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First National Bank and Trust Company President, Josh Shofner, left, with Illinois State Representative Dan Caulkins and the Illinois House of Representatives Resolution No. 628. See another photo on A3.

FNB celebrating 150th anniversary on July 29

National Bank and Trust Company will celebrate its 150th anniversary on Friday, July 29. A formal ribbon cutting

will begin at 11 a.m. with a complimentary lunch to follow at the bank located at 2 Kelli Court, Clinton. The newly-remodeled

lobby will be on display as well as bank memorabilia. The event will run from 11 a.m. -1 p.m. and will be open to the public.

bank received several special anniversary recognitions, including a resolution from the State of Illinois House of Representatives 102nd General Assembly. The bank also received plaques from Independent Community Bankers of America and the Community Bankers Association of Illinois commemorating bank's 150th anniversary.

See FNB / A3 Temporary tax relief

in new Illinois budget

Peter Hancock

Capital News Illinois

Illinoisans began some modest tax relief Friday, July 1, when the state's new fiscal year began.

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That includes some income tax rebates, property tax rebates, a suspension of the state's 1 percent tax on groceries, and a six-month pause on the scheduled inflationary increase in the state's motor fuel tax.

Gov. JB Pritzker and legislative Democrats held a news conference publicizing those tax breaks as consumers grappled with 8.6 percent inflation, the highest rate in nearly 40 years.

"We're sending \$1.8 billion in tax relief to Illinois families, and we are able to do that because balanced Democrats the budget, eliminated the bill backlog, and government now running a surplus," Pritzker said at a news conference in Chicago.

The news conference came just two days after the state's primary elections, marking the kick-off to the general election cycle in which

Pritzker and Democrats, control chambers of the General Assembly, will be touting their fiscal management of the state.

"Fiscal responsibility means Illinois taxpayers are no longer required to pay hundreds of millions of dollars in needless interest payments," Pritzker said. "Instead, we are able to better fund education, rebuild our roads, make our neighborhoods safer, attract new businesses to Illinois, and connect workers with paying jobs. And starting tomorrow (Friday), every Illinoisan will get tax relief on essentials, gas, groceries and your home."

The tax relief measures were included in the \$46 billion budget lawmakers passed for the fiscal year that begins Friday. They include:

An income tax rebate of \$50 per individual with income below \$200,000 a year, or \$100 for couples filing jointly with income below \$400,000 a year, plus \$100 per dependent child, up to three children.

• A suspension of the 1 percent sales tax on groceries through June

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Protecting against the worst-case scenario

School district and police work together to prevent a Uvalde-type incident

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CLINTON — While people may think "it will never happen here" the unfortunate reality is that every community needs to be prepared; to have an emergency plan in place to protect its school children.

The May 27 Uvalde, Texas school shooting brought to the forefront importance preparedness for the most unconscionable action.

"After the history of violence in schools, it's paramount that we have

plans in place and ways to protect students and staff," said Curt Nettles, superintendent of the Clinton school district.

Clinton Police Officer Mike Bennett serves as the school district's full-time school resource officer.

"Having a full-time school resource officer is a luxury," said Nettles. "Not a lot of schools are as fortunate as we are."

Bennett, along with his fellow officers at Clinton Police Department, stays up-todate on "best practices" for emergency situations and works with Nettles

and the entire school administrative annually, at minimum. "But we try to do more than the minimum," said Nettles.

"I'm very confident with what we have in place to best enable us to handle something as best we can. If something like (Uvalde) occurs or is attempted in a school district...that's an awful thing to think about going through, but I think what we have in place will prevent or minimize."

Nettles said the district has plans for how to communicate, how to protect students, faculty

and staff inside buildings; how to get out of the buildings, and what to do when everyone is out of the buildings.

Bennett trained as an instructor in the school district's emergency preparedness plan and he has, in turn, instructed the district's staff members.

"We come to school every day thinking 'Today is going to be the day (we face an emergency)" said Bennett. "We don't like to think that way, but we have to do the 'what if."

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Clinton city clerk Cheryl Van Valey administers the oath of office to new city attorney John Hoblit. Hoblit is replacing long-time city attorney Steve Myers.

Tree gets in the way of businesses

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CLINTON The owners of two businesses located on the square have approached the city about a tree that is interfering with the visibility of their signs. One of the owners addressed the council on Tuesday.

Attorney Stephanie Scoles, whose office is located on the southeast corner Mr. Lincoln's Square, explained her situation to commissioners. She said a tree planted by the city many years ago as part of a beautification project blocks the sign on her office from view. Camill Tedrick, manager of the adjacent Re/Max Realty office, has a similar complaint, Scoles said. Tedrick was unable attend Tuesday's meeting.

"The tree in front of our two offices affects our businesses for several reasons," Scoles said.

Scoles said the tree blocks the sign to her office and also blocks the Re/Max sign, which is located at the third floor level of the realty

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drivers entering from the south or west of the square are unable to see the signs.

"I've had multiple clients come in and apologize because they've driven right past my office," Scoles said.

Scoles said her office is not difficult to see, "but, the tree hangs over."

She said the tree also attracts hundreds of birds, and their droppings have become a serious problem. Scoles added that there was no question it was a beautiful, full, tree, but it had grown too

large for its location.

She said, then, city workers trimmed the

"They trimmed it, and now it's awful-looking." Scoles said the tree was haphazardly trimmed, so now it looked bad and still was in the way.

"We're not saying there shouldn't be anything beautiful there," she said.

Scoles said she and Tedrick were willing to donate toward the cost of replacing the tree with something else, such as a planter.

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"Ever since 1999--when the Columbine (Littleton, Colo.) shooting occurred--I've been a situational thinker," said Nettles. "I come into a situation and I look it over. I do that when I go out to eat. I do that when I go to a movie. I do that at church. It doesn't make me an unhappy person, I'm just prepared. I am not complacent, so therefore I will not let anyone else be complacent."

Bennett will frequently teachers quiz administrators with impromptu "what if" questions as a method of training.

