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## New porch dedicated at musuem

The C.H. Moore Homestead and DeWitt County Museum board of directors and visitors dedicated a new porch deck on Sunday. Fundraising to replace the deck began during renovation work to the exterior of the house this past spring.

## CJHS goes remote

### COVID cases increasing 'exponentially'

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CLINTON — Clinton Junior High School went to remote learning this week after an increase in COVID cases made conditions there unmanageable.

CJHS principal Jim Peck announced last week to parents and students that the school would move to remote learning for the week Dec. 13-17.

"We reached a number of positive cases for students and staff in our building that was higher than what we were able to handle," Peck said.

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## ABCs of publishing your first book

### CJHS students become first-time authors

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CLINTON — Many great authors have published their first books before age 30. William Faulkner, James Baldwin, F. Scott Fitzgerald and Ernest Hemingway are some examples of those stellar writers. But, a group of CJHS students

are way ahead of that group.

Five students in Jessica Hubrich's class at Clinton Junior High School recently published their first book together, and they managed the project from start to finish.

*CJHS Zoo Crew*, an ABC book about visiting the zoo, was recently published by Student Treasures, a company that specializes in helping students through the process of writing, illustrating and publishing their own hardbound books.

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Courtesy of Jessica Hubrich, Clinton Junior High School  
Lillie Dyer, Alexis Ewing, Khloe Parrish, Jade Roe and Aiden Rauch

## Three local businesses benefit from First National Bank's annual REV competition

CLINTON — In partnership with the DeWitt County Development Council, First National Bank and Trust Company awarded a total of \$15,000 to three local businesses on Thursday, November 4, 2021 as part of the REV pitch competition.

REV is an event which helps local business owners upgrade and improve their businesses.

REV is held in an effort to reinvest in local businesses and entrepreneurs. This

year's winners included Shear Paradise, receiving an award of \$8,000, Gold Standard Barber Shop, receiving an award of \$6,000, and Wapella Farmer's and Merchants Bank Historic Building, receiving an award of \$1,000.

FNBT received 16 applications this year, and the top five applicants presented their pitches in person on November 4. Judges included Rhett Hillard, mortgage banker, and Danielle Decker,

branch manager of First National Bank and Trust Company, along with Curt Homan, with DeWitt County Development Council, and Marian Brisard, with Clinton Chamber of Commerce.

Shear Paradise, a local salon and beauty services, took home the grand prize of \$8,000 to improve the salon's flooring and invest in more retail inventory items.

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Photo courtesy of First National Bank & Trust  
Tracie Shaefer, center, accepts an \$8,000 award to upgrade her Shear Paradise salon.

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Courtesy of Clinton Area Chamber of Commerce & Tourism Bureau

## Harvest Mercantile opens

A ribbon cutting ceremony was held at Harvest Mercantile as part of its grand opening on November 26. The new business is located at 705 North Side Square, (in the Magill ResToration Centre building on Mr. Lincoln’s Square), Clinton. The photo includes the owners Ken and Susan Klein, and Louie and Lisa Lueras, along with family and friends, representatives from the City of Clinton, DeWitt County, and the Clinton Chamber of Commerce. Pictured in the center of the photo holding the big scissors is Susan Klein. Directly behind her is Ken Klein; to Susan’s left is Lisa Lueras and her husband Louie. The four are co-owners of the Magill ResToration Centre. For more information, contact the Clinton Area Chamber of Commerce & Tourism Bureau at 217-935-3364.

## Hoyt retires from Baum’s after 21 years

After more than 21 years in sales at Baum Chevrolet-Buick, Tim Hoyt greeted customers and friends Dec. 10 as the dealership hosted a reception marking his retirement. A Clinton native, Hoyt is married to his wife Kim, and they have two adult children.

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## A working team

Welcome to my little corner of culinary delights. I fear that the meaning of “teamwork” has been misconstrued by some. We need to correctly apply that meaning.

Teamwork is best illustrated in sports. Each person has their duties and is trained to execute them professionally. That part of the definition alone suggests no room for guesswork, pretense, or changing established procedure, policies and/or plans. How then is a team best structured?

A true team is composed of individuals talented with abilities sufficient for executing necessary duties. The goal would be the end results and therefore the focal point. It is that focus that is the bases for selecting those who will qualify in achieving that end result. Therefore, a careful selection of team members is paramount. To gain this objective, there can be no personal favoritism such as selecting on the basis of relations or friends. It must be for gaining those most qualified for the job.

Another most important element in that selection, is to select those that can obey orders. No matter how talented or qualified a person is, they are of little use if their abilities cannot be steered in the right direction. A certain amount of humility is needed in this. To gain what is best for everyone concerned, it is often necessary to sacrifice what we desire personally. If then you know of a person that can do the job better, do not try and replace them. Some may even need to give-up their position to favor another.

A proper team must also be well balanced. By that, I mean everyone provides



**The Culinary Corner**  
By Chef Roger Joss

a viable contribution and the correct number of people for the job. In baseball, you need only one pitcher each time. You have a certain number that can take the field at any one time. Having too many can add confusion and strife. Having too little can either slow things down or produce diminished results. Both the quality and quantity of participants needs to be balanced for the required job. Spares are kept to one side and kept inactive until needed.

A team must have a game plan. The same goes with high volume cooking. The timing and flow must be planned out in advance. Making sure that all necessary equipment and ingredients are available. Contingency plans in place. Alternatives discussed. Most importantly, there must be only one director (coach). And that director needs to be, no, must be the most qualified for that position. In a commercial kitchen, that would be the executive chef.

After all is said and done, this does not mean any and all members should have no say outside of the director. If one feels there is a better procedure or feels a mistake is being made, for the good of all, it should be stated. Suggestions or requests should always be welcomed. Demands, however, should come only from the director. If the above is not followed, then you have a group, not a team.

Until next time, peace to all.

## REV / from page A1

“I am so thankful for the \$8,000 grant that I am receiving from REV,” said owner Tracie Shaefer. “There are a few improvements I need to make in the salon, one major project is the floor. I am also going to use this money to buy new retail to sell in hopes to use the rest of the grant and the amount I make off the retail to put towards the new floor. This grant is a huge relief for me. So glad I was chosen to be a part of this program.”

Gold Standard Barber Shop, a local all service barbershop, was awarded \$6,000 to purchase another chair and set up additional lobby area seating.

“The REV program is such a great thing for small businesses, said owner Ryan Goldman. “The whole process was smooth. We couldn’t be more excited to be a winner this year and take our business to the next level.”

Wapella Farmers’ and Merchants Bank Historic Building is a re-purposed history building to bring vitality to the town of Wapella. The \$1,000 in funds will be put toward ongoing renovations and helping launch their small business Saturday pop-up shops.

“We look forward to hosting the REV event every year, and the panel of judges was certainly impressed by all of the participants in this year’s



Photo courtesy of First National Bank & Trust

Ryan Goldman, center, accepts a \$6,000 award to upgrade his Gold Standard Barber Shop.

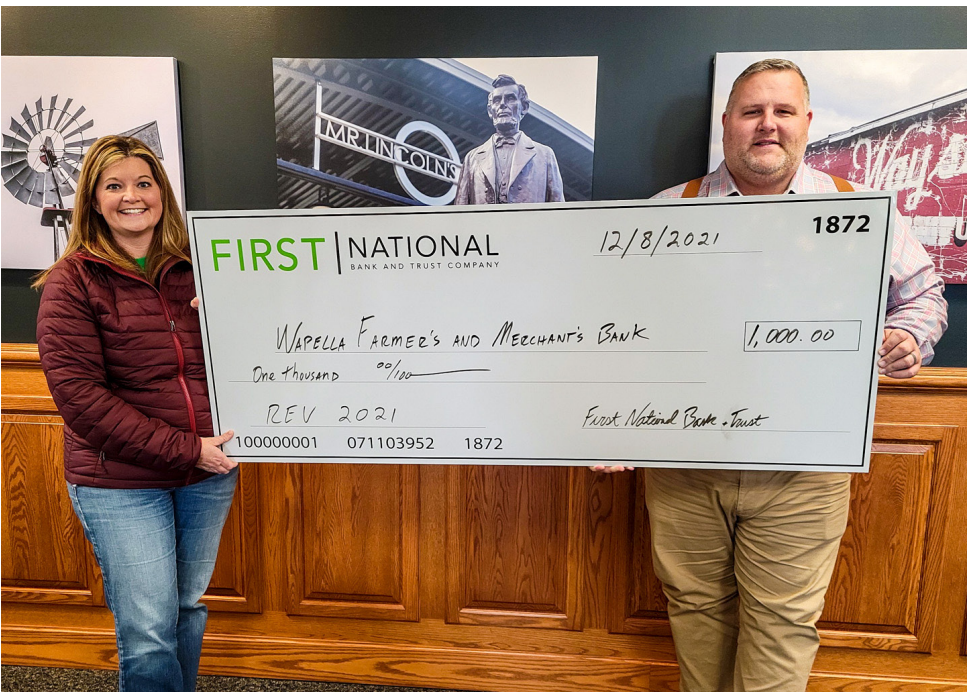


Photo courtesy of First National Bank & Trust

The Wapella Farmers’ and Merchants Bank Historic Building received a \$1,000 award for ongoing renovations.

event,” said First National Bank & Trust Company president Josh Shofner. “We love to support small

businesses in and around our communities and help create community prosperity. REV is a great

extension of making this happen in our local area, and we are proud to host this each year.”

