

# Some trees banned, but not yet by code

### **Gordon Woods**

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CLINTON – Clinton resident Robert Kreitler returned on Tuesday to the city council to address commissioners. Kreitler questioned the legitimacy of an ordinance violation notice he recently received.

Kreitler reported during the last city council meeting he received a violation notice from the city code enforcement officer to clean up brush on his property. He expressed frustration with what he felt was not sufficient time to correct the issue.

On Tuesday, Kreitler questioned if an order he received to remove mulberry trees from his yard was legitimate.

"When officer Woliung came down to my property and was pointing out what was illegal down there, he said mulberry trees are illegal in the city," Kreitler said.

Larry Woliung is the city's code enforcement officer.

Kreitler said the only reference in city code he could find about prohibited plants was the barberry bush. Barberry shrubs produce a berry often used in medicinal



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# CHS Homecoming Court 2022

Clinton High School selected its court, king and queen last week for this year's homecoming. *Seated, left to right*, Alyssa Hart, Emmaleigh Leach, Chloe Barth and Makenna Rauch. *Standing, left to right*, Brett Young, Isaac Webb, Savannah Burton (Queen), Brody Wilson (King), Hayden Clark and Riley Freeman.

# How a third consecutive La Nina could affect Illinois' winter

### **Kevin Bessler** The Center Square

(The Center Square) – For a third year in a row, it appears the country will see a La Nina weather pattern, but its effect on Illinois' winter remains to be seen.

This is the first time in the 21st century that the meteorological system over the Pacific Ocean has returned for three consecutive years. The system occurs when strong winds blow warm water on the surface of the Pacific Ocean, resulting in cooler water rising to the surface.

According to the World Meteorological

Organization, "the worsening drought in the Horn of Africa and southern South America bears the hallmarks of La Nina, as does the above average rainfall in Southeast Asia." Illinois State Climatologist Trent Ford said La Nina winters in Illinois tend to have a mild start.

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supplements.

"I'm not seeing anything in here where it says I can't have trees on the property here," he said.

Kreitler said the only reference was to grass over eight inches tall and brush declared a nuisance.

"When it's as big around as my arm, that's not brush, that's a tree."

Mayor Roger Cyrulik referred the question to commissioner John Wise, a member of the Clinton Tree Commission.

Wise said the commission had compiled a list of trees residents were prohibited from planting.

"They're not legally planted in Clinton anymore because the berries produce a nuisance for the neighbors or the big, sticky balls from sweet gums plug up drains, sycamores have that dust and dirt ...," Wise said.

Wise said the Tree Commission established the list through guidance from Tree USA.

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# *Entries sought for FC parade*

FARMER CITY — The organizers of the annual Farmer City Christmas parade seek entries for this years parade, Sunday, November 20.

The theme for this year's parade is "Christmas in Who-ville."

The parade is sponsored by the Farmer City Chamber of Commerce and is traditionally one of the largest Christmas parades in central Illinois. Perennial entries include high school bands, Shriners, holiday floats and former WCIA Channel 3 weather forecaster Judy Fraser.

Individuals and groups are encouraged to enter this year's parade, scheduled to start from the Farmer City Fairgrounds at 2 p.m. on November 20.

Interested entrants should contact Chad Wills, parade chairman, at (309) 386-2791. Also, visit the Farmer City Christmas parade Facebook page for additional information.

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## Weldon Springs State park turns 75

Weldon Springs Foundation hosted a reception on Saturday marking the 75th anniversary of Weldon Springs becoming a state park.



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# Hawthorne Inn marks supportive living week

Residents of Hawthorne Inn, Clinton, gathered outside on Sept. 16 to mark National Supportive Living Week with their annual balloon release. Weather cooperated this year with clear sunny skies and some good lift for the balloons.

## **Costs** / from page A1

As seekers of truth we believe in transparency. That's why we are letting you know about an increase in our rates. We also are giving you a chance to renew at discounted rates before the price hike goes into effect on November 1.

It also should be noted that it wasn't the decision of the fine people who work at this great newspaper to raise prices. They are just following orders from the "corporate" office, which is where I work.

I wrote this column to put a face to "corporate." I'm a husband, parent, volunteer – just like the people who work at this newspaper. But I love newspapers and have worked in the business since 1990.

People who work at this newspaper have been known to take a hit on the sidelines in order to get a good photo at a football game. We have visited accident scenes that still haunt us. We've asked hard questions at public meetings. We've ignored advice from elected officials and major advertisers about the ramifications of publishing a controversial story on the front page.

Having that kind of courage is part of the business. Yet, when it

in stride. Others of you may have to make a choice. Once you consider all that you get for your money—local news and sports you won't find anywhere else, opinions, legal notices, comics, columns, weather, photos, advertisements, classified ads, horoscopes—we hope you'll choose to invest in your local newspaper.

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comes to raising our subscription rates, let's just say that we have been less than courageous.

Bless those of you who have to have your local newspaper and will take the subscription increase

These are tough times for the newspaper industry.

worked for News Media Corporation, the company that owns this newspaper, since 1999. He currently serves as NMC's Chief Operating Officer.

Courtesy of DeWitt County Genealogical Society

### Adcock honored for long service to Genealogical Society

Betty Adcock was honored recently for her many years of dedication to the DeWitt County Genealogical Society. She has decided to step down from a full time roll in the society, though she will continue to contribute to the Quarterly and Newsletter, both of which she has authored for close to 50 years. A small party was held Tuesday, Sept. 13 at Vespasian Warner Library to recognize her many contributions.



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### FNBT's Hilliard graduates from Community Bankers School

CLINTON Rhett \_ Hillard, assistant vice president of consumer credit with First National Bank and Trust Company, recently graduated from The Community Bankers School sponsored by Community Bankers Association of Illinois held at Illinois Wesleyan University in Bloomington. The school is a two-week intensive course offered in a twoyear timeframe, one week each year.

Additional sponsors include Community Bankers Association of Community Georgia, Bankers of Iowa, Independence Banks of South Carolina,



Rhett Hilliard

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Virginia Association of Community Banks.

Additionally, the at of completion The Community Bankers School, Hillard received the prestigious designation of "Honor Student" which was informed by a letter to the bank's CEO. To achieve the honor student designation, an attendee must achieve 17 of 20 possible points on the two exams and three extension problems, which includes compliance, lending and investments. Attendees must also attend all classes in order to receive this recognition.

David Stanton, Community Bankers Association of Illinois committee chairman and president & CEO of People First Bank stated, "Graduates are in a better position to advance their careers in banking and to contribute to the overall successful operations of their banks and community due to this training."

