



FNB celebrates 150 years

Staff and executives of First National Bank & Trust held a ribbon cutting on July 29 as part of the bank's 150th anniversary celebration. Customers and residents were invited in for food, conversation and an opportunity to see some bank artifacts from past decades.

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Chickens now officially legal within city limits

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CLINTON — Clinton now has an official ordinance regulating livestock within the city limits. The city council voted Monday to amend Title 5, Chapter 1 Police Regulations / animals, a vote that likely will please some residents while displeasing others.

The ordinance will allow the raising of poultry and ban certain types of "non-domesticated animals."

Clinton resident Sharon Redington spoke against the ordinance. She owns

pasture within the city limits, where her family raises chickens but also has raised rabbits, sheep and goats, "since before I was born," she told commissioners.

"And, we've never had any trouble with noise or smell or anything else," Redington said. "And, that's all we want to continue to do."

Chief of Police Ben Lowers said he was the sponsor of the amendment. Lowers said he worked with city attorney John Hoblit to develop the ordinance.

Lowers said the general understanding among

residents was the city allowed them to keep approximately a half dozen laying hens for personal use, producing eggs, but prohibiting roosters.

"I think that's pretty common knowledge throughout the community," he said.

However, Lowers said, language to that effect was never in the city code. He said the city, technically, was permitting something that was not explicitly allowed.

Officers have dealt with two complaints this year about residents keeping between 20-30 chickens.

He said it makes a difficult enforcement situation when there is no ordinance on which to rely. Lowers said he was looking for something that would regulate how many and what types of animals someone could keep within the city limits.

"What we have drafted is not really any different than what the general understanding is by most of the community at-large anyway," Lowers said.

He said his department now could reference an actual ordinance whenever residents asked about raising chickens in town.

Wapella Township gets resignation and restitution from road commissioner

Actions were the result of personal charges on township credit card

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WAPELLA — The Wapella Township Board in May asked its road commissioner to resign and pay restitution for thousands of dollars in personal charges the board determined he made to the township's credit card.

According to minutes from a May 10 meeting of the township board, "The board discussed the fraudulent credit card charges made by Road Commissioner Eldon Cusey."

Township officials met with the board's attorney Joe Taylor, whose recommendation

was "to have the road commissioner pay restitution and resign or the case would be turned over to the state's attorney," according to the May 10 meeting minutes.

The minutes show Cusey agreed to resign and paid restitution of \$27,253 using a check submitted to Taylor, which was deposited into the township's checking account.

Some of the charges, which began taking place in 2019, and did not appear to be for township use, included a food dehydrator, clothing, pet food, canning supplies, gardening supplies, furniture and multiple charges for a long list of grocery items that included more than \$1,500 for Busch Lite beer. The charges appeared to continue through 2021.

State plan for \$760 million in opioid settlement money

Attorney general was part of lawsuits against manufacturer, distributors

Peter Hancock
Capitol News Illinois

SPRINGFIELD — Gov. JB Pritzker and Attorney General Kwame Raoul announced plans Friday for how the state will distribute its share of funds from a national settlement with opioid companies.

Illinois expects to receive approximately \$760 million over 18 years from a \$26 billion national settlement with three opioid distributors — Cardinal, McKesson, and AmerisourceBergen — and one opioid manufacturer, Johnson & Johnson.

"The opioid crisis will go down as one of the most disturbing examples of corporate greed and medical mismanagement in human history, giving way to an epidemic that has become more deadly almost every year of the last 40 years," Pritzker said at a news conference in Chicago.

Under an executive

order that Pritzker said he would sign Friday, the money will flow through a new Office of Opioid Settlement Administration to be set up within the Illinois Department of Human Services.

That agency will also appoint a Statewide Opioid Settlement Administrator to ensure that the funds are used in accordance with the State Overdose Action Plan, which Pritzker announced earlier this year, and that they are used to fund recovery and treatment programs in the counties and municipalities with the most urgent need.

Allocation of funds will be based on recommendations from a newly created advisory board, chaired by the state's chief behavioral health officer and made up of state and local appointees. The board will work with an existing state opioid steering committee led by Lt. Gov. Juliana Stratton and

the state's directors of the Illinois Department of Public Health and IDHS.

"This crisis has reached into urban, suburban

and rural areas, every kind of community," Stratton said at the news conference.

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NEWS



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Area students graduate from Illinois Wesleyan U.

BLOOMINGTON — Illinois Wesleyan University honored more than 400 candidates for graduation during Commencement, held on May 1.

Dr. William Farrar ‘71, considered to be one of the nation’s foremost experts in cancer care and chief executive officer of The James Cancer Hospital and Solove Research

Institute, delivered the Commencement address. The following area students received degrees:

- William Dooley, of Le

Roy, Cum Laude majored in Accounting.

- Bailey Harvey, of Waynesville, majored in Political Science.

Descendants of Weldon family to celebrate 100th annual reunion this month

Gray reunion scheduled for August 1 at Weldon Park

WELDON — The descendants of Emmett and Alice Gray will gather on August 14 in Weldon to celebrate the 100th annual Gray reunion.

Started by Emmett and Alice in 1923, the reunion was a way to bring their five grown children and their spouses together and preserve the Gray family legacy.

Emmett and Alice lived in Weldon most of their adult lives, where they raised five kids and were active in the community. Emmett served as the village policeman, was a manager/partner of the Gray & Company Meat Market and also worked at the Railsback Brothers Elevator.

Some early reunions were held at Emmett and Alice Gray’s house in Weldon, but over the years most have been held in Weldon Park, where generations of Gray descendants have played on the cannon that still stands there today.

Other Central Illinois locations of the reunion include Weldon Springs, Nelson Park, in Decatur, Crystal Lake, in Urbana, Miller Park, in Bloomington, Big Creek Park, in Canton, Andrew and Leita Jackson’s home, in Weldon, Hessel Park, in Champaign, Charles and Mildred Gray’s home, in Canton, and Phares and Harriet O’Daffer’s home at Lake Bloomington.

The Gray reunion was established with bylaws and 13 charter members, which included Emmett and Alice Gray and their children/children’s spouses/grandchildren who lived in Weldon or Clinton, Jesse and Haidee Gray and their son Robert, Virgil and Lila Gray and their son Kenneth, Charles Gray, William (Bill) Gray, Ruby Gray, and Leita Gray and her husband Andrew Jackson. Nine of them attended the first reunion in 1923.

Officers are elected (president, vice president, secretary-treasurer) for

two-year terms. Each year, the president conducts a business meeting in accordance with Roberts Rules of Order. There are recorded meeting minutes from 1927-present.

For almost 60 years, only men served as president, but in 1982, the first woman president, Cherry Jackson Kingston, who lived in Weldon, was elected. She was one of Emmett and Alice’s four granddaughters.

After the business meeting, entertainment is provided by members, which has included poetry and other readings, singing and dancing, musical instrument performances, magic tricks, baton twirling, martial arts demonstrations, and stupid pet tricks. Members also played horseshoes and croquet in the early days on Emmett Gray’s sand croquet court in his backyard at his Weldon house.

Prior to the business meeting, members enjoy a potluck picnic lunch with

many family favorites, such as fried chicken, beef noodles and homemade pies.

There are 62 Gray reunion members still known to be alive, including three of Emmett and Alice’s grandchildren, ages 88, 91, and 95, 16 great-grandchildren, 17 great-great grandchildren, and two great-great-great grandchildren. Most live in Illinois or Indiana.

Special activities are planned for the 100th Gray reunion, including: lawn games, karaoke, a watermelon seed spitting contest, original poetry readings, BBQ from Hickory River, in Urbana, and more.

One of Emmett and Alice’s great-grandchildren, Sara O’Daffer Marberry, has also authored a memoir about the reunion that will be published in July 2022. It includes nine original poems written by her grandmother, Ruby Gray O’Daffer Atteberry, about the reunion.

Pairing sandwiches

Welcome to my little corner of culinary delights. Allow me to pick-up where I left off last time.

In sandwich making, one needs to pair the slice size, type, make-up and texture of the bread with the filling as well as the soup or entrée served with it. We had already detailed the various slice sizes.

The type would be such breads as loaf, buns, rolls etc. The make-up would be such breads as white, whole wheat, rye, sourdough, multigrain, etc. The texture of bread would be such things as soft or tough crust, toasted or untoasted, etc. If you follow a recipe, it generally tells you which breads to use. But still you need to pair it with the soup or entrée.