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# NEWS

## Dorothy J. Welch

DECATUR — Dorothy J. Welch, 96, of Decatur, died Thursday, December 9, 2021. Arrangements are incomplete at Graceland Fairlawn Funeral Home.

## Book / from page A1

Hubrich said the class chose a topic, and then students spent time brainstorming to come up with an animal that would match each letter of the alphabet.

Lillie Dyer, Alexis Ewing, Khloe Parrish, Jade Roe and Aiden Rauch worked on the book for more than a month. During that time, they learned about writing rough drafts and making corrections.

“Three of the students completed their own research about their chosen animals and created their own paragraphs for each page,” Hubrich said. “Two students were able to help find research and then choose their sentence order and what information they wanted to use based on a four-choice system.”

Students used not only their writing skills, they used their visual skills as well. The individual

students illustrated their own pages to match the corresponding animal.

“They really showed off everything they have learned in art class and did a fantastic job,” Hubrich said. “When we finished our multiple rough drafts, the publisher provided a kit to write the final drafts and illustrations.”

The book then went off to the publisher for printing, and when it was finished, students and the school received copies.

“I’m so very proud of these kiddos and their hard work,” Hubrich said.

Hubrich also said her class was assisted by “three amazing paraprofessionals,” Megan Barth, Karen Castillo and Sam Mair.

The students’ classroom received a copy of the book, and copies also are available to buy from Student Treasures.

Contact Mrs. Hubrich at [jhubrich@cusd15.org](mailto:jhubrich@cusd15.org).

## Virgil E. Brady

CLINTON — Virgil E. Brady, 87, of Clinton, passed away at 10:52 a.m. on December 13, 2021, at his family residence, Clinton.

Services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, December 17, 2021, at the Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton, with Josh Gorrie officiating. Burial with military honors will follow at Pleasant Valley Cemetery, Kenney. Visitation will be held from 5–7 p.m. on Thursday, December 16, 2021, at the funeral home.

Memorials may be directed to The Kenney Heritage Association.

Virgil was born on October 17, 1934, in Kenney, the son of Cecil and Alma (Brelsford) Brady. He married Janet Goodwin on August 19, 1962, in Mt. Pulaski.

Survivors include his wife, Janet Brady, Clinton; children: Michael (Deborah) Brady, Wapella; Lisa (Rodney) Smith, Clinton; Debra (Steve) Mitchell, Clinton; James (Callie) Brady, Clinton; and Amy (Shawn



Short) Brady, Lane; 16 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren with one on the way. Several nieces and nephews also survive.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Vera Sams.

Virgil retired from Illinois Central Railroad in 1999 after 25 years of service. He served his country in the U.S. Army from 1957–1959. He was also a retired volunteer fireman for the Clinton Fire Department, a Golden Eagles, and a member of the AmVets and American Legion as well as a member of the Kenney Heritage Association. Virgil was also a past 4-H leader and a Boy Scouts leader.

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## Donald ‘Don’ L. Filkin

WAPELLA — Donald “Don” L. Filkin, 78, of Wapella, passed away at 11:14 a.m. on December 10, 2021, at OSF St. Joseph Medical Center, Bloomington.

Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. on Saturday, December 18, 2021 at Sugar Grove Cemetery, Wapella, with Levi Nettles officiating.

Military honors will be accorded. The family will hold a celebration of life in the Spring of 2022. There will be no visitation. Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be directed to a charity of the donor’s choice.

Don was born on July 27, 1943, in Champaign, the son of Lloyd and Marie (Dunlap) Filkin. He married Donna K. (Goin) Brown on May 4, 1974 in Gibson City.

Survivors include his wife, Donna K. Filkin, Wapella; son, Michael (Kristina) Filkin, Wapella; grandchildren, Taylor (Dylan Toepke) Filkin, Heyworth; Madison (Levi) Nettles, Wapella; Derek Filkin, Wapella; Regan Filkin, Wapella; and Kyla (Nick) Kerber, Bloomington; great-grandsons, Cash Michael Carter and Kohen Nikolas Kerber; and brothers, Glen (Sally) Filkin, Gifford, Ill., and Gary Filkin, Bloomington.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister.

Don served in the U.S. Army from 1965–1967. He was stationed in



Italy on a Nike-Hercules missile site. He graduated from Parkland College with honors. Don moved to Wapella, in 1974, where he served as a member of the Wapella School Board, a Cub Scout Leader, Little League Coach, and volunteer Wapella fireman.

Don retired from State Farm Insurance after 27 years of service. He owned and operated Don’s Tree Farm, in Wapella, from 1983–2010 with the help of family, friends, The Blue Ridge Boys, and teens from Wapella, Clinton, and Heyworth.

After retirement, Don was well-known for attending Clinton athletic events, supporting his grandchildren. He captured photographic memories of Clinton’s student athletes for over a decade.

Don will be remembered by all as a great example of a husband, father, brother, grandfather, and friend. His smile was magnificent; his laughter was infectious; and his generosity was abundant. He will be forever missed beyond words.

Online condolences may be made at [www.calvertmemorial.com](http://www.calvertmemorial.com)

## Thomas M. Followell

CLINTON — Thomas M. Followell, 76, of Clinton, passed away at 5:15 Pp.m. on December 7, 2021, at his family home in Clinton.

Graveside services will be conducted at 1 p.m. on Monday, December 13, 2021, at Weldon Cemetery, Weldon, with Ernie Harvey, Jr. officiating. The family entrusted Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton, with cremation rites.

Memorials may be directed to Tom Followell memorial fund.

Tom was born on June 8, 1945, in Weldon, the son of Fred “Jake” and Geneva (Gallway) Followell. He married Charlene Scogin on October 11, 1963, in Clinton. She passed away on March 23, 2017.

Survivors include his children, Genita Hawes, Clinton; Sue Followell, Clinton; and Chopper Followell, Clinton; longtime companion, Marica Pense, Maroa; seven grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren; as well as three sisters and



one brother.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one grandchild, one great-grandchild, and five siblings.

Tom was a union operator and truck driver for many years. He was a member of the Clinton Eagles Lodge. He enjoyed feeding the squirrels and taking care of the feral kittens in the neighborhood. Tom loved sitting in his front yard and watching everyone driving by and waving. Most of all, Tom loved spending time with his grandchildren.

Online condolences may be made at [www.calvertmemorial.com](http://www.calvertmemorial.com)

## Warner Hospital Foundation scholarship applications available

CLINTON — Applications are now available from the Warner Hospital & Health Services Foundation for the Belinda Rittenhouse Scholarships.

The scholarships are available to qualified applicants in DeWitt County interested in a career in the medical field. Applicants must be high school seniors and/or enrolled in an accredited college.

Further information and application forms

are available at the main entrance of the hospital, can be downloaded at its website, [warnerhospital.org](http://warnerhospital.org) or by calling the hospital at (217) 937-5202 or email Melissa White at [melissa.white@warnerhospital.org](mailto:melissa.white@warnerhospital.org).

Completed applications must be returned no later than April 15, 2022. Applicants will be considered on the basis of their need, scholastic ability and enthusiasm in pursuing a career in healthcare.

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# Clinton Power Station, Exelon donate locally

CLINTON — The communities where Exelon Generation employees live and work will receive more than \$4.3 million to support critical needs, thanks to annual giving campaign contributions from nuclear power plant employees and the Exelon Foundation.

The nuclear power plant employees pledged nearly \$2.9 million to more than 2,200 different charities in their surrounding communities this year. And, for every dollar employees pledged, the Exelon Foundation donated 50 cents to their local United Way, bringing the total donation to more than \$4.3 million.

At Clinton Power Station, in Clinton, the nuclear power plant employees pledged more than \$237,000 to 196 charities during this year's employee giving campaign. Organizations supported included Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Central Illinois, DeWitt County Museum, Neighborhood Care Center and The Vault Community Center.

"Exelon Generation is a strong community partner that helps raise money for so many local nonprofit organizations," said Tammy Wilson, Executive Director of The Vault. "Because of the generosity of the Clinton Power Station, we are able to serve over 200 teens each week by providing recreational programs, tutoring, crisis resources, enrichment classes, business & leadership programs, summer career camps, and community service opportunities -- all of which will help them recognize their value, realize their potential, and ultimately reach their goals."

The donations will be distributed throughout 2022.

"Our employees believe strongly



Courtesy of Clinton Power Station  
The Vault accepts a \$5,000 award from Exelon Clinton Power Station



Courtesy of Clinton Power Station  
Neighborhood Care Center accepts a \$5,000 award from Exelon Clinton Power Station

in giving back to the communities in which they live and work. Their generous donations help provide resources for area charities that serve families in need and continue to

make a difference for many who have been affected by the pandemic and other economic stresses," said Dave Rhoades, Exelon Generation Chief Nuclear Officer.

## COVID / from page A1

"We were concerned with further spread as we were seeing some connections between cases. We wanted to make the best decision for the health and safety of all students and staff."

Clinton schools will begin Christmas break the week of Dec. 20, and students are scheduled to return to class on Jan. 4.

The U.S. has experienced a significant increase in COVID, Delta variant virus cases over the past month, primarily among unvaccinated people. Omicron variant cases are now being seen as well.

From Nov. 29 through Dec. 5, the DeWitt/Piatt Bi-County Health Department reported 45 new active COVID cases in Clinton with 96 active cases total countywide. Piatt County reported 97 active cases.

"There has been growing concern regarding the Delta and

now the Omicron strain of the COVID-19 virus," health department director David Remmert reported. "We do not have adequate data at this time to determine if any of the active cases are from these strains."