"There is no wrong answer," he said, "but it makes them think about how they would handle a situation at that moment." "I think we're pretty

fortunate our staff buy into our program, Nettles said. "It's a collaborative effort. I want input from the people who are actually doing the program because that's going to make it better."

Bennett believes part of the plan's strength comes from its flexibility. Both he and Nettles agree that hearing staff input has been helpful in creating the best plan.

They also agree students take the emergency drills seriously.

"What we're talking about brings a different feel," said Nettles, "I believe the students take it more seriously and are much more compliant.»

"We spend a lot of time building relationships with our kids," said Bennett. "That's really the key. If

I know you on a personal level and I recognize you're having a bad day, maybe I can intervene."

For security purposes, specifics of these safety measures are not being shared with the public, but Nettles wants the community to know his silence is not complacency. "We don't talk about

our plans or our training because we want to keep things as close to the vest as possible," said Nettles. If everyone knows our plans, then they're not really good plans." To date, no security

breaches have occurred in Clinton schools, but both Bennett and Nettles believe they are prepared if one happens.

"I'm not going to put anyone in danger by being complacent on not being

up-to-date," said Nettles.

What he has read in the media about the shootings at Uvalde is "totally unacceptable." The day after the Uvalde shooting, Nettles met with Bennett and Clinton Police Chief Ben Lowers.

"We reviewed reiterated our plans."

If a similar situation happened in Clinton, Nettles said, "I totally expect Officer Bennett to go in alone. If Chief Lowers was standing in the commons talking and something happens, I 110 percent expect him to go after it by himself. And I 110 percent expect some of us to go in. I just do. Help is on the way, but we can't wait."

"Absolutely," confirmed Bennett.

Heat prostration

elcome to my little corner culinary delights.

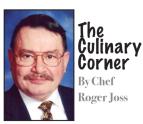
In past articles, I often applied physics to cooking. Such a background helps one to become a better cook. However, regarding dresswear versus weather, I am no expert. But I will explain how knowing cooking physics helps one to be a cool person.

had, long explained the thick heavy chef's coat. How it protects one from the heat in a commercial kitchen. I shell not reiterate. Now I step outside of my comfort zone to attempt a subject somewhat incongruous to cooking. I therefore welcome any corrections.

To boil water in an open pot, the liquid evaporates quickly. A covered pot traps the liquid; thus, slowing down evaporation. If the sun directly hits the skin, the sweat is quickly burnt off and salt is left behind. To keep the skin from blistering, more sweat must immediately be produced. Therefore, one dehydrates quickly; directly proportionate to the amount of exposed skin.

evaporation Although excessive cools, evaporation does necessarily make cooler. Example, fluctuate the heat on boiling water, the water temperature remains the same (212°F). The difference is that of needless water loss at the higher temperature. Nothing more accomplished.

When baking, we learn that dark baking pans absorb heat and glossy ones reflect it. Therefore, the food in darker pans burn quicker and sooner. It works the same with summer heat. clothes absorb heat. Whereas, light colored clothes reflect it. It is no



wonder chef's coats are normally white.

The bottom line is this; if you wish to protect your skin from ultraviolet rays, cover it. Also, covered arms and legs allows minimum evaporation due to the cloth as it keeps the rest of your moister close to the skin. This prevents the need for producing excessive sweat. In turn, you are therefore cooled spared excessive dehydration. Recall how cool, even cold, a wet shirt feels when hit by a breeze? Yes, you see, it works.

None of the above is new. I cannot take credit. You find the same advice in hiking manuals, Boy Scout books, Safety manuals, etc. They explain the need to wear long-sleeved, loose-fitting garments on the hottest of days. They suggest always taking water with you. But what if you work in an environment that forbids loose fitting garments?

For many years during my youth, I worked in toolrooms, in all weather, as a tool and die maker. It could get to be 120 degrees in an enclosed toolroom. If a sleeve got snagged by a lathe chuck, it could rip your arm off, or worse, pull you into the lathe. I would wear a short sleeve shirt. But under it, I wore a long-sleeve close-fitting thermal shirt.

Many were amazed how well I could stand the heat and how little water I needed. The impression of long-sleeves in summer time is that of appearing hot and crazy. Do not judge until experienced.

Until next time, peace to

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First National Bank and Trust Company President, Josh Shofner, left, with Jeff Rabenort, Vice President of Member Services for Community Bankers Association of Illinois who recently surprised the bank with a plaque commemorating its 150th anniversary.

"It is always a pleasure to recognize businesses in our district that have served their communites for generations and shared their successes in such an unselfish way as the First National Bank has done. Congratulations to bank President Josh Shofner and his crew for carrying on the great tradition of the bank's 150 years serving the

people in DeWitt County," said

Rep. Dan Caulkins. "First National Bank and Trust Company's 150th anniversary is quite an accomplishment, and the Community Bankers Association of Illinois (CBAI) is proud to help commemorate this impressive milestone of one of our member banks," said senior vice president

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Genealogical society meeting set for July 12

CLINTON The County DeWitt Genealogical Society will meet on Tuesday, July 12 at 4 p.m. downstairs in the Vespasian Warner Public Library.

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Commissioner Ken Buchanan said, since the tree was trimmed, he was now able to see the signs in question. He said the tree was not likely to be replaced with another tree and acknowledged the variety of trees planted at the square's four corners probably had gotten too large.

Scoles disagreed about the current visibility of the signs and said she hoped to find some compromise with the city.

Mayor Roger Cyrulik appointed commissioner Dan Ballenger to explore what could be done to correct the problem. Ballenger said he would work with Buchanan to come up with a solution.

In other business, new



Harold 'Harry' Daniels, Jr.

CLINTON - Harold "Harry" Daniels, Jr., 72, of Clinton, passed away 8:17 a.m. on June 29, 2022, at Manor Court, Clinton.

Services will conducted at 10 a.m. on Saturday, July 2, 2022, at the Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton, with the Rev. David Dunlop officiating. Visitation will be held from 5-7 p.m. on Friday, July 1, 2022, at the funeral home.

Memorials may directed to Christ Lutheran Church, Clinton.