For French onion soup, sandwiches are not apropos. This soup is generally used as an appetizer course as is vichyssoise. However, bread is used for the French onion soup. A thick slice of toasted French bread with parmesan cheese melted on top is floated on top of the soup and served that way.

A robust soup such as chili or beef stew does not require much more than buttered bread or rolls. If you wish something more, make it a light spread that does not use meat. Everyone knows oyster crackers go well with chili and chowders. The breads and crackers in this case would be a compliment to the soup. If you wish the sandwich to stand alone or be a separate course, then more is expected.

As a reminder, “compliment,” in this case, suggests a dependency. For example, one does

The Culinary Corner

By Chef Roger Joss

not consider crackers as part of the meal but rather a necessity for the soup. In short, the

crackers become part of the soup. Same goes for the buttered bread and rolls.

Let us take a stew or even tomato soup. These work well with a full sandwich that can stand alone as part of the meal rather than a compliment to the soup. For the stew, I would suggest a savory spread without meat for the sandwich.

A cheese toasty is most excellent with tomato soup. Since tomato soup generally is not strong in flavor (Unless you have had mine), the sandwich can get by with a pimento spread or even herbs such as oregano and basil sprinkled on the cheese. Rather than American cheese, try sharp cheddar. Swish cheese will also give you that poignant flavor to an otherwise dull soup. The type of bread used (i.e., sourdough or rye) can also add that extra strong flavor as a compliment to a dull soup. Be adventurous and experiment.

If on the other hand, you are adding cheese to a sandwich along with other ingredients, be careful. Do not use too strong of a cheese that might overpower the other ingredients. For example, Swiss cheese added to a turkey meat sandwich would greatly overpower the turkey flavor. One might as well forget about having the turkey.

Until next time, peace to all.

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“It’s also true that opioids have disproportionately hurt BIPOC (Black, Indigenous and people of color) communities. In fact, in Illinois alone, the opioid fatality rate for Black communities was 55.3 per 100,000, and that is the highest of all demographics.”

The settlement, which was first announced in July 2021, resolves more than 4,000 lawsuits that were filed across the country by state and local governments against the drug companies.

In Illinois, Raoul said, 94 counties and 77 municipalities have signed

on to the agreement. Terms of the settlement spell out what percentage of the proceeds each community will receive, and they require that at least 85 percent of the funds be used for programs that will help address the ongoing opioid crisis through treatment, education and prevention efforts.

Raoul noted that the state stands to receive even more money in the future from other national cases. He said Illinois is part of a national settlement to resolve opioid claims against drug manufacturer Mallinckrodt. That settlement was finalized in a bankruptcy plan that

took effect last month and will bring about \$36 million to Illinois over nine years.

Raoul also announced last week that state attorneys general have reached settlements in principle with drug manufacturers Teva and Allegran that will bring as much as \$6.6 billion of additional relief to states and local governments nationwide.

“It’s important to highlight the abatement and remediation of the crisis is the primary goal of the settlements and the resources that come from the settlement,” Raoul said. “Unlike major

settlements of the past, the vast majority of funds Illinois receives through the settlements will go towards a remediation fund. This fund will be used to pay for abatement programs throughout the state instead of being used to pay for other unrelated initiatives.”

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NEWS

Eastern Illinois Food Bank ‘Foodmobile’ in Clinton Aug. 20

CLINTON — Eastern Illinois Foodbank (EIF) is distributing food to area families facing food insecurity.

The distribution will be held at the Clinton American Legion (219 N. Elizabeth St.) in Clinton, Illinois on Aug. 20 from 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. 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

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3	\$43,440	\$3,620	\$1,810	\$1,671	\$835
4	\$52,400	\$4,367	\$2,183	\$2,015	\$1,008
5	\$61,360	\$5,113	\$2,557	\$2,360	\$1,180
6	\$70,320	\$5,860	\$2,930	\$2,705	\$1,352
7	\$79,280	\$6,607	\$3,303	\$3,049	\$1,525
8	\$88,240	\$7,353	\$3,677	\$3,394	\$1,697
For each additional household member, add:	+\$8,960	+\$747	+\$373	+\$345	+\$172

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: Updates regarding future food distributions can be found at the Foodbank’s website at www.eifoodbank.org.

Patsy ‘Pat’ Eileen Barclay


KENNEY — Patsy “Pat” Eileen Barclay, 78, of Kenney, passed away at 5:43 p.m. on July 27, 2022, at her family residence, in Kenney.

Graveside services will be conducted at 1 p.m. on Monday, August 1, 2022, at Pleasant Valley Cemetery, Kenney, with her son Danny Barclay officiating. The funeral procession to the cemetery will leave from Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton, at 12:30 p.m. on Monday for any friends who would like to join in.

Memorials may be directed to the Pat Barclay memorial fund.

Pat was born on April 17, 1944, in Kenney, the daughter of Paul and Mary Doris (Gaultney) Clary.

Survivors include her five children, Jerry (Kim) Turner, Braidwood, Il.; Teresa (Curt) Short, Kenne; Karen (Rick) Campbell, Decatur, IL; Danny Barclay, Kenney; and Bobbi (Rod) Morse, Kenne; nine grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren; and three sisters, Sharon



(Melvin) Buggar, Cheryl Robb, and Sue (Harry) Brand.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one grandson, two sisters, and five brothers.

Pat was a member of Blessed Hope Seventh Day Adventist Church, in Clinton. She worked at Revere Copper & Brass, Inc. and retired from the Clinton School District, where she was a custodian.

Pat enjoyed gardening, riding her bike, watching hummingbirds and helping people. She loved her dogs, but most of all she loved her family and spending time with them.

Online condolences may be made at www.calvertmemorial.com

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Jack Myers
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Games for brain training

By Matilda Charles

Cognitive brain training can keep our cognitive abilities functioning better for 10 years.

The Advanced Cognitive Training for Independent and Vital Elderly (ACTIVE) is not a new study, but it bears looking at for what it offers seniors in terms of cognitive abilities.

The government-funded study followed 2,832 seniors with an average age of 73 after they completed 10 training sessions and four booster sessions 11 and 35 months after the initial training. Participants were divided into four groups: memory training, reasoning training, speed of processing training and a control group with no training. What the study aimed to look at was cognitive abilities and performance in everyday activities, and they collected updated data at the one, two, three, five and 10-year points in the study.

What researchers concluded was that seniors reported less decline in cognitive abilities for 10 years in the reasoning and speed portions, not the memory, which dropped off after five years. All this

SENIOR NEWS LINE

by Matilda Charles

in only 10 training sessions plus four booster sessions?

Authentic brain training programs can be found online but generally require a monthly fee. There are others, however, that we can sample for free to create our own training program. Try the dozen brain games at www.mentalup.co/blog/free-brain-games-for-seniors to see if you like these types of challenges. Look online for “free senior brain games,” and you’ll find many sites with free games to play without having to give any personal information or pay a fee. The best “brain stretching” might come from doing a variety of games. Choose from crossword, jigsaw, sudoku, chess, mazes, word puzzles, logic and more, switching around from day to day. Or go to Amazon.com and look for puzzle books. Look at the sample pages to see if they look too easy or too hard.


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Clinton Coin Club Aug. 8

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Door prizes will be awarded, and there will be a coin auction. No

refreshments will be available, and masks will be required.

Call (217) 622-8783 for additional information. Membership dues for 2022 are now being accepted.

Anyone interested in buying, selling or trading coins is welcome.

DeWitt, Macon, Piatt counties Extension activities in August

Saying goodbye

DeWitt, Macon, and Piatt County Extension Director Doug Harlan is transitioning to a new leadership role within Extension. Doug has been filling two roles this past year: County Director and interim Assistant Director of region 3. But as of Aug. 1, he will serve as the full-time Assistant Director for region 3. Our staff will miss the leadership that he has provided for the past sixteen years, but we also wish him well in his new position. Jamie Boas, 4-H Educator in DeWitt and Piatt counties will serve as interim county director.

Growing Together grant

University of Illinois Extension SNAP-Ed and Crossing Healthcare have been working together through the Growing Together Illinois grant. SNAP-Ed Community worker, Marisa, and Crossing Healthcare's Registered Dietitians, Allison and Amy, share their kitchen secrets in this three-part video series, Better Together Tips and Tricks from the kitchen. Watch the videos and learn how to choose, prepare, and keep produce fresh.

