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# Clinton Academy property sold

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CLINTON — At the Feb. 15 meeting of the Clinton school board, Superintendent Nettles announced that the property that includes the Clinton Academy has been

Nettles said he had not yet met with the new owners to determine the future of the property, but he is hopeful "we can keep things there; status quo."

The district has been looking for new space for its special needs students, Nettles said, so now it may need to find a new location for the Academy, as well.

Nettles and Assistant Superintendent Drew Goebel have been looking at properties, but Nettles added, "we did have a meeting with the Richland (Community College) folks about the building between the junior high and Jimmy Johns. They don't own that--by the way-they lease that. So, we're going to have some further investigation on that property. They (Richland) don't necessarily have a lot of plans for that property going forward. If we can work something out, that building would be

very useful to us." Nettles also told the board that the district's lawsuit against Illinois State Board of Education was filed Feb 10 and a hearing is set for Feb. 22.

superintendent has with been working other superintendents on a "Make it Local" coalition to provide for local control on decisions masks regarding Covid-19 restrictions and regulations.

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Courtesy of Rob Shannon

#### Willis wrestles at State

Clinton High School wrestler Trevor Willis, left, eventually pinned his opponent, Nick Delloach, of Cahokia, during this match last week at the Illinois State High School Wrestling Tournament, held in Champaign. Unfortunately, Trevor lost his subsequent two matches on Thursday and Friday.

# City educating residents about snow route rules

Question about council / fire dept. pay answered

Gordon Woods

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CLINTON — The city is getting the word out to make sure residents know and understand the local snow route ordinance.

"The snow route ordinance is nothing new," Clinton Police Chief Ben Lowers said during Monday's city council meeting. "It was passed in 1979."

Lowers said the city had not vigorously enforced the code for many years.

"But, we have addressed that recently during the last couple of storms," he

Lowers said the goal was not only to make sure residents were aware of the ordinance but to seek voluntary compliance. He said officers had been out knocking on doors to let people know.

"But, we have not towed cars, to date," Lowers

Lowers hopes the standard response from residents will be to move their cars off the streets before a 2-inch or greater forecast snowfall.

"I've been in contact with Steve Lobb, and we've been discussing that," he said.

Lobb is the city's public works administrator.

The two are looking at possibly suggesting adjustments to the snow route ordinance. And they

ask residents to comply with the ordinance so towing vehicles will not be necessary.

"We're asking they keep

vehicles off the streets until they can be cleared," Lowers said. "It helps everybody involved." He said the current ordinance should be

examined to also correct street names that have changed and some streets extended since the original ordinance was adopted.

The current snow route ordinance, including a list of designated snow route streets, is available on the City of Clinton website. Click, "government" and then ""city code book."

In other business: Commissioner Tom

addressed

Edmunds

comment by resident Seth Redington made during the Feb. 11 city council meeting.

While addressing the council, Redington said he felt it was unethical for commissioner Dan Ballenger to collect pay as a member of the fire department while serving as an elected commissioner.

Edmunds said Monday that, under Illinois state statute, commissioners were allowed to receive pay as members of the fire department while serving on the city council.

"A law went into effect on July 1, 1982 ...and basically that law said any council member can receive their councilman pay in addition to volunteer fireman," Edmunds said. "So, that is a state statute."

Similar provisions in the Illinois statutes provide for compensation for other elected officials to be paid for non-elective duties, such as elected municipal clerks being permitted to also receive compensation as appointed municipal collectors.

Also in his report, Edmunds said city sales tax revenue was up again by about \$30,000 over a year ago.

The increase is due largely to sales tax the city receives from local internet retail sales.

#### Genealogical Society meets *Mar.* 8, *Apr.* 12

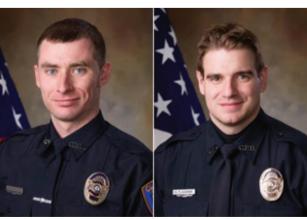
CLINTON DeWitt County Genealogical Society will meet at 4 p.m. on Mar. 8 in the genealogical room of Warner Library for a talk by Rosemary Parker about the Civilian Conservatio Corps. The public is invited.

On Apr. 12, the Genealogical Society will meet in the library for its monthly meeting at 4 p.m.

Don Chamberlin will speak on "A Look at Civil War Prison Camps: Andersonville, February 1864-May 1865." The program will include historic, personal photos and accounts of the horrors of life at Andersonville.

The public is invited.

#### **New Clinton Police officers**



Courtesy of Clinton Police Department Officer Patrick Cook and Officer Derek Flaugher recently joined the Clinton Police Department. The officers graduated from the Macon County Law Enforcement Training Center and have previous experience at other law enforcement agencies.

# Planned Kansas wind-farm energy line through Illinois worries some

**Greg Bishop** The Center Square

**SPRINGFIELD** Energy legislation approved in Illinois last summer opened the door for a Kansas windpowered transmission line to carry electricity across the south central part of the state. Some have concerns.

**Invenergy Transmission** 

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radio advertisements promoting the Grain Belt Express transmission project.

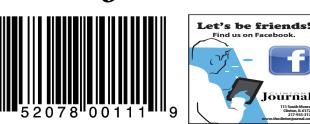
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clean energy and at no cost to Illinois consumers. Built the right way."

State Rep. Brad Halbrook, R-Shelbyville, has concerns about the project set to go across the south central part of the state. He said it was approved last summer in a sweeping energy overhaul.

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# Journal Price





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#### **Schools** / from page A1

"My perspective is to continue to roll with our plan the remainder of the school year...mask optional."

In other business, the board:

Approved the school

calendar for 2022-23

Approved the district's membership in the Illinois Elementary School Association and the Illinois High School Association

Approved the employment Jade Johnson, custodian, effective immediately, Mally Hickman, and physical education teacher at Clinton Junior High School for the 2022-23

school year.

Approved Jena Thomas as a volunteer assistant track coach for the 2021-22 season.

Approved the girls' track team overnight trip to Triad High School April 8-9, 2022.

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Grain Belt Express proposed routes through Illinois. More information at GrainBeltExpress.com GrainBeltExpress.com

"For the first time, the state of Illinois has granted a private company eminent domain over private property," Halbrook said. "And I think this is unprecedented ... we've never seen this before."

Halbrook said the impact on farmers could be a loss of property and increased costs from litigation.

"And this is just one of the implications of the new green deal that hit Illinois," Halbrook said. "It is going to cost our property owners tons of cash just to try to avoid this situation and I don't know where this is ultimately going to land."

The 800-mile project from wind farms in

Kansas has a 200-mile primary route and an alternative route proposed Illinois. information is available at GrainBeltExpress.com, where the company is also seeking public input.