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# Questions & Answers

### General

Question: How can I get a copy of my Social Security Statement?

Answer:

You can get your personal Social Security Statement online by using your personal my Social Security account. If you don't yet have an account, you can easily create one. Your online Statement gives you secure and convenient access to your earnings records. It also shows estimates for retirement, disability, and survivors benefits you and your family may be eligible for.

To set up or use your account to get your online Social Security Statement, go to www.ssa.gov/ myaccount.

We also mail Statements to workers age 60 and over who aren't receiving Social Security benefits and do not yet have a my Social Security account. We mail the Statements three months prior to your birthday.

#### Question:

I'm expecting a baby soon. What do I need to do to get a Social Security number for my baby?

#### Answer:

Apply for a number at the hospital when you apply for your baby's birth certificate. The state agency that issues birth certificates will share your



child's information with us and we will mail the Social Security card to you. You can learn more about the Social Security number and card by reading our online publication Social Security Numbers for Children, available at www.ssa.gov/pubs.

#### Retirement Question:

I am receiving Social

Security retirement benefits and I recently went back to work. Do I have to pay Social Security (FICA) taxes on my income?

#### Answer:

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### Julia Anna 'Judy' Finger

CLINTON — On September 15, 2022, at the age of 82, Julia Anna "Judy" Finger peacefully passed away with loving family members by her side. She will be forever missed by all who knew and loved her. Judy was born on June

1, 1940, to Charles E Mearida and Constance Carmen Halsey. Both preceded her in death.

Judy married Jerome "Diz" Finger on December 3, 1960, and had one son, Jeff. Diz has been waiting in Heaven with his dancing shoes ready since April 22, 2009. We are comforted knowing they're reunited and can dance in the streets of Heaven forever.

Judy was a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother, sister, and aunt who was always there when we needed her. She left her small piece of this world a better place and she touched many lives around her. She had many friends and was a well-loved member of the community of Wapella.

Left to cherish memories are her son, Jeff (Jo) Finger; her sister, Sherry



Fryman, all of Wapella; grandchildren: Bryan (Dana White) Finger, of Clinton and Michael Finger, of Waynesville; nieces, Shelley (Jimmy) Holland; Kim (Kevin) Mandrell, Kelley Fryman, and Tina Coppenbarger; nephew: Derek (Beth) Fryman, along with many great nieces and nephews.

The family has entrusted Graceland-Fairlawn Funeral Home with cremation rites. There will be a graveside service conducted on Friday, September 23, at 10 a.m. at Woodlawn Memorial Cemetery, Clinton. Pastor Steve Evans will officate.

Memorials may be made to Wapella Christian Church. Condolences may be shared with the family at www.gracelandfairlawn. com

### Rebecca Lynn Haremaker

CLINTON — Rebecca Lynn (Craig) Haremaker, 67, passed away peacefully on Monday, July 25, 2022, after a valiant fight with brain cancer.

She was born on February 14, 1955, in Springfield, to the late William and Patricia Craig.

Rebecca is survived by her husband, Werner (Duffy) Haremaker III; six children; 12 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. In addition to her husband, she is survived by brothers John (Jane) Craig; Brian (Tammy) Westendorph and sisters Nancy Schmidt; Brenda (Jim) Denise; Kay (Everett) Miller: Kathy (Rick) Mueller; Linda (Ty) Rigdon; Rose (Everrett) Boudreau; and Terri (Kerry) Flemming; numerous nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death were her parents Bill (Mary) Craig; Pat (Joe) Pargas and Inez Sidwell. Her father and motherin-law Werner and Helen Haremaker; brother Morgan Craig; brotherin-law Gary Schmidt; nephew Craig Ulrich and great nieces Halley and



Hannah Mueller.

Rebecca had a very fulfilling career at The Baby Fold as an executive administrative assistant for many years.

She was always up for a challenge, whether it be rehabbing their residence to learning how to weld, driving race cars and RVs. She enjoyed going to auctions with Duffy to purchase large equipment for their high-performance engine machine shop. She was also an accomplished seamstress sewing many of their clothing and drapes in their home.

Memorials may be made to The Baby Fold, in Normal.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

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



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# Scammers and the Omicron vaccine

The latest scam against seniors appears to have started the very day the new Covid omicron vaccine was announced as being approved by the Food and Drug Administration.

The call I received promised to help me get to the front of the line ... ahead of all the people who were going to be eligible at the same time. All I had to do was provide my banking information or Medicare card number so they could "hold a place" for me in the appointments. After all, the scammer said, millions of people were going to be rushing to get the vaccine. I didn't want to be left out, did I? I had a few minutes, so I decided to test the scammer's actual knowledge about the vaccine. He was fuzzy on the information and stumbled to answer, sometimes making it up as he went.



by Matilda Charles

one of these vaccine scam calls:

The truth is that not everyone is going to be eligible. Those who haven't had any previous Covid vaccines cannot get the omicron vaccine until they take the other ones. Then you have to wait two months before getting the new one. The Pfizer booster will be for those age 12 and over, with the Moderna for those 18 and up. They don't know yet about children younger than those ages. No, at this point there haven't been any clinical trials about how well the omicron version works. Mice, yes, but people, no. (Moderna and Pfizer both did mini-tests of 600 people each.) The omicron vaccine will cover not only the omicron BA.4 and BA.5 subvariants, but also the original Covid as well. It's called a "bivalent" vaccine because it covers both. But the big thing remember: These to scammers don't want to help you get the new omicron booster. They only want your personal information.



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### PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ADD SECTION 25 TO ARTICLE I OF THE ILLINOIS CONSTITUTION ARTICLE I – BILL OF RIGHTS

### SECTION 25. WORKERS' RIGHTS

(a) Employees shall have the fundamental right to organize and to bargain collectively through representatives of their own choosing for the purpose of negotiating wages, hours, and working conditions, and to protect their economic welfare and safety at work. No law shall be passed that interferes with, negates, or diminishes the right of employees to organize and bargain collectively over their wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment and work place safety, including any law or ordinance that prohibits the execution or application of agreements between employees and labor organizations that represent employees requiring membership in an organization as a condition of employment.

(b) The provisions of this Section are controlling over those of Section 6 of Article VII.

