry speech

120 One casting

122 Makes a sly

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123 Fostasy

DOWN

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3 Wrinkle-

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41 Critical 42 Not on a footballer's right? 44 For the most

part 46 Aristocrat's

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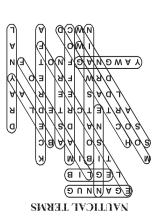
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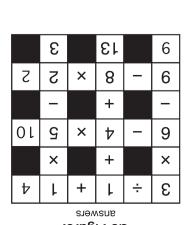
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ILLINOIS FIRST NATIONAL

BANK & TRUST COMPANY,

Plaintiff.

DWAINE R BUR-TON, WALTER BOUNDS, CAR-**OLYN BOUNDS UNKNOWN HEIRS** OR LEGATEES OF DWAINE R. BURTON, NON **RECORD CLAIM-**ANTS, UNKNOWN **OWNERS** and



SCOTTY & LORI MAY-Wapella, IL **QUALITY CLOSING OUT**

Saturday, March 18th, 2023

Live Auction-10:00 am Live & Live On Line-11:00 am

Preview: Friday-March 17th-9 am to 4 pm www.proxibid.com/haycraftauctions

> Pro Xpress Mod GST210 2 box seed tender 2021 Rhino TW36-like new 72" rotary mower Toyota Mod 52-6FGU30-fork lift

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1986 International Mod 1900-15'bed-diesel grain truck 1977 GMC-Mod 6500-48,800 miles

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> **WAGONS** 2012 Unverferth Mod 530 gravity flow wagon DMI D450 Big-Little wagon

LANDSCAPE EQUIPMENT

Land Pride Mod RTR2072-72" 3pt rear tiller Land Pride Mod SP3072-72" pulverizer w/double spike bar Land Pride Mod BB2572 72" box scraper

Land Pride Cat 1 quick attach hitch

Land Pride Mod PS1572-72" solid stand seeder Land Pride Mod RB3572 72" rear blade

MISC. FARM RELATED ITEMS

AUCTIONEER'S NOTE: Scotty & Lori have decided to retire from farming after several years. Scotty's equipment has always been very well maintained and always kept in the shed. Records are available at Central Illinois Ag & AHW, both in Clinton, IL.

Scotty may be contacted at 217-433-1688 (Neighbor's consignments-see on the web site) This will be a live in person & live online sale-the live online will begin at 11am. There will be a 5% buyer's premium on the live online auction only! We will accept absentee bids also.

All items to be removed by March 22. Loader tractor available. Lunch provided by Circle South.



RETIREMENT AUCTION

Photos & listing: www.haycraftauctions.com | Email: haycraft@frontier.com

SALE LOCATION: 13726 Progress Rd-Wapella, IL (From Rt 51 N of Wapella to Carl Springs Rd-then East 2 miles to Progress-then south) (From Parnell Rd-East of Wapella 1 mile to Progress Rd-North 1.5 miles to farm) TRACTORS-COMBINE-PLANTER

2010 Case IH Steiger Mod 335 AFS-3433 hrs-S/N-ZAF118304-deluxe luxury cab-16 speed shift-full guidance-GPS-camera system one camera, hook up for additional & comes with monitor-3 pt PTO-rear tires 1 yr old-Firestone tires are in good condition-Records at CIA-Clinton, IL

2000 John Deere 7810 w/ Michelin duals & front weights-3317 hrs-S/N-RW7810P014611-19 speed-power shift John Deere 4440 w/full set front weights-5954 hrs-S/N-4440H025176R-new rear tires-dual hydraulics-quad range John Deere 9570 STS Bullet Rotor Combine-Engine hrs-2708, Green Star Ready, Separator hrs 1855-S/N-725163-extra long unloading auger (camera on unloading auger)-2 back cameras w/monitor-conture master- reverser heavy duty-chopper-single point hookup-buddy seat-Goodyear tires 800/70R38

> John Deere 3000 GPS Receiver John Deere ATU Universal steering wheel John Deere brown box display

John Deere 625F-25' bean platform-hydraflex-hydraulic reel adjustment 4AFT-single point hookup-stubble lights

E-Z Trail head cart-Mod 672 **2013** Geringhoff North Star Elite XL NS600 6 row corn head-S/N-101130849630-4167 weight-key code V60-rolla cones-headsight w/ground sensor-single pt hookup-stubalite-monitor included

2014 Kinze Mod 3600 Planter-S/N-103133-NT-insect boxes-KPM 3 monitor & control box-1 season on drive change-2021 corn units tested

EQUIPMENT

2019 Case IH Mod 255 Tiger Mate-35.5' 2012 Case IH Mod 2500-Eco Till 2012 Unverferth Red Caddy-Mod 500 Case IH Mod 2500 Ecolo Tiger sub soiler-530B-ET 2014 Case IH Mod 330 25' Turbo Till **J&M Mod 1000**-20 Auger cart-1000 grain storm-scales



HAYCRAFT AUCTION CO., INC.