#### Eastern Illinois Food Bank will be in Clinton in March

Contact: Amanda Borden, Eastern Illinois Foodbank, 217-328-3663

When: 03/19/2022 from 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

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

CLINTON - Eastern Illinois Foodbank (EIF) is distributing food to families facing food insecurity. The distribution will be held at the Clinton American Legion (219 N. Elizabeth St.) in Clinton, Illinois on 03/19/2022 from 9:30 10:30am and is open to residents of DeWitt County. Those attending are asked to bring boxes or bags to transport food.

distribution part of the Foodbank's Foodmobile Program, a

additional

household

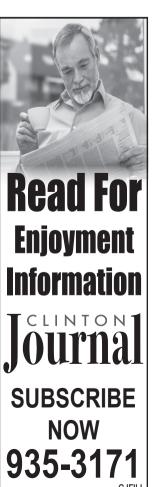
system of mobile food pantries designed to help bring nutritious food to rural or underserved areas.

planning Those attend should pre-register

www.EIFclient.com, although doing so does not guarantee a place in line. Income guidelines are as follows:

#### The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) Temporary Income Eligibility Guidelines Effective March 25, 2020 Until Further Notice

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Household	Annual	Monthly	Twice-	Bi-Weekly	Weekly
Size	Income	Income	Monthly	Income	Income
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1	\$25,520	\$2,127	\$1,063	\$982	\$491
2	\$34,480	\$2,873	\$1,437	\$1,326	\$663
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
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## Self-education

corner culinary of delights. From last three articles, I hope everyone recognized the need for self-education. Selfeducation should be the end result of accumulated information. In short, what you learn is only the basis for discovery. But this education must first be focused. Discovering results is done through self-education. Self-education requires self-discipline with self-confidence of succeeding; the three S's. Only from self-education can one build upon discoveries. Basically, that for which I am promoting in my articles, deals with learning from background information for self-advancement. In short, this is the purpose of education. This is how I learned and taught myself that I now offer to you so you may build upon it and succeed from there.

Welcome to my little

Although specifically focused upon this method of learning in these last few articles, I had already interlaced much of it throughout my instructions. Therefore, refer to my back issues to relearn and thus gain more. I expressed it as "methodology". have given step step instructions of the processes. I included examples. All of this is to help toward your culinary education. This in turn should help you enjoy the various facets in culinary. For that, I will rehearse past examples that I see to be most helpful. It is not as painful as it may sound.

Regardless how I see methodology as being most important to culinary education, I have yet to find a local college that offers a course in it. To gain it, as I have, would again require self-education.



Corner Roger Joss

The example of my swan dessert is a prime example of this. To the novice, this achievement might seem out of the common reach. But never let that stop you from trying. Never underestimate yourself. Take heart, it is not all that difficult. With a little basic education in methodology, you can create your own novel recipes. I have encouraged this throughout my articles. "If I can do it, you can." Primarily, have confidence in yourself. Secondarily, allow no one to undermined that confidence. And thirdly, use that confidence to achieve and serve. Never give up or give in when your mission is to advance yourself, and especially, others. Outside of your basic needs, little is worth doing if it does not serve the common good for the future. Forgive my tendency to become philosophical at times. Back to business at hand.

As with anything else worth pursuing, there are certain necessary basics. For inventing a recipe, the flavors must be balanced and all spices and herbs used expertly. By expertly, I mean that they should never overpower but to enhance. There are many times I have used spices for effecting the flavor rather than for taste. The effect is to give a subtle lift to the flavor such as nutmeg and Worcestershire sauce does to bechamel. Also, the food item itself needs to complement the full meal. Attractiveness does

Until next time, peace to



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# Questions & Answers

General Question:

Do Members Congress have to pay into Social Security?

Answer:

Yes, they do. Members of Congress, the President Vice President, federal judges, and most political appointees, have paid taxes into the Social Security program since January 1984. They pay into the system just like everyone else, no matter how long they have been in office. Learn more about Social Security benefits at www.ssa.gov.

Question:

I recently applied for a replacement Social Security card, but I might be moving before it arrives in the mail. What should I do if I move before I get it?

Answer:

Once we have verified your all documents processed your and application, it takes approximately 10 to 14 days to receive your replacement Social Security card. If you move after applying for your new card, notify the post office of your change of address and the post office will forward your card to your new address. If you do not receive your card, please contact your local Social Security office. To get a replacement, you will have to resubmit your evidence of identity and U.S. citizenship, or your lawful immigration status and authority to work. You can learn more at www.ssa.gov/myaccount.

#### Retirement Question:

I served in the military, and I'll receive a military pension when I retire. Will that affect my Social Security benefits?

Answer:

You can get both Social Security retirement and military benefits retirement at the same time. Generally, don't reduce your Social Security benefits because of your military benefits. When you're ready to apply for Social retirement Security benefits, go to www.

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Question:

I know that Social Security's full retirement age is gradually rising to 67. But does this mean the "early" retirement age will also go up by two years, from age 62 to 64?

Answer:

No. While it is true that under current law the full retirement age is gradually rising from 65 to 67, the "early" retirement age remains at 62. Keep in mind, however, that taking early retirement reduces your benefit amount. For more information about Social Security benefits, visit www.ssa.gov/planners/ retire.

#### Disability

Question:

My doctor said he thinks I'm disabled. Who decides if I meet the requirements Social Security disability benefits?

Answer:

We first will review your application to make sure you meet some basic requirements for Social Security disability benefits, such as whether you worked enough years to qualify. Then we will send your application the disability to determination services office in your state, often called the "DDS" or "state agency." Your state agency completes the disability decision for us. Doctors and disability specialists in the state agency ask your doctors for information about your condition. They consider all the facts in your case. They use the medical evidence from your doctors and hospitals, clinics,

institutions where you have been treated and all other information.

agency The state staff may need more medical information before they can decide if you are disabled. If more information not available from your current medical sources, the state agency may ask you to go for a special examination. We prefer to ask your own doctor, but sometimes the exam may have to be done by someone else. Social Security will pay for the exam and for some of the related travel costs. Learn more at www.ssa.gov/ disability.

Question:

I'm getting ready to start filling out my disability application benefits online, but I'm concerned I will need to stop before I can finish it. Can I stop before completing the application and come back to finish it later? If so, how do I return to my online application to finish it when I have all the information I need?

Answer:

Applying for disability is a multi-step process that may take one to two hours to complete, depending on your situation. You can save your application as you go. This allows you to come back and finish later.

When you start your application, you will "Re-entry receive a Number." You will need this number to return to your application to complete it. You can go back to the online application at www.ssa. gov/disabilityonline. After you're finished and have submitted your application, we'll contact you with any updates or questions we may have about your information. Sign up for or log in to your personal my Social Security account to check your application status at www.ssa.gov/myaccount.

#### Supplemental **Security Income**

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How much will I receive if I qualify for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits?

Answer:

The amount of your SSI benefit depends on where you live and how much income you have. The maximum SSI payment varies nationwide. For 2022, the maximum federal SSI payment for an eligible individual is \$841 a month and \$1,261 a month for an eligible couple. However, many states add money to the basic payment. (Illinois does not) For more information, go to www. ssa.gov/ssi.