### **EXPLANATION**

The proposed amendment, which takes effect upon approval by the voters, adds Section 25 to the Bill of Rights Article of the Illinois Constitution. The new section will guarantee workers the fundamental right to organize and to bargain collectively and to negotiate safety conditions, wages, hours, working conditions, and economic welfare. The amendment prohibits the passage of any new law within the State that restricts or prohibits workers from engaging in collective bargaining with their employer over wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment, like safety protocols or training.

### Arguments In Favor of the Proposed Amendment

This amendment will protect workers' and others' safety. That includes guaranteeing nurses' right to put patient care ahead of profit and making sure construction workers can speak up when there's a safety issue. It will protect workers from being silenced when they call attention to food safety threats, shoddy construction, and other problems that could harm Illinoisans. This amendment protects firefighters and EMTs who put their lives on the line to protect Illinoisans. It means they get the training and safety equipment they need to do their jobs, and can speak out when they see a problem without fear of retaliation. This amendment will help our economy by putting more money in workers' pockets who join together and get raises. That will mean more money going into our communities and small businesses as people join the middle class with good-paying jobs.

### **Arguments Against the Proposed Amendment**

A fundamental right provided to all citizens under the First Amendment of the United States Constitution is the right to free speech and freedom of association. This amendment prohibits any law or ordinance that allows union workers to choose whether they wish to be a member of the union or not. Under the 2018 United States Supreme Court decision Janus v. Illinois AFSCME, non-union government workers cannot be required to pay union dues as a condition of working in the public sector. Approval of this constitutional amendment will deny that protection to private sector workers. The amendment also states that lawmakers could never "interfere with, negate, or diminish" certain rights. These terms are broad and undefined and leave lawmakers without the ability to clarify through legislation. Our Illinois Constitution provides such protection to public employees. The result of that protection has been to squash efforts by state lawmakers and voters to address Illinois' pension fund deficits.

### FORM OF BALLOT

### Proposed Amendment to the 1970 Illinois Constitution

### **Explanation of Amendment**

The proposed amendment would add a new section to the Bill of Rights Article of the Illinois Constitution that would guarantee workers the fundamental right to organize and to bargain collectively and to negotiate wages, hours, and working conditions, and to promote their economic welfare and safety at work. The new amendment would also prohibit from being passed any new law that interferes with, negates, or diminishes the right of employees to organize and bargain collectively over their wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment and workplace safety. At the general election to be held on November 8, 2022, you will be called upon to decide whether the proposed amendment should become part of the Illinois Constitution.

YES

### CAPITOL BUILDING SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

I, Jesse White, Secretary of the State of Illinois, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Proposed Amendment, the Explanation of the Proposed Amendment, Arguments in Favor of the Amendment and Arguments Against the Amendment and a true copy of the Form of Ballot for this call as the regularly scheduled general election on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, as set forth in compliance with the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix the Great Seal of the State of Illinois, Done in the City of Springfield, this sixth day of September, 2022.

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Jesse White Secretary of State

The link below has information about a proposed constitutional amendment that will be considered at the November 8, 2022 general election.

以下连结提供将在2022年11月8日大选中提出拟议的宪法修正案相关信息。

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Poniższy link zawiera informacje na temat proponowanej zmiany konstytucyjnej, która zostanie rozpatrzona w wyborach powszechnych w dniu 8 listopada 2022 r.

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1951 - The first transcontinental telecast was received on the west coast. The show "Crusade for Freedom" was broadcast by CBS-TV from New York.

1952 - The first Pay Television sporting event took place. The Marciano-Walcott fight was seen in 49 theaters in 31 cities.

1952 - Richard Nixon gave his "Checkers Speech". At the time he was a candidate for U.S. vice-president.

1953 - "The Robe" premiered in Hollywood a week after its premiere in New York. The 20th Century Fox movie had been filmed using the Cinemascope wide screen process.

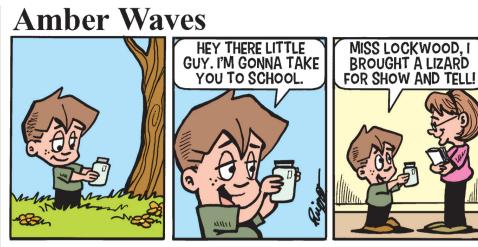
1957 - Nine black students withdrew from Little Rock Central High School in Arkansas due to the white mob outside.

1962 - New York's Philharmonic Hall opened. It was the first unit of the Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts. The hall was later renamed the Avery Fisher Hall.

1962 - "The Jetsons" premiered on ABC-TV. It was the first program on the network to be carried in color.

1964 - The new ceiling painting of the Paris Opera house was unveiled. The work was done by Russian-born artist Marc Chagall.

1973 - Overthrown Argentine president Juan Peron was returned to power. He had been overthrown in 1955. His wife, Eva Duarte, was the subject of the musical "Evita."



# Apple 'N Pork 2022

For over 50 years, the Apple and Pork festival held on the last full weekend of September has defined Clinton. I have lived in Clinton and DeWitt County since 1990, and I am still amazed how one weekend can define a community.

We had moved to town and rented a house on far western Woodlawn near Route 51. Thirty two years ago I was driving between Sesser, Springfield and Clinton on an almost daily basis. I simply didn't drive by the Homestead and had no clue what Apple and Pork was all about. On Saturday morning my wife sends me to Dave's to get a gallon of milk.

I will always remember running into a traffic jam worthy of Chicago at rush hour. I finally got that gallon of milk and went home to a wife who asked me what took so long. Do you have any idea how difficult it is to explain to your wife that you were stuck in a traffic jam in Clinton, Illinois?

It wasn't until we attended church services the next day that we learned what Apple & Pork was all about. Unfortunately, we did not attend the festival that first year in town. That would change as we became more involved in the community.

That second year in town I would be parking cars for the Christian Church's programs. I got to observe the festival and was greatly impressed. Many towns have festivals and those events are important to those communities. My observations were festivals that those actually benefitted one two organizations or in the community. We moved here from Sesser, Illinois. Sesser has its Homecoming festival every June. The multiday event is well attended and certainly benefits the community. However, the festival is sponsored by and for the benefit of the Homecoming Association.

Don't misunderstand me, the Homecoming Association does many things to benefit the community of Sesser, but it is one organization. Apple & Pork was different. Yes, the Homestead was the impetus and primary sponsor, but it was so different from the festivals that I was familiar with.

Give credit to the group that started Apple & Pork and set in motion this wonderful festival. Individuals like John Viers



and Tom Bray and so many others. This was to be a community wide event that celebrated the harvest and the community. The Homestead was a focal point of the fundraising, but all nonprofits were invited to participate in the festival. Everybody was to benefit.

