

Chief Lowers addresses local park vandalism

Lowers asks for public’s help by reporting park damage to police

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CLINTON — Clinton Police Chief Ben Lowers asks the public’s help in reporting and preventing vandalism to city parks. Recent damage to Rotary Park prompted Lowers to address the problem Monday during the city council meeting.

“Over the weekend, we had some vandalism reported at Rotary Park,”

Lowers said. “Some etching on the relatively new equipment down there.”

He said he knows sometimes “kids will be kids.”

“But, frankly, if it’s destruction of property, it’s not kids being kids,” Lowers said.

City crews were able to clean up all the damage on Monday morning.

Statistically, Kiwanis Park tends to receive the most vandalism of the city parks because of its secluded location behind Clinton YMCA. Rotary Park is located next to Cedar Side subdivision near the city water plant.

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Gordon Woods / Journal
Neighborhood families are enjoying the new play equipment installed recently at Downey Park. A new concrete basketball court also is in the works for the park.

Clinton AMVETS post receives state award

Jesse Owens
Clinton AMVETS Post 14

CLINTON — During the 77th Annual Department of Illinois AMVETS Convention this year, AMVETS Post #14, of Clinton, received the Commander’s Award. The award was in Category II for posts with more than 106 veterans.

The award is presented for a posts’ activities in support of the AMVETS mission of “VETERANS helping VETERANS” and activities in support of their communities.

Post #14 extended its thanks to the community for its continued donations in support of the many programs in which AMVETS participates. With the community’s help, Post #14 was able to provide assistance to several organizations that support veterans, their families and Clinton AMVETS hometown.

A few of those organizations include:

- Danville VA Voluntary Services (VA Nursing Home)
- Quincy - AMVETS Post #104 Veteran’s Home All Wars Museum

& Deer Park Restoration project

- Gary Sinise Foundation (provides adaptive vehicles/homes for wounded veterans)
- Fisher House Foundation (provides free housing/support for military families of hospitalized veterans)
- AMVETS Post #119 (tornado relief for Mayfield, Kentucky post destroyed in tornado)
- Red Sleigh Project (local post “adopts” local veteran/military families for Christmas)
- BSA Scout Troop #1142 & BSA Girl Scout Troop #7142 (charter organization/sponsor)
- Dove

Some of the activities that more closely affect the local community that Post #14 is involved in include:

- Combined Clinton Veterans Honor Guard (involved in 29 military funerals in 2021, including several funerals in surrounding communities where other Honor Guards were not available)
- Scholarships for Clinton High School students of veterans



AMVETS’ Commander’s Award

- Americanism - flag replacement for local businesses/individuals & teaching flag etiquette to scouts and others in the community
- Thanksgiving/Christmas meal preparation & deliveries assistance
- Flag placement at several local cemeteries for Memorial Day
- Participation in Memorial Services with other veterans groups
- Flag retirement ceremonies (with Scouts)
- Participation in Eastern Illinois Food Bank (with American Legion)

Clinton AMVETS continually works toward growing its membership in order to expand the post’s outreach efforts.

Dog found in suitcase is under investigation

Deputies opened case to discover animal dead

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CLINTON — The DeWitt County Sheriff’s Office is investigating the discovery of a dead dog placed in a suitcase. The dog was discovered in the case on July 1.

“On July 1, a citizen called that they had located a suitcase on the side of the road on Green Valley Road, just north of Ten Mile Creek,” DeWitt County Sheriff Mike Walker told the Clinton Journal July 14.

Walker said the citizen reported the case was covered in flies, “and had a very bad odor.”

Walker said deputies went to the scene, open the case and found the dog.

“We got animal control involved and had it (the dog) put in their freezer to preserve evidence,” Walker said. “We’re having some further processing done on the

animal tomorrow.”

County detectives have spent time fielding phone calls and conducting interviews. Walker said they had conducted at least 20 interviews in relation to the case.

“Well over 20 interviews, probably closer to 40,” Walker said. “We’re trying to put together enough evidence to move forward.”

Walker said his office had not released specific information about the case to prevent a suspect from destroying evidence. He addressed one particular Facebook page on which some people posted last week directly accusing a person by name.

“It makes it sound as if, just because they didn’t know about it, we weren’t doing anything,” Walker said. “Fortunately, we’ve had two weeks without any social media presence to be able to conduct an investigation without innuendo and accusations.”

Walker said his office was doing everything it could “to get justice for this dog.”

Pritzker tests positive for COVID-19, receives anti-viral treatment

Had ‘several close contacts’ during recent trip to rally Democrats in Florida

Jerry Nowicki
Capital News Illinois

SPRINGFIELD — Gov. JB Pritzker has tested positive for COVID-19 and is isolating at home, his office announced Tuesday, three days after

he spoke at a gathering of Democrats in Tampa, Florida.

Pritzker’s press office said he is experiencing mild symptoms and has received the anti-viral medication Paxlovid, a drug that received Emergency Use Authorization from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration in December for individuals at high risk to the effects of COVID-19.

The drug, according to clinical trials, reduced by 89 percent the risk of hospitalization and death from COVID-19. It is manufactured by Pfizer.

Pritzker is also vaccinated against the virus and has received two booster shots, according to his office.

The governor tested positive during “routine” testing after he arrived home from Florida, having had several close contacts

with other COVID-19-positive individuals at the gathering of Democrats.

Pritzker’s office said he will work from home and follow the current U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines, which call for at least five days of isolation after the positive COVID-19 test, regardless of vaccination status.

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Shofner completes graudate school of banking

CLINTON — Josh Shofner, President of First National Bank and Trust Company recently graduated from the ABA Stonier Graduate School of Banking, the industry's preeminent graduate school. Shofner was recognized on June 9 with a Stonier diploma and Wharton leadership certificate.

