

City files contract to overhaul water plant CO₂ system

Plan would replace 20-year -old components

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CLINTON On Monday, the city council placed on file for public viewing a contract to rebuild the CO₂ system at the water plant. Commissioner John Wise explained the plan.

recently The city had emergency repairs performed on the water plant's CO₂ system, Wise said.

"Because the heater, and a few other things, started going out on it."

Wise pointed out the water plant is now 20 years old, so some components have been in service for a long time.

"The CO₂ tank is a key ingredient of the entire process," Wise said. "And, the box that controls a lot is starting to rot away."

He said upgrades were necessary, including the heater, at a cost of about \$4,000. Wise said two technicians would be onsite who would purge the system and "revamp the entire vessel."

The system also will receive new controls, controllers and computer interface.

"Yeah, I know it's a lot of money," Wise said. "But, if we had to go out and replace the entire thing, it would be a lot more than that. I just wanted to explain why, and what they were doing."

The cost through Signature CO, Services, Inc. would be \$14,815.61. Wise said various valves and other components already were replaced.

"We do keep upgrading and fixing things that we need to," Wise said. "And, upgrading things as they come in that will work a little better on that system."

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State climatologist: December 2021 was exceptionally warm

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Provisional data show December was among the top 5 warmest on

in Randolph County on December 4. Carbondale recorded 74 degrees on December 25, one of the

scheduled to receive \$3,037,498 in ARPA money. Counties first would receive installments equal to 50 percent of the amount allocated with the second 50 percent installments scheduled to go out after 12 months.

July

The county board's land use committee continued toward modifying its commercial solar energy conversion ordinance. Among the items discussed was solar project effects on agricultural field tile systems.

DeWitt County was listed to

(ARPA).

receive funds from the American

U.S. Department of Treasury

information showed the county was

Rescue Plan Act

The annual quilt show at the C.H. Moore Homestead and DeWitt County Museum opened. The 2021 show highlighted the museum's

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own quilt collection, including a quilt dating back to the 1860s.

The county board voted to suspend issuance of building permits for the Alta Farms II wind energy project. Some board members felt they needed a more satisfactory response to Enel Green Energy's plan to shut down wind turbines during periods of tornado warnings.

Clinton School District officials announced schools would return to in-person attendance for the new school year. Masks still would be required as well as social distancing whenever possible. The school board also voted to maintain the same health protocols per the district's collaboration with the county health department.

COVID cases were up in the county but that the county was not on the state COVID warning list. Vaccination also continued available at the health department.

The city announced it would begin accepting paperless transaction for residents to pay their water bills. In addition to paying in person and by check, residents may also pay directly online through their checking accounts. Residents can elect to receive their water bills via email.

City administrator Tim Followell announced he would retire after 44 years with the city. Followell began as an employee of the cemeter in 1977 before becoming city administrative assistant in 1982.

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record in Illinois, with no snow on Christmas, according to Illinois State Climatologist Trent Ford at the University of Illinois' Illinois State Water Survey. The exact ranking of December 2021 will be confirmed later this month.

The statewide average December temperature was 39.4 degrees, 9.6 degrees above the 1991-2020 average. This December was the warmest on record in Carbondale, the second warmest on record in Quincy, the third warmest on record in St. Louis, Springfield, and Peoria, the fourth warmest in Rockford and Champaign-Urbana, and the fifth warmest in Chicago.

average December temperatures ranged from the low 30s in northern Illinois to the high 40s in southern Illinois, between 6 and 12 degrees above normal. High temperatures regularly reached into the 70s last month in southern Illinois, including a 78-degree high

warmest Christmas Day temperatures on record in the state.

Precipitation

Total December precipitation ranged from around 1 inch in far western Illinois to nearly 6 inches in far southeast Illinois. Most of western Illinois was 0.50 to 1.5 inches drier than normal, whereas eastern and southern Illinois were near to 0.50 inches wetter than normal for the month.

Snowfall was 1 to 8 inches below normal in December. Snow totals ranged from 4 inches in far northwest Illinois to 0 inches south of Interstate 72.

Many places did not record their first measurable snow until the last week of the month. Chicago recorded their first measurable snowfall of the season on December 28, eight days later than the previous recorded latest first snowfall.

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August

The health department reported



Det. Todd Ummel retired from the Clinton Police Department after 32 years in law enforcement.



The Vault held orientation in July for new 6th grade and high school freshmen students. Marc Rogers / Journal



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Clinton City Administrator Tim Followell at the counter of the city clerk's

office. Followell retired from the city at the end of the year after 44 years.

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Carbon dioxide (CO_{γ}) is used in municipal water treatment plants as part of their pH management system.

In other business, commissioner Ken Buchanan said the city is now finished picking up brush after the recent storm. He said workers made a couple of passes through town.

Regular brush pick up will resume in March. In the meantime, Buchanan reminded residents the city yard waste facility is open year-round, so homeowners can haul brush and other yard waste there anytime.

Local resident Seth Redington

Climate / from page A1

With the liquid water content of snow and rainfall taken together, the preliminary statewide average total December precipitation was 2.70 inches, 0.02 inches above the 1991–2020 average.

Severe weather

Severe weather, including tornadoes, hail, and strong winds, tend to have the highest frequency in Illinois between April and June. However, unlike Atlantic hurricanes or cold, Illinois extreme does not have a "tornado

season" because tornadoes and other severe weather can and do occur all year in the state.

The most noteworthy event was on the night of December 10, when severe thunderstorms moved across the southern Midwest and the midsouth, resulting in multiple very strong tornadoes Illinois, in Missouri, Arkansas, Tennessee, and Kentucky. The tornado outbreak was responsible for dozens of fatalities across the area, including six deaths in Illinois, many injuries, and damage or destruction to thousands of homes and structures.

briefly addressed

a commissioner had a

city gasoline card, while

others did not. He also

questioned the number

of hours logged by

firefighters who were on

duty during the Clinton

haunted house run in

Mayor Roger Cyrulik

October.

council, asking

the

why

Overall, the NOAA Storm Prediction Center shows nine tornado reports in Illinois for December, compared with an Illinois average of just over one December tornado per year between 1950 and 2020. Outlooks

Near and longer term outlooks are indicating the potential for real winter weather in the Midwest. The Climate Prediction Center's 8–14 dav outlooks show elevated

said the city was looking into those items.

The council also placed on file agreements with Ameren Illinois for an electric line extension and natural gas distribution extension to the new Illini Drive subdivision, Horizon Lane.

odds of below normal

temperatures across the

state for the second week

of January, with higher

odds of drier than normal

weather over the same

Meanwhile, outlooks for

the entire month of January

show the highest odds

of near to below normal

temperatures and above

time period.

James M. Obermeyer CLINTON - James M.

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Obermeyer, 74, of Clinton, passed away at 5:13 a.m. on January 3, 2022 at his family residence, Clinton.

Graveside services will be conducted at 10 a.m. on May 7, 2022, at Memorial Park Cemetery, Clinton, with Ernie Harvey, Jr. officiating. The family entrusted Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton, with arrangements.

Memorials may be directed to Second Chance for Pets pet adoptions.

Jim was born on February 5, 1947, in Clinton, the son of Edmund and Carol (Dufner) Obermeyer. He married the former Linda Wolfe, of Clinton, in 1968, and later married Wanda Churchill, of LeRoy, Mich. She passed away in 2015.

Survivors include his two sons, Brett (Debbie) Obermeyer, Clinton; Brant (Jamie) Obermeyer, Clinton; grandchildren, Alexis Obermeyer, Knoxville, Tenn.; Amber, Sam, Sean Obermeyer,



Bloomington; and Amber, Lily, Mia and Eden Obermeyer, Clinton.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Robert Obermeyer; sisters, Esto Belle Burger and Maxine Harris.

Jim was the owner of the Obermeyer Building at the corner of West Washington Street and North Grant Street that housed the Wash House and Milk House. He also owned and operated Obermeyer Transfer Company, being the third generation of movers.

Online condolences may be made at www. calvertmemorial.com

Illinois Driver Services Facilities closed Jan. 3-17

Online services remain open

SPRINGFIELD Due to an increase COVID-19 in cases statewide, Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White announced on Monday that all Secretary of State departments will not conduct in-person transactions, including Driver Services facilities, from Jan. 3, through Jan. 17. All departments and Driver Services facilities will reopen on Tuesday, Jan. 18. White encourages the public to visit ilsos. gov for online services. Online transactions will remain open for all departments to conduct office services, including, but not limited to the

• Obtaining a driver record abstract.

Filing Business Services documents, such as incorporations and

or 217-782-7065.

As a reminder, White has extended all driver's license and ID card expiration dates to March 31, 2022. This extension does not apply to commercial driver's licenses (CDL) and CDL learner's permits.

"After careful consideration and out of an abundance of caution, we have decided to close all Driver Services facilities beginning Jan. 3, 2022, through Jan. 17, 2022, due to the spike in COVID-19 cases," said White. "The health and safety of employees and the public remains paramount, and faceto-face transactions potentially increase the further spread of the virus. Our goal is to safely reopen all offices and

Driver Services facilities on January 18 for face-toface transactions."

