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Work has started on the staging area, known as a lay-down yard, for the Alta Farms II wind energy project. The lay-down yard is located on Astor Road, northeast of Hallsville about three-quarters of a mile north of Rt. 10. Workers have been bulldozing an area in preparation for a white rock surface. Trucks unloaded rock at the north end of the approximately 20-acre site.

Wind project site catches some officials by surprise

Lay-down yard in progress north of Hallsville

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CLINTON — The county’s zoning administrator recently approved a staging area, known as a lay-down yard, for the planned wind energy project. But some county officials expressed frustration they didn’t know about it.

Work on the lay-down yard began north of Hallsville about two weeks

ago. Zoning administrator Aaron Paque’ told land use committee members on Monday he issued a certificate of zoning compliance for the site associated with the wind project.

“Right now, they are currently in the construction phase of the lay-down yard,” Paque’ said.

Committee chairman Terry Ferguson said the language for the lay-down yard was included in Enel’s application for their special use permit for the wind project, “along with a concrete patch plant.”

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Solar energy developer faces questions, comments from wind-tempered board

Questions about decommissioning, coolness toward solar energy among discussion

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CLINTON — County officials were aware there were solar energy developers looking at DeWitt County as a future project site. On Monday, the county’s land use committee heard from one of those developers.

Monday’s virtual meeting between committee members and the Swift Current Energy project manager was cordial, but the manager of the proposed solar project

faced sharp questions and comments from officials now tempered by their experiences in trying to regulate wind energy in the county.

Daniel Sheehan, a project manager for Swift, gave land use members an overview of the proposed Triple Black Diamond solar project to be located about three miles southwest of Weldon.

“We’re looking to develop a 250 megawatt solar project,” Sheehan said.

The \$290 million project would encompass

approximately 1,700 acres.

“We’re working with a couple of land owners. We’re in the middle of the development stage right now,” Sheehan said.

He said the company was still in the process of securing property it needs for the project and was ready to begin pursuing a special use permit from the county. The company’s wetland and other studies for the project are currently underway. Sheehan said he would supply the county with a book outlining steps taken to comply with the

conditions of the permit, “once those are complete.”

Sheehan also said Swift would include a complete decommissioning plan with its project application.

The total estimated tax revenue for the county over 35 years would be \$44 million, about \$1.3 per year split among the local taxing districts.

Based on how the state places valuation on solar projects per megawatt, committee chairman Terry Ferguson questioned the accuracy of Sheehan’s figures.

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Courtesy of The Vault
Daisy, the comfort dog
Goldendoodle, Daisy, made a successful introduction at The Vault teen and community center recently as she began her training period to become the Center’s official comfort dog.

‘Envision U’ summer career camps at The Vault

Career camps for entering 7th-12th grade students begin in June

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CLINTON — The staff at The Vault teen and community center continues to be visionary not just in offering area teens fun things to do but in giving them opportunities to explore themselves. One of those opportunities even has the word “vision” in it.

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Guild for their financial sponsorship gifts,” Witzke said.

She said sponsors were still needed. A n y o n e interested in joining the team of sponsors or signing up a student, call The Vault at (217) 934-4003 for more information.

“Thanks also to our faithful volunteers; we are looking forward to a great summer,” Witzke said.

Camps are for entering 7th-12 grade students.

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On 04/10/21 Clinton Police arrested Ashleigh L. Hardy 28, Tiptonville, TN for Driving while License Suspended. Hardy was transported to the DeWitt County Jail and released to Corrections.

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Darcey Robinson, 30, Aurora, was issued Citations for Unlawful Display of Registration Plate, Speeding (80 mph in a 55 mph zone), Operating Uninsured Vehicle, and Driving while License Suspended. Robinson was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Kourtney Ewing, 30, Decatur, was issued a Citation for Speeding (26-34 mph over the limit). Ewing was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Chimerera Thompson, 39, Bloomington, was issued a Citation for Speeding (65 mph in a 45 mph zone). Thompson was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Jackie Howard, 42, Clinton, was arrested on a DeWitt County Warrant charging him with Misd Fail/Return from Furlough. Howard posted the necessary bond and was released.

Nick Woodruff, 30, Decatur, was issued Citations for Failure to Reduce Speed/Accident; Leave Scene of Accident; Operating Uninsured Vehicle. Woodruff was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Keiron Sneed, 38, Clinton, was arrested on a DeWitt County Warrant charging him with Domestic BTRY/Physical Contact. Sneed posted the necessary bond and was released.

Karl Todtenbier, 18, Deland, was issued Citations for Speeding (72 mph in a 55 mph zone) and Operating Uninsured Vehicle. Todtenbier was also issued a Civil Citation for Possession of Cannabis, not more than 10 Grams. Todtenbier was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Tammy Dunbar-

Shepherd, 39, Lane, was issued Citations for Failure to Reduce Speed/Accident and Failure to Give Information After Striking Vehicle on Other Property. Dunbar-Shepherd was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Ronette Frank, 47, Mt. Pulaski, was issued a Citation for Operating Uninsured Vehicle. Frank was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Investigation into the scene of an accident which occurred at 1207 on 3/30/21 revealed that Christopher Colley, 43, Moberly, MO, was traveling Southwest on IL State Route 54. Joseph Lauterberg, 19, Heyworth, was traveling east on East Road, west of IL State Route 54. Lauterberg did not observe Colley, nor the stop sign and struck Colley on the rear semitrailer tires, causing major front end damage to Lauterberg's vehicle and causing the airbag to deploy. Colley's vehicle sustained damage to the rear passenger side trailer axle. Colley's vehicle was temporarily driven to a grain bin on the south side of the IL State Route 54, so it could be un-loaded, and the tire re-secured to the trailer. Lauterberg's vehicle was towed by Gary's Towing to Kathy's Collision. Lauterberg was issued a Citation for Failure to Reduce Speed/Accident. Lauterberg was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Laura Alspach, 33, Latham, was issued a Citation for Illegal Transportation of Alcohol, and a NTA for Macon County Warrant, charging her with Poss Drug Paraphernalia/Failure to Pay or Appear. Alspach was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Torey Lancaster, 28, Lincoln, was arrested and charged with Possess Drug Paraphernalia and Possession of Meth<5 grams. Lancaster posted the necessary bond and was released

Derrick Douglas, 20, Decatur, was arrested on DeWitt County Warrants Charging him with Obstructing Identification/FTA and Sex Offender Failure to Report Change of Address. Douglas, unable to post the necessary bond remains lodged in the DeWitt County Jail.

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

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"I don't think your numbers are right," Ferguson said.

Sheehan said he would double-check the information and send the committee a sheet showing how the figures are broken down.

Swift plans to be ready for public hearings for the project by the third quarter of 2021. He said they were working by a 90-day schedule toward that goal.

Committee member Aaron Kammeyer questioned whether the county could be ready for hearings in 90 days, citing what he called a "cut-and-paste" nature of the county's ordinance.

Committee member Melonie Tilley said she felt the county would need to review its solar ordinance in April in order to be ready, based on Swift's 90-day schedule.

"I don't feel like the county needs to be in a position where we have to rush through something in order to ensure that we protect the county and the residents and everyone that's involved," Kammeyer said.

The committee recently agreed to begin reviewing its wind ordinance. But, Ferguson said they might now need to change priorities.

In answer to a question from Kammeyer, Sheehan said Swift leases project land for 50 years. He said the "lifespan" of the project could be considered indefinite because solar panel and associated equipment could be updated over time.

"It (the project) can be re-powered, panels can

be replaced, that type of thing," Sheehan said. "We're looking at a 35-50-year term depending on different aspects that factor in."

Swift's decommissioning plan will be fully-funded and include a letter of credit, Sheehan said.

"That would cover all the decommissioning aspects of the project," he said.

Decommissioning would include dismantling the project and returning the land to agricultural use.

Committee member Buck Carter was blunt in his comments about the proposed solar energy project and solar energy in general.

"Mr. Sheehan, I would just like to remind you that the vision for DeWitt County is to preserve the agricultural heritage and to provide high quality residential growth," Carter said. "I, personally, am not excited about solar power. I just want you to know what you'll be dealing with when you come in."

Carter also is an opponent of the planned Alta Farms II wind energy project.

Sheehan is a Mt. Pulaski native.

Swift Current Energy is a Boston, Mass.-based green energy company. Swift also designs wind energy projects, including two planned for Mason County, which were acquired in July 2020 by Cordelio Power. Swift has an office in Springfield.

The company also has solar energy projects currently in planning for the Sangamon, Christian and Morgan counties.

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But, some members of the committee said they were unaware the yard had been approved until seeing photos of the site work posted on Facebook.

"Our ordinance is pretty specific that construction lay-down yards don't require a building permit," Ferguson said. "Aaron (Paque') made the call that it did meet the criteria for the special use permit."

Aaron Kammeyer asked if, by approving construction of the lay-down yard, it somehow implied Enel had met all the requirements of the special use permit for beginning the wind project. The county approved the special use permit in 2020.

Ferguson and Paque' both said it did not.

Paque' said a letter issued to Enel officials was clear that approval of the lay-down yard "did not absolve them of meeting the other conditions."

Paque said his office would not issue permits unless it was certain Enel had met all conditions.

"That's the reason the permit (for the lay-down yard) was submitted on March 1 but didn't get approved until March 23," Paque said. "We wanted to make sure every bit of it was in order."

Paque is assisted by an engineering firm hired by the county in making decisions about wind project permits.

The county health department is the authority that would grant a permit for a well also requested for the site. The land owner must apply for that permit.

The questioning led Kammeyer and other committee members to express frustration they weren't informed once the lay-down yard was approved by the zoning office.

