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Alayna Earle with "Frosty the Snowman." at First National Bank & Trust. FNBT also won the Clinton Chamber contest. More photos on page A9.

# Students making the season bright

#### **Marc Rogers** resqmph7@myfrontiermail.com

CLINTON - Mischief has been abounding at First National Bank & Trust (FNBT), in Clinton. Kids are painting graffiti on windows.

The kids are in "remote" learning, and sports are at a standstill. So, what to do to keep their minds engaged?

The Vault held a challenge to create

The students started creating upscaled versions of their artwork and then put the outlines on the FNBT front windows, with permission, and began painting on the windows on the outside. Clinton has some talented youth. They are doing this to help make

the season brighter for everyone. The Vault initiated

the effort to help keep the community's youth involved during these different times, and to help fight the feelings of being cut off from ... everything. Residents should drive

by FNBT and get some cheer during the season, compliments of our own Clinton Maroons' students.

#### **#Maroon Pride**

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makes changes.

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But, it wasn't as it seemed.

Christmas scenes in drawings. The best were voted on, and the work began.

Also see the story below.

#### meet

#### Wind building permit addressed

#### **Gordon Woods**

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CLINTON The newly-organized land use committee of the county board met on Monday via virtual meeting. During public comment, area resident Joe Witte advised committee members about elements of the Alta Farms II wind project application as that project moves ahead.

"I thought I needed to point out a couple of concerns, particularly with the sound," Witte said.

Witte said there were some points he felt county officials should address so, "we don't issue a building permit incorrectly."

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# Chamber members help spread holiday cheer

#### Special to The Clinton Journal

CLINTON The Clinton Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Bureau hosts many events throughout the year. However, because of COVID-19, many of those events were canceled, including the annual Christmas Parade. The parade is one of the Clinton Chamber's favorite events. It's a free event open to all businesses and organizations and it's the Clinton Chamber's way of giving back to the community.

But, the Chamber still wanted to do its part in spreading holiday cheer by holding a "Holiday

#### Window Decorating Contest."

The contest was open to all businesses and organizations with storefront windows. The idea was to bring in the holiday season

in a fun way, create a festive community, attract new customers and to promote local businesses. Participants decorated their windows and submitted photos to the Clinton Chamber; a link to online voting was available on Facebook,

and the winners were presented with a certificate.

Fourteen businesses and organizations participated. They were Casey's General Store, Clinton Chamber, City of Clinton, DeWitt

Savings Bank, Edward Jones: Bryce Starkey, Enel Green Power, First National Bank and Trust Company, Grimsley's Flower Store, The Clinton Journal, Vespasian Warner Public Library, Magill Restoration Centre,

Monical's Pizza, The Saturday Store, and St. John's Catholic Church.

Three hundred-sixteen people voted.

First place was awarded to First National Bank and Trust Company; see photo above and page A9. Second place was Edward Jones, Bryce Starkey. Third place was Grimsley's Flower Store; see page A9.

The Clinton Chamber plans to hold the contest again in 2021.



Gordon Woods / Journal Second place, Bryce Starkey, Edward Jones office.



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# NEWS

#### FNB awards four area businesses in REV funds | Schools / from page A1

CLINTON First National Bank and Trust Company, in partnership with the DeWitt County Development Council, awarded \$15,000 to four local businesses on Friday, Nov. 6 as a result of REV, an event helping local business owners 'ignite' their business.

First National Bank and Trust Company hosts REV, a small business pitch competition, as a way to reinvest in local businesses entrepreneurs. and With \$15,000 at stake, applicants were given 10 minutes to pitch their business ideas with five minutes for questions from a panel of four judges. REV was hosted virtually this year.

Four businesses received funds from the event. Those businesses include: Magill Restoration Centre, DeWitt Co. Museum Association, STRAND and Clinton Chiropractic Center.

• Magill ResToration Centre awarded was \$7,000 to begin restoring the centre, starting with opening a bakery. Owners Susan and Ken Klein are committed to the community and hope the centre will turn into a functioning place for people to gather, eat healthy food and obtain rest; starting with the bakery, continuing with their farm to table restaurant and ultimately becoming a center for hosting retreats to be developed using aspects of the restaurant, bakery and overnight rooms.

• DeWitt Co. Museum Association was awarded \$3,500 to help fund the publishing of high-quality booklets telling the history of DeWitt County and more. The association has made this project a priority this year to help raise community awareness of the local area history and keep expanding the DeWitt Co. Museum Association's image.

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Josh Shofner, President of First National Bank and Trust Company and Kenneth Klein, Dr. Susan Klein, Lisa Lueras and Louie Lueras.



Joey Woolridge, Director of DCMA and Josh Shofner, President of First National Bank and Trust Company.





Katy O'Grady-Pyne / Journal The Unit 15 School District virtual meeting, held on Tuesday.

"We're marching to IDPH's drum here."

"Extra-curriculars will happen when IDPH says they can happen," said Nettles. "That's the bottom line, folks. It doesn't matter what IHSA, IESA says."

Lincoln School will have seven more students returning to in-person learning. Douglas will have 23 students returning and only one person moving to remote. CES will have 25 students returning to in-person classes and seven moving to remote. CJHS will have 23 returning to in-person and CHS will have 10 returning to in-person while about the same amount are choosing to move to remote.

"We're very happy that we have a number of kids coming back in-person," said Nettles.

The board also approved the employment of Peyton Welch as a CES aide, and Jerica Moyer as CHS' suspension in-school supervisor.

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He said the Illinois Pollution Control Board (IPCB) requires sound levels produced by a wind energy project that can affect any portion of a residential area must comply with IPCB standards.

"In the building permit application. sound levels are measured at the residence and about 100 feet from those residences," Witte said. "So, the data on that building permit is not sufficient to confirm compliance with that (IPCB) regulation for where that sound measurement should be done." He also said the sound model submitted with the building permit assumes an area of "mixed ground." "In other words, it doesn't consider the noise would be higher if there were frozen ground conditions or ice or something like that," Witte said. Witte cited testimony from earlier county permit hearings showing decibel readings could be as much as 2.5-3 dBa higher

under those conditions versus the mixed ground assumption. He said some of the assumptions that were questioned during the hearings continue to be questioned as part of the building permit application.

Witte said, too, he considered it worrying that the building permit application for the Alta Farms II project expressed confidence that the sound study meets IPCB requirements, yet an engineer for Enel Energy told land use committee members earlier he that he wasn't certain.

• STRAND, a oneon-one hair studio, was awarded \$3,000 to begin the investment into a spray tanning side of the business. Owner, Sherri Strandberg stated, "I'm not intimidated or scared of hard work." She is eager to expand her business and push forward her individualized experience in her studio.

