

# Santa coming to the Ho-Ho- -Homestead

CLINTON — On the evening of Nov. 27, from 6-7 p.m., drive by the C.H. Moore Homestead DeWitt County Museum, 219 E. Woodlawn in Clinton, to see the Victorian mansion adorned with Christmas lights.

Santa will be at the museum gates waving to all passersby and will hand a little treat to each child. This DeWitt County Museum Association-sponsored event is free and open to the public.

Drivers are asked to approach the museum via Madison Street to participate in this “drive-by only” event. Participants should remain in their vehicles at all times.

Due to current mandates, there will be no Santa Night photos in the carriage barn, nor will there be any Christmas Candlelight Tours at the museum this holiday season.

# Library holiday stocking contest

CLINTON — Vespasian Warner Public Library is sponsoring a holiday stocking contest.

Create or decorate a holiday stocking and drop it off at the library by 3 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 5. Age categories include 10-younger, ages 11-17 and 18-older.

Prizes will be awarded to the stocking with the highest total votes in each age category. All entries will receive a gift.

- One entry per person
- Must fit in a 2'x2' area. Decorations must be appropriate for all audiences.
- Attach the entrant's name, age and phone number to the back of the stocking

Call (217) 935-5174 with questions.



Gordon Woods / Journal  
Artist Sharon Snyder, left, and friend Edith Brady-Lunny unveil Archie, "The Fantastic Bird," at Magill Centre.  
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# Archie takes flight at Magill

## Sharon Snyder mosaic takes prominent place with Magill Centre redevelopment

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**I**t took a while, as good art often does, for Archie to find his place. He spent several months in a garage, slowly coming together with the friends who join him in this mosaic. But, on Saturday, Archie found his permanent perch, all 8 feet – 8 inches of him.

"After two months of research, and finding what I wanted to do," said artist Sharon Snyder, she began

to piece together Archie, “The Fantastic Bird,” with the help of friends Edith Brady-Lunny and Edith’s husband Calvin.

The project took five months to complete during 2012 under the protection of the Lunny's garage.

“Edith brought over some tile one day and said, ‘Hey, I wanna do this coffee table,’” Snyder said. “She knew that I knew how to tile.”

Snyder already had 20 years' experience as a stained glass artist, so she understood how to cut and work with glass.

Then came the idea for Archie

"I also had tiled and learned some restoration skills," she said. "The flowers and leaves and other things are stained glass, but the bird is stone."

Snyder got some lessons in tile and stone cutting from Edith Lunny's brother, "and, six weeks later, I'm saying, 'I can do this' "

Snyder said she was fortunate that whenever she needed the mosaic moved or lifted, she always had volunteers to help.

The mosaic has a base

of marine-grade plywood  
covered with tile board

"Then Liquid Nails, and it's bolted," Snyder said.

Archie is joined on the mosaic by a bumble bee, starfish, a lady bug, and a lizard in a menagerie resting among some other discoveries in a natural setting.

Archie was Snyder's first foray into creating public art.

She created the work for the new owners of what will become the Magill Centre.

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## Richland Community College offers CTE Mentorship Program

Program focuses on transitioning hand-on experts into the field of higher education

DECATUR – Richland Community College is offering training to potential new adjunct instructors as part of its Career and Technical Education Transition to Education Mentor Program. Anyone with a passion for teaching and sharing knowledge with tomorrow’s workforce can receive a stipend while training in this unique program.

According to John Oliver, Director of Workforce Development, “The CTE Mentorship Program is designed to help local experts in their fields transition into teaching and training. We want subject matter experts in our district who want to pass on that knowledge to future generations. The program will provide a stipend to individuals that qualify, with more information being offered at some upcoming virtual events.”

Virtual orientations will take place online and are offered on the following dates and times:

December 1 from 5:30-6:30 p.m.

December 2 from 1 p.m.-2 p.m.

December 5 from 9 a.m.-10 a.m.

Those interested are urged to visit richland.edu/ctementor to sign up.

“I have had a lot of opportunity to talk to these experts and I am consistently amazed by their knowledge, yet I

am also fearful of who is going to take the baton from them in order to sustain their industries and businesses. We developed this program to decrease the employment gap in the skilled and technical fields in our area,” Oliver added. “It really is a unique way to develop your training and teaching skills, while giving back to the community. You have nothing to lose by coming to us, being compensated and trained to teach others. Our future workforce depends on your passing on your knowledge.”

Currently, Richland is looking for adjunct instructors in the areas of Nursing, Culinary Arts, IT/Cybersecurity, Automotive Repair, Automotive Collision Repair, Diesel Repair, Welding, Machinist, Maintenance and Millwrights, and Electrical and Instrumental Technicians. A list of qualifications for each of these positions can be found on richland.edu/ctementor.

Those chosen to participate in the program will complete a free online course, “Transition to Education Master Class.” Participants will be paired with a current faculty member in the discipline who will have them apply concepts learned in the course. Mentors will also introduce mentees to program-specific learning outcomes and information.

## Alpha Delta Kappa announces 2020 scholarship recipients

CLINTON — The sisters of Alpha Delta Kappa recently announced their 2020 scholarship winners.