Generally, the zoning administrator approves building permits based on his own knowledge and authority granted by his position. Land use members receive a

monthly report about all building permits granted in the previous 30 days.

But, Kammeyer and fellow committee member Melonie Tilley felt they should receive more frequent communications regarding large projects, such as the wind energy project.

"It would have been nice for the board members to have known about this prior to the community posting that the lay-down yard had been approved," Tilley said.

Tilley also questioned the wisdom of approving the lay-down yard site before a permit for a well was granted.

"What if they can't get the well approved," she asked.

"I just ask that, in the future, we be notified whenever something big is about to happen with the wind farm," Ferguson said.

Ferguson and committee member Jay Wickenhauser also came to Paque's defense in regard to his authority as zoning administrator and the communications issue.

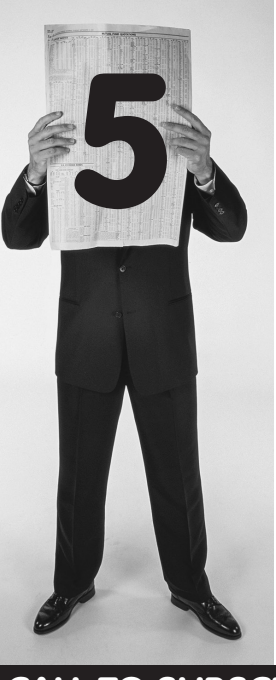
"The lay-down yard was issued a permit," Ferguson said. "It seems to have been done with all the authority our ordinance gives the zoning officer," Ferguson said.

Ferguson said the county needed to have confidence in how its system works or change the responsibilities of the zoning administrator if officials think it's necessary.

"Let's deal with it and go forward."

Kammeyer said he, too, wanted to exhibit confidence in the county's zoning administrator but felt board members should exert oversight over such a large project.

"I think it's a lot to ask Aaron ...to come in and be able to put that all on his shoulders," Kammeyer said. "I think there needs to be shared responsibility."



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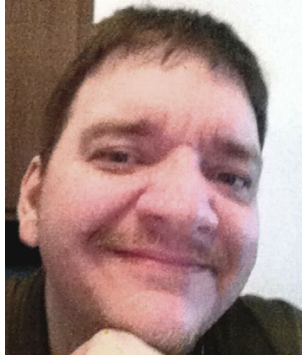
Alice Marie Coulter

O'FALLON, Ill. — Alice Marie Coulter, 69, passed away at her home in O'Fallon on March 19, 2021. She went peacefully, knowing she was going to see Jesus. She is survived by a loving son, Dan, of O'Fallon. Alice was born on Oct. 21, 1952, in Lincoln, Ill., to Ralph and Frances (Morris) Hopp, both deceased. She was a sister to Linda (Hopp) Crum, of Waynesville, Ill., and Theresa (Hopp) Overby,

of Atlanta, Ill. She was preceded in death by two brothers, Richard Hopp and Ralph Hopp, Jr. She was previously married to Dale Coulter, of Mason City, Ill. Alice worked for several years at Lehn & Fink, in Lincoln, attended Lincoln College and retired as an analyst from the Illinois Department of Transportation. She loved baseball and was a huge St. Louis Cardinals fan.

Jason Gentry

EFFINGHAM, Ill. — Big Jay, Jason Gentry, 46, our larger than life son, brother, uncle and friend has made his final journey here on this Earth on Friday, April 9, 2021. Our hearts are breaking at his unexpected passing. Jay was born on March 11, 1975, in Clinton. Jay loved his family, friends, and the Chicago Cubs. He loved gaming and playing poker with friends near and far. He never knew a stranger, and he made everyone he talked to feel better about themselves. Through the outpouring of love and affection from his varied network of friendships, we've affirmed his kindness, compassion, humor and generosity. The ability to bring laughter was his gift. Jay was a blessing and was loved by all who had the privilege to know him. He will be sorely missed. Jay is survived by his mother, Debbie (Mike) Johnson; father, Roger Gentry; sister, Eran (Kevin) Allen; step-siblings, Michele (Steve) Reese and Allen Johnson; nieces and nephews, McKenzie (Anthony)



Michael, Megan Allen, Noah Allen, Isaac Reese, and Eli Reese; and great-niece, Lettie Ann Giles. He was preceded in death by his maternal and paternal grandparents; cousin, Deanna Followell; and aunt, Kelly Gentry. A celebration of life will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, April 15, 2021, at Cornerstone Christian Church, in Effingham. Visitation will be held from 9 a.m. until the time of service on Thursday at the church. Arrangements are in the care of Johnson Funeral Home, in Effingham. Memorials may be made to the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation. Online condolences may be shared at www.johnsonandsonsfh.com.

Richard 'Rich' D. Buchanan

BLOOMINGTON — Known as someone who loved people, loved "working a room" and was a respected servant leader, former Bloomington Mayor, Richard "Rich" D. Buchanan, 81, passed away at 1:15 p.m. on Tuesday, March 30, 2021, at OSF St. Joseph Medical Center, in Bloomington. Ever-present in his strong faith, to quote Rich, "I'm in a battle with Alzheimer's, there is no cure, I'm going to lose this battle, but I have already won the war."



In-person private family services will be held. A public viewing of the service may be viewed on Saturday, April 10, 2021 at 10 a.m. by going to: <https://youtu.be/rR0DHWQ4q4Q>. A public celebration of Rich's life will be announced at a later date. Kibler-Brady-Ruestman Memorial Home is assisting the family with arrangements. Memorial contributions may be directed to the Grace Church Missions, Women to Women Illinois Prairieland Foundation, or Illinois Chapter of Alzheimer's Association. Rich was born on May 19, 1939, in Clinton, a son to Millard and Myrna Hawkins Buchanan. He married Judy Geary on July 6, 1963, in Sycamore; she survives. Rich was so proud of his wife Judy and his children, Jennifer, Julie and Gary. Surviving are his children, Jennifer Buchanan of Bloomington Julie (Mike Warren) Buchanan, of Oak Park, and Gary Buchanan of Bloomington; He delighted in being "Papau" to his two special granddaughters, Seabra Fae Holstein and Ellie Warren; Also surviving are sister, Janyce Gross, of Dwight; brother, Robert (Marilyn) Buchanan, of Mahomet; special nephews, Mike Ellington and Mike Gross, both of Bloomington; a host of nieces and nephews, and his aunt, Doris Hawkins of Clinton. Richard was preceded in death by his parents, three sisters and one brother. The Illinois Central Railroad, in Clinton, was Rich's roots, born to a railroad family. After U.S. Army service, Rich worked for General Telephone Company.

Later hired by State Farm, always upbeat and positive, Rich wanted to be remembered as an encourager. In 35 years at State Farm, he recruited thousands of young, recent college graduates to start their careers in the Systems Department. Rich served as Chairman of the McLean County Regional Planning Commission. He was elected to the Bloomington City Council, serving two terms, followed by two terms as mayor. His passion for community service was historic and he became regarded as a listener, a facilitator and one who made a difference. Rich's final electoral position was with the McLean County Board. He enjoyed seeing how another governmental unit operated and bringing his City experience to the position. An enthusiastic supporter of all things "Bloomington-Norma," Rich loved Barbershopping with Bloomington's Sound of Illinois Chorus, he followed Redbird basketball, and was a long-time supporter locally of women's softball. But his first "sports love" was the Chicago Cubs, to whom he was a loyal fan for 73 years. Rich and Judy were recipients of the 2019 History Makers award hosted by the McLean County History Museum. Judy, active in the political sphere, local and state politics and mental health, and with Rich involved their family in many a local civic project. Online condolences and memories of Rich may be left for the family at kiblerbradyruestman.com.

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Bonnie Ray Moran

CLINTON — Bonnie Fay (Adams) Moran, age 69, of Clinton, passed away peacefully at her residence surrounded by family on April 10, 2021.

Bonnie was born at Alton Memorial Hospital on April 22, 1951. She was the daughter of William Freeman and Ruby (Carter) Adams. Bonnie went on to be a 1970 graduate of Bunker Hill High School and later moved to Clinton.

Bonnie enjoyed spending time with her family at St. Joe State Park “Flat River,” where they camped, went four-wheeling and more. She also dedicated many years to working at Dr. John Warner Hospital. Ultimately, family and faith were two of Bonnie’s favorite things. She enjoyed being able to watch her grandchildren grow up and always expressed to them how proud they made her.

Bonnie is survived by her children, Tina Russell, Frankie Russell, Sheila Russell and Michelle Lambert, as well as her siblings, Dasda Baremore, Billy Adams, Carl Adams, Calvin Adams and Terry Adams. She is also survived by her eight grandchildren, Aundraya Rodas, Rebecca Russell, Isaiah Nichols, Kevin Rodas, Jasmin Lambert, Hannah Lambert, Sarah Russell and Faith Lambert.

Something many may not know about Bonnie is that she had twins. The family is comforted knowing that Bonnie and Theresa Russell are reunited once again. She also was preceded in death



by her siblings, Joann Adams, Mike Adams, Jay Adams, Timmy Adams and Les Adams.

Bonnie was a beloved mother, grandmother, friend and follower of Christ. Something she always expressed to her children and grandchildren is that there are always angels protecting them. Keeping her favorite song, “One Day at a Time,” in mind, the family now has an angel they know protecting over them every day.

The family would like to express great thanks to Pastor Scott Marsh, of Texas Christian Church, in Clinton, as well as everyone who has given kind words, cards, prayers and much more over the past five months. If desired, memorial contributions may be made to Texas Christian Church at 8301 Texas Church Rd., Clinton, IL, 61727. Condolences may be sent to 1419 E Washington Street, Clinton, IL, 61727. A celebration of life will be at a later date.

Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton, assisted the family with cremation rites.

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Heyworth student named to Phi Kappa Phi

MACOMB, Ill.. — Kendra Slama DeRosa of Heyworth, was recently initiated into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation’s oldest and most selective all-discipline collegiate honor society. Slama DeRosa was initiated at Western Illinois University, Macomb.

Slama DeRosa is among approximately 30,000 students, faculty, professional staff and alumni to be initiated

into Phi Kappa Phi each year. Membership is by invitation only and requires nomination and approval by a chapter. Only the top 10 percent of seniors and 7.5 percent of juniors are eligible for membership. Graduate students in the top 10 percent of the number of candidates for graduate degrees may also qualify, as do faculty, professional staff and alumni who have achieved scholarly distinction.

Fireworks will return to Clinton skies on July 5

CLINTON — Like many communities, Clinton cancelled its Independence Day celebration last summer because of pandemic-related restrictions on large gatherings.

But the Celebrate Clinton Association has started its planning and fundraising efforts for a July 5 fireworks show. Celebrate Clinton is a local non-profit organization, independent of the City

of Clinton or Clinton Area Chamber of Commerce.

Celebrate Clinton has sponsored the fireworks display for several years.

The 2021 show will kick off at dusk on Monday, July 5, with the display viewable on the westside city limits.

Donations are needed to support the fireworks display and may be sent to Celebrate Clinton Association Box 436, Clinton, Illinois 61727.

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HISTORY ALMANAC

1951 - 75 people were killed when the British submarine Affray sank in the English Channel.

1953 - The British royal yacht Britannia was launched.

1962 - Walter Cronkite began anchoring "The CBS Evening News".

1967 - At the Western Open in El Monte, CA, Ken Barnes Jr. became the first skeet shooter to break a perfect 400 x 400 in all four guns (.410, 28, 20, and 12 gauges). He is also the only shooter to do this with pump action guns.

1968 - The Pentagon announced that troops would begin coming home from Vietnam.

1968 - Major league baseball's longest night game was played when the Houston Astros defeated the New York Mets 1-0. The 24 innings took six hours, six minutes to play.

1972 - Apollo 16 blasted off on a voyage to the moon. It was the fifth manned moon landing.

1972 - Two giant pandas arrived in the U.S. from China.

1975 - The Khmer Rouge Rebels won control of Cambodia after a five years of civil war. They renamed the country Kampuchea and began a reign of terror.

1978 - In Orissa, India, 180 people died when a tornado hit.

1982 - Queen Elizabeth proclaimed Canada's new constitution in effect. The act severed the last colonial links with Britain.

1983 - China shelled the Vietnam border in retaliation for raids.

1983 - Brazil detained four Libyan planes en route to Nicaragua after finding weapons, explosives and ammunition on the planes.

1985 - Mickey Mantle was reinstated after being banned from baseball for several years.

1987 - The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) sternly warned U.S. radio stations to watch the use of indecent language on the airwaves.

1987 - The U.S. Patent Office began allowing the patenting of new animals created by genetic engineering.

1992 - Italian financier Carlo de Benedetti and 32 others were convicted of fraud in connection with the 1982 collapse of Banco Ambrosiano.

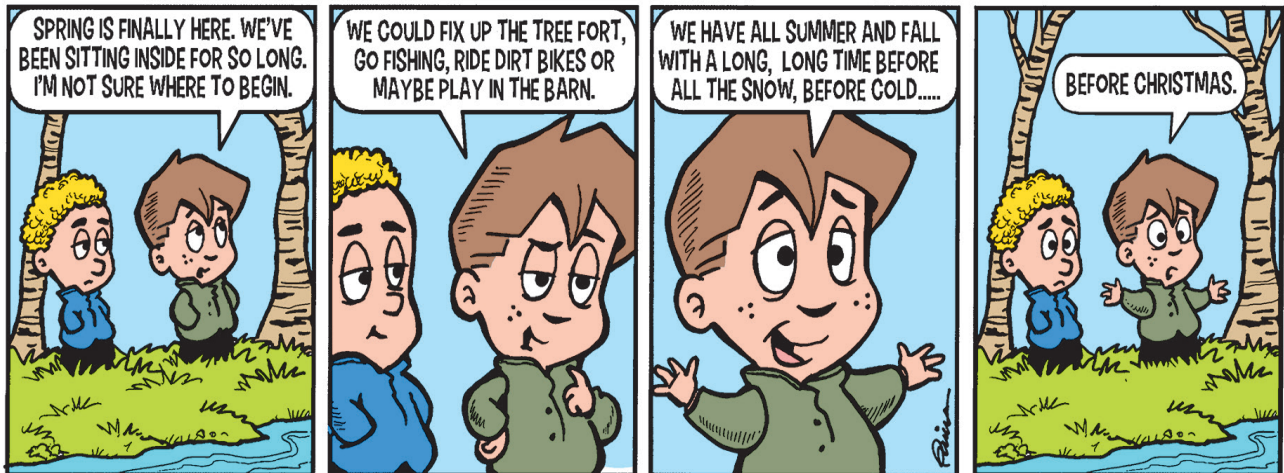
1992 - The House ethics committee listed 303 current and former lawmakers who had overdrawn their House bank accounts.

1995 - The European Union and Canada agreed to protect threatened fish stocks in the north Atlantic.

1996 - Britain's Prince Andrew and his wife, Sarah, the Duchess of York, announced that they were in the process of getting a divorce.

1996 - An Italian court found former Prime Minister Bettino Craxi guilty on charges of corruption. He was sentenced to eight years and three months in prison.

Amber Waves



Riots – continued

One of the aspects of living in DeWitt County is that we live in a rather placid community.

Yes, we have issues. Many did not like the aspect of the landfill accepting PCBs. Today, there is significant opposition to wind farms in central Illinois. At times, there has been opposition to hog farms and nuclear power plants. We complain about our tax bills and we may even complain about our neighbors and what the police did or did not do about our complaints.

The key observation is that the complaints were taken to the local authorities. DeWitt County residents took their grievances, real or perceived, to the county board, the city council, the police or the court system. Yes, some complaints were loud as the residents voiced their grievances. They may have even filed a lawsuit against their neighbor. People do not always agree on all issues.

We have not had a riot in the city square. No demonstrations have resulted in businesses being burned or looted. DeWitt County residents have simply followed the law and taken their complaints to the

appropriate authority. Some residents may not always agree with the decisions rendered, such as the county board allowing the wind turbine project to proceed. Those is opposition have continued in their position and have sought further review of those decisions. What they haven't done is instigate a riot to address their concerns, be those concerns real or perceived. They have respected the governmental system and have worked within it.

This makes us a rather placid and perhaps a hick community. Most of us like it that way. We can complain, but we know that we have to live with our neighbors. Our elected officials and police officers are some of those neighbors. We are not anarchists who seek to take the law into their own hands at any given moment for any perceived wrong done to them.

Let's look at Minneapolis. A highly public trial is going on with a white police officer accused of using unlawful force in the arrest of George Floyd, a black male. Add to this, last weeks shooting of a black male 10 miles away from the Minneapolis incident, by a white female police



officer and tensions are high in Minneapolis. Riots have occurred over the last couple of nights in Minneapolis. A Minneapolis police officer even made the national news last week by retiring early stating he did not want to get killed in the riots he believes will happen, regardless of the verdict in the Floyd case.

During all of this the related riots have continued in Portland. What we are seeing is democracy going crazy. Yes, the public has the right to voice its complaints and to even demonstrate publicly, but what right does the rioter have to take or destroy the property of another?

There is a system of justice in place. The problem is that the rioters have chosen to ignore that system and to take the law into their own hands. Their position is that all actions taken by the police are wrong and overly aggressive and the public, those who riot, must for

lack of a better term—take back the streets.

What is compelling from an objective viewpoint is in both cases in Minneapolis, if the now deceased suspects had simply followed the police officer's initial command, in one case get in the car and in the other case to get out of the car, the situation was over. If the officer was making an inappropriate command there was redress available.

Both situations escalated far beyond what was necessary. This is not to say that the officer's further actions were appropriate, only to say it should never have gotten to the stage it is now. That retired Minneapolis police is probably right in that Minneapolis will have more violent riots in the next few days.

DeWitt County may be placid and dull by the thoughts of others. For those of us who simply like a little peace and quiet and know that we can complain to our officials when we feel aggrieved, we do live in a mighty fine community.

The sun is shining today, the grass is greening and the birds are singing. This is a pretty good place to live.

Why such a long wait for copies of records?

If you've been waiting for copies of military records so you can apply for benefits from the Department of Veterans Affairs, you've likely been waiting for a long time. Unfortunately, your wait might continue, depending on the reason for your request.

Due to COVID, the National Personnel Records Center is closed, with a 10% staffing level and a backlog of half a million records requests. Most of the 60 million older records are on paper, so they must be accessed and touched by humans. The only exceptions are emergencies: burials,

medical treatments or homeless veterans who are trying to get into a homeless shelter.

For anything else, the NPRC is specifically requesting that you don't ask for records. If it's records research, corrections to records or replacement medals, it's not an emergency... at least for the NPRC.

I can foresee situations where getting medal replacements for an elderly, ill veteran might well be considered an emergency if that veteran wants to see his medals one last time, and tell stories and maybe give them in person to a



by Freddy Groves

grandchild.

If you have a genuine emergency, as defined by the NPRC, you'll need to submit a Standard Form 180, Request Pertaining to Military Records (find it online). Sign it and then fax it to (314) 801-0764.