• Clinton Chiropractic Center was awarded \$1,500 to assist in the purchase of tools for the practice to keep improving the business. The center has recognized that today's society is looking for natural ways to keep improving their own health. The center hopes to keep expanding and educating the community with this.

This annual event is hosted as a portion of First National Bank and Trust Company's commitment to its community, which

Josh Shofner, President of First National Bank and Trust Company, and Sherri Strandberg, Owner of Strand Studio



Josh Shofner, President of First National Bank and Trust Company, and Dr. Stephanie Cluver, Owner of Clinton Chiropractic Center.

involves reinvesting 10 percent of its net income, locally. In its fourth consecutive year, First National Bank & Trust

Company has reinvested \$45,000 to local businesses through this event. Applications for the 2021 First National Bank

REV will open next year. To learn more about REV, visit firstnbtc.com/rev.



"He had to refer to IPCB regulations before he could answer that question,"

Witte urged county board members to make sure the county's zoning administrator received all necessary data before issuing a building permit.

The county already has issued a special use permit for the project. Since that permit was issued, a group of residents has filed a lawsuit against Enel Energy and the county, as has the Village of Wapella.

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#### Area students named to Olivet Nazarene University Dean's List

BOURBONNAIS — Five area students recently were named to the Dean's List at Olivet Nazarene University.

To qualify for inclusion on the Dean's List, a student must have been enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student and must have attained a semester grade point average of 3.50 or higher on a 4.00 grading scale.

The following students were named:

Olivia Earl, of Clinton Jonathon Kane, of Kenney Caleb Poindexter, of Le

Roy Lucas White, of Clinton Millie White, of Clinton Nazarene Olivet University is an accredited Christian, liberal arts university offering more than 140 areas of undergraduate and graduate study, including the Doctor of Education in ethical leadership. Olivet's 275-acre main campus is located in Bourbonnais, 45 miles south of Chicago.

#### Getting through winter

Cold weather is here ... joining the coronavirus and the flu. Such a wonderful trio of events all at the same time.

The Old Farmer's Almanac says that temperatures this winter will be a bit warmer for much of the country, at least for the eastern portion. The other Farmer's Almanac divides the country in a different way, with the north half of the country seeing the cold.

We didn't want to go outside anyway, did we? This winter especially we need to do all we can to stay healthy.

If you live in an especially cold area that's likely to get a lot of snow and ice, find someone to take care of it and be sure you're on their storm list. Arrange for prescriptions to be sent by mail from the pharmacy.

Stock up on batteries for flashlights, and consider getting a battery-operated radio. Remember to keep your cellphone charged at all times. One of the best things I've purchased this year is a pair of battery-operated lamps; some even come with a



remote control and motion detector.

Try to stock up on heavy or large items from the grocery store, ideally from curbside pickup. A box of canned goods and extra toilet paper will keep you from having to scramble at the last minute.

Don't try to save money by keeping the temperatures in your house too low. Seniors especially can get into trouble with hypothermia before we even know it. Aim for indoor temperatures of 68 F to 70 F, and put on a sweater!

One of the biggest things you can do to stay safe this winter is sign up with the seniors daily check-in, a phone call you'll receive either from the town or senior center to make sure you're OK. Or create your own phone tree with friends to check in every day.

#### Kenneth Duane Bjelland

FLORISSANT, Mo. – Kenneth Duane Bjelland went by many names, but his favorite was "Captain" or "Commodore."

Ken returned to his port of call on December 10, 2020, after a lengthy illness with Covid-19. He was 74.

Aboard his Pearson 26 sailboat, "The Midnight Sun," Ken gave multitudes of people the opportunity to sail on Lake Shelbyville, and he enjoyed chartering sailboats elsewhere with anyone who would go. He was a fixture at Lithia Springs Marina for more than 30 years.

In his professional life, he served as DeWitt County Farm Bureau manager for 35 years, advocating for agricultural issues. Through that work, he married his love of travel and food by arranging trips to near and far locations. Some adventures took Central Illinoisans skiing, while others took corn and bean farmers to see how pineapples grew in Hawaii or cherries grew in Canada. He leapt at any opportunity to be on the water and eat seafood. He retired in 2016 and

moved from Maroa, Ill., to Alton, Ill., to be with his wife, Adriana Marcuzzi. He will be remembered for his dry wit, adventurous palate, and love of life.

In addition to his wife, Ken is survived by his daughters Sarah Bjelland and Sonja (Luis Perez) Bjelland, and his grandson Callum Perez.

Additional surviving

#### Novella 'Vell' Wilden

BELVIDERE, Tenn. -Novella "Vell" (Ashley) Wilden, 77, of Belvidere, passed away on Tuesday, December 8, 2020, at her residence surrounded by her loving family. A native of Franklin County, she was born on August 15, 1943, to the late Green H. and Lue Virdia (Steele) Ashley. Before her retirement, she worked as a dietary cook for over 37 years. In her leisure time, Vell enjoyed growing flowers, working in her garden, water aerobics, shopping, and travel. She also was an avid reader and enjoyed arts and crafts projects. But most of all, she cherished the time spent with her beloved family. Vell was a devoted member of First United Church UCC, in Belvidere,



family include his siblings Arnie (Jan) Bjelland, Dom (Denise) Bjelland, Art (Betty) Bjelland, Marge Vacca, Alida Lumpkins, and Ariel (Nancy) Bjelland as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Martin and Lillian (Kallem) Bjelland, as well as his brothers Osmond and Melvin.

Due to Covid, a private service will be held at Christ Lutheran Church in Clinton, Ill., with Pastor David Dunlop officiating. An online viewing option will be available.

In addition, a celebration of life will be held this summer at Lake Shelbyville. His ashes will be spread at Lake Shelbyville and at the Bjelland family farm, in Norway.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the DeWitt County Farm Bureau Foundation or St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

Online condolences and guest book may be found at www. eliaskallalandschaaf. com and www.facebook/ eliaskallalandschaaf.com.





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where she attended for more than 32 years. She is survived by her loving husband of more than 37 years, Thomas Wilden, of Belvidere; children, John (Lucretia) Parker, of Birdsboro. Pa., Tom (Kenya) Parker of, Clinton, Ill., Melissa Jayne (Darrell) Payne of Westchester, Ohio, and KaLynn (Travis) of Farmland, Miner, grandchildren. Ind.; Christopher Sandman, Jarrad Sandman, Chelsey Shisler, Shannon Payne, Allison Payne, Charlotte Payne, Warren Payne. Olivia Miner, and Benjamin Miner; greatgrandson, Ronin Shisler; and sister, Shelia Ashley, of Keith Springs.

A memorial service is planned for spring. Moore-Cortner Funeral Home, 300 First Ave NW, Winchester, TN 37398, (931)-967-2222, www. moorecortner.com.



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# OPINION

#### HISTORY ALMANAC

1934 - Willie Smith sang with Jimmy Lunceford and his Orchestra on "Rhythm is Our Business."