He said the first Omicron case was detected in Illinois on Dec. 7.

DeWitt and Piatt counties are on the Illinois COVID-19 warning list.

The health department continues to offer COVID vaccinations through their offices, including vaccinations for children ages 5-11, and they also are scheduling appointments for 3rd dose booster shots.

DeWitt county has had 35 deaths from COVID, so far, with Piatt County reporting 14 deaths. Nearly 800,000 Americans have died from COVID, according to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC).

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### Christmas Masses

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5:30 p.m. .... New Year's Eve

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# OPINION

## HISTORY ALMANAC

1925 - Col. William “Billy” Mitchell was convicted of insubordination at his court-martial.

1936 - The “The Rudy Vallee Show” debuted on NBC.

1939 - The German pocket battleship Graf Spee was scuttled by its crew, bringing the World War II Battle of the Rio de la Plata off Uruguay to an end.

1944 - The U.S. Army announced the end of its policy of excluding Japanese-Americans from the West Coast which ensured that Japanese-Americans were released from detention camps.

1953 - The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) decided to approve RCA’s color television specifications.

1957 - The United States successfully test-fired the Atlas intercontinental ballistic missile for the first time.

1959 - The film “On the Beach” premiered in New York City and in 17 other cities. It was the first motion picture to debut simultaneously in major cities around the world. It was about the end of civilization after a nuclear war.

1969 - Television history was made when Tiny Tim and Miss Vicki Budinger were married on “The Tonight Show” with Johnny Carson.

1975 - Lynette “Squeaky” Fromme was sentenced to life in prison for her attempt on the life of U.S. President Ford.

1976 - WTCG-TV, Atlanta, GA, changed its call letters to WTBS, and was uplinked via satellite. The station became the first commercial TV station to cover the entire U.S.

1992 - U.S. President George H.W. Bush, Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney and Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari signed the North American Free Trade Agreement.

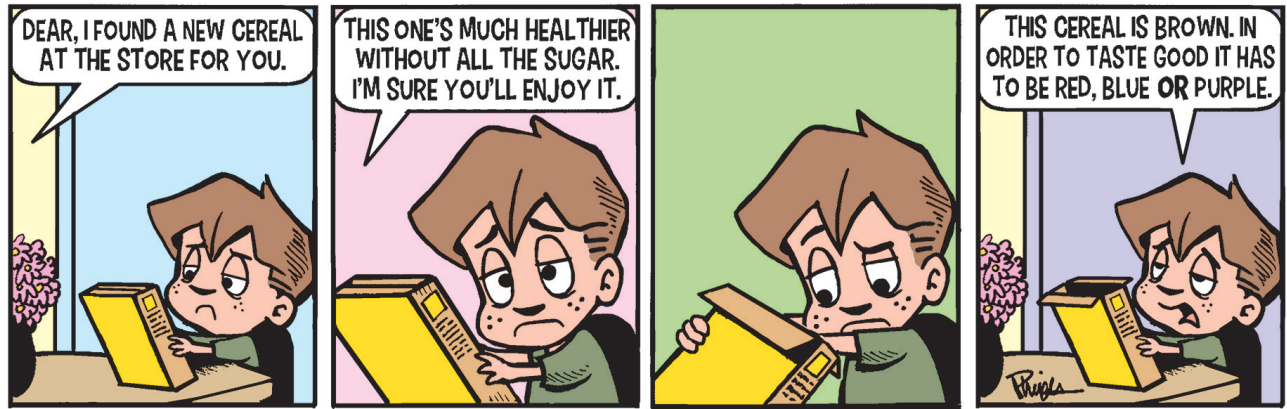
1992 - Israel deported over 400 Palestinians to Lebanese territory in an unprecedented mass expulsion of suspected militants.

1996 - The Red Cross pulled all but a few of its western staff out of Chechnya after six foreign aid workers were killed by masked gunmen.

1997 - U.S. President Clinton signed the No Electronic Theft Act. The act removed protection from individuals who claimed that they took no direct financial gains from stealing copyrighted works and downloading them from the Internet.

2000 - Terrell Owens (San Francisco 49ers) caught an NFL-record 20 passes for 283 yards and a touchdown against the Chicago Bears. The previous record was held by Tom Fears (Los Angeles Rams) with 18 catches on December 3, 1950, against the Green Bay Packers. Owens also broke Jerry Rice’s franchise record of 16 receptions set in 1994 against the Los Angeles Rams.

## Amber Waves



## The IOC is a craven handmaid of Beijing

It should be a rule of thumb that the Olympic Games shouldn’t be held in countries that operate concentration camps.

If this strikes you as a reasonable demand, you aren’t suited to serve on the International Olympic Committee. The IOC has doggedly defended Beijing as the host of the 2022 Winter Olympics even as the Chinese Communist Party pursues its campaign of unrelenting barbarity against the Uyghurs.

The Biden administration just announced a so-called diplomatic boycott of the games, a gesture of disapproval that won’t dent the propaganda coup the IOC is handing the most dangerous regime in the world.

The IOC is the World Health Organization of sports. When China disappeared female tennis star Peng Shuai for the offense of making an accusation of sexual assault against a former high government official, the IOC happily assisted in the regime’s crisis PR, lest the shocking incident derail the games.

The president of the IOC, Thomas Bach, had a video call with Peng where she said all was well and Bach

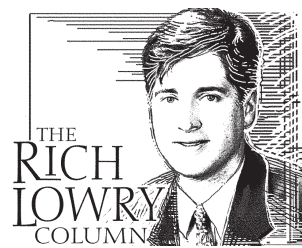
pretended to take her assurances at face value. Of course, Peng wasn’t free to speak her mind, but part of Bach’s job now is to look the other way at China’s blatant abuses.

China has the great fortune to deal with international organizations -- except the Women’s Tennis Association, which is suspending tournaments in China -- that lack all self-respect.

The IOC is following in the well-trod footsteps of corporations, financiers and sports leagues that start out wanting to do business with China and end up complicit in the regime’s crimes by staying silent or explaining them away.

The difference is that the IOC claims to be acting in support of high ideals. Bach likes to quote the Olympic charter that says Olympism exists “to place sport at the service of the harmonious development of humankind, with a view to promoting a peaceful society concerned with the preservation of human dignity.”

Placing sport at the service of China does the opposite on all counts. China’s autocrat, Xi Jinping, has been open about the political



importance of the Olympics, “Hosting an excellent 2022 Games is a major task of the Party and the country, and it is a solemn commitment to the international community.” Here, the interests of the CCP and the IOC -- as well as the corporate sponsors of the games -- coincide.

The last time China hosted the Olympics, the Summer Games in 2008, it used the opening ceremony to stage a gigantic and memorable regime-enhancing spectacle.

Beijing promised reforms to get awarded the games and then, true to form, engaged in yet more heavy-handed repression.

If the 2008 Beijing Games were ill-advised, next year’s Winter Olympics are a complete travesty. The atrocities in Xinjiang province are a matter of public record and the quashing of Hong Kong proceeds apace. No one who crosses the regime is safe from imprisonment or worse. China openly menaces Taiwan with an

by Dave T. Phipps

invasion. Indeed, China could conceivably be in a shooting war with the United States within a year or two of using the presence of our athletes, among others, to enhance the rule of its dictator-for-life.

Bach insists that the IOC must always be politically neutral. As Michael Mazza of the American Enterprise Institute points out, though, the IOC banned apartheid-era South Africa from the games. There is no such thing as neutrality when dealing with an all-encompassing police state for which politics is a life-or-death matter. The games aren’t being hosted by Switzerland or Norway -- nice, law-abiding countries with good ski slopes -- but a revanchist power that tramples on human dignity and is a clear and present danger to international peace.

The IOC could have taken an off-ramp from these games at any point. Instead, its attitude is going to be, “Enjoy the snowboarding, never mind the concentration camps.”

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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## Veterans Village opens



by Freddy Groves

Veterans Village had been, gave the shortest speech of all. He merely turned to the two veterans who would now live there and said, “Welcome home.”

With input from social services in town, a list of other interested veterans had quickly grown, leaving Sarge and David to wonder just how many homeless veterans there were in town.

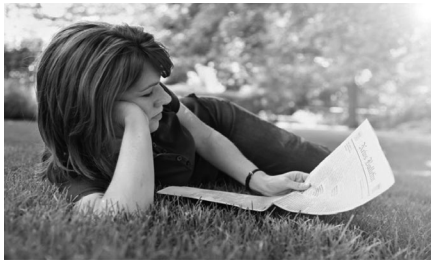
“This could end up being pretty big, almost beyond

my capabilities,” David said later, looking around the acreage, his voice shaky until he felt Sarge’s hand on his shoulder.

David took a deep breath and let it out. “OK, I guess I better hustle up a few more homes,” he said, pulling a folded site plan out of his back pocket and a pencil from behind his ear.

Sarge smiled, patted David’s shoulder and sauntered over to the grill to grab a burger before they were all gone.