In addition, White expanded remote renewal for driver's license and ID card holders. Since this fall,

White's office mailed letters to eligible customers with expired driver's licenses and ID cards requiring them to renew online, by phone or by mail. The office estimates that this helps to eliminate the need for **Clinton Coin Club** to meet January 10

CLINTON ____ The Clinton Coin Club will hold a meeting from 5-6:30 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 10 in the Revere Room of Vespasian Warner Public Library.

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

refreshments will be available, and masks will be required.

additional information. Membership dues for 2022 are now being accepted.

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

Call (217) 622-8783 for

license or ID card for those who qualify (individuals may call 217-785-1424 to confirm their eligibility

• Obtaining a duplicate driver's license or ID card.

following:

• Renewing a license plate sticker. • Renewing a driver's

or to obtain their PIN).

normal precipitation, still reflecting some of the weakening La Niña pattern in the Pacific.

annual reports.

In addition, the Drivers and Vehicles Services hotline phone number will remain open at 800-252-8980.

Customers with issues involving administrative hearings may email adminhearings@ilsos. gov or call 312-793-3722

approximately 1 million people to visit a facility.

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security has extended the federal REAL ID deadline to May 3, 2023.

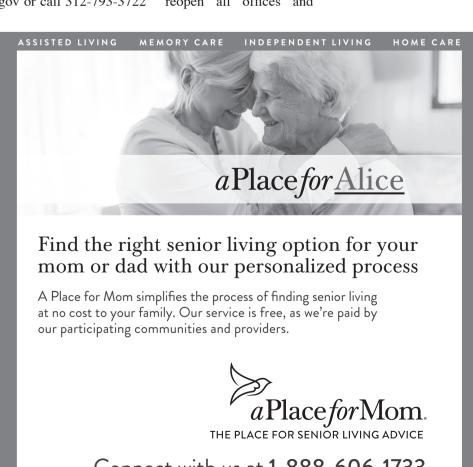
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Michael T. Mannix

CLINTON - Michael T. Mannix, 78, of Clinton, passed away at 12:33 a.m. on December 27, 2021, at OSF St. Joseph Medical Center, Bloomington.

Mass of Christian Burial will be conducted at 10 a.m. on Friday, December 31, 2021, at St. John's Catholic Church, Clinton, with the Rev. Fr. James Owusu-Yeboah celebrant. Burial will follow at Illini Cemetery, Warrensburg. Visitation will be held from 5-7 p.m. on Thursday, December 30, 2021, at Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton, with Rosary Service at 4:30 p.m.

may be Memorials directed to Clinton Area Crime Stoppers or St. John's Catholic Church.

Michael was born on September 4, 1943, in Seneca Falls, N.Y. the son of Robert E. and Dorothy (McArdle) Mannix, and he grew up in Ovid, N.Y. He married Janet Disbrow on June 8, 1968, in Clinton. Survivors include his wife, Janet Mannix, Clinton; children, Joseph (Tina) Mannix, Warrensburg, and Jeffrey (Stacey) Mannix, Junction, Ill.; Davis grandchildren, Kiersten, Meghan, and Tyson; stepgrandchildren, Clayton, Demi, and Logan; and stepgreat-grandson, Karter; brothers, Patrick (Sara) Mannix, Gainesville, Fla. and Kevin (Peggy) Mannix, Ft. Myers, Fla.; nephews, Tom Mannix, California and Travis Mannix, Florida; and nieces, Jennifer (Susan Bluer) Mannix, California and Michele (Adam) Polo,

New York. Michael was preceded in death by his parents, Robert E. and Dorothy Mannix; brothers, John Mannix and Robert Burns Mannix; father-in-law, William Disbrow; and mother-in-law, Jewell



Disbrow.

Michael attended South Seneca High School, in Ovid, N.Y., and went on to study at Eastern Illinois University, where he played football for four years. He then graduated from Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville. His first job after college was teaching grade school PE and coaching high school football.

In July 1970, he joined the Illinois Bureau of Investigation; a newly founded law enforcement agency. In 1975, Michael transitioned from the bureau and established the security system at the Clinton Nuclear Power Plant. He rejoined the State Illinois Police Investigations Unit in 1978 and retired from there in 2001.

Michael was a member of St. John's Catholic Church, the Knights of Columbus, the Eagles, and the Elks. He coached his sons in Khoury League, JFL football, and served on the board of the Friendship Center, Area Clinton Crime Stoppers, the police and fire commissioners and zoning board, in Clinton. Michael was an avid Cubs fan and enjoyed golfing.

Due to his outgoing personality, he never met a stranger. Michael will be dearly missed by his family and friends.

Teresa Gail Reebel

LINCOLN Teresa Gail Reebel, 55, of Lincoln, passed away on Wednesday, December 29, 2021, at Lincoln Memorial Hospital.

Teresa was born on December 24, 1966, in Lincoln, the daughter of Gilbert "Gib" and Sandra "Sandy" (Thomas) Birk.

Teresa is survived by her parents; her daughters, Bethany Anderson, of Lincoln, and Kim (Wil) Wernsing of Mt. Pulaski; her significant other, Steve Roberts, of Lincoln; her three grandchildren, Brycen Anderson, Carson Anderson, and Wesley Wernsing; her brother, George Birk; and her beloved dog, Tiny.

Teresa was preceded in death by her sisters, Cindy Koerner and Debra J. Steve.

Teresa Services for

Russell Keith Wantland

TAYLORVILLE Russell Keith Wantland, 84, of Taylorville, passed away on Monday, December 27, 2021, at 8:55 p.m. at Taylorville Memorial Hospital, in Taylorville.

He was born on January 10, 1937, in Lane, the son of Russell and Helen (North) Wantland. He married Dixie Johnson on July 26, 1957, in Lane.

Keith worked as a contractor and developed Timber Lake Estates, in Taylorville. Keith was a member of Way of Life Church, in Taylorville. He was a talented wood worker, he loved his home and, most of all, his family. He is survived by his wife Dixie Wantland, of Taylorville; daughter Cindy Nisinger, of Taylorville; grandchildren Keith and Anna Tippett, of North Carolina; step-Victoria granddaughter Nisinger, of Cleveland, Sharon N.C.; sisters Pearl, of Farmers City; Marilyn (Steve) Florie, of Goodfield, Ill.; brother David (Ruthie) Wantland; several nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents, son-in-law Brian



will be held at 10 a.m. on Friday, January 7, 2022, at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home, in Lincoln. Visitation will take place from 4-6 p.m. on Thursday, January 6, 2022, also at the funeral home. Burial will follow the services at New Union Cemetery, in Lincoln. Memorial donations may be made in Teresa's name to The Humane Society of Logan County or Open Arms Christian Fellowship.



Nisinger, brother Elwin Wantland and sister June Ellen.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, December 30, 2021 from 4-7 p.m. at Sutton Memorial Home, in Taylorville. Funeral services will be held on Friday, December 31, 2021, starting at 1 p.m. at Sutton Memorial Home, in Taylorville, with Pastor Stan Pratt officiating. Inurnment will be held at a later date.

Memorials may be made to Shriners Hospital for

Fontella Lou Haycraft

HEYWORTH Fontella Lou Haycraft, 95, of Heyworth, passed away at 2:28 p.m. on January 2, 2022, at Carle BroMenn Medical Center, Normal.

Services will be conducted at 10 a.m. on Friday, January 7, 2022, at the Full Gospel Tabernacle, Heyworth, Pastor with Spencer McPheron and Pastor Richard Gray officiating. Burial will follow at Scogin Hill Cemetery, Bloomington. Visitation will be held from 5–7 p.m. on Thursday, January 6, 2022, at the Full Gospel Tabernacle, Heyworth. Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be directed to Full Gospel Tabernacle or Scogin Hill Cemetery Association.

Fontella was born on August 23, 1926, in McLean County, Ill., the daughter of Darwin Ensinger and Lucille (Knight) Hinshaw. They passed away while she was very young. She was reared by her maternal grandparents George W. and Ivy Smail Knight of the Bloomington area. Fontella married Marvin Wendell Haycraft on September 8, 1945, in Bloomington, while he was home on furlough during World War II. He passed away on October 14, 2006. Fontella and her husband were married 61 years. She is survived by her two sons, Rex (Chris) Haycraft, Waynesville; and Jay (Jill) Haycraft, Wapella.

Also surviving are five grandchildren, Rae (Chad) Weber, Fairbury, Ill.;Jaime (Corey) Holland, Wapella; Crystal Haycraft, Normal; Jenny (Travis) Rudat, Wapella, and Jeremy Haycraft, Heyworth, and eight great-grandchildren, Jordyn and Ethan Weber; Mayci, Tessa, and Rhett Haycraft; Alex, Audrey, Aaron, and Asher Holland; and Ivy and Vallie Rudat; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, daughter, Debra Jean and one brother, Lowell Hinshaw. Fontella graduated from Bloomington High School in 1944. She and her husband farmed for many years and operated the Wapella Auction House, where she was known as "mom" to many people. She loved researching



genealogy and was proud of her heritage as many of her family were early settlers of McLean Co. When young, she served as President of the Happy Hour Garden Club, The Blooming Grove Ladies Aid, and was active in the Wapella Community Club.