1961 - Britain's EMI Records rejected the Beatles. They later signed them.

Today in Beatles History

1964 - Funeral services were held in Chicago for Sam Cooke.

1965 - U.S. Army Staff Sergeant Barry Sadler recorded "Ballad of the Green Berets."

1971 - Jerry Lee Lewis and his cousin Myra Brown were divorced. They were married when she was 13 years old.

1975 - Rod Stewart announced that he was leaving Faces for a solo career.

1981 - About 35 million people watched a Rod Stewart concert via satellite. The broadcast was televised in 23 countries.

1984 - Madonna's "Like a Virgin was the No. 1 Billboard Pop Hit. The song was Madonna's first No. 1 hit.

1997 - Tori Amos, offered 14 music videos, including a rare clip of "Cornflake Girl," for viewing over the Internet as part of a holiday charity effort for the Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network (RAINN). Users were allowed access to the clips for a four week period in exchange for a donation of \$5.

1999 - Prince recorded "Rave Un2 The Joy 2000" at Paisley Park Studios.

2001 - Tommy Lee (Motley Crue) won a court battle with ex-wife Pamela Anderson. Anderson had filed the suit to gain full custody of the couple's two children. The judge





Every two years, the county board r e o r g a n i z e s after the November elections. Quite often the same people remain in leadership positions, since it is rare for a county board to have a major shift in membership or political viewpoints.

This year has been different. Four brand new candidates won election to the board, which is a net change of one-third. That is significant.

The new members come to the board with a public perception of being one issue, against the wind turbines. Hopefully that perception doesn't hold, and the board membership delves into its new responsibilities with a desire to serve the county as a whole.

There is always a learning curve for new members to any political position. The new board will simply have to learn its new role as county boards before them have done. It will take a little time. The public needs to take a step back and give the board some time to acquaint itself with its new duties.

These were contested elections and some feelings are raw. Whatever anyone's personal viewpoint on the election was, they are the winners. In a democracy, we respect the elections and accept the results. Encourage the members you know, and allow the new board to get established.

Outgoing Chairman Dave Newburg deserves a community thank you for the time he spent as Chairman and especially for his last act. Newburg knew that his faction had been weakened by the election, but his priority was to maintain a unified board.

To that end, he nominated Terry Ferguson to be the new Chairman. Terry Ferguson was then elected by the board members as its new Chairman.



That was a class act as were Terry Ferguson's comments to the media that he wished the board to address all issues that concern the county, not just any single issue.

Time is the ultimate judge of any political organization, but for now, the future looks promising.

Contrast DeWitt County to the Presidential elections, and there is a marked difference.

The voters have spoken and Biden has won by almost all accounts. Trump has every legal right to contest what he believes are errors in the election, but at some point that must end if there is no proof of major fraud.

I have seen elections literally decided by a game of chance after a

tied election. It happened in DeWitt County. In that case, Terry Ferguson, our new chairman, lost. Ferguson was deeply disappointed, but he did not file any lawsuits and accepted the results of the election until he ran in the next election and prevailed. That is the essence of democracy. We accept the legitimacy of the ballot. We do not riot. We become the loyal opposition and run again in the next election if we think we can change the voters' minds. Many of us are not Joe

by Dave T. Phipps

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The retired sergeant, up the one with the 6-foot W foldout measuring stick, ol

up with the EMTs here. Wouldn't take him. Too old, they said. Policy."



Anderson's lawyers to require monitoring of Lee's visits.

2003 - In Santa Maria, CA, Michael Jackson was charged with seven counts of molesting a child under 14 and two counts of supplying the child with "an intoxicating agent." Jackson's lawyer denounced the allegations and said they were driven by money and revenge.

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wasn't there when I headed for the order window at the coffee shop. The rest of the veterans were uncharacteristically quiet, arrayed around the sidewalk in folding chairs and blankets against the cold, listening to an emergency scanner.

"Where is he?" I asked. "There was an accident out on the highway. We suspect he was involved somehow," one said. A pause, then: "He was a career Army combat medic, E-6. Tried to sign It was an hour before Sarge pulled up in his truck and climbed slowly out, blood on his coat. He snapped open his lawn chair and dropped into it.

The story came out in a tired voice: He was three cars behind a nasty wreck, multiple crushed vehicles, one a pickup truck that had rolled, ejecting a toddler onto the pavement.

"I grabbed my medical bag," he said. "Injured baby, blood everywhere, but thank God, still strapped in her car seat."



VETERANS

One of the other vets pushed up out of his lawn chair. "You're a bit shock-y," he said and handed Sarge his blanket.

The story kept coming out: Sarge had wrapped the baby's leg that had the worst of the damage and kept pressure on it with one hand while washing the blood off her face with the other, singing to her for distraction, and managed not to kill on sight the to his daughter. The EMTs eventually showed up, bouncing down the median.

drunk father who stumbled

over and demanded to

know what he was doing

His phone rang and he pulled it out, listened and grunted "I'll be there." He snapped the phone shut and slid it back into his pocket. "The baby will be fine eventually."

We saw a tiny smile, and then: "The EMTs want me. Said maybe I'm not too old after all."

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by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Immanuel in the Old or New Testament or neither?

2. Who visited Jesus on the night of His birth and found Mary, Joseph and the babe lying in a manger? Innkeeper, Shepherds, Herod, Magi

3. By biblical accounts, what animals were present and around the manger at Jesus' birth? Lions and bears, Sheep and goats, Donkeys and chickens, No mention of animals

4. When the wise men (Magi) arrived in the Holy Land, where did they go first? Jerusalem, Beersheba, Haifa, Tel Aviv

5. Which of these wasn't biblically stated as a gift from the Magi? Silver, Myrrh, Gold, Frankincense

6. Which Old Testament prophet said the most about the birth of Christ? Isaiah, Daniel, Ezekiel, Jeremiah

ANSWERS: 1) Neither; 2) Shepherds; 3) No mention of animals; 4) Jerusalem (Mat 2:1-2); 5) Silver; 6) Isaiah

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#### Psalm 89:1

I <u>will sing</u> of <u>the LORD's great love forever</u>; <u>with</u> my <u>mouth</u> I will <u>make your</u> faithfulness <u>known through</u> <u>all</u> generations.