Teachers receiving the Mu Chapter of DeWitt/Logan County award for furthering their professional education were Lindsey Hotwick, of New Holland-Middletown School district; Julie Jackson, instructor at Lincoln Community High School; Savannah Riegler, educator at Clinton Junior High School, and Amanda Fleshman, teacher at

Washington-Monroe Grade School, in Lincoln.

The Mary Ann Ryan Scholarship was a one-time award bestowed to teachers interested in furthering their education and continuing to teach in the classroom. Amanda Fleshman, of District 27 Schools, and Holly Grasch, of Chester-East Lincoln Grade School, received this scholarship.

Alpha Delta Kappa is an international teacher sorority.

## IDPH providing mobile test sites for COVID-19 testing

SPRINGFIELD — The Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) has several mobile testing teams that are dispatched to various locations around the state each week to provide COVID-19 testing.

Anyone can be tested, regardless of symptoms or immigration status. There is no cost to the individual for testing, but they should bring their insurance card if they have one. However, insurance is not

required.

Specimens will be collected using a simple nasal swab. Drive-through and walk-up testing are both available at most locations.

Site locations are subject to change. Please check the IDPH website for the most current mobile testing site location information. <http://www.dph.illinois.gov/testing/mobile-testing-sites>.

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Clark	November 18	Clark County Health Department	997 N. York St. Martinsville	8am – 4pm
Coles	November 17	Eastern Illinois University	Lot W off 4 <sup>th</sup> St. Charleston	9am – 4pm
Fayette	November 21	Fayette County Health Department	416 W. Edwards St. Vandalia	9am – 5pm
Ford	November 20	Ford County Health Department	235 N. Taft St. Paxton	8am – 4pm
Fulton	November 18	Farmington City Hall	322 E. Fort St. Farmington	9am – 5pm
	November 19	Canton High School	1001 N. Main Canton	9am – 5pm
Macon	November 21-22	Decatur Civic Center	1 Gary K. Anderson Plaza Decatur	8am – 4pm
Menard	November 22	Athens City Hall	210 Dottie Bednarko Dr. Athens	8am – 4pm
Mercer	November 20	Mercer County Health Department	305 NW 7 <sup>th</sup> St. Aledo	9am – 5pm
Morgan	November 19	Morgan County Fairgrounds	110 N. Westgate Jacksonville	9am – 5pm
Sangamon	November 16	Sangamon County Health Department	2833 S. Grand Ave. East Springfield	8am – 4pm
	November 21-22	Sangamon County Health Department	2833 S. Grand Ave. East Springfield	8am – 4pm
Tazewell	November 21-22	Washington Community High School	Jefferson St. & Wilmor Ave. Washington	8am – 4pm
Warren	November 16-17	Monmouth-Roseville High School	325 W. 1 <sup>st</sup> Ave. Monmouth	9am – 5pm

## Happy Anniversary

Welcome to my little corner of culinary delights. The article just prior to this one was the two-hundredth culinary article. The first one was published on June 24, 2016. It has been a labor of love in two ways. I love the adventures of cooking and I love teaching. I was dubious at first for many reasons. But once I got started, I could not seem to quit. I shall give a brief review. Naturally, I can only give some of the highlights.

In the articles, I gave various information known and unknown in the trade. I walked you through the necessary basics. These had to be known before one could continue on with the rest. Basics covered such things as knowing one’s equipment, knowing which knife was for what cuts and the various types of knives and cuts. Cleaning and maintaining one’s equipment. How to make roux. How to make stock for use in soups, rice dishes, béchamel, etc. We needed to know the properties of foods for knowing how best to use them. Example of this would be your various types of flour and various types of potatoes and apples. For example, can you choose which type of apple is best for making apple sauce as opposed to apple pies?

It was also necessary to cover the not so fun areas of cooking. We needed to learn about



The Culinary Corner

By Chef Roger Joss

hygiene. Besides taking baths, it included when the use of gloves were necessary, safe handling of knives and equipment, stove and oven safety, proper shoes to wear, and the need to always have your hair restrained. We needed to know the safety codes and regulations as well as protecting foods from germs, mold, spores, harmful yeast and various other nasty little creatures. Can you state the temperature danger zone to avoid? We needed to learn how to make our own cleaning agents and how to use them. We also covered culinary math such as yields, sizing recipes, electrical matters, and more. Among other things not directly involving cooking would be in knowing how to select cookbooks for certain purposes. Knowing how to shop for food and how to decipher labels.

Cooking methodology can also be called “prep practices”. It is probably my favorite since it deals with so many unique procedures in cooking and methods in performance. I do know that no college, of which I am familiar, directly teaches this subject. Culinary methodology teaches us much including

how to create our own specialties and improving upon recipes. It teaches how different ingredients perform or react and how to combine ingredients in order to achieve the best taste.

The above is only a smattering of what all we covered. It may seem we covered it all with the 200 articles. Off the top of my head, I would say we can cover much more. For example, we have yet to cover nutrition, international cuisine, various soups, garde manger, and much more.

Until next time, peace to all.

## Journal announces turkey winners

Thanks to the participation of the following local businesses, the Clinton Journal is proud to announce the winners in its annual turkey giveaway. The winners were drawn from the business listed with their name.