Gardening programs still going strong

- Join 4-H and Master Gardeners for Sunny Sessions at Sunflowers on the Square in Farmer City. The Aug. 3 activity will be sunflower painting from 5 to 6 p.m., and the Aug. 10 activity will be making a birdhouse from 5 to 6 p.m. Both events are free, open to ages 5 to 18, and require no pre-registration. Just show up and be ready to have fun.
- Monarch Butterfly Workshop will be from noon to 1 p.m. on Aug. 16 at Piatt Extension Office. The deadline to register is Aug. 15.

- Late Summer and Fall Blooming Plants, the final webinar in the Four Seasons summer series, will be at 1:30 p.m. on Aug. 16 at Vespasian Warner Library in Clinton. This is an opportunity to view the webinar with other gardening enthusiasts. Call the library at 217-935-5174 to register.

- It's a celebration, and everyone is invited. Make plans to attend Crossing Healthcare's Garden Party from



5:30 to 7 p.m. on Aug. 18. Stroll through the gardens, learn about corn and soybeans, superfoods, and small container gardening from the Macon County Master Gardeners. Register by Aug. 9.

- Did you know the Macon County Master Gardeners are responsible for several beautiful gardens in the Decatur area? Several of these gardens surround the Decatur Public Library. Learn about the gardens located on the North and West Side of the library from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Aug. 29. Register for the North and West Side Garden Tour by Aug. 25.

Master Gardener help desk

What kind of worm is eating my vegetables? Why does my tomato look like this? How much water should I be giving this plant? Gardening questions are welcome at the Master Gardener help desk. If you have questions, stop by the help desks during these times. The Piatt County Master Gardeners help desk is available at the Monticello Farmers Market from 3 to 6 p.m. on Thursdays. The DeWitt County Master Gardeners help desk is available from 3 to 5 p.m. on Aug. 11 at Vespasian Warner Library.

Master Gardener fall training

Fall is right around the corner, which means registration for DeWitt, Macon, and Piatt counties Master Gardener training is open. In-person training will begin on Sept. 14 and end on Dec. 14. These classes will be from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. Register for the in-person training by Sept. 5. The self-paced online training begins on Oct. 3 and ends on Dec. 31. Register for this training by Sept. 12.

Hummingbird Festival

Join Master Naturalists from 3 to 6 p.m. on Aug. 25 for the Hummingbird Festival at Rock Springs Nature Center. Learn about hummingbirds and watch the capture, banding, and release of wild birds. This event is free and co-sponsored by Decatur Audubon.



Katy O'Grady-Pyne / Journal

Fire at Clinton County Club

Fire destroyed a golf cart storage building Sunday night at Clinton Country Club. The fire was reported by a deputy around 11 p.m. on Sunday, with departments from Clinton, Kenney, Wapella and Maroa responding. The building was fully engulfed by the time emergency personnel reached the scene. The cause of the blaze is not yet known.

Look back at tumultuous 2020 with ALPLM

SPRINGFIELD — When the COVID-19 pandemic shook up life for all Illinoisans, the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum set out to capture memories of the unprecedented turmoil with a special oral history project.

Now the head of the "Tumultuous 2020" project will share highlights from among dozens of interviews at a special event. Oral historian Amanda Riggenbach will discuss some of the memorable people she met and recount their stories, whether

tragic, inspirational or even funny.

The free presentation takes place at noon, Wednesday, Aug. 10, in the ALPLM's library building (112 N. Sixth Street, Springfield).

The project collected about 80 oral histories. The people who shared their stories include teachers, college students, business owners, nurses and undertakers. Some led efforts to keep the public safe, others scrambled to save businesses and community groups, and most simply endured.

Riggenbach said she was impressed by the way

people dealt with loss — of loved ones, of jobs, of businesses — without giving up.

"People just adapted. They made do with what they had, tried new ideas and found ways to move forward," Riggenbach said. "That takes courage. That takes strength."

Many of the Tumultuous 2020 interviews are already available on the ALPLM's oral history website, www.OralHistory.Illinois.gov.

The mission of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum is to inspire civic engagement through the

diverse lens of Illinois history and sharing with the world the life and legacy of Abraham Lincoln. We pursue this mission through a combination of rigorous scholarship and high-tech showmanship built on the bedrock of the ALPLM's unparalleled collection of historical materials — some 13 million items from all eras of Illinois history.

For more information, visit www.PresidentLincoln.Illinois.gov or follow the ALPLM on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

LAW ENFORCEMENT

Clinton Police Department

Arrests:
On August 1, 2022 Clinton Police arrested Tyler L. Davidson, 25, Clinton, for the offenses of Domestic Battery and Interfering with the Reporting of Domestic Violence. Davidson was transported to the Dewitt County Jail where he was turned over to corrections personnel for processing.

DeWitt County Sheriff's Office

July 22-29

Cade Bray, 45, Clinton, was issued a Citation for Speeding (89 mph in a 55 mph zone). Bray was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Yolanda Hablik, 69, Pleasant Hill, was issued a Citation for Speeding (80 mph in a 55 mph zone). Hablik was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Conner Hoff, 19, Clinton, was issued a Citation for Possession or Consumption of Alcohol/

liquor.100 BAC. Hoff was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Brianna Hartbeck, 24, Festus, MO, was issued Citations for Operating Uninsured Vehicle and Speeding (70 mph in a 45 mph zone). Hartbeck was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Timothy Carr, 35, Decatur, was issued a Citation for Driving While License Suspended. Carr was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Luther Murray, 41, Fisher, was arrested on a DeWitt County Warrant charging him with DL Expired More than a Year/FTA. Murray unable to post the necessary bond remains lodged in the DeWitt County Jail.

Julian Ortiz, 19, Kenney, was arrested and charged with Hate Crime. Ortiz posted the necessary bond and was released.

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

Christian Women's Connection meeting August 16 in Normal

NORMAL — The Bloomington-Normal Christian Women's Connection invites all ladies to their brunch program on Tuesday, Aug. 16 from 10-11:30 a.m. at Holiday Inn, 8 Trader's Circle, Normal.

Special feature will be Guardians of the Children, Cen. Illinois Chapter, collection of school supplies and mini stuffed animals.

Special speaker will be Audry Hessler, from Island Lake, Ill., sharing "Lessons from Momense, The Sensible Tales of a Mother."

Reservations are due on Tuesday, Aug. 9 by calling/texting Crystal (Eureka) 217-358-1268 or on Facebook: Bloomington-Normal IL Christian Women's Connection

Genealogical Society meeting August 9 at Warner Library

CLINTON — The DeWitt County Genealogical Society will meet at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 9 at Vespasian Warner Public Library. Pat Meschnark and her guests will talk about

"The 1950 Census." The meeting will be held in the genealogy room, downstairs in the library. The public is always invited to attend genealogy meetings.

Route 66 'Cars & Coffee' event set in Atlanta August 14

ATLANTA — Atlanta, Illinois announces Cars & Coffee on August 14 from 8-10:30 a.m. on Arch Street, between Race and Vine Street.

This event is free to attend. Cruisers and visitors can enjoy the cars and the iconic downtown scenery. It is recommended that visitors bring a foldable chair if they would like to sit. A limited amount of coffee and cookies will be provided for those attending the event.

Atlanta is situated

midway on Illinois' "Mother Road" and is a popular Route 66 stop for people traveling the road to Santa Monica, Calif.

The Cars & Coffee event will provide travelers and locals the ability to display and view their Corvettes in conjunction with the St. Louis Chapter's arrival to Atlanta. The event is free to attend, and visitors are encouraged to stay and enjoy the cars and people.

The Cars & Coffee will be on Arch Street, around 114 SW Arch Street if you are using GPS, in Atlanta.

Fall GED orientation dates scheduled at Richland in August

DECATUR — The Richland Community College Adult Education Program announces the following orientations for the fall 2022 GED classes:

- August 9, 2022 at 9 a.m. Richland Community College Campus (Room W115)
- August 9, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. Richland Community College Campus (Room W115)
- August 10, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. Decatur Public Library

Orientation is required for all new and returning students. During orientation students will learn more about the program and will take an assessment to place them in the appropriate class. Please arrive 10 minutes early and plan to stay for about two hours.