Rt 51 N-Wapella, IL 61777

Office: 217-935-6286 | Jay: 309-275-4506

Defendants,

NO. 2023-FC-4

NOTICE OF PENDANCY OF <u>ACTION</u>

TO: Unknown owners, non record claimants and possible unknown tenants in possession of the following described real estate:

Property commonly known as:

503 North Elizabeth Street, Clinton, DeWitt County, Illinois, 61727 with a legal description as follows:

Lot 6 in Block 2 in Madden's Addition to the Citv 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

354-008

Parcel No.: 07-26-YOU AND EACH OF YOU ARE HEREBY NOTI-FIED that there has been filed in the Circuit Court of DeWitt County, Illinois, the above cause to foreclose the Mortgage dated April 24, 2007 and recorded May 1 2007, in Book 588 of Mortgages, Page 197, as Document No. 218918 in the face amount of \$51,000.00 made by Dwaine R. Burton, a single person, to First National Bank & Trust Company, which mortgage foreclosure was filed on the 3rd day of February, 2023 in the Circuit Court for the

Sixth Judicial Cir-

cuit, DeWitt County,

Illinois, which case

is titled as above.

You are advised that if you fail to appear or answer in the above cause on or before the 3rd day of April, 2023, then you may be defaulted in your right to redemption and all other rights shall be forever barred in this cause and all other rights that you may have will be barred.

First National Bank & Trust Company, Plaintiff

BY: TAYLOR & LYNCH

BY: /s/ Bryce A. Lynch

LEGAL 19704 February 24, 2023 March 3 and 10, 2023

LEGAL

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE **6TH JUDICIAL** DISTRICT

DEWITT COUN-TY - CLINTON, **ILLINOIS**

FREEDOM MORT-**GAGE CORPORA-**TION

Plaintiff,

KALISTA ARNDT

Defendant

2022 FC 13

NOTICE OF SHER-IFF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on December 21, 2022, the Sheriff of De Witt County will at 10:30 AM on March 22, 2023, at the DeWitt County Courthouse, 201 West Washington Street, (Main door), CLINTON,

IL, 61727, sell at

public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

4 IN ASHLEY'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF CLINTON. IN DEWITT COUN-TY, IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS. Commonly known as 818 E. JULIA

LOT 1 IN BLOCK

ST., CLINTON, IL 61727 Property Index No.

The real estate is improved with a

single family resi-

07-26-313-004

dence. The judgment amount was \$76,752.03.

Sale terms: 10%

down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the auction; the

balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. 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

court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a

Certificate of Sale

representation as to

quality or quantity

of title and without

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tiff and in "AS IS"

condition. The sale

is further subject to

confirmation by the

that will entitle the to the real estate after confirmation of 13214265 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.

For information, contact Plaintiff's attorney: CHAD LEWIS, ROBERT-SON ANSCHUTZ SCHNEID CRANE & PARTNERS. PLLC, 205 N MICHIGAN SUITE 810, CHICAGO, IL, 60601, (561) 241-6901. Please refer to file number 22-036777. E-Mail: ILMAIL@RASLG.

COM

purchaser to a deed Case # 2022 FC 13

LEGAL 19705 February 24, 2023 March 3 and 10,

LEGAL

STATE OF ILLI-NOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DE WITT COUNTY -- IN PROBATE IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES J. LARRY. Deceased NO. 2023-PR-7 **DEATH AND**

CLAIM DATE NO-TICE Notice is given of the death of James J. Larry of Farmer City, Illinois, on January 9, 2023. Letters of office were issued on February 24, 2023, to Randy Scott Callison, 854 Fairway Drive, Forsyth, Illinois 62535 as Independent Executor, whose attorney of record is Jon D. Robinson, Bolen, Robinson & Ellis, LLP, 202 South Franklin Street, 2nd Floor, Decatur, Illinois 62523. Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of this Court,