- Clinton IGA: Patty Trone, DeWitt
- Tradewind Energy: Kim Quinn, Clinton
- Ophelia CBD Hemporium: Terry Campbell, Clinton
- State Bank of Lincoln: Kay Van Ness, Clinton
- Green Acres Real Estate: Jane Wright, Clinton
- DeWitt Savings Bank: Duane Brewer, Clinton
- State Bank of Lincoln at IGA: Jim High, Kenney
- Clinton Journal: Harmony Bray, Clinton

## Schools from page A1

In other business, the board:

Approved the remote learning expectations for staff.

Approved a tentative levy for the 2021-22 school year with the tax rate remaining unchanged.

Approved the employment of Elizabeth Neal, PreK teacher at Lincoln; Padma Priya Thota, aide at Douglas; Lena Dannison, kitchen at Douglas; Alaina Ruseel, crossing guard; and Brock Bunner, boys’ volunteer assistant coach.

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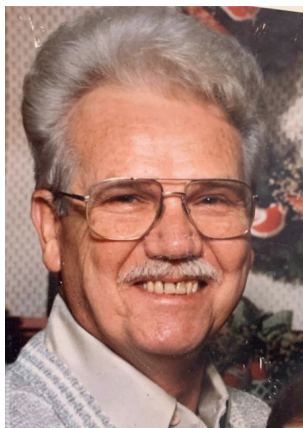
CLINTON — James E. Cobb, 81, of Clinton, passed away at 5:02 p.m. on November 15, 2020, at Carle BroMenn Medical Center, Normal.

Private graveside services will be conducted on Friday, November 20, 2020, at Baptist Cemetery, Kenney, with Cody Monkman officiating. There will be no visitation. Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be directed to The Vault, Clinton.

James was born on November 30, 1938, in Clinton, the son of Edison E. and Dorothy (Lane) Cobb. He married B. Joan Bass on October 22, 1960, in Clinton. She passed away on February 5, 2011.

Survivors include his son, James Lee Cobb, Clinton; granddaughter, Raci (Shawn) Evans,



Clinton; two great-grandchildren, Madison Gordon and Ellis Evans; and one brother, Bill (Judy) Cobb, Cave Creek, Ariz..

James was preceded in death by his parents, one son, Michael Allen Cobb, one brother, Don Cobb, and one sister, Clara Thompson.

James worked at Caterpillar for 35 years. He loved to bass fish.

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

## Margie L. Greenwood

LANE — Margie L. Greenwood, 94, of Lane, passed away at 10:55 a.m. on November 13, 2020, at Heritage Health, Bloomington.

Services will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Monday, November 23, 2020, at Lane Christian Church, Lane, with Jim Kilson officiating. Burial will follow at Rose Cemetery, Lane. Visitation will be held from 10–11 a.m. on Monday at the church. Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be directed to The American Heart Association.

Margie was born on September 27, 1926, in Coles County, Ill., the daughter of John and Belva (Hart) Vandevanter. She married Donald Leroy Greenwood on March 10, 1946, in Decatur, Ill. He passed away on May 18, 1980.

Survivors include her



children, Glenn (Gael) Greenwood, Mineola, Texas; Donna (Lee) Hougham, Heyworth; Debbie (Roger) Wantland, Clinton; Diana (Randy) Carter, Clinton; eight grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren and one great-grandchild on the way.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother.

Margie retired from Revere Copper & Brass Inc. after 40 years of service.

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## Norma L. Hollibaugh

CLINTON — Norma L. Hollibaugh, 99, of Clinton, passed away at 5:45 a.m. on November 16, 2020, at Hickory Point Christian Village, Forsyth.

Graveside services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 18, 2020, at Mausoleum Park Cemetery, Clinton, with Allison Hitchings officiating. There will be no visitation. Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be directed to the First Christian Church or a charity of the donor's choice.

Norma was born on June 18, 1921, in Clinton, the daughter of John and Charleen (Jeffrey) Geer. She married Charles W. Hollibaugh on May 6, 1945, in Clinton. He passed away on February 3, 1991.

Survivors include her children, Janice (Russell) Utterback, Clinton; and Bruce (Karen)



Hollibaugh, Decatur; four grandchildren, Ryan Utterback; Laura Rees; Julie Fairfield; and Scott Hoffert; and nine great-grandchildren.

Norma was preceded in death by her parents.

Norma was a member of the First Christian Church, Clinton. She was a member of the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority and the American Legion Auxiliary. She was employed for 12 years at the DeWitt County Courthouse.

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## Steven Ray Smith

CLINTON — Steven Ray Smith, 63, of Clinton, passed away at 7:37 a.m. on November 16, 2020, at OSF St. Joseph Medical Center, Bloomington.

Mass of Christian Burial will be conducted at 10 a.m. on Saturday, November 21, 2020, at the St. John's Catholic Church, Clinton, with the Rev. Fr. James Henning officiating. Burial will follow at Memorial Park Cemetery, Clinton. Rosary services will be held at 4:30 p.m. followed by visitation from 5–7 Pp.m. on Friday, November 20, 2020, at Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton.