Fontella was active in 4-H for many years. She was one of the reigning queens in her teenage years. She was named the first Bloomington-Normal Home Show Queen when it was held at the Armory, located on South Main Street, in Bloomington, in the 1950s. Her motto has always been "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." She tried to live accordingly.

Genealogy being one of her hobbies, she loved researching family lives and has many of her family histories completed to her satisfaction. Fontella was also a member of The Colonial Daughters of the 17th Century and served as past president and numerous chairmanships. She was also a member of The Colonial Dames of the 17th Century.

Fontella was a member of the Full Gospel Tabernacle in Heyworth. She loved her church work; working for the Lord was her priority. She worked wherever she saw a need, ministering at nursing homes and with her music, writing her own songs. She taught Sunday school for a time and helped with church tours, and whatever her hand found to do, she would do it. She prayed her family would continue working for God. Her Savior Jesus Christ and her family were her priority. Fontella published a book of poems in 1980. She loved writing poems and songs. She always said she was just a "folksie" kind of writer. Her poems were "little stories." This verse is in the back page of her book, "All things work together for good to them that love God" - Romans 8:28 Fontella loved the life the Lord gave her and appreciated the time she had here on Earth but is now living a far greater life – one without end. Online condolences may be made at www. calvertmemorial.com

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OPINION

HISTORY ALMANAC

1926 - George Burns and Gracie Allen were married.

1927 - Transatlantic telephone service began between New York and London. 31 calls were made on this first day.

1927 - In Hinckley IL, the Harlem Globetrotters played their first game.

1929 - The debut of "Buck Rogers 2429 A.D." occurred in newspapers around the U.S. The title of the comic strip was later changed to "Buck Rogers in the 25th Century."

1932 - Chancellor Heinrich Brï¿1/2ning declared that Germany cannot, and will not, resume reparations payments.

1935 - French Foreign Minister Pierre Laval and Italian Prime Minister Benito Mussolini signed the Italo-French agreements.

1940 - "Gene Autryï¿1/2s Melody Ranch" debuted on CBS Radio. The show aired for 16 years.

1941 - The NBC Blue radio network presented "The Squeaky Door" for the first time. The show was later known as "Inner Sanctum."

1942 - The World War II siege of Bataan began.

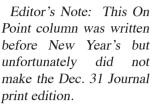
1949 - The announcement of the first photograph of genes was shown at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles.

1953 - U.S. President Harry Truman announced the development of the hydrogen bomb.

1954 - The Duoscopic TV receiver was unveiled this day. The TV set allowed the watching of two different shows at the same

Amber Waves





his is the last column of 2021, and there will be some significant employment changes for three Clinton gentlemen in a few days. Retirement has arrived and a new season in life will begin. Each will do things differently, but each contributed greatly to the community during their working years. Knowing all three gentlemen, you will continue to see them involved in the Clinton community, only in a different role and format. Tim Followell—Tim will retire as Clinton City Administrator this week. Tim is in his 45th year as an employee of the City of Clinton. Tim is a true anomaly. He spent a 45 year career with employer. one He rose to the top administrative position without a college degree. A job that many cities now require a masters in public administration to even interview for. Tim did it his way, and by all measurements, he was the consummate professional

and exemplary public servant.

Three amigos

Tim started out working for the City as a high school kid at the cemetery. He would do some work for the street department, but it was the cemetery that was a focal point of his career. Even as City Administrator, he continued to have hands on oversight of cemetery to the benefit of the community. Tim simply acquired more duties and responsibilities as he worked for the City and learned much of his trade from former City Administrator Dick Helton. Tim's career should be the study of graduate students in public administration. Tim is the classic example of "on the job training". Tim learned well and served the public with skill, honesty and pure effort. Thank-you Tim for your dedication to Clinton.

Tim Hoyt—Tim Hoyt retired last week after years at Baum 21 ½ Chevrolet as a car salesman. It is rare for a car dealership to throw a retirement party for an employee that is open for the public. That is what Baum Chevrolet did for Tim. Tim was the consummate car



salesman. He knew the car models and their attributes and shortcomings. More importantly he knew his customers. He maintained contact with his customers via cards and phone cards. Customers would leave the area for jobs or retirements, but would come back to Baum's and seek out Tim for their next purchase. That is brand loyalty for Baum Chevrolet and loyalty to a classic salesman. That loyalty comes from Tim simply being fair and seeking to always meet the needs of his clients. Thank-you Tim for putting the needs of your clients first and then meeting those needs.

John Baker-John Baker has been the owner of Grimsley's Flowers since 1994, having taken over the business from his parents. With the new year, the business is being sold to another Clinton couple who will hopefully run the business as John has done. I will leave that formal announcement for them to make. John has

assisted the community through many weddings and funerals with his floral skills. Mother's Day and Valentine's Day is where he really shines, only to flourish again with his floral skills for prom. All occasions requiring flowers have been benefitted from John's expertise. The key to John's success is his comment, "The customer is always right". John has run a very successful business by serving his customers. He has spent the past several weeks working with the new owners to show them how the business operates. John's business life was Grimsley's Flowers and his fervent desire is that the business continue to serve the community. Thank-you John for your service to the community.

by Dave T. Phipps

I GUESS I'M GONNA HAVE TO BUY ANOTHER SHOVEL IN ORDER TO FIND THE FIRST ONE,

AS SOMEBODY LEFT IT OUT.

As you see these three lifetime Clinton residents in next few weeks, take a moment to thank them for their efforts in this community. All three would treasure any specific comments you may have about how they assisted you or your families over the years. These are three great guys. Let the three amigos know you appreciated their work over the years.

To all: Happy New Year.

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1959 - The United States recognized Fidel Castro's new government in Cuba.

1968 - The cost of a U.S. first class stamp was raised to 6 cents.

1975 - OPEC agreed to raise crude oil prices by 10%, which began a time of world economic inflation.

1979 - Vietnamese forces captured the Cambodian capital of Phnom Penh, overthrowing the Khmer Rouge government.

1980 - U.S. President Jimmy Carter signed legislation that authorized \$1.5 billion in loans for the bail out of Chrysler Corp.

1989 - Crown Prince Akihito became the emperor of Japan following the death of his father, Emperor Hirohito.

1990 - The Leaning Tower of Pisa was closed to the public. The accelerated rate of "leaning" raised fears for the safety of its visitors.

1996 - Alvaro Arzu was elected president of Guatemala.

1996 - One of the biggest blizzards in U.S. history hit the eastern states. More than 100 deaths were later blamed on the severe weather.

1998 - Former White House intern Monica Lewinsky signed an affidavit denying that she had an affair with U.S. President Clinton.

OIG is VA's crime dog

Despite COVID and all the restrictions from it, the Department of Veterans Affairs Office of Inspector General has been busy. Here are a few of the scams they've uncovered and pursued:

Two men in New Jersey pleaded guilty to paying and soliciting kickbacks and bribery. They roped in telemedicine doctors who faked orders for items such as braces and prescriptions. The thieves then billed Medicare, the Department of Veterans Affairs, TRICARE and other programs while hiding fake behind company owners. The

tab to the government when they were caught was approximately \$50 million.

In Chicago, two VA prosthetics clerks took cash from vendors after sending business to them for medical equipment. Bribery, wire fraud, conspiracy -- this case had it all. The thieves used government purchase cards to place those orders and rented the equipment instead of buying it as the VA doctors had ordered. One of those companies was paid almost \$1.4 million.

In Florida, two men were nabbed for much the



by Freddy Groves

same thing -- soliciting and paying for bribes, then getting kickbacks ordering medical for equipment such as braces that weren't actually medically necessary. Again, this involved telemedicine. And again, this involved compounded medication prescriptions. The hit to TRICARE, ChampVA and Medicare came to \$25 million.

But a final case at a rooming house tugs at

the heartstrings. The thief grabbed Social Security and VA benefits that belonged to the mentally ill, disabled, veterans and elderly for their care and housing. There were 35 counts to the indictment, which included wire fraud, tampering, document making false statements, mail fraud and first-degree theft. The thief managed to get herself named as Representative Payee and spent the money on herself instead of on her tenants. As always, a big thumbsup to the OIG.

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BIBLE WORD SEARCH

by Elie's Spiritual Treasures

Psalm 17:15

As **for** me, I **will** be **vindicated** and will see **your face**; when I awake, I will be satisfied with seeing your likeness

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BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Psalms in the Old testament or New Testament or neither? 2. From 2 Chronicles 26, at what age did Uzziah become king of Jerusalem? 16, 30, 65, 99 3. In Genesis 4, who did God ask, "Why is thy countenance fallen?" Eve, Ahaz, Cain, Esau

4. Which prophet saw the Lord's angel riding on a red horse? Hosea, Nathan, Zechariah, Isaiah 5. Who was the first person to build an altar unto the Lord? Abraham, Noah, Artaxerxes, Levi 6. From Exodus 33 who/ what saw the back of

God? Adam, The serpent, Abraham, Moses

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Hardcore trivia fan? Visit Wilson Casey's subscriber site at www.patreon.com/ triviaguy.