DeWitt County Courthouse, 201 West Washington Street, Clinton, Illinois 61727, or with the Independent Executor, or both, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice, except any creditor to whom the Independent Executor is required to mail or deliver notice by the provisions of Section 5/18-3 of the Illinois Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/18-3) may file a claim on

or before the date

tice. Any claim not

stated in that no-

filed on or before the applicable date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk of the Court must be mailed or delivered to the Independent Executor and to the attorney of record within 10 days after it has been filed. The estate will be administered without court supervision unless, under

Section 28-4 (755

the Illinois Probate Act, any interested person terminates Independent Administration at any time by mailing or delivering a Petition to Terminate to the Clerk. Randy Scott Callison, Independent Executor By Bolen, Robinson & Ellis, LLP By Jon D. Robinson, His Attorney

ILCS 5/28-4) of

Jon D. Robinson -ARDC No. 2356678 **BOLEN ROBIN-**SON & ELLIS, LLP 202 South Franklin Street, 2nd Floor Decatur, Illinois 62523 Telephone: 217.429.4296 Fax: 217.329.0034 E-mail: jrobinson@ brelaw.com

LEGAL 19709 March 3, March 10, March 17, 2023

134 Acres+/- Farmland - Coles County, Illinois

The Koenig-Legg Farms

Located 2 miles SE of Oakland. 3 tracts to be surveyed and offered Choice & Privilege. 34.48, 73.74, and 17.09 cropland acres.

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Brock Norris, Broker, Bailey Reynolds, Broker, 217-421-9619, Decatur



101.19 Acres +/- Farmland - Coles County Illinois **ENDS: March 29th at 1PM**

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MARY STAPLETON-CLINTON, IL **LARGE PUBLIC AUCTION** PERSONAL PROPERTY & REAL ESTATE

Wednesday, April 5th, 2023

Personal Property-12 Noon Real Estate-6:00 PM

OPEN HOUSE: Monday March 6, 13, 20 from 4:00 to 6:00 PM Photos & Listing: www.haycraftauctions.com



AUCTION LOCATION: Wapella Auction House-Wapella, IL **REAL ESTATE LOCATION: #5 Delmar-**Clinton, IL 61727

Selling super nice home with a great location-close to schools and Clinton's west side, also a very nice neighborhood. 3 bedrooms-2 baths-large living and dining area combo with fireplace-kitchen with nice cabinets and all appliances with an eat in area-many closets-walk in closet in master with full bath-nice foyer-2 car attached garage with new expensive door-laundry area with washer and dryer-back patios-utility building out back for a mower and storage with overhead door-nice front patio and driveway, large unfinished



basement. Great home for family or retirement! This home is ready to move in!

LEGAL: Available day of sale.

TERMS: 10% down day of sale with balance due in 30 days. Successful bidder will be required to enter into a written contract day of sale. Taxes will be prorated to closing. POA does reserve the right to reject any and all bids but is highly motivated to sell to settle the situation. House sell "as is" with no warranties implied.

PERSONAL PROPERTY

Many very nice antique primitive cabinets, super nice oak kitchen cabinets, oak dry sinks, several dish cabinets, step back cabinets, oriental screen, large painted oak sideboard, large tester style bed, jewelry cabinets, drop front desk, country primitive tables, corner cabinet, many unique antique cabinets, large twin wheel coffee grinder, large copper kettle with glass top, unusual wood boat coffee table with glass top, nice modern furniture, large Fiesta dish collection, antique glassware and china, Early American Fostoria, fancy lamps, cut glass, large collection of costume jewelry (over 60 boxes), iron, huge collection of expensive holiday decorations, new Queen bed set, lots of fancy collect-

Owner-Mary Stapleton POA-Doug Smith

ibles-which Mary is very well know for, cast iron urns, John Deere riding mower plus much more!

Will update website with more photos closer to auction date.

Attorney: Kevin Hammer-219 E. Main Street-Clinton, IL 61727

HAYCRAFT AUCTION CO., INC.

