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In April 2023, the tree commission will host its annual Arbor Day celebration with the planting of two trees in the city arboretum areas on the city's east side. A student poster contest put on hold

during the pandemic will return next year. Current members of the Tree Commission are John Baker, Diana Holl, Ken Buchanan, Marilyn Black and Edith Brady-Lunny.



Photos courtesy of Clinton Tree Commission
A Crimson Sunset maple tree was recently planted at 515 South Center Street, home of Nan and Mike Crang, by Jason Reynolds, left, as Clinton Tree Commission chairman John Baker visited the site.



The boulevard space at 101 Portland Place now has an Everclear Lacebark elm tree, one of 18 new trees planted during the city's fall planting cycle.



A Pin Oak tree was added to the boulevard at 613 North Jackson Street, home of the Jim Redding family.

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The city was able to push its pension funds to nearly fully funded by moving some levy line items in the past. This providing the funding needed without increasing taxes. Lichtenwalter said those items now can return to their original spots in the levy. These items included a portion of the city's reinsurance, and a working cash fund levy,

which is capped at a specified amount. A new levy line item included this year is for water operations. In additional council business, commissioner Ken Buchanan said this week would be the final run for the city's leaf vac. After that, residents should bag their leaves and place out for city pick up.

"We'll pick up bags throughout the year," Buchanan said. City brush pick up has now ended for the season until March, except in the event of a winter storm. Commissioner John Wise said the city will plan to reroute a portion of water main along N. Mulberry Street that crosses Woodlawn Street at the cemetery. Wise

cited the difficulty in accessing the main to repair leaks because of its present route and location. He said he hoped the work could be performed next spring. The city also place on file an ordinance for an annexation agreement, bids for brush grinding and purchase of a printer/copier for the police department.



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Finishing touches

Welcome to my little corner of culinary delights. This should be my last coverage on canning. As a reminder, my intention is not to parrot what has already been said but to add to it or at least explain it.

Continuing on with the process of canning, it is suggested that one puts their lids into a bath of boiling water. It is further suggested that the sanitized jars be removed from the boiling water and lined up inverse on sanitized towels ready for use. I suggest that these jars remain in the boiling water until needed. Also to try and fish out lids from boiling water is not fun. In fact, it is silly. What I suggest is the progressive method.

The progressive method is to remove the jars, one at a time, from the boiling water when needed. I use tongs for this. Pour the water from that jar into the pressure cooker. Fill the jar with the desired food leaving an inch of head room. Then assemble the lid into its screw band. Using tongs, dip that into the boiling water to sanitize. Screw this onto the jar and place that jar into the pressure cooker. Repeat this process for each jar. As the jars increase in the pressure cooker, so does the hot water. There is no waste of water, time or fuel for heating.

In the former article, I had mentioned the need to understand the type of item being canned and what that canning process can do to it. Naturally, you do



The Culinary Corner
By Chef Roger Joss

not wish to overcook any vegetables or noodles in a soup concoction. We must also keep in mind the herbs that can be damaged by overheating. Naturally, salt and pepper are examples impervious to extended periods of heat. There are also other forms of soup that are not adversely affected. I have often canned tomato soup, squash soup and split pea soup. Most any soup that is a puree can withstand long periods of heating. Such soups as French onion cannot be canned and taste right. All possibilities and conditions must be taken into account when canning.

Since canning is not what a professional chef is expected to do, it is not generally listed as a need for a chef to know. As a result, it was not taught in culinary school. A professional chef can add a lot of expertise to canning, notwithstanding. I personally find canning most interesting and useful. I feel that one who is interested in culinary should investigate all interests and possible related angles. Although culinary arts is most ancient, it is forever progressive and thus exciting.

From the domestic or home aspect, I highly suggest canning for improving the home economy, health and general pleasure. It is a great way for having something quickly available for serving unexpected guests. A well planned out pantry is an innate blessing in any home. Until next time, peace to all.

Law Enforcement

Clinton Police Department

On 12/02/22 Clinton Police arrested Anthony F. Collins 27, Clinton for Domestic Battery and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Collins was transported to the DeWitt County Jail and released to Corrections.

On 12/03/22 Clinton Police arrested Walker L. Sturgeon 26, Lincoln for Possession of Methamphetamines and No Valid Drivers License and Sara Gudenrath 26, Clinton for Possession of Methamphetamines, Possession Drug Paraphernalia and Possession of Hypodermic Syringe/Needle. Both subjects were transported to the DeWitt County Jail and released to Corrections.

DeWitt County Sheriff's Office

Nov. 15-Dec. 2

Dale Day, 45, DeWitt, was arrested and charged with Unlawful Use of/ Possession of Weapon by Felon or Person in Custody DOC Facility. Day posted the necessary bond and was released.

Estella Mason, 43, Clinton, was arrested and charged with Domestic Battery. Mason being unable to post the necessary bond remains lodged in the DeWitt County Jail.