Memorials may be directed to Shriner's Children's Hospital, or Community Cancer Center, Normal.

Steven was born September 4, 1957, in Clinton, the son of Keith R. "Corky" and Joyce C. (Provin) Smith. He married Marsha M. Leonard on July 24, 1976 in Clinton.

Survivors include his wife, Marsha M. Smith, Clinton; children, Ray N. (Deanna) Smith, Clinton, and Katherine A. (Wilbur) LeBlanc, Clinton; nine



grandchildren, Damian, Desiree, Aiden, Ayden "Corky", Adreana, Trista, Jaydon, Chance, and Gage; siblings, Keith Wayne (Kathy) Smith, Clinton, and Terri Ann Smith Davis, Ringold, Ga.

Steven was preceded in death by his parents and grandson, Preston.

Steven worked at Clinton Lake as a site technician for more than 25 years. He volunteered as part of the dive team and the Red Cross. He was also a Master Hunter Safety instructor and was active with various committees at the St. John's Catholic Church. Steve enjoyed John Wayne movies but most of all spending time with his grandchildren.

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## Social Security spouses' benefits explained

Elaine Popejoy  
Social Security district manager, Bloomington

Understanding how your future retirement might affect your spouse is important. Here are a few things to remember when you're planning for your retirement. Your spouse's benefit amount could be up to 50 percent of your full retirement age benefit amount. If you qualify for a benefit from your own work history and a spouse's record, we always pay your own benefit first. You cannot receive spouse's benefits unless your spouse is receiving their retirement benefits (except for divorced spouses).

If you took your reduced retirement first while waiting for your spouse to reach retirement age, your own retirement portion remains reduced. When you add spouse's benefits later, the total retirement and spouses benefit together will total less than 50 percent of the worker's amount. You can find out more about this at [www.ssa.gov/OACT/quickcalc/spouse.html](http://www.ssa.gov/OACT/quickcalc/spouse.html).

If your spouse's



retirement benefit is higher than your retirement benefit, and he or she chooses to take reduced benefits and dies first, your survivor benefit will be reduced, but may be higher than what your spouse received.


If your deceased spouse started receiving reduced retirement benefits before their full retirement age, a special rule called the retirement insurance benefit limit may apply to you. The retirement insurance benefit limit is the maximum survivor benefit you may receive. Generally, the limit is the higher of:

- The reduced monthly retirement benefit the deceased spouse would have been entitled to if they had lived, or
- 82.5 percent of the unreduced deceased spouse's monthly benefit if they had started receiving benefits at their full retirement age (rather than choosing to receive a reduced retirement benefit early).

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1947 - Britain's Princess Elizabeth married Philip Mountbatten, Duke of Edinburgh in Westminster Abbey.

1959 - Britain, Norway, Portugal, Switzerland, Austria, Denmark and Sweden met to create the European Free Trade Association.

1962 - The Cuban Missile Crisis ended. The Soviet Union removed its missiles and bombers from Cuba and the U.S. ended its blockade of the island.

1962 - Mickey Mantle was named the American League Most Valuable Player for the third time.

1969 - The Nixon administration announced a halt to residential use of the pesticide DDT as part of a total phase out of the substance.

1970 - The majority in U.N. General Assembly voted to give China a seat, but two-thirds majority required for admission was not met.

1977 - Egyptian President Anwar Sadat became the first Arab leader to address Israel's parliament.

1980 - On Jefferson Island, Louisiana, an oil rig in Lake Pigneur pierced the top of the salt dome beneath the island. The freshwater lake completely drained within a few hours. The Delcambre Canal reversed flow and two days later the previous freshwater lake was a 1,300-foot-deep saltwater lake.

1983 - An estimated 100 million people watched the controversial ABC-TV movie "The Day After." The movie depicted the outbreak of nuclear war.

1986 - Dr. Halfdan Maher, the director of the World Health Organization, announced the first coordinated global effort to fight the disease AIDS.

1986 - The one billionth Little Golden Book was printed. The title was The Poky Little Puppy.

1988 - Egypt and China announced that they would recognize the Palestinian state proclaimed by the Palestine National Council.

1990 - The space shuttle Atlantis landed at Cape Canaveral, FL, after completing a secret military mission.

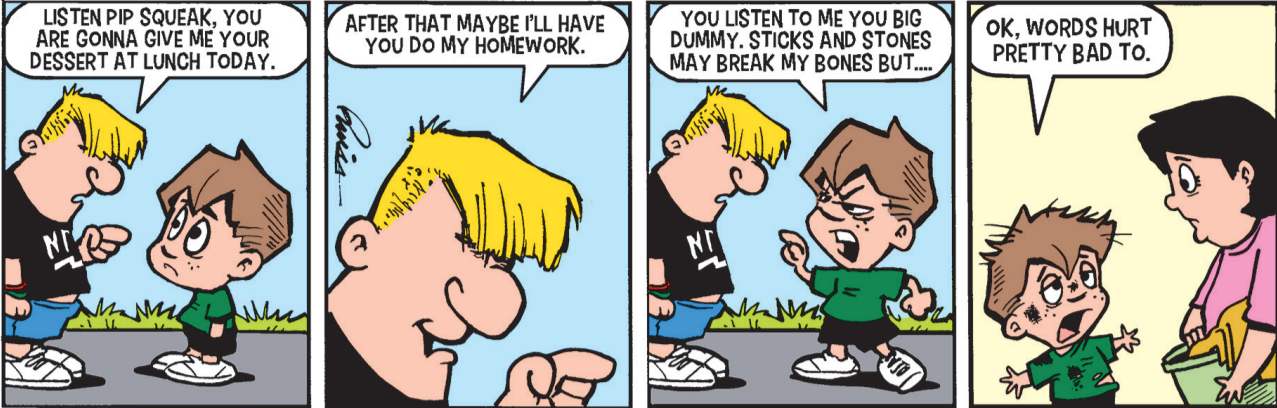
1993 - The U.S. Senate passed the Brady Bill and legislation implementing NAFTA.