For more information, contact our Adult Education office at 217-875-7211 ext. 6355 or visit www.richland.edu/adulted.

OPINION

HISTORY ALMANAC

1914 - The first electric traffic signal lights were installed in Cleveland, Ohio.

1923 - Henry Sullivan became the first American to swim across the English Channel.

1924 - In the New York "Daily News" debuted the comic strip "Little Orphan Annie," by Harold Gray.

1963 - The Limited Test Ban Treaty was signed by the United States, Britain, and the Soviet Union. The treaty banned nuclear tests in space, underwater, and in the atmosphere.

1966 - In New York, groundbreaking for the construction of the original World Trade Center began.

1969 - The Mariner 7, a U.S. space probe, passed by Mars. Photographs and scientific data were sent back to Earth.

1974 - U.S. President Nixon said that he expected to be impeached. Nixon had ordered the investigation into the Watergate break-in to halt.

1981 - The U.S. federal government started firing striking air traffic controllers.

1989 - In Honduras, five Central American presidents began meeting to discuss the timetable for the dismantling of the Nicaraguan Contra bases.

1990 - U.S. President George H.W. Bush angrily denounced the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

1991 - An investigation was formally launched by Democratic congressional leaders to find out if the release of American hostages was delayed until after the Reagan-Bush presidential election.

1991 - Iraq admitted to misleading U.N. inspectors about secret biological weapons.

1992 - Federal civil rights charges were filed against four Los Angeles police officers. The officers had been acquitted on California State charges. Two of the officers were convicted and jailed on violation of civil rights charges.

1998 - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein began not cooperating with U.N. weapons inspectors.

1999 - Mark McGwire (St. Louis Cardinals) hit his 500th career homerun. He also set a record for the fewest at-bats to hit the 500 homerun mark.

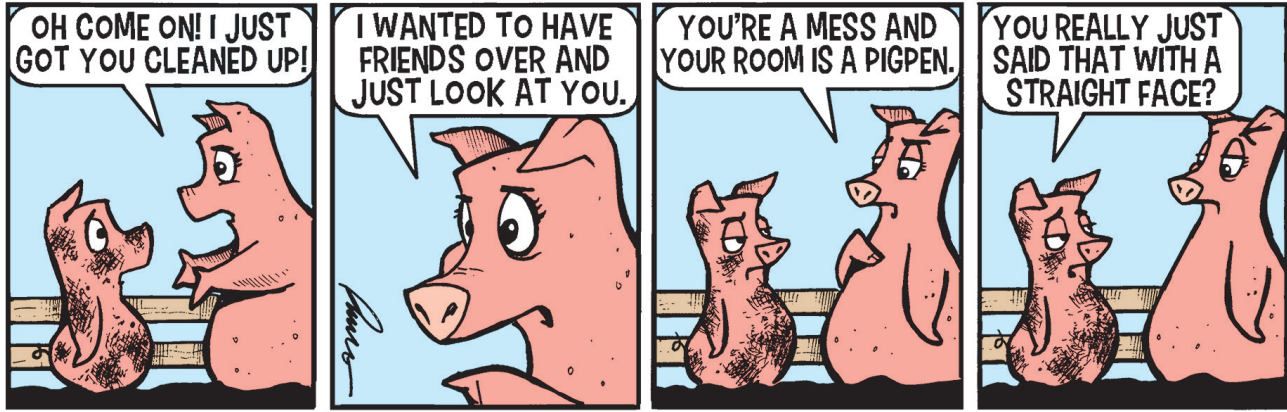
2002 - The U.S. closed its consulate in Karachi, Pakistan. The consulate was closed after local authorities removed large concrete blocks and reopened the road in front of the building to normal traffic.

2009 - Google purchased its first public company. The company was the video software maker On2 Technologies.

2011 - NASA announced that its Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter had captured photographic evidence of possible liquid water on Mars during warm seasons.

2011 - Juno was launched from Cape Canaveral Air Force Station on a mission to Jupiter. It was the first solar-powered spacecraft to go to Jupiter.

Amber Waves



Political speculation

Politics is fickle, especially presidential predictions. Anyone who tells they know what will happen in 2024 is to be looked at with a whole lot of skepticism.

The tea leaves are swirling, but everyone likes to opine. That includes this writer who admittedly has no clue about who will be the Republican or Democratic nominee in 2024.

President Biden should be the clear front runner for the Democrats. He is a first term President, and that by itself is usually enough. Today that may not be enough.

Inflation has gone sky high and is approaching 10 percent. That is normally a political death knell for the President in power. Right or wrong Biden is catching nothing but negative criticism, even though employment is up.

That Biden is viewed negatively is seen in the polls. Biden currently has around a 37 percent approval rating. That rating is beyond terrible. Biden is getting no credit for very good employment numbers and is being dumped on for inflation.

One can understand this if it is the Republicans who are attacking, but his own party has placed him in the bullseye. The progressives, AOC, Bernie and Warren, are all on Biden's case. Democratic moderates seem to have left the ship, and Biden is on his own with the intraparty squabbles.

Illinois Governor Pritzker has given public support for Biden's nomination in 2024. That is the speech. There is also another speech the good Governor is giving. Pritzker is voicing his views on the nation with speeches given outside of Illinois at politically meaningful states. Does JB have the urge to be President? One can certainly make that argument.

Next look at Michelle Obama. This is a real wildcard. Obama has another book coming out this year based on her thoughts of the political processes in this country. Her approval ratings are very high and she was a well respected First Lady. She already has a built in campaign organization, which has access to major



donors. Hillary tried and failed to succeed her husband to the office of President. Perhaps Michelle will have a better run. Who knows? It is the mere speculation that keeps people interested.

Biden desperately needs to rally support, which doesn't seem to be occurring. Instead, the news is about his son's business dealings with Chinese firms and possible criminal indictments. Should that occur, it will be very difficult for Biden to gain the nomination.

The Republicans have a different problem—former President Trump. Trump's political base is solid concrete. Give Trump credit for being one of the best campaigners ever in this country. He knows how to win a crowd over and gets national attention for campaign speeches. No other candidate gets that coverage. The problem for Trump is

by Dave T. Phipps

that his core constituency, while a probable majority in a primary election, may not be the majority in the general election. Trump has angered many moderates and independents with his assertions that the 2020 election was illegally stolen from him. The American public does not like a sore loser and that is what Trump is portraying. I personally believe that portrayal is to his detriment. Add to this the January 6 inquiry and the Trump campaign may well be toxic. Should Trump be counted out? Never. Trump has proven his ability to defy the political odds.

Are there those in the Republican Party that are looking to run in 2024? Florida Governor DeSantis and former Vice President Pence come to mind. Both men are giving stump speeches all over the country and doing the appropriate media interviews.

Let us hope that we do not have to endure 20 candidates from each party being on the stage for a national debate.

New number for suicide crisis line: 988

Across the country there is a new mental health suicide and crisis line phone number: 988. The Department of Veterans Affairs has merged services with that number to provide an additional resource for veterans to call when they're in crisis.

A result of the National Suicide Hotline Designation Act of 2020, the bill was passed and signed off as law. It's startling, however, to learn that this bill was first created and sponsored by 34 U.S. senators in 2019. (You can go here to learn whether your state's senators were among those supporting

this legislation: www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-bill/2661.) Additionally, it was signed into law in 2020.

But these things take time. It wasn't until the middle of this year, 2022, that the 988 number was hooked up to the VA crisis line. During the two years, the VA beefed up the number of employees and responding staff by the hundreds. It hooks up 500 suicide prevention coordinators at the VA, which ensures that follow-up care is part of the care a veteran receives.

You can call that 988 number, then press 1



by Freddy Groves

for the Veterans Crisis Line. Or you can call the original number: 800-273-8255. Or you can text to 838255. And you also can instantly chat at www.veteranscrisisline.net/get-help-now/chat.

There are a number of options to help veterans who need suicide crisis help, and it's immediate. Somebody will answer 24/7, and you'll be asked a couple of quick questions, such as whether you are the veteran or if you're

calling for a veteran who is at risk of suicide or is in immediate danger. It's all confidential and free. By the next day someone local (your suicide prevention coordinator) will contact you and get you lined up for continued support.

Go to the "Get Help Now" link above and click around, especially on "How It Works."

Remember, you don't have to be enrolled in any VA programs for health care or benefits. If you are a veteran, this service is for you. You're not alone.