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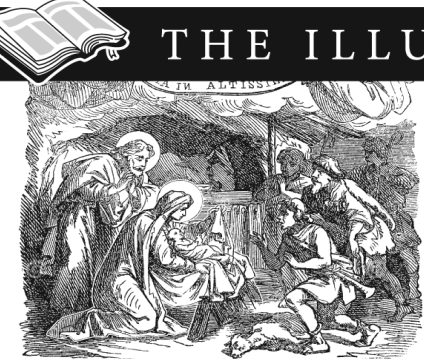
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Answers

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**BIBLE TRIVIA**

by Wilson Casey

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1. The main Christmas story about the birth of Jesus is paraphrased from what two New Testament books? Mark/John, Acts/Romans, Matthew/Luke, Jude/Revelation

2. Approximately how old was Jesus when the wise men (Magi) arrived with their gifts? 1 day, 2 weeks, 2 months, 2 years

3. Where did the angel Gabriel appear to Mary, saying, "Blessed art thou among women"? Nazareth, Tyre, Ninevah, Gazi

4. How many times does the word "Christmas" appear in the Bible (KJV)? Zero, 1, 2, 7

5. In what city of Judaea was Jesus born? Damascus, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Gezer

6. Who plotted to kill the baby Jesus? Archelaus, Herod, Pontius Pilot, Caesar Augustus

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## Weather History

**December 18**

1957: An out of season severe weather outbreak produced 19 tornadoes in Illinois. Collectively, 13 people were killed and 259 injured, with property damage between \$8-10 million. Tornadoes were reported as far north as Mason and Vermilion counties, but most of the tornadoes were across the southern third of the state. The city of Murphysboro was hardest hit, with 10 people killed and electricity lost for a few days. One of the tornadoes, in Perry County, reached F5 intensity, while F4 strength tornadoes affected the Mt Vernon and Murphysboro areas.

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# CLINTON Journal Sports

## Lady Maroons defend home court with wins

CLINTON — On Tuesday, the Clinton High School Lady Maroons faced the Class 3A Mt. Zion Lady Braves.

The Lady Braves might have thought they were in for an easy night of basketball playing a smaller school. The Lady Maroons had other ideas.

The varsity Lady Maroons, made up of several JV players, had a little more work to do than the JV team earlier in the evening.

The first quarter was dominated by Mallory Cyrulik (#4) and Kaitlyn Rauch (#11) scoring 14 points, 10 of which were on free throws. From that point, the Lady Braves seemed to regain their composure and began to climb back into the game.

The home team kept their lead into halftime by just three points.

The Lady Braves fought back throughout the third quarter to gain a one-point lead into the fourth quarter. But this night was to belong to the Lady Maroons as they came back with a

14-9 run (a repeat of quarter one) to take the win 46-42.

Something that made a big difference in the game was the fact that Mt. Zion made only seven free throws, while the home team scored 20 free throw points.

The Lady Maroons were led by Rauch (#11) with 27 points and Cyrulik (#4) with 13.

In the junior varsity game, the first quarter saw the Lady Maroons humiliate the visitors with a well rounded attack from four players, taking an 11-1 lead.

The second quarter was the same with other Lady Maroons adding to the scoring and ending the first half with a 14-point lead, 20-6.

The home team kept the pressure on during the final two quarters and ended the game with a 41-15 win. Lanie Helfand led the Lady Maroons with 14 points followed closely by Alaina Soberalski with 10 points.

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Point guard Regan Filkin (#3) drops in a free throw to aid in the JV Lady Maroon win.



The Rockets covered the boards well in both games.

## Maroons play hard but fall to Rockets

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CLINTON — Friday, December 10, saw the Tolono Unity Rockets invade Vance Gymnasium to battle the hometown Maroons.

The deck was stacked from the start, since the tallest Maroons player was 6-feet, and the shortest Rocket was the same, 6-feet.

The first game with the junior varsity (JV) teams was over before it began as the visitors crashed the boards

for the rebounds and took advantage of their height also on fast breaks, passing the ball over the home team. The Maroons were able to get intermittent shots in.

The Maroons fought well and never gave in. They scored in double figures only in the third quarter but to no avail as the Rockets blasted to a 53-32 win.

Unfortunately for the Maroons varsity, the night did not improve. The varsity was able to score double figures in the second quarter, but otherwise remained in single

digits. The Rockets took this game a level higher, winning 60-28.

A bright spot for the Maroons was Dawson Graves (#2), who scored 15 points. Although greatly out-matched, the Maroons played hard until the final buzzer, working for as many points as they could get from the stingy Rocket defense.


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# SPORTS

## Lady Maroons stop Central A&M in strong play

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CLINTON — The Lady Maroons returned to the Vance Gymnasium for a second time in a week on December 9, for games against a tough conference foe in the Central A&M Lady Raiders.

In the varsity game, the home team, although sluggish at first, took control of the game early on.

The team was able to control the Lady Raider offense, while keeping to its own offensive plan. Up by 6 points at the end of the first quarter, the home team raised that to a 15-point lead going into the locker room at half time.

At the end of the third quarter, the opposition was down by 16 points. The final quarter was a runaway for the Lady Maroons as they went on a 20-6 run to finish with a 51-21 win.

The Lady Maroons were

led by Mallory Cyrulik (#4) with 22 points and Heidi Humble (#1) with 12 points. The top Lady Raider scored just 7 points.

The junior varsity game began with the Lady Maroons struggling, coming up with only 3 points. This gave the Lady Raiders a 5-point lead going into the second quarter. The home team rallied on a 12-9 run to come within 2 points of the lead at halftime.

The third quarter saw the Lady Raiders move to a 5-point lead heading into the final stanza of the game. The Lady Maroons came onto the court on a mission in the fourth quarter and made it known they were still in the game.

The home team went on a 15-3 run in that last quarter to take the 34-27 win from the opposition.

Ashley Armstrong (#5) led the JV Lady Maroons with 11 points.

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Mallory Cyrulik (#4) drives to the basket for 2 points in the varsity game.

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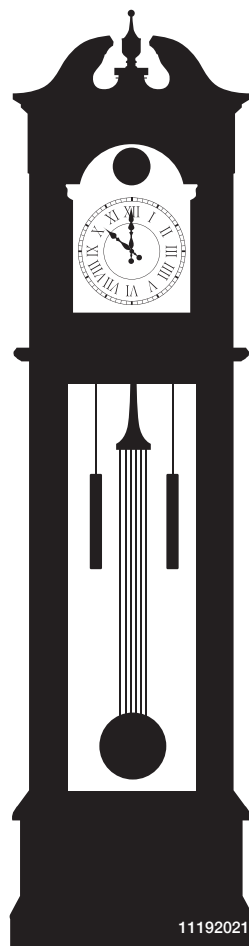
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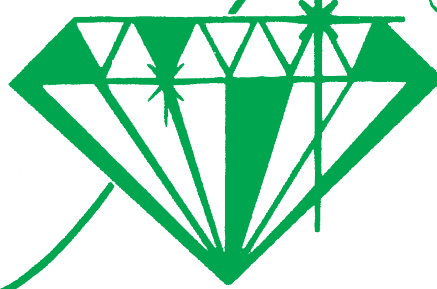
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## BRIDGE BITES

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♠ QJT3 ♥ 4 ♦ JT6 ♣ T8652	<i>North</i>  <i>West</i> <i>East</i>  <i>South</i>	♠ 9865 ♥ 53 ♦ Q8 ♣ A9743
	♠ A2 ♥ KQJT62 ♦ K52 ♣ KJ	

conceding the third round of Diamonds. When West wins the  $\spadesuit J$ , he will quickly shift to a Club, and East's  $\clubsuit A$  scores the setting trick before Declarer's Clubs disappear on the long Diamonds. Down one.

But that's not what happened! It's true, looking at all four hands, that 6♥ *should* go down, but West was looking at only two hands. Taking advantage of that, Declarer came up with a truly brilliant deception. He ducked the opening lead in both hands! The defense can now cash the ♠A to beat the contract, but it never occurred to West that his partner might have the ♠A and not the ♠A. So, naturally enough, West persisted with Spades. Imagine West's surprise when Declarer's Ace won the second Spade trick! Next, trumps were drawn, a Diamond was pitched on the ♠K, the ♦K was cashed, then the ♦A, and a Diamond was ruffed. Now there were two good Diamonds in Dummy, on which Declarer was able to pitch his losing Clubs. Making 12 tricks!

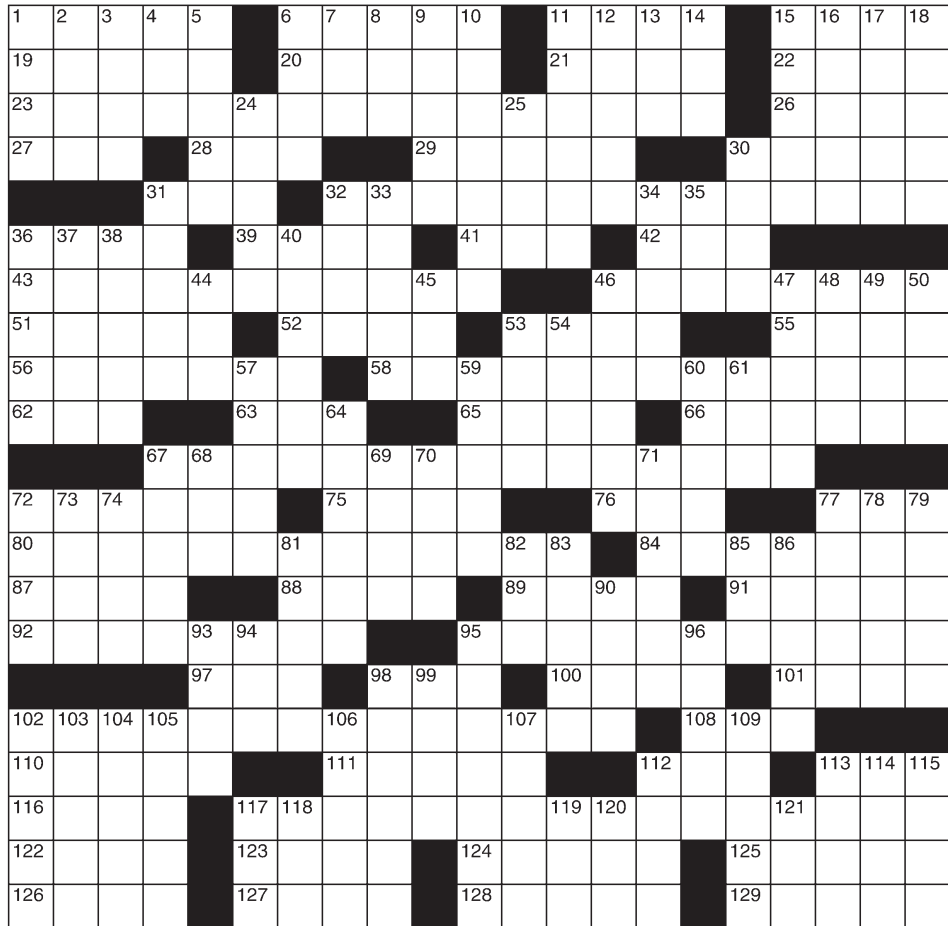
A most unusual hand! Declarer started out with an inescapable loser in Diamonds and another in Clubs. But, thanks to that lovely first round double duck, he ended up losing a Spade but nothing else!