Harry was born on November 11, 1949 in Clinton, the son of Jesse Harold and Jacquetta J. "Jackie" (Davis) Daniels. He married Emma Lee "Emmy" Cundiff on April 14, 1973, in Clinton.

Survivors include his wife, Emmy Daniels, Clinto; children, William Joseph (Lisa) Daniels, Clinton; Jessica (Russ) Foehr, Clinton;

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Police officer Cody Maier.

grandchildren, Preston Lee Daniels; Leah Marie Foehr; Parker David Daniels, and sister, Juanita (Jim) Morris, Clinton.

Harry was preceded in death by his parents, and brother, Joseph T. "Joe" Daniels, Sr.

Harry worked at Baum Chevrolet-Buick, Clinton, as their shop foreman and service manager, retiring after 46 years of service. He enjoyed working on cars, especially hot rods.

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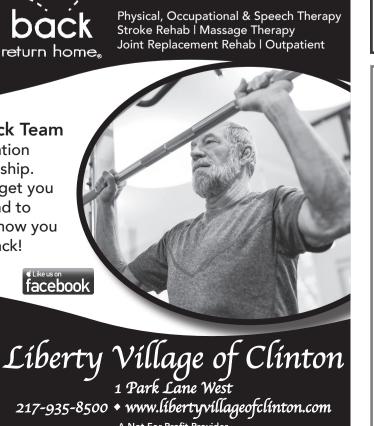
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Clinton Police Department

Arrests:

On July 3, 2022 Clinton Police arrested Tori E. Widgett, 18, Farmer City, IL for the offense of Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol, DUI > .08, Operation of Vehicle when Registration Suspended Noninsurance and Illinois

Possession of Alcohol by a Minor. Widgett was transported to the Dewitt County Jail and turned over to corrections personnel pending the posting of bond.

On July 4, 2022 Clinton Police arrested Derius L. Roby, 27, Decatur, IL on a valid arrest warrant Sangamon County Illinois. Roby was transported to the Dewitt County Jail where he was turned over to corrections personnel for processing.

On July 4, 2022 Clinton Police arrested Mikerion D. Meyers, 20, Decatur, IL on a valid arrest warrant through Macon County Meyers Illinois. transported to the Dewitt County Jail where he was turned over to corrections personnel for processing.

On July 4, 2022 Clinton Police arrested Jolinique C. Hyde, 24, Decatur, IL for the offense of Aggravated Unlawful Use of a Weapon. Hyde was

transported to the Dewitt County Jail where she was turned over to corrections personnel for processing.

On July 4, 2022 Clinton Police arrested Robert L. Reynolds, 44, Clinton, for the offense of Domestic Battery. Reynolds was transported to the Dewitt County Jail where he was turned over to corrections personnel for processing.

On July 4, 2022 Clinton Police arrested Walker L. Sturgeon, 26, Clinton, on a valid arrest warrant through Dewitt County and Resisting a Peace Officer. Sturgeon was transported to the Dewitt County Jail where he was turned over to corrections personnel for processing.

DeWitt County Sheriff's Office

June 24-July 1

Spillers, Laura 40, Breaux Bridge, LA, was issued a Citations for Failure to Reduce Speed/ Accident. Spillers was given a Failure to Reduce Speed/Accident and 2 for Driving Under Influence. Spillers was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Braedan Stubbs, 28, West Plains, MO, was issued a Citation for Speeding (70 mph in a 45 mph zone). Stubbs was

given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Jonathan Bateson, 33, Clinton, was issued a Citation for No Valid Registration. Bateson was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Investigation into the scene of an accident which occurred at 1802 on 6/22/22 revealed that Susan Sofranco, Champaign, was traveling South on White Pigeon Road approaching intersection State Highway 10. Byron Holmes, 30, Clinton, was traveling west on State Highway 10, approaching intersection White Pigeon Road. As Sofranco approached the stop sign located at White Pigeon Road and State Highway 10, Sofranco slow rolled past the stop sign and turned east on State Highway 10. Sofranco turned in front of Holmes, causing Holmes to hit Sofranco in the rear driver's side quarter panel and rear drivers side passenger door. Sofranco spun out before stopping in the north bound lane of White Pigeon Road, south of State Highway 10. Holmes came to a stop in the middle of State Highway 10 facing west, the original direction of travel. Holmes sustained heavy frontend damage

damage to the front driver side along with side airbag deployment. Gary's was summoned for the tow. Sofranco admitted to not making a complete stop at the intersection of White Pigeon Road and State Highway 10. Sofranco was issued Citations for Disobey Stop Sign and Failure to Reduce Speed/ Accident. Sofranco was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Timothy Bechtel, 35, Waynesville, was arrested on a DeWitt County Warrant charging him with Agg Domestic Battery/ Strangle/FTA. Bechtel being unable to post the necessary bond remains lodged in the DeWitt County Jail.

Tamika Jones, Schaumburg, was issued a citation for Speeding 35+ mph over limit. Jones was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Terry Skelton, Lincoln, was issued a Citation for Operating Uninsured Vehicle. Skelton was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

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Christian Women's Connection meeting July 19 in Normal

NORMAL Bloomington-Normal Christian Women's Connection invites all ladies to their brunch program on Tuesday, July 19 from 10-11:30 a.m. at Holiday Inn, 8 Trader's Circle, Normal.

Special feature will be harpist Pam Winterroth.

Special speaker "When I Grow up I Wann Be ..."

Reservations are due on Tuesday, July 12 by Crystal calling/texting 217-358-(Eureka) 1268 or on Facebook: Bloomington-Normal IL Christian Women's Connection

Study: The second half of our lives

Sometimes the results of research and studies are suspect if we don't trust the sources, but AARP and National Geographic recently published a joint study on the realities of the second half of life, and it doesn't get any better than that.

Their study covered the big topics as we age: health, relationships, financial security, housing, independent living, end of life, retirement and more.

Here are some highlights:

We care most about our brain health, our independence and our relationships, in that order, as we move into our 70s. By the time we reach our 80s, it's relationships that spike to the top of our list of concerns.