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"Heilige Nacht" (15th-century woodcut



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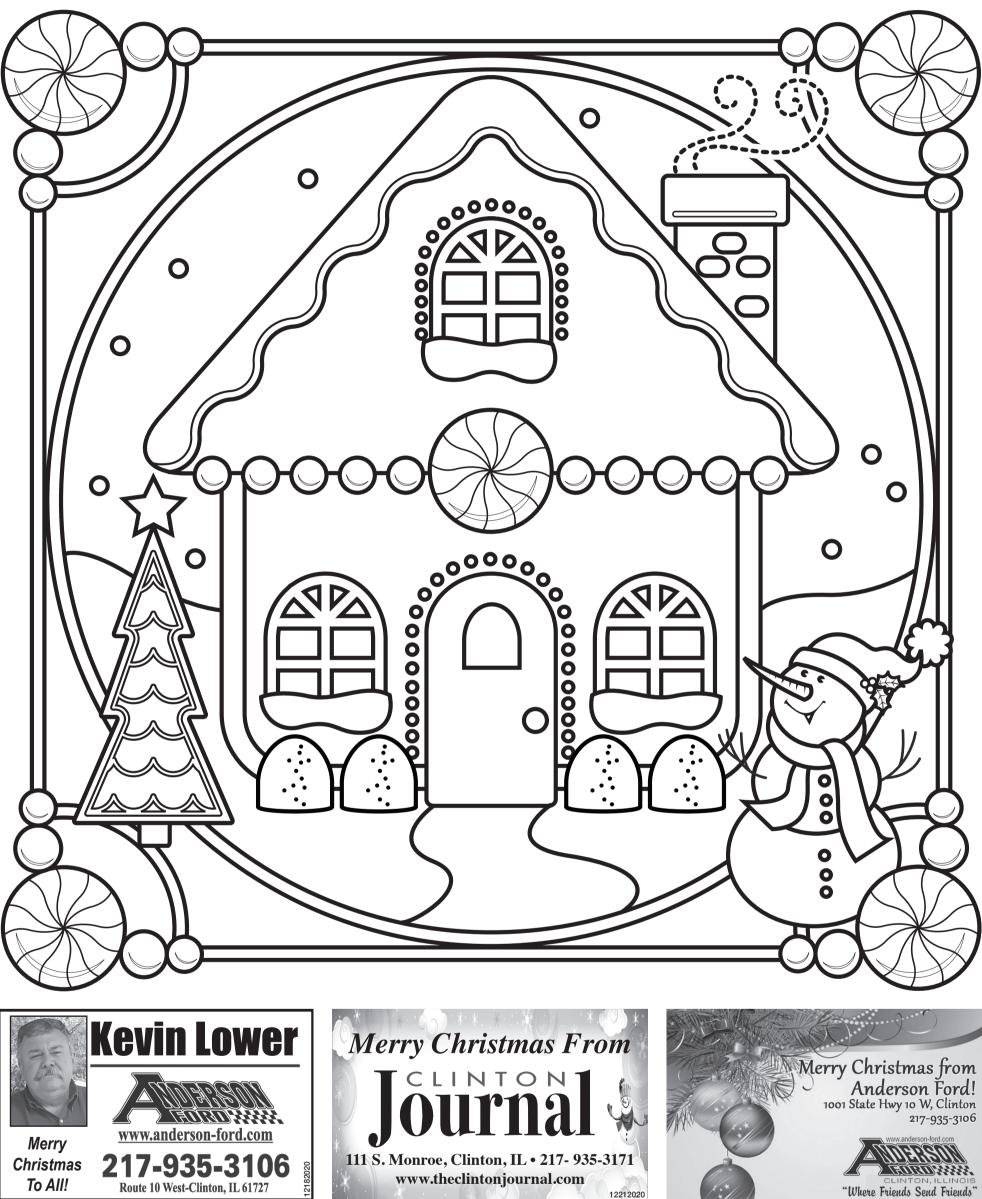
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#### Pumpkin juice for Harry Potter

elcome to my little corner of culinary delights. My apologies, this article should have preceded the last one. I hope I have perked your interest to work with the actual pumpkin rather than opening cans. You cannot get fresher than this and the flavor is wonderful. There is so much you can do and make with it. You might not save time, but you save money.

Last time, I spoke of pumpkin juice. No doubt some of you wish to make it. I will now walk you through the process. Purée your pumpkin flesh by using a food mill, ricer or blender. We start with two primary ingredients. You need two cups worth of pumpkin purée. As a base, I suggest eight cups worth of apple cider. Now we add the sweetener and flavors. That would be <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup of brown sugar, <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> teaspoon each of ground cinnamon and ginger. Put in only a pinch or two each of ground cloves and nutmeg. Mix it all together and run it through a blender. I prefer a mixer with a whip attachment. Refrigerate in a sealed container.



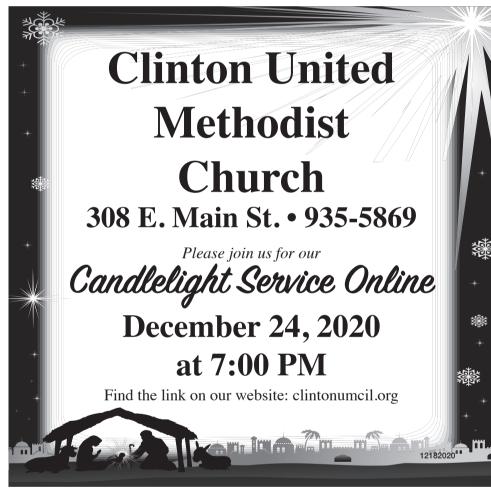
Of course, recipes for pumpkin pie are most easy to find. But there is a deviation I like making to the recipe. Once everything has been done for making the filling for a nine-inch pie, simmer this on the stove top until thickened to batter consistency. While it is cooling, whip up egg whites from two eggs until you reach medium to stiff peaks. Temper and fold this into your pumpkin pie concoction last thing. Pour into a baked shell and bake according to the recipe specifications. Top with whipped cream and serve with vanilla ice cream on the side. I will not tell you what to expect. You will have to make one yourself to find out. To know how to temper and fold, see articles of June 16, 2017 and June 23, 2017. When it comes to food,

try and waste nothing including the seeds from the pumpkin. Aside from planting the seeds, you

can prepare them for eating or as an ingredient. Here is how. Coat cleaned dry seeds well in a mixture of 1 tablespoon brown sugar and 1/4 teaspoon of pumpkin spice with little more than a tablespoon of clarified butter. Arrange seeds on a half size baker's pan or cookie sheet lined with parchment paper. Bake for about 40 minutes in a 300°F oven. They make a wonderful snack time treat.

People who know me know that I prefer doing things from scratch and It keeps one direct. cognizant to what is being used. Why then did I recommend "pumpkin spice"? Why did I not spell out the cinnamon, ginger, cloves and nutmeg. If the total amount of pumpkin spice needs to equal 1/4 teaspoon, it is next to impossible to measure the components accurately. For example, how does one accurately measure out one-sixth of one-quarter teaspoon of ground cloves and nutmeg? There is more to come.

Until next time, peace to all.