The good news is that newer records might be online. Check www.archives.gov, click Veterans' Service Records, then click on More Ways to Get Service Records on

the left.

It could be much worse: In 1973, up to 18 million files were destroyed in a fire the St. Louis record center. Plus, VA had loaned the NPRC millions of records, which also went up in smoke.

Over time they've tried to re-create those records using auxiliary sources, but the Certificate of Service they send you contains only basic service information -- like a Little League participation trophy.

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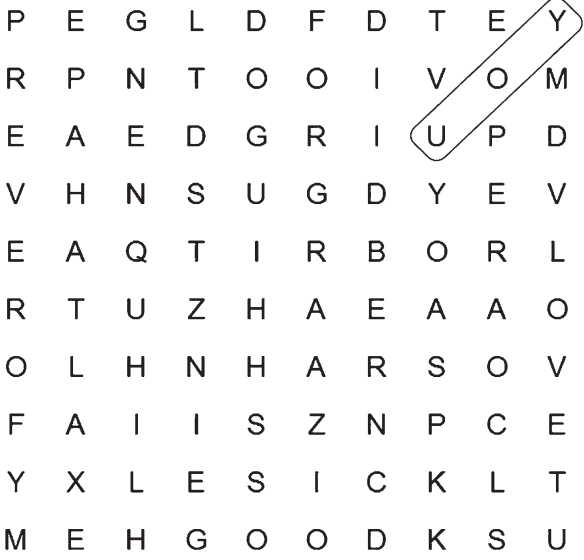
BIBLE WORD SEARCH

by Elie’s Spiritual Treasures

Psalm 118:28-29

You are my **God**, and I will **praise** you; you **are** my God, and I will **exalt** you. **Give thanks** to the **LORD**, **for** he is **good**; **his love endures forever**.

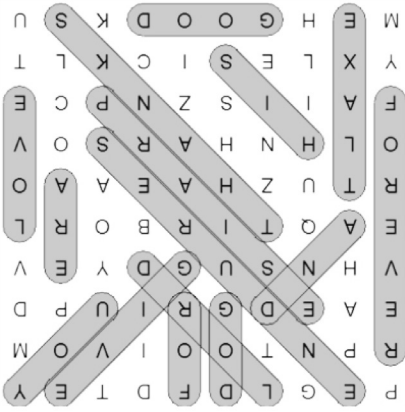
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Find the **bolded/underlined** words in the diagram. They run in all directions — forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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Answers
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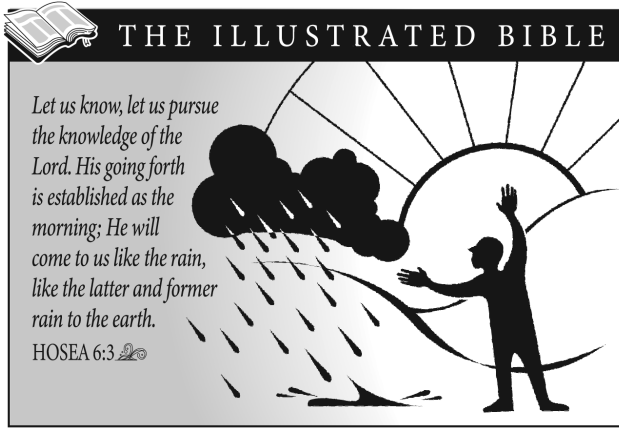
by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Gilead in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. Solomon asked, what biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder? Woman’s scorn, Evil brother, Tax collector, Wine
3. From John 1:42, what name did Jesus give to Simon Peter? Macedonia, Nahu, Cephas, Eli
4. In Psalms 68 what are the dove’s feathers covered with? Manna, Gold, Leaves, Blood
5. From John 3, who came to Jesus under the cover of night? Elijah, Amos, Nicodemus, Mesha
6. Who was the “Gloomy Prophet”? Gehazi, Joel, Jeremiah, Jehoshaphat

ANSWERS: (1) Neither; (2) Wine; (3) Cephas; (4) Gold; (5) Nicodemus; (6) Jeremiah

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7 p.m.-Wednesday mid-week prayer meeting

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First Church of the Nazarene
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8:30 a.m.-Sunday prayer around the altar
8:45 a.m.-continental breakfast
9:30 a.m.-Sunday school / Bible study
10:30 a.m.-morning worship
7 p.m.-Wednesday mid-week service

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213 W. Benjamin Street, Kenney (217) 944-2275
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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)

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Broccoli
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Apr. 20
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Scalloped potatoes
Spinach
Whole grain wheat
Pears

Apr. 21
Ham and beans
Pickled beets
Cornbread
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April 16
1961: A late season snowstorm dumped 5 to 6 inches of snow in parts of central and northeast Illinois, with drifts up to 6 feet. Thousands of cars were stranded; the occupants were forced to take shelter overnight in nearby homes, gymnasiums, armories, and roller rinks.

2006: Easter Sunday brought another round of tornadoes to central and southeast Illinois. Ten tornadoes were reported primarily south of I-72, with the strongest tornadoes affecting areas along the Effingham/Jasper County line around Wheeler. In Macon County, several homes were damaged near Oakley by a thunderstorm downburst producing winds to 110 mph. By the end of April, a total of 50 tornadoes had already been reported across central and southeast Illinois for the year to date.

The final mixing

Welcome to my little corner of culinary delights. We covered hand mixing techniques. I wish to now cover the power mixer procedures. The predecessor to the power mixer would be the hand cranked beater found in your great grandmother's kitchen.

Power mixers are run with electricity. They come in various sizes to fit large and small jobs by volume as well as easy and tough jobs. As to the capacity, the mixers are classified according to their bowl size such as four-quart size, six-quart

size on past the fifty-quart size. As to the type of job, the heavy or tough jobs require greater horse power than the lighter or easier jobs. For home use, generally small mixers with four-quart bowls and quarter horse power is sufficient. The handheld power mixer is regarded in this class of mixers. Your commercial size jobs require much larger capacity bowls and a powerful motor.

The smaller built home mixers are technically the table models. The smaller variety of commercial mixers are called bench mixers. The huge mixers



The Culinary Corner
By Chef Roger Joss

are the floor models. The household type, as a rule, has variable speeds. I have yet to find the need for variable speeds. The huge commercial mixers have only three speeds which seems to do most adequately. With these commercial mixers, a person should take no chances or get into a hurry. If a hand or sleeve gets caught in one, it can rip an arm off. That is why

safety guards are installed. The worse damage a home mixer might do is to fracture a bone in the hand.

Most household stand or table mixers have two interlacing beaters turning in opposite directions to each other. Some might also provide two small interworking dough hooks. A good mixer will have three attachments; the paddle, a dough hook and a whisk. In using a mixer, there is less need for pre-mixing. Basically, all you need to do, is to throw everything in while the mixer is running in low gear. Once the flour

is worked in, the mixer is increased to medium speed. High speed is rarely needed for general mixing. The paddle attachment is sufficient for general use. High speed is best for making meringues and whipped cream. Naturally, the whisk attachment would be used for whipping. The dough hook is used only with low speed.

Within this family of mixers are blenders, food processors, submersible mixers and milkshake mixers. Grinders, such as coffee grinders, do not count. One thing needing to be said about blenders

and food processors is the wonderful job they can do in making pâtés and baby food.

Submersible mixers are usually used in soup making. I have seen submersible mixers used in culinary courses. I personally dislike them because they masticate. I see little advantage to them. They might be useful for correcting mistakes caused by improper processing and/or improperly mixing of foods. I have used them for correcting a few of my mistakes.

Until next time, peace to all.



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CLINTON Journal Sports

Perserverance and kicking give Clinton win

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CLINTON — In a hard-fought rugby-style scrum football game on Friday April 9, the hometown Clinton Maroons came back from a deficit to hold on to a slim lead and beat the Meridian Hawks.

The game was marred by numerous unsportsmanlike penalties, most by the opposition, with yellow penalty flags flying everywhere.

The game began with the opposition scoring within the first three minutes. The Maroons then fumbled the ball, but the Hawks could not move the ball on two consecutive possessions before the end of the first quarter.

Starting the second quarter, the Hawks again scored within two minutes into the start. With both extra points made, the visitors led 14-0.

Then, with six minutes left in the quarter, Zeke Hickman scored for the Maroons, and Makayla Koeppel kicked the extra point (EP) to close the scoring gap. To follow that, Adam Kroeger scored with just 40 seconds left in the half with another EP by Koeppel to tie the game at 14 going into the locker room for halftime.

The second half felt like a repeat of the first with the opposition scoring first within the first four minutes, but missing on the extra point to give them a 20-14 lead.

Next was a major rugby scrum with five unsportsmanlike conduct calls, including the ejection of a Meridian Hawks player.

From this break in the game, the Maroons took control, again scoring a touchdown by “Rodney Goodwin Award” recipient Cole Young and another EP by Koeppel to put the home team into the lead for the first time in the game.

The fourth quarter progressed quietly. But, with 4 minutes left, another TD and EP were scored by the Maroons to put them up 28-20.

The, with two minutes left, the Hawks scored their final touchdown and tried for a 2-point conversion for the tie. But, a host of Maroons saw the play coming and stopped the Hawks on the one-yard line to take the hometown win 28-26. The Maroons used seven runners and receivers to keep the Hawks’ defense hopping. Koeppel not only kicked all four extra points, but all the kickoffs as well. This earned her the game ball from the coaches and her teammates.



Marc Rogers / Journal
The Maroons take the field against the Meridian Hawks.

A special kind of player

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CLINTON — With all the delays and postponements of sports this year, the seasons are jostled and teams are at a loss for players.