Guess what plunges by the time we reach our 70s? Work, and it's no surprise. We've been there and done that, and the idea of climbing the ladder of success at work no longer appeals to us.

Health is a curious category, but it makes sense once you think about it. It seems that those who are the healthiest are the ones who are most concerned about their health, likely because they'd like to stay that way and remain active.

NEWS LINE by Matilda Charles

They're into walking and exercising and taking flu shots, whereas the ones who have a serious medical condition are less concerned, perhaps having accepted the reality of less-than-stellar health.

But age plays a part in that. We're most concerned about health in our 60s, much less concerned in our 70s, and very concerned again in our 80s, mostly about stamina, strength and flexibility. There's something to be said for picking a form of exercise and sticking with it, especially if it helps with those three concerns.

At the end of the day, the older we get, the more we care about meaningful relationships. As AARP noted, "Friends, family and community are the hallmarks of finding happiness."

To review the whole study, see www.aarp.org/ research/topics/life/info-2022/second-half-lifedesires-concerns.

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• A suspension of the scheduled inflationary increase in the motor fuel tax through Dec. 31, which has been estimated at 2.2 cents per gallon. Instead, the motor fuel tax will increase twice at the rate of inflation next calendar year.

 A sales tax holiday on back-to-school items, to run from Aug. 5 to Aug. 14, when the rate will be imposed at 1.25 percent instead of the regular 6.25 percent.

• And an additional property tax rebate of up to \$300 for homeowners who were eligible to claim the property tax credit on their 2021 state tax returns. The rebate is available to joint filers earning \$500,000 or less and single filers earning

\$250,000 or less.

In addition, the tax relief package included a permanent expansion of the state's earned income tax credit, or EITC, to 20 percent of the federal EITC while also extending eligibility for that credit to noncitizens who file taxes using an Individual Taxpayer Identification Number instead of a Social Security Number.

Republicans criticized that package as an election-year gimmick, noting that the rebate checks would show up in people's mailboxes or bank accounts before Election Day, while motor fuel tax suspension would after disappear soon

Election Day. They also criticized some of the tax breaks as too small or for not being permanent; noting that the grocery suspension would only save consumers \$1 on a \$100 grocery bill, and the motor fuel tax savings would save only 22 cents on a 10-gallon tank of gas.

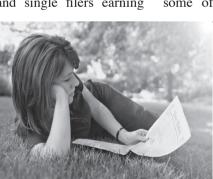
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They proposed alternative, which would have suspended or capped the state's 6.25-percent sales tax on motor fuels, which they say has been producing a windfall for the state as gasoline prices have soared to record levels.

According to AAA, the average price of gasoline in Illinois stood at \$5.39 on Thursday. That includes 37 cents of sales tax.

But Democrats pushed back against that criticism, arguing that they have passed balanced budgets each of the last four years that have resulted in two credit upgrades each from all three major rating agencies and eliminated the bill backlog while also making investments in important state services.

"The reality is we making fiscally responsible decisions," state Sen. Elgie Sims, D-Chicago, said at the news conference. "We are investing in the issues that will help our communities grow and be stronger. We're investing education. We're investing in health care. We're investing in public safety. We're investing in a brighter future for Illinoisans."



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1919 - U.S. President Wilson returned from the Versailles Peace Conference in France.

1947 - Demolition work began in New York City for the new permanent headquarters of the United Nations.

1950 - General Douglas MacArthur was named commander-in-chief of United Nations forces in Korea.

1953 - Notre Dame announced that the next five years of its football games would be shown in theatres over closed circuit TV.

charged Gary Powers with espionage. He was shot down in a U-2 spy plane.

1960 - The Soviet Union

assets in the United States were frozen.

1963 - All Cuban-owned

1969 - The U.S. Patent Office issued a patent for the game "Twister."

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1981 - The Solar Challenger became the frist solar-powered airplane to cross the English Chan-

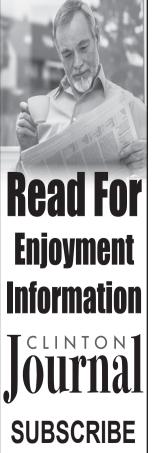
1986 - Kurt Waldheim was inaugurated as president of Austria despite controversy over his alleged ties to Nazi war crimes.

1997 - The Mayo Clinic and the U.S. government warned that the diet-drug combination known as "fen-phen" could cause serious heart and lung damage.

1997 - NATO invited Poland, Hungary, and the Czech Republic to join the alliance in 1999.

2000 - J.K. Rowling's "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire" was released in the U.S. It was the fourth Harry Potter book.

2010 - The Solar Impulse completed the first 24-hour flight by a solar powered plane.



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Thoughts for the week

he primaries are over! Hallelujah! My mailbox is happy about not having to carry the weight of campaign propaganda. My ears are relieved from not being forced to hear third grade quality commercials on tv and radio. (I do apologize to any third graders out there.)

We have approximately four months of no political ads before the general election cycle kicks in. Let's enjoy a peaceful summer.

DeWitt County candidates are to be commended for taking care of their political signs. Better than 80 percent of yard signs were gone by Wednesday morning and almost all were gone by Saturday evening.

Residents understand that candidates wish to get their message out prior to the election and understand why yard signs are used. Those same residents deeply appreciate candidates who then clean up their yard signs after the election. Thank-you candidates.

GOVERNOR'S RACE—There were no surprises hear as Governor J. B. Pritzker easily won the Democratic primary with over 90 percent of the vote. The Republicans had a six-candidate race with most thinking it would be a tight race between Southern Illinois farmer and state senator Darren Bailey and Aurora Mayor Richard Irvin.

would

Bailey

get Trump's endorsement. Irvin was the anointed one of the Republican moderates. Irvin heavily financed by Chicago billionaire Ken Griffin. The race wasn't close. Irvin came in third and Bailey pulled over 55 percent of Republican votes.

There were some oddities in the Republican race. Pritzker supporters bankrolled campaign ads supporting Bailey in the millions of dollars believing Bailey to be the weakest Republican Irvin candidate. bankrolled in the millions by Ken Griffin, who estimated to have spent nearly \$418 per vote cast for Irvin in his losing campaign. That, my friends, was a very costly loss for Republican centrists and especially for Griffin.