Wapella Auction House Rt 51 N-Wapella, IL 61777

Office: 217-935-6286 | Jay: 309-275-4506 Email: haycraft@frontier.com

ILN 440.000268

hereby given that

pursuant to a judg-

ment of foreclosure

LEGAL

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SIXTH JUDICIAL

CIRCUIT **DEWITT COUN-**

TY-IN PROBATE NO: 2023-PR-8

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DAVID L. FULL-ER, DECEASED

CLAIM DATE NOTICE- INDE-PENDENT ADMIN-ISTRATION

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

Letters of Office were issued on February 28, 2023

Witt County, Illinois 61735 as independent executor. The attorney for the estate is Joseph B. Taylor of Taylor & Lynch, 216 South Center Street, P.O. Box 478, Clinton, Illinois, 61727.

to Kemp S. Full-

er, 18131 Parnell

Road, DeWitt, De-

dent Administration by filing Petition to Claims may be Terminate under filed in the office Section 28-4 of the of the Clerk of the Illinois Probate Act Court at the DeWitt (755 ILCS 5/28-4). A form of a Petition County Courthouse, 201 W. Washington to Terminate Inde-Street, Clinton, Illipendent Administranois 61727, or with tion may be opened the Representative, from the Clerk of or both, on or bethe Court at the fore September 10, above address. 2023. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of the Claim filed with the Clerk

of the Court must

TIMED ONLINE | NO-RESERVE

BIDDING CLOSES: THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 2023 STARTING AT 10:00 AM^{CT}

ITEMS WILL SELL FROM THE FARM NEAR FARMER CITY, IL

HIGHLIGHTS: '15 Versatile 500DT track tractor, 1,518 hours; '15 JD 8320R MFWD

tractor,1,645 hours; '10 Massey Ferguson 8650 MFWD tractor, 2,319 hours; '12 JD 5085M MFWD tractor, 984 hours; '14 JD S680 2wd combine, 2,402 eng./1,582

sep. hours; '20 JD 740FD 40' flex draper head; '18 JD 712C 12 row 30" corn head;

'09 JD 4830 self-propelled sprayer, 2,380 hours; (4) Continental 650/65R38 flo-

tation tires & rims for JD 4830 sprayer; (23) Y-drops for JD 4830 sprayer; '10 JD

1770NT CCS 24 row 30" planter; Travis HSC4400 4-box seed tender; '19 Brent

V1100 grain cart; '20 Great Plains 3000TM 30' Turbo-Max vertical tillage tool; '18

Kuhn Krause 4860 Dominator 18' disc-ripper, very low acres; '14 Sunflower 6433

43' soil finisher; '16 Yetter 3541 41' rotary hoe; Hurricane 26" 3-pt. ditcher, new,

never used; Bush Hog 12715 15' batwing mower; Woods DS96 8' pull-type rotary

mower; M-C 20' stalk chopper; JD 2700 6-bottom plow; Brandt 1070 swing-away auger; Westfield MK100-71 swing-away auger; Mayrath 10"x33' truck auger;

1995 International 9300 daycab truck, shows 63k miles; '13 Wilson 41' hopper

bottom trailer; '02 Wilson 41' hopper bottom trailer, new tarp prior to '22 har-

vest; 1977 Progress 9,000 gal. aluminum tanker trailer; '99 Ford F250 4wd pickup,

162,966 miles; Load Max 25' flatbed trailer; '13 Load Trail 20' flatbed trailer; 2,500

gal. dual-wall fuel tank; 500 gal. dual-wall fuel tank; 1,000 gal. fuel tank;150 gal.

fuel transfer tank; Yale 5,000 lbs forklift, 6,422 hours; Hotsy 790SS heated pressure

washer; 275 gal. DEF tote w/stainless elec. pump; and other Farm Support Items

ART TRIMBLE & SON, INC.

EQUIPMENT QUESTIONS: DAVID: (217) 369-0149

Auction Manager: Luke Sullivan (309) 371-5214

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FARM RETIREMENT

AUCTION

Dated this 2nd day of March, 2023.

be mailed or deliv-

ered to the Repre-

Attorney within 10

The estate will

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be administered

days after it is filed.

supervision, unless

an interested party

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sentative and to the

Kemp S. Fuller, Independent Exec-

utor of the Estate of David L. Fuller, Deceased

JOSEPH B. TAY-LOR 02803046 TAYLOR & LYNCH 216 SOUTH CEN-TER STREET P.O. BOX 478 CLINTON, ILLI-NOIS 61727 TEL: (217) 935-2183 FAX: (217) 935-8219 E-MAIL: attorneys@dewittcountylaw.com

LEGAL 19710 March 10, 17, and 24 2023

LEGAL

NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that Clinton CUSD #15 will receive proposals for Property, Pollution Liability, General Liability, Cyber/Identity Theft Liability, Crime, Inland Marine, Auto, Umbrella, School Board Legal Liability (SBLL), Worker's Compensation, Blanket Student Accident, Catastrophic Student Accident, and Treasurer's Bond insurance

coverage. Proposal specifications may be obtained upon request from Bushue HR, Inc., P.O. Box 89 Effingham, IL 62401. Phone (217) 342-3046. Please reference code VSS015 when calling. All proposals are to be received by Clinton CUSD #15 at 1210 State Route 54 W, Clinton, IL. 61727, on or before 1:00p.m., May 23, 2023; and will be opened at time specified.