The Homestead may have been the umbrella, but each organization was afforded the opportunity to excel and fund its programs. The concept was marvelous and all organizations benefited. For over 50 years the model has worked and it should readily reach the century mark, provided no one messes with the model.

When I go back to Onarga and Thawville where I grew up I am asked about Apple & Pork. At the courthouse in Lincoln, I have been asked every Thursday for the last several weeks about Apple and Pork and what the dates were this year. This festival is known throughout Illinois. A town of 7500 swells to 80 to 100,000 for a two day festival. That is unheard of, but it is the reality of Apple and Pork. Those community minded men and women in the 1960's developed the best promotion possible for Clinton and DeWitt County. They invited central Illinois to come and celebrate the harvest and have a great time.

by Dave T. Phipps

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1999 - Siegfried & Roy received a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

# Homeless veterans still need help

Right about now the weather is cooling off. Or, if it hasn't, it soon will. Before we know it, hard winter will be upon us. As of this year, there are 38,000 homeless veterans who will be living outside in that weather.

Homeless people make up 7% of the population, but 13% of the homeless population are veterans. Over half have a disability. Nearly three-quarters have substance abuse problems. Fully half are over the age of 50. Kind of makes you think, doesn't it?

Despite all the programs the Department of Veterans Affairs has come up with to reduce homelessness. veteran our comrades are still out there by the thousands. Large dollars are budgeted for this, grants handed out to community homeless advocacy groups, studies done, numbers arranged in neat columns on printouts, meetings held -- and the numbers just don't go down an appreciable amount. In fact, the point-in-time (PIT) count numbers (every homeless veteran counted in a single day) for the past several years have been inching upward, despite all the efforts to manage the problem.



### by Freddy Groves

We, on either an individual or group basis, need to step up.

Start by making calls. Call Voluntary Services at the closest VA hospital and ask what they need. Hook up with the CEC (community employment coordinator) at the hospital and offer your help. Work at a Stand Down. Sign up to drive veterans to medical appointments and job interviews.

On a smaller level, band

with others and prepare to open your wallets just a little bit. Remember: While what we do might seem negligible in the whole range of efforts, it won't be a small thing for the veteran who gets a thick winter coat, some dry socks, a ride to the VA clinic or your skills in drafting up a resume.

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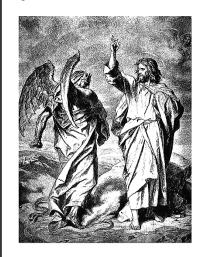
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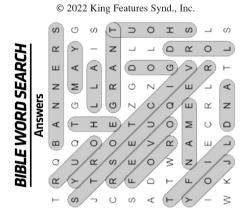
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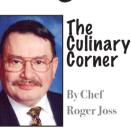
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# Wrap or bag it

delights. Let us right the wrong.

Much of what we do that is wrong is done out of ignorance. It is then important for us to learn better ways. There are those that will buy packaged meat from the grocery store's refrigerated section and directly store it in their freezer at home. Keep in mind that these items are packaged for immediate use. They are therefore packaged with cheap materials. The plastic film that is used is very thin. To freeze them, you will need to use butcher's paper and tape. There are also plastic freezer bags you can purchase that normally come in quart, half gallon and gallon sizes. One can buy paper that is specifically made for freezing and called "freezer paper". To use it, you need to make a "locking fold" and then create "pig ears" at the end, then fold the pig ears over the locking fold and securely seal with freezer tape. A locking fold is merely to bring the side seams together and fold over several times until snug against the food. The pig ears are simply folding the ends to a point like a pig's ear. The ends are done similar to wrapping a Christmas present. Regarding plastic bags, be careful as to the type. The packaging looks alike but one type might be storage bags. Make sure the box indicates that the bags are for freezing foods. Storage bags do not seal as well. When it comes to freezing, seals are very important. When preparing the purchased food for



freezing, there is no need to remove the food from the store's packaging. Simply place package and all into the freezer bag or wrapped it in the butcher's paper. If plastic bags are used, be sure they are dry inside and out. If you put a wet one in the freezer, it can freeze itself to another food package or to the freezer itself. If wet inside, the plastic will freeze to the product. If readjust packages in the freezer or remove an item, it can rip open the package and you loose the seal. freezer Insure air circulation. The cold air needs to circulate unencumbered. Тоо many items added at room temperature will draw the freezing affect away from surrounding items. This raises the temperature and partially thaws other items. Rule of thumb is to add no more than three pounds worth at a time per cubic food of freezer space. After putting food in the freezer, it is best to allow the freezer to regain its temperature setting before adding anything more. Twenty four hours should be enough time. Always keep a thermometer inside the freezer unit to monitor it.

### **BIBLE TRIVIA**

By Wilson Casey

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

2. "Holy One of Israel" is most often used in which book to describe the Lord? Hosea, Revelation, Judges, Isaiah

3. King Solomon had his carriage's seat upholstered in what color? Gold, White, Red, Purple

4. What insect does Proverbs 6 tell lazy people to learn from? Ants, Flies, Gnats, Locusts

5. Mahlon, a son of Elimelech, was whose first husband? Ruth, Hannah, Esther, Deborah

6. In Revelation 1:3. "Blessed is he that ..."? Thinks, Sleeps, Saveth, Readeth

ANSWERS: 1) Old, 2) Isaiah, 3) Purple, 4) Ants, 5) Ruth, 6) Readeth

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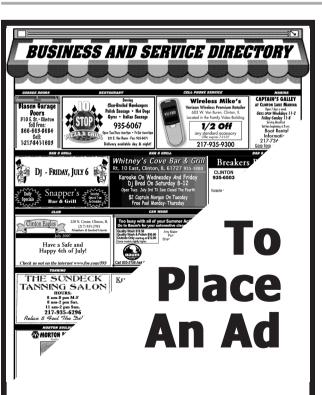
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# Weldon Springs State Park turns 75

Weldon Springs Foundation hosted a reception on Saturday marking the 75th anniversary of Weldon Springs becoming a state park.

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# Hawthorn Inn annual car show

Hawthorne Inn hosted its annual car show on Saturday. About 20-25 vehicles were on display.