Lenard Morris Jr., 34, Champaign, was issued a Citation for Speeding (78 mph in a 55 mph zone). Morris Jr. was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Veronica Hayden, 38, Champaign, was issued a Citation for Driving While License Revoked. Hayden, was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Christopher Jackson, 28, Clinton, was arrested on a DeWitt County Warrant charging him with Robbery. Jackson being unable to post the necessary bond remains lodged in the DeWitt County Jail.

Joe Toohill, 40, Clinton, was arrested on a DeWitt County Warrant charging him with Failure to Pay or Appear. Toohill posted the necessary bond and was released.

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

Fairbury Fair 2023 entertainment announced

FAIRBURY — The Fairbury Fair announced this week the entertainment headliners for the 2023 Fairbury Fair.

In 2023, the fair will host two nights of national entertainment. On August 16, a Central Illinois native-turned-Nashville recording artist, Leah Marlene, will be at the fair with Patrick McGreal. Then, on Friday, August 18, Sawyer Brown will perform in front of the historical covered grandstands in Fairbury. Central Illinois-based Stone Cold Cowboys will open the show on Friday night.

Tickets start at \$20 (Wednesday) / \$25 (Friday) and will be available for sale online starting at 8 a.m. on Friday, December 9 at www.thefairburyfair.com. All online tickets will include gate admission. Ticket prices will increase by \$10 on the day of the event for both nights (Aug 16 and Aug 18). Information on other fair events will be announced over the next several weeks.

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Ronald L. Bandy

CLINTON — Ronald L. Bandy, 89, of Clinton, passed away at 8:20 a.m. on December 5, 2022, at his family residence, Clinton. Services will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Thursday, December 8, 2022, the Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton, with the Rev. Michael Taylor officiating. Visitation will be held from 9:30–11 a.m. on Thursday at the funeral home. Graveside services will be conducted at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday at the Edinburg Cemetery, Edinburg, Ill.

Memorials may be directed to the Alzheimer's Association or the Neighborhood Care Center of Clinton. Ronald was born on September 24, 1933, in Edinburg, Ill., the son of William T. and Nettie (Wolfe) Bandy. He married Judith E. Edwards on August 4, 1961, in Edinburg. Survivors include his wife, Judith E. Bandy, Clinton; children, Tami (Gary) Shawgo, Peoria, and Von (Deanna) Bandy, Springfield; grandchildren, Olivia (Alex) German, Madison (Connor) Carnduff, Evan (Reily) Shawgo, Parker Bandy, and Carly Bandy;



great grandchildren, Brinley Shawgo and Owen German; siblings, Robert (Herberta) Bandy, Taylorville, Ill. and Darrell Bandy, Moweaqua, Ill.

He was preceded in death by his parents, six brothers, and three sisters.

Ron was a U.S. Army veteran, serving during the Korean Conflict.

During his life, he worked for Lowers Furniture, Empire Gas and retired from the Warner Hospital for 17 years. He was on the Clinton Fire Dept., and the school board for 13 years, along with being past president of the Athletic Booster Club, and a Khoury League Coach.

Ron loved woodworking, enjoyed the Illini, St. Louis Cardinals, but mostly he loved his grandchildren and watching their activities.

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Rebecca Sue 'Becki' Farris

CLINTON — Rebecca Sue "Becki" Farris, 62, of Clinton, passed away at 3:49 p.m. on December 1, 2022, at the Warner Hospital and Health Services, Clinton.

A celebration of Becki's life will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, December 7, 2022, at the First Baptist Church, Clinton, with Pastor John Roberson officiating. Visitation will be held from 5–7 p.m. on Tuesday, December 6, 2022, at Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton

Memorials may be directed to the Becki Farris memorial fund.

Becki was born on February 9, 1960, in Decatur, the daughter of Elmer "Squeak" and Dorothy Joan (Cunningham) Taylor, Jr. She married Thomas L. Farris on May 12, 1979, in Clinton.

Survivors include her mother, Dorothy Joan Taylor, Weldon; husband, Thomas L. Farris, Clinton; daughter, Rachel (Patrick) Costello, Clinton; grandson, Mason Costello, Clinton; brother, Steven Douglas (Sheila)



Taylor, Fulton, Miss.; niece, Ashley (Dillon) Barnard, Clinton; and nephew, Joshua (Hannah) Taylor, Winslow, Ark.

Becki was preceded in death by her father.

Becki retired as a Sgt. Deputy Sheriff with the Orange County Sheriff's Office, in Orlando, Fla. She was the owner and co-owner, operator of three small businesses in Clinton, throughout the years. Above all, Becki was a loving mother, wife, daughter, and grandmother. She had a giving spirit and never met a challenge she couldn't overcome. She is loved and will be deeply missed.

Online condolences may be made at www.calvertmemorial.com

Brian Scott Thayer

CLINTON — Brian Scott Thayer, son of Marie (Campbell) Thayer and Larry Thayer, was born on January 20, 1959, and met them in Heaven on December 1, 2022.