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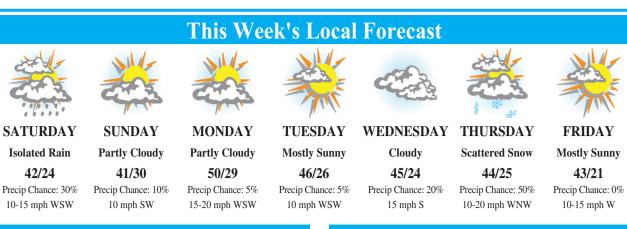
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Weather Trivia What type of lightning occurs most frequently?

Answer: Cloud to cloud lightning.

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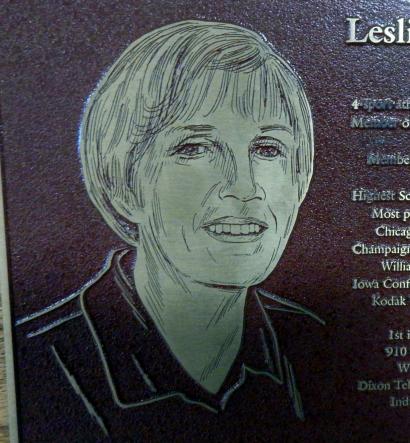
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# Journal Sports

# Another hall of fame for Clinton's 'Sas'



Lesli "Sas" Spencer Inducted 2008 Class of 1979 4 speed athlete, Volleyball, Track, Softball, Bask Sall Memory of the Heart of Illinois Conference Champy in Basketball - 1977-1978 Member of the Corn Belt Conference Champs in Basketball - 1978-1979 Highest Scoring Ave. in 1 Season-27.6 - 1978-1979 Most points scored in 1 game 58 - 3/10/79 Chicago Tribune 1st Team All-State - 1979 Champaign News Gazette 1st team All-State 1979 William Penn University graduate - 1983 Iowa Conference Most Valuable Player - 1982-1983 Kodak Women's All American Basketball 1st Team - 1983 1st in Conference-89.1% Free Throws 910 Career Points-Top 20 All-Time a William Penn Univ. + 1981-1983 Dixon Telegraph Coach of the Year - 1988-1990 Inducted into William Penn Athletic Hall of Fame 2000



Marc Rogers / Journal Above: Lesli "Sas" Spencer. Left: "Sas's" Wall of Honor plaque at CHS.

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began he playing sports in the "early" days of women's sports. She competed in track, volleyball, softball, and basketball, for which she is best known.

She is Lesli "Sas" Spencer. Lesli graduated from Clinton High School (CHS) in 1979 after receiving many awards and car-



Sas's honor from the Chicago Tribune.

Conference championship. points in the first half, and rying a nice grade point av- Also, while at CHS, Lesli with the help of her teamerage. She said that sports scored 1,661 points during mates, "Sas" scored 40 kept her mind engaged and her career (2nd place all points in the second half, a time), had the highest scor- total of 58 points and a re-Sas's accolades include ing average in one season, cord she still holds. 27.6 points, and on March 10, 1979, at the urging of Lady Maroon should hold her coach to beat the boy's the title and believed she pionship and helping win high score in a single game could accomplish the feat. (52 points) after scoring 18

The coach thought a During her senior season as a Lady Maroon, Lesli was honored as a Champaign News Gazette Women's Basketball 1st team All-Star and a Chicago Tribune Women's Basketball All-State 1st team member.

took on college, attending Lincoln College, scoring over 1,000 points in two years there. (Other information was lost in a huge years ago.)

From there, while still attaining the needed scho-Conference Most Valuable Lesli's accolades continued

Player, was named to the to mount being named the Kodak Women's All-Amer- Dixon Telegraph Coach of ican Basketball first team, the year (1989-1990), was and was first in the confer- inducted into the WPU Athence in free throw percentage (89.1 percent).

With schooling behind High School Wall of Hon-After graduation, Lesli her, Lesli began a career teaching and coaching, first at East Central High School, in Miles, Iowa. In her one year at East Central, she coached the girls fire at the school some basketball team to a 13-6 winning season.

Next was Dixon, Ill., the Y-Zone programs in the where she taught Physical lastic scores, she moved on Education for 32 years, to William Penn Univer- coaching for her first six eral evenings a week. sity (WPU) for two years. years there. After going WPU was another step- 40-39 for the first three early in her life, her friends ping stone for Lesli in an years, Lesli told the school and teammates found out extraordinary life. While if she couldn't improve she liked sassafras tea and there, Lesli kept the courts she would step down. No called her sassy which popping with 910 total need; Lesli coached her shortened to the "Sas" we points in two years, and as next three years with a 41a senior became an Iowa 15 record. While at Dixon,

letic Hall of Fame (2000), inducted into the Clinton or (2008), and now, in retirement, induction into the Illinois Basketball Coaches Association Hall of Fame (2021).

Even in her retirement, "Sas," as she's known at the Clinton Y, helps with morning and, you guessed it, coaches basketball sev-

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| E-W Vulnerable |      |       |      |  |  |  |  |  |
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Against 3NT, West starts out with the Diamond Ten, it's the standard lead from that holding (top of a so-called "interior sequence"). You are Declarer, and the questions of the day are "What's the big danger?" and "What are you going to do about it?"

You have enough tricks once the enemy's ♣A is out of the way. If the defenders' Diamonds are 4-3 then nothing can go wrong, you cannot lose more than three Diamonds and the A. So, the danger is a 5-2 Diamond split, and you have a make-or-break play at Trick 1.

Pretending that you haven't already peeked at the E-W hands, what 5-card Diamond holdings could West have led from? One possibility is T9xxx, in which case you are safe whatever happens. A second possibility is QT9xx, in which case East will win his Ace and return a Diamond, after which the contract will depend on the whereabouts of the A... if it's in the hand with long Diamonds you are down ... if not, then you make your contract (with an overtrick).

In both the above cases it doesn't matter what you do, the lie of the cards will determine your success or failure. But now consider what to do if West has led from AT9xx. Low from Dummy, low from East, what do you play? You could duck, praying that the A is with the short Diamonds. But the correct play is to win the first trick with the King. Now the Diamonds are blocked! When the defense gets in with the A, their Diamonds are all winners but they cannot be untangled. So, the winning plays at Trick 1 are low from Dummy and the King from hand.

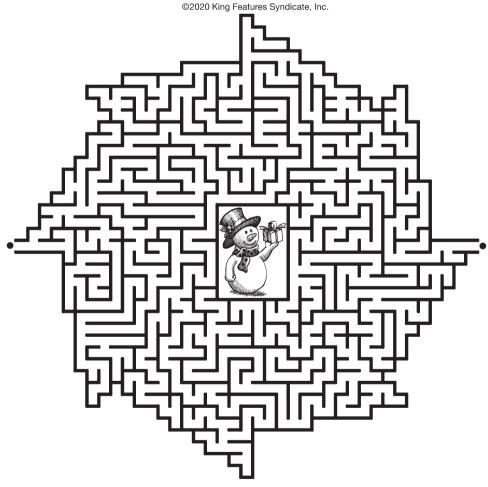
P.S. There is another possible West holding. He might have led from AQT9x, in which case Declarer may have a second stopper by playing Dummy's Jack at Trick 1. But that play also requires West to hold the A. The odds are better that West has QT9xx than that he has AQT9x and the A.