Some have opted out of certain sports for the season, and others have combined freshman, junior varsity (JV), and varsity into one varsity team to be able to field enough players for game time. And some schools do not offer certain sports.

So, enter freshman soccer player Makayla Koeppel. Clinton has no soccer program, so when asked by the football staff if she would be interested in being a kicker for the team, she said yes.

Of course, there has been a learning curve between

kicking a soccer ball and a football. And the team assisting her had to adjust to an angle kicking player rather than your normal straight on kicker. But, the staff and players have all supported her efforts to help the team.

This was evident in the team’s win against the Meridian Hawks in which Makayla handled all the kick-offs and kicked a game-high 4 extra points to help the Maroons win and was awarded the game ball as the player of the game.

Makayla has always been involved in sports, whether it be soccer, cross-country, track and field, basketball, or now football. She enjoys being in the game and helping the team she stated with a big smile on her face.

She currently has no big future plans other than participating in sports and studying (4.0 out of 4.0 grade point average) and likes Geometry and Math. She has spent many years playing soccer along with her other sports, so kicking angle-style as is done in soccer was quite a change when it is applied to football.

The “MK squad” of Christian Dimas (snapper) and Wyatt Martin (holder) along with the coaches and the help of some videos have worked out the glitches, and Makayla’s kicks are pretty consistent from 30 yards in.

Not bad for a freshman.



Makayla after being awarded the game ball by coaches and players. Below, Makayla warms up.



Clintons final TD.

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Seniors Hadley Wilson (7), Mackenzie Reeser (8), and Bethany Overby (3) on Senior night.

Senior volleyball players recognized

Teams in a slump during inconsistent season

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CLINTON — The Clinton Lady Maroons are in the doldrums.

They have been on a five-game losing streak that threatens their season. The freshman team is holding its own, mostly splitting 2-set matches with their opponents.

However, the junior varsity (JV) and varsity teams are struggling mightily in this part of the season. Even on Senior Night, April 5, the teams could not win in close matches.

It all began on March 29, a Saturday, during which the JV team won and the varsity lost in three sets to the Martinsville Lady Blue Streaks. From there, the teams met the Riverton Lady Hawks who shredded the home teams' defenses.

Then, came the Shelbyville Lady Rams, who also had no problem with the Lady Maroons, winning one set 25-5.

Next on the home court agenda was the Central A&M Lady Raiders who arrived looking to bludgeon the home teams. They were surprised by a Clinton JV win in 3 sets but found their treasure in a varsity win over the Lady Maroons.

Finally, on Senior Night, the Lady Indians, from the small southern Illinois town of Altamont, sent their raiding party into Vance Gymnasium and took away the night which should have been a bright spot in the seniors' time here at Clinton High School.

The home team battled for as long as they could but again fell short of victory.

There have been some glimmers of hope for the future as the freshman team has had some success. There have also been some good plays and volleys by the other teams.

CHS basketball players honored by CIC, ICBA



Zeke Hickman guards an opponent.

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CLINTON — In this time of uncertain happenings and delayed sports seasons, the Clinton Maroons have had some outstanding student athletes.

The Central Illinois Conference (CIC) has awarded their first and second team all-conference players. Zeke Hickman was placed on the all-conference boys first team. Mallory Cyrulik made the all-conference girls first team, and Kaitlyn Rauch made the girls all-conference second team.

Besides the above award, Mallory Cyrulik also was named to the Illinois Basketball Coaches Association (ICBA) all-state girls basketball team.

In a tough year for sports of any type, these student athletes made the best of a bad situation and are standouts for the Maroons and the community.



A block by Lady Maroons' Hadley Wilson.



CJHS Lady Maroons' teams pummel Shelbyville Lady Rams at home

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CLINTON — The Shelbyville Lady Rams invaded Clinton Junior High School (CJHS) looking to butt heads with the Lady Maroons, however, they found this not an easy task to perform.

Even with their full court presses and bigger inside personnel, the Lady Rams were not as quick and agile as the home team. It did not take much to corral them.

The 7th grade team started off the night with a 7-2 run in the first quarter followed by a 12-0 run in the second frame. The third quarter saw the Lady Maroons basically close the door scoring 11 points to 4 for the opposition.

The Lady Maroons then let up on the throttle and lost the final stanza 6-8, but by then the Lady Rams were in their place and couldn't go anywhere. The final score was Clinton 36, Shelbyville 14. Clara Dempsey led the Lady Maroons with 17 points (including a 3-point bucket) followed by Avery Smith with 11.

Next on the evening's agenda was the 8th grade tussle.

The home team wrangled an 8-4 lead in the first quarter of play, followed by a 9-point run in the second round, while holding the opposition to no points.

Coming back on court after the halftime break, the Lady Maroons tossed in 11 points to the Lady Rams' 2 points. Those two points were the last scored by the Lady Rams, and the Lady Maroons added another 8 points for a resounding 36-6 win.

Regan Filkin led the 8th graders with 11 points, all scored in the first half. #Maroon Strong, #Maroon Pride

Box Scores	1	2	3	4	Final
Lady Maroons 7	7	12	11	6	36
Lady Rams 7	2	0	4	8	14
Lady Maroons 8	8	9	11	8	36
Lady Rams 8	4	0	2	0	6



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E-W Vulnerable

<i>South</i>	<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>
1♥	2♠	2♥	Pass
3♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

South's game-try got N-S perilously high, and with the Clubs badly placed, and with both major suit finesses destined to lose, it seemed that 3♥ would be going down one. But, of course, one way to avoid losing finesses is simply not to take them.

Against 3♥, West started with a low Diamond, low from Dummy, won by East's Ace. Now the defense played Clubs and Declarer ruffed the third round. Pausing to take stock, Declarer reflected upon the auction. West had made a vulnerable two-level overcall and probably had both major suit Kings. How about East? He had shown up with the ♦A and the ♣J, surely if he had an additional King he would have raised to 3♠. Yes, all the signs were that both major suit finesses would fail.

So, trusting her judgment, Declarer decided to play West for a singleton or doubleton Heart King. After ruffing the third Club she plunked down the ♥A, but West did not oblige with a singleton King. Next, Declarer removed West's safe exit cards by finessing the ♦J, cashing Dummy's ♠K and ruffing a Diamond. Now, when Declarer exited with a trump, West was end-played. Upon winning his ♥K West had the unpleasant choice of leading away from the ♠K, or conceding a ruff and discard by leading a Club.

A strange hand! Declarer had potential losers in both majors but declined to take the finesses ... but she *did* take the Diamond finesse when there were no remaining losers in the suit!

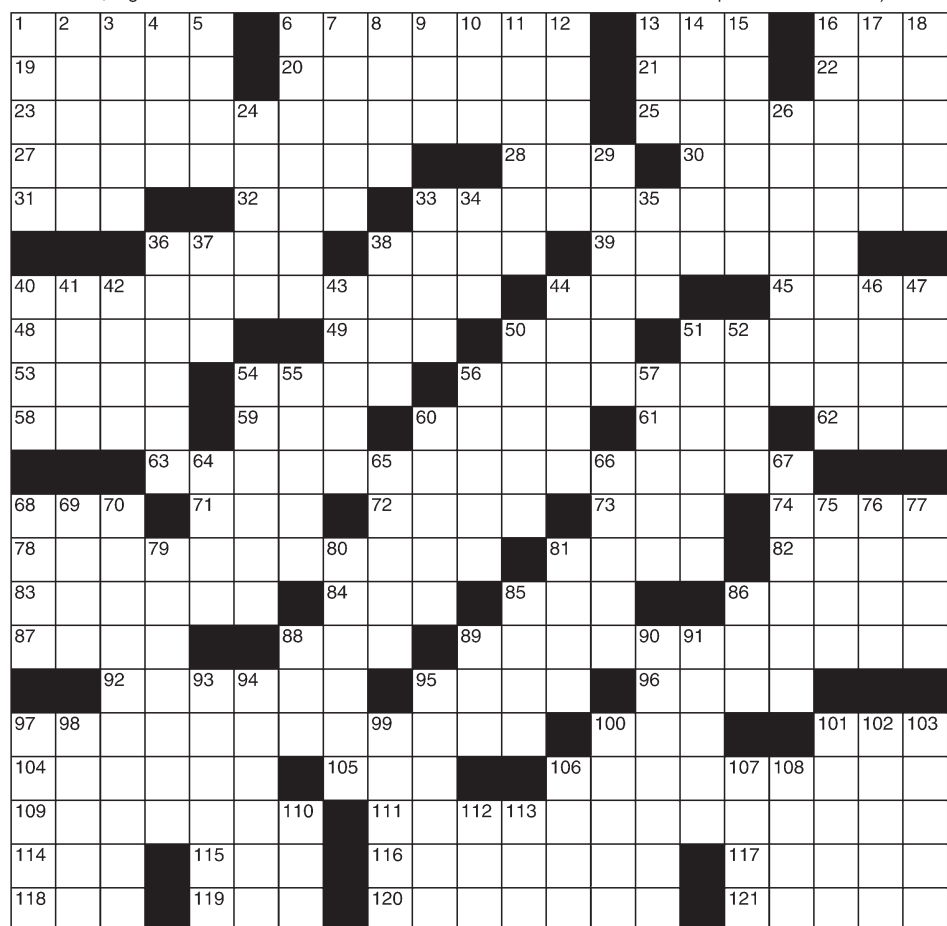
Post Script: West missed a chance to spoil Declarer's fun. After the defense takes the ♠A and two Clubs, if West reverts to Diamonds then Declarer can no longer extract all of West's exit cards and will be down one.