"Stonier has given me an opportunity to learn from the best minds in the financial services industry as well as the chance to exchange ideas with my peers from across the country," said Shofner.

This year, Stonier was held in person for the first time since 2019 with 532 students attending seven days of classes in June, and representing banks of all sizes and geographies, various regulatory agencies and international organizations. Stonier's intensive education program complements extension projects throughout the year. The three-year program focuses on preparing future industry leaders with curriculum covering a variety of topics including capital planning, enterprise risk management, marketing strategy and technology and innovation. Since Shofner earned a M.B.A., he was able to start at year two of the program.

The program culminates with a capstone strategic project, where students develop comprehensive business projects for their financial institutions. Over the past 87 years, Stonier has trained over 20,000 of the nation's top banking executives and government regulators, many of whom have



Courtesy of FNB, Clinton
Josh Shofner with his wife Charity and daughter Cydney at the ABA Stonier Graduate School of Banking ceremony.

reached the pinnacle of their organizations.

"The experience challenges, motivates, and prepares you all at once. It has been one of the best educational experiences in my career," added Shofner. "The on-campus experience this year was awesome. The outstanding faculty of the ABA and Wharton College along with the fellow students made the educational experience like none I have ever had. I would encourage any banker who aspires to take their company to the next level to consider

Stonier."

Shofner joined First National Bank and Trust in 2000 upon completion of his B.S. in Mathematics from the University of Illinois. In 2002, he graduated from the Midwest School for Community Bankers with honors. He worked on the consumer and commercial side of lending while also serving as the Bank Secrecy Officer for 13 years with a significant involvement in operations and compliance.

In 2012, Josh received his M.B.A. from Illinois State University with

a concentration in Finance while earning the programs top award during his final semester, the MBA Distinguished Leadership Award. In 2018, he was named President for First National Bank and Trust, which now has locations in Arcadia, Whitehall and Independence, Wisconsin. In addition to his bank service, Josh has served 18 years as a DeLand-Weldon School Board member, the Village of Weldon Treasurer since 2016, and as a member of the Clinton Rotary Club since 2000.

Gambling with food

Welcome to my little corner of culinary delights.

Sandwiches are important to cuisine for many reasons. They are quick to make. They work with many things and for many occasions. Making them can be adventurous and fun with various shapes and fillings. It allows you to use your imagination and your talents. They go very well with soups.

The name came from the Earl of Sandwich. He liked playing cards and gambling so much that he had his food served to him at the gaming tables. To eat in the gaming room still necessitated him to put the cards down to use the knife, fork and spoon. This simply would not do.

The cook came up with a novel solution. The cook arranged the food between two slices of bread in such a way that the bread slices could trap the food between them. It could be eaten with the sandwich in one hand and the cards in the other. The practice became popular; thus, traditional.

We came a long way from this simple sandwich. Today there are many different kinds of sandwiches. There are the small delicate tea sandwiches with the crust trimmed. Bun sandwiches such as hamburgers, sloppy joes and pulled BBQ pork and hot dogs. There is the Dagwood sandwich style which is too big to fit the mouth. We now have the hoagie and submarine sandwiches. Do not forget your club sandwich for those Christmas parties. Even pita bread is used as pocket bread for making stuffed sandwiches. The list goes on and on.

Today, there are various types and kinds



The Culinary Corner
By Chef Roger Joss

of sandwich fillings from slabs of meat with vegetable slices to spreads such as butter. My favorites would be salad spread. With salad spread, you can include various minced vegetables, herbs, hard cooked eggs, sauces and seasonings for wonderful flavors. although peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, hamburgers, and grilled cheese sandwiches lack in expertise, they are popular. The ease and speed in which they are made contributes to that popularity.

One must choose the right type of bread. Some of your robust fillings such as pepperoni or spiced meats demand coarse bread with a tough crust. Senior citizens might not want that. The different thicknesses of breads are important to the taste and overall enjoyment. As shall be detail later.

In most cases, it is good to toast the bread; but only on one side. You do not want the bread too crusty, dry or unable to hold up. Put your sliced meat, spread or whatever, on the untoasted side. The toasted sides are always to face out. If the bread is squared loaf bread, cut it diagonally. It is easier to eat it that way. If it is part of the main course (entrée) serve a full sandwich. For hors d'oeuvre or to compliment the entrée, then make them small. Quarter size pieces made from squared loaf bread would be adequate.

Until next time, peace to all.

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"I just want to put a plea out to the community ...to let us know," Lowers said.

Officers patrol the parks on a regular basis, but it is important for residents to call the police department when they witness or discover vandalism.

"Please don't hesitate to contact police and let us know," he said. "The quicker we can get on those things, the more likely it is we'll find who is responsible."

Lowers said it might be time to consider additional security cameras in areas such as the parks.

Before Lowers' comments, commissioner John Wise complemented the progress on renovations at Downey Park.

In other business:

Commissioner Tom Edmunds reported, while the city regular sale tax was down about \$3,000 for the current period, non-home rule sales tax was up about \$4,000.

"If you go back two years ago, we're still way ahead of where we were two years ago," Edmunds said. "Because we receive sales tax on Internet purchases."

Drivers that receive commercial CDL licenses must now receive formal CDL drivers' training under a new federal government mandate. Wise suggested the city pay for this required training when hiring employees that require a CDL. Richland Community College would be the training site the city likely would use.



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Buchanan new corrections officer



Courtesy of the DeWitt County Sheriff's Office
John Buchanan, center, recently was named DeWitt County's newest corrections officer.