Scott was a middle child, wild, crazy, and competitive in all that he did. He is the first of his siblings, Michael Lynn Thayer, Barbara Pastore, Lisa Lueras, and Chuck Thayer, to make this journey. He takes a piece of their hearts with him.

Scott's first love was sports. He played basketball until he couldn't. He built bikes and raced them. He rode bulls and horses. He lived and breathed baseball and softball, coaching and playing! He loved the Cardinals and the Eagles and didn't care who liked it.

Scott's greatest love was his children, Jeremy Thayer, Brian Thayer, Jonathan Thayer and Gary Thayer. He was so proud!

They were his heart until he had grandchildren! Caleigh, Keaton, Dominick, Brayden, Aubrey, Dawson, and Kloe brought a love to his heart that he had never known was possible. He would have loved Christian. Keaton will be bringing Scott's first great-grandchild into the family in 2023. We will welcome and love baby Kai and tell him all the wonderful things about Grandpa Scott.

The family is having a memorial service on Friday, December 9, from 5-7 p.m. at the American Legion Hall, on Elizabeth Street, Clinton. All are welcome.

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Jack Myers
Social Security public affairs specialist

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Do you feel isolated?

Researchers must be worried about us. There are hundreds of studies done around the world on the topic of isolated seniors and how it's bad for our brain and physical health. While we can appreciate their concern, it would be nice if they could all agree on the facts they report.

A Norwegian university has released the results of a report on maintaining brain health and preventing cognitive decline. They've concluded, after reviewing 101 other studies, that social activity is important, along with physical exercise and interesting hobbies.

One study praised us for following the Covid rules and staying home and not having face-to-face social activity, saying we mentally weathered our isolation better than any other age group. Another

SENIOR NEWS LINE

by Matilda Charles

study said that we didn't do well, that we suffered from sleep disturbances, depression and anxiety.

Another study analyzing information from before and during the pandemic concluded that yes, there was physical and social isolation, but not digital isolation. In other words, we've been online communicating with others.

One serious study looked at 12 possible relationships (friends, neighbors, family and so on) and concluded that being socially isolated made one more susceptible to the common cold.

Yet another study said that it was when the Covid rules were lifted, when we could go to stores and back to our meetings, that our real stress started.

In the U.S., 27 percent of seniors over the age of 60 live alone, as opposed to several other countries where multiple generations live together. One thing researchers need to consider: Some seniors might like the peace and quiet of living alone, might like having control about who comes over and when, and might prefer the independence.

Still, if you sense you don't get out enough, go. Take a walk. Volunteer to walk a dog at the shelter. Stroll the aisles at the library.

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1962 - “Lawrence of Arabia” by David Lean had its world premiere in London.

1965 - Nikolai V. Podgorny replaced Anastas I. Mikoyan as president of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet.

1975 - U.S. President Gerald R. Ford signed a \$2.3 billion seasonal loan authorization to prevent New York City from having to default.

1978 - The first game of the Women’s Pro Basketball League (WBL) was played between the Chicago Hustle and the Milwaukee Does.

1983 - NATO foreign ministers called on the Soviet Union to join in a “comprehensive political dialogue” to ease tensions in the world.

1985 - In Argentina, five former military junta members received sentences in prison for their roles in the “dirty war” in which nearly 9,000 people had “disappeared.”

1987 - West Bank Palestinians launched an intifada (uprising) against Israeli occupation.

1987 - In the Gaza Strip, an Israeli patrol attacked the Jabliya refugee camp.

1990 - Lech Walesa won Poland’s first direct presidential election in the country’s history.

1990 - Slobodan Milosovic was elected president in Serbia’s first free elections in 50 years.

1990 - The first American hostages to be released by Iran began arriving in the U.S.

1991 - European Community leaders agreed to begin using a single currency in 1999.

1992 - Britain’s Prince Charles and Princess Diana announced their separation.

1992 - Clair George, former CIA spy chief, was convicted of lying to the U.S. Congress about the Iran-Contra affair. U.S. President George H.W. Bush later pardoned George.

1992 - U.S. troops arrived in Mogadishu, Somalia, to oversee delivery of international food aid, in operation ‘Restore Hope’.

1993 - The U.S. Air Force destroyed the first of 500 Minuteman II missile silos that were marked for elimination under an arms control treaty.

1993 - Astronauts aboard the space shuttle Endeavor completed repairs to the Hubble Space Telescope.

1993 - At Princeton University in New Jersey, scientists produced a controlled fusion reaction equivalent to 3 million watts.

1994 - Representatives of the Irish Republican Army and the British government opened peace talks in Northern Ireland.

Amber Waves



by Dave T. Phipps

Readers’ Letters

Thank you to veterans and friends for providing Thanksgiving dinners

To those of you who heard about or enjoyed a dinner prepared and delivered, I know you would join me in thanking a group of our veterans, their families and friends, who stepped up and handed out meals.

The aroma of good food from the American Legion building, in Clinton, drew approximately 300 people to receive a free drive-through meal or to donate, if they chose to do so. Some meals were

delivered to homes.