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Christian Women's Connection scheduled to meet Jan. 18

BLOOMINGTON Bloomington-Normal Christian Women's Connection invites all ladies to their brunch program on Tuesday, January 18, from 10am to 11:30am at Holiday Inn, 8 Trader's Circle, Normal. Chef Nancy Cooper, from Congerville, will present "Lasagna Love." Special speaker will be Connie Beard, of Bloomington, presenting "How to Handle the Unexpected." Reservations are due on Friday, January 14 by Crystal calling/texting (Eureka) at (217)-358-1268 or on Facebook at Bloomington-Normal IL Christian Women's Connection.

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Bus. Rt. 51 south, Clinton (217) 935-5058 Stephen R. Bradd, Gospel preacher AudioEvangelism. com Clinton CofC.com 9 a.m.-Sunday morning Bible study 10 a.m.-Sunday morning worship 1 p.m.-Sunday worship 7 p.m.-Wednesday evening Bible study

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100 N. Jackson Street, Clinton (W. Main & N. Jackson) clintonfcc.com Mike Cahill, lead minister Adult Bible School 8 a.m. Worship Services: 9 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. First Kids Worship for 3-yr -olds - 5th grade is available at 9 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Nursery available at each morning service.

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people helping each other become faithful followers of Jesus."

Lifebridges Church

200 S. Alexander Street, Clinton (217) 570-0105 www. lifebridgeschurch.com Pastors-Jonathan and Dana Taylor 10 a.m.-Sunday celebration 10 a.m.- AMPED Kids for ages (1-5 grades) 10 a.m.-AMPED Jr. (birth-K) 7 p.m.-AfterShock teen church, 6th-12 grades 6 p.m.-Wednesday, Strategic Disciple 6:30 p.m.-Thursday, DIVE teen Bible study 7 p.m.- Thursdays, 1st & 3rd, Empowered Women / 2nd & 4th, Frontline Men

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502 N. Monroe Street, Clinton (217) 935-3727 Rev. James Henning, pastor 4 p.m.-Saturday mass 8:30 a.m.-Sunday mass

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308 S. Locust Street, Wapella (217) 935-8510 Office hours: 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Tues. Father Geoff Horton, administrator 9 a.m.-Sunday mass

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8301 Texas Church Road, Clinton (217) 454-6846 www. Texaschristianchurch.org Scott Marsh, minister 9 a.m.-Sunday school 10 a.m.-Sunday worship 6 p.m.-Sunday eve-

Looking out

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BIBLE WORD SEARCH

Depending on where you live, you might be required to delay surgery because the hospital is full of COVID patients. That's the news that's spreading around the country.

It gets worse. If you have an emergency, the ambulance might be a long time in coming because they don't have enough EMTs, or they might have to come from an adjacent town. Once you get to the hospital, you might be treated in a hallway because no exam rooms are open.

The biggest issues to keep us from needing medical attention are physical safety and health. I've gone around my house to look at every inch of floor space to be sure there's nothing that I could possibly trip on. I moved the laundry basket to the closet instead of leaving it near a path where I walk. In the living room I changed one frequently used lamp from a 50-75-100 watt bulb to one that brightens things up with 75-100-150 watts. I removed two small throw rugs ... just got rid of them. Other things might seem small, but really aren't. I found a balance class on YouTube and I'm following along every other day. I also found several videos on improving flexibility and stretching.

When it comes to diet,



I made a quick call to my doctor's office and inquired about vitamins. I was told that a lowdose vitamin C would be appropriate three times a week, and to add an orange to my diet the other days. Ask your doctor before you do this.

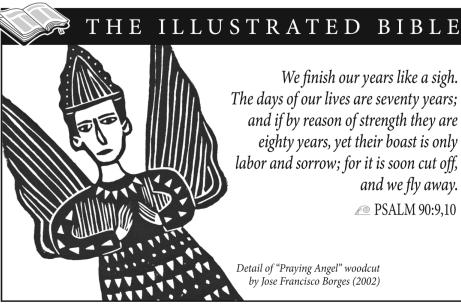
As much as I hate not being able to select my own items, I've gone back to picking up grocery orders at curbside to stay out of stores.

It's up to us to take care of ourselves. That's the bottom line when it comes to our health and safety.



Clinton United Methodist Church

308 E. Main Street **Rev. Darrell Howard** (217) 935-5869 clintonumcil.org 9 a.m. Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday School Children & Adult 5 p.m. Saturday Eve-



mid-week service

Kenney Christian **Churc**h

213 W. Benjamin Street, Kenney (217) 944-2275 Ernie Harvey, minister 9:30 a.m.-Sunday school (pre-K-adult) 10:30 a.m.-Sunday worship 10:30 a.m.-Sunday children's church (pre-K-5th grades) 10:30 a.m.-nursery 5 p.m.-Sunday youth group (junior high and high school)

Lane Christian Church

(217) 935-2557 www.lanechurch.org Jim Kilson, preaching and teaching minister Marcus McCollom, youth and family minister 9 a.m.-Sunday school 10 a.m.-worship 5:30 p.m.-youth group "We're ordinary

ning worship 6 p.m.-Wednesday prayer meeting

The Blessed Hope Seventh-Day Adventist Church

112 N. Monroe St., Clinton (217) 731-4005 9:30 a.m.-Saturday, Sabbath school 11 a.m.- worship with pot luck afterwards 6 p.m.-Mondays "Prophets and Kings" study and Pathfinder events throughout the year.

Wapella Christian Church

101 N. Poplar (217) 731-4404 Josh Gorrie, minister Wapellacc.com 9 a.m.-Sunday school 10 a.m.-worship "Celebrating our 150th year"

and if by reason of strength they are eighty years, yet their boast is only labor and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away.

We finish our years like a sigh.

PSALM 90:9,10

Detail of "Praying Angel" woodcut by Jose Francisco Borges (2002)

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NEWS OF 2021

August

Enel Green Energy filed suit against the county for voting to suspend further issuance of its permits. Enel's suit alleged the county's lawsuit had no legal or factual basis.

The city reported local sale tax revenue was up significantly. Commissioner Tom Edmunds reported the city's regular sales tax was up \$160,000 over the same period the previous year and non-home-rule revenue was up \$21,000.

The county board addressed a resolution to resume issuing permits for the Alta Farms II wind project and ultimately failed to pass the measure. The vote ended in a tie with one abstention.

September

As COVID cases continued to increase, primarily among unvaccinated residents, the county health department announced DeWitt County was placed on the state COVID warning list. DeWitt and Piatt counties were named as areas with a "high transmission" of the virus.

Detective Todd Ummel, of the Clinton Police Department, retired after 32 years in law enforcement. Ummel began with the CPD in 1989, serving the department for 22 years.

Six Circuit Court Judge Jason Bohm ruled against the county in a lawsuit brought against it by Enel Green Energy. Bohm ruled the county did not have the authority to bar its zoning officer from issuing permits for the Alta Farms II project. He also concluded the county did not observe its own ordinance in choosing to deny the permits.

Orsino Thurman, 36, faced charges after allegedly assaulting a woman and then leading police on a chase and standoff that ended along Rt. 51 near Maroa. He was charged with 10 counts on a variety of offenses.

October

The annual Apple 'N Pork Festival resumed at the end of September after being cancelled in 2020 because of the COVID-19 pandemic. The 2021 festival drew an estimated 103,100 visitors over its two days.

Canadian company GFL Environmental, Inc., announced it purchased Peoria Disposal/Area Disposal. Area Disposal served the Clinton area. It was GFL's 16th North American acquisition of 2021, which also included Waste Management Company.

November

County museum director Joey Long announced "Historical Houses of DeWitt County," a presentation planned for Spring 2022. The deadline to loan material to the museum for the exhibit was Dec. 31, 2021.

The Illinois Attorney General's office concluded the county board violated the Illinois Open Meetings Act in July 2021 for voting on a matter not clearly defined on the meeting agenda. The board voted during the July 22 meeting to suspend issuance of permits for the Alta Farms II wind project. Enel Energy later successfully sued the county over the issue.

December

The county renewed its agreement with the state's appellate prosecutor. The Illinois Office of the State's Attorney Appellate Prosecutor (ILSAAP) provides assistance in local cases if a state's attorney is unable to because of special circumstances.

The Clinton City Council passed the annual levy. While the levy increased slightly by 0.22 percent, the tax rate decreased by 1.26 percent, city treasurer Clint Lichtenwalter reported.

The city named Darin Girdler as its new city administrator, taking over for Tim Followell, who retired at the end of 2021. Girdler is a McLean County native and has served a number of cities in central and northern Illinois.

"Prairie Flyers: A Century of Aviation in DeWitt County" will open at the C.H. Moore Homestead & DeWitt County Museum in June 2022. Museum director Joey Long is working with John Warner and author, photographer and graphic designer Denis Hambucken to develop the exhibit.

Clinton Junior High School switched from in-class attendance to remote learning during the last week of the fall semester. Principal Jim Peck cited unmanageable conditions at the school brought on by increasing COVID cases among students and staff.

Shear Paradise, Gold Standard Barber Shop and Wapella Farmers' and Merchants Bank Historic Building were named as recipients of the First National Bank & Trust REV grant competition.