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Clinton Police Department

On 07/11/22 Clinton Police arrested Dillon J West 30, Clinton for Theft that was reported on 07/05/22. West was turned over to Corrections for processing.

On 07/12/22 Clinton Police arrested Christopher E. Jackson 28, Clinton for Domestic Battery. Jackson was transported to the DeWitt County Jail and released to Corrections.

DeWitt County Sheriff's Office

July 8-15

Charles Whisman,

37, Farmer City, was arrested and Charged with Possession of Controlled Substance and Domestic Battery. Whisman being unable to post the necessary bond remains lodged in the DeWitt County Jail.

Bennett Cole, 53, Heyworth, was issued a Citation for Operating Uninsured Vehicle. Cole was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Nichole Lanham, 29, Wapella, was arrested and charged with Domestic Battery. Lanham posted the necessary bond and was released.

John Poppenga, 50, Farmer City, was arrested on a DeWitt County Warrant Charging him with Driving on Suspended License/FTA.

Poppenga posted the necessary bond and was released.

Hisham Mughrabi, 59, Mansfield, was issued a Citation for Speeding (79 mph in a 55 mph zone). Mughrabi was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Charles Whitley, 46, Champaign, was arrested on a DeWitt County Warrant charging him with Violate Order Protection/FTA. Whitley being unable to post the necessary bond remains lodged in the DeWitt County Jail.

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

Dove offers domestic violence education, volunteer training

DECATUR — Training is available for individuals interested in educating themselves on the issues surrounding domestic violence.

The training will take place September 19-October 5, Monday through Thursday, from 5-9 p.m., at Dove, 302 S. Union, Decatur.

The 44-hour training is approved by ICADV, Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence and is facilitated by Dove staff members who are Illinois Certified Domestic Violence Professionals.

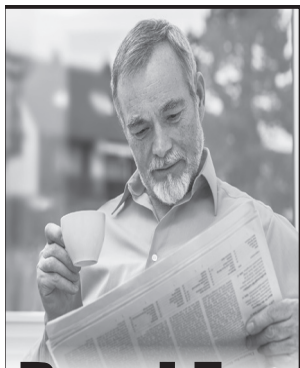
To register, contact Barbara Blakey at (217) 428-6616. A phone interview is the first step in the process and needs to take place by noon, Friday, September 9.

There is a \$200 fee for



the training. Training fee and all needed paperwork is due noon, September 12.

People interested in making a difference in the lives of victims and children served by Dove's Domestic Violence Program are encouraged to participate in this training. The extensive training program will allow you to volunteer in many areas, such as support group facilitation, shelter coverage, legal advocacy and children's services. Dove provides services to Macon, Moultrie, Shelby, DeWitt and Piatt Counties.



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Eastern Illinois Food Bank 'Foodmobile' in Farmer City August 13

When: Aug. 13 from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Where: Trinity Community Fellowship, 1300 W. Clinton Ave, Farmer City

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

The distribution will be held at Trinity Community Fellowship,

in Farmer City, on Aug. 13 from 9:30–10:30 a.m. and is open to residents of DeWitt, Piatt, and McLean counties. Those attending are asked to bring boxes or bags to transport food.

The distribution is part of the Foodbank's Foodmobile Program, a system of mobile food pantries designed to help bring nutritious food to

rural or underserved areas. Those planning to attend should pre-register at www.EIFclient.com, although doing so does not guarantee a place in line. Income guidelines are as shown below.

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

The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) Temporary Income Eligibility Guidelines Effective March 25, 2020 Until Further Notice					
Based on 200% of Federal Poverty Guidelines Amendment					
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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

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“He urges all Illinoisans to continue following CDC guidance, utilize anti-viral treatments, and get all available boosters,” his office said in a statement.

The governor’s first positive test came more than two years into the pandemic which first led him to issue a disaster declaration in March 2020.

It also came as the entire state was located in a “high transmission” COVID-19 area, and 50 counties were considered to have high COVID-19 community levels in Illinois. Community levels factor in hospital admissions and available hospital beds, as well as transmission rates.

Another 44 Illinois counties were at medium community levels as of Friday, while eight counties were considered at low levels, according to CDC.

Despite the rising transmission rates, mask mandates in Illinois and across the nation have largely been lifted.

Illinoisans age 12 and older had received at least one vaccine dose as of Tuesday while 76.9 percent were fully vaccinated, according to the Illinois Department of Public Health.

Hospitalizations numbers are well below pandemic highs of more than 7,000 in January, but they have been trending upward since April when they dipped below 500.

The positive test also came after Pritzker announced recent changes to his COVID-19 executive orders which he has issued along with consecutive 30-day disaster declarations since March 2020. They loosened vaccine mandates for health care workers and eliminated them for higher education students and staff.

Pritzker’s positive test also comes amid a reelection campaign in which he faces state Sen. Darren Bailey, R-Xenia, who has sharply criticized his pandemic response.

The Pritzker campaign has touted his pandemic response, running advertisements with the tagline “strong leadership in tough times.”

On Tuesday, Bailey posted to Twitter that he was praying for Pritzker’s speedy recovery.

In Florida, meanwhile, where the governor spoke over the weekend at the Leadership Blue gala of Florida Democrats, COVID-19 community levels were considered high in all but nine of the

state’s 67 counties.

At that gathering, Pritzker said Florida’s Republican Gov. Ron DeSantis was “Trump with a mask on,” criticizing the leader’s response to COVID-19.

The Florida speaking engagement was one stop on a recent east coast trip that included two days in Augusta, Maine, attending a series of meetings hosted by the National Governors’ Association. He also spent time at the White House early last week to celebrate the passage of bipartisan gun law reforms.