Here in the Clinton area, we often have caring, hard-working and good-hearted folks who can be counted on to “do the right thing.” Thanksgiving Day 2022 was one of those times!

I was given a list of people who prepared the turkey and all that goes with it, plus pumpkin pie, having ready on Thanksgiving morning. If I have left out a name, I apologize.

Tom Redington and Kim Pakidis, assisted by Bob and Robert Pakidis, let a group of volunteers that included Linda Charlette, Fred Hoke, David Campos, Krystal and Zander Cicenias, Leslie Cyrulik, Claron and Ava Cyrulik, Tom Farris, Greg, Linda and Dennis Lux, Mike Bensen, Quentin Hovland, Jesse Owens, Ronnie Richards, Jackie Dukes, Pete Peters, “Skip” Armstrong, Marc, Glenna and Ann Rogers, and

Joann Ferguson.

Organizations represented included the American Legion and Auxiliary, the AmVets, the VFW, their families and friends.

God bless all of you who gave up a good part of your Thanksgiving Day in order to serve others, the Christian thing to do.

I wish you all a joyous holiday.

Marjorie Devore
Clinton

Our county officials

It is now December after the November elections. Senior officials have retired and new officials have been elected.

There are three elected county officials who will no longer be in their offices or attending board meetings as a job requirement after this month. County Clerk Dana Smith and County Treasurer Gloria Wills have retired. Former County Board Chairman Dave Newburg chose not to run for office again.

All three brought integrity and faithfulness to their respective offices. The public didn’t hear too much about Dana and Gloria over the years, which is a good thing.

When things go wrong, the public hears about it and negativity is everywhere, these ladies did their jobs as true public servants. They never sought personal recognition. However, if you worked in county government or were an observer you knew they simply got the job done. DeWitt County was well served by these two ladies. The next time you see them, give them a thank-you. They deserve it. Thankyou Dana and Gloria. Enjoy your

retirement.

Kari Harris has worked in the County Clerk’s office for several years and assumed her newly elected office as County Clerk on December 1. Her experience will be helpful and I am sure she will do a very professional job.

Jade Russell assumed her new duties as County Treasurer on December 1. Jade has never been involved in County government before and this will be a new experience for her. To her credit, she has spent much of the last several weeks job shadowing Gloria and learning this new job. From what I have heard, she is a quick learner. DeWitt County should be well served by these two able young people as we change the guard.

David Newburg held the hot seat of county government—County Board Chairman. The chairman soon realizes that there are many in the County who have widely differing opinions on what government should be doing.

The county board chairman is charged with getting the affairs of county government accomplished. It is not an easy task. In disputed



issues, the chairman simply cannot find a friend. It can be a very lonely job. David Newburg maintained decorum and integrity as he conducted the business of DeWitt County. David had his detractors, but nobody can say that Dave didn’t give it his best.

Dave exhibited common sense and he sought to let all sides voice their opinions. Dave earned my respect and I believe the respect of all who simply want local government to work. Tell him thanks when you see him about the County. Thanks Dave. Your efforts were and are appreciated.

The political rumors had two people wanting to be chairman and a third person being touted as a compromise. The county board met Monday night, and it appears there has been some work behind the scenes going on.

Dan Matthews was nominated by current board Chairman Terry Ferguson to be the new

chairman. There were no other nominations. Dan Matthews is now the County Board Chairman.

The way this went down, it appears the members want to have a consensus board and not have the dissension that we have seen at times lately. Chairman Matthews has several issues that concern the county and he has a new board, of which five members are first time board members.

There is going to be a significant learning curve for all involved. While the board needs to move forward with the county’s business, the public needs to back off with the criticism and let the board get into its game plan.

The new chairman was a very active board member in the past and he has voiced a desire to lead by committee actions. That structure can certainly work, but it will take time for each committee to develop its goals.

The board, by nominating Matthews, has indicated a willingness to work together. Give them some space and time. Let’s see what the future holds for DeWitt County.

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BIBLE TRIVIA

By Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Bethlehem in the Old or New Testament or neither?

2. Where did the angel Gabriel appear to Mary saying, "Blessed art thou among women"? Nazareth, Tyre, Ninevah, Gazi

3. With perhaps two different biblical answers, who was the father of Joseph? Jacob/Heli, Gideon/Ishmael, Solomon/Nahum, Samuel/Pilate

4. Which Old Testament prophet predicted Jesus would be born in Bethlehem? Amos, Obadiah, Micah, Nahum

5. For the journey to Bethlehem, how did Mary and Joseph travel? Bible not specific, Cart, Rode donkey, Small raft

6. Which of these wasn't a gift from the wise men (Magi)? Silver, Myrrh, Gold, Frankincense

ANSWERS: (1) Neither. (2) Nazareth, (3) Jacob/Heli (Matthew 1:16, Luke 3:23), (4) Micah, (5) Bible not specific, (6) Silver

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BIBLE WORD SEARCH

Benefit for Dove at First Church of the Nazarene on Sunday, 6 p.m.