What then of a Pritzker/ Bailey race. The odds clearly favor Pritzker as Illinois is not light blue but very deep blue. The red in Illinois is south of Interstate 80, while the vast majority of votes are north. Bailey has endeared himself to downstate

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Trump voters and alienated the city folks by describing Chicago as a "hell hole."

If Bailey has a chance to win, he must convince a significant portion of Chicago and the collar counties that he is their man. That Bailey can talk corn and beans is a given. Now Bailey must be able to talk with unions and discuss urban renewal.

Most downstate politicians have degraded Chicago. Bailey must show the city that understands their problems and that he has a viable solution to effect change. That is a difficult task for most downstaters. Bailey has a real challenge in front of him. This race is Pritzker's to lose.

PRAIRIE FLYERS—I spent Sunday afternoon going through the last day of the DeWitt County aviation exhibit at the Carriage House on the Homestead grounds. It was an excellent and well though out exhibit of the last 100 years of aviation history in DeWitt County.

There were about aviation in general. Booths for pilots during nation's our wars. Booths for agricultural us of airplanes. It was impressive and Homestead and the library certainly deserve some accolades for their efforts, plus all the volunteers.

I watched Nelson Thorp family's discuss his involvement in aviation and his experiences in Vietnam. What really impressed me was his discussion with two college aged young ladies who were considering a career in aviation. He encouraged them and directed them to some publications that could further assist them in their career paths.

As I left I was talking to some volunteers who said there may be another exhibit, or perhaps many more of a similar nature in the future. Clinton was at one time a major railroad town. DeWitt County has a major nuclear power plant. Farming is central to all that happens in DeWitt County.

There are so many topics that can represent the history of DeWitt County that I am excited about just wondering what the next exhibit will be. Thanks to all who contributed to the Prairie Flyers exhibit.

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New Covid rules at VA medical facilities

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At mine, for example, it's at Level High. That means the full menu of options comes into play: masks, social distancing (stay 6 feet from others), probable screening at the door, approved visitors only and video options encouraged for appointments instead of needing to go in.

At a Level Medium, it means masks, your care partner can come in but no other visitors, self-screen for COVID symptoms before you go and social distancing not required.

At a Level Low, visitors are probably fine (staff approved) if you're hospitalized, self-screen for COVID symptoms before you go and social distancing not required.

And yet there were other



by Freddy Groves

facilities I checked across the country where there were no health protection whatsoever, levels typically at VA in-network community partners like civilian optometrists. You'll need to call them individually to find out their protection levels. Oddly enough, in some locations across country, facilities within mere miles of each other can range from low to medium to high.

Each week on Mondays the CDC rules will be updated on the facility listing with any changes and signs posted at doors. They'll also update on website and social media and telephone voicemails.

The new guidance covers not just coming in the door, but waiting rooms, group therapy, staffing, visitors ... everything.

If you're about to head out to a VA health facility, check to see their level so you'll know what to expect, even if you can guess based on the COVID cases in your home area: www.va.gov/coronavirusveteran-frequently-askedquestions.

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Love, Hope 3. From 2 Corinthians 3:17: "Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is ..." Hope, Freedom, Love, Liberty 4. In John 8:36: "If the

Honesty,

you free, ye shall be free indeed." Heart, Worship, Celebration, Son 5. From what book's 6:7 does it say, "For he that is dead is freed from sin"?

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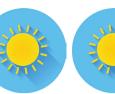
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Journal Sports

Cen. Ill. Yankees fall to Gibson City Falcons 17-9

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CLINTON —The Central Illinois Yankees were at home (playing on the Clinton High School JV diamond) facing the Gibson City Falcons, winners of the Gibson City city league championship. The Falcons were experimenting with becoming a travel team, and after this game their decision may be eas-

The game began with the Falcons scoring 3 runs in the top of the first inning and knocking off the first Yankee pitcher. The Yankees then came back with a run in the second inning to keep the opposition within

In the top of the fourth inning, the Falcons added another run to extend their lead, if only for a short time. The Yankees then unleashed a barrage of hits

to score 6 runs and take the lead in the game.

This did not last long as the Falcons retaliated with 9 runs in their half of the fifth inning to retake the lead. The Yankees were not willing to give in scoring 2 runs in the bottom of the fifth to keep the game

Then, in the sixth and final inning (the two-hour game limit had passed) the Falcons added four more unanswered runs to put the topping on their win.

The final score was 17-9

in favor of the visitors from Gibson City. In an effort to save their main pitchers, the Yankees used 5 different players to pitch in this game. Wilson (22) held up best allowing only one run in three innings of pitching. Pine (46) and Southern (6) led the offense, each hitting 2-3 at the plate.



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CYS teams fall to Monticello in close games

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The Warriors began the slugfest with five runs in the first inning to Baums' team one run. In the second inning, the Warriors added 5 more runs to their score as the game heated. Baums' team also added 5 runs in the third to the Warriors.

other explosive one for the home team as they plated 4 runs and still had the basas Baums' fell in a close five runs in the second. one 11-10 to the Warriors.

schedule this evening. age level up and pitted the CYS DeWitt Savings Bank team against anther Montianother scorcher.

The Warriors started the CYS DeWitt Savings 19. game with 2 runs in the

The fourth inning was an-first, answered by 7 runs from the home team.