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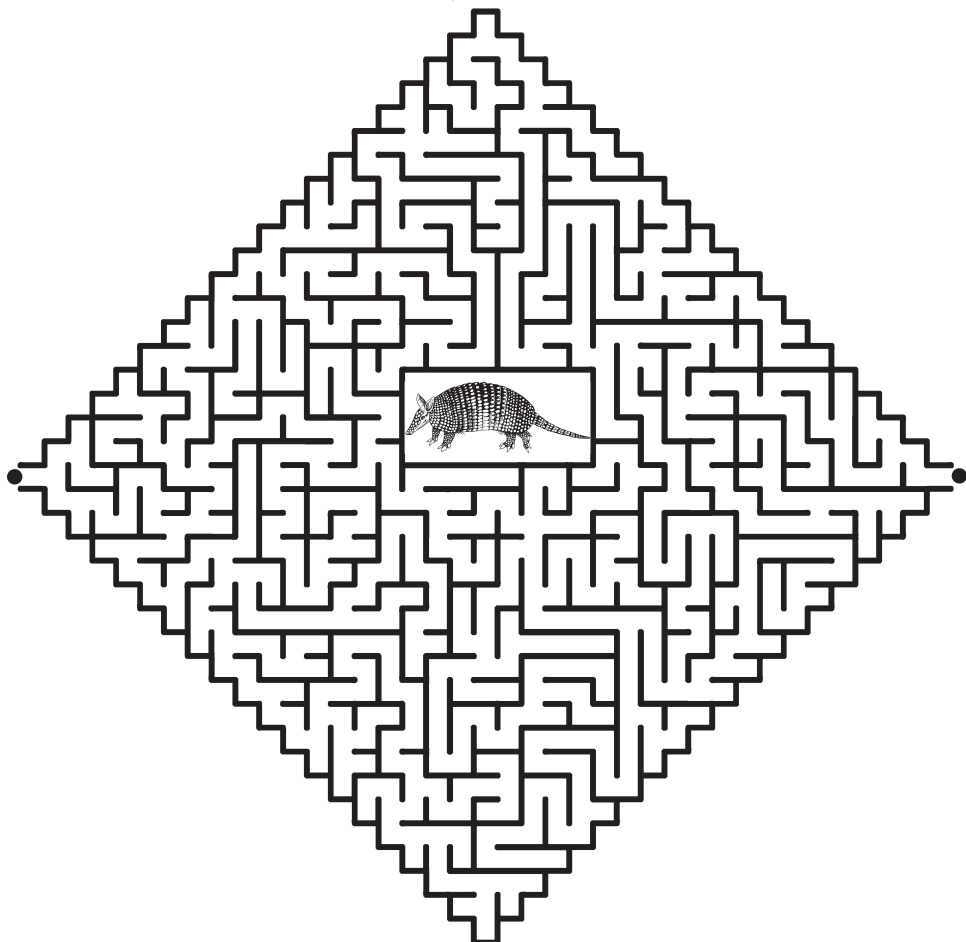
HIT SINGLES

ACROSS	39 Resident doctor	72 Writer Haley	111 "You Were Meant for Me"	24 "Wake Up Little —"	75 Doth own it's a pain
1 Insurance giant	40 "Kiss From a Rose" singer	73 Clutch sitter	112 Moby Dick's pursuer	26 Hitler of high notes	77 Lager, e.g.
6 Italian side dish	41 "Have You Ever?" singer	74 "Have You Ever?" singer	113 "Everyone's treasures?" suffix	29 Revealing, as a bikini	79 Time between flights
13 Govt. media watchdog	42 Inits. on an ambulance	75 Singer doing commercials for Mac	114 "Sort of" suffix	33 Dial or Coast	80 "Do I have a volunteer?"
16 Once lived	43 — Romeo	76 Computers?	115 Sharp bark	34 Actor Linden	81 In addition
19 Cheek makeup	44 "Marat/Sade" playwright	77 Brazilian soccer great	116 Most ethereal	35 See	82 "Hey, sailor!"
20 Put out of memory	45 With 35-Down, short, easy putts	78 See 38-Across	117 Popular font	36 Africa's Guinea- —	83 Filmmaker
21 "Impressive!"	46 Cup edge	79 Make an exit	118 No longer active: Abbr.	37 ER workers	84 Jean- — Godard
22 Skiing peak	47 Lowly	80 Negatives	119 Ocean	38 Not fake	85 Nav. rank
23 "Glamorous" singer who's a member of the nobility?	48 Hostleries	81 In the style of	120 Frightful flies	39 Bed size	86 Cartoon pic
25 Dodgy	49 Titled text: Abbr.	82 Readily bent	121 Shabby	40 Nevada city	87 Cowardly evasions
27 Not disproven	50 "Material Girl" singer of high birth?	83 Needle hole	DOWN	41 "— I a stinker?"	88 Shucks
28 "This Old House" airer	51 "— chance!"	84 "Yeah!" singer as a deacon?	1 Paula of pop	42 Ringo who was knighted	89 Fiscal sums
30 Hot and heavy	52 Neither's partner	85 Cheese	2 Tossed	43 Downy duck	90 Oz resident
31 Size above med.	53 Bit of dust	86 Cry of pain	3 "Filthy" gain	44 Air blowers	91 Leachman of "Phyllis"
32 Kind of camera, for short	54 Galena, e.g.	87 Croy of pain	4 Court champ	45 "Ah, me!"	92 Lowest point
33 "Raise Your Glass" singer being scandalous?	55 Ending for peer	88 "Hot in Herre" singer on edge?	5 Emeril, e.g.	46 Kind of paint	93 "Beloved" actress
36 Cheese variety	56 "Every Breath You Take" singer working as a spy?	89 100 Cheesie variety	6 Stole stock	47 Seeing red?	94 Kimberly
38 With 82-Across, Tour de France, e.g.	57 — -TURN (traffic sign)	90 Co. leaders	7 Deduce	48 "— is human ..."	95 Yank in Europe, say
	58 Suffix with mountain	91 Cry of pain	8 Olympic racer	49 Super 8, say	96 Skein bird
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		93 Deviate	10 "It!" game	51 Great no time, to bards	98 Really got to
		94 Ba bill	11 Easel, often	52 Lake craft	99 Tummy
		95 UFO pilots	12 Last non-A.D. year	53 Lake craft	100 Connections
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			16 Be part of a queue	57 Big oil gp.	104 Afore
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GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

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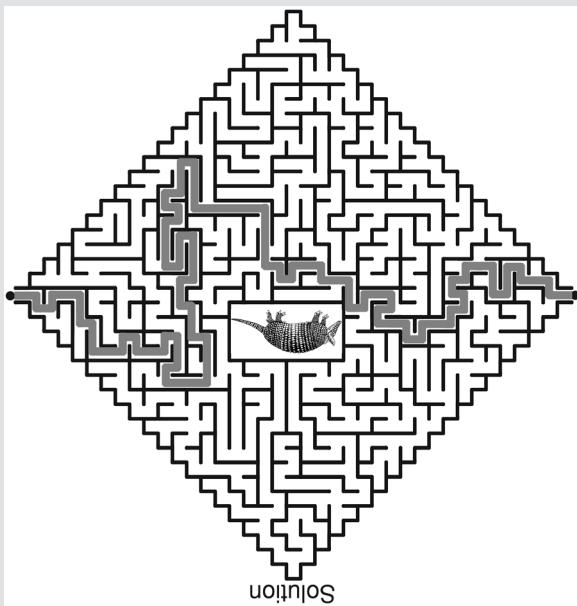
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8	x	4	-	6	26
x		+		-	
2	x	5	+	9	19
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Go Figure!

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Dated: Tuesday, March 16, 2021

No. 2021-146

 Dana Smith
COUNTY CLERK

 Legal 19180
April 2, 9 and 16, 2021

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ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION NOTICE

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13189 LEROY RD
FARMER CITY, IL 61842.

{SEAL}

Dated: Friday, March 26, 2021

No. 2021-147

 Dana Smith/sw
COUNTY CLERK

 Legal 19184
April 2, 9 and 16, 2021

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STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF DEWITT

Estate of:
Dean W. Scarbrough

 Deceased.
CASE NO. 21-P-14

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF CLAIM DATE

Notice is given to the creditors of the death of Dean W. Scarbrough, 443 S. Woodward St., Farmer City, Illinois 61842.

Letters of Office were issued on March 29, 2021, to Robert W. Scarbrough and Dana J. Bettinger, Independent Co-Executors, 310 N. Lincoln St., Farmer City, Illinois 61842, and 303 W. Green St., Farmer City, Illinois 61842, whose attorney is Kevin Hammer, 219 E. Main Street, Clinton, Illinois 61727. The estate will be administered without court supervision unless under Section 28-4 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/28-4) any interested person terminates independent administration 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 October 9, 2021, or, if mailing or delivery of a Notice from the

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Dated this 31st day of March, 2021.

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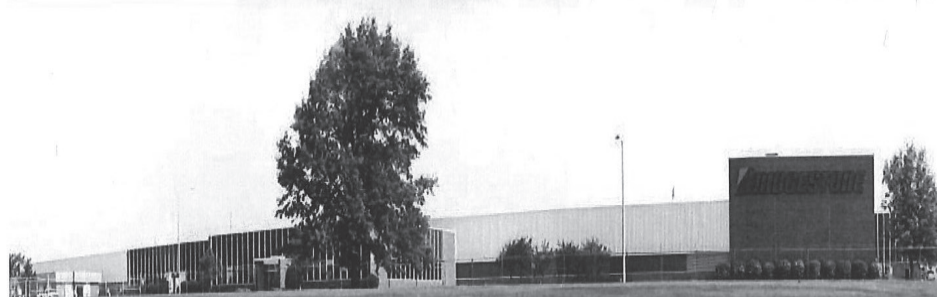
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12:04 pm, Brooke Taylor, occupant of space 1H31, items: sleeper sofa, vacuum cleaners, assorted furniture, boxes, bags and misc.