Question: Who is eligible for Supplemental Security Income (SSI)?

Answer:

People who receive SSI are age 65 or older, blind, or disabled with limited income and resources. Go to www.ssa.gov for income and resource limits. The general fund of the U.S. Treasury makes SSI payments. They do not come out of the Social Security Trust Fund.

#### Medicare

Question:

Is it true that if you have low income you can get help paying your Medicare premiums?

Answer:

Yes. If your income and resources are limited, your state may be able to help with your Medicare Part B premium, deductibles, and coinsurance amounts. State rules vary on the income and resources that apply. Contact your state or local medical assistance, social services, or welfare office, or call the Medicare hotline, 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), and ask about the Medicare Savings Programs. If you have limited income and resources, you also may be able to get help paying for prescription drug coverage under Medicare Part D. Call Social Security at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778) or visit any Social Security office. Also, see our publication, Medicare, at www. ssa.gov/pubs/10043. html. For even more information, visit www. ssa.gov.

#### Dr. Harold B. 'Doc' Allen

CLINTON — Dr. Harold В. "Doc" Allen, 90, of Clinton, passed away at 7:52 a.m. on February

19, 2022, in Clinton.

Services will conducted at 10 a.m. on Friday, February 25, 2022, at the Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton, with Pastor Darrell officiating. Howard Burial will follow at Woodlawn Cemetery, Clinton. Visitation will be held from 5-7 p.m. on Thursday, February 24, 2022, at the funeral home. Memorials may

directed to The Clinton United Methodist Church or the Strong Kids at the Clinton YMCA.

Harold was born Harold B. Porter to Bee and Norine E. (Jones) Porter on January 27, 1932, in Champaign. After a fatal car accident took the life of his father, Harold was adopted by Ernest E. Allen at the age of 8.

Harold graduated from Stephen Decatur High School and then from Lincoln College Chiropractic, Indianapolis, Ind., 1958. He also served in the United States Naval Reserves. He was married to Joan L. Thomas, in 1952. They later divorced in 1984.

Survivors include his children, Harold Steven (Stacy) Allen, Clinton; Dr. Gregory Lee (Patty) Allen, Ocala, Fla.; and James Kevin Allen, Clinton; grandchildren, Dustin Allen, Gainesville, Fla.; Kari Harris (Tim Stanley); Rachel (Kyle) Tuggle, Amy Danison (fiancé, Dylan Seaman), Elizabeth Lyons (fiancé, Aaron Barnes), all of



Clinton. Also surviving are 11 beautiful greatgrandchildren and his older brother, Dr. James C. (Mary) Allen, Decatur. He was preceded in

death by his parents, two

sisters, and his grandson, Christopher Steven Allen. Dr. Harold Allen started practicing chiropractic in

1960 in Clinton. He was still in practice at the time of his death. He was a dedicated citizen of the City of

Clinton, sitting on boards, numerous including **YMCA** the Board, Clinton School Board, the Clinton Zoning Board, and the Mental Health Board. He was a member of the Clinton County Club, the Rotary Club, the Elks Lodge, and the Eagles Lodge. He ran the clock for the Clinton High School basketball program and the chains for the football program for close to 50 years.

He was an avid learner, attending weekly case studies in Bloomington with healthcare providers throughout Central Illinois. He was a member of the Clinton United Methodist Church and was a very active member.

Doc was a wonderful and father, community leader. He will be forever missed.

Online condolences may be made at www. calvertmemorial.com

#### Beware of ice

The local television weather guy made an announcement recently that was, I think, meant to be uplifting. He said, "And winter is now half over!"

Instead, I took it the other way: We still have half of this winter to get through.

My main complaint this year is ... ice. It's sneaky, everywhere, apparently invisible in the right circumstances, and yes, it's slick.

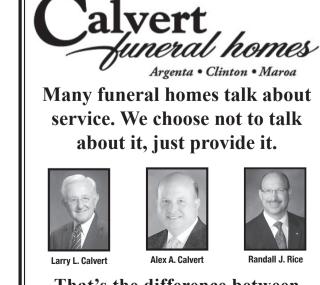
There I was, hauling a load of groceries out of the back of the car, having picked them up curbside from the store and arriving home after dark. One of the bags had fallen over and spilled its contents, requiring me to bend over and lean forward at the same time to retrieve the items that had rolled. Unbeknownst to me, my foot was on a piece of ice. I did not fall, but I did twist my leg in a way that legs are not meant to be twisted. Within an hour the pain hit.

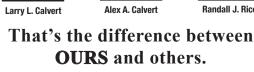
By Day 3 I was wondering

if I'd broken something. Day 4 was a bit better, and I knew I was on the mend ... if only I could better plan my trips up and out of the recliner to fetch something instead of making multiple trips through the house for Kindle, water bottle, TV remote and more. Worse, I suppose, was that the cat was upset that she wasn't allowed on my lap during those days. She sat, with a hurt expression, across the room from me for four days.

I think there are multiple lessons to be learned from my brief foray into pain and incapacity, but the most important one is this: Schedule curbside grocery pickup for daylight hours. Don't arrive home in the dark in the winter if there's the slightest chance of ice. It will find you.

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#### James L. 'Jim' Swinger

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had a love of all animals

big and small and was

vacationing with his family

including trips to Hawaii,

Alaska, New York, and

Washington D.C. with his

wife in their retirement;

attending Illinois State

games; gathering weekly

with Illinois Bell friends

for coffee; serving others

through the Telephone

Pioneers of America;

attending meetings and

activities of the Macon

County Farm Bureau

Prime Timers; making

daily trips to Menards;

time with his beloved

Jim also played pinochle

in a monthly card club

consisting of his wife's

classmates, twice a month

with the Jolly Jokers at the

Friends Creek Community

center in Argenta, and

He spent the last few

years going on annual

vacations with his kids

and grandkids and visiting

with them several times a

He was loved by his

family and friends and

will be missed by them

all. Honor Jim by serving

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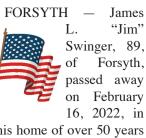
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his home of over 50 years surrounded by his family. Jim was born on December 23, 1932 to Oscar L. and Hazel (Phelps) Swinger, Morrisonville, II1. from He

graduated Morrisonville High School, in 1950, and served in the U.S. Navy from March 1952 until February 1956.

During the Korean war he literally went around the world with Company 145 on the U.S.S. Tarawa. He served as an Electronic Technician, communications gear. He was also a member of the Navy Brigade Drill Team. In December 1958, he

Technical Institute, in Chicago. He was employed by Illinois Bell Telephone Company from 1959 until he retired, in 1992. He married Betty Ruth

graduated from DeVry

Tucker, in 1962, in Oreana. She passed away on October 19, 2009. He was also preceded in death by his parents and sister V. Jean Hocking. He is survived by his

son Lee Swinger of Springfield; his daughters Nola (Lyndon) Dittus and Becky (Brad) Barnes; and five grandchildren Riley, Emily, and Abby Dittus and Matthew and Andrew Barnes, all of Heyworth.

at noon on Monday, February 21, 2022, at Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton. Burial with military honors followed at Friends Creek Cemetery, Argenta. Visitation was held on Monday at the funeral home.