In the second inning, the Warriors heated up, scoring es loaded. But, alas, those six runs. The DeWitt Savrunners remained on base ings team mustered only

Then, Monticello broke Another game was on the ice with 7 runs in the third inning to 5 runs for This game was at the next Clinton. The final inning (the fourth) saw the Warriors put the game out of reach, scoring 8 runs to the cello Warriors team. It was home teams two runs. The final was Monticello 23,



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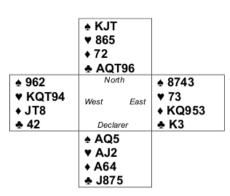
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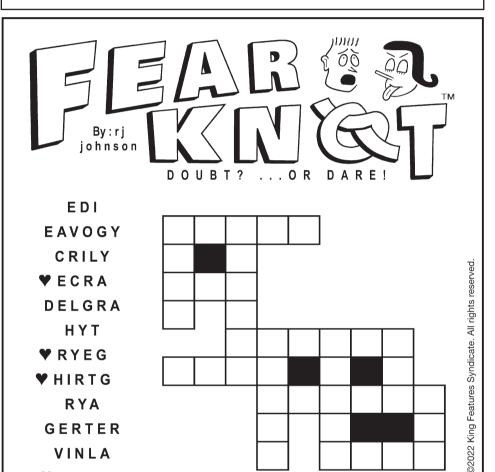
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West leads the King and Declarer craftily ducks. Now if West continues he gives Declarer a second trick in the suit. The rule for East here, when holding Jxx, is to encourage with his higher spot card, hopefully that agreement will save West from the ignominy of the Bath Coup.

However, in the diagram above, Declarer pulled off what has been termed as the "Anti-Bath Coup". Against 3NT, West led the ♥K and Declarer could have ducked this trick in order to lure West into a Bath Coup. But Declarer could see that a Diamond shift might be fatal, so in order to muddy the waters he played the ♥J on the first trick! Our (gullible) West assumed that Declarer had started with ♥AJ doubleton and continued Hearts, won by Declarer's Ace. The Club finesse was lost, but East was out of Hearts and Declarer had 9 tricks. Of course, a Diamond shift at Trick 2 beats the contract, but Declarer's clever false card diverted West from the winning play.

Yes, West erred grievously! After that first Heart trick (King, Five, Three, Jack), he should have smelled a rat. Where was the Two? East would not play the Three from 732, instead he would play his lowest card saying "I don't have the Jack!" So, an alert West (and one who trusted his Partner to signal correctly) could have figured out that Declarer had false-carded. But, in the heat of battle, such clues can be missed!

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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.

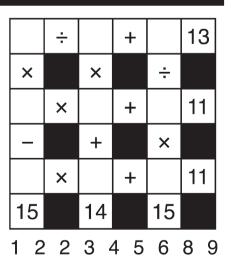
GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

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.

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DIFFICULTY: ★★★

* Moderate * ★ Difficult * * * GO FIGURE!



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Super Crossword **SIX-T EIGHT**

59 "Please reply,"

with, often

62 Dog following

its owner

closely

63 Suffix with

south

64 Co. VIPs

65 Uncle, in

Argentina

of-the-roader

68 Little — (kids)

69 Vietnamese

New Year

66 Pol. middle

67 — chi

70 Actress

Carrere

71 "— a Very

76 Capote, to

77 Courtroom

Good Year"

75 Spy's device

his friends

and the City"

Ate the

Positive"

in brief

61 Jeans go

ACROSS 1 Big name in small planes 7 Passage

leading to an aural drum

15 Sign into law 20 Despicable 21 Cessation 22 Six-Day War leader Dayan

something over figuratively 26 Bottom line 27 "You — My

23 Starting

Sunshine" 28 U.S. intel org. **29** See

106-Across 30 Question the Devil asks in a Kipling poem

39 Patrick of "A Clockwork Orange' 41 Leave high and dry

42 - pot (sinusneo-soul cleaning singer 43 Wolfs down 46 - wheel (fair 107 What's ride)

48 Final resting places to turn

114 56 Yule tune

57 Wheel center 115 Courtroom 58 Turn rancid promise 60 Norma -(film heroine)

61 Nickname for 119 It closed Connecticut all 130+ 71 River to the of its U.S. Rhone

72 Senseless **73** Drop by 128 Wall work 74 Recent times 129 1973-99 81 Wheaton of "Stand by Me" carrier

82 Singer of Menlo Bareilles 83 G.P. or vet Park" 84 War god 86 Giving a

rigorous tryout land 97 Play a ukulele, e.g. Maurier

99 Boastful talk 100 Cigar-holding DOWN

container **101** Huge, informally 104 Chucked 106 With

with four Grammys 7 Prize greatly accurate 8 Part of about a

52 Cause heads 113 City NNE of

situation Lake Tahoe

116 On top of, to poets

Lima-based

131 Conjuring aid 132 Encroach on another's

3 Wait patiently 4 Mayberry's 29-Across

11 Big simian

17 "Ad - per campuses in 2016 aspera'

130 "The Wizard

133 Novelist du

1 Red Scare attorney Roy 2 Falco of TV

> Otis, for one 5 "Rapa —" (1994 film) 6 Something really easy

NCAA: Abbr.

- v. Wade 10 Revival skill, for short

rapper 13 Narc, e.g.

14 Gives access 16 Symbol for written music

(Kansas' motto) 18 Mass singers 19 Principle 24 Mutt's sound 25 Despicable

31 Bit of crying 32 Ward of TV 33 Wilson's predecesso 34 Weight allowance,

once 35 Yesteryear 36 Brought into the world 37 Troop group

promise **78** Big whoop 38 "The Addams Family" cousin 79 Chris of "Sex 39 Actress 80 "Ac-Cent-Kirshner 40 Home pest 44 Cavern effect 85 Bottom line

45 Daze 47 Spanish ayes 49 Swamp **50** "Get lost!" 51 Precip-ice?

55 Cloister sister

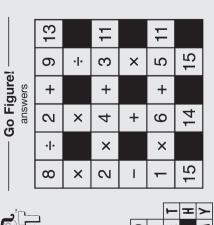
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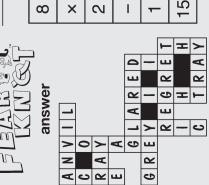
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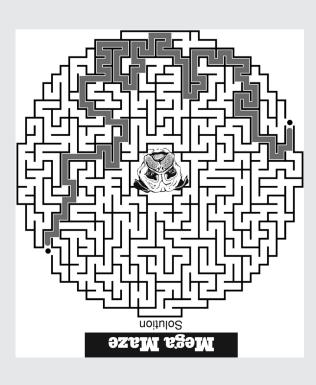
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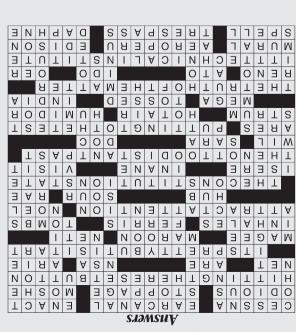
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Mega Maze









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REAL ESTATE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

DEWITT COUNTY, **ILLINOIS**

RACHEL M. EM-

Plaintiff,

RICHARD E. TYLER, ERIKA M. TYLER, NON **RECORD CLAIM-**ANTS, UNKNOWN OWNERS and POSSIBLE TEN-

ANTS IN POSSES-

Defendants.