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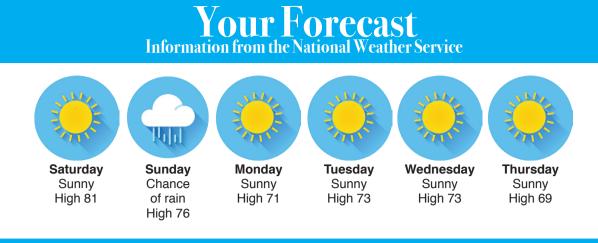
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# WEATHER





### Weather History

### September 24

1881: A tornado touched down in Brown County near Clayton, and moved northeast to Camden, in western Schuyler County. 33 of the 39 homes in Camden were damaged or destroyed. One person was killed, and 10 injured.

### September 25

1942: A winter storm brought some of the earliest

measurable snow on record to the Midwest. In central Illinois, Galesburg and Minonk each reported 2 inches of snow, with 1.5 inches at Princeville. Peoria reported a full inch of snow, the earliest snowfall on record and a record total for the month of September. Springfield reported a few flurries, marking the only time it has snowed in the capital city in September, since weather records began in 1879.

# La Nina / from page A1

"Because of those mild temperatures, we don't have a tremendous amount of snow, and then they tend to be backloaded, so all of the winter weather that people prepare for tends to come in the latter part in January and February, maybe even into March as opposed to the first part," Ford said.

Temperatures across parts of Illinois last year were 7 to 10 degrees warmer than normal, making it one of the warmest Decembers on record. It was over 50 degrees in Chicago on Christmas Eve.

The warmer conditions made the atmosphere ripe for storms on Dec. 10, 2021, when an EF-3 tornado touched down in Edwardsville, causing a warehouse to collapse, killing six workers.

Ford said the La Nina weather pattern may mean more precipitation this winter for some areas of the state.

"For at least the southern half of Illinois and much of the southern part of the Midwest, it is wetter than normal in wintertime," Ford said.

For the rest of the country, La Nina results in colder temperatures in the northwestern part of the U.S. In the southwestern part of the country, it means rain clouds are pushed out to sea, creating a drier climate.

### Trees / from page A1

"Most of the towns around us don't allow those types of trees to be planted," he said.

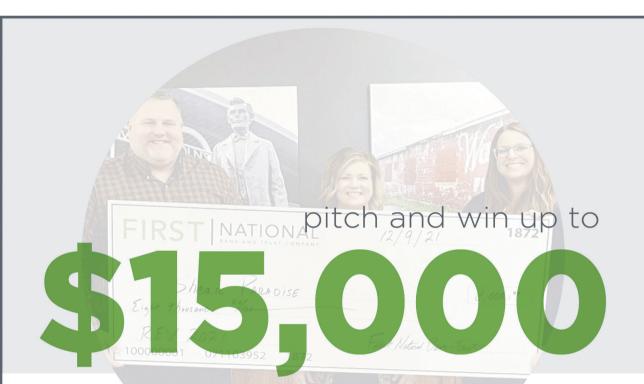
Wise added that mulberry trees generally take root because of the activities of birds.

"There are some things that are enforced through the Tree Commission that there are only certain types of trees," Wise said. "Some trees cannot be planted in the city of Clinton anymore."

He said the restrictions, however, were not yet established in the city code. "We maybe need to look at getting that into the code along with the enforcement," Wise said. "That way there's no gray area, and everybody can be on the same page. I think that's something we will be doing in the future."

"So, he's got nothing to cite me for telling me to cut down all them trees, then," Kreitler said. "He doesn't have any backing in the code for telling me that, sounds like."

Cyrulik said Kreitler could be provided with a list of the prohibited trees.



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# Journal Sports

More Maroons Sports on B5



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# Bird's eye view from 'Light it Up' night

Photographer Ed Cicenas took this drone shot of the high school's sports complex area during the recent 'Light it Up' cross country event, hosted by Clinton High School.

# Maroons play tough in homecoming loss to Raiders

### Marc Rogers jmarre@frontier.com

CLINTON - The Clinton Maroons' football team took to the turf of Sprague Field on Friday, September 16 for a match-up with the Central A&M Raiders. This was also the Maroons' Homecoming Game, a special event for the seniors as last high school homecoming.

This seemed to have the team fired up as they took the field for the first quarter. The opposition received the first kickoff and was stopped by the Maroons' defense, giving the offense a chance to work their magic. A long drive culminated in a Clinton touchdown for 6 points with 5:22 left in the quarter. A 2-point conversion was stopped by the Raiders, but Clinton was on the board. The second quarter was a no-score affair, with fumble, penalties, and general lack of either team to move the ball effectively for any prolonged period of time. The third quarter was another slow process with neither team getting a break. Then, with approximately 5:45 left in the quarter, a Maroons' punt pinned the Raiders on the one-yard line. The Maroons missed their chance by letting the Raiders get

away with a 40-yard play to avoid a touchback and more Maroons points. The rest of the period was in the trenches again with no great success by either team.

Abruptly, the tide turned in the fourth quarter, and the home team was stranded on the field. Fifteen seconds into the quarter, the Raiders made a long pass play to score 6 points and then added another point on a kick conversion. After receiving the kickoff the Maroons ended up turning over the ball on downs and with 6:56 left in the quarter the Raiders busting loose for another long play and 6 more



points. The extra point failed, but by this time, the Maroons' fate was almost sealed.

The home team offense couldn't muster another significant drive, and the defense was struggling to stop the Raiders. The Maroons got their final shot with 1:37 left in the game but failed to complete any plays.

The Raiders dashed the Maroon's hopes of a homecoming win and a .500 season, winning 13-6. The Maroons are now 1-3 on the season and next face the St. Teresa Bulldogs at home tonight, Friday, September 23.

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The Maroons take the field for their homecoming game.

# CHS Lady Maroons volleyball struggles with recent losses at home

### Marc Rogers jmarre@frontier.com

Photos Marc Rogers / Journal

CLINTON — The Lady Maroons volleyball team of Clinton High School has had its struggles early in the season. The freshman team has not had the numbers to play due to injuries and illness, and the junior varsity (JV) and varsity have not been consistent in their play.

The ladies ended August with varying results with Cerro Gordo/Bement (CGB) and then El Paso/ Gridley (EPG). The JV team was able to squeak past the Lady Broncos of



The Lady Maroon bench cheering on the ladies on the floor for a Lady Maroon point against El Paso/Gridley.

### CGB.

The first set was close but not threatening with the home team taking 25-17 win. The second set, however, was a knockdown drag-out battle with the Lady Maroons coming out on top 25-23 to win the match 2-0.

The varsity was flat in their match, not able to put together any runs and lost both sets (13-25 and 14-25), thus losing the match 0-2.

EPG arrived on the Clinton final match, going down home court and proceeded 13-25 and 20-25 in set play to further send the Lady and losing the match 0-2. Maroons reeling.