LEGAL 19711 March 10, 2023

LEGAL

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT **COURT FOR** THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF **ILLINOIS SPRING-**FIELD DIVISION UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff,

SHERYL E. ZBIN-DEN. Defendants. Civil No. 22-cv-

NOTICE OF MAR-SHAL'S SALE PUBLIC NOTICE is



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entered by the court in the above-entitled cause, the property hereinafter described or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said judgment, will be sold to the highest bidder. 1. The name, address and telephone number of the person to contact for information regarding the real estate is: Angela Gardner, SFH Specialist, 2118 W. Park Ct., Champaign, IL 61821. Telephone:

tion, if any, of the real estate is: 104 N. Mulberry Street, Clinton, Illinois 61727. 3. The legal description of the real estate is: The West ½ of Out Block 3 in the Original Town, now City of Clinton, Except 99 feet off the full North and of the West 1/2 of Out Block 3 in the Original Town, now city of Clinton and Except 99 feet of the full south end of the West ½ of Out Block 3 in the Original Town, now City of Clinton, and also except commencing at the Southwest corner of the East ½ of Out Block 3 in the Original Town, now City of Clinton, thence North 165 feet. thence West 40 feet, thence South 165 feet, thence east 40 feet to the place of beginning,

situated in the

county of Dewitt,

Parcel #07-34-204-

4. The real estate

may be inspected

prior to sale at the

following times:

inspection during

business hours

(Available for

State of Illinois.

217.403.6226

2. The common

address and other

common descrip-

the county office listed above.) 5. The time and place of the sale are Thursday, April 20, 2023, at 11:00 a.m., inside the main entrance of the DeWitt County Courthouse, 201 W. Washington Street, Clinton, IL 61727 MASKS ARE RE-QUIRED FOR ALI ATTENDING THE SALE. 6. The terms of the sale are: 10% of purchase price payable at time and place of sale by Cashier=s/ Official Bank Check made payable to the United States Marshals Service. Balance to be paid by Cashier=s/Official Bank Check made payable to the United States Marshals Service and received by the United States Marshal, 100 NE Monroe Street, Peoria, Illinois 61602, within thirty (30) days of date of said sale. If the balance is not received within said time period, the 10% payment made at time of sale shall be forfeited to the United States, the

upon reasonable

advance notice to

be responsible for payment of the real estate transfer tax (35 ILCS 200-31-45). 8. Said property is being sold at this judicial sale "AS ÍS" WITHOUT ANY

WARRANTIES

OF HABITABILITY

OR ANY OTHER

sale shall be void

shall be scheduled

Title will be con-

veyed subject to all

general real estate

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2022 and thereaf-

buyer(s), which are

a lien upon the real

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Buyer(s) shall also

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assessments, if

any, and ease-

tions of record.

and a new sale

by the Court.

WARRANTIES, EITHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED. 9. Upon receipt of the entire purchase price amount, a Certificate of Sale shall be forwarded to the Marshal for execution describing the lands and tenements purchased and the sum paid therefor to be tendered to the purchaser. Upon confirmation of said sale by the Court. the holder of said Certificate of Sale shall be entitled to a deed for said premises. 10. IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGE OR (HOMEOWN-ER), 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 MORT-**GAGE FORECLO-**SURE LAW. DATED at Springfield. Illinois, this 28th day of February 2023. s/Justin Hamrock JUSTIN HAMROCK CHIEF DEPUTY **UNITED STATES MARSHAL** CENTRAL DIS-TRICT OF ILLI-NOIS

LEGAL 19712 March 24, March 31, April 7, April 14

LEGAL

INVITATION TO BID

The City of Clinton, Illinois will receive bids in the office of the City Clerk, 118 West Washington Street, 2nd floor, Clinton, Illinois 61727, for the purpose of solid waste removal for City properties. Bids must be submitted no later than 10 a.m., Thursday, March 16, 2023.