12:05 pm, Erika Tyler, occupant of space 1F06, items: treadmill, assorted wooden furniture, tools, fishing poles, bed frames, boxes, totes and misc.

12:06 pm, Steven Osbourne, occupant of space 1B27, items: TV x 2, TV stand, outdoor grill, cooler, wicker furniture, lawn mower, and misc.

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ADOPTION NOTICE--

STATE OF ILLINOIS

County of DeWitt

Circuit Court of DeWitt County. In the matter of the Petition for the Adoption of Tanner Rae Whiteside, a Minor Male Child. Adoption No. 20-AD-04.

To Scott Coleman: Take notice that a petition was filed in the Circuit Court of DeWitt County, Illinois, for the adoption of a child named Tanner Rae Whiteside. Now, therefore, unless you, Scott Coleman, and all whom it may concern, file your answer to the Petition in the action or otherwise file your appearance therein, in the said Circuit Court of DeWitt County, Court Room A before the Honorable Judge Koritz in the City of Clinton, Illinois, on or before the 28th day of April 2021 at 10:30 a.m., a default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Petition.

Dated, April 2, 2021

DeWitt County, Illinois, Michelle Van Valey, Clerk.

William L. Gregory, Attorney for Petitioners, Koth, Gregory & Nieminski, P.C., 420 North Main Street, Bloomington, IL 61701 (309) 828-5090

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Notice of Proposed Tariff Changes Gas Service Schedule III. C. C. No. 2

To the Gas Patrons of Ameren Illinois Company d/b/a Ameren Illinois:

Ameren Illinois (or Company) hereby gives notice to the public that on March 30, 2021, it filed with the Illinois Commerce Commission evidence (direct testimony) regarding the reconciliation of revenues collected from its gas customers under the Company's Rider TAR and Gas Environmental Adjustment (Rider GEA), with costs incurred in connection with certain environmental remediation activities associated with its manufactured gas plant sites in Illinois from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020. Rider TAR is applicable to Rate Zone II (formerly the AmerenCILCO service territory) and Rider GEA is applicable to Rate Zones I and III (formerly the AmerenCIPS and AmerenIP services territories, respectively). This reconciliation may result in changes to the Company's rates and charges with respect to gas delivery service charges throughout the Company's territories in Illinois. The changes in rates and charges will take effect after hearings and after the Commission issues its final Order.

The Commission docketed these filings as Docket Nos. 21-0048 (RZ I), 21-0049 (RZ II), and 21-0050 (RZ III). A copy of the evidence may be inspected at the Ameren Illinois offices located at 300 Liberty Street, Peoria, Illinois or online at www.icc.illinois.gov/e-docket/.

All parties interested in this matter may obtain information with respect thereto either directly from Ameren Illinois or by addressing the Chief Clerk of the Illinois Commerce Commission, 527 East Capitol Avenue, Springfield, Illinois 62706.

AMEREN ILLINOIS COMPANY d/b/a Ameren Illinois By: Richard J. Mark, President

Legal 19191 April 16 and 23, 2021

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Proposed Tariff Changes Electric Service Schedule III. C. C. No. 1

To the Electric Patrons of Ameren Illinois Company d/b/a Ameren Illinois:

Ameren Illinois (or Company) hereby gives notice to the public that on March 30, 2021, it filed with the Illinois Commerce Commission evidence (direct testimony) regarding the reconciliation of revenues collected from its electric customers under the Company's Electric Environmental Adjustment (Rider EEA), with

costs incurred in connection with certain environmental remediation activities associated with its manufactured gas plant sites in Illinois from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020. Rider EEA is applicable to Rate Zones I and III only (formerly the AmerenCIPS and AmerenIP services territories, respectively). This reconciliation may result in changes to the Company's rates and charges with respect to electric delivery services throughout the Company's territories in Illinois. The changes in rates and charges will take effect after hearings and after the Commission issues its final Order.

The Commission docketed these filings as Docket Nos. 21-0048 (RZ I) and 21-0050 (RZ III). A copy of the evidence may be inspected at the Ameren Illinois offices located at 300 Liberty Street, Peoria, Illinois or online at www.icc.illinois.gov/e-docket/.

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AMEREN ILLINOIS COMPANY d/b/a Ameren Illinois

By: Richard J. Mark, President

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PUBLIC NOTICE

TREE TRIMMING ACTIVITIES IN Centraillia & Unincorporated Clinton County AND NEAR-BY AREAS

TO THE PATRONS OF AMEREN ILLINOIS:

Please be advised that Ameren Illinois will trim trees and other vegetation in and around the town(s) of Centraillia/Clinton/Marion & Unincorporated Clinton County Illinois. Our qualified utility arborists will trim trees and vegetation that could interfere with electric lines that run from pole to pole and elsewhere. This work is necessary in order to minimize the likelihood of outages and safety hazards. There is no charge to you for this service.

If you have any questions about this work, please call 1-800-755-5000 or visit our website at MySafeTrees.com. You may address your concerns in the manner specified on our website. You may also call the Consumer Services Division of the Illinois Commerce Commission at 1-800-524-0795. Maps have been provided to the mayors and the county board chairpersons of the affected areas.

Sincerely, Ameren Illinois Forestry Department

Legal 19193 April 16, 2021

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DEWITT COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY COUNTRYSIDE APARTMENTS ROOF REPLACEMENT CLINTON, IL

SECTION 00 1113 - INVITATION FOR BIDS

DeWitt County Housing Authority 100 South Railroad Street Clinton, IL 61727

The DeWitt County Housing Authority (DCHA) is inviting sealed Bid Proposals from interested and qualified parties for the Countryside Apartments Roof Replacement in Clinton, IL, generally including all labor, supervision, materials, supplies, transportation, equipment and services necessary and required as set forth in the Contract Documents.

Separate sealed BIDS will be received by the DeWitt County Housing Authority at the main office located at the address listed above until **2:00 p.m. CST on Friday, May 14, 2021**, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

A non-mandatory Pre-Bid Conference will be held **Friday, April 29, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.** at the main offices of DeWitt County Housing Authority located at 100 South Railroad Street, Clinton, IL 61727.

The Bidding Documents are available at the Architect's project bidding website, <http://bidlist.f-w.com/>. The Bidder may register for this project at the website in order to receive a username and password to access, view and print the Bidding Documents. For any questions or issues accessing the Bidding Documents from the website, contact the Office of the Architect.

Terms and Conditions will need to be accepted by the planholder prior to obtaining an electronic copy of the Bidding Documents on the Project Bidding website. Electronic Document access will only be provided to interested bidding companies and/or equipment companies. Electronic copies are provided at no cost. Printing of such documents will be responsibility of the planholder in accordance with the website Terms and Conditions.

All costs associated with printing the Bidding Documents are the responsibility of the entity requesting the Bidding Documents.

All bids must be accompanied by a negotiable bid guarantee not less than five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid in accordance to Clause 9 Bid Guarantee of the Instructions to Bidders. The bid guarantee shall be a certified check or bank draft payable to the order of the DeWitt County Housing Authority or a satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the Bidder and an acceptable surety. The bid guarantee shall ensure the execution of the contract and furnishing of the

method of assurance of completion. Failure to submit bid guarantee with the bid shall result in rejection of the bid.

In accordance with Clause 10 Assurance of Completion of the Instructions to Bidders, and prior to the execution of any contract, the successful bidder is required to furnish and pay for satisfactory performance and payment bond or bonds in a penal sum of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price.

Attention is called to the provisions for equal employment opportunity and that payment of not less than the minimum salaries and wages as set forth in the Specifications must be paid on this project. Any State rate that exceeds the corresponding Federal rate is inapplicable and shall not be enforced. All bidders shall submit with each bid, the Contractor's Affirmative Action Certification to comply with the provision for equal employment opportunity. (Attention is directed to the Special Equal Opportunity Provisions as set forth in the Supplement to the Instructions to Bidders and in the General Conditions.)

Representations, Certifications and Other Statements of Bidders, form HUD 5369-A; Previous Participation Certification, form HUD-2530; Form of Non-Collusive Affidavit; disclosure of lobbying activities, and certification of payments to influence federal transactions; and a Schedule of Subcontractors, if applicable, shall be submitted with each bid.

All bidders must sign and submit all forms in Specification Section 00 6005 including the Section 3 Clause and Section 3 Assurances. Contractors awarded a contract must comply with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR Part 135, which implements Section 3.

All bidders shall thoroughly examine and investigate the project documents and existing project site(s) to determine existing site and project conditions. Additional costs and payment shall not be awarded to the contractor for existing conditions that can be determined by carefully examining the site and project documents.

The DeWitt County Housing Authority intends to award one contract on the basis of lowest and most responsive and responsible bid for all work to be performed. The successful bidder must be prepared to begin work immediately upon notification of award. The DeWitt County Housing Authority reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informality in the bidding process.

No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of sixty days (60) subsequent to the opening of bids without the consent of the DCHA.

DeWitt County Housing Authority By: Ms. Terrill Garland Executive Director Date: March 30,

2021

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DEWITT COUNTY

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

CASE V-334-2020

Notice is given that a request for variation has been filed with the above-named Board. Millennia Park Limited, an Illinois Corporation is requesting a variance from \$155.065 of the DeWitt County Code. Said variance request is for a reduction to the Minimum Rear Setback on the following described property:

S28 T21 R5, LOT 5 N 1/2 SE (205 E HIGH),

The named property is located at 205 E High, Farmer City, IL 6184 in Santa Anna Township and is zoned R-3. Parcel No. 05-28-401-001.