Courtesy of Woods Photography Studio

The Clinton P.E.O. group celebrated its 125th anniversary in December. Front Row, left to right, Joyce O'Neil, Cathy Gordon, Elaine Smith, Barbara Strange, Jackie Smith, Janice Laramee. Back Row, left to right, Barb Lanier, Lana Ophorst, Patrice Brotherton, Monica DeGrauwe, Vanessa Ophorst (President), Sara Jenkins-Smith, Krista Rohrscheib, Pam Graves, Chris Shaffer, Jessica Devore.



Rep. Dan Caulkins and Sen. Chapin Rose were in Clinton over the summer to talk about new Illinois legislation, the state budget and other topics. The meeting was held in the Clinton High School auditorium.

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CLINTON COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOLS VACANCY NOTICE NO. 18

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Clinton High School

City officials said they would look for ways to continue helping fund Youth Initiative after the program's grant expired. The YMCA is now the fiduciary representative for Youth Initiative, and the city plans to look for areas where it can find projects for students in the program to perform.

The board of the DeWitt County Friendship Center announced it was using some of its own funds to expand the facility's parking lot. Their decision was the result of not receiving a \$50,000 grant promised to the organization by the state several years ago. Warner Library director Bobbi Perryman officially announced the presentation of the Smithsonian Institution traveling exhibit "Voices and Votes, Democracy in America," which will be on display at the library from January 3-February 5.

The Chief Nursing Officer of Warner Hospital & Health Services asked for the public's patience and COVID cases in the area increase substantially.

The school board approved the purchase of new security cameras for schools. A grant will pay for most of the project, which will include cameras added in some locations and upgrades of other cameras.

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<u>Lincoln School</u>

1. Speech Language Pathologist, application deadline January 28, 2022

Clinton Junior High School

1. Physical Education Teacher 2022-2023 school year, application deadline January 28, 2022

Nursing

1. **Substitute Nurses**, who have active Illinois R.N. or LPN license and experience in school nursing for grades K-12. Candidates must possess effective communication, nursing, and collaboration skills. This position may involve experiences with health education, chronic disease management, communicable disease, immunizations, first-aid, and medication administration. Hours for this position would be 7:45 am-3:45pm on an as needed basis.

<u>Athletics</u>

1. Assistant HS Boys Track Coach, please apply online or email letter of interest, resume, and letter of recommendation to Matt Koeppel, AD, at mkoeppel@cusd15.org, application deadline January 28, 2022

<u>Transportation</u>

1. Bus Drivers, Bus Driver Substitutes, Van Driver Substitutes, (\$22.85 Bus Route, \$20.64 Van route) Regular Driver's Hours 4 a day guaranteed (2 morning, 2 afternoon), Sick Days, Personal Days, Holiday pay. Sub Drivers hours are as needed. Bus Drivers must have a CDL or be willing to obtain one.

Maintenance/Custodians

1. Substitute Custodians (potential to move into regular full-time position). apply online or pick up an application at the unit office.

Transition Program

1. **Job Coach** (9-month position), Qualifications, at least 20 years old, High School Diploma/GED, Experience working with people with disabilities a plus. Will assist, support, and work closely with students in the school and community by providing vocational support to prepare students for employment. Will work with individual students or small groups of students with job skills, will assist the certified staff in devising special strategies for finding student strength and areas to work on in job setting, will input/chart specific individual job performances, serve as chief informational source for vocational coordinator, assist in bus loading, and work to maintain safe work environment. Note: Electronic Devices: Personal electronic devices should not be used during regular work hours. Periodic checks for personal information can be made on a limited basis.

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1. **Teacher's aide**, (9 month position), Qualifications, at least 20 years old, High School Diploma/GED, ETS paraprofessional license or have taken 60 hours of college credit, Will assist, support, and work closely with teachers, administrators, and team members, will devise special strategies for reinforcing learning materials and skills, will monitor work, correct papers, supervise curriculum, will input/chart specific individual student duties, will service as chief information source to help any guest teachers, will perform instructional duties as assigned. Please see website for requirements for paraprofessional license https://roe17.org/licensure/paraprofessionals



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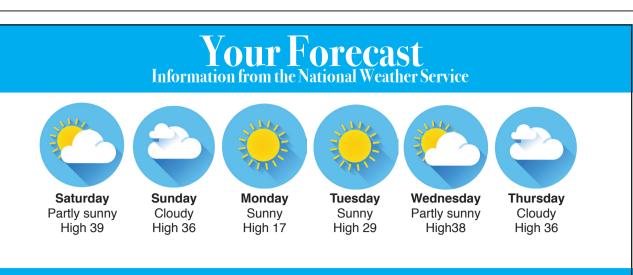


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Weather History

January 8

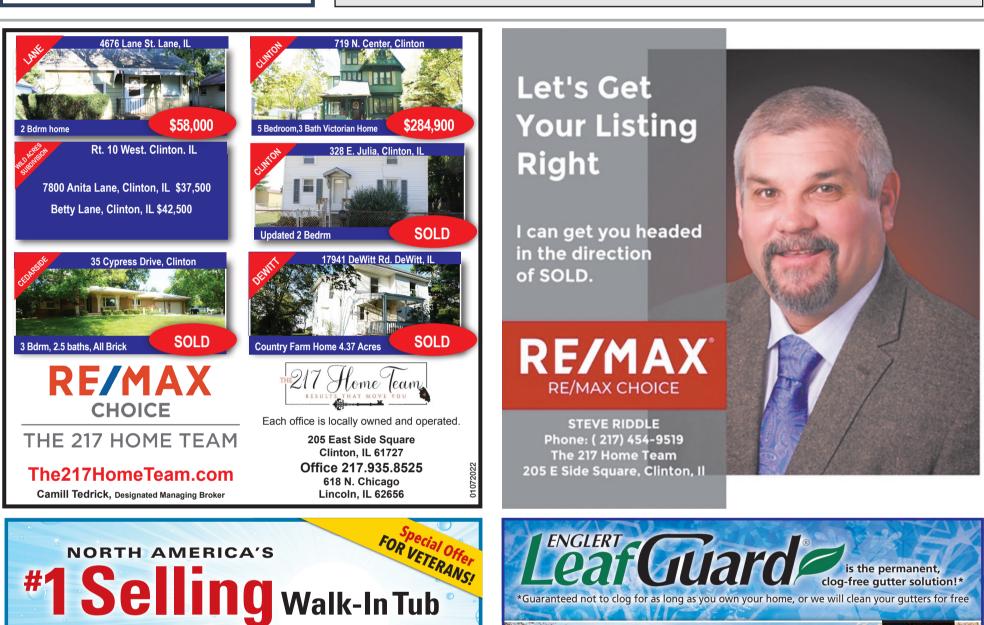
1982: A 3-day blizzard began, affecting the northern 2/3 of Illinois. Actual snowfall from the storm was only around an inch, but the high winds led to whiteout conditions in many areas.

1998: A band of heavy snow began falling over northwest Illinois during the morning, and by evening, 4 to 8 inches of snow had fallen over much of the northern parts of the state. The heaviest snow fell from west of Peoria to Rockford, and as far east as some of the

Chicago suburbs.

January 9

1997: The first in a series of winter storms affected central Illinois, with several inches of snow along with areas of blowing snow. Snowfall totals on this date included 5.4 inches in Springfield, 5.2 inches in Peoria, and 4.6 inches in Champaign. The heaviest snowfall of 11 inches was reported at Charleston, in Coles County.



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Journal Sports

Ladies' JV wins close holiday game; varsity falls by a point

Marc Rogers jmarre@frontier.com

CLINTON — On Monday, The Lady Maroons were at home on the hardwood of Vance Gymnasium to face the Mt. Pulaski Lady Hilltoppers.

The junior varsity (JV) game kicked off the evening's events with the opposition taking a 7-point lead in the first quarter. The home team seemed sluggish and were having struggles as a team playing their positions.

The Lady Maroons settled down and were able to close the gap at halftime to 5 points, and by the third quarter, the Lady Maroons had the Lady Hilltoppers in their sites, closing the gap to a mere 2 points.

In the final quarter, the home team appeared to become more cohesive, completing a 10-4 run to win the game 29-25.

The Lady Maroons were led by Alaina Soberalsky (#24) with 12 points (including two 3-point conversions) and she also led all scorers in the game.

The varsity was also on the struggle bus this evening, although they came away with the tip off, as did the JV team. The varsity also seemed out of synch after the holiday break. But, they were down only by four after the first quarter though.

Then, the Lady Maroons' problems began to multiply. Their passes were high and wide, and they had problems hitting the basket in the second quarter, which helped the visitors go on an 11-6 run to take a 9-point lead into the locker room at halftime.

The home team arrived on the floor for the second half and began to work as a team, staying even with the opposition and remaining 9 points down at the end of three quarters.

The varsity then kicked it up a notch and came roaring back with an 18-10 run bringing them within one point of a tie. Clinton then had several chances with seconds left but sadly could not get the ball to drop into the basket, losing 43-42.

This brings the varsity to 13-4 overall for the season and 3-0 in conference play. Mallory Cyrulik (#4) led the Maroons with 14 points (while playing most of the second half with 4 fouls), followed by Kaitlyn Rauch with 12 points. A very tough loss for the Lady Maroons.