CLINTON — The Clinton First Church of the Nazarene will host a benefit for Dove starting at 6 p.m. on Sunday, December 11 at the church on Kleemann Drive. Choirs from four Clinton Churches, the Nazarene Church, Clinton United Methodist Church,

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Christmas Eve Candlelight Service — Saturday, December 24th at 5:00pm.

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December 25, 2022 9:00 AM

Richland Community College Foundation honors former president with Howard Brown Society

DECATUR – The Richland Community College Foundation is creating a new giving program called The Howard Brown Society, both to honor the memory of the former college president and celebrate the college’s 50th anniversary. Dr. Howard Brown was an active man in the Decatur community. In just four years serving as President of the College (1985-1989), he and his team both established a permanent location for the college and brought the Foundation to its full potential.

In his memoir, Dr. Howard Brown stated, “One of my proudest accomplishments at Richland was to resurrect the College Foundation and raise approximately three and a half millions of dollars before I retired from the College.”

To honor Brown’s vision and celebrate Richland’s 50th Anniversary, the Richland Community College Foundation is announcing the Howard Brown Society with a goal of increasing philanthropic revenues by supporting operational needs, student success and capital priorities. The Foundation has set a goal of inducting 50 inaugural members into the Howard Brown Society. By reaching this goal, we aim to continue the growth that President Brown symbolized when he led Richland Community

College.

As part of Richland’s 50th anniversary celebration, the Foundation is aiming to induct 50 inaugural members into the Howard Brown Society to provide financial support for multiple areas at Richland Community College, including supporting operational needs, student success and capital priorities.

Membership begins with

an annual gift of \$5,000 or a \$10,000 endowed pledge paid over a three-year period. Based on the level of giving, members will have unique stewardship opportunities. Gifts to the Foundation and the Howard Brown Society are tax-deductible as allowed by federal income tax law.

Julie Melton, Executive Director of the Richland Community College Foundation, shared that

“the Howard Brown Society will continue the vision of former President Howard E. Brown and change the lives of generations of Richland students for years to come.”

For more information on joining the Howard Brown Society, visit www.richland.edu/HBS or contact the Richland Community College Foundation at 217-875-7200 ext. 6209.

Eastern Illinois Foodmobile in Clinton January 21

Contact: Sophie Becker, Eastern Illinois Foodbank, 217-328-3663

When: Jan. 21 from 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Where: Clinton American Legion, 219 N. Elizabeth St, Clinton

Eastern Illinois Foodbank (EIF) will distribute food to area families facing food insecurity. The distribution will be held at the Clinton American Legion (219 N. Elizabeth St.) in Clinton, on Jan. 21, 2023 from 9:30 – 10:30am

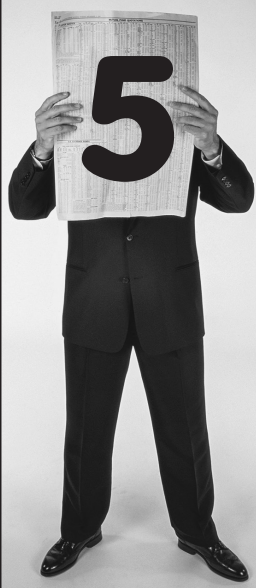
and is open to residents of DeWitt County. Those attending are asked to bring boxes or bags to transport food. The distribution is part of the Foodbank’s Foodmobile Program, a system of mobile food pantries designed to help bring nutritious food to rural or underserved areas. Those planning to attend should pre-register at www{EIFclient.com, although doing so does not guarantee a place in line. Income guidelines are as follows:

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| 5 | \$61,360 | \$5,113 | \$2,557 | \$2,360 | \$1,180 |
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Hearing Notice
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Notice of Proposed Property Tax Increase for Clinton Unit School District 15 I. A public hearing to approve a proposed property tax levy increase for Clinton Unit School District 15 for 2022 will be held on December 20th, 2022, at 6:30 at Clinton Junior High School. Any person desiring to appear at the public hearing and present testimony to the taxing district may contact Drew Goebel, Assistant Superintendent, 1210 Highway 54 West Clinton, IL 61727. Phone number: 217-935-8321. The corporate and special purpose property taxes extended or abated for 2021 were \$15,778,668.34. The proposed corporate and special purpose property taxes to be levied for 2022 are \$17,857,643. This represents a 13.18% increase over the previous year. III. The property taxes extended for debt service and public building commission leases for 2021 were 2,120,999.71. The estimated property taxes to be levied for debt service and public building commission leases for 2022 are \$1,590,896. This represents a 24.99% decrease over the previous year. IV. The total property taxes extended or abated for 2021 were \$17,899,668.05. The estimated total property taxes to be levied for 2022 are \$19,448,539. This represents an 8.65% increase over the previous year.

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CLINTON Journal Sports



Photos Marc Rogers / Journal
The Lady Maroons Lilah Cluver (#11) running out the last few seconds with the lead well in hand.

Lady Maroons' varsity clobbers Lady Redskins

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CLINTON — After going 1-3 in the homespun Turkey Tussle, the Lady Maroons have the regular season well in hand.