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THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE

In his arrogance the wicked man hunts down the weak, who are caught in the schemes he devises. He boasts about the cravings of his heart; he blesses the greedy and reviles the Lord. In his pride the wicked man does not seek him; in all his thoughts there is no room for God.

PSALM 10: 2-4

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701 S. Mulberry Street, Clinton
Office (217) 935-5808
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7 p.m.-Wednesday evening Bible study

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6 p.m.-Sunday night service
7 p.m.-Wednesday service

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5 p.m.-Sunday evening worship
7 p.m.-Wednesday mid-week prayer meeting

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Rt. 51 and Klee-mann Drive, Clinton
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8:45 a.m.-continental breakfast
9:30 a.m.-Sunday school / Bible study
10:30 a.m.-morning worship
7 p.m.-Wednesday mid-week service

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(217) 944-2275
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10:30 a.m.-Sunday worship

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10 a.m.-Sunday worship
6 p.m.-Sunday evening worship
6 p.m.-Wednesday prayer meeting

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(217) 731-4005
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11 a.m.- worship with pot luck afterwards
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BIBLE WORD SEARCH

by Elie's Spiritual Treasures

Psalm 19:12-13

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Find the **bolded/underlined** words in the diagram. They run in all directions — forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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Answers

BIBLE WORD SEARCH

BIBLE TRIVIA

By Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Haggai in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. From Proverbs 22:15, what is bound up in the heart of a child? Foolishness, Joy, Love, Warmth
3. Where was Paul on receiving his "Macedonian vision"? Troas, Gilgata Petra, Rome
4. What Phoenician city was home to Hiram? Endor, Patara, Tyre, Sardis
5. From Genesis 2, what did God use to form man? Water, Dust, Robe, Wind
6. What was a publican in biblical times? Priest, Laborer, Carpenter, Tax Collector

ANSWERS: 1) Old, 2) Foolishness, 3) Troas, 4) Tyre, 5) Dust, 6) Tax Collector

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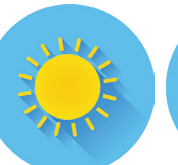
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High 85



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Thursday
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Weather History

August 6
1977: Severe thunderstorms produced 19 tornadoes in Sangamon and Christian Counties. Many of these only affected open fields. However, one tornado did cause extensive damage near and east of Chatham, in the Glenwood Park subdivision, where about 40 homes were demolished or heavily damaged. One tornado just south of Lake Springfield was unusual in that it had a clockwise rotation, in contrast to the usual counter-clockwise rotation found in tornadoes. The thunderstorms that produced these tornadoes caused a large swath of destruction from

strong winds extending from southwestern Morgan County east to far southwestern Macon County.

August 7
1936: Among the many heat-related records established during the summer of 1936 was the number of days with highs 90 degrees or higher. Springfield reported 69 such days during the year, 57 of which occurred between June and August. At Peoria, the total for the year was 64, a few days shy of the record of 68 days set in 1887.

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CLINTON Journal Sports

‘Ripple’s Auto Body Night’ filled with action at Macon Speedway

MACON — Nearly 100 cars were pitside for the Ripple’s Auto Body Open Wheel Extravaganza at Macon Speedway this past Saturday night. Joining the POWRi Lucas Oil National Midgets were the Built Ford Tough MOWA Sprint Cars for the top notch doubleheader. Three other classes also raced.

“The Dauminator” Zach Daum took all 25 laps in the MOWA Sprint Car feature on Saturday night. The driver from Pocahontas, IL., made quick work of the 18-car division and resisted the challenge from Slater Helt and Paul Nienhiser early and often. The win was the third by Daum at Macon Speedway in the MOWA series, the most by any MOWA driver.

Cannon McIntosh came to life midway through the race and made a pass for the lead for his second consecutive feature win of the POWRi Midgets at Ma-

con Speedway. New Zealand racer Michael Pickens raced to second place.

In the POWRi Micro Sprints series, Macon Speedway regular Daryn Stark flew across the top of the track to pass Jeremy Camp and get the win in the second half of the 20-lap race. Stark, a former track champion and one-time feature winner in 2022, came through the entire race from the top and ended up grabbing the checkered flag at the finish line.

Taylorville driver, Braden Johnson, who had won two out of the last three features at the track, took the lead on lap one from his second starting spot. Behind him, it was a battle of the Eller brothers, Colby and Curtis. As the two dived for second, it was Johnson pulling away out front. At the checkered, Johnson was followed to his fourth feature win by Colby Eller, Ryan Blair, Derek Smith,

and Curtis Eller.

Springfield veteran, Guy Taylor, continued his dominance in the DIRTcar Pro Mod division, leading every lap on his way to his eighth feature win of the season. While he checked out, the action from second on back was exciting with Dean Holt, Austin Seets, B.J. Deal, and others mixing it up. At the checkered, Taylor was followed by Seets, Deal, Adam Rhodes, and Zach Taylor.

Up next for Macon Speedway is the Diane Bennett Memorial on Saturday, August 6. Over \$11,000 has already been collected and added to the purse for the six divisions in action. The Decatur Building Trades Big 10 Pro Late Models, BillingsleyRewards.com Modifieds, DIRTcar Pro Mods, 51 Bistro Big 10 Street Stocks, DIRTcar Hornets, and HART Non-Wing Micros will be in action.

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84X-Jesse Love[Redwood City, CA]; 9. 71K-Dominic Gorden[Clovis, CA]; 10. 25K-Taylor Reimer[Tulsa, OK]

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1. 55S-Daryn Stark[Springfield, IL]; 2. 23X-Jeremy Camp[Sullivan, IL]; 3. 65E-Chad Elliott[Cottage Hills, IL]; 4. 72-Zach Daum[Pocahontas, IL]; 5. 55H-Hayden Harvey[Warrensburg, IL]; 6. B8-John Barnard[Sherman, IL]; 7. 8W-Breanna Wirth[Waterloo, IL]; 8. 84-Carson Hedy[Desloge, MO]; 9. 21-Aarik Andruskevitch[Riverton, IL]; 10. 83-Jeff Beasley[Urbana, IL]

Decatur Building Trades Pro Late Models

1. 14J-Braden Johnson[Taylorville, IL]; 2. 10C-Colby Eller[Taylorville, IL]; 3. 10CE-Ry-

an Blair[Edinburg, IL]; 4. 14-Derek Smith[Decatur, IL]; 5. T22-Curtis Eller[Taylorville, IL]; 6. 7Z-Michael Maestas[Lincoln, IL]; 7. (DNF) 64-Donny Koehler[Macon, IL]; 8. (DNF) 11-Ryan Miller[Lincoln, IL]; 9. (DNF) 9B-Brandon Miller[Broadwell, IL]; 10. (DNF) 33-Bill Berghaus[Chapin, IL]

DIRTcar Pro Mods

1. 4T-Guy Taylor[Springfield, IL]; 2. 67-Austin Seets[Brighton, IL]; 3. 3W-BJ Deal[Brownstown, IL]; 4. 10-Adam Rhoades[Clinton, IL]; 5. 24Z-Zach Taylor[Springfield, IL]; 6. 15C-Kevin Crowder[Argenta, IL]; 7. 7-Christian Lee[Sorento, IL]; 8. 12-Dean Holt[Decatur, IL]; 9. 6-Billy Adams[Shelbyville, IL]; 10. (DNF) 78-Maxx Emerson[Taylorville, IL]

McKinney outduels Hoffman for first modified Prairie Dirt Classic victory at Fairbury

FAIRBURY — From Summit Modified races, the FALS Super Nationals, to the FALS Cup points championship, Mike McKinney had won just about every marquee DIRTcar UMP Modified race on the Fairbury Speedway schedule, except one. The Prairie Dirt Classic had evaded his grasp throughout his career, but now, it’s finally his.

“I wanted it more than anybody here, I can promise you that,” McKinney said. “It doesn’t matter who we beat, I just wanted to win this race. I’m glad it’s on our list now.”

Though his determination seemed unmatched, McKinney was forced to fend-off another driver with equal drive to win Saturday night – the newly crowned five-time DIRTcar Summit Racing Equipment Modified Nationals champion, Nick Hoffman.

The two waged a war of epic proportions throughout the final 15 laps of the

40-lap main event, swapping the lead twice in that span and bringing the crowd to the feet as they zoomed around the quarter-mile oval.