Services were conducted

Memorials may be directed Hammitt Junior-Senior High School, the Haven Classroom Normal, or Folds of Honor.

Jim was known for his ability to fix anything and willingness to do it for nothing in return.



" B i 1 1 Mayfield, 72,

passed away at 7:35 a.m. on February

Clinton,

15, 2022, at Accolade Health Care, Paxton, Ill. No services are planned

at this time. The family entrusted Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton, cremation rites.

Memorials may directed to the Alzheimer's Association or the Wounded Warriors Project. William was born on

April 30, 1949, in Normal, the son of William J. Mayfield and Kathryn (Young) Mayfield. He married Nancy Day on April 3, 1980, in Decatur. Survivors include his wife, Nancy Mayfield, children, Clinton; Dawn Collins, Decatur, Jennifer (Eric) Crandall, Parker, Colo.; Jessica Layton, Indianapolis,



Ind.; and Amanda Mayfield, Chicago; eight grandchildren, two great-grandchildren; Diana sisters, Peifer, Bloomington; and Jacqueline (Jim) Jesse, Flannagan, Ill.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Bill was a Vietnam veteran, serving in the U.S. Navy from 1968-1973. He was a member of the Local #288 Painters Union, in Decatur.

condolences Online may be made at www. calvertmemorial.com

# Area students named to Millikin University Fall 2021 Dean's List

DECATUR — Millikin University announced the names of the outstanding undergraduates named to the Dean's List for the Fall 2021 semester.

Students who attempt 12 graded credits during a fall or spring semester and earn a grade point average of 3.5 or higher earn Dean's List honors. Students earning a perfect 4.00 grade point average on 12 graded credits attempted earn High Dean's List honors.

Area students named to the Dean's List at Millikin University are listed in alphabetical order according to last name.

Lukah Case, of Clinton, Bailey Coffman, of Heyworth Colin Griffin, of Le Roy Sage Lash, of De Witt Ally Pruser, of Clinton Chase Reynolds, of Clinton, Destiny Schlesinger, of Clinton Mandy Thrasher, of Heyworth Charly Warlow, of Le Roy

## 'Changing Perspectives' at Warner Public Library

A local history photo exhibition and more coming to the library in March

CLINTON — How have the landmarks of DeWitt County changed over time? Find out during Changing Perspectives: A Local History Photo Exhibition, coming to the Vespasian Warner Public Library from March 1-31.

The exhibit will feature recent photographs of DeWitt County landmarks from a bird's eye view using drone technology. Visitors can also compare the printed photos to images of the same locations dating back as far as the 1890s from the library's digital archive.

Changing Perspectives is free and open to the public during library hours thanks to EMC Photography, for capturing the images for the exhibition, as well as the American Library Association (ALA) and the Association for Rural & Small Libraries (ARSL) support through Libraries Transforming Communities: Focus on Small and Rural Libraries.

Residents who would like to learn more or contribute their ideas for future local history projects are encouraged to attend Highlighting History (Again!) Thursday, March 3 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at the library. Attendees will help select a new project that sparks excitement in preserving local history during the event. Call the library at 217-935-5174 to learn more or register.

#### March calendar of events

The library also offers a variety of in-person, virtual, and grab 'n go events each month. All library events are free and open to the public, but advance registration is required for events marked with an \*. Visit the library's website at www. vwarner.org, Facebook

page @VespasianWarner. or call 217-935-5174 to learn more about the events listed below. \*AARP Foundation

and Saturdays through April 13 (Adult) Draw a Treasure for the End of Our

Tax Aide: Wednesdays

Rainbow: All month on the children's floor (All Ages) Changing

Perspectives Special Exhibit: All month on the main floor (All Ages) Children's Storytime: Wednesdays and Fridays

at 10 a.m. (Children and Families) DIY Origami Grab 'n Go Kit: Available while supplies last beginning

March 1 (All Ages) \*Highlighting History (Again!): Thursday, March 3 at 5:30

\*Sowing of Seeds: Saturday, March 5 at 10:30 .a.m (Adult)

\*Shade Gardening Webinar: Tuesday, March 8 at 1:30 p.m. (Adult)

\*Swirly Sensory Bottles: Thursday, March 10 at 5:30 p.m. (Children and Families)

\*Leprechaun Trap Monday, Workshop: March 14 at 3:45 p.m. (Children and Families) \*Book Club:

Tuesday, March 15 at 6 p.m. (Adult) \*Print-Making

Portraits: Thursday, March 24 at 4 p.m. (Teens 12-18) Family Movie

Night: Wednesday, March 30 at 4:45 p.m. (All Ages)

The library is open Monday-Thursday from 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Friday from 9 a.m.-4 p.m., and Saturday from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Hours are subject to change. For more information about the event above or any library services, visit www.vwarner.org or call 217-935-5174.

## Illinois Agri-Women scholarships offered

CERRO GORDO, III. — This year, the Illinois Agri-Women (IAW) organization is offering 4 scholarships for females studying agriculture. The Illinois Agri-Women (IAW) organization supports the agriculture industry, works legislation to support and preserve family farms, communicates with other agriculture organizations, and strives to educate the public and promote agricultural awareness.

One \$1,500 IAW Helen Henert Agriculture Education Scholarship will be offered to a student who is an agriculture education major who will be finishing their undergraduate degree in the next year. The application can be found https://forms.gle/ KbPoL3hVziSBH8t5A

Three \$1,000 WCFA Change Agent of Scholarships are offered to students who have attended at least one

Women Changing the Face of Agriculture Conference. Eligible applicants include past WCFA attendees and students who participated in the 2020 WCFA in person event and the 2021 WCFA Online Curriculum.

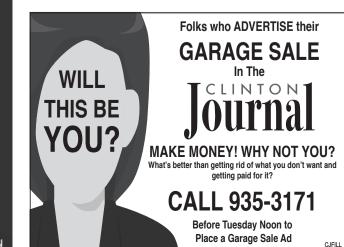
One scholarship will be awarded to a high school senior, one will be awarded to a current college student, one scholarship will be awarded to a current student. The graduate application can found at: https://forms. gle/8TJvxV

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Applications can be submitted online. The deadline for submissions of completed applications is March 31, 2022. To access applications or find out more information about scholarships, visit Scholarships – WCFA (womenchangingthe

faceofagriculture.com) illinoisagriwomen.org.





# **OPINION**

#### **HISTORY ALMANAC**

1901 - The United States Steel Corp. was incorporated by J.P. Morgan.

1913 - The 16th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was ratified. It authorized a graduated income tax.

1919 - The state of Oregon became the first state to place a tax on gasoline. The tax was 1 cent per gallon.