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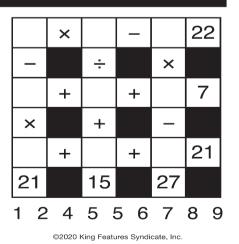
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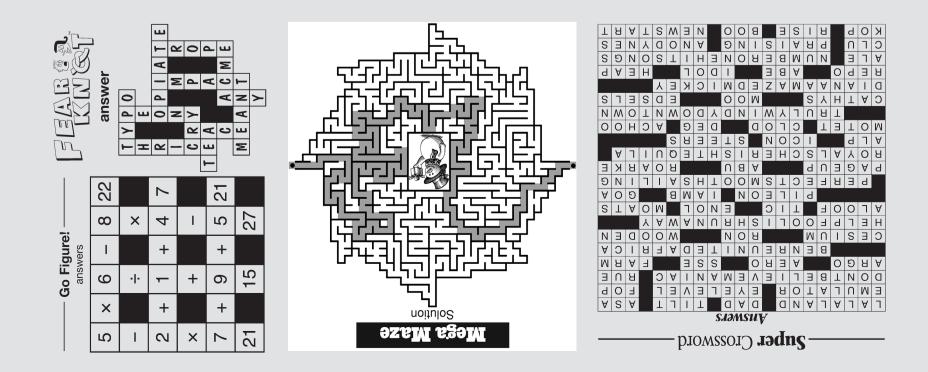
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> The named property is located at 19401 Rainbow Rd, Weldon, IL 61882 in DeWitt Township and is zoned RD-2. Parcel No. 09-29-300-003.

Notice is hereby given to all interested parties that a public hearing on the above-mentioned request will be held on the  $4^{Th}$ day of January, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. or as soon thereafter as is possible. Said hearing will be held virtually. To attend:

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Dated this 11th day of December, 2020.

Scott King, Independent Executor of the Estate of Nuel Rex King, Deceased

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you, Dustin Barn-

| Parcel Number | Owners/Parties Interested     | Cert Numbe | r Street Or Common Address |
|---------------|-------------------------------|------------|----------------------------|
| 01-29-306-003 | LANCASTER STURGIS A           | 201700002  | 502 N. ILLINOIS ST.        |
| 05-28-257-002 | WELLS BARBARA J               | 201700024  | 307 E. RICHARDSON ST.      |
| 05-28-257-002 | COMIAN XIV TAX LIEN FUND, LLC | 201700024  | 307 E. RICHARDSON ST.      |
| 07-27-432-004 | TINKHAM TYRONE                | 201700057  | 407 E. WOODLAWN ST.        |
| 07-33-200-040 | SCHMID LOGAN                  | 201700071  | WAGON TRAIL RD.            |
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| 07-33-200-040 | UNITED STATES OF AMERICA      | 201700071  | WAGON TRAIL RD.            |
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#### LEGAL

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

DEWITT COUNTY - IN PROBATE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF NUEL REX KING. DECEASED

NO. 2020-P-56

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that a request for variation has been filed with the above named Board. Andrew and Joan

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

Letters of Office were issued on December 9, 2020 to Scott King, 12121 Washington Road, Clinton, Illinois 61727 as independent executor. The attorney for the estate is Joseph B. Taylor of Taylor & Lvnch, 216 South Center Street, P.O. Box 478, Clinton, Illinois, 61727.

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TAKE NOTICE THAT THE ABOVESAID PARCELS WERE SOLD ON OCTOBER 24, 2018 FOR GENERALTAXES FOR THE YEAR 2017 AND PRIOR YEARS, AND THAT THE PERIOD OF REDEMPTION FROM SUCH SALE EXPIRES MAY 7, 2021. TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT A PETITION FOR ORDER DIRECTING ISSUANCE OF TAX DEEDS HAS BEEN FILED IN THE ABOVESAID CAUSE AS TO THE ABOVE-NAMED PARCELS BY DEWITT COUNTY, AS TRUSTEE, AND THAT ON JUNE 4, 2021 AT 9:00 AM, SAID PETITIONER WILL APPLY FOR AN ORDER THAT A TAX DEED ISSUE AS TO EACH ABOVESAID PARCEL NOT REDEEMED ON OR BEFORE MAY 7, 2021. /S/ DEWITT COUNTY AS TRUSTEE, PETITIONER.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 201 W. WASHINGTON ST, CLINTON, IL 61727 TELEPHONE: (217) 935-7780

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#### CERTIFICATION

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Under penalties as provided by law pursuant to the Illinois Code of Civil Procedure at 735 ILCS 5/1-109, the undersigned certifies that the statements in this instrument are true and correct, except as to matters therein stated to be on information and belief, and as to such matters, the undersigned certifies as aforesaid that she verily believes them to be true.

#### Dated: 10-23-2020

/s/Brittany D Jesse Brittany Ďawn Jesse

Valerie McWilliams. ARDC 6182885 Attorney for Petitioner Land of Lincoln Legal Aid 302 N. First Street Champaign, IL 61820 Telephone: (217) 356-1351 Correspondence: vmcwilliams@ lincolnlegal.org E-Filing Service: efileero@lincolnlegal.org

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filed in this matter seeking approval to sell real estate of this decedent.

You are required to file an answer in this case or otherwise file your appearance in the Office of the Clerk of this Court, DeWitt County Courthouse, 201 W. Washington St., Clinton, Illinois 61727 on or before January 25, 2021, being a date more than 30 days from the first publication of this Notice. IF YOU FAIL TO DO SO, A JUDGMENT **OR DECREE BY** DEFAULT MAY BE **TAKEN AGAINST** YOU FOR THE **RELIEF ASKED IN** THE PETITION.

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WITNESS: December 18, 2020 MICHELLE VAN VALEY Clerk of the Circuit Court DeWitt County, Illinois

Curtis G. Quindry Attorney for Petitioners ARDC# 3125861 P.O. Box 87 Newton, Illinois 62448-0087 (618) 783-5006 cqlaw@hotmail. <u>com</u>

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#### LEGAL

ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION NOTICE

# Illinois Extension hosts annual update on effects of new legislation

CHAMPAIGN changes in state legislation can bring significant impacts to communities throughout Illinois. To help local officials understand expectations and prepare for potential budget changes, University of Illinois Extension hosts presenters from Illinois Association of County Board Members in a free online webinar January 12, 2021 beginning at noon (CT). Legislative update for Illinois

local officials January 12 at noon.