In the end, Hoffman came up just one spot short. For the second time this season, McKinney had gotten the best of the winningest Summit Modified driver.

“Mike just hit six perfect laps to beat me,” Hoffman said. “He did a great job.”

Their lane choices acted as weapons in their bullring battle for \$5,000 – McKinney firing on the high side, right against the wall, while Hoffman swung down low, hugging the extreme bottom lane.

Hoffman had to drive from 11th on the starting grid after a rough Qualifying result on Friday set him back in his Showdown Feature. But with 15-to-go, Hoffman had just made the pass for second and was coming after leader McKinney.

Caution was displayed just two laps later, erasing McKinney’s half-second lead and putting Hoffman right on his bumper for the restart. The green dropped and Hoffman immediately challenged McKinney to his inside, taking the lead for the first time on Lap 28.

“Up until about 15-to-go, I thought I was gonna finish fifth in that race,” Hoffman said. “I just couldn’t get breaks and didn’t feel great in the car either. But some lanes opened-up and I was able to get to the lead.”

Hoffman led through Lap 34, when the caution was displayed for the final time. Though Hoffman got a great jump on the restart, McKinney hit his marks on the cushion, reeling the leader in and making the pass back for the lead with four-to-go.

“The harder I was running, the better it actually got,” McKinney said. “We had that last restart with six-to-go, and it took me

a couple laps to get into a rhythm and get wound-up. Finally, I was able to shoot the gun and drive back by [Hoffman].”

Hoffman gave it everything he had on the bottom in the final laps to close on McKinney, but it proved fruitless. McKinney rounded Turn 4 for the final time and beat Hoffman to the line by .361 seconds to score a dramatic victory in the 32nd annual Prairie Dirt Classic.

“Getting out of the car and seeing all those people, it’s exactly what I thought it would be,” McKinney said. “It feels damn good.”

Though Mike got the biggest slice of Victory Lane glory, his father and crew chief David shared a part in the shining moment as well. The two took on a brand-new gameplan and joined the new Longhorn Chassis Modified program for the start of the 2021 season, putting in a ton of time and energy into learn-

ing how to master the new car. Though it wasn’t easy at first, David has helped accelerate Mike’s learning curve with the setup help, and together, they’ve finally bagged one of Fairbury’s most prestigious events.

“Sometimes I nail it and he can drive it with one hand,” David said. “Sometimes I miss it and he says, ‘I’ll make up for it.’”

“How good is it for father and son to spend time together and race. I wouldn’t do it with anybody else, and he’s the same way.”

Though it doesn’t happen often in Summit Modified competition, Hoffman conceded to McKinney for the second time this season. He was bested by McKinney a few weeks earlier at Shady-hill Speedway in Indiana, and this time around, just didn’t feel as comfortable as he normally does out front at Fairbury.

“I just felt terrible everywhere in Turns 3-4,” Hoffman said. “I ran the bottom

most of the race, but I tried the middle with a couple guys and just couldn’t make any speed off of 4. Normally, I feel like I get from Turn 4 to the flag stand better than anybody. I just didn’t feel that way tonight.”

Outside of the top-two, Tyler Nicely came home third after running up front all night. Six-time Summit Modified champ Mike Harrison came all the way out of a Last Chance Showdown event (17th on the Feature starting grid) to finish fourth, while Allen Weisser charged from 14th to round-out the top-five.

Abbreviated Results

Feature 40 Laps / 00:33:14.718

1. 96M-Mike McKinney[2]; 2. 2-Nick Hoffman[11]; 3. 25-Tyler Nicely[3]; 4. 24H-Mike Harrison[17]; 5. 25W-Alan Weisser[14]; 6. 45-Chase Holland[6]; 7. 22-Josh Harris[9]; 8. 8-Kyle Steffens[10]; 9. 12H-Jason Hughes[16]; 10. 777-Trevor Neville[24]; 11. 8A-Austin Holcombe[7]; 12. 28M-Frank Marshall[1]; 13. 5-Steven Brooks[18]; 14. 37-Michael Ledford[22]; 15. 35W-Ethan Weber[12]; 16. 88S-Alan Stipp[23]; 17. 21D-Danny Schwartz[5]; 18. 5CS-Curt Spalding[19]; 19. 18L-Michael Long[4]; 20. 54-Zachary Hawk[21]; 21. 130-Chase Allen[13]; 22. 1S-Brian Shaw[8]; 23. 00-Ethan Dotson[20]; 24. 8K-Levi Kissinger[15]



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RoundPoint Mortgage Servicing Corporation PLAINTIFF Vs. Sara J. Schlesinger, et al. DEFENDANTS
No. 2019CH23
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'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 12/11/2019, the Sheriff of DeWitt County, Illinois will on September 14, 2022 at the hour of 10:00 AM at DeWitt County 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:
PIN 12-03-351-012 Improved with Single Family Home
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

DEWITT COUNTY - IN PROBATE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ARLINE V. COBB, DECEASED

NO.: 2022-PR-24

CLAIM DATE NOTICE - INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION

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

Letters of Office were issued on July 7, 2022 to Donald Welch, 203 Cedar Drive, Clinton, Illinois 61727 as Independent Executor. The attorney for the estate is Joseph B. Taylor of Taylor & Lynch, 216 South Center Street, P.O. Box 478, Clinton, Illinois 61727.

Claims may be filed in the office of the clerk of the court at the DeWitt County Courthouse, 201 W. Washington Street, Clinton, IL 61727, or with the representative, or both, on or before January 9, 2023. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the clerk of the court must be mailed or

delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it is filed.

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 opened from the Clerk of the Court at the above address.

Dated this 12th day of July, 2022.

Donald Welch, Independent Executor of the estate of Arline V. Cobb, Deceased.

JOSEPH B. TAYLOR 020803046 TAYLOR & LYNCH 216 SOUTH CENTER STREET P.O. BOX 478 CLINTON, IL 61727 TEL: (217) 935-2183 FAX: (217) 935-8219 E-MAIL: attorneys@de Wittcountylaw.com

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DEWITT COUNTY, ILLINOIS IN PROBATE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MABEL IRENE HOWELL, Deceased

No. 2022PR26

DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE

NOTICE that Mabel Irene Howell died on April 14, 2022. The name and address of the executor of the estate is Richard L. Howell, 8775 Little Galilee Road, Maroa, Illinois 61756. Letters of Office were issued on July 8, 2022. The attorney of record for the estate is Darrell A. Woolums of Samuels, Miller, Schroeder, Jackson & Sly, LLP, 225 N. Water St., Suite 301, P.O. Box 1400, Decatur, IL 62525. Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the DeWitt County Circuit Clerk, 201 W. Washington, P.O. Box 439, Clinton, IL 61727, or with the executor, or both. The time for filing claims in this estate expires on January 22, 2023, or within three months of the date of mailing this notice, if later. Any claim not filed on or before that date shall be barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the executor and the attorney within ten days after it has been filed.

DATED: July 15, 2022

RICHARD HOWELL, Executor of the Estate of Mabel Irene Howell, De-

ceased.
BY: SAMUELS, MILLER, SCHROEDER, JACKSON & SLY, LLP

By /s/Darrell A. Woolums One of His Attorneys

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS

DEWITT COUNTY

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

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“Statement of Candidacy” forms may be obtained from the attorney or the Clerk of the Court.