1928 - The Federal Radio Commission issued the first U.S. television license to Charles Jenkins Laboratories in Washington, DC.

1930 - The bank check photographing device was patented.

1933 - The aircraft carrier Ranger was launched. It was the first ship in the U.S. Navy to be designed and built from the keel up as an aircraft carrier.

1837 - Thomas Davenport patented the first commercial electrical motor. There was no practical electical distribution system available and Davenport went bankrupt.

1940 - The New York Rangers and the Montreal Canadiens played in the first hockey game to be televised in the U.S. The game was aired on W2WBS in New York with one camera in a fixed position. The Rangers beat the Canadiens 6-2.

1948 - Communists seized power in Czechoslovakia.

1950 - "Your Show of Shows" debuted on NBC.

1956 - Soviet leader Nikita Khrushchev criticized the late Josef Stalin in a speech before a Communist Party congress in Moscow.

1972 - Germany gave a \$5 million ransom to Arab terrorists who had hijacked a jumbo jet.

1986 - Filippino President Ferdinand E. Marcos fled the Philippines after 20 years of rule after a tainted election.

1999 - William King was sentenced to death for the racial murder of James Byrd Jr in Jasper, TX. Two other men charged were later convicted for their involvement.

1999 - In Moscow, China's Prime Minister Zhu Rongji and Russia's President Boris Yeltsin discussed trade and other issues.

2000 - In Albany, NY, a jury acquitted four New York City police officers of second-degree murder and lesser charges in the February 1999 shooting death of Amadou Diallo.

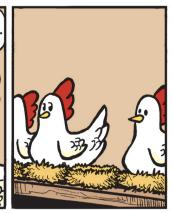
2005 - Dennis Rader was arrested for the BTK serial killings in Wichita, KS. He later pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 10 life prison terms.

2020 - In Seattle, WA, Amazon opened its first Amazon Go Grocery store.

#### **Amber Waves**









# Inflation: A non-economist view

I'm one of those guys who is on a pension, drawing social security and working part time. I'm not broke, but my dollar isn't buying what it used to.

Gasoline is a killer. Groceries have gone way up. I certainly don't blame the local vendors that are passing their costs along. The current annual rate is

now at 7.5 percent. I don't see income matching that rate. The public is simply hurting. What concerns me is the national direction. COVID appears to have a great bearing on all of this. Both Trump and Biden have had to deal with an unprecedented public health crisis. No one really knew how to deal with it and both appear to have done the best they could have done. With the conflicting medical advise both presidents received, one can empathize with their decisions.

Regardless, **COVID** shut down much of the economy and screwed up supply and demand. COVID has a bearing on current inflation. The demand for services was still there, but many of those services were not available due to COVID restrictions. COVID seems to be receding and that will help the economy and inflation.

Both presidents took the

position that they could buy the country out of the financial crisis that ensued with the COVID lockdowns. A short term loan after a crisis can be a very positive occurrence for either a family or nation in distress.

The problem is that you can only live on borrowed money for so long and then you have to either pay it back or you get shut off from the money.

What hurt the economy was throwing out all of that federal money. There were no goods or services to back up the money. The government simply printed the money and gave it to us, businesses and state and local governments. It was great for a few months, but the money has to be repaid.

Many will say the government has forgiven those loans. That is both a truth and a lie. An individual loan may have been forgiven, but the government still has the debt. For you and me that means increased taxes at the federal level. The federal government simply put too much money into the coffers. When you have an excess of "cash" available, that money actually decreases in value. When the dollar has a reduced value you get a main cause of inflation.



That short term assistance also had a bearing on the labor market. People were getting more money to be unemployed than if they were working. It is very natural for people to say why work, if the government is going to pay me to sit on my backside. I get their position, but it is troubling to those who believe one has to work to make it in this world. It is going to take a long time for this country to work itself out of the debt it incurred from the COVID stimulus money.

Add to COVID was Biden's dislike of Trump's oil and gas policies. With Trump we had become a net exporter of energy. Biden changed that with stopping the Keystone pipeline construction and greatly reducing oil and gas leases on federal lands. The government slowed production as the public increased demand. Costs rise on the basic law of supply and demand. Today the Biden administration is asking the Saudis to increase production compensate for our lack of production. The logic of the administration's position makes no sense to this country boy.

Russia's economy is based to a large extent on its oil production. Today, Germany has almost completed its pipeline to Russia oil deal. Russia is now very aggressive as it finds itself on the energy power seat. Russia is flexing that power in Ukraine and Germany is losing power as it has no energy. The U.S. could have met that European demand for energy, but the administration curtailed American production by its policies. The end result is that prices go up and we may soon be looking at \$7/gallon gas prices. For rural America that will be catastrophic. Urban America feel the increase also in the increased costs that farmers and truckers will pass on for the goods and services they produce and transport.

For those of us who remember the gas lines of the 1980s and the absurd interest rates of that time period, there is a fear of history repeating itself. America has the resources to feed, clothe and house its citizens, provided we are stewards of those resources.

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# VA expands services for senior veterans

Services senior veterans have been expanded, including home-based primary care, veteran-directed care and medical foster homes. The plan is to make these services -- 75 home-based primary care teams, 58 medical foster homes and 70 veteran-directed care programs -- available at all Department of Veterans Affairs medical centers in the next few years.

The purpose of these programs is to allow senior veterans to either delay going into a nursing home and select the care environment that they prefer, or to age in place at home. What they've discovered is that veterans who use these services have fewer trips to the emergency room, fewer hospital admissions and fewer stays in nursing

Medical foster homes

are what you'd imagine: private homes where there is a trained caregiver 24/7. While living at one of these homes, the veteran home-based receives primary care. See www. va.gov/geriatrics/pages/ Medical\_Foster\_Homes. asp for a list of the available medical foster home programs by state.

Home-base primary care is medical services supervised by a VA physician. Typically, the veteran has complicated health needs and is unable to keep medical appointments because of illness or perhaps has

#### VETERANS \* POST

by Freddy Groves

a caregiver who needs help because of the responsibility for medical care. See www.va.gov/ GERIATRICS/pages/ Home\_Based\_Primary\_ Care.asp for information.

Veteran-directed care lets veterans receive both the home and communitybased services they desire, like choosing from a menu. Veterans often need help with activities of daily living, or there is a caregiver who needs help. Daily living activities can range from dressing, eating and taking a shower

to grocery shopping and more. Each veteran is given a budget for those services, which is managed by either the veteran or the veteran's representative. This menu of services lets veterans stay in their own homes. See www.va.gov/ geriatrics/pages/Veteran-Directed\_Care.asp more information.

For a full menu of services for senior veterans, see www.va.gov/ GERIATRICS/index.asp. Caregiver information, fitness and rehab, brain health, advance care planning ... it's all there.