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Owner culligan12514@frontier.com

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LEGAL 19713 March 10, 2023

LEGAL

LEGAL NOTICE -FOR SALE

Abandoned property by FJ Loeffler, Sue Followell, Debbie Mitchell and Jennifer Schmid from CT Investments. Properties include. but not limited to: Holiday decora-

tions, exercise equipment, clothes, tools, tool boxes, motor, wheel cabinets, motorized scooter, dog ken-

nel, radio, antenna, bikes, ladders, safe, AC unit, furniture, and other various miscellaneous items. Sale will commence at 8:00am and end promptly at 11:30am on March

29, 2023 at Cleary Building Corp 8515 Cleary Rd., Clinton, IL 61727 Units #10, 21, 25, 27 & 36

LEGAL 19714 March 10 and 17, 2023

CONSOLIDATED

LEGAL

ELECTION NO-TICE NOTICE IS HERE-BY GIVEN THAT ON APRIL 4, 2023, a Consolidated Election will be held at the usual polling places in the various precincts in the COUNTY OF DE-WITT and STATE OF ILLINOIS, for the purpose of electing candidates for the following

offices: Mayor or President Clerk Commissioners or Trustees Public Library Districts-Trustees Township and

Municipal Library-Trustees Township Office and Trustees **Educational Service** Regions-Trustees School District-Board Mem-Community Col-

lege-Trustees Fire Protection District-Trustees Thomas Frazier Clark Foundation-Trustees Polls will be open from 6:00AM to 7:00PM for voting.

Election Authority LEGAL 19716

Kari L Harris

DATED March 10,

March 10, 2023

LEGAL

2023

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For information, contact Plaintiff's attorney: CHAD LEWIS, ROBERT-SON ANSCHUTZ SCHNEID CRANE & PARTNERS, PLLC, 205 N.

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Clinton Junior High

position will be filled as soon as possible.

1. Teacher Aide, please see website for requirements for paraprofessional license https://roe17. org/licensure/paraprofessionals, application deadline March 17, 2023

1. PE/Health Teacher for the 2023-24 school year, application deadline March 17, 2023

 Math Teacher for the 2023-24 school year, application deadline March 17, 2023 Clinton Elementary School

1. Elementary Teacher for the 2023-24 school year, application deadline March 17, 2023

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Athletics

1. CJHS Dance Coach, please apply online or email letter of interest, resume, and letters of recommendation to Matt Koeppel, AD, at mkoeppel@cusd15.org, application deadline March 17,

1. Kitchen Staff (5.5hours) 9-month position, Food Service Certificate required or be willing to obtain one / Kitchen experience preferred / Reports to CJHS Kitchen Manager/ Position is available

Unit Office 1. Director of Teaching & Learning for the 2023-2024 school year

- Be an advocate for effective teaching and learning by providing instructional leadership
- Work closely with Administration Team and instructional staff on the instructional
- Lead in the development and improvement of curriculum and instruction
- Recommend and lead professional development for instructional staff
- Assist with district/school improvement planning process Assist with grant writing
- Direct district assessment programs
- Provide periodic reporting to the superintendent and Board of Education
- Meet regularly with the superintendent Be a part of the Clinton CUSD 15 Administration Team
- See full job description for a more complete list of duties https://5il.co/1pqh3
- Job Qualifications - Master's Degree or higher
- Educational Leadership/Curriculum and Instruction - Type 75 preferred

Initiative

- Administrative/Leadership experience preferred Additional Skills and Characteristics
- Willing to lead
- Person of integrity
- Strong communicator verbally and in written form Ability to work with individuals as well as groups
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- Be a visible and present leader Salary/Benefits
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Additional Notes (please include letter of interest, resume, and letters of recommendation when applying)

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HOME / OUTDOORS

Protect Illinois forests by removing invasive garlic mustard this spring

University of Illinois Extension

URBANA, Ill. - Every spring, early blooming ephemeral flowers are a welcome sign from nature that winter is almost over. But Virginia bluebells, mayapples, spring beauties, and other native plants are fighting invasive species for a place in Illinois forests.

Forest owners, land managers, and natural area visitors can help. Now is the time to scout for and remove garlic mustard.

A multistalked green plant with flowering stalks grows in a waterless creekbed.