The first regular season conference game was on a chilly Thursday, December 1, against the Lady Redskins of Sullivan.

The varsity teams arrived on the hardwood with Clinton producing a shocker for the home crowd.

After the closeness of the earlier JV loss, the Lady Maroons' varsity came out and clobbered the Lady Redskins in the first quarter 16-8.

The Lady Maroons were in double figures in all

quarters, while the opposition was only in double figures in the third quarter after halftime.

As it was, their short run was not close to scaring the Lady Maroons in their quest for a win.

The Lady Maroons took this game easily 49-34.

The home team was led by Avery Smith (#12) with 18 points, assisted by Regan Filkin (#3) with 10 points. The Lady Maroons have now begun regular season play 2-0 and 1-0 in conference. (Overall, including the Turkey Tussle, the team is 3-3, 1-1 in conference.)

The junior varsity game was a tough start for the Lady Maroons, temporarily stifled in their attack, and the defense was suffering



The beginning of overtime in the junior varsity game against Sullivan.

as a result.

Down a few points at the end of the first quarter, the home team bounced back to within one point of the visitors at halftime.

At the end of the third quarter, the Lady Maroons found a spark to light their

fire, and they led by 5 points. The lead was brief as the Lady Redskins battled back to tie the game in regulation at 35 points each.

The game went into a three-minute overtime for the exhausted teams. The Lady Redskins had the

most left in their tanks as they outscored the Lady Maroons 8-5 in the overtime to win the game 43-40.

The Lady Maroons were led by Alania Helfand (#20) with 12 points.

Maroons

start season with 4-1

success

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CLINTON — The Clinton Maroons have been doing well this season, most of their games so far being on the road.

The team began the season at Mt. Pulaski in the 9th Annual Bill Rucks Memorial Thanksgiving Tournament. As in the Lady Maroons Turkey Tussle, there were two pools with each team play their pool partners and then going on to face the other pools team with a matching record.

The Maroons made it through the pool play by beating the Edinburg Wildcats 60-39, then the Illini Central Cougars 60-39, and finally the Warrensburg/Latham Cardinals 50-48. That placed the Maroons in the Championship game against the Auburn Trojans.

This turned out to be an exciting, yet disappointing, game as the home town Maroons fought back from a 19-point deficit to tie the game in regulation and then lose at the end by 1-point on a 3-point buzzer-beater by the Trojans.

Still, it put the Maroons at 3-1 on the season.

For the Maroons, Dawson Graves and Mason Walker made the all-tournament team.

To follow, the Maroons went to Olympia to face the Spartans on their home hardwood.

The Maroons have met the Spartans many times, and this one went in the Maroons' favor, coming out on top with a 58-50 win.

This gives the Maroons a 4-1 start to the season.





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Tolono Unity won the jump ball, but lost focus.

Lady Maroons teams control Lady Rockets for wins at home

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CLINTON — In their season opener at home this year, the Lady Maroons faced an ever-tough team in the Tolono Unity Lady Rockets.

The junior varsity (JV) teams took early precedence of the evening. The Lady Maroons took the early lead, although slim, and held on for the rest of the game. The Lady Rockets

tried to make several runs for the lead, but at the end of each quarter the Lady Maroons still held the lead.

The Lady Maroons won this outing 38-27.

Next up were the varsity teams. This game was not as close as it seemed as the Lady Maroons again took control of the game and held the lead throughout the evening. Here, as in the JV game, the Lady Maroons led at each step of the game.

Although the point-

spread was not as large as the earlier game, it had the same affect on the opposition. They could not find the chink in the Lady Maroons armor, no matter what they tried.

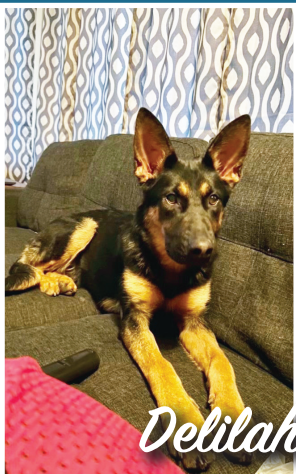
The Lady Maroons won this match-up 49-40. The Lady Maroons were led by Regan Filkin (#3) with 13 points, closely followed by Clara Dempsey (#0) with 11 points and Avey Smith (#12) with 10 points.