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● JOB 29: 12-14 🔎

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#### BIBLE WORD SEARCH

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**ROMANS 8:32-33** 

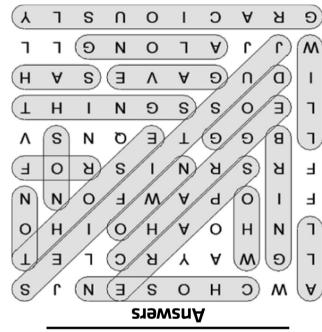
He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up **for** us **all**—how **will** he **not** also, **along** with him, graciously give us all things? Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies.

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#### BIBLE WORD SEARCH

#### **BIBLE TRIVIA**

by Wilson Casey

- 1. Is the book of James in the Old or New Testament or neither?
- 2. From 2 Samuel 6, who after accidentally touching the Ark of the Covenant? Achan, Zedekiah, Naboth, Uzzah 3. In Judges 13, to whose
- wife did an angel appear, telling her she'd conceive a son? Samson, Manoah, Josiah, Cain 4. What godly son was born to Hannah and
- Elkanah in answer to prayer? Ezekiel, Paul, Samuel, Hosea 5. From Judges 14, what animal took Samson by
- Lion, Boar 6. Who burned David's city of Ziklag? Nazarites, Amalekites, Gibeonites, Israelites

surprise attack? Bear, Fox,

Amalekites 4) Samuel; 5) Lion; 6)

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Sunday Sunny High 39



Monday Sunny High 39



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#### **Weather History**

#### February 26

1996: Central Illinois experienced weather more typical of mid spring rather than late winter. Regional high temperatures were in the lower and mid 70s. A high of 75 degrees at Lincoln was a record for the month; other record highs for the date were established at Springfield, with 74 degrees, and Decatur, with 73. Severe thunderstorms moved through the region during the evening hours, producing hail as well as an 80 mph wind gust that extensively damaged the Macon County Fairgrounds near Decatur.

1997: The second major rainstorm in a week affected central and eastern Illinois. The heaviest rainfall, of over 2 inches, was found in east

central parts of the state east of I-57. Rainfall of 1.63 inches at Springfield and 1.28 inches in Peoria fell on top of already

saturated ground, further aggravating river flooding across the area.



# Cheerleader / M-Squad 'Senior Night'

The cheerleader and dance/M-squad seniors and their parents during their senior night presentation last week.



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# Journal Sports



The Cardinal defense made it hard to get the ball to the Maroons under the baskets in the JV game.

# Maroons' JV over Cardinals 47-44 in overtime at home

Varsity falls to Cardinals 63-30

Marc Rogers imarre@frontier.com

CLINTON — Friday, February 11, saw the Clinrensburg/Latham Cardinals on the Maroons "Senior Night." The festivities began with the junior varsity teams squaring off at center

Tension was in the air as both junior varsity teams played well on offense and defense. The teams traded points throughout the first quarter, ending the quarter in a tie at 11-all.

The second quarter was much the same, however, the home team got a break and took a 2-point lead into the locker room at halftime.

The second half began much like the first half with both teams fighting tooth and nail on each possession and again ending the third quarter in a tie game at 28-

As the teams battled in the final quarter, the crowd became ever more tense. The teams finished regulation play again tied at 41 points each.

The game came down to a three and a half minute overtime period in which the home team finally pulled away for a 47-44 win over the Cardinals.

The Maroons were led by Colton Walker (#15) with 20 points (including two 3-pointers) and Derek

the Senior Night presentasquad and M-Squad had several seniors to recognize. From the cheerleaders squad were Morgan Fortune, Clare Holland, Corrine Karr, and Erica Mills, while the M-Squad was rep-See photo on page A8.

was not to be a repeat of the JV game.

Most of the Maroons' team had just competed in the overtime JV game, a fresh team of all seniors. The difference in the games was almost surreal.

The Cardinals moved with 11 points (each player

(including three 3-pointers). court, while the Maroons During the intermission were sluggish and at times between games, there was seemed stifled by the op-The Cardinals position. tion. There were no basket- started the game with a ball seniors, but the cheer 17-0 first quarter against the home team.

The Maroons came alive in the second quarter with 17 points of their own, but the Cardinals were at 31 points by this time.

After halftime, the oppoton Maroons host the War- resented by Khloe Morlock. sition again ran away with the scoring, adding 26 more The varsity teams hit the to their score, while the Mafloor for game two, but this roons managed only 8. The final stanza saw both teams with low scores, leaving the Cardinals with the 63-30

> The Maroons, in their fiwhile the opposition had nal home game of the season, were led by Dawson Graves (#3) with 12 points and Brookes Cluver (#12) quickly up and down the had one 3-pointer).



Filkin (#21) with 10 points It was sometimes a rough and tumble varsity game.

# Go Maroons!

# Lady Maroons over Lady Cards, advance in IHSA Regional play

**Marc Rogers** jmarre@frontier.com

CLINTON — The Illinois High School Association (IHSA) Clinton area girls basketball regional started on Tuesday, February 15, with four teams participating. Those included the Paris Lady Tigers, the Tri-City/Sangamon Valley (TSCV) Lady Tornadoes, the Warrensburg/Latham (W/L) Lady Cardinals, and the host team, the Clinton Lady Maroons.

On this first evening, two teams would be eliminated with the other two going to the championship game.

The first playoff game featured the Lady Tigers and the Lady Tornadoes. The Lady Tigers are the No. 1 seed in this regional, and it was obvious within the first few minutes. They

Lady Tornadoes, who never knew what hit them.

TCSV scored only 2 those were in the first quarter), while the Lady Tigers dropped in 32 points by halftime. The Lady Tornadoes scored 10 points in the second half, while Paris added another 34 points to win the game 64-12 and move into the championship round.

Up next was the game between the Lady Cardinals and the hometown Lady Maroons.

soundly beaten their opponent three other times this season and were looking for a repeat.

The first quarter went points on one bucket and well for the Lady Maroons eight free throws. as they outscored the Lady Cardinals 9-3 with Mallo-

completely dismantled the ry Cyrulik (#4) scoring all 9 points for the Maroons. However, the Lady Cardinals, not giving in, made a points in the first half (and 12-6 run on points to tie the game at 15 by halftime.

> The home team got a second wind in the locker room and returned to the court ready to play some basketball. The Lady Maroons went up by 8 points in the third quarter and ended the game with an eleven point lead, wining 43-32 to advance to the championship game against the Paris Lady Tigers.

The Lady Maroons were The Lady Maroons had led by Cyrulik (#4) with 16 points, Regan Filkin (#3) with 11 points (including two 3-pointers) and Kaitlyn Rauch (#11) with 10



The jump ball disappears, but ends in the hands of Clinton's Heidi Humble (#2).

# Lady Maroons fall to Lady Tigers in Regional Championship game

Marc Rogers

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CLINTON — After a weather related delay, The Illinois High School Association (IHSA) regional championship game was scheduled and played in Friday, February 18, following the ceremonial 3-point shoot-out.