Sports photos Marc Rogers / Journal Mallory Cyrulik (#4) gets the varsity tip off to Heidi Humble (#2)





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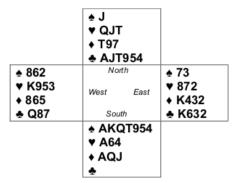


) Alaina Soberalski (#24) scores a 3-pointer and is fouled for a 4 point play

BRIDGE BITES

ONE FINESSE TOO MANY

It's great when our finesse works, but against a cunning opponent, when we try that same finesse a second time, we sometimes get an unpleasant surprise.



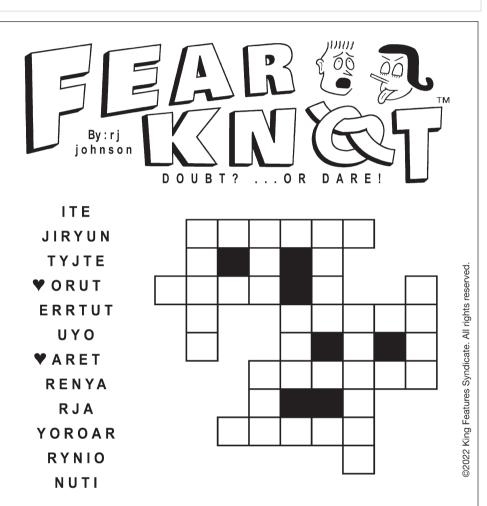
N-S Vulnerable South West North East 2♣ Pass 34 Pass Pass 3NT Pass 3♠ 6♠ All Pass After that artificial (and strong) 24 opening, the rest of the auction was natural. West leads a trump against your slam, how do you propose to make 12 tricks?

It may be too late already, but let's do this one without peeking at the E-W

hands. The opening trump lead has knocked out your entry to Dummy, and you must use that entry to take one of those red suit finesses. Which one? Surely it must be right to finesse in Hearts because, if that loses to West, you'll have a Heart entry back to the board for the Diamond finesse.

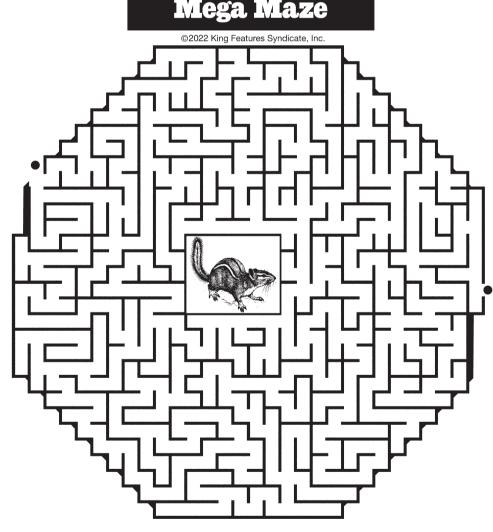
So, the ♥Q is led from the board and it holds. Yippee! Now Dummy's ♣A is cashed (pitching a Diamond) and the winning Heart finesse is repeated. Oops! This time that dastardly West fellow produces the King! Even worse, Declarer now has no way of avoiding a Diamond loser also. Down one! When the first Heart finesse worked, Declarer took his eye off the ball. He must realize that a second Heart finesse is unnecessary. After the ♥Q wins, the 100% safe line is to cash the A (pitching a Heart), ruff a Club high (just in case there is an overruff in the cards), then draw trumps and give up a Diamond.

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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 (\P) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. **VRATHE** becomes **HATER** or **EARTH** or **HEART**). Fit each string's word either across or down to knot all twelve strings together.

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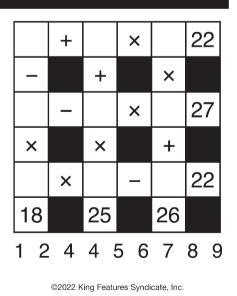


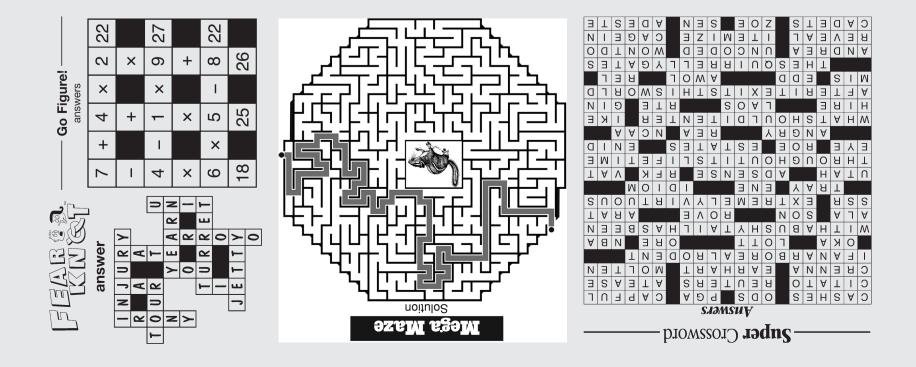
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CITY OF CLINTON Water Department is accepting applications for full-time maintenance worker. Specific information along with job applications can be obtained at City Hall - 118 W. Washington, Clinton, IL 61727. (203115)

305 GARAGE/ **RUMMAGE SALES**

REAL ESTATE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ILLI-NOIS SIXTH JUDI-CIAL CIRCUIT

DEWITT COUNTY, **ILLINOIS**

HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL AS-SOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR WELLS FARGO HOME EQUITY ASSET-BACKED SECURITIES 2006-1 TRUST. HOME EQUITY ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES. SERIES 2006-1,

PLAINTIFF,

VS.

LINDA S SCOTT; VILLAGE OF KEN-**NEY: UNKNOWN** OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS,

DEFENDANTS.

NO. 21 CH 5

107 SOUTH FULLER STREET **KENNEY, IL 61749**

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE

UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE ACT

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by the Court in the above entitled cause on October 27, 2021, will on 01/26/2022, in DeWitt County Courthouse (Main Door), 201 West Washington St., Clinton., II 61727, at 10:00 AM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of DeWitt. State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment:

off. The water is off. The property does not have a fence. The property is vacant.

The Judgment amount was \$35,473.90.

Sale Terms: This is an "AS IS" sale for "CASH". The successful bidder must deposit 10% down by certified funds; balance, by certified funds. within 24 hours. NO REFUNDS.

The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate, water bills, etc., and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to plaintiff. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

Upon payment in full of the bid amount, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information.

The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/ expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject prem-

For Information: Visit our website at http://ilforeclosuresales.mrpllc.com.

Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. only -McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 1 N. Dearborn St., Suite 1200, Chicago, IL 60602. Tel. No. (312) 346-9088. Please refer to file# 21-07478IL PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION

PRACTICES ACT. THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLEC-TOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY IN-FORMATION WILL **BE USED FOR** THAT PURPOSE.

Plaintiff's attorney is not required to provide additional information other than that set forth in this notice of sale.

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DEWITT COUN-TY - CLINTON, **ILLINOIS**

SERVICING, LLC

JAMES TERRY. DON HULVEY PLUMBING, HEAT-

TO CONTACT US ABOUT CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

PHONE: 217-935-3171 • FAX: 217-935-8086 EMAIL: EANGEL@THECLINTONJOURNAL.COM

INFORMATION

Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. All classified marketplace line ads will (Monday-Friday)

Address: 111 S. Monroe St., Clinton P.O. Box 615 Mail: Clinton, IL 61727

(Deadlines subject to change during holiday times)

CJ DEADLINES: • Tuesdays at 5 p.m.

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Property Index No.

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\$19.00 for private party ads and \$30 for commercial business ads and \$15 for garage sale ads.

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Call for pricing that starts at

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DISCLAIMER: If your advertisement appears incorrectly, notify us immediately. We will not be responsible for more than one incorrect insertion, and will only credit customer for one insertion.

public auction to the Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate

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For information, contact Plaintiff's attorney: Alexander Potestivo, POTES-TIVO & ASSOCI-ATES, P.C., 223 WEST JACKSON BLVD, STE 610, Chicago, IL, 60606, (312) 263-0003. Please refer to file number 312067. E-Mail: ilpleadings@potestivolaw.

Case # 2020 CH 4

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Legal 19386RE January 7, 14 and 21, 2022

LEGAL

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DEWITT COUNTY, **ILLINOIS - PRO-**BATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: PAUL E. FABRIS, DECEASED.

2022 **REAL** ESTATE

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

LAKEVIEW LOAN

Plaintiff,

-V.-

highest bidder for cash. as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 509 E. WEB-

119 ANNOUNCEMENTS

FAX RECEIVING AND SENDING SER-VICE

The Clinton Journal will facsimile documents to other fax machines for private parties and business. RATES (Receiving) \$2 - First page, \$1 each page after, (sending in US) \$3 - First page. \$1 each page after. Get your important documents where they need to be instantly by taking advantage of our facsimile machine. Reproduce complete documents and/or pictures by telephone in just a couple minutes! Just stop by the Clinton Journal, 111 S Monroe, Clinton - no appointment necessary. (119TFN)

NEW TO TOWN?