In the JV game, Maddison (Filkin) Nettles makes her coaching debut advising sister.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DEWITT COUNTY - CLINTON ILLINOIS
Nations Direct Mortgage, LLC Plaintiff, vs. Daniel R. Long, AKA Daniel Long Defendants. Case No. 2022FC11 1206 East Main Street, Clinton, IL 61727

NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause on August 31, 2022, Jered Shofner will on December 28, 2022, at the hour of 10:00AM at the DeWitt County Sheriff's Office, 101 W. Washington Street (Lobby), Clinton, IL 61727, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:

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Attorneys for Plaintiff
One East Wacker, Suite 1250 Chicago, IL 60601 Telephone: 312-651-6700 Fax: 614-220-5613 Attorney. No.: 6220416 Email: StateEFiling@manleydeas.com Case Number: 22-002355 I3207479

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West 1/2 of Lot 1 in Block 1 in Wilson's Addition to the City of Clinton, situated in the City of Clinton, situated in the County of DeWitt, in the State of Illinois. Commonly known as 1206 East Main Street, Clinton, IL 61727 Parcel Number(s): 07-35-135-002

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STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DE WITT COUNTY -- IN PROBATE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

REBECCA L. HAREMAKER, Deceased

NO. 2022-PR-34

DEATH AND CLAIM DATE NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of Rebecca L. Haremaker of Wapella, Illinois, on July 25, 2022. Letters of office were issued on November 16, 2022, to Werner P. Haremaker, III, 115 E. Main Street, Clinton, Illinois 61727 as Independent Administrator, whose attorney of record is L. Drew Hickey, Bolen, Robinson & Ellis, LLP, 202 South Franklin Street, 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 Administrator, or both, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice, except any creditor to whom the Independent Administrator 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 stated in that notice. Any claim not 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 Administrator 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 ILCS 5/28-4) of the Illinois Probate Act, any interested person terminates Independent Administration at any time by mailing or delivering a Petition to Terminate to the Clerk.

Werner P. Haremaker, III, Independent Administrator By Bolen, Robinson & Ellis, LLP By L. Drew Hickey, His Attorney

L. Drew Hickey - ARDC No. 6303586 BOLEN ROBINSON & ELLIS, LLP 202 South Franklin, 2nd Floor Decatur, Illinois 62523 Telephone: 217.429.4296 Fax: 217.329.0034 E-mail: dchickey@brelaw.com

Legal 19642 December 9, 16 and 23, 2022

LEGAL

In the Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Lincoln, Logan County, Illinois

In the Matter of the North Branch Lake Fork Special Drainage District in the Counties of Logan, Macon and DeWitt, State of Illinois, and Sub-Districts 2, 3, 4 and 5.

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NOTICE The Drainage Commissioners of the above-named Drainage District have filed their Annual Financial Report which shall be approved by the Court unless any owner of land within such Drainage District files an objection to said Report with the Clerk of the Court within ten days after the publication of this notice.

/s/ Kelly Elias
Circuit Clerk

Legal 19643
December 9, 2022

LEGAL

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

DEWITT COUNTY - IN PROBATE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF EVELYN C. HARPENAU, DECEASED

NO.: 2022-PR-36

CLAIM DATE
NOTICE - INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION

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

Letters of Office were issued on November 22, 2022 to Paul Harpenau, 20981 SR 37, Branchville, Indiana 47514 as independent executor. The attorney for the estate is Bryce A. Lynch of Taylor & Lynch, 216 South Center Street, P.O. Box 478, Clinton, Illinois, 61727.

Claims may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court at the DeWitt County Courthouse,

201 West Washington Street, Clinton, Illinois, 61727, or with the attorney for the estate who also acts as the registered agent for the executor, said agent and attorney being Bryce A. Lynch of Taylor & Lynch, for the services of claims or other designated matter, or both on or before June 12, 2023. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of the claim filed with the Clerk of the Court must be mailed or delivered to the attorney for the estate which also acts as the registered agent for the estate, Bryce A. Lynch of Taylor & Lynch and file with the clerk proof of such mailing or delivery within 10 days after it is filed.

The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless an interested party terminates independent administration by filing a petition to terminate under Section 28-4 of the Illinois Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/28-4). A form of a petition to terminate independent administration may be obtained from the Clerk of the Court at the above address.

Dated this 29th day of November, 2022

Paul R. Harpenau, independent executor of the estate of Evelyn C. Harpenau, Deceased

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December 9, 16 and 23, 2022

LEGAL

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS

DE WITT COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF BARNETT SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT COUNTY OF DEWITT, STATE OF ILLINOIS

NO. 50-TX-1

IN THE MATTER OF CLINTONIA SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT, COUNTY OF DEWITT, STATE OF ILLINOIS

NO. 53-TX-11

IN THE MATTER OF CLINTONIA UNION DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 1 OF THE TOWNS OF CLINTONIA AND WAPELLA, COUNTY OF DEWITT AND STATE OF ILLINOIS

NO. 97-TX-6

IN THE MATTER OF COON CREEK DRAINAGE DISTRICT, COUNTY OF DEWITT, STATE OF ILLINOIS

NO. 96-TX-5

IN THE MATTER OF CREEK UNION DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 1 OF THE COUNTIES OF DEWITT AND MACON STATE OF ILLINOIS

NO. 53-TX-168

IN THE MATTER OF FRIENDS

CREEK SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT OF THE COUNTIES OF DEWITT AND PIATT IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS

NO. 52-TX-56

IN THE MATTER OF MUTUAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 1 OF MAROA, ILLINOIS, COUNTIES OF DEWITT AND MACON AND STATE OF ILLINOIS