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

# Super Crossword

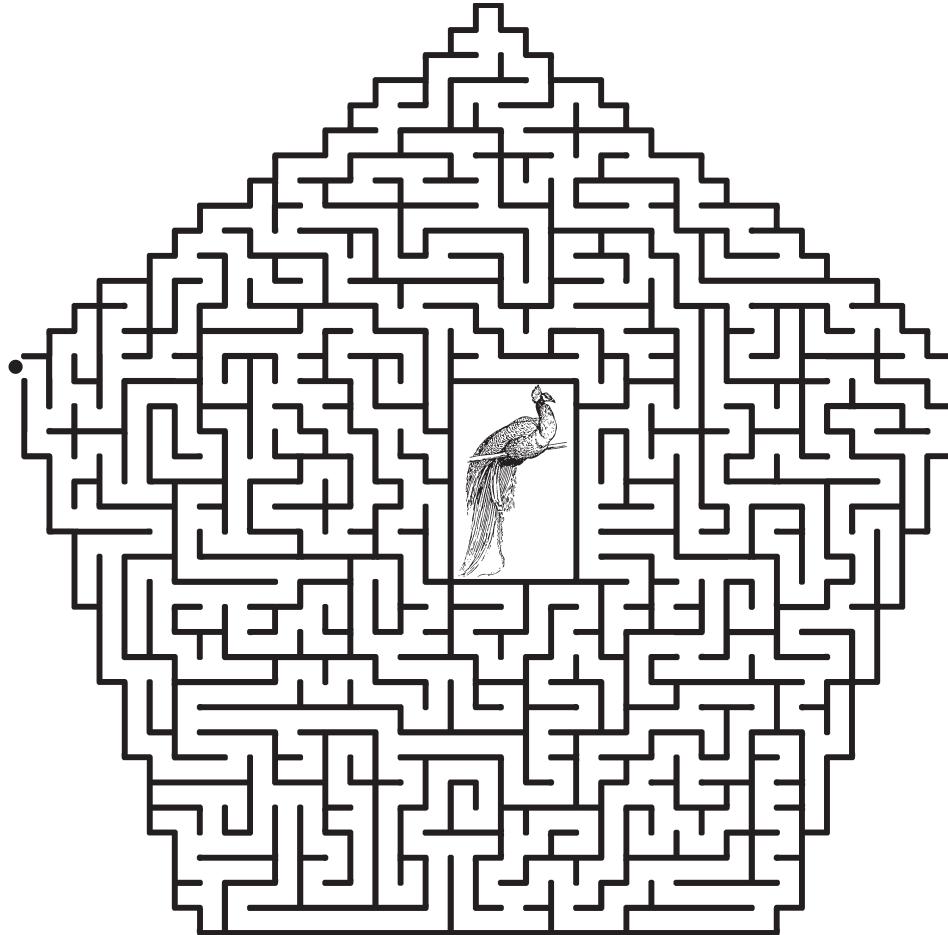
## ENGLISH QUINTET

<b>A</b>	<b>CROSS</b>	<b>46</b> Shabby hotels	<b>100</b> Florence's river	<b>6</b> "Yes, yes!" in Mexico	<b>47</b> Archie Bunker, e.g.	<b>86</b> Run off to tie the knot
<b>1</b>	Beatle Ringo	<b>51</b> Striped stone	<b>101</b> Pod items	<b>7</b> "For shame!"	<b>48</b> Hubbubs	<b>90</b> Cuzco locale
<b>11</b>	Depict with bias	<b>52</b> "Are you — out?"	<b>102</b> Franz Liszt piano piece in 3/4 time	<b>8</b> "Just — suspected!"	<b>49</b> Model binder	<b>93</b> "Likely story!"
<b>15</b>	Ellipsoidal	<b>53</b> Currency of Belgium	<b>108</b> Purpose	<b>9</b> Bit of hearsay	<b>50</b> U.S. Open units	<b>94</b> "Thrilla in Manila" boxer
<b>19</b>	Earthy tone, to a Brit	<b>55</b> Dormant	<b>110</b> In regard to	<b>10</b> Reprimands	<b>53</b> Sewing case	<b>95</b> Spoke indistinctly and softly
<b>20</b>	Magazine release	<b>56</b> Able to feel	<b>111</b> Conga relative	<b>11</b> Actors Baio and Wolf	<b>54</b> Beehive State college team	<b>96</b> Put one's finger on, say
<b>21</b>	Irene of "Fame"	<b>58</b> Taking a rolling pin to	<b>112</b> Standoffish	<b>12</b> A Hawaiian Island	<b>57</b> Bodily trunk	<b>98</b> "R.I.P." sites
<b>22</b>	Central point	<b>62</b> Period	<b>113</b> Animal kept in the house	<b>13</b> Work unit, in physics	<b>59</b> Ed of "Roots"	<b>99</b> City in Alaska
<b>23</b>	He played Jim Dial on "Murphy Brown"	<b>63</b> Add- — (extras)	<b>116</b> Feudal VIP	<b>14</b> Sound of a crying baby	<b>60</b> Habituate (to)	<b>102</b> Legitimate
<b>26</b>	Kazan with three Tonys	<b>65</b> Brings a civil action	<b>117</b> Crossing during a journey	<b>15</b> Ryan of "Love Story"	<b>61</b> Negative conjunction	<b>103</b> Superior to
<b>27</b>	Carp in a garden pond	<b>66</b> Snare loops	<b>122</b> Balladeer Burl	<b>16</b> Swedish vehicle make	<b>64</b> Neat piles	<b>104</b> Sophia of "Two Women"
<b>28</b>	Football's Manning	<b>67</b> What the Australian Open is played on	<b>123</b> Green shade	<b>17</b> Ta-ta, to Tati	<b>68</b> DiFranco of song	<b>105</b> Froth-filled
<b>29</b>	"— my way!" ("Scram!")	<b>72</b> Druids, e.g.	<b>124</b> Ho-hum feeling	<b>18</b> Most minor	<b>69</b> Pre-coll., in education	<b>106</b> Pious song
<b>30</b>	Cathedrals' main areas	<b>75</b> Burn soother	<b>125</b> Volunteer's offer to be sent	<b>24</b> Aristocratic	<b>70</b> Pluralizable word	<b>107</b> "Common Sense" writer Thomas
<b>31</b>	Necklace of 12-Down	<b>76</b> Bruins' Bobby 77 Purpose	<b>126</b> Disaffirm	<b>25</b> Numbered hwy's.	<b>71</b> Appoint to high office	<b>109</b> Aleppo locale
<b>32</b>	Strong product- selling influence	<b>80</b> Black Protestant denom. since 1821	<b>127</b> Male tabbies	<b>30</b> Scholastic sports org.	<b>72</b> Oahu tree	<b>112</b> Possible reply to "That so?"
<b>33</b>	Ending for priest	<b>84</b> Have coming	<b>128</b> Regards as	<b>31</b> Some turns and jabs	<b>73</b> French gal pal	<b>113</b> Hungarian sheepdog
<b>36</b>	Toon skunk Le Pew	<b>87</b> Green shade	<b>129</b> Sequence found in this puzzle's	<b>32</b> Principal	<b>74</b> Tiara stones	<b>114</b> Kelllogg's waffle brand
<b>39</b>	Nonstick cookware brand	<b>88</b> Blood-related	<b>129</b> Sequence found in this puzzle's	<b>33</b> Standoffish	<b>77</b> Have a tiff	<b>115</b> Holier- than- —
<b>41</b>	Ending for priest	<b>89</b> Daddy	<b>129</b> Sequence found in this puzzle's	<b>34</b> Tarp material	<b>78</b> She divorced Donald	<b>117</b> Blast source
<b>42</b>	In-favor vote	<b>91</b> Pond buildup	<b>129</b> Sequence found in this puzzle's	<b>35</b> "I didn't know that!"	<b>79</b> Intersects	<b>118</b> — Grande
<b>43</b>	Partly joking	<b>92</b> Expected saviors	<b>129</b> Sequence found in this puzzle's	<b>36</b> Period	<b>81</b> Bible book after Micah	<b>119</b> Dir. from Little Rock to Chicago
		<b>95</b> Gave a worthy effort	<b>129</b> Sequence found in this puzzle's	<b>37</b> Avid	<b>82</b> Tax form pro	<b>120</b> Juicy Fruit, e.g.
		<b>97</b> — -ray Disc	<b>129</b> Sequence found in this puzzle's	<b>38</b> First strategy	<b>83</b> Went to town on	<b>121</b> Bullring yell
		<b>98</b> Long-headed antelope	<b>129</b> Sequence found in this puzzle's	<b>40</b> Buddy		
			<b>129</b> Sequence found in this puzzle's	<b>41</b> Viking locale		
			<b>129</b> Sequence found in this puzzle's	<b>45</b> E-address		
			<b>129</b> Sequence found in this puzzle's	<b>46</b> Plaster painting		