SION,

NO. 2021-CH-7

NOTICE OF COURT SALE

Public Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered by this court on March 28, 2022, the property hereinafter described or as much as shall be sufficient to satisfy said judgment, will be sold to the highest bidders.

a) The name, address, and telephone number of the person to contact for information regarding the real estate:

Rachel M. Emery 5184 Brush College Road Clinton, IL 61727 (571) 294-3301

- b) The common address of the real estate is:
- 4 Sandburg Court, Clinton, DeWitt County, Illinois
- c) Lot 27 in Flair Subdivision to the City of Clinton, according to Plat recorded 06/27/1967 in Plat Book "E". page 337 in the Recorder's Office of DeWitt County, Illinois, situated in the County of DeWitt, in the State of Illinois. Parcel No.: 12-03-
- d) A description of the improvements on the real estate
- proved with a single family residence.

does not provide for inspection of the real estate prior to the sale. The prop-

erty will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all informa-

f) The time and place of the court sale are:

The sale will be

held August 3, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. at the DeWitt County Sheriff's Office, 101 West Washington Street, Clinton, Illinois. The sale will be conducted by the Sheriff of DeWitt County.

- g) The terms of the sale are:
- 1) 10% cash on the date of the sale and the remainder of the price within twenty-four hours. The mortgage lien holder, Rachel M. Emery, shall be permitted to bid the debt owed to it by the mortgagor in the same manner and with the same affect at and subsequent to such sale as if cash had been bid in the same amount. A third party Buyer will be required to pay the bid balance including judicial sale fee for abandoned residential property municipality relief fund, which is calculated at a rate of \$1.00 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds which is due within twenty-four hours. No title insurance is being provided with respect to the sale
- 2) Subject property will be conveyed subject to all general real estate taxes which may be a lien upon the real estate, but have not yet become due and payable, and special assessments, if any, easements and restrictions of record, and tenants in possession.

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will be sold in an

"as-is" condition.

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- 3) The sale is subject to confirmation by the court.
- The sale may be subject to the rights of redemption and possession of the mortgagor which have not been extinguished or for which the time prescribed by statute has not yet lapsed.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchasers shall receive a certificate of sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a judicial deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale by the court.

IF YOU ARE THE **MORTGAGOR** (HOMEOWNER) YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO RE-MAIN IN POS-**SESSION FOR** THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION IN **ACCORDANCE** WITH § 15/1701 (C) OF THE ILLLI-**NOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE**

FOR FURTHER

INFORMATION **EXAMINE THE COURT FILE OR CONTACT PLAIN-**TIFF'S ATTORNEY, **BRYCE A. LYNCH,** 216 SOUTH CEN-TER STREET, P.O. **BOX 478, CLIN-**TON, ILLINOIS, TELEPHONE NO. (217) 935-2183.

Respectfully submitted this 15 day of June, 2022.

ERY, Plaintiff

RACHEL M. EM-

BY: TAYLOR & LYNCH

BY: /s/Bryce A. Lynch Bryce A. Lynch Attorney for Plaintiff

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

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REAL ESTATE

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

DEWITT COUN-TY - 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 SHER-

IFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE **PUBLIC NOTICE** IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to

a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 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:

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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

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

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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 informa-

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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 ILLÌNÓIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

For information: Examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: Codilis & Associátes, 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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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

DEWITT COUNTY, **ILLINOIS**

RACHEL M. EM-ERY,

Plaintiff,

RICHARD E. TYLER, ERIKA M TYLER NON **RECORD CLAIM-**ANTS, UNKNOWN **OWNERS** and POSSIBLE TEN-ANTS IN POSSES-SION,

Defendants.

NO. 2021-CH-7

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- d) A description of the improvements on the real estate

The property is improved with a single family residence.

- e) The judgment does not provide for inspection of the real estate prior to the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all informa-
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Respectfully submitted this 15 day of June, 2022.

RACHEL M. EM-

ERY, Plaintiff BY: TAYLOR &

LYNCH

BY: /s/Bryce A. Lynch Bryce A. Lynch Attorney for Plaintiff

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LEGAL Notice of Public Sale is hereby given that an auction will be held online on www. lockerfox.com beginning on July 14th at 12:00pm ending July 21st 12:02 pm to sell the following individuals' articles to enforce lien against such articles, for storage furnished at Storage Unlimited, 1506 Route 54 East, Clinton IL

61727, (217) 935-3200 under a rental agreement with:

12:01 pm, Timothy Followell, occupant of space 2044, items: boat (salvage only)

Legal 19524 July 1 and 8, 2022

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

TY - CLINTON, **ILLINOIS**

DEWITT COUN-

PNC Bank, National Association

PLAINTIFF

Vs.

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

DEFENDANTS

No. 14 CH 00007

NOTICE OF SHER-IFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

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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 DE-WITT, STATE OF ILLINOIS.

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Sincerely, Ameren Illinois Forestry Department

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munity Fire Protection District passed an Ordinance on the 27th day of June, 2022, which establishes the wages of laborers, mechanics, and other workmen employed by the Weldon Community Fire Protection District or by anyone under contract for public works construction pursuant to 820 ILCS 130/1 through 820 ILCS 130/12 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes Annotated. A copy of said Ordinance is available for public inspection at the Weldon Community Fire Protection District in Weldon, Illinois 61882.