DATED this 20th day of July, 2022

Michelle Van Valey
Clerk

This Notice Prepared By:

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July 29, 2022
August 5, 2022

LEGAL

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL DEWITT COUNTY ILLINOIS
BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff,
vs.
ROBERT ISACC WINSTEAD, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendant(s).
Case No: 2022 FC 9
501 SOUTH CHICAGO

DEWITT, IL 61735
NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION
The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, ROBERT ISACC WINSTEAD, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS defendants in the above entitled cause, that suit has been commenced against you and other defendants in the Circuit Court for the Judicial Circuit by said plaintiff praying for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to wit: LOTS 1, 2, 3 AND 4 IN BLOCK 1 IN ROBBINS'S ADDITION TO MARION, NOW THE VILLAGE OF DEWITT Commonly known as: 501 South Chicago, Dewitt, IL 61735
PIN No: 09-19-230-001
And which said Mortgage was made by ROBERT ISAAC WINSTEAD as Mortgagor(s) to BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. as Mortgagee and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds as Document Number 242951 and for other relief; that Summons was duly issued out of the above Court against you as provided by law and that said suit is now pending.
NOW THEREFORE, unless you, the said above named defendants, file your answer to the complaint in the said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Office of the Clerk of the Court at DeWitt County on or before AUGUST 29, 2022, a default may be taken against you at any time after that date and a Judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said complaint.
This communication is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
By: /s/ Hannah McFadden
Hannah McFadden, Attorney
Prepared By: Hannah McFadden | ARDC No: 6302048
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NOTICE
BANKRUPTCY JUDGE POSITION
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

Chief Bankruptcy Judge Thomas L. Perkins of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of Illinois will retire on March 31, 2023. The Judicial Council of the Seventh Circuit seeks applications from all qualified applicants to succeed Judge Perkins as bankruptcy judge for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of Illinois with a duty station in Peoria, IL. Applicants must be willing to travel to other locations in the Seventh Circuit to handle cases as need arises. The term of office is 14 years and the current salary is \$205,528.00. Interested applicants may obtain an application and instructions by accessing the Court of Appeals website at www.ca7.uscourts.gov.

In making the appointment, applicants will be reviewed without discrimination as to race, color, sex, disability, religion, or national origin. Applicants should be admitted to practice in at least one state court and be members in good standing of every bar of which they are members. Applicants should possess and have a reputation

for integrity and good character and be of sound physical and mental health. Applicants must possess and have demonstrated a commitment to equal justice under law. Applicants must also possess and have demonstrated outstanding legal ability and competence as evidenced by substantial legal experience, ability to deal with complex legal problems, aptitude for legal scholarship and writing, and familiarity with courts and court processes. Applicants must also possess demeanor, character, and personality to indicate that they would exhibit judicial temperament if appointed to the position of United States bankruptcy judge. The individual selected must comply with the statutory and Judicial Conference regulations regarding the filing of financial disclosure reports. Pursuant to Section 120 of the Bankruptcy Amendments and Federal Judgeship Act of 1984, the Judicial Council of the Seventh Circuit will make recommendations to the United States Court of Appeals, which will make the appointment. Applications must be received by August 29, 2022.

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July 29, 2022
August 5 and 12, 2022

LEGAL

ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, July 26, 2022, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of DeWitt County, Illinois, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as:

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Dated: Tuesday, July 26, 2022

No. 2022-180

/s/Dana Smith/ha
COUNTY CLERK

Legal 19543
July 29, 2022
August 5 and 12, 2022

LEGAL

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the DeLand Community Fire Protection District for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2022, and ending April 30, 2023, is on file and conveniently available for public inspection at the United States Post Office, DeLand, Illinois, from and after August 11, 2022.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that a public hearing on said Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance will be held at 5:30 p.m. on the 12th day of September, 2022 at the DeLand Community Fire Protection District Office, DeLand, Piatt County, Illinois, and that final action on said Ordinance will be taken by the Trustees of the DeLand Community Fire Protection District at a meeting to be held at 5:45 p.m. on the 12th day of September, 2022.

DATED this 10th day of August, 2022.

Troy Burton
Secretary

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August 5, 2022

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the MAHOMET VALLEY WATER AUTHORITY for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2022, and ending April 30, 2023, is on file and conveniently available for public inspection at the Piatt County Courthouse, Monticello, Illinois, and the DeWitt County Courthouse, Clinton, Illinois, from and after August 12, 2022.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that a public hearing on said Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance will be held at 1:00 p.m. on the 13th day of September, 2022 at the offices of Mahomet Valley Water Authority Office, in the Professional Building, Monticello, Illinois, Piatt County, and that final action on said Ordinance will be taken by the Trustees of the MAHOMET VALLEY WATER AUTHORITY at a meeting to be held at 1:15 p.m. on the 13th day of September, 2022.

DATED this 10th day of August, 2022.

/s/Doug
Harlan
Secretary

Prepared by:
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Legal 19545
August 5, 2022

LEGAL

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 6TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DEWITT COUNTY - CLINTON, ILLINOIS
RoundPoint Mortgage Servicing Corporation
PLAINTIFF
Vs.

Sara J. Schlesinger; et. al.
DEFENDANTS
No. 2019CH23
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'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 12/11/2019, the Sheriff of DeWitt County, Illinois will on September 14, 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:
LOT 3 IN HEATHER MEADOWS SUBDIVISION IN DEWITT COUNTY, ILLINOIS, ACCORDING TO PLAT DATED OCTOBER 3, 1991 AND RECORDED JANUARY 21, 1992 IN PLAT BOOK "I", PAGE 18 AS DOCUMENT NO. 158223 IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE OF DEWITT COUNTY, ILLINOIS, SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF DEWITT, STATE OF ILLINOIS.
PIN 12-03-351-012
Improved with Single Family Home COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 5031 Brittany Lane 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 Property 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 exceed \$300, in certified funds, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.
If the property is a condominium and the foreclosure takes place after 1/1/2007, purchasers other than the mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).
If the property is located in a common interest community, purchasers other than mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under the Condominium Property 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 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 FORECLOSURE LAW.
For information: Examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: Codilis & Associates, P.C., 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100, Burr Ridge, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876. Please refer to file number 14-19-09276.
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Legal 19546
August 5, 12 and 19, 2022

LEGAL

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, DEWITT COUNTY, ILLINOIS In Probate

IN RE THE ESTATE OF

MELVIN MURPHY

DECEASED

No. 2022PR27

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

TO: CREDITORS and CLAIMANTS

Notice is hereby given of the death of Melvin Murphy, who died on November 16, 2021, a resident of Clinton, Illinois.

Letters of Office were issued on July 20, 2022, to VIRGINIA MURPHY, whose address is 9393 Green Valley Road, Clinton, IL 61727, as Executor; and whose attorney of record is Stephen R. Myers, 202 W. Adams Street, Clinton, Illinois 61727.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court at 201 W. Washington Street, Clinton, Illinois 61727, or with the Executor identified above, or both, on or before January 13, 2023. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the Executor and to the attorney within (ten) 10 days after it has been 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 Probate Act of 1975 (755 ILCS 5/28-4).

Dated: July 27, 2022

VIRGINIA MURPHY, Executor

STEPHEN R. MYERS
Attorney for the Executor

ARDC No. 2008203
Stephen R. Myers
Attorney for Executor
202 W. Adams Street
Clinton, Illinois 61727
Tel. (217) 935-8326
Fax (217) 935-4333
E-mail: steve@stevemyerslaw.com

Legal 19547
August 5, 12 and 19, 2022

LEGAL

DRAINAGE ELECTION NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held on Tuesday, the 6th day of September, 2022 at the

residence of Jack Swartz, 515 N. Illinois Ave, DeLand, IL 61839, Piatt County, Illinois, for the purpose of electing one Drainage Commissioner for the DeWitt Special Drainage District, for a term of three years. The polls of said election will open at the hour of 2:00 p.m. and close at 4:00 p.m. of said day.

Dated this 27th day of July, 2022

Circuit Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of said Drainage District

Legal 19548
August 5 and 12, 2022

LEGAL

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-02

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A BUDGET AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE KENNEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, DEWITT AND MACON COUNTIES, ILLINOIS FOR THE CORPORATE (GENERAL), INSURANCE AND AUDIT FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2022, AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2023.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE KENNEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I. That the following is an estimate, by source, of the expected receipts of the Kenney Fire Protection District for all funds for the Fiscal Year beginning May 1, 2022, and ending April 30, 2023:

Estimated Cash Balance May 1, 2022
Checking Account \$162,316.46
Investment Account 50,107.67
Total Estimated Cash Balance May 1, 2022
\$212,424.13

Anticipated Revenues and Receipts:
Real Estate Tax Revenue - DeWitt County \$105,378.70
Real Estate Tax Revenue - Macon County 9,271.30
Exelon Power Station 19,363.00
Bank Interest 10.00
Other Income (F/F-Donations) 100.00
State Illinois Commercial 2,010.00
Illinois Municipal League Insurance Tax 1,200.00
Non-Resident Billing 4,500.00
Total Anticipated Revenues and Receipts \$141,833.00

Total Cash Balance May 1, 2022, and Anticipated Revenues and Receipts \$354,257.13