Stop by our office for your Free 2021– 2022 Community Guide. This guide will tell everything you need to know about settling into Clinton and making it home. Clinton Journal 111 S Monroe, Clinton

201 DOMESTIC/CHILD CARE

NO INDIVIDUAL,

unless licensed or holding a permit as a childcare facility, may cause to be published any advertisement soliciting a child care

PLACE A RUM-MAGE SALE AD IN THE CLINTON JOURNAL. Deadline for ads are: Tuesday, 5:00 PM for the following Friday edition. Rate: 1 publication and up to one week online, Up to 20 words for \$17.00, additional words are 25¢ a word. OUR RAIN **GUARANTEE:** If it rains on your sale day, we'll rerun the

same ad (only date & time changes) for free. Must run within 2 weeks.

307 MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

CUTTING TORCH reel, hose, quick connect, like new, asking \$200, calls only 217-358-4771 (307115)

TAX NO. 11-15-313-005

COMMONLY **KNOWN AS: 107** South Fuller Street

Kenney, IL 61749

Description of Improvements: The property is a single family. The property has no garage. The exterior is vinyl siding. The color is white. The gas is

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Model #305, Biloxi, \$36,825

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If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act. 765 ILCS 605/9(g) (1) and (g)(4).

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

ING & AC, INC

Defendant 2020 CH 4

NOTICE OF SHER-**IFF SALE**

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on October 20, 2021, the Sheriff of De Witt County will at 10:00 AM on February 2, 2022, at the DeWitt County Courthouse, 201 West Washington Street, (Main door), CLINTON, IL, 61727, sell at

or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

\$1 for each \$1,000 a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). MORTGAGOR

IF YOU ARE THE (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THẾ **RIGHT TO REMAIN** IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE

2021-P-52

CLAIM DATE **NOTICE - INDE-**PENDENT ADMIN-ISTRATION

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

Letters of Office were issued on December 14, 2021, to Larry L. Fabris, 5119 Birch Drive, Clinton, Illinois 61727, as Independent Executor. The attorney for the estate is Jerry A. Johnson, Attorney

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EVELYN "EVIE" STRANGE-WAPELLA, IL PUBLIC AUCTION OF REAL ESTATE & PERSONAL PROPERTY & CAR **513 DIVISION STREET-WAPELLA, IL** WED. JANUARY 26TH, 2022

REAL ESTATE & CAR-6:00 PM

Personal Property sells throughout the regular Wed. Auction For Photos & Details: www.haycraftauctions.com

Selling a nice 1 level ranch style home on a crawl space with a 2 car attached garage with heat. Nice back sun porch, kitchen with eat in area, 3 bedrooms, large living room, laundry with extra bath & shower. Lot is very deep-80' x 320' with 2 storage sheds. Good location-just east of the Community Center. The roof is in good shape and has gutter guards, furnace & water heater are updated-the house is very solid but in need of some updates and is very spacious. Appliances sell with the house. Real Estate Taxes-\$2587.74. 10% down day of auction with balance due at closing in 30 days. Real estate sells as is with no warranties or guarantees.

2003 Buick Park Avenue-53,000 miles (nice)

OPEN HOUSE MONDAY-JAN 3RD, JAN 10TH, JAN 17TH-3 TO 5 PM OR BY APPOINTMENT AUCTIONEER NOTE: Evie now resides in Florida and will sell her home, contents and car to the highest bidder!!! Seller: Evelyn Strange Attorney: Stephen Myers-Clinton, IL

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

Email: haycraft@frontier.com | Office 217-935-6286 | Jay 309-275-4506

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BALANCE OWED \$17,000

BALANCE OWED \$19,950

BALANCE OWED \$14,500

BALANCE OWED \$16,500

Serious Inquiries only Call: 704 368-4528

NO TIME LIMIT FOR DELIVERY Comes with complete building blueprints and Construction Manual Windows, Doors and Roofing not included **Before Calling View House Plans at** at Law, 32 Manorhill LINDA S SCOTT; Drive, P.O. Box 571, Clinton, Illinois 61727.

Claims may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court at the DeWitt County Courthouse, 201 West Washington Street, Clinton, Illinois 61727, or with the Independent Executor, or both, on or before July 1, 2022. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of the claim filed with the Clerk of the Circuit Court must be mailed or delivered to the Independent Executor and to the Attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

The estate will be administered without court supervision unless an interested party terminates Independent Administration by filing a Petition to Terminate under Section 28-4 of the Illinois Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/28-4). À form of a Petition to Terminate Independent Administration may be obtained from the Clerk of the Circuit Court at the above address.

Dated this 16th day of December, 2021.

Larry L. Fabris, Independent Executor of the Estate of Paul E. Fabris, Deceased.

Jerry A. Johnson, Attorney at Law Attorney #6185567 32 Manorhill Drive P.O. Box 571 Clinton, Illinois 61727 Telephone: (217) 935-3335 E-mail: jajlawyer1@ gmail.com

Legal 19377 December 24 and 31, 2021 January 7, 2022

LEGAL

ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, December 15, 2021, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of De-Witt County, Illinois, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as:

VILLAGE OF KEN-NEY; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, DEFENDANTS.

NO. 21 CH 5 107 SOUTH FULLER STREET **KENNEY, IL 61749**

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE UNDER ILLINOIS

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE ACT

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by the Court in the above entitled cause on October 27, 2021 will on 01/26/2022. in DeWitt County Courthouse (Main Door), 201 West Washington St., Clinton., II 61727, at 10:00 AM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of DeWitt, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment: Lots 1, 4 and 5

in Block 10 in the Original Town, now Village of Kenney, situated in the County of DeWitt, in the State of Illinois. TAX NO. 11-15-313-005 COMMONLY **KNOWN AS: 107** South Fuller Street Kenney, IL 61749 Description of Improvements: The property is a single family. The property has no garage.

The exterior is vinyl siding. The color is white. The gas is off. The water is off. The property does not have a fence. The property is vacant.

The Judgment amount was \$35,473.90.

Sale Terms: This

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If this property is a condominium unit. the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g) (1) and (g)(4).

> IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

For Information: Visit our website at http://ilforeclosuresales.mrpllc.com.

Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. only -McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 1 N. Dearborn St., Suite 1200. Chicago, IL 60602. Tel. No. (312) 346-9088. Please refer to file# 21-07478IL

PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT. THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLEC-TOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY IN-FORMATION WILL **BE USED FOR** THAT PURPOSE.

Plaintiff's attorney is not required to provide additional information other than that set forth in this notice of sale.

13183603

Legal 19381 December 31, 2021 January 7 and 14, 2022

LEGAL

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

DEWITT COUNTY, **ILLINOIS**

CLASSIFIED MARKETPLACE

feet, thence North 1346 feet. thence East 511 feet to the Northeast corner of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4, thence South 1346 feet to the place of beginning, situated in the City of Clinton, County of DeWitt, in the State of Illinois Parcel No.: 07-27-353-015

You and each of you are hereby notified that there has been filed in the Circuit Court of DeWitt County, Illinois, the above cause to foreclose the mortgage dated May 12, 2010 and recorded May 21, 2010 in Book 676 of Mortgages, at Pages 1-11, as Document No. 229564 in the DeWitt County Recorder's Office, Clinton, Illinois in the face amount of \$84,480.09 made by Jeffrey Wayne Barger, a/k/a Jeff Barger, a single person, to DeWitt Savings Bank, which mortgage foreclosure was filed on the 17th day of December, 2021 in the Circuit Court for the Sixth Judicial Circuit, De-Witt County, Illinois, which case is titled as above.

You are advised that if you fail to appear or answer in the above cause on or before the 27 day of January, 2022, then you may be defaulted in your right to redemption and all other rights shall be forever barred in this cause and all other rights that you may have will be barred.

Dated this 20 day of December, 2021.

DeWitt Savings Bank, an Illinois Banking Corporation, Plaintiff By Taylor & Lynch

By: /s/Joseph B. Taylor

Joseph B. Taylor

JOSEPH B. TAY-LOR 020803046 TAYLOR & LYNCH 216 SOUTH CEN-TER STREET

W. Washington Street, Clinton, IL, 61727, or with the representative, or both, on or before June 27, 2022. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of the claim filed with the clerk of the court must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it is filed.

The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless an interested party terminates Independent Administration by filing a Petition to Terminate under Section 28-4 of the Illinois Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/28-4). A form of a Petition to Terminate Independent Administration may be opened from the Clerk of the Court at the above address.

Dated this 27th day of December, 2021.

Kevin G. McMath, Independent Executor of the Estate of Phyllis J. McMath, deceased

JOSEPH B. TAY-LOR 2803046 **TAYLOR & LYNCH** 216 SOUTH DENT-ER STREET P.O; BOX 478 CLINTON, ILLI-NOIS 61727 TEL: (217) 935-2183

FAX: (217) 935-8219 E-MAIL: attorneys @dewittcountylaw. com

Legal 19385 January 7, 14 and 21, 2022

LEGAL IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE **6TH JUDICIAL** DISTRICT **DEWITT COUN-**TY - CLINTON, **ILLINOIS** LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC

Plaintiff,

-V.-JAMES TERRY,

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 on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale

court.