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE WELDON **COMMUNITY FIRE PROTECTION** DISTRICT

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NOTICE OF PUB-LIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HERE-BY GIVEN that a Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Wapella Community Fire Protection District, in the County of DeWitt, in the State of Illinois, for the fiscal vear beginning June 1, 2022 and ending May 31, 2023, will be on file, and conveniently available to public inspection at the Wapella Firehouse in the Village of Wapella, County of DeWitt and State of Illinois, in said Fire Protection District, from and after the 8th day of July, 2022.

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hearing on said Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance will be held at 7:00 o'clock P.M., Daylight Savings Time, on the 8th day of August, 2022, at the Wapella Firehouse in the Village of Wapella, in the County of DeWitt and State of Illinois, in said Fire Protection District, and that the final **Budget and Appro**priation Ordinance will be adopted by the Board of Trustees of said Wapella Community Fire **Protection District** at a meeting thereof to be held at 7:00 o'clock P.M., Daylight Savings Time, on the 8th day of August, 2022, at said Wapella Firehouse, in said Village of Wapella. in the County of DeWitt and State of Illinois, in said Fire Protection District.

By Order of the **Board of Trustees** of said District.

Dated this 8th day of July, 2022.

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Reduce impact of extreme temperatures on power grid

Susan Odum University of Illinois

URBANA, Ill. - The National Weather Service reports that portions of the Midwest have experienced record-breaking, early-season heat, including numerous record highs and heat index values above 105 degrees. The Weather Channel's summer outlook predicts hotter than average conditions across the Rockies, Plains, and the Midwest throughout July and August.

"The summer outlook serves as a stark reminder of our reliance on the power grid and the importance of decreasing energy use on hot days to reduce stress on the power grid and avoid rolling blackouts and uncontrolled power grid outages," says Susan Odum, University of Illinois Extension community and economic development

Scientific American has created videos to help consumers better understand today's power grid. A video on Energy.gov demonstrates how "just-in-time" smart grid technologies enable power companies to match supply with demand, ensuring that every kilowatt is used at the instant it is created. When the power grid. In the worst-case costs by agreeing to reduce usage demand outstrips supply, as one might expect during record-setting heat, the grid can be crippled, resulting in rolling outages, or in the worst-case scenario, everything can go dark.

A second video by Scientific. American summarizes the history of the power grid, the North American power grid structure, and the interconnectivity of the overall system. In an ever-increasingly connected system, demand estimates are crucial, as grid operators must assess their need for reserve power before a crisis, enabling them to draw power from other grids or secondary power generation sources to prevent widespread

Midcontinent Independent System Operator manages and operates the electric grid in 15 midwestern states, including most of Illinois. If the Midwest region experiences an above-normal heat wave during the peak summer period, or there are unforeseen generator and transmission outages that occur, MISO, and its affiliate energy providers, could call on consumers to conserve energy and implement other emergency operations to protect or ComEd may lower their energy

scenario, MISO could call for temporary, controlled outages to prevent an uncontrolled, cascading mornings. For more information power grid outage.

Recently, Southeastern Illinois Electric Cooperative, Inc., a MISO affiliated energy provider, issued a release stating, "Your Cooperative wanted to make you aware that there is a possibility that rolling blackouts could occur this summer. A recent generation capacity auction has revealed that the Midwest could fall short of needed generation capacity to serve the summer peak load under certain conditions. In the event this happens, your Cooperative would be directed to disconnect a portion of the load in order to prevent grid failure."

Shifting electricity usage to offpeak periods helps reduce stress on the power grid, making electric service more reliable for individuals and communities. Decreased usage during peak demand times, such as hot summer afternoons, also reduces the need to build or operate additional power plants and helps lower greenhouse gas emissions.

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during peak periods such as hot summer afternoons or cold winter about these energy-saving programs, check out Ameren's Power Smart Pricing or ComEd's Hourly Pricing Program.

Reducing your energy use during peak periods and implementing energy-efficient strategies can save energy and money. Check out the Energy Saver resources available at Energy.gov for ways to reduce your energy usage and costs. For more energy-saving tips, check out the no-cost and low-cost resources provided by Citizens Utility Board, Ameren, ComEd, Southeastern Illinois Electric Cooperative and the Touchstone Energy Cooperatives.

SOURCE: Susan Odum, Community and Economic Development Specialist, University of Illinois Extension

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DeWitt, Macon, Piatt Extension gets new youth development director

Emily Steele

Media Communications Coordinator, Illinois Extension

URBANA, Ill. - Illinois 4-H strives to unlock the potential in every young person, helping them to dream, plan, design, build, and achieve. Around the state, University of Illinois Extension 4-H youth development staff guide the next generation of leaders, innovators, and entrepreneurs.

In June, Illinois Extension and 4-H welcomed Ben Steele to serve as 4-H youth development educator in DeWitt, Macon, and Piatt

"We are very excited to add Ben and special interest groups, as well find new ways to deliver 4-H pro-Doug Harlan. "His decades of experience as a teacher in Central IIlinois will help us continue to build relationships with area school districts and provide engaging learning opportunities for youth to help them thrive inside and outside the classroom.'

Steele joins Extension with more than 20 years of experience as a public-school educator for 2nd through 8th grades. He saw Illinois Extension as an opportunity to work with youth in a new setting and he will work to provide leadership to the youth and development program that supports 4-H clubs

to our team," says County Director as educational programs in Central

"The opportunity to provide programs that can appeal to and benefit youth inside or outside of the classroom is exciting," Steele says. "I look forward to continue to positively impact the youth of Macon County," Steele says.

Steele is originally from Champaign and has a degree in Elementary Education from University of Illinois. His graduate degree work focused on how to implement the engineering design process with vouth.

He plans to expand partnerships with local school districts and grams Decatur area youth. Steele is based in the Macon County office in Decatur and can be reached at bsteele2@illinois.edu or (217) 877-6042.

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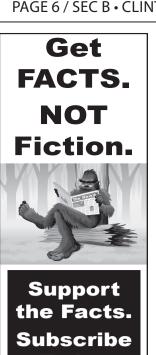
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