"Legislative updates kick off every new year of programming with Illinois Extension's Local Government Education webinar series. The previous year's legislation has made its of Commerce and Economic as well as numerous business way into local budgets by December in many Illinois coun- as executive director for the legislative consultant, Anderties," says Nancy Ouedraogo, Illinois Association of Coun- son works with the Illinois Development Specialist, Illicommunity and economic de- ty Board Members and is a Association of County Board nois Extension

departmental levels."

Association of County Board Members cover recent and potential changes in state legislation and implications for local governments. Participants will have an opportunity to ask questions during a Q&A session at the end of each presentation.

grant and program administra- of clients, including various tion with Illinois Department COG's and local governments, Opportunity, Murray serves entities and corporations. As

- Yearly velopment specialist at Univer- registered lobbyist, serving on Members and commissioners sity of Illinois Extension. "The several state boards and comgoal of our annual state legisla- missions that legislate Illinois ty officials and provide educative update is to help officials policy. She is a founder of tion and discussion about legplan for operation and imple- the Institute for Excellence in mentation of policy changes at County Governance, in partnership with the University Presenters Kelly Murray and of Illinois, and a contributing Taylor Anderson from Illinois author of Tomorrow's Leaders civic curriculum, aimed at teaching high school students about local government.

> Anderson is a full-time, registered, contractual lobbyist in the State of Illinois who has spent nearly a decade working with the Illinois General Assembly. He has lobbied on be-In addition to handling major half of wide and diverse groups

to organize seminars for counislation which impacts Illinois counties.

The online webinar is free to attend, but registration is required. Learn more and register at go.illinois.edu/LGEStateUpdateJan21.

Illinois Extension provides equal opportunities in programs and employment. If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in programming, contact program organizer Nancy Ouedraogo. Early requests are strongly encouraged to allow sufficient time to meet your needs.

SOURCE: Nancy Ouedraogo, Community and Economic

#### Learn to identify trees in winter with bark, twigs and buds

your trees is an important skill uncommon Illinois trees, and ogy and techniques and tools and hickories. Evans will also to have when managing a for- spend time focusing on the for identifying unknown tree cover uncommon tree species est. The most common way to hard-to-identify groups, such species. identify trees is their leaves, as hickories. Sign up to attend but trees spend almost half the one or all three sessions. year leafless.

sion is offering the free threepart webinar series Winter Tree sessions in advance online at the tree species commonly Identification starting February 1.

Forester Chris Evans will teach the basic characteristics 1 will be Introduction and Ba- tification of Uncommon Trees that are used to identify trees in sics of Winter Tree Identifica- and Difficult Groups. This prowinter - location, bark, twigs, tion. Evans will focus on the gram will focus on tree groups buds. He will also cover in characteristics used in winter that are difficult to identify by

URBANA, Ill. - Knowing detail how to ID common and tree identification, terminol- species in winter, such as oaks

go.illinois.edu/WinterTree- found in Illinois. Identification.

The session on February 3 is Winter Identification of Com-Sessions are 2 to 3 p.m. Feb- mon Trees of Illinois: This ses-University of Illinois Exten- ruary 1, 3 and 5. Sign up for sion will cover the characterisfree to attend one or all three tics used to identify in winter

> The final session in the series The first session on February on February 5 is Winter Iden

found in Illinois.

For more information on trees and forest management, visit Extension's forestry website at extension.illinois.edu/forestry.

SOURCE: Chris Evans, Forestry Extension and Research Specialist; Duane Friend, Horticulture Educator, Illinois Extension

## Keep Poinsettias plentiful long after the holidays

in the United States and Can- in their flowers.

comes to the most popular holi- their bracts and leaves once have any harmful effects. day plant, the winner is surpris- their flowers have shed all their

URBANA, Ill. - When it bracts. Poinsettias will drop the plant, 500 to 600 leaves, to will shorten the length of the

That being said, Poinsettias ing. With their varying shades pollen. So, for long-lasting may ooze a milky sap and some of cheery colors, Poinsettias Poinsettias, choose plants that people that have latex allergies are the best-selling potted plant have little or no pollen showing may have a reaction to it. This tom so water can drain out. may also cause mild irritation Water Poinsettias when the soil

Poinsettia's display.

Poinsettias come wrapped in foil and plastic. If left on, be sure to poke holes in the bot-

#### LEGAL

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DEWITT COUNTY, CLINTON ILLINOIS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ELOISE VIRGINIA PRUNTY,

#### DECEASED

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

ELOISE VIRGINIA PRUNTY, by: PAMELA MILLER and MARK BURK, Co-Administrators,

Petitioners, No. 2018-P-19 VS,

The Estate of Sandra Thayer, Deceased by Robin Reising Administrator of the Estate of Sandra Thayer, Deceased: Rodney Kinder; and Kristen Hines, and The Unknown Heirs, Devisees, and Legatees of Janet Kinder, Deceased,

Respondents.

No. 2018-P-19

#### NOTICE BY PUB-LICATION

To: THE UN-KNOWN HEIRS DEVISEES, AND LEGATEES OF JANET KINDER, DECEASED

An Amended Petition to Sell Real Estate has been

Public Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, December 15, 2020, 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:

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No. 2020-138 Dana Smith **COUNTY CLERK** 

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There are more than 100 varieties of Poinsettia, from the traditional red plants to pink, white, yellow, and purple. If taken care of properly, their bright displays can last for several weeks, says Ken Johnson, University of Illinois Extension horticulture educator.

plants aren't flowers," Johnson says. "They are actually modified leaves called bracts."

ing myths about Poinsettias is best to keep them away. its toxicity.

Poinsettias are not poisonous," Johnson says. "The misconception began in 1919, when a child allegedly died after eating a Poinsettia leaf."

"The colored parts of the and was later determined to hours and make sure they aren't be hearsay, the story has per- touching windows. Poinsettias sisted. In fact, a study by Ohio should have daytime tempera-State University showed that a tures around 60°F to 70°F and

One of the most long-stand- and nausea in pets, so it may be

Poinsettias are sensitive to "Contrary to popular belief, extreme temperatures. Cold temperatures can damage the bracts and leaves. Keep them wrapped when transporting them outside.