The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. **Prospective bidders** are admonished to check the court file to verify all information.If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g) (4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assess ments required by The Condominium

Property Act, 765

IF YOU ARE THE

(HOMEOWNER)

YOU HAVE THE

RIGHT TO REMAIN

MORTGAGOR

ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

Games people play

tors and for the transactions of such other business that might come before the meeting.

Legal 19387 January 7, 2022

LEGAL

2022 NOTICE OF ELEC-TION OF DIREC-TORS

To All Owners And Occupiers Of Lands Lying Within The Boundaries Of The Dewitt **County Soil And** Water Conservation District:

Notice is hereby given that an Annual Meeting and Election will be held on the 4th day of February, 2022 at 8 a.m. at Crang-Bennet American Legion, 219 N Elizabeth St, Clinton IL 61727. 3 Directors will be elected to serve the Dewitt County Soil and Water Conservation District of the State of Illinois.

All persons, firms or corporations who hold legal title or are in legal possession of any land lying within the boundaries of the said district are eligible to vote at said election, whether as lessee, renter, tenant or otherwise. Only such persons, firms or corporations are eligible to vote.

Myron Kirby Chairman **Dewitt County Soil** and Water Conservation District

DATE: 4th day of January, 2022._

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FLOYD & ASSOCI-ATES, CPAS 910 STATE HIGH-WAY 54 CLINTON, IL 61727.

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Dated: Wednesday, December 15, 2021

No. 2021-167

/s/Dana Smith (km) **COUNTY CLERK**

Legal 19378 December 24 and 31, 2021 January 7, 2022

LEGAL

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ILLI-NOIS SIXTH JUDI-CIAL CIRCUIT

DEWITT COUNTY, ILLINOIS

HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL AS-SOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR WELLS FARGO HOME EQUITY ASSET-BACKED SECURITIES 2006-1 TRUST HOME EQUITY ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-1,

PLAINTIFF,

VS.

DEWITT SAVINGS BANK, an Illinois Banking Corporation. Plaintiff. must deposit 10% VS.

JEFFEREY WAYNE BARGER, a/k/a within 24 hours. NO JEFF BARGER, a single person, NON **RECORD CLAIM-**ANTS, UNKNOWN OWNERS and POSSIBLE TEN-ANTS IN POSSES-SION, special taxes levied Defendants.

NO. 2021-CH-13

for sale without any NOTICE OF representation as to PENDENCY OF quality or quantity <u>ACTION</u> of title and without

recourse to plaintiff. TO: Jeffery Wayne The sale is further Barger, a/k/a Jeff subject to confirma-Barger, Non Record tion by the court. Claimants, Unknown Owners and Possible Tenants in Possession of the following real estate: receive a Certificate

Property commonly entitle the purchasknown as:

> 914 West Webster Street. Clinton. Illinois 61727 with a legal description as follows:

Lots 17 and 18 in Block 4 in DeBoice's Subdivision of the following described lands: Beginning at a stone in the Southeast corner of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 27, Township 20 North, Range 2 East of the 3rd Principal Meridian, and thence West on the Section line 508

JLINTON, ILLI NOIS 61727 TEL: (217) 935-2183 FAX: (217) 935-8219 EMAIL: attorneys@ dewittcountylaw. com

Legal 19384 December 31, 2021 January 7 and 14, 2022

LEGAL

THE CIRCUIT CIURT FOR THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CURCUIT DEWITT COUNTY - IN PROBATE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE IF PHYLLIS J. MC-MATH DECEASED

NO. 2021-P-54

CLAIM DATE NOTICE - INDE PENDENT ADMIN-**ISTRASTION**

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

Letters of Office were issued on December 27, 2021 to Kevin G. McMath, 5466 Sunset Road, Clinton, Illinois 61727 as Independent Executor. The attorney for the estate is Joseph B. Taylor of Taylor & Lynch, 216 South Center Street, P.O. Box 478, Clinton, Illinois, 61727.

Claims may be filed in the office of the clerk of the court at the DeWitt County Courthouse, 201

DON HULVEY PLUMBING, HEAT-ING & AC, INC Defendant

2020 CH 4

NOTICE OF SHER-IFF SALE

IN POSSESSION PUBLIC NOTICE FOR 30 DAYS IS HEREBY GIVEN AFTER ENTRY OF that pursuant to AN ORDER OF a Judgment of POSSESSION, IN Foreclosure and ACCORDANCE Sale entered in the WITH SECTION above cause on 15-1701(C) OF October 20, 2021, THE ILLÌNÓIS the Sheriff of De MORTGAGE Witt County will at FORECLOSURE 10:00 AM on Feb-LAW. ruary 2, 2022, at the DeWitt County For information, Courthouse, 201 contact Plaintiff's West Washington Street, (Main door), CLINTON, IL, 61727, sell at

attorney: Alexander Potestivo, POTES-TIVO & ASSOCI-ATES, P.C., 223 WEST JACKSON public auction to the BLVD, STE 610, Chicago, IL, 60606, (312) 263-0003. Please refer to file number 312067. E-Mail: ilplead-

> ings@potestivolaw. com

Case # 2020 CH 4

13184620 Legal 19386

LEGAL NOTICE The 135th annual meeting of DeWitt Savings Bank will be held at the office of the Bank, 302 W. Main, Clinton, Illinois at the hour of 3:00PM, Tuesday, January 18th, 2022 for the purpose of election of direc-



sell it?

Wanna





January 7, 14 and 21, 2022 LEGAL

CLINTON, IL 61727 Property Index No. 07-26-309-007

The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

The judgment amount was \$64,763.95.

estate: LOT 5 IN BLOCK 1 IN ASHLEY'S AD-**DITION TO CLIN-**TON, EXCEPT 96 FEET OFF OF THE FULL WEST END THEREOF, SITUATED IN THE

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COUNTY OF DE-WITT, STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as 509 E. WEB-STER STREET.

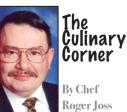
Would you like to be a chef?

elcome to my little corner of culinary delights. Do not spend your money foolishly to learn culinary unless you have a great passion for it. More likely than not, there are better ways for managing your educational funds than to be a cook or chef. I am a certified chef with multiple college diplomas to satisfy my personal pleasures. My means of livelihood came through industrial technology; my primary passion for which I am best suited.

If you wish to make your living by being a cook, sample it first. In other words, find a job working in the kitchen of a busy restaurant. The best way to start is to work as a cook's helper. In that way, you learn the ropes. You have less responsibilities and pressure with more time for observing others at their jobs. Ask lots of questions. Ask how they like their job and what problems they face. If you last long enough, you might be asked to take over some menial cooking tasks or make the salads. Eat at restaurants where you can observe the kitchen activities. At the very least, interview those who work in busy kitchens.

What about church fund raising events and "soup kitchens"? This is how I started when a teenager. It is a poor indicator of the rigors of working under the pressures of a restaurant. As a rule, cooking for such events, charitable concerns lack professionalism. Processes are often done poorly or incorrectly. However, you have an opportunity to experience high volume cooking.

If you decide to pay for culinary training at



a college, ask the right questions. Outside of the usual tuition, there is the uniform to purchase as well as an expensive set of knives with questionable quality. It includes material fees. In fundamental baking, my materials fee was \$200. Many more courses required material fees. In baking, we were not always allowed to take home what we made even though we paid for it. They went to the campus coffee shop and sold there. Other classes, such as fundamental cooking, butchering, etc. had their material fees attached. Do not forget the expense of the textbooks. It all adds up.

lacked We enough equipment to go around. The classes were divided into groups of three or four students. This would reduce the material usage but never the individual fees. Unfortunately, there will be those students that know little and yet think they know it all. They may dictate orders to other team members. There are students that ride on the coattails of others for their grade. All in the group receive the same grade regardless of individual abilities. This may not be the case for all culinary classes. That is why questions should be asked. "Let the buyer beware".

I wish to discourage no one. I am merely stressing the need for each person to investigate with a clear purpose in mind.

Until next time, peace to all.

Representative payees help you manage your Social Security

Jonna Reno

Social Security district manager, Bloomington

Some people who receive monthly Social Security benefits or Supplemental Security Income payments may need help managing their money. When we receive information that shows you need help, we'll work with you to find the most suitable representative payee to manage your benefits. A representative payee receives your monthly benefit payment on your behalf and must use the money to pay for your current needs, including:

• Housing and utilities.

• Food.

• Medical and dental expenses.

• Personal care items.

Clothing.

• Rehabilitation expenses (if you have a disability).

If you need help managing your benefits, tell a Social Security representative that there is someone you want to be your representative payee. Your representative payee should be someone you trust and see often, and who clearly understands your needs. Social service agencies, nursing homes, or other organizations are also qualified to be a representative payee. Ask



them to contact us.

You can write to us within 60 days of being assigned a representative payee if you don't agree that you need one or if you want a different representative payee.

We also offer an option, called, Advance Designation, which allows you to designate now someone to be your representative payee in the future. In the event you can no longer make your own financial decisions, you and your family will have peace of mind knowing that someone you trust may be appointed to manage your benefits for you.

You can submit your advance designation request when you apply for benefits or after you are already receiving benefits. You may do so through your personal my Social Security account at www. ssa.gov/myaccount or by calling and speaking to a Social Security representative.

You can find more information at www.ssa.gov/ payee.



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