The Florida speech and a recent speaking engagement in New Hampshire have in recent weeks led to speculation that Pritzker could be considering a run for president in 2024 if Joe Biden does not seek reelection.

In recent interviews he has not denied interest, but he has said Illinois remains his focus.

“I’m not talking about running for President. I’m talking about running for governor,” Pritzker told Capitol News Illinois late last month. “I really do believe that, you know, I love this state. And I love the job that I have. I believe there’s a lot more to get done.”

Bailey, meanwhile, has criticized Pritzker’s trip out of state, calling out the governor for “hobnobbing” with “wealthy liberals” amid concerns about crime levels in Chicago.

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1933 - Wiley Post ended his around-the-world flight. He had traveled 15,596 miles in 7 days, 18 hours and 45 minutes.

1937 - The U.S. Senate rejected President Roosevelt's proposal to add more justices to the Supreme Court.

1943 - American forces led by General George S. Patton captured Palermo, Sicily.

1941 - Plans for the Pentagon were presented to the House Subcommittee on Appropriations.

1955 - U.S. Vice-President Richard M. Nixon chaired a cabinet meeting in Washington, DC. It was the first time that a Vice-President had carried out the task.

1965 - "Till Death Us Do Part" debuted on England's BBC-TV.

1975 - Confederate General Robert E. Lee had his U.S. citizenship restored by the U.S. Congress.

1987 - The U.S. began its policy of escorting re-flagged Kuwaiti tankers up and down the Persian Gulf to protect them from possible attack by Iran.

1998 - Iran tested medium-range missile, capable of reaching Israel or Saudi Arabia.

2000 - Astronomers at the University of Arizona announced that they had found a 17th moon orbiting Jupiter.

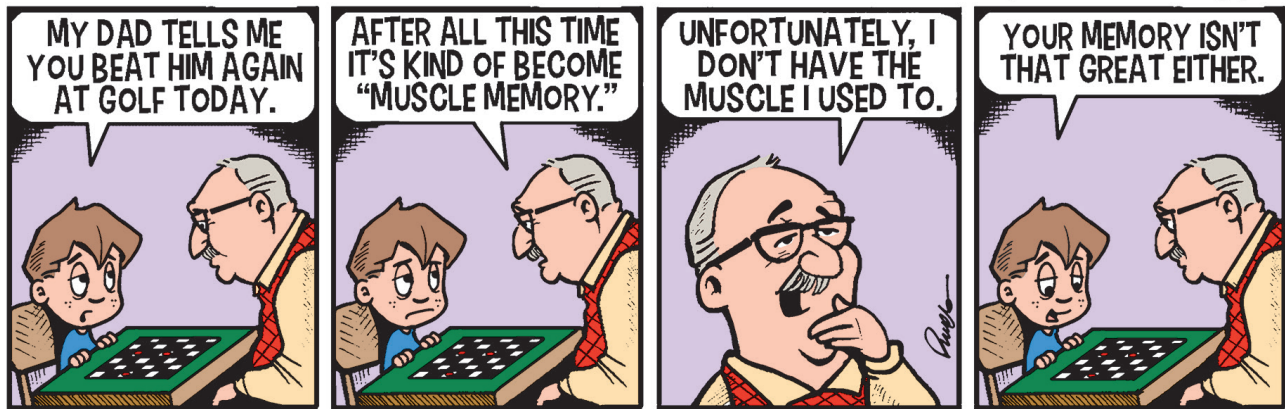
2003 - In northern Iraq, Saddam Hussein's sons Odai and Qusai died after a gunfight with U.S. forces.

2003 - In Paris, France, a fire broke out near the top of the Eiffel Tower. About 4,000 visitors were evacuated and no injuries were reported.

2004 - The September 11 commission's final report was released. The 575-page report concluded that hijackers exploited "deep institutional failings within our government." The report was released to White House officials the day before.

2009 - The longest total solar eclipse of the 21st century, lasting up to 6 minutes and 38.8 seconds, occurred over parts of Asia and the Pacific Ocean.

Amber Waves



by Dave T. Phipps

LETTERS

Thanks to everyone who made Prairie Flyers a success

On behalf of the DeWitt County Museum, we thank everyone who helped make the Prairie Flyers exhibit at the Homestead a success. We are appreciative of the many aviator, and, in some cases, their descendant, who loaned us items and shared their stories to help make this exhibit a reality. The

exhibit welcomed many visitors, not only locally, but nationwide as well, who came to see this world class display. The "Aviation Team," led by Edith Brady-Lunny, Denis Hambucken, Joey Long, Camille Redman, Parker Toohill and John Warner, put in countless hours over the past year collecting artifacts and

stories that will now be forever preserved and added to DeWitt County's growing history. We are also very grateful for those who volunteered their time to be docents. Finally, we would like to thank the many generous sponsors who made this exhibit possible. We are very grateful for their continued support of the

DeWitt County Museum and our mission to help preserve DeWitt County's history and heritage.