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# GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

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

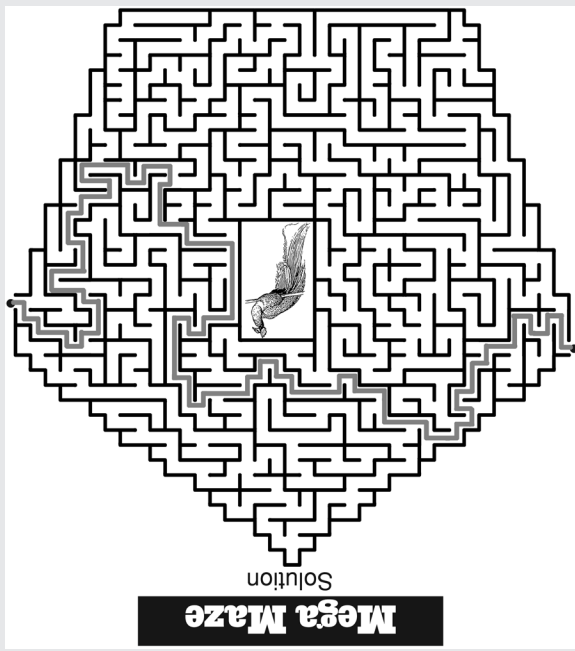
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MIDFIRST BANK PLAINTIFF,

-vs-

Debra G. Ertl a/k/a Debra Gail Ertl; United States of America; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS

DEFENDANTS NO. 19 CH 24

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Public Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment entered in the above entitled matter on September 29, 2021;

Mike Walker, Sheriff, 101 W. Washington St., Clinton, IL 61727, will on January 5, 2022 at 10:00 AM, at Dewitt County Courthouse, 201 W. Washington Street, Clinton, IL 61727, sell to the highest bidder for ten percent (10%) at the time of sale and the balance within twenty-four (24) hours, the following described premises situated in Dewitt County, Illinois.

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W18-1944

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 6TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

DE WITT COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Self Help Ventures Fund;

Plaintiff,

vs.

Unknown Heirs and

Legatees of Donna M. Driscoll; Jerry L. Foehrer; Jerimiah Foehrer; Nicole L. Foehrer a/k/a Nicole L. Loewenstein; Cassondra L. Kamalov; Joe Dehn, as Special Representative of Donna M. Driscoll;

Defendants.

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NOTICE OF JUDICIAL SALE OF REAL ESTATE

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to a judgment heretofore entered by the said court occurred in the above entitled cause, Sheriff of De Witt, Illinois, will on January 5, 2022, at the hour of 10:00 AM at Dewitt County Sheriff's Office, 101 W. Washington St., Clinton, IL 61727, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate in the said judgment mentioned, situated in the County of De Witt, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy such judgment to wit:

C/K/A: 800 Chicago Street, Dewitt, IL 61735

PIN: 09-19-284-001

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Please apply on-line at [www.applitrack.com/Clinton/onlineapp](http://www.applitrack.com/Clinton/onlineapp) unless noted otherwise.

**Clinton High School**  
1. **English Teacher**, application deadline December 17, 2021

**Lincoln School**  
1. **Speech Language Pathologist**, application deadline December 17, 2021

**Douglas School**  
1. **Clerical Aide (5 hours a day)**, application deadline December 17, 2021.

**Clinton Elementary School**  
1. **Teacher's Aide**, (pay range \$14-\$16.28 per hour, depending on tier) Please see website for requirements for paraprofessional license <https://roe17.org/licensure/paraprofessionals>, application deadline December 17, 2021

**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.

**Athletics**  
1. **Assistant HS Boys Track Coach**, please apply online or email letter of interest, resume, and letter of recommendation to Matt Koeppel, AD, at [mkoeppep@cusd15.org](mailto:mkoeppep@cusd15.org), application deadline December 17, 2021