1998 - Afghanistan's Taliban militia offered Osama bin Laden safe haven. Osama bin Laden had been accused of orchestrating two U.S. embassy bombings in Africa and later terrorist attacks on New York City and the Pentagon.

1998 - Forty-six states agreed to a \$206 billion settlement of health claims against the tobacco industry. The industry also agreed to give up billboard advertising of cigarettes.

2001 - The U.S. Justice Department headquarters building was renamed the Robert F. Kennedy building by President George W. Bush. The event was held on what would have been Kennedy's 76th birthday.

Amber Waves



911 getting a partner with VA Crisis Link

We all know to call 911 when there's an emergency -- car crash, burglary, need of an ambulance -- but we'll soon be getting an additional number. Starting in the summer of 2022, we'll also have 988 as a direct line for suicide prevention and mental health crises.

It's been in the works since last summer, giving telephone companies time to set things up. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, the Department of Veteran Affairs and the North American Numbering

Council all have been working together, and this summer the FCC adopted rules to designate this number -- 988.

The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline will still be working at 1-800-273-8255 (1-800-273-TALK). As different parts of the country come online, those calling the new number will be transferred over to the crisis line, but the old number will continue to work.

Veterans who call either number should press 1 after dialing to reach the Veterans Crisis Line. They also can chat online at [www.veteranscrisisline.net](http://www.veteranscrisisline.net).



by Freddy Groves

net or text 838255. There's also support for the deaf or hard of hearing at TTY 1-800-799-4889.

When you read the nationwide stats, you know how important the crisis lines are. Two years ago, the hotline answered over 2 million calls, averaging over 180,000 calls per month. Chats are used as well, averaging 8,500 per month.

On the Veterans Crisis Line, there is a network of 400 suicide

prevention coordinators at VA facilities around the country. After a completed call to the crisis line, within a day, one of those coordinators will hook up with the caller as follow-up.

The support for veterans in crisis is free. The crisis line serves all veterans, service members, National Guard and Reserve, as well as family members and friends. Go online to [www.veteranscrisisline.net](http://www.veteranscrisisline.net) to see the signs of crisis. Then make the call if needed.

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Watch out for deer this season, and be insured

Deer-vehicle crashes are more frequent this time of year. The Illinois Insurance Association and its member companies encourage motorists to be alert, focused, and ready to react to deer on roadways in the coming weeks.

Tips to avoid deer-related incidents:

- Slow down around timber, field edges, watering holes, and other areas where deer gather.
- Drive with high beam headlights at night when possible to better catch the reflection of a deer's

eyes.

- Deer travel in groups. If you see one, more are likely nearby.
- Honk the horn; flash headlights; tap brakes if you see a deer.

Deer are unpredictable. Follow these steps if one appears in your path.

- Stay calm; firmly grip the steering wheel; brake steadily; hit the animal head-on; come to a controlled stop.
- Never swerve to avoid a deer-hit. Swerving makes serious injury and vehicle damage more likely.

- Call 911 to report the crash.

- Check for injuries and request medical help if necessary.