SECTION II. That the following sums of money be and hereby are budgeted and appropriated for corporate (general), audit, and insurance purposes for the Kenney Fire Protection District, a Fire Protection District in DeWitt and Macon Counties, Illinois, for the Fiscal Year beginning May 1, 2022, and ending April 30, 2023, for the following purposes:

1. Printing, Postage & Office Supplies \$2,500.00
2. Medical Supplies 3,000.00
3. Fire Fighting Equipment 50,000.00

4. Repairs & Maint. of Fire Trucks 50,000.00
5. Repairs & Maint. of Other Equip. 3,500.00
6. Gasoline & Oil for FFE 6,000.00
7. Events & Community Outreach 2,500.00
8. Memberships, Dues, & Training 2,500.00
9. Utilities 7,500.00
10. Building Repairs & Maint. 5,000.00
11. Credits & Debits to Building 50,000.00
12. Mileage Reimbursement 500.00
13. Trustee & Chief Fees 6,250.00
14. Volunteer & Agent Fees 17,000.00
15. Medical Evaluations 1,000.00
16. Attorney Fees & Legal Expenses 2,500.00
17. Publication Expenses 3,000.00
18. Accounting Expenses 500.00
19. Audit Expenses 1,200.00
20. Insurance Expenses 20,000.00
21. Miscellaneous & Contingent General Expenses 64,000.00

TOTAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION \$298,450.00

ESTIMATED CASH ON HAND APRIL 30, 2023, FOR ALL FUNDS \$55,807.13

SECTION III. The Trustees shall have the power and authority during the aforesaid Fiscal Year from time to time, as in their judgment may be necessary, to make transfers among the various line-item appropriations for the purpose of meeting exigencies that may arise during the year, as permitted by law. To the extent permitted by applicable law, all unexpected balances of any item or items of any general 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. The sums herein appropriated are appropriated from all sources of income, including but not limited to all sources of income from property taxes, and all other revenues of the Fire Protection District received from all sources of revenue. Should a deficiency exist in any fund or line item other than the General Fund for a purpose for which money may be legally appropriated and spent from the General Fund, that deficiency may be made up from the General Fund. The amount of any such deficiency in any such fund or line item other than the General Fund is hereby appropriated from the General Fund.

SECTION IV. If any section, subdivision or sentence of this Ordinance is held invalid, it shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this Ordinance.

SECTION V. This Ordinance shall be known as Ordinance No. 2022-02 and shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the Kenney Fire Protection District, DeWitt and Macon Counties", Illinois, within thirty (30) days of the date hereof. The newspaper shall furnish a certificate of publication to the Secretary of the Fire Protection District, which

certifi-cate shall be placed in the official records of the Fire Protection District and this Ordinance shall be in full force and ef-fect from and after ten (10) days of its publica-tion.

PASSED by the Board of Trustees of the Kenney Fire Protec-tion Dis-trict of DeWitt and Macon Counties, Illi-nois this 16th day of July, 2022, and filed with the Secretary of the said Fire Protection District the same date.

Ayes: 3
Nays: 0

Kenneth Robinson
Secretary of the
Board of Trustees
of the Kenney Fire
Protection District

Approved by the
President of the
Kenney Fire Protec-tion District
Board of Trustees,
this
16th day of July,
2022.

Spencer Thomas
President

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned
Secretary of the
Board of Trustees
of the Kenney Fire
Protection District,
a Fire Protection
District organized
and existing under
the laws of the
State of Illinois,
certifies that on the
day and date here-of, he was the duly ap-pointed, acting
and qualified Sec-etary of the said Fire Protec-tion District;
that in his capacity
as Secretary he is
the offi-cial keep-

er of the records,
minutes and
resolutions of the
said Fire Protection
District; and that the
document attached
hereto is a true
and correct copy of
the Ordinance No.
2022-02 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE
ADOPTING A BUD-
GET AND MAKING
APPROPRIATIONS
FOR THE KENNEY
FIRE PROTEC-
TION DISTRICT,
DEWITT AND
MACON COUN-
TIES, ILLI-NOIS
FOR THE CORPO-
RATE (GENERAL),
INSURANCE AND
AUDIT FUNDS
FOR THE FISCAL
YEAR BEGINNING
MAY 1, 2022, AND
ENDING APRIL 30,
2023

the original of which
is part of the official
records of the said
Kenney Fire Protec-tion District.

Dated this 16th day
of July, 2022.

Kenneth Robinson
Secretary of the
Board of Trustees
of the Kenney Fire
Protection District

The undersigned
certifies that on
the day and date
hereof, he was the
duly appointed,
qualified and acting
President of the
Kenney Fire Protec-tion District; that on
the day and date
hereof KENNETH
ROBINSON was
the duly appointed,
qualified and acting
Sec-etary of the
Kenney Fire Protec-tion District and
in such capac-ity
was the keeper of
the official re-cords,
minutes and resolu-tions of the

said Fire Protection
District.

Dated this 16th day
of July, 2022.

Spencer Thomas
President of the
Board of Trustees
of the Kenney Fire
Protection District

The undersigned,
being the duly
appointed and
acting Trea-surer
of the Kenney Fire
Protection District,
as chief fiscal offi-
cer of said District,
certifies that the
estimate of receipts
set forth above
in Ordinance No.
2022-02, being the
Budget and Appro-priation Ordinance
of the Kenney Fire
Protection Dis-trict
for the fiscal year
beginning May 1,
2022, and ending
April 30, 2023,
correctly states the
revenues, by
source, anticipat-
ed to be received
by the said Fire
Protection District
for the fiscal year
indicated. This
certification is made
in compliance with
the provisions of 35
ILCS 200/18-50.

Dated this 16th day
of July, 2022.

Brett Willits
Treasurer, Board of
Trustees
Kenney Fire Protec-tion District

Legal 19549
August 5, 2022



LEGAL

LEGAL NOTICE

The regular meet-
ing of the Clinton
Sanitary District
scheduled for Au-
gust 2, 2022 at 6:00
p.m. at the office of
Lamkin & Lamkin,
200 South Monroe
Street, Clinton,
IL 61727 was not
held for lack of a
quorum because
of unavailability of
two trustees. It has
been rescheduled
for August 9, 2022
at the hour of 6:00
p.m. local time at
the same office for
the purpose of con-
ducting the regular
business coming
before the board.

BEN WHITTED
Clerk of the Clinton
Sanitary District

LEGAL 19550
August 5, 2022



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Easy to remember because
of its 8/11 date, the day is
a good reminder to get un-
derground utilities marked
prior to breaking ground.
Having utilities marked is
free and easy to do; simply
call 811 two to three busi-
ness days prior to starting
your project. While state
laws vary, utility compa-
nies generally have two to
three days to respond to
your request.

Why is it necessary to get
buried utilities marked?
Underground lines are un-
yielding, and their path
is unpredictable. Digging
in an unmarked yard can
mean striking an under-
ground utility line, which
can cause serious injury.
Damaging a utility line can
also cause unwanted ser-
vice disruptions, including
a power outage, as well as
a hefty fine.

“While it can be tempting
to skip the important step
of calling before you dig, it
can be a costly and danger-
ous omission,” says Erin
Hollinshead, executive di-
rector of Safe Electricity.
“Underground utility lines
could be anywhere. They
also shift over time and can

be found just a few inches
from the surface.”

Every project, big or
small, requires advance no-
tification to 811. To start the
underground utility mark-
ing process, call 811 or visit
call811.com. Examples of
projects that require utility
location include putting up
a fence, installing a mail-
box post, building a deck
or patio, and planting trees
and shrubs, among others.
Any project that breaks
ground requires that under-
ground utilities be marked.

If a contractor is involved,
check with that person to
determine who will make
the request. Locators do
not mark private lines such
as service to outbuildings,
underground sprinkler sys-
tems, or a gas line to a grill,
for example. Private lines
are the responsibility of the
homeowner.

Before digging in, take
these five steps to safer dig-
ging:

Pre-mark the proposed
dig area with white paint or
white flags.

Call 811 or visit the web-
site call811.com to submit
your locate request before
you dig. There is no charge
for the service.

Wait the required amount
of time (typically two to
three business days).

Respect the marks and do
not move any flags.

Dig with care. Avoid dig-
ging on top of or within 18

to 24 inches on all sides of
utility marks, which may
mean moving your digging
project to another part of
your yard.

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it SafeElectricity.org. For
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