Garlic mustard plants produce hundreds of seeds that spread easily. Plants are easiest to identify and remove when they bolt and flower in the early spring. Photo credit: Christopher Evans, University of Illinois Extension.

"Garlic mustard is a high-priority invasive species for Illinois," says Christopher Evans, Research and Forest Specialist with University of Illinois Extension. "Large infestations limit the growth and productivity of native plants and threaten the long-term health of forests."

Garlic mustard's early spring growth can quickly take over the forest understory becoming a monoculture in a few years. Infestations take away light, water, and nutrients from native plants, which threatens the insects and wildlife that rely on them. Large populations reduce our ability to enjoy wildflowers, watch birds, harvest timber, hunt, and spend time in beautiful, healthy forests now and in the future.

"The best way to manage garlic mustard

is to keep it out of your forest," Evans says. "Large infestations take a lot of time and effort to control but catching plants before they spread is the easiest way to keep your forest healthy."

Prevention methods include cleaning boots, tires, and horse hooves to remove seeds after visiting an area. Monitor for garlic mustard plants every spring along forest edges, creeks, trails, and in disturbed areas. Mark the location with a flag or mapping app to relocate it later. Landowners can discuss their concerns about invasives with neighbors and plan to work together to manage them.

Garlic mustard plants are easiest to identify and remove when they flower, which starts in late February downstate and in mid-April in Northern Illinois. The flowering stalk is 1-to-4 feet tall with triangular, toothed-edged leaves and its small flowers have four white petals. Those visiting recreational nature areas should report sightings to staff and with the EDDMaps app or online at www.eddmaps.org.

For those who have garlic mustard, Evans says there is a 6- to 8-week window in spring to remove plants before they produce seeds and spread further. Removing garlic mustard is a multi-year process and control options include mowing, cutting, hand pulling, prescribed burns, and herbicides. Consult with an Extension educator before starting to develop a strategic plan.

Get help with garlic mustard identification, explore removal options, and consult with an Extension educator at go.illinois. edu/GarlicMustard.

Grow the best new flower and vegetable varieties with 2023 All-America Selection Winners

University of Illinois Extension

URBANA, Ill. - Another Illinois winter comes to a close after rain, thunderstorms, and snow replenish the soil moisture. A welcome cure for those winter blues has been the arriving garden catalogs and planning for spring. What new garden challenge is your goal for this year? A theme or color scheme? Floral, woody, or edible additions? Whichever way you plan it, always leave room for the unexpected when shopping for plants.

Review your garden records from previous years to aid in the planning for the new spring. When planning your new theme, look for plants that are suited for USDA hardiness zone 5 or colder. Using a plant map, think about where you could incorporate your theme or where your new plants should go. My starting place is the new additions of All-America Selections.

All-America Selections is a non-profit organization that releases several trialed plants each year as AAS Winners. AAS tests new varieties every year at private and public trial sites located around the U.S. and Canada. Currently, there are four trial locations in Illinois, with three northern and one central.

Independent judges, who are professional horticulturists in geographically diverse areas, evaluate trial entries against comparison plants. The results and observations are compiled, and winners are chosen. For the best plants suited to Illinois residents, look for Great Lakes winners or National winners on the AAS Winners

This year, there are 11 AAS winners, six of which are suited for Illinois - three vegetables and three flowers.

Pepper jalapeno San Joaquin F1 (Capsicum annuum var. San Joaquin F1): This National Vegetable Winner is a determinate, thick-walled jalapeno setting about 50 fruits per plant. Good for preserving or roasting, holds taste and firmness until harvest. 2,500 to 6,000 Scoville units. It has 60 days to harvest from transplant.

Squash kabocha Sweet Jade F1 (Cucurbita maxima var. Sweet Jade F1): This National Vegetable Winner is a single-serving-sized, fall harvest squash. High yielding, 1- to 2-pound squash. Jade colored outside with deep orange flesh perfect for an edible bowl. It has 85 days to harvest from transplant.

Tomato Zenzei F1 (Solanum lycopersicum var. Zenzei): This Regional Vegetable Winner is a high-yielding, early-maturing Roma, plum type tomato. Its uniform, fleshy, easy-to-harvest tomatoes are good fresh or for preservation, and born on bushy indeterminate plants. Less disease issues than other tomatoes. It has 70 to 80 days to harvest from transplant.