There were 23 young ladies entered in the shootout, with four from the Lady Maroons (Regan Filkin, MaKayla Koeppel, Kaitlyn Rauch, and Kylie Raymer). The ladies were to shoot 15 3-point shots in two heats with the top shooters in a shoot-off if needed.

Kaitlyn Littleton of the Paris Lady Tigers took first place with 13 of 15 shots made. Second place was a tie between Leah Adlaf of the Maroa/Forsyth Lady Trojans and the Clinton Lady Maroons MaKayla Koeppel with 9 of 15 shots. Third place was captured by another Lady Maroon, Kylie Raymer, with 8 of 15

The game between these two teams was expected to be close. Clinton was 27-5 (84.3 percent win ratio), while the Lady Tigers were 26-4 (86.6 percent ratio).

Lady Maroons faltered.

Predictions fell far short, however, as the Lady Tigers played well but the



Sports photos Marc Rogers / Journal A packed house watched as the Lady Tigers won the jump ball and dismantle the Lady Maroons.

Paris had switched up hotter with 18 points. their game plan and did not use the stifling press sealed the game on a 16-8 from several nights before, run in the final quarter to but relied on good defense take the championship 63under the basket and in the 30.

6 in the first quarter and by

14 at halftime. out hot after the half with 15 points, but Paris was

The Lady Tigers then

Mallory Cyrulik (#4) led The Lady Tigers were up the Lady Maroons with 17 points, followed by Kaitlyn Rauch (#11) and Kylie The Lady Maroons came Raymer (#34), each with 9 points.

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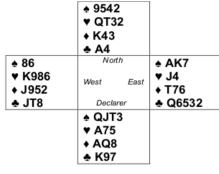
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# **GAMES**

#### **BRIDGE BITES**

#### STUFF THAT DOESN'T HAPPEN

Last week, our astute Declarer remembered that his opponent had opened the bidding, sensibly deduced that said opponent must have the missing high cards, and then played the hand accordingly. This week's deal is a bit more difficult, as Declarer must be alert to something which did not happen!



E-W Vulnerable West North East

South 1NT Pass Pass Pass **Pass** 2♣ **Pass** 2♠ **Pass** 3♠ Pass 4♠ **Pass Pass** Pass

N-S stumble into 4♠ after a Stayman auction and West leads the &J. It looks like a simple enough hand, and so it is. Declarer loses two trumps and must avoid also losing two Heart tricks. How would you play the hand?

You win the first trick with the ♠K and lead the ♠Q. East wins that, then cashes his second high Spade, and exits a Spade. You can cash some minor suit winners if you like but you already have all the information that you need to make the contract a virtual certainty.

What was it which "did not happen"? That's right, East did not open the bidding! He has already shown up with the ♠AK ... and West's lead of the ♣J denied the Queen. That gives East 9 HCP, so surely he cannot also hold the ♥K, that would be 12 HCP, and enough to open. So, you cash the ♥A and lead low towards the board. West is an expert and nonchalantly plays low, perhaps while stifling a yawn. But you are having none of that malarkey! You confidently call for the Queen and it's 10 tricks for the good guys!

For bridge games or lessons, please contact Mike Tomlianovich by phone: 309-825-5823 or by email: mjtomlia@gmail.com



GALEWN GILON EHGU CRINTI 💙 INT GDNU **♥** RWEEH ♥ UGN ♥ NECADO ♥ A L I D E **♥** ELTA

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.

#### FIGURE! by Linda Thistle GO

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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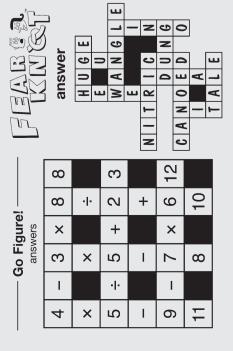
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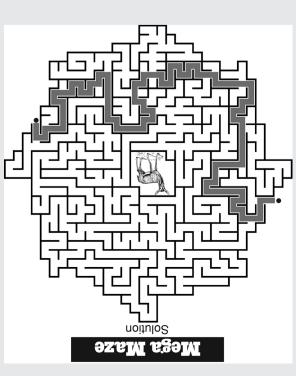
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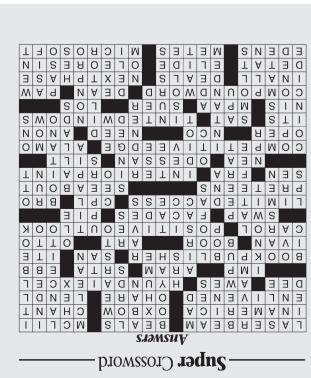
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Lindsay Donovan, Township Clerk

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removed from all headstones after each mowing.
4. Payment will be made one time a month on the

second Tuesday of each month.
5. Three year contracts are encouraged.

6. Proof of insurance must be provided with bid.
7. Mail bids to Wapella Township/Attn: Lindsay Donovan, 704 Walnut Circle, Wapella, IL 61777
8. Bids must be received by March 7, 2022 to be considered.

Legal 19406 February 11, 18 and 25, 2022

#### LEGAL

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Bids will be opened at the Texas Township, 9670 Revere Road, Clinton, Illinois on March 9, 2022, regular meeting. Bids should include mowing and trimming of each cemetery on a monthly basis from April to October.

Please contact Leslie Cyrulik at 217-836-4854 for further information.

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Sincerely, Ameren Illinois Forestry Department

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#### LEGAL

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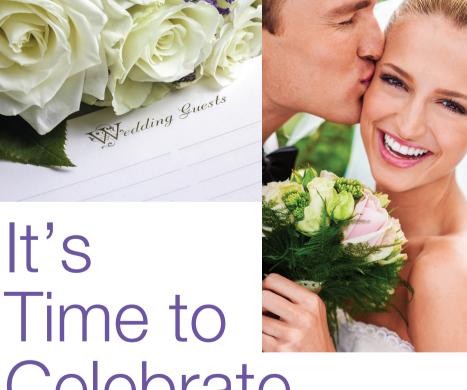
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# Stay safe during electrical storms

#### Duane Friend

University of Illinois Extension

URBANA, Ill. - Exceeded only by floods, lightning is the second largest killer associated with storms. According to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, over 25 million cloud-toground lightning flashes occur each year.

Duane Friend, University of Illinois Extension natural resources educator, says the number has been steadily declining over the last 10 to 15 years. "Lightning kills by stopping the heart

and damaging the nervous system," Friend says. "In non-fatal cases, people suffer permanent disabilities, such as short-term memory loss, distractibility, irritability, and personality change." There are several considerations for

avoiding being hit by lightning. As a storm approaches, move indoor before the rain begins.

"If you can hear thunder, lightning is close enough that it could strike your location at any moment," Friend says. "Lightning originating near the top of a storm can reach as far as 10 to 15 miles away."

Do not stand under or next to trees.

"If you cannot get to an indoor location, crouch in the open space, keeping twice as far from a tree as it is tall," Friend says. If there is a group of people outdoors, keep several yards distance from each other.