Once home, place Poinset-While this was never proved tias in indirect sunlight for six The greenish-yellow flowers, 50-pound child would have to nighttime temperatures around cyathia, are in the center of the eat more than 1¼ pounds of 55°F. Warmer temperatures

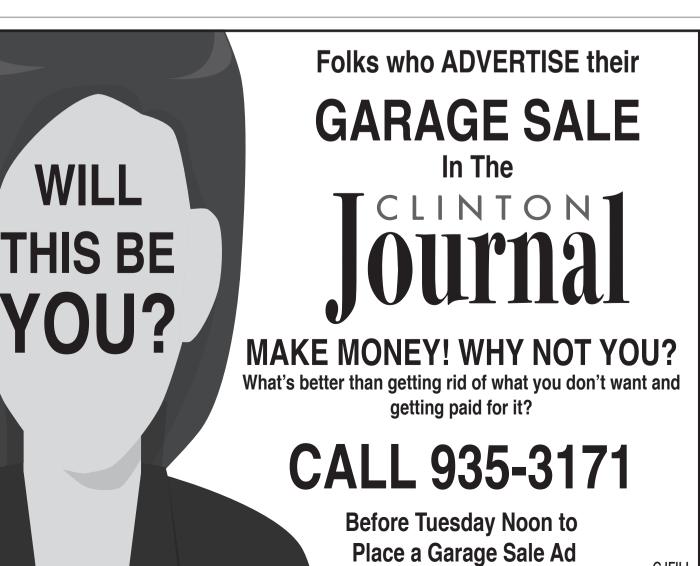
becomes dry and discard the excess. Waterlogged plants can get root rot and die.

After the holidays, fertilize Poinsettias once a month after they are done blooming.

For more information on Poinsettias, visit go.illinois. edu/Poinsettia.

SOURCE: Ken Johnson, Horticulture Educator, Illinois Extension

WRITER: Emily Steele, Media Communications Coordinator, Illinois Extension



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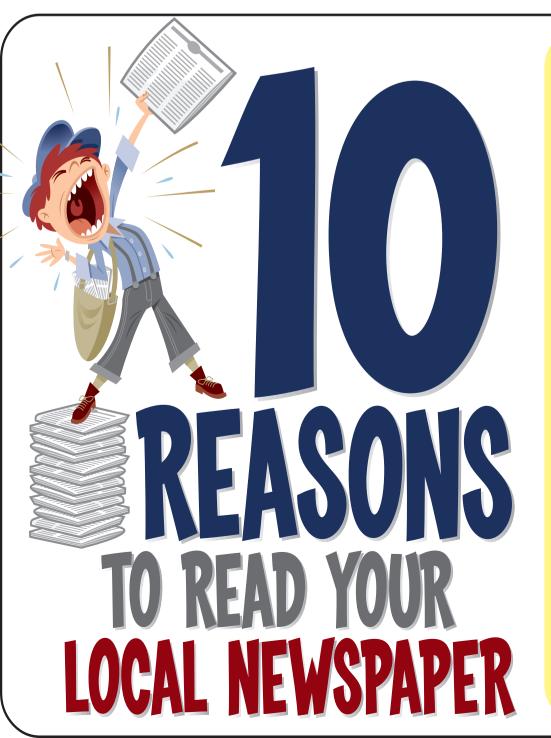
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# HOLIDAYS



Start A Few New Traditions This Holiday Season



Brighten the holidays with side dishes that make you hunger for more.

(NAPS)—For many families this holiday season will be like no other. Without the gathering at the table, some traditions will be impractical this year.

So this may be a good time to try something new like adding a "jazzy" side dish to your holiday meal.

For instance, try a twist on Thanksgiving, Christmas or other occasion, with Jambalaya Stuffed Peppers and Sausages.

This recipe by Fleur de Lolly is easy to make because you can start with a box of Zatarain's Jambalaya Mix, seasoned with cayenne pepper and the "holy trinity" of New Orleans cuisine: diced onion, celery and bell pepper.

> Jambalaya Stuffed Peppers And Sausages Serves 4

4 red bell pepper, hollowed out

- 1 red bell pepper, diced
- ½ package Zatarain's Cajun-style smoked sausage
- 1 package Zatarain's Jambalaya Mix

Chopped fresh parsley to taste

Preheat oven to 375° F. Dice and

brown the sausages in a cast iron skillet if you have one. Make the jambalaya according to package directions. When the jambalaya starts to boil, add the sausage. Once the jambalaya is cooked, gently fill the peppers with the jambalaya, lightly packing as you fill them. Place in a shallow baking dish and drizzle with olive oil. Bake at 375° F for 25-30 minutes or until the peppers are tender. Remove from oven and sprinkle with chopped parsley. Serve immediately.

Smoked sausage adds a complexity to the flavor without adding complexity to preparing the dish.

Both Zatarain's Andouille and Cajun Style Smoked sausages can be found across the country at Kroger owned stores, Sam's Club, Food Lion and select independent retailers.

Zatarain's sausages are 100% pork, contain no MSG, no by-products, no gluten nor artificial color or flavors. You can save that for the holiday decorations! Learn More

You can find more great recipes and suggestions from the experts on good food at Zatarain's online at www.mccormick.com/zatarains.

# Seven tips to safely decorate your home for the holidays

CENTRAL ILL. – Volunteers with the Red Cross assisted 23 people affected by home fires. From December 7 through today, five incidents took place in Champaign, Bloomington, Champaign, Rantoul and Potomac.

The Red Cross assisted 19 adults and 4 children affected with a safe place to stay, health services, financial assistance and information to help them in their recovery.

If you need assistance after a home fire or disaster, please call our dispatch line: 1-877-597-0747.

The holiday season is here and many of us are still putting up our home decorations. If you plan to use candles as part of your holiday decorations, consider the flameless kind – as a December is the peak month for candle fires.

The risk is so common that nearly one-third of us have left the room or fallen asleep while burning candles, according to a 2020 national American Red Cross survey. If you must use candles, never leave them unattended, keep them away from anything that could burn and place them out of reach from children and pets.

The Red Cross urges everyone to follow these decorating safety tips to prevent fires and injuries.

Check all holiday light cords to make sure they aren't frayed or broken. Don't string too many strands of lights together – no more than three per extension cord. Turn off all holiday lights when going to bed or leaving the house.

Ensure outside decorations are for outdoor use and fasten lights securely to your home or trees. If using hooks or nails outside, make sure they are insulated to avoid electrocution or fire hazard.

Look for the fire-resistant label when buying an artificial tree. Keep it away from fireplaces, radiators and other sources of heat. Never use electric lights on metallic trees. If getting a live tree, make sure it's fresh and keep it watered. Bend the needles up and down to make sure no needles fall off.

Don't light the fireplace if hanging stockings on the mantel.

Check the labels of older decorations. Some older tinsel is lead-based. If using angel hair, wear gloves to avoid irritation. Avoid breathing in artificial snow.

Have good, stable placement when using a ladder and wear shoes that allow for good traction.

As the weather gets colder, the number of home fires increase. Test your smoke alarms monthly and practice your home fire escape plan until everyone can escape in less than two minutes - the amount of time you may have to get out of a burning home before it's too late. Visit redcross.org/fire for more information. You can also download the free Red Cross Emergency app (search "American Red Cross" in app stores).





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