In the JV outing, the Lady Titans took the first set handily at 25-17. The second set, the Lady Maroons came out a little stronger, but came up short of forcing a third set losing 21-25 to give EPG the match 2-0.

The varsities then took the court and again the Lady Maroons went no-

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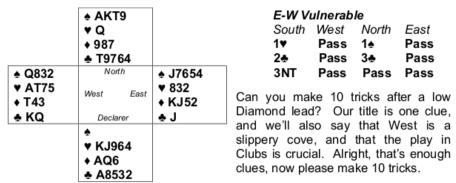


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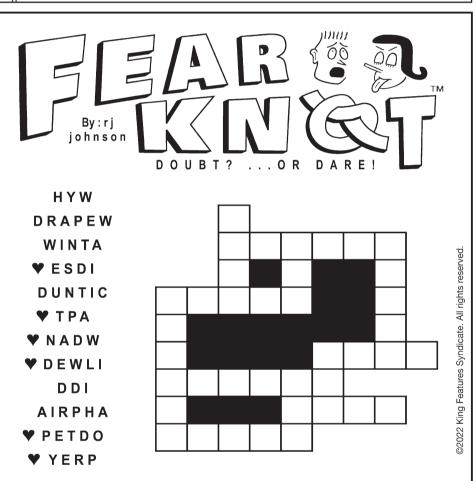
This week's hand comes from a duplicate bridge event, where the method of scoring generously rewards making overtricks.



Our Declarer managed only 9 tricks. He won the Diamond lead, cashed the  $\bigstar$ A and conceded a Club, playing low from the board both times. West won the second Club and persevered with Diamonds. Declarer correctly ducked and took the next Diamond, hoping that the defender with the  $\checkmark$ A was not the one with the 13<sup>th</sup> Diamond. Then Declarer led to the  $\checkmark$ Q but that rascally West ducked the trick! This fine play meant that Declarer could not score a second Heart trick ... with  $\bigstar$ T97 on the board and  $\bigstar$ 853 in hand there was only one entry back to hand when two were needed (one to knock out the  $\checkmark$ A, the other to get back to the Heart winner). Making only 9 tricks.

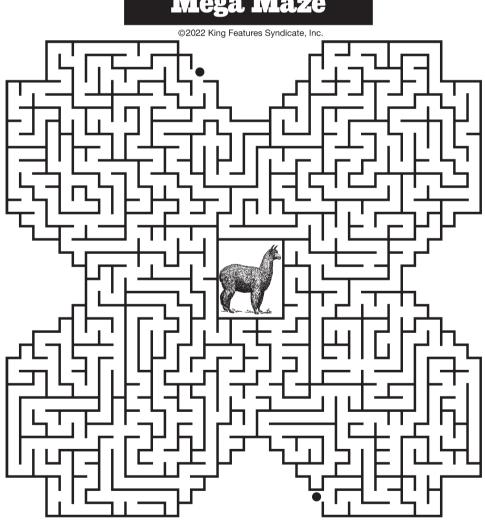
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For bridge games, classes, or seminars, contact Mike Tomlianovich by phone: 309-825-5823 or



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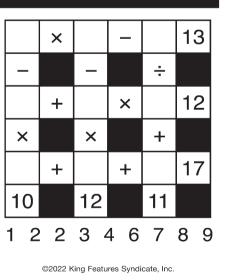
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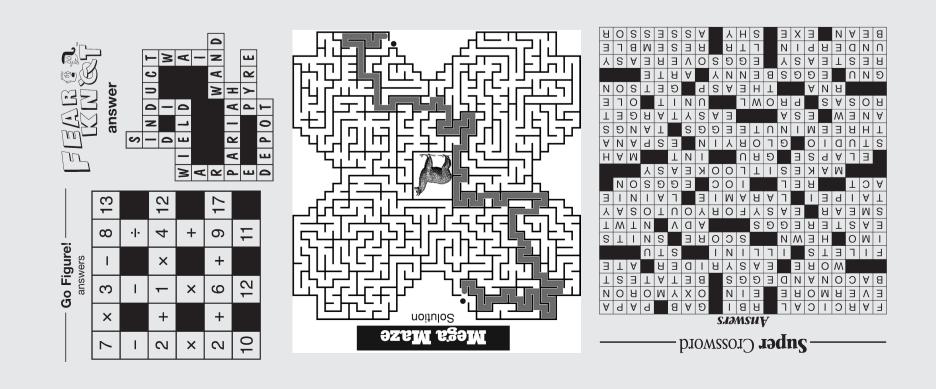
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If the property is located in a common interest community, purchasers other than mortgagees will be required to

erty Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no

further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after Confirmation of the sale. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/ expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.

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 informa-

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THẾ **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.

Associates, P.C., 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100. Burr Ridge, IL 60527. (630) 794-9876. Please refer to file number 14-21-03032.

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#### **REAL** ESTATE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ILLI-NOIS SIXTH JUDI-CIAL CIRCUIT DEWITT COUNTY, ILLINOIS ROCKET MORT-GAGE, LLC F/K/A QUICKEN LOANS LLC F/K/A QUICK-EN LOANS INC., PLAINTIFF, VS. DANIEL TAYLOR, II A/K/A DANIEL W TAYLOR A/K/A DANIEL W TAY-LOR, II; DANIEL TAYLOR A/K/A DANIEL WAYNE TAYLOR; GER-ALDINE TAYLOR A/K/A GERALDINE ELIZABETH TAY-LOR; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, DE-FENDANTS. 22 FC 4 103 SOUTH PORT-LAND PLACE CLINTON, IL 61727 NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE ACT PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by the Court in the above entitled cause on

Courthouse (Main Door), 201 West Washington St., Clinton., II 61727, at 10:00 AM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of DeWitt, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment: TAX NO. 07-35-208-002 COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 103 South Portland Place Clinton, IL 61727 Description of Improvements: The property is a single family. The property has no garage. The exterior is vinyl siding. The color is white. The gas is off. The water is off. The property does not have a fence. The property is vacant. The Judgment amount was \$88,769.97. Sale Terms: This is an "AS IS" sale for "CASH". The successful bidder must deposit 10% down by certified funds; balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. NO REFUNDS. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real

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### **CLINTON COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOLS VACANCY NOTICE NO. 7**

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### Clinton Junior High School

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 6TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

DEWITT COUN-TY - CLINTON, ILLINOIS

Reverse Mortgage Funding LLC

PLAINTIFF

Vs.