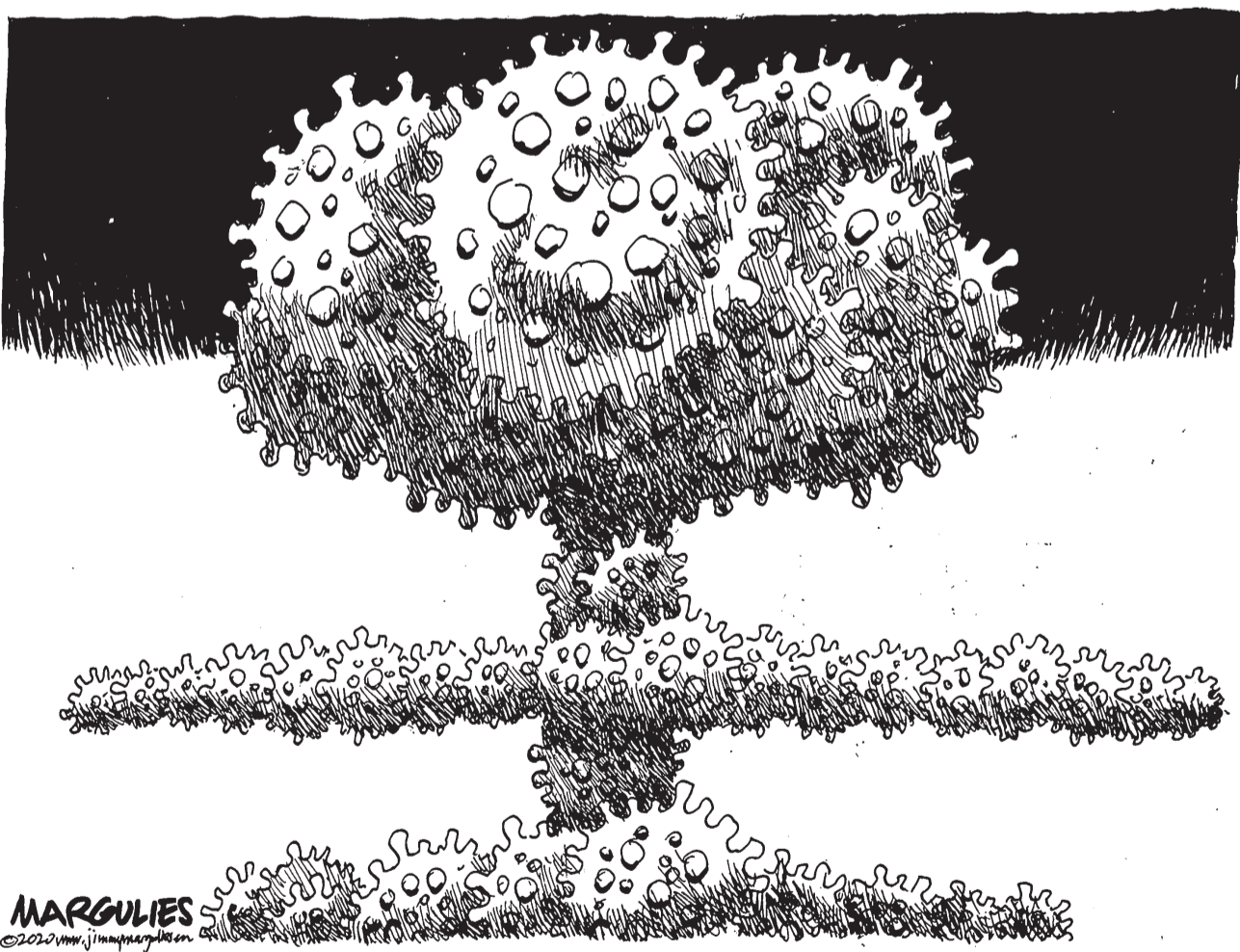
- Illinois law requires an accident report if property damage exceeds \$1,500.

- Remain in your car until help arrives.

Fixing a deer-damaged vehicle can be costly. Auto insurance covers this unexpected expense if the policy has physical damage protection. Report the accident to your insurance company as soon as possible. Take pictures,

get two repair estimates, and check deductibles. The policyholder pays the comprehensive deductible if there is direct contact with the deer. Otherwise, the collision deductible applies. Liability-only insurance provides no physical damage coverage for the policyholder's vehicle.

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# CHURCHES

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by Elie’s Spiritual Treasures

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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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# BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Which book of the Bible (KJV) mentions the word “thanksgiving” the most times at eight? *Genesis, Nehemiah, Psalms, Isaiah*
2. In 2 Timothy 3:1-2, what human qualities does Paul list as being signs of the last days? *Adulterers, Sun worshipers, Renegades, Unthankful people*
3. From Psalms 106:1, “O give thanks unto the Lord; for his ... endureth forever”? *Love, Good, Mercy, Spirit*
4. In 1 Thessalonians 5:18, “In every thing give thanks: for this is the ... of God”? *Power, Will, Gratitude, Travail*
5. From Leviticus 22, a sacrifice of thanksgiving is most meaningful when it is ...? *Sincere, Often, At your own will, Extravagant*
6. Where was Jonah when he prayed with the voice of thanksgiving? *Fish’s belly, Aboard ship, In the wilderness, Mountaintop*

ANSWERS: 1) Psalms; 2) Unthankful people; 3) Mercy; 4) Will; 5) At your own will; 6) Fish’s belly

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2 CORINTHIANS 9:11



“Carrying The Plenty”  
(woodcut from 1661 book of Jewish customs)

# Art / from page A1

Lisa and Ken Lueras, and Ken and Susan Klein established the Magill ResToration Center nonprofit organization to restore the Magill House hotel, formerly known as the Taylor-Magill. They plan a whole grains bakery and center for holistic health.

Magill House opened in 1872 to serve railroad customers. DeWitt County Restoration Association assumed ownership of the building from the city several years ago and conducted weatherproofing work to the structure and renovated the hotel's two storefront locations before selling it to the new owners.

On Saturday, Snyder was joined by Lunny and the Magill's owners for Archie's unveiling.

"I love this big, beautiful, historic building and everything the new owners have planned for its future, and how it will serve our community," Snyder said. "I find art uplifts the spirit, feeds the soul and adds beauty."

Snyder also encouraged others to create public art.

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Archie is located on the southeast corner of the Magill building.