Coleus Premium Sun Coral Candy (Solenostemon scutellarioides var. Premium Sun Coral Candy): A National Winner, this is the first seed coleus to be an AAS Winner. This flower is a compact, multicolored foliage plant with narrow, serrated leaves that holds color well in full sun. Perfect for a 14" to 16" container or hang-

Salvia Blue by You (Salvia hybrida var. Blue by You): This National Winner is a perennial salvia with blue flowers blooming up to two weeks earlier. It is both heat tolerant and winter hardy. Blooms late spring into fall with deadheading of spent blooms. It is pollinator friendly and not deer or rabbit friendly.

Snapdragon DoubleShot™ Orange Bicolor F1 (Antirrhinum majus var. Double-Shot[™] Orange Bicolor F1): This National Winner is an intermediate-height, double-flowered annual snapdragon. It has warm shades of orange and orange-red, that transition to dusty shades on strong stems producing more branching and a higher flower count. Perfect for containers or in-ground plantings.

Looking for something else to fill in your landscape and gardens? The website all-americaselections.org contains a list of all past vegetables and flower winners since its founding in 1933.

For more information about gardening, check out the Illinois Extension Horticulture website at extension.illinois.edu/ plants or our YouTube channel go.illinois. edu/UniversityOfIllinoisExtensionHorti-

For more research-based information on gardening, connect with your local Illinois Extension county office at go.illinois.edu/ ExtensionOffice.

Bruce J. Black is an Illinois Extension horticulture educator for Carroll, Lee, and Whiteside counties. Gardeners Corner is a quarterly newsletter from gardening experts around the state. Each issue highlights best practices that will make your houseplants, landscape, or garden shine in any season. Join the Gardeners Corner email list at go.illinois.edu/GCsubscribe for direct access to timely tips.

Get ready for spring and summer "Backyarding": Keep safety in mind

(NAPSI)—"Backyarding"—the art of and make big jobs easier. A lawn mower taking indoor activities to the outdoors is a trend that has caught on. As winter begins to wind down, thoughts of playing in and working in the yard often kick into

Perhaps you are already dreaming of family gatherings, grilling and eating in your backyard. Or maybe you wish to add a yoga zone, design an outdoor movie theater, or build an agility course for your pet this year. Or perhaps this is the year you wish to add a pollinator garden or plant a vegetable or flower garden. Or are you hoping to get that outdoor office setup with extended WiFi?

Knowing the purpose of your yard and how it will meet the needs of your family and pets is a great start to getting "backyard ready" for these warmer weather activities. Also, knowing your climate zone and the mix of trees, shrubs, grass and flowering plants that will grow sustainably is key to designing a dream yard. After all, our yards are not only an oasis for family but also for wildlife and important pollinators such as birds, bees and butterflies.

Now is the time to start planning. Visit your nursery, plant centers, outdoor power equipment service dealers, and/or contact a landscaper, according to the Outdoor Power Equipment Institute (OPEI).

"Think about how your yard can work best for you, your family, pets and community, but do it now," says Kris Kiser, CEO and President of OPEI. "And while you're getting it in top shape for warm weather, remember to keep safety top of mind, especially with your equipment and

Here are some tips from OPEI to get your backyard ready, safely and efficiently:

Take stock of your outdoor power equipment to help you maintain your yard

will trim the grass, but perhaps you might need a cultivator for a garden, a chain saw to take down dead tree limbs, or a leaf blower to clear debris. Having the right equipment on hand can help you save time and effort if you don't want to hire a pro-

- Follow equipment manufacturer's guidance for safety and usage of all outdoor power equipment. Look over the manual for your equipment for a refresher on how to safely use it, and read the safety information on equipment manufacturer's web sites. Review how to shut on and off equipment and make sure safety features are working and have not been disabled. Never disengage or disable manufacturer-installed safety equipment.
- Remember to keep children and pets away from outdoor power equipment. No children on mowers.
- Do not mow in reverse, and avoid starting, stopping or turning a mower on a slope. Follow manufacturer guidance to the letter on mowing on slopes.
- Service equipment as needed and according to manufacturer's directions. Well-maintained equipment will last longer and run more efficiently.
- Buy fresh fuel for gasoline-powered equipment and be sure you have matched the correct battery with the right charger. Use only those batteries that are authorized for your equipment and do not
- Before working in the yard, clear the area of dead limbs, sticks and debris. Inspect trees for damage and clear the work area.

By keeping this information in mind, you can get your yard in its best shape safely.

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