Matthew Beadles; et. al.

DEFENDANTS

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NOTICE OF SHER-IFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 05/11/2022. the Sheriff of DeWitt County, Illinois will on October 19. 2022 at the hour of 10:00 AM at Dewitt County Sheriff Lobby of Sheriff's Office 101 West Washington Street Clinton, IL 61727, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of DeWitt and State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

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### **Clinton Elementary School**

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For Information: Visit our website at http://ilforeclosuresales.mrpllc.com. Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. only McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 1 N. Dearborn St., Suite 1200, Chicago, IL 60602. Tel. Ňo. (312) 346-9088. Please refer to file# 22-08611IL PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT. THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLEC-TOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY IN-FORMATION WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE Plaintiff's attorney is not required to provide additional information other than that set forth in this notice of sale. 13196983

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ADDITION TO THE CITY OF CLIN-TON, SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF DEWITT, IN THE STATE OF ILLI-NOIS. PIN 07-27-478-003 Improved with Residential COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 320 East Webster Street Clinton, IL 61727 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 Prop**erty Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to ex-

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**Public Notice** is hereby given that on Tuesday, August 30, 2022, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of DeWitt County, ceed \$300, in cer-Illinois, setting tified funds, is due forth the names within twenty-four and post-office (24) hours. The addresses of all the subject property is persons owning, subject to general conducting and real estate taxes, transacting the special assessbusiness known as: ments, or special taxes levied against **KINZY PHOTOG**said real estate RAPHY 614 W SOUTH ST and is offered for sale without any CLINTON, IL representation as to 61727. quality or quantity of title and without {SEAL} recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" Dated: Tuesday, condition. The sale August 30, 2022 is further subject to

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NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, DE-Examine the court **FENDANTS** 22 FC 4 103 SOUTH PORT-Plaintiff's attorney: LAND PLACE ates, P.C., 15W030 **CLINTON, IL 61727** NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE 9876. Please refer UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE ACT PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by the Court in the above entitled cause on June 15, 2022, ASSUMED NAME will on 11/02/2022, in DeWitt County Courthouse (Main Door), 201 West Washington St., Clinton., II 61727, at 10:00 AM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of DeWitt, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment: Lot 2 in Block 2 in Portland Place Subdivision of a portion of Lot 1 of 60 acres off of the South end of the West 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 35 Township 20 North, Range 2 East, of the 3rd Principal Meridian, situated in the County of DeWitt, in the State of Illinois COUNTY CLERK TAX NO. 07-35-208-002 COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 103 South Portland Place Clinton, IL 61727 Description of Improvements: The property is a single family. The property has no garage. The exterior is vinyl siding. The color is white. The gas is off. The water is off. The property does not have a fence. The property is vacant. The Judgment amount was \$88,769.97. Sale Terms: This is an "AS IS" sale Officers to be electfor "CASH". Ine successful bidder must deposit 10% down by certified funds; balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. NO **REFUNDS** The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate, water bills, etc., and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to plaintiff. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the bid amount. the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/ expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises 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 Condomini-

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Please be advised that Ameren Illinois will trim trees and other vegetation in and around the town(s) of Unincorporated De Witt County, Illinois. Our qualified utility arborists will trim trees and vegetation that could interfere with electric lines that run from pole to pole and elsewhere. This work is necessary in order to minimize the likelihood of outages and safety hazards. There is no charge to you for this service. If you have any questions about this work, please call 1-800-755-5000 or visit our website at MySafeTrees.com. You may address your concerns in the manner specified on our website. You may also call the Consumer Services Division of the Illinois Commerce Commission at 1-800-524-0795. Maps have been provided to the mayors and the county board chairpersons of the affected areas.

#### **EXPENDITURES** OF THE WAYNES-VILLE COMMUNI-TY FIRE PROTEC-TION DISTRICT LOCATED IN DEWITT COUNTY, IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, FOR CORPORATE PURPOSES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR **BEGINNING JUNE** 1, 2022, AND END-ING MAY 31, 2023.

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

AND WHEREAS, the public hearing was held as to such Budget and Appropriation Ordinance on the 18th day of August, 2022, at 6:00 P.M., Central Daylight Time, notice of which was given at least thirty days prior thereto by publication in the Clinton Journal, a newspaper of general circulation in said County and Fire Protection District, and all other legal requirements have been complied with;

NOW THERE-FORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the **Board of Trustees** of the Waynesville Community Fire Protection District:

SECTION ONE

That the fiscal year of this Fire Protection District be, and the same is hereby fixed and declared to be from June 1, 2022, to May 31, 2023

### SECTION TWO

That the following budget, containing an estimate of the cash expected to

ed for the corporate

purposes of the

said Waynesville

for the fiscal year

ending May 31,

SERVICES

\$1,000.00

\$1,200.00

\$1,800.00

(Frontier)

\$1,000.00

(e) Travel

(f) Training

\$1,500.00

(g) Utilities \$2,700.00

TOTAL FOR

SERVICES

\$9,350.00

\$1,600.00

\$2,100.00

\$1,500.00

ment

CONTRACTUAL

2. COMMODITIES

(b) Maintenance

Supplies-Equip-

(c) Maintenance

Supplies-Vehicles

\$150.00

(d) Telephone

2023:

Fire Protection Dis-

trict herein specified

1. CONTRACTUAL

(a) Maintenance

(b) Maintenance

Service-Vehicles

(c) Legal Services

Service-Equipment

SECTION SIX

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

SECTION SEVEN

This ordinance shall be known as Ordinance No. 60.

SECTION EIGHT

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

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

PASSED: August 18, 2022

(a) Maintenance Supplies-Building PUBLISHED: September 23, 2022

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

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(d) General Supplies \$700.00

(e) Auto Fuel/Oil \$2,000.00

TOTAL FOR COM-MODITIES \$7,900.00

3. CAPITAL OUT-<u>LAY</u>

(a) Equipment \$8,500.00

4. OTHER EXPEN-**DITURES** 

(a) Community Relations \$1,500.00

(b) Miscellaneous Expense \$1,000.00

(c) Clothing \$1,200.00

### DEFENDANTS

### 2021CH8

NOTICE OF SHER-IFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 05/11/2022, the Sheriff of DeWitt County, Illinois will on October 19 2022 at the hour of 10:00 AM at Dewitt County Sheriff Lobby of Sheriff's Office 101 West Washington Street Clinton, IL 61727, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of DeWitt and State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

60 FEET OFF OF THE FULL EAST END OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE, TO WIT:

COMMENCING AT A POINT IN THE EAST LINE OF MADISON STREET, THAT IS 269 1/2 FEET NORTH OF THE SOUTH LINE OF CLAY STREET, THENCE NORTH 120 FEET, THENCE EAST 264 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 120 FEET THENCE WEST 264 FEET, TO THE PLACE OF BEGIN-NING, IN YAZEL'S

605/18.5(g-1).