Gordon Woods / Journal

**Above:** Sharon Snyder addressed guests during Archie's dedication. **Below:** Lisa Lueras, Snyder, and Edith Brady-Lunny.



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## This Week's Local Forecast

						
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## In-Depth Local Forecast for CLINTON

Today we will see cloudy skies with a 45% chance of showers, high temperature of 56°, humidity of 76%. East northeast wind 10 mph. The record high temperature for today is 73° set in 1913. Expect cloudy skies tonight with a 70% chance of showers, overnight low of 42°. East wind 9 mph. The wind chill for tonight could reach 36°. The record low for tonight is 10° set in 1926. Sunday, skies will be cloudy with an 80% chance of showers, high temperature of 51°, humidity of 76%. West wind 10 mph.

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## Weather Trivia

What is the rarest form of lightning?  
**Answer:** It is known as ball lightning.

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# CLINTON Journal Sports



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## IHSA will pause winter sports

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**NORMAL** — Illinois High School executive director Craig Anderson announced on Tuesday the organization would “pause” winter high school sports as Illinois moves into Tier 3 COVID restrictions beginning Friday.

“The Illinois High School Association (IHSA) recognizes that today’s announcement (November 17, 2020) by Governor Pritzker will temporarily pause the IHSA’s winter sports season,” Anderson said. “We remain optimistic that these new mitigations, coupled with the emergence of a vaccine, will aid in creating participation opportunities in the New Year for IHSA student-athletes in winter, spring, and summer sports.

Anderson said the IHSA Board of Directors would meet as scheduled on November 19 to continue plotting out potential paths for IHSA sports and activity participation through the remainder of the school year.

“Although representatives from the Governor’s office and the Illinois Department of Public Health will be unable to attend the meeting, today’s updated guidance from Governor Pritzker will aid the Board’s decision-making,” Anderson said. “We have asked Deputy Governor Ruiz and Dr. Ezike to engage with us in the near future, so that we can collaborate on developing a plan to safely conduct IHSA sports and activities as soon as possible. IHSA schools have been exemplary in adhering to state regulations throughout this pandemic and we hope that non-school programs will hold themselves to the same standard as we all put the long-term health and safety of our fellow citizens ahead of short-term athletic competition.”

## Kolby Weiss signs with Washington State

**Marc Rogers**  
jmarre@frontier.com

**CLINTON** — The pandemic has changed many things in our lives, and sports seems to be taking one of the biggest hits with schedules being set, changed and reset almost weekly.

One bright happening on the local sports scene was a signing of a Letter-of Intent (LoI) to continue academic and athletic endeavors at the next level in college.

There are tougher times these days in trying to secure a future, since most contact is by virtual methods, with schools and coaches, other than by phone or zoom or any of the new technologies.

This past week, a local athlete successfully completed the process. Bloomington Central Catholic Saint pole vaulter Kolby Weiss (a transfer from the Clinton Maroons) signed a LoI to attend Washington State University (WSU) in Pullman, Wash. This has been a long process for the young athlete beginning over a year ago.

Kolby has been given a full scholarship for her academics and her athletic excellence with the pole

vault. Kolby began vaulting in the 6th or 7th grade and has not looked back, competing in New York City and traveling to Idaho to train with 2000 Olympic gold medalist Stacy Dragila.

Kolby is currently ranked second in the state and number 12 in the nation with a personal record of clearing 13 feet 3/4 inches and consistently vaulting 12 feet 8 inches.

Kolby has her eyes set on a pole vault championship in the PAC-12 conference with the WSU Cougars. Kolby is looking forward to getting to campus and continuing her athletics and academics.

She picked WSU for their programs in both areas. She is working toward becoming a physicians’ assistant through her studies. Kolby also has a strong family backing from her parents Brooke and Josh, and her brother Kole. Her extended family have followed her exploits avidly as her most enthusiastic fans.

Kolby does have other interests when not vaulting. She likes biking and weightlifting (currently lifting 165 pounds).

**#Kolby Strong**



Kolby signs her Letter of Intent to Washington State University. **Below:** Kolby’s pole-vaulting medals.



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# GAMES

## BRIDGE BITES

### ODDS-ON FAVORITE

	♠ 82 ♥ 73 ♦ Q982 ♣ A6432	
♠ 97 ♥ QJT98 ♦ J63 ♣ QT8	North  West East  Declarer	♠ 654 ♥ AK6 ♦ KT754 ♣ 95
	♠ AKQJT3 ♥ 542 ♦ A ♣ KJ7	

Both Vulnerable			
South	West	North	East
1♠	Pass	1NT	Pass
4♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Against 4♠, West led the ♥Q and when Dummy went down both defenders could see the need to stop a Heart ruff in Dummy. In case it was necessary to lead through Declarer (West might have ♠Kx), East overtook with his ♥K and fired back a trump.

You can count nine top tricks and are clearly not going to be allowed to get your tenth via the aforementioned Heart ruff. So, Clubs must come to the rescue, and one obvious line of play is simply to draw trumps, cross to the ♠A and finesse the ♠J. There's a 50% chance that East will have the ♠Q, in which case you'll make your contract. Can you find a line that is odd-on favorite to succeed?