Kelbey McMath,
President
DeWitt County
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I have a love/hate relationship with Chicago. The city has always intrigued me. There is so much you can do there, Bears, Cubs, Sox, Bulls, Theaters, Food. Then there is so much you need to avoid, potholes, filthy side streets, traffic, crime. Every time I go to Chicago I am glad I went and then I am glad I get to leave. Last Thursday was a classic example. Our oldest son is career military and he is stationed on the east coast. He and his wife have three boys. His mother in law and sister in law live in a Chicago high rise apartment building. Two of our grandsons are spending a few weeks at the apartment, which is just off of downtown and near Chinatown. It was the 9-year-old's birthday and my wife and I were going to drive up and take everyone out for a birthday dinner. But plans change. My son and his wife decided to drive back and surprise the young man on his birthday. That meant my dinner was off and we would be having an Armenian BBQ at the apartment per my son's directives. My wife and I had never been to this apartment and were somewhat curious how they were going to fit everyone in. In any event,

we left for Chicago on Thursday morning. The drive was simple until Kankakee and then I remembered why I don't like going to the city. I-57 was under construction. We were at one lane of traffic for several miles. Then we hit the city and while we had four lanes, the traffic was essentially a parking lot. I groused and complained, but the only other person in the car was my wife and she ignores me. My wife was doing the Google Maps and she tells me the computer is telling us to get off the expressway and take city streets due to the traffic and construction. Like a fool I listen to the artificial intelligence of Google Maps. We are then on those pot-holed filthy two lane streets. I think I'm on a racetrack. Other people seem to know where they are going and it is simply cut throat driving. We miss a turn and have to back track. During all of this I am telling myself that I am saving time. I must be delusional. The maps then put us back on the expressway, but it is nothing but construction and I have no idea where I am, save for that idiot electronic voice telling me to get back off the expressway and take city streets.

ON POINT
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Have I told you how much I love Chicago. We finally get to the 5-year-old, 23 story apartment building. We cannot get in because we have to park. Parking on a city street in Chicago is next to impossible, but we managed. My son and daughter-in-law find us and walk us to the building, which was good as you cannot get in unless you have a pass to give the doorman. I am thinking of Clinton. You simply drive to someone's house, park, and walk in. So simple. I am still trying to figure out how they are going to do the BBQ as the balconies are pretty small. I am then informed that we are going to the 11th floor outdoor patio. The doorman takes us to the patio and unlocks it. It was huge, with an outdoor grill area with tables and gardens. The inside area had a pool and ping pong table, with a commercial mini kitchen. The view was of the John Hancock Building and what I still call Sears Tower. It was pretty neat. My son and

his mother-in-law went to work on the grill. I have never seen so many meats and vegetables on a grill, plus what was being cooked inside. This is to say nothing of all the cold vegetables that were also prepared. Our daughter-in-law is Armenian and she likes her native foods. We had a feast. We finished with the birthday cake and the young man getting his presents. I was stuffed. We left just before 9. I assumed the traffic would be minimal. Again the City bites. The expressway was blocked in by concrete barricades for construction. Add to that a stalled car on the right lane with no place to go. Traffic was backed up. We get around that and proceed towards I-57, only to be greeted by blue and red lights. Another car wreck blocking lanes. We clear the traffic jam and get on I-57. Those miles of one lane at Kankakee looked mighty good after leaving the City. We had a great time in the City. The time with our grandson is always a real treat. The food was fantastic and the vista views were fabulous. The traffic simply told me again why we chose to live in central Illinois and enjoy DeWitt County.

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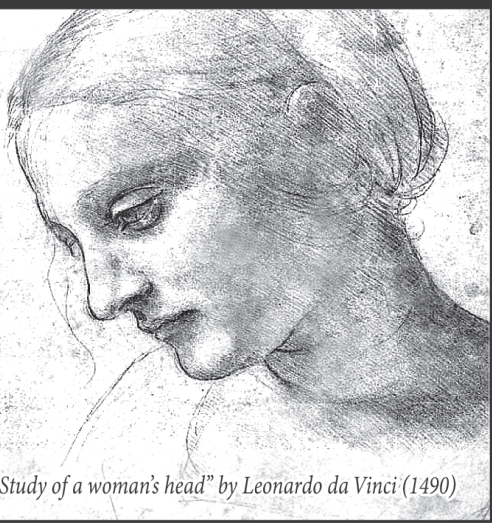
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PSALMS 34:12-14

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by Elie's Spiritual Treasures

Psalm 19:8-9

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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 Zechariah in the Old or New Testament or neither?

2. In 2 Peter 3:3, what shall come in the last days walking after their own lusts? Politicians, Scoffers, Fools, Serpents

3. What was the hometown village of Jeremiah, a biblical book author? Anathoth, Neapolis, Patara, Sodom

4. From Genesis 14, what city was Melchizedek the king of? Nineveh, Salem, Jericho, Rome

5. In Matthew 27, what position of authority did Pontius Pilate hold? Doctor, Governor, Saint, Pharaoh

6. From Genesis 4:9, who asked, "Am I my brother's keeper"? Joseph, Cain, Abel, Seth

ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) Scoffers; 3) Anathoth; 4) Governor; 5) Politicians; 6) Serpents, Fools, and Lusts

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CLINTON Journal News

Area veterans interviewed for song project

CLINTON — The Battle Cross Crusaders, from Clinton, recently teamed up with Freedom Sings USA, a nonprofit organization from Chattanooga, Tenn. T.J. Moreland, a U.S. Navy veteran and former president of the organization, arranged for three local veterans to speak with Nashville songwriter, Don Goodman, to “write their story through song.”

The Battle Cross Crusaders previously interviewed all three for the Library of Congress Veterans History Project and submitted their names to Freedom Sings USA. Zoom calls were held from the Heyworth American Legion Post 624 on Friday, July 1. Freedom Sings USA pairs professional songwriters with veterans, they listen to their stories and put them into a song as a way to heal through music. They have weekly songwriting classes for all veterans, which are held in person and via Zoom.

Classes also include one specifically for female veterans and one for Special Forces veterans.

Two of the founding songwriters are Steven Dean and Don Goodman. Steve has co-written nine number one Billboard country hits. Don is a Grammy Award nominated songwriter who has written several thousand sounds in his long career and over 200 for veterans. He has had Gold, Platinum and Multiplatinum CDs and albums in various music genres and was listed among Billboard Magazine’s top 100 all-time country songwriters. Hunter Girl, who was the runner up on this year’s American Idol, was also one of the songwriters for Freedom Sings USA.