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. Upon payment in

full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after Confirmation of the sale. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/ expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.

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 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

ed at the General Election. **United States** Senator, Governor/ Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of State State Comptroller. State Treasurer. Representative in Congress, State Senator, Representatives in General Assembly, Judges: Supreme Court, Appellate Court, Circuit Court, Resident circuit Court, Judges seeking Retention, County Clerks, County Treasurer, County Sheriff, County Board Members. Regional Superintendent of Schools.

Sept 23, 2022 Dana Smith DeWitt County Clerk

Legal 19585 September 23, 2022

### LEGAL

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ILLI-NOIS SIXTH JUDI-CIAL CIRCUIT DEWITT COUNTY, ILLINOIS ROCKET MORT-GAGE, LLC F/K/A QUICKEN LOANS, LLC F/K/A QUICK-EN LOANS INC., PLAINTIFF, VS DANIEL TAYLOR, II A/K/A DANIEL W TAYLOR A/K/A DANIEL W TAY-LOR, II; DANIEL TAYLOR A/K/A DANIEL WAYNE TAYLOR; GER-ALDINE TAYLOR A/K/A GERALDINE ELIZABETH TAY-

Sincerely, Ameren Illinois Forestry Department

Legal 19587 September 23, 2022

### LEGAL

FINAL ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIA-TION ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE NO. 60

AN ORDINANCE SETTING FORTH THE BUDGET AND MAKING APPRO-PRIATIONS OF SUMS OF MON-EY FOR ALL OF THE NECESSARY

um Property Act,

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

#### ESTIMATED RE-CEIPTS

1. Cash balance, beginning of the year \$26,716.34

2. Portion of taxes from prior year \$-0-

3. Estimated amount that will be received from collections on 2022 levv \$37,146.65

Total estimated receipts \$63,862.99

Total of estimated expenditures for fiscal year \$37,300.00

Estimated cash expected to be on hand at the end of such year \$26,562.99

### SECTION THREE

That the following sums of money be, and the same are hereby appropriat-

TOTAL FOR OTHER EXPENDI-TURES \$3,700.00

5. INSURANCE <u>FUND</u>

(a) For vehicle and building insurance expense \$6,000.00

(b) Workmen's Compensation insurance expense \$1,450.00

TOTAL OF INSUR-ANCE FUND \$7,450.00

6. AUDIT AND **ACCOUNTING** 

(a) For accounting fees \$400.00

TOTAL OF ALL OF ABOVE FUNDS \$37,300.00

### SECTION FOUR

That the funds derived from sources other than the 2022 tax levy may be allotted by the Board of Trustees to such appropriation and in such amounts, respectively, as by such Board may be determined, within the limits of said appropriations, respectively.

### SECTION FIVE

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

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# Lady Maroons volleyball hosts Clinton Invitational

### Marc Rogers

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CLINTON - The Clinton Lady Maroons recently hosted their 37th Clinton Invitational at Clinton High School's main (two courts) and west (one court) gymnasiums. There were 10 teams from Central Illinois in attendance and lots of volleyball action.

The Lady Maroons had four matches to play in the tournament, as did all the teams, with the top four teams playing an extra match for first through fourth place. As a side note, Clinton last won this tournament in 2013, when Coach Morgan Hickman was on the team.

The Lady Maroons first went to battle with the the Heyworth Lady Hornets. And a battle the first set was.

The Lady Hornets took an early lead on a 7-point run followed shortly thereafter by a 5-point run. The Lady Maroons hung in and plodded through a final-gasp, 7-point run, only to lose 23-25. The second set was a series of errant shots and poor defense that led to a second set win for Heyworth 25-14, and match win 2-0.

The second match of the day for the home team was against their other Rt. 51 foe, the Maroa-Forsyth Maroons to face in the tour-Lady Trojans.

a carry-over from their last match with Heyworth with the Lady Trojans coming back from a 5-1 deficit to put together several modest runs to defeat the lady Maroons 25-14. The second set was a little better, most a breeze as the Lady but the home team could not catch a break, and the out of steam with only a Lady Trojans had a couple of long runs to take the set 25-17 and the match 2-0. This put the Lady Maroons at 0-2 for the tournament at the lunch break.

Things changed in the last half of the tournament. and placed 5th. The team came out with a matches.

washed out maroon outfits to their newer bright yellow and maroon jerseys. The first opponents of the afternoon were the Lady Chargers of Peoria Christian.

the Lady Chargers using the Lady Trojans finally four serving runs of 4 to 7 points for a 25-15 win in set, the home team only put together one 6-point run but again totally shut down any opposition offense, team's first win of the day.

The last team for the Lady nament was the Illini Cen-These two matches were tral Lady Cougars. The opposition came out ready to play and gave the Lady Maroons nearly all they could handle, yet the home team prevailed in the end taking the first set 25-20.

> The second set was al-Cougars appeared to run 4-point run after the home team put up 11 straight points and finally finished off the opponents 25-14 in the set and 2-0 in the match. Thus the Lady Maroons were 2-2 in the tournament

The championship match tougher attitude and differ- was the best match of ent jerseys for their last two the day. It pitted the Maroa-Forsyth Lady Trojans The team went from drab against the St. Thomas More Lady Sabers.

The Lady Trojans thought they were shoe-ins after an eight point run, but the Lady Sabers kept fighting back and gave the Lady The Lady Maroons stifled Trojans a close set which won 25-23.

The second set was anoththe first set. The second er thriller, but this time the Lady Sabers won 25-19. It would seem that after two very hard sets that the third set would be an easy win winning the set 25-13 and for one team or the other the match 2-0, for the home with exhaustion setting in. Not this set.



Marc Rogers / Journal

The shot of the game, the St. Thomas More Lady Sabers block a kill shot by the El Paso/Gridley Lady Comets.

There were no big runs, just a good old slug fest of great volleyball. this set went into extra innings with the St. Thomas More Lady Sabers winning the set 29-27 and the match 2-1 to take the championship with five wins. The Lady Trojans were second (4-1), El Paso /Gridley was third (4-1), and the Heyworth Lady Hornets took fourth (3-2).







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