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**Maintenance/Custodians**  
1. **Substitute Custodians** (potential to move into regular full-time position) application deadline December 17, 2021. 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.  
1. **Individual 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 follow the student's day of attendance, 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>  
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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family home . The Property is not open for inspection prior to sale.	ED IN THE COUN- TY OF DEWITT, IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.	names and post-of- fice addresses of all the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as:	Property is not open for inspection prior to sale.	<div>LEGAL</div>	Clerk of the Circuit Court	<div>LEGAL</div>	Estate Taxes \$12,743.46 Piatt County Col- lector Real Estate Taxes \$176,992.18 Other Income Miscellaneous \$1,544.00
The real estate, together with all buildings and im- provements there- on, and tenements, hereditament and appurtenances thereunto belonging shall be sold under such terms.	Commonly known as 28 Holly Drive, Clinton, IL 61727	4 SEE A CHANGE COACHING 116 N JAMES ST FARMER CITY, IL 61842.	The real estate, together with all buildings and im- provements there- on, and tenements, hereditament and appurtenances thereunto belonging shall be sold under such terms.	Public Notice is hereby given that on Monday, De- cember 6, 2021, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of De- Witt County, Illinois, setting forth the names and post-of- fice addresses of all the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as:	LAMKIN AND LAM- KIN, P.C. ATTORNEYS AT LAW 200 South Monroe Street Post Office Box 597 Clinton, Illinois 61727 Telephone: 217/935-3186	DeWitt County Zoning Board of Appeals Case A-31-2021  Notice is hereby given that a revised Solar Energy Systems Ordinance has been filed with the above-named board.	<b>2. All expen- ditures where total amount paid exceeds \$2,500.00 for the fiscal year:</b> All Your Needs Consulting, Inc \$4,270.00 Amazon \$4,094.96 Ameren IP Gas & Electric \$5,202.05 Andrew Stiger \$5,202.05 Banner Fire Equip- ment, Inc \$4,218.29 Breathing Air Sys- tems \$42,601.30 Compass Insur- ance Partners \$11,565.00 Corner FS \$4,078.43 Dinges Fire Equip- ment \$23,597.66 ESO Solutions, Inc \$3,893.40 Feller & Kuester, Inc \$3,225.00 FireCatt Precision Service Testing \$3,411.95 Global Technical Systems \$3,255.19 MCS Office Technologies \$10,977.85 Municipal Emer- gency Services \$22,682.37 Zoll Medical Corpo- ration \$44,356.00
The Wirbicki Law Group LLC	Residential	Dated: Wednesday, December 1, 2021	The Wirbicki Law Group LLC	Chicago, IL 60603	Legal 19366 December 10, 17 and 24, 2021	<i>DeWitt County Code of Ordinanc- es: TITLE XV LAND USAGE: CHAPTER 157 – SOLAR EN- ERGY SYSTEMS ORDINANCE</i>	
Attorney for Plaintiff	The property will NOT be open for inspection prior to the sale and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property.	No. 2021-161	Attorney for Plaintiff	33 W. Monroe St., Suite 1540		A copy of the pro- posed revised Solar Energy Systems Ordinance may be obtained at the Zoning Office in the County Building located at 201 W. Washington, Clin- ton, IL, or online at www.dewittcountyill. com.	
33 W. Monroe St., Suite 1540		/s/Dana Smith kln <b>COUNTY CLERK</b>	33 W. Monroe St., Suite 1540	Phone: 312-360- 9455	<div>LEGAL</div>	The Clinton CUSD 15 school board will be conducting a waiver hearing for the purpose of taking public testi- mony concerning the waiver of tuition charge for children of district staff who live outside district boundaries. The hearing will take place on December 21, 2021 at 6:30 pm at the Clinton Jr. High School library located at 701 Illini Drive, Clinton, IL.	
Chicago, IL 60603	The judgment amount was \$153,433.99. Pro- spective purchasers are admonished to check the court file and title records to verify this informa- tion. IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAG- OR (HOMEOWN- ER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POS- SESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POS- SESSION, IN AC- CORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701 (C) OF THE ILLI- NOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.	Legal 19361 December 10, 17 and 24, 2021	Chicago, IL 60603	W18-1944	No. 2021-163	Legal 19369 December 17, 2021	
Phone: 312-360- 9455		<div>LEGAL</div>	pleadings.il@wir- bickilaw.com		/s/Dana Smith <b>COUNTY CLERK</b>	<div>LEGAL</div>	Notice is hereby given to all inter- ested parties that a public hearing will be held on the above-mentioned recommendations on the 3rd day of January 2022, at 6:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as is possible. Said hearing will be held in the DeWitt County Building, 201 W. Washington St., Clinton, IL.
W18-1944		“THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFOR- MATION	Legal 19362 December 10, 17 and 24, 2021	<div>LEGAL</div>	Legal 19364 December 10, 17 and 24, 2021	ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS	
pleadings.il@wir- bickilaw.com		OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE”		STATE OF IL- LINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JU- DICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF DE- WITT	IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DE WITT COUNTY - IN PROBATE	Case R-125-2021	
I3182686		W18-1944		Estate of: Dorene R. Smith Deceased. CASE NO. 2021 P 48	IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CLARA MARIE TAYLOR, De- ceased.	<div>NOTICE</div>	
Legal 19362RE December 10, 17 and 24, 2021		IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 6TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT		Notice is given to the creditors of the death of Dorene R. Smith, of 817 E. Johnson., Clinton, Illinois 61727. Letters of Office were issued on November 15, 2021 to Phyllis McGhee, Independent Executor, 3967 Val- ley Dr., Clinton, Illi- nois 61727, whose attorney is Stepha- nie L. Scoles, 204 E. Side Square, Clinton, Illinois 61727. The estate will be administered without court super- vision unless under Section 28-4 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/28- 4) any interested person terminates independent ad- ministration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the clerk. Claims against the Estate must be filed in the office of the Clerk of DeWitt County Circuit Court, DeWitt County Courthouse, 201 W. Washington, Clinton, Illinois 61727, or with the representative, or both, on or before May 15, 2022 or, if mailing or delivery of a Notice from the representative is required by Section 18-3 of the Probate Act, the date stated in the Notice. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the represen- tative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.	NO. 21-P-51	JOHN HANNAH, Treasurer of the Northern Piatt Fire Protection District, pursuant to 30 ILCS 15/1, hereby makes his annual state- ment of receipts and disbursements of public officers pursuant to said Act, as follows:	
<div>LEGAL</div>		DE WITT COUNTY, ILLINOIS		NOTICE IS HERE- BY GIVEN, that pursuant to a judg- ment heretofore entered by the said court occurred in the above entitled cause, Sheriff of De Witt, Illinois, will on January 5, 2022, at the hour of 10:00 AM at Dewitt Coun- ty Sheriff’s Office, 101 W. Washing- ton St., Clinton, IL 61727, sell at public auction to the high- est bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate in the said judgment mentioned, situated in the County of De Witt, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy such judgment to wit:	DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE	Notice is given that Ken & Angela Copenbarger, has requested that the following property be rezoned from the present Agri- culture District (A) to Rural Develop- ment-2 District (RD- 2) use compliance to the zoning code on the following described property:	
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 6TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DEWITT COUNTY, CLINTON, ILLI- NOIS	For Bid Amount contact: Sale Clerk LOGS Legal Group LLP 2121 Waukegan Road, Suite 301 Bannockburn, IL 60015 ILNOTICES@logs. com (847) 291-1717	Self Help Ventures Fund;		MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE	NOTICE	<i>S15 T19 PT NW NE – Beg NW Cor E339, S362, W339, N362 to POB.</i>	
MIDFIRST BANK PLAINTIFF,	MidFirst Bank	Plaintiff,		NOTICE OF JU- DICIAL SALE OF REAL ESTATE	DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE	The named prop- erty is approximately 2.82 acres, and is commonly located at 21500 Airport Rd, Weldon, IL in Nixon Township, PIN Number 14-15- 200-002.	
-vs-	One of Plaintiff’s Attorneys	vs.		NOTICE OF REAL ESTATE	DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE	Notice is hereby given to all inter- ested parties that a public hearing on the above men- tioned request will be held on the 3 <sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2022 at 6:00 P.M., or as soon thereaf- ter as is possible. Said hearing will be held at the DeWitt County Building, 201 W. Washington St., Clinton, IL.	
Debra G. Ertl a/k/a Debra Gail Ertl; United States of America; UN- KNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RE- CORD CLAIM- ANTS; UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS	LOGS Legal Group LLP Attorney for Plaintiff 2121 Waukegan Road, Suite 301 Bannockburn, IL 60015 (847) 291-1717 ILNOTICES@logs. com Randal S. Berg (6277119) Michael N. Burke (6291435) Christopher A. Cie- niawa (6187452) Joseph M. Herbas (6277645) Michael Kalkowski (6185654) Laura J. Anderson (6224385) Mallory Snyderman (6306039) Thomas Belczak (6193705)	Defendants.		MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE	DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE	1. All monies received and from what source: Champaign County Collector Real Estate Taxes \$13,415.17 Comptroller \$1,735.30 DeWitt County Col- lector Real Estate Taxes \$1,640.68 First Mid-Illinois Bank Interest \$296.61 Interest Earned Interest \$14.39 Illinois Municipal League Foreign Fire Tax \$3,715.38 McLean County Collector Real	
DEFENDANTS NO. 19 CH 24	THIS IS AN AT- TEMPT TO COL- LECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMA- TION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PUR- POSE. PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT IF YOUR PER- SONAL LIABILITY FOR THIS DEBT HAS BEEN EX- TINGUISHED BY A DISCHARGE IN BANKRUPTCY OR BY AN OR- DER GRANTING IN REM RELIEF FROM STAY, THIS NOTICE IS PRO- VIDED SOLELY TO FORECLOSE THE MORTGAGE REMAINING ON YOUR PROPER- TY AND IS NOT AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT THE DISCHARGED PERSONAL OBLI- GATION. 6114-919179	18 CH 37		NOTICE IS HERE- BY GIVEN, that pursuant to a judg- ment heretofore entered by the said court occurred in the above entitled cause, Sheriff of De Witt, Illinois, will on January 5, 2022, at the hour of 10:00 AM at Dewitt Coun- ty Sheriff’s Office, 101 W. Washing- ton St., Clinton, IL 61727, sell at public auction to the high- est bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate in the said judgment mentioned, situated in the County of De Witt, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy such judgment to wit:	DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE	JOHN HANNAH, Treasurer of the Northern Piatt Fire Protection District, pursuant to said Act, as follows:	
NOTICE OF SHER- IFF’S SALE		NOTICE OF REAL ESTATE		NOTICE IS HERE- BY GIVEN, that pursuant to a judg- ment heretofore entered by the said court occurred in the above entitled cause, Sheriff of De Witt, Illinois, will on January 5, 2022, at the hour of 10:00 AM at Dewitt Coun- ty Sheriff’s Office, 101 W. Washing- ton St., Clinton, IL 61727, sell at public auction to the high- est bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate in the said judgment mentioned, situated in the County of De Witt, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy such judgment to wit:	DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE	JOHN HANNAH, Treasurer of the Northern Piatt Fire Protection District, pursuant to said Act, as follows:	
Public Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judg- ment entered in the above entitled matter on Septem- ber 29, 2021;		MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE		NOTICE IS HERE- BY GIVEN, that pursuant to a judg- ment heretofore entered by the said court occurred in the above entitled cause, Sheriff of De Witt, Illinois, will on January 5, 2022, at the hour of 10:00 AM at Dewitt Coun- ty Sheriff’s Office, 101 W. Washing- ton St., Clinton, IL 61727, sell at public auction to the high- est bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate in the said judgment mentioned, situated in the County of De Witt, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy such judgment to wit:	DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE	JOHN HANNAH, Treasurer of the Northern Piatt Fire Protection District, pursuant to said Act, as follows:	
Mike Walker, Sher- iff, 101 W. Wash- ington St., Clinton, IL 61727, will on January 5, 2022 at 10:00 AM, at Dewitt County Courthouse, 201 W. Washington Street, Clinton, IL 61727, sell to the high- est bidder for ten percent (10%) at the time of sale and the balance within twenty-four (24) hours, the following described premises situated in Dewitt County, Illinois.		NOTICE IS HERE- BY GIVEN, that pursuant to a judg- ment heretofore entered by the said court occurred in the above entitled cause, Sheriff of De Witt, Illinois, will on January 5, 2022, at the hour of 10:00 AM at Dewitt Coun- ty Sheriff’s Office, 101 W. Washing- ton St., Clinton, IL 61727, sell at public auction to the high- est bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate in the said judgment mentioned, situated in the County of De Witt, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy such judgment to wit:		NOTICE IS HERE- BY GIVEN, that pursuant to a judg- ment heretofore entered by the said court occurred in the above entitled cause, Sheriff of De Witt, Illinois, will on January 5, 2022, at the hour of 10:00 AM at Dewitt Coun- ty Sheriff’s Office, 101 W. Washing- ton St., Clinton, IL 61727, sell at public auction to the high- est bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate in the said judgment mentioned, situated in the County of De Witt, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy such judgment to wit:	DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE	JOHN HANNAH, Treasurer of the Northern Piatt Fire Protection District, pursuant to said Act, as follows:	
Said sale shall be subject to gener- al taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate and any prior liens or 1st Mort- gages. The subject property is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title or recourse to Plaintiff and in “AS IS” condition.		LOTS 2 AND 3 IN BLOCK 14 IN DAY’S ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF MARION NOW THE VILLAGE OF DEWITT, SITUAT- ED IN THE COUN- TY OF DEWITT AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.		NOTICE IS HERE- BY GIVEN, that pursuant to a judg- ment heretofore entered by the said court occurred in the above entitled cause, Sheriff of De Witt, Illinois, will on January 5, 2022, at the hour of 10:00 AM at Dewitt Coun- ty Sheriff’s Office, 101 W. Washing- ton St., Clinton, IL 61727, sell at public auction to the high- est bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate in the said judgment mentioned, situated in the County of De Witt, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy such judgment to wit:	DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE	JOHN HANNAH, Treasurer of the Northern Piatt Fire Protection District, pursuant to said Act, as follows:	
Upon the sale being held and the purchaser tendering said bid in certified funds, a receipt of Sale will be issued and/or a Certificate of Sale as required, which will entitle the purchaser to a deed upon confirmation of said sale by the Court.		C/K/A: 800 Chicago Street, Dewitt, IL 61735		NOTICE IS HERE- BY GIVEN, that pursuant to a judg- ment heretofore entered by the said court occurred in the above entitled cause, Sheriff of De Witt, Illinois, will on January 5, 2022, at the hour of 10:00 AM at Dewitt Coun- ty Sheriff’s Office, 101 W. Washing- ton St., Clinton, IL 61727, sell at public auction to the high- est bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate in the said judgment mentioned, situated in the County of De Witt, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy such judgment to wit:	DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE	JOHN HANNAH, Treasurer of the Northern Piatt Fire Protection District, pursuant to said Act, as follows:	
Said property is legally described as follows:		PIN: 09-19-284-001		NOTICE IS HERE- BY GIVEN, that pursuant to a judg- ment heretofore entered by the said court occurred in the above entitled cause, Sheriff of De Witt, Illinois, will on January 5, 2022, at the hour of 10:00 AM at Dewitt Coun- ty Sheriff’s Office, 101 W. Washing- ton St., Clinton, IL 61727, sell at public auction to the high- est bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate in the said judgment mentioned, situated in the County of De Witt, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy such judgment to wit:	DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE	JOHN HANNAH, Treasurer of the Northern Piatt Fire Protection District, pursuant to said Act, as follows:	
LOT 57 IN FLAIR THIRD SUBDI- VISION TO THE CITY OF CLINTON, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT RE- CORDED APRIL 15, 1977 IN PLAT BOOK “H” PAGE 48 AS DOCUMENT NO. 110565 IN THE RECORD- ER’S OFFICE OF DEWITT COUNTY, ILLINOIS, SITUAT-	Legal 19359 December 2, 10 and 17, 2021	The person to contact regarding information regard- ing this property is: Sales Dept., The Wirbicki Law Group, 33 W. Mon- roe St., Suite 1540, Chicago, IL 60603. Any questions regarding this sale should refer to file number W18-1944. The terms of the sale are Cash. 10% at time of sale, with the balance due within 24 hours. The property is improved by: single family home . The		NOTICE IS HERE- BY GIVEN, that pursuant to a judg- ment heretofore entered by the said court occurred in the above entitled cause, Sheriff of De Witt, Illinois, will on January 5, 2022, at the hour of 10:00 AM at Dewitt Coun- ty Sheriff’s Office, 101 W. Washing- ton St., Clinton, IL 61727, sell at public auction to the high- est bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate in the said judgment mentioned, situated in the County of De Witt, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy such judgment to wit:	DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE	JOHN HANNAH, Treasurer of the Northern Piatt Fire Protection District, pursuant to said Act, as follows:	
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	ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION NOTICE			NOTICE IS HERE- BY GIVEN, that pursuant to a judg- ment heretofore entered by the said court occurred in the above entitled cause, Sheriff of De Witt, Illinois, will on January 5, 2022, at the hour of 10:00 AM at Dewitt Coun- ty Sheriff’s Office, 101 W. Washing- ton St., Clinton, IL 61727, sell at public auction to the high- est bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate in the said judgment mentioned, situated in the County of De Witt, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy such judgment to wit:	DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE	JOHN HANNAH, Treasurer of the Northern Piatt Fire Protection District, pursuant to said Act, as follows:	
	Public Notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, De- cember 1, 2021, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of De- Witt County, Illinois, setting forth the			NOTICE IS HERE- BY GIVEN, that pursuant to a judg- ment heretofore entered by the said court occurred in the above entitled cause, Sheriff of De Witt, Illinois, will on January 5, 2022, at the hour of 10:00 AM at Dewitt Coun- ty Sheriff’s Office, 101 W. Washing- ton St., Clinton, IL 61727, sell at public auction to the high- est bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate in the said judgment mentioned, situated in the County of De Witt, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy such judgment to wit:	DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE	JOHN HANNAH, Treasurer of the Northern Piatt Fire Protection District, pursuant to said Act, as follows:	