NO. 64-TX-2

IN THE MATTER OF NIXON SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT COUNTIES OF DEWITT & MACON, STATE OF ILLINOIS

NO. 53-TX-30

IN THE MATTER OF PRAIRIE CENTER DRAINAGE DISTRICT, COUNTY OF DEWITT, STATE OF ILLINOIS

NO. 53-TX-10

IN THE MATTER OF TEN MILE CREEK OUTLET DRAINAGE DISTRICT, COUNTY OF DEWITT AND STATE OF ILLINOIS

NO. 53-TX-1

IN THE MATTER OF TEXAS CREEK UNION DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 1 OF THE TOWNS OF TEXAS AND CREEK, IN THE COUNTY OF DEWITT AND STATE OF ILLINOIS

NO. 56-TX-171

IN THE MATTER OF WAPELLA UNION DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 2 OF THE TOWNS OF WAPELLA AND CLINTONIA, IN THE COUNTY OF DEWITT AND STATE OF ILLINOIS

NO. 58-TX-1

IN THE MATTER OF WILSON TOWNSHIP DRAINAGE DISTRICT COUNTY OF DEWITT, STATE OF ILLINOIS

NO. 50-TX-69

NOTICE

The commissioners of the above drainage districts have filed in the above cases, respectively, their Annual Financial Reports which will be approved by the above court unless the owners of land in the respective districts file objections to the reports with the Clerk of this Court within 10 days after the publication of this notice.

MICHELLE VAN VALEY
Clerk

This Notice Prepared By:
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STATE OF ILLINOIS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

DEWITT COUNTY, CLINTON, ILLINOIS

IN THE MATTER OF THE RUTLEDGE-EMPIRE DRAINAGE DISTRICT OF THE COUNTIES OF DEWITT AND MCLEAN, IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS

Case No. 52-TX-121

NOTICE OF FILING OF ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT OF COMMISSIONERS

TO ALL PARTIES INTERESTED:

TAKE NOTICE that on the 28th day of November, 2022, the Commissioners of the RUTLEDGE-EMPIRE DRAINAGE DISTRICT filed their Annual Financial Report, under oath, with the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the Sixth Judicial Circuit, DeWitt County, Illinois, in the office of said Clerk at the DeWitt County Courthouse, Clinton, Illinois. This report covers the period November 1, 2021, through Octo-

ber 31, 2022.

without hearing.

DATED at Clinton, Illinois, this 28th day of November, 2022.

Michelle Van Valey,
Circuit Clerk
DeWitt County, Illinois

By: /s/ Michelle Van Valey
Deputy Clerk

(SEAL)

Circuit Court, Sixth Judicial Circuit, DeWitt County, Illinois

Hunt Henderson
Attorney for Commissioners of Rutledge-Empire Drainage District
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Further Take Notice that any owner of land within the District may file an objection to said report with the Clerk of said Court within ten (10) days after the date that this notice is published. 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 talk with your local circuit clerk's office.

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6. Visit USPS Operation Santa online: Get all the news and information you need at uspsoperationsanta.com. Find information on adopting a

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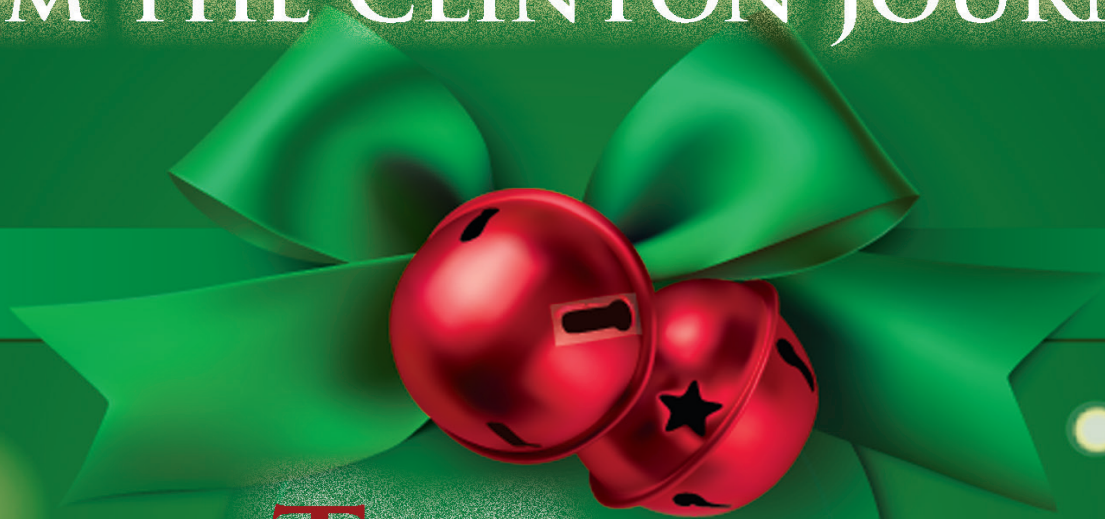
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