The first veteran Goodman spoke to was 100-year-old WWII U.S. Army veteran Roy Roberts, from his home in Normal. Roberts talked about his experiences in Europe while serving in a

tank and about the book he wrote titled “Dear Christine.” He met his wife when she was 13, and they were childhood sweethearts who married after he enlisted. Roberts found a shoebox, after his wife passed away, which contained 165 letters he wrote home to her. The book includes his letters, pictures, and stories of his time in France and Germany. It is available at lulu.com.

Goodman then spoke via Zoom to the other two veterans from his home in Nashville. He talked to Heyworth resident, WWII U.S. Army veteran Paul Petry. At only 18, he was a Sergeant Major at CIE #91 in Darmstadt, Germany. (Civilian Internment Enclosure) Petry was responsible for the transferring of prisoners, making guard rosters, handling correspondence, and collecting and securing the prisoners valuables. He was so amazed when it concluded and said “they are going to let me sing to the song they write!” Petry is a musician as well who plays the piano and harmonica.

Next was U.S. Army Vietnam veteran David Henard, from Clinton, who spoke to Don of his time as a helicopter gunship pilot. He volunteered for gunship duty in Cu Chi only a few days after the start of the Tet Offensive and earned 18 Air Medals and the Distinguished Service Cross for his gallantry. Henard flew hundreds of missions as a helicopter commander during his time in Vietnam. He has authored a book titled “Victory Stolen: The perspectives of a helicopter pilot on the Tet Offensive and its aftermath,” which is available on Amazon.

Within a few weeks, the lyrics will be finished and



Courtesy of Jeff Morlock / Battle Cross Crusaders

Vietnam veteran David Henard talks to songwriter Don Goodman via Zoom, while T.J. Moreland looks on.

put to music. Once this is done, the song will be recorded and the veterans will hear their song for the first time. Each veteran will receive a CD and their song will be registered with BMI where they will be listed as one of the songwriters. The songs will later be recorded professionally in a studio in Nashville, added to an album, where they will be available on Freedom Sings USA’s website.

Go to freedomingsusa.org to hear the songs that have already been recorded, telling each veteran’s unique story. You can donate to this program that honors veterans. Albums are available to purchase through their website, where you will receive a code to download it. All donations are tax-deductible

If you are a veteran, or know of a veteran, who would like to participate in this program, or The



Courtesy of Jeff Morlock

World War II veteran Paul Petry, of Heyworth, with T.J. Moreland, from Freedom Sings USA, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Battle Cross Crusaders Program, contact the members listed below:

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THE SCISSORS COUP

This deal features the Scissors Coup, so-called because it cuts communications between the two defenders.

♠ A4 ♥ T ♦ AJT65 ♣ KQJ52	North West East Declarer	♠ 2 ♥ 8643 ♦ KQ987 ♣ 643
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Both Vulnerable			
West	North	East	South
1♦	DbI	4♦	4♣
5♦	Pass	Pass	5♣
Pass	Pass	Pass	

East's 4♦ was preemptive, showing long Diamonds and not much else.

As West, what's your opening lead? It would be reasonable to lead ♠K, attempting to set up a Club trick while you still have the ♠A entry. That doesn't work on the actual deal because of Declarer's Club singleton. A more promising plan might be to lead the singleton Heart, later winning the ♠A, then *underleading* the ♦A to East's hoped-for ♦K, and getting a Heart ruff for down one. As you can see, that plan is the winner. Well, not quite, because there is a clever counter-measure. How can Declarer deprive West of his ruff?

Enter the Scissors Coup. Declarer wins the Heart lead in Dummy, and before touching trumps she cashes ♣A and leads another Club, *pitching a Diamond* when East plays low. By this maneuver Declarer trades a Diamond loser for a Club loser, in the process thwarting West in his plan to reach East with the ♦K. Now, with the defensive communications snipped, Declarer loses only the ♠A and a Club (but there is no Diamond loser and no Heart ruff).

Post Script: As West you no doubt found that well-thought-out Heart opening lead. Then as Declarer you made a clever play to bring home the 5♣ contract. Next, imagine that you hold the East cards, but with the ♣6 replaced by the ♣J. Now, after Dummy's ♠A has been cashed, when a second Club is played, we are quite confident that you would alertly hop up with that ♣J, foiling the Scissors Coup. Nice play!

FEAR KNOT

By: rj johnson

DOUBT? ... OR DARE!

TRO
LOTSER
♥ MELRA
TEIX
WUITTO
XEV
♥ RAST
♥ ERVOT
♥ WTO
♥ BERMAL
♥ AREXT
MOUV

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

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Super Crossword

ALMOST INDIVISIBLE

- ACROSS
- 1 Compositions of a classical tradition

9 Financial: Abbr.

13 Toddler girl, to Scots

20 16th-century Spanish explorer

21 Wind quintet instrument

22 Ancient French region

23 Low-value red card

25 Dangerous current

26 20-ounce Starbucks drink

27 Body design, for short

28 Transmission repair chain

30 Adult fellows

31 Witches in "Macbeth"

37 Apple choice

41 Sculling item

42 Suffix with Midwest

43 Rose petal oil

44 1992 Tony nominee for Best Musical

48 Seniors' org.

52 Tricky pitch

53 Big fad

54 Pet allergy source

56 From days of yore

57 Luggage screeners' org.

59 Univ. dorm overseers

62 Listerine competitor

63 Oedipus-themed Aeschylus play

69 A-E linkup

72 Docs' gp.

73 Herr's "one"

74 Hanks of "Big"

75 Raised trains

76 Instrument players gifted in a Christmas song

83 Log house

84 Bullring shout

85 Some RNs work in them

86 Make ecstatic

90 Figure skater

92 "Jack Sprat could — fat"