Notice is hereby given to all interested parties that a public hearing on the above-mentioned request will be held on the 3rd day of May, 2021 at 7:00 P.M., or as soon thereafter as is possible. Said hearing will be held virtually.

To attend: Dial-in number (US): (425) 436-6388 Access code: 1758339# International dial-in numbers: <https://fccdl.in/i/apaque> Online meeting ID: apaque Join the online meeting: <https://join.freeconference-call.com/apaque>

Andy Hedrick, Chairman Zoning Board of Appeals

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DEWITT COUNTY

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

CASE V-335-2020

Notice is given that a request for variation has been filed with the above-named Board. Millennia Park Limited, an Illinois Corporation is requesting a variance from \$155.065 of the DeWitt County Code. Said variance request is for a reduction of the Minimum Road Frontage and Minimum Front Setback on the following described property:

S28 T21 R5, LOT 5 N 1/2 SE (209 E HIGH),

The named property is located at 209 E High, Farmer City, IL 6184 in Santa Anna Township and is zoned R-3. Parcel No. 05-28-401-001.

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Andy Hedrick, Chairman Zoning Board of Appeals

Legal 19196 April 16, 2021

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ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION NOTICE

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JENSEN PERFORMANCE 708 WALNUT CIR WAPELLA, IL 61777.

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No. 2021-148

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URBANA, Ill.— Learn to eat healthy while supporting local growers. University of Illinois Extension is offering a monthly webinar series beginning April 21 to help you navigate the Illinois growing season. Each webinar starts at noon and lasts 30 minutes.

Community Supported Agriculture shares offer a unique opportunity to better understand how foods grow, how weather impacts crop success, and other ups and downs of growing produce on a farm. While CSA models are not new, many of today’s farms are adding value for their customers by increasing flexibility of what foods are offered, how foods are purchased, and even partnering with other farms and businesses to provide more than vegetables.

“Think of these foods like other ingredients you might buy from a farmers market or grocery store,” says Caitlin Mellendorf, Illinois Extension nutrition and wellness educator. “Add them your favorite recipes, store in ways that extend their shelf life, and save any extras by canning, freezing, or drying.”

Getting the most from a CSA box is the focus of the webinar series. Learn to extend the life of produce with proper care and storage, preserve excess quantity for long-term storage, and prepare healthy recipes. “For example, fresh tomatoes and potatoes store best at room temperature, while lettuce lasts longer when refrigerated,” Mellendorf says. “Since asparagus and green beans decay faster, use those vegetables in your CSA box first, before potatoes or onions.”

The webinars begin at noon April 21 with an introduction to CSA services. May 19, learn what produce is in season, then explore new ways to cut and prepare fruits and vegetables for healthy dishes. Navigating a farmers market gets simpler after the June 16 webinar. Late in the season, the team will present preservation and storage tips on July 21 and Aug. 18.

Register online at go.illinois.edu/EatFreshEatLocal. If you will need an accommodation in order to participate, please email Diane Reinhold, dreinhol@illinois.edu.

Early requests are strongly encouraged to allow sufficient time to meet your access needs.

Mellendorf recommends visiting the National Center for Home Food Preservation website for research-based information and tested recipes on canning, freezing, drying, and other preserving methods.

SOURCE: Caitlin Mellendorf, Nutrition and Wellness Educator, University of Illinois Extension

New directory connects Illinois woodland owners with professional foresters

URBANA, Ill. – When a diseased tree falls in your backyard forest, do you know who to call? The University of Illinois Extension forestry team led by Forestry Specialist Jay Hayek recently launched two new map directories to help Illinois woodland owners maintain healthy forests.

“These directories will help anyone with questions about stewardship of Illinois’ forest resources get in touch with a local expert,” said Illinois Extension Forestry Specialist Jay Hayek. “Our goal is to make finding answers to forestry-related questions as quick and easy as possible.”

The new directory maps provide contact information for agency foresters and consulting services around the state and can be accessed online at extension.illinois.edu/forestry.

The agency directory lists foresters with University of Illinois Extension, National Wild Turkey Federation and the Illinois Department of Natural Resources who are available to provide recommendations and technical assistance.

The consulting foresters directory lists professionals for hire to provide on-site technical assistance. Formally trained consulting foresters can help with a variety of forestry-specific needs such as timber sales, wildlife habitat projects, forest management planning and implementation.

“We’re moving away from hard copy directories which are time-consuming to maintain and often outdated to a platform that will put the public in touch with the information they need immediately,” says Hayek.

While only 14% of Illinois is woodlands, these forests provide critical habitat for more than 70% of the state’s biodiversity. Healthy, well-managed forests benefit everyone. Trees help prevent erosion and flooding and provide clean water and air. Illinois’ 4.9 million acres of woodlands provide recreational and economic opportunities; forest products are a \$23 billion industry for the state.

The Extension Forestry program is housed in the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences and has offices on the Champaign-Urbana campus and at the Dixon Springs Agricultural Center in Southern Illinois.

Woodland landowners are invited to reach out to the Extension forestry team at extension.illinois.edu/forestry with questions, to request additional resources, or learn about upcoming programs.

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ICC Reminds Illinoisans: Call 8-1-1 (JULIE) before Digging

SPRINGFIELD – April is National Safe Digging Month. The Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC) is reminding homeowners and excavators to call 811 before beginning any outdoor project that requires digging.

“As you plan your home and garden digging projects this Spring, to avoid hitting any utility lines, please call 811 to have them marked before you start. This is a free service, but you must call,” said ICC Chairman Carrie Zalewski.

Illinois law requires residents and professional excavators to call 811 at least 48 hours or two working days prior to starting the excavation. Whether you plan to plant a tree, install a mailbox, plant a garden, or build a deck – regardless of the depth and size of the project you must call 811. The project must begin within 14 calendar days from the call, and locate requests have a 28-day life.

The State One-Call Center, managed by JULIE (Joint Utility Locating Information for Excavators) and DIGGER within the City of Chicago, is a twenty-four-hour service network system established to prevent contractors and private citizens from hitting any existing utility lines when digging.

In 2020, ICC staff issued 82 warnings and 219 citations for safe digging violations resulting in \$709,590 penalties. Violations issued to excavators and homeowners included not having a valid locate request, or not digging carefully around marked underground facilities, and for utilities, failure to mark their facilities in a timely manner. The ICC levied penalties as part of its One-Call enforcement efforts.

In consideration of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, homeowners and excavators are reminded to follow CDC guidelines when interacting with one another by practicing social distancing and wearing a mask. You might also consider postponing any non-essential projects until the public health emergency has passed.

For more information, visit the ICC’s website at www.icc.illinois.gov or JULIE’s website at <https://www.illinois1call.com/> or 811 Chicago <https://ip.cityofchicago.org/digger>.



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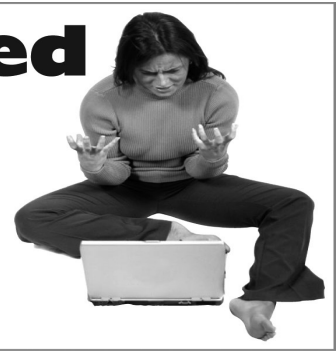


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Your Yard

Lawn Equipment: Keep Safety In Mind

(NAPSA)—When spring is on its way, home owners are often eager to get outside and spruce up their yards. It's important when doing so to keep safety in mind.

"Before you use a mower, trimmer, blower, chain saw, pruner or other piece of outdoor power equipment this season, it's important to refresh yourself on handling and safety procedures," said Kris Kiser, president and CEO of the Outdoor Power Equipment Institute (OPEI), an international trade association representing outdoor power equipment, small engine and utility vehicle manufacturers and suppliers. "We're all eager to get outside and enjoy the living landscape after a long winter, but take the time to do basic maintenance now to ensure your equipment operates safely for the season and is ready to get the job done."

These six tips can help:

1. **Read your owner's manual.** Follow all guidelines for your outdoor power equipment and familiarize yourself with the controls. If you have lost your manual, look it up online (and save a copy on your computer for easy reference in the future).

2. **Inspect equipment.** Check for loose belts and missing or damaged parts. Replace any parts needed or take your equipment to a qualified service representative for servicing.

3. **Drain old fuel.** Never leave fuel sitting in the gas tank of your equipment for more than 30 days. Untreated gasoline (without a fuel stabilizer) left in the system will deteriorate, which may cause starting or running problems and, in some cases, damage to the fuel system.

4. **Protect your power by using only E10 or less fuel in outdoor power equipment.** Some gas stations may offer



When fixing up your outdoor living space for the season, remember to keep safety in mind.

15 percent ethanol (E15) gas or higher-ethanol fuel blends but any fuel containing more than 10 percent ethanol can damage—and is illegal to use in—small engine equipment not designed for it.

5. **Store fuel safely.** Label your fuel can with the date of purchase and ethanol content of the fuel. Never put "old" gas in your outdoor power equipment. If you don't know the date of purchase, dispose of the fuel in the can safely and buy fresh fuel. Always store fuel out of the reach of children or pets and in approved containers.

6. **Clean equipment.** Remove any dirt, oil or grass stuck to it. Clean equipment will run more efficiently and last longer.

"Now is also a good time to assess your outdoor power equipment needs," adds Kiser. "Whether you're needing battery-, gasoline-, propane-, diesel- or hybrid-powered equipment, there is a product to fit your unique needs that can handle any job."

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