Swimming, wading, and other water sports are not safe during a storm since lightning striking the water can travel long distances. If a lightning storm begins while boating, crouch in the center of the boat, away from metal. Ungrounded, open span buildings, such

as ball dugouts and picnic shelters, are not always a good option. If no sturdy buildings are close, a hard top vehicle is the next best choice. Avoid touching metal while the storm is in progress.

If someone is struck by lightning, call 911. Check the victims breathing and pulse and begin CPR if necessary.

Medical issues may include burns at the entry and exit points, broken bones, loss of hearing or eyesight, and nervous system damage. There is no fear of receiving a shock yourself by touching the person after the strike.

# Take heed of tornado warnings

#### Duane Friend

University of Illinois Extension

URBANA, Ill. - As prime tornado season approaches, know what a tornado warning means and what to do.

The National Weather Service issues a tornado warning under two conditions, says Duane Friend, University of Illinois Extension natural resources educator: rotation is indicated by weather radar, or rotation has been observed by trained spotters. If a warning is issued for the area, it means residents in the warning area are in the projected path. Bulletins often discuss the potential impact damage from the tor-

#### What to do during a tornado warning

"First thing to do when a tornado warning is issued for your area is to take cover immediately," Friend says. "Do not go outside to look for the tornado; it may approach quickly with little time to get to safety."

Damage from downed trees and flying debris may also occur. Tornado warnings

may include these cautions: "life-threatening situation," "flying debris may be deadly," or "damage is likely to occur to buildings, with complete destruction possible." In extreme cases, tornado warnings may include "catastrophic damage threat."

#### Understanding tornado paths

Tornadoes' paths are projected paths that sometimes change trajectory signifi-

"During a televised broadcast, a meteorologist often shows the potential path that widens the farther out from the event you get," Friend says. The force of wind also increases exponentially as speed in-

"This explains why even small objects have such destructive power when traveling at high speeds," Friend says. "While it may be exciting to consider getting video of a tornado to post on social media, getting too close can put your life in danger."

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#### What you should know about the 3G shutdown

(NAPSI)—The end of the 3G cellular network has begun and for many Americans, it may come as a surprise. They might wake up one morning to some of their most important devices not working.

#### What is 3G?

Many people have heard the term 3G but don't know it refers to the "third generation" of cellular network technology. Now there's 5G LTE-500 times faster than 3G—and carriers are phasing out 3G.

#### What devices might be affected?

You may have a connected device now which uses 3G such as:

•personal wearable alarms used to con-

- wearable locators for kids and pets
- •smart watches
- •ankle monitors
- •older cell phones (such as iPhone 5, Samsung Galaxy S4, and Trac phones) older Amazon Kindles (Oasis and old-
- •some mobile hotspots and routers
- •some tablets (including some iPads) ·Security alarms and connected fire
- alarms in your home
- •GPS and in-car assistants
- •The ability to remotely start your car and/or unlock it

#### Tips to Prepare

If you suspect that you have an older device that may no longer work when 3G goes away, heed these hints:

- 1. Check your personal emergency response device. These are life-saving devices so they must work. Don't wait for an emergency to find out if it does. Call your device support line to find out. Generally, they can tell you based on the serial or model number.
- 2. Act quickly to replace affected devices that are important to you. Once these devices stop working, support lines could be backlogged and replacements will be in high demand. The global chip shortage is already affecting the supply lines of many connected devices. Acting early could save you time.

- 3. Test your devices regularly. As soon as it does not perform as expected, contact your manufacturer for a solution. 4. Try connecting your devices to WiFi.
- If you're able to connect your 3G device to WiFi, you might be able to continue using it as long as you are in range of a WiFi 5. Update your firmware. Some devic-
- es (such as routers and some connected cars) may only require a firmware update—meaning an installed update to the device's internal software—to continue working on 4G. You can call the company directly to learn your options. 6. Look out for 3G sunsetting scams.
- You want to be certain that an e-mail or a call is really from the company responsible for your connected device. Don't click any links or give away personal or payment information if someone randomly reaches out to you. Make sure you talk to your manufacturer or carrier first, either by going to the store in person or using verifiable contact information from the company or carrier's official website or on the materials that came with your device.
- 7. Take COVID precautions. If your device upgrade requires a technician to come to your house and you feel vulnerable to COVID, there are precautions you can take. Wearing a mask, social distancing (at least six feet apart), and sanitizing surfaces are all recommended by the CDC.

Because NXT-ID considers seniors and others who rely on 3G-connected devices to call for help when they need it its biggest concern, it's prioritized reaching out to customers via e-mail, mail and even hospitals to let people know how to check whether their devices are being affected and to let them know they can get a new device at no charge under warranty.

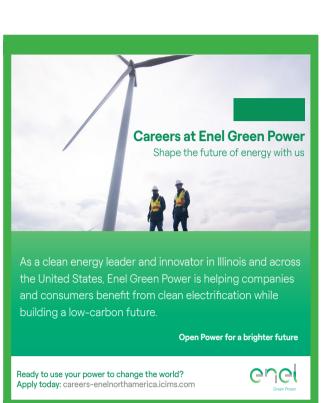
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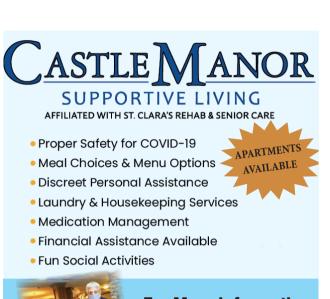


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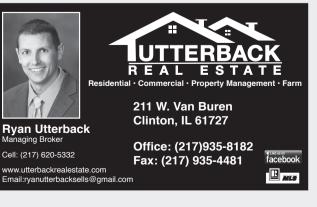


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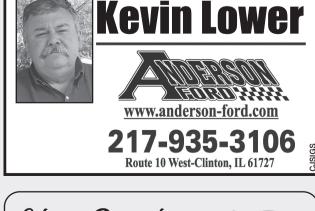
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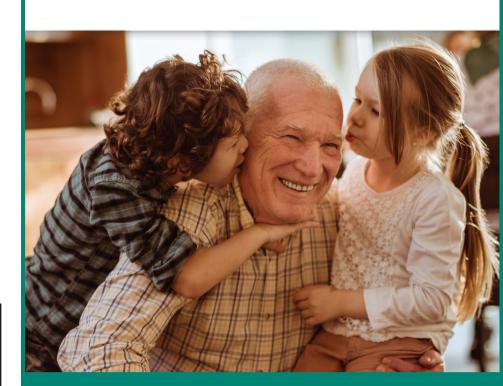






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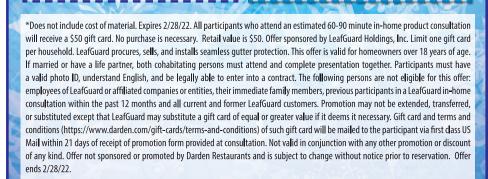
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