96 Aquarium bed material

97 Fabled snow beast

98 Virginia and Georgia were part of them

103 Pried (around)

105 Meal crumb

106 Raw metal

107 Title for Judi Dench

108 Hearst bimonthly with beauty and dating tips

114 Former U.K. record co.

115 Fake

116 Muhammad of the ring

117 Feudal lord

122 Be averse to

124 What the starts of the longest answers in this puzzle are?

129 One making modifications

130 Helper

131 Homer with nobody on

132 Straightens up

133 Red-ink entry

134 Upper layers of fertile earth

DOWN

1 Shakespeare play ending

2 T. — Price

3 Disney sci-fi film of 1982

4 Not worth debating

5 Heredity unit

6 Feeling blue

7 Cruel Amin

8 People painting, e.g.

9 Shoes and boots

10 Arabic for "son of"

11 Lay turf on

12 Romero of "Batman"

13 Grows fond of

14 Drew forth

15 Wife, to Juan

16 Back muscle, for short

17 "One Day at —" (sitcom)

18 Supply- — (certain economist)

19 Camille Saint- —

24 Alluring West

29 Eve's partner

32 60 minutes

33 Solar beam

34 Witty Bombeck

35 Don Juan's mother

36 Seance state

37 "In case that's true ..."

38 Place for grist

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50 Drive away

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55 Hearth refuse

57 Score speed

58 Escargot

60 Moving

61 Doesn't go on

64 Moving truck

65 Grand opening?

66 Inspired stuff

67 Electees, e.g.

68 "Eww, no more!," in a text message

69 Mark Twain's Thatcher

70 Writer —

71 Boothe Luce

77 Brand for sore eyes

78 Doc using an otoscope

79 Look intently

80 Menial worker

81 Detective Wolfe

82 Thyroid, e.g.

87 Sports shoe brand

88 Overbrim

89 Otherwise

91 "Someone's already claimed that seat"

93 Proton holder

94 Prefix with byte

95 Tennis, volleyball and badminton

96 Narrow valley

99 Dogs closely following their owners

100 15th of the month, maybe

101 Most snug

102 "... — quit!" (threat ender)

104 Blazing

108 Roomy auto

109 Novelist Zola

110 Lookout view

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113 "Tickle Me" dolls

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- # Mega Maze

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- # GO FIGURE!

by Linda Thistle

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

DIFFICULTY: ★★★

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult ★★★ GO FIGURE!

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- # FEAR KNOT

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Go Figure! answers

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Mega Maze
- # Super Crossword

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201 DOMESTIC/CHILD CARE

NO INDIVIDUAL, unless licensed or holding a permit as a childcare facility, may cause to be published any advertisement soliciting a child care service. *A child-

care facility that is licensed or operating under a permit issued by the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services may publish advertisements of the services for which it is specifically licensed or issued a permit. The Clinton Journal strongly urges any parent or guardian to verify the validity of the license of any facility before placing a child in its care.
*Family homes that care for no more than three (3) children under the age of twelve or which receive only children from a single household, for less than 24 hours per day, are exempt from licensure as day care homes. The three children to whom this exemption applies includes the family's natural or adopted children and any other persons under the age of 12 whether related or unrelated to the operator of the day care home. (DCFS Rule, Part 377.3 (c))

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305 GARAGE/ RUMMAGE SALES

PLACE A RUMMAGE SALE AD IN THE CLINTON JOURNAL. Deadline for ads are: Monday, 5:00 PM for the following Friday edition. Rate: 1 publication and up to one week online, Up to 20 words for \$17.00, additional words are 25¢ a word. **OUR RAIN GUARANTEE:** If it rains on your sale day, we'll rerun the same ad (only date & time changes) for free. Must run within 2 weeks.

8 CHESTNUT CT. Friday, July 22 and Saturday, July 23 from 8:30am to 4:30pm, Clothing, glassware, household items, stroller, suitcases, toys, wine rack. (305722)

307 MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

GE WASHER in good shape, for sale at \$150, Call 217-433-5244 (307723)

REAL ESTATE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 6TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

DEWITT COUNTY - CLINTON, ILLINOIS

PNC Bank, National Association

PLAINTIFF

Vs.

James D. Gibbs a/k/a Jimmie D. Gibbs; et. al.

DEFENDANTS

No. 14 CH 00007

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 01/12/2022, the Sheriff of DeWitt County, Illinois will on August 17, 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:

PIN 05-32-251-008
Improved with Residential

COMMONLY KNOWN AS:

2610 St. Highway 64 a/k/a RR 2 Box 238

Farmer City, IL 61842

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 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 14-14-02394.

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(Deadlines subject to change during holiday times)
Call for pricing that starts at \$19.00 for private party ads and \$30 for commercial business ads and \$15 for garage sale ads.
DISCLAIMER: If your advertisement appears incorrectly, notify us immediately. We will not be responsible for more than one incorrect insertion, and will only credit customer for one insertion.

FEET ALONG A CURVE CONCAVE TO THE NORTH HAVING A RADIUS OF 33707.6 FEET AND A CHORD BEARING SOUTH 53 DEGREES 09.4 MINUTES WEST ALONG THE SOUTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF U.S. ROUTE 54; THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY 43.85 FEET ALONG A CURVE CONCAVE TO THE NORTH HAVING A RADIUS OF 2605.65 FEET AND A CHORD BEARING SOUTH 54 DEGREES 02.0 MINUTES WEST ALONG SAID SOUTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE; THENCE SOUTH 42 DEGREES 47.0 MINUTES EAST 59.15 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 10 DEGREES 29.2 MINUTES EAST 34.15 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES 55.4 MINUTES WEST 192.35 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES 10.3 MINUTES WEST 109.95 FEET; THENCE NORTH 62 DEGREES 47.9 MINUTES EAST 303.2 FEET; AND THENCE SOUTH 07 DEGREES 58.8 EAST 422.05 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF DEWITT, STATE OF ILLINOIS.