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CLINTON, IL  
61727.

{SEAL}

Dated: Wednesday, December 8, 2021

No. 2021-165

/s/Dana Smith  
COUNTY CLERK

Legal 19376  
December 17, 24  
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MAIN STREET SALON  
215 E MAIN  
CLINTON, IL  
61727.

{SEAL}

Dated: Tuesday, December 7, 2021

No. 2021-164

/s/Dana Smith  
COUNTY CLERK

Legal 19373  
December 17, 24  
and 31, 2021

setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as:

GROW5!  
210 EAST MAIN ST  
CLINTON, IL  
61727.

{SEAL}

Dated: Wednesday, December 8, 2021

No. 2021-165

/s/Dana Smith  
COUNTY CLERK

Legal 19376  
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ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on Friday, December 10, 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:

MAIN STREET INSURANCE GROUP  
1011 E RICHARDSON  
FARMER CITY, IL  
61842.

{SEAL}

Dated: Monday, December 10, 2021

No. 2021-166

/s/Dana Smith  
COUNTY CLERK

Legal 19374  
December 17, 24  
and 31, 2021

LEGAL

Notice of Public Sale is hereby given that an auction will be held online on [www.lockerfox.com](http://www.lockerfox.com) beginning on January 13, 2022 at 12:00pm ending January 20, 2022, 12:01 pm to 12:03 pm to sell the following individuals' articles to enforce lien against such articles, for storage furnished at Storage Unlimited, 1506 Route 54 East, Clinton IL 61727, (217) 935-3200 under a rental agreement with:

12:01 pm, Randall Ayers, occupant of space 1B44, items: lamps, vacuums, printer, toaster oven, assorted tubs, totes and misc.

12:03 pm, James Howell, occupant of space 1M11, items: rolltops desks, mini fridge, telescope, assorted household goods, assorted boxes, totes and misc.

Legal 19375  
December 17 and 24, 2021

LEGAL

ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, December 8, 2021, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of De-Witt County, Illinois,

# Poinsettias add a rainbow of color options to holiday décor

By Andrew Holsinger

URBANA, Ill. – With their bright red blooms, Poinsettia’s are a holiday tradition, but buyers don’t have to limit their selection to one color. This winter, celebrate and decorate with a rainbow of Poinsettias.

University of Illinois Extension Horticulture Educator Andrew Holsinger says there are plenty of new hues to choose from painted poinsettias

“Beyond the traditional natural shades of red, there are many other colors that can be sought after when purchasing a Poinsettia,” Holsinger says. “If you are like me, you don’t want to limit your selection to the traditional red.”

A number of natural colors are available including pink, white, yellow, and salmon. Any blue and purple Poinsettias are actually cream-colored varieties that have been spray

painted.

Poinsettia’s color comes from bracts which are actually modified leaves. These bracts are prompted to change color in response to shorter winter daylight. While bracts of some varieties of Poinsettia are uniformly colored, others offer patterns that add to the uniqueness of these plants.

Some new and unique varieties to look for are ‘Orange Spice,’ ‘Ice Punch,’ ‘Peppermint Twist,’ ‘Winter Rose,’ ‘Red Winter Rose,’ and ‘Red Glitter.’

Poinsettias are compact plants that when properly cared for have a long-lasting display of color. Keeping them at the ideal temperature of 65°F to 70°F during the day will keep the plants healthy and colors more vibrant. Single plants can be used as a tabletop floral display. A mass display of Poinsettias makes a stunning wave

of holiday color.

“After the holidays are over Poinsettias can be kept for the next season,” Holsinger says. “To ‘re-bloom’ a Poinsettia, bring it inside after summer and provide the proper lighting conditions to trigger the coloring.”

Artificially colored plants will not carry over their dyed color.

When choosing plants, select Poinsettias with cyathia that are green-tipped or red-tipped. Instead of the colorful bracts, The cyathia are the true flowers of these plants. The greenish-yellow flowers are clustered at the center of the bracts. The cyathia can be examined when purchasing a Poinsettia to determine freshness and duration of bloom. Plants with yellow cyathia or pollen indicate that the plant is past its prime.

A healthy plant will need an appropriate location. Provide

adequate light but not direct sun. Avoid drafts from windows or heating vents. Make sure that adequate drainage is provided. Foil wrappings often foil the success of keeping Poinsettias for the duration of the holiday season since they keep the container from fully draining.

When decorating your home, a fun crafty project can be to paint Poinsettias. Start with a cream-colored variety and obtain a dye suited for floral application. Make sure to protect tabletops when applying special floral spray paints.

Explore more about how to care for Poinsettias with a University of Illinois Extension infoshet at [go.illinois.edu/PoinsettiaCare](http://go.illinois.edu/PoinsettiaCare).

SOURCE: Andrew Holsinger, Horticulture Educator, Illinois Extension

# Make a big difference on small farms with winter workshops

By Emily Steele

URBANA, Ill. – Every small farm is different. Direct market farmers sending produce to local restaurants have different needs than homesteaders getting started with livestock for the first time. But small farmers, hobby operations, and backyard growers alike can always trust University of Illinois Extension to have a solution.

The 2022 Small Farms Winter 10-part webinar series starts on January 20 with weekly workshops on emerging topics such as agroforestry and regenerative agriculture to always popular sessions on growing grapes and vermicomposting.

All sessions are at noon on

Thursdays from January 20 to March 24. Courses are free and open to the public. Learn more about the sessions being offered or sign up online at [go.illinois.edu/SmFarmsWebinarSeries](http://go.illinois.edu/SmFarmsWebinarSeries).

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