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ESTATE ANTIQUES-COLLECTIBLES
COUNTRY COLLECTIBLES & PRIMITIVES
FURNITURE-HOUSEHOLD-LONGABERGER

WED, JULY 27th 2022
12 NOON-Box Lots & Outside
3:00-Back Lines
5:00-Main Sale

WAPELLA AUCTION HOUSE-Wapella, IL
See photos & Listing: www.haycraftauctions.com

HAYCRAFT AUCTION CO., INC.
Wapella Auction House
Rt 51 N-Wapella, IL 61777
217-935-6286

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Legal 19525
July 8, 15 and 22, 2022

LEGAL

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

DEWITT COUNTY - IN PROBATE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF STEVEN M. RUBENACKER, DECEASED

2022-PR-22

CLAIM DATE NOTICE - INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION

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

Letters of Office were issued on July 6, 2022 to Amy M. Rubenacker, 723 N. Madison Street, Clinton, Illinois and Gregory M. Rubenacker, 2542 Elevator Street, Clinton, Illinois 61727 as Independent Co-Administrators. The attorney for the estate is Bryce A. Lynch of Taylor & Lynch, 216 South Center Street, P.O. Box 478, Clinton, Illinois 61727.

Claims may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court at the DeWitt County Courthouse, 201 West Washington Street, Clinton, Illinois 61727, or with the Representative, or both on or before January 6, 2023. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of the Claim filed with the Clerk of the Court must be mailed or delivered to the 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 6th day of July, 2022.

Amy M. Rubenacker and Gregory M. Rubenacker, Independent Co-Administrators of the estate of Steven M. Rubenacker,

Deceased.

BRYCE A. LYNCH
6297077
TAYLOR & LYNCH
216 SOUTH CENTER STREET
P.O. BOX 478
CLINTON, IL 61727
TEL: (217) 935-2183
FAX: (217) 935-8219
E-MAIL: attorneys@dewittcountylaw.com

Legal 19530
July 15, 22 and 28, 2022

LEGAL

STATE OF ILLINOIS, CIRCUIT COURT
DEWITT COUNTY

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

Request of: Patrick Chaning Marsh

2022MR5

There will a court date on my Request to change my name from: Patrick Chaning Marsh

to the new name of: Chaning Vash Knight

The court date will be held: 09/09/22 at 10:00 a.m., at 201 W. Washington St., Clinton, DeWitt in Courtroom #A.

/s/Patrick Chaning Marsh

Legal 19531
July 15, 22 and 29, 2022

LEGAL

IN THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS
DEWITT COUNTY

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

NO. 52-TX-56

DRAINAGE NOTICE TO LANDOWNERS TO INCREASE FIRST AMENDED ANNUAL MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT OF LATERAL C ONLY PURSUANT TO 70 ILCS 605/4-21

PUBLIC NOTICE IS GIVEN that on the 13th day of July, 2022, the Commissioners of the above drainage district filed with the clerk of the above court in the above case a Petition to Increase First Amended Annual Maintenance Assessment in Lateral C only from \$10,000.00 to \$30,000.00. Filed also and made a part of the record is the Annual Maintenance Assessment Roll of Lateral C showing the Maintenance Assessment for \$10,000.00 among the landowners of Lateral C of the district. A copy of the said Assessment Roll is available to the landowners for copy or inspection at the office of Taylor & Lynch, 216 S. Center Street, Clinton, Illinois, 61727.

Also filed is the Financial Report from October 31, 2021 through June 1, 2022 which is sought to be approved and is available for public inspection at the office of Taylor & Lynch, 216 South Center Street, Clin-

ton, IL 61727.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Petition and supporting documents have been set for hearing on the 29th day of August, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in Courtroom A of the DeWitt County Courthouse at 201 W. Washington St., Clinton, Illinois 61727 before the Honorable Judge Karle Koritz, at which time all interested persons may appear and be heard upon all issues if they see fit to do so.

DATED this 18th day of July, 2022.

/s/Joseph B. Taylor
Friends Creek Drainage District by its Secretary, Joseph B. Taylor

This Notice Prepared By:
JOSEPH B. TAYLOR 020803046
TAYLOR & LYNCH
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Legal 19533
July 22 and 29, 2022

LEGAL

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.

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Legal 19534
July 22 and 29, 2022
August 5, 2022

LEGAL

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance of Vespasian Warner Public Library District

Notice is hereby given to the Public that on Wednesday, August 24, 2022, at the hour of 6:00 P.M. at the Vespasian Warner Public Library, 310 North Quincy Street, Clinton, Illinois, a public hearing will be held on the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Vespasian Warner Public Library District for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023. Any person interested in said budget and ordinance may be present at said time and place and may be heard in regard to the budget and ordinance. The tentative budget is now on file with the Secretary of the Board of Trustees, Vespasian Warner Public Library prior to said hearing by the Public.

Becky Adams
Secretary, Board of Trustees
Date: July 13, 2022
Vespasian Warner Public Library District
310 North Quincy Street
Clinton, Illinois 61727

Legal 19535
July 22, 2022

LEGAL

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.

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DATED: July 15, 2022

RICHARD HOWELL, Executor of the Estate of Mabel Irene Howell, Deceased.

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

By /s/Darrell A. Woolums
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