It's better than 50% that the missing Clubs are split 3-2. In fact the odds of that are 68%, so a substantially better bet for developing an extra trick from that Club holding is to lose the first round of Clubs and later to play the ♠K, then ♠A, hoping that the suit behaves.

But it won't work to win the trump shift at Trick 2, draw the remaining trumps, and then lose a Club. In that case the defense will take two Heart tricks and four altogether. Better timing is required. The Club must be lost *before* drawing trumps, that way there will still be a trump on the board to handle that third round of Hearts.

**A Rule of Thumb:** You don't need to memorize probability tables in order to know if a suit is likely to break evenly. Here's a short cut ... when missing an *even* number of cards in the suit then the odds are against it splitting 1-1 or 2-2 or 3-3 ... when missing an *odd* number then the suit is odds-on to split 2-1 or 3-2 or 4-3.

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

# FEAR KNOT

By: rj johnson

DOUBT? ... OR DARE!

ONC  
OSHCUL  
♥ VOSLA  
HIWS  
TASIES  
TES  
♥ ANLE  
SELIA  
♥ WLA  
DALNEH  
♥ PHACE  
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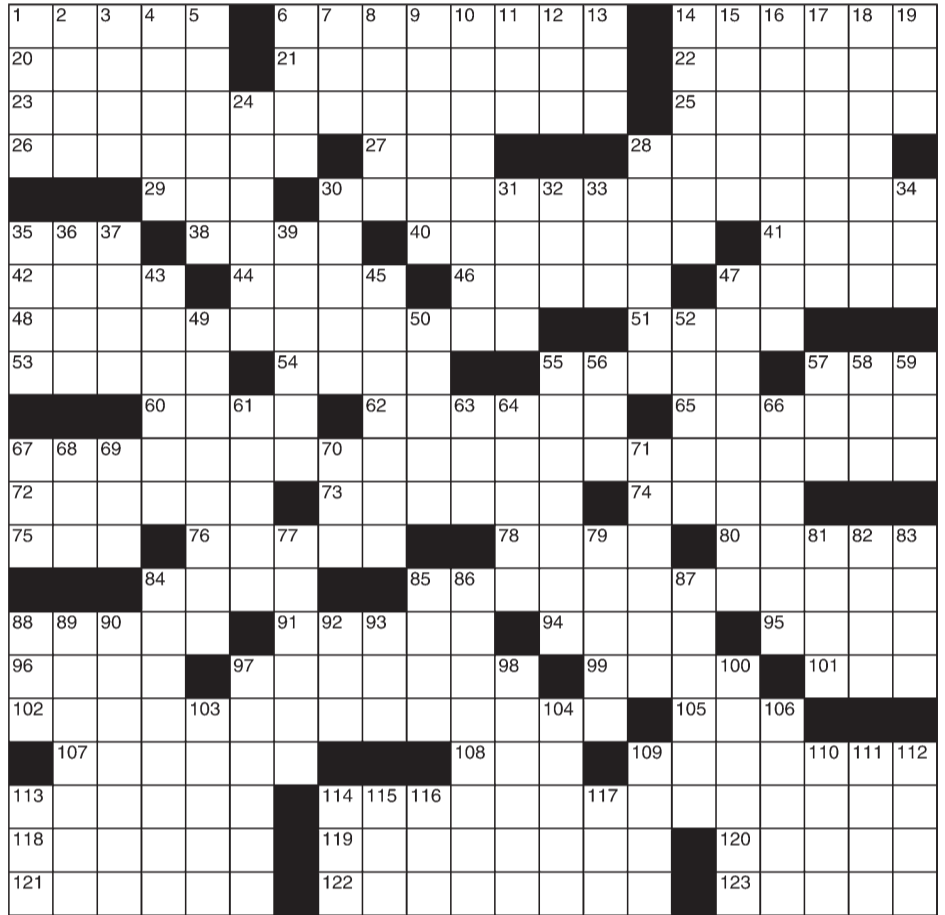
Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH or HEART). Fit each string's word either across or down to knot all twelve strings together.

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## Super Crossword

### POMES FOR BEGINNERS

- ACROSS**  
1 No-frills  
6 Very cloying things  
14 "Li'l Abner" drawer  
20 Fast Amtrak choice  
21 Industry of a merchant marine  
22 Not as fatty  
23 1987 Steven Spielberg war film  
25 Rubble on "The Flintstones"  
26 Hangs on to  
27 Start to doze  
28 Herb that tastes like anise  
29 Pixel, e.g.  
30 1930s coalition between Italy and Germany  
35 Suffix with Method  
38 — Major (Great Bear)  
40 Called off the relationship  
41 Cacklers with clutches  
42 Neophyte, in modern slang  
44 — Harbor (Guam port)  
46 Longtime name in restaurant guides  
47 Mooch  
48 Racecar track near a Japanese mountain  
51 Has begun, as a TV show  
53 Suffix with method  
54 Ontario tribe  
55 Put on one's big-boy pants  
57 Rock's Reed  
60 — Spumante (Italian wine)  
62 "— lizards!"  
65 Specialists in stone  
67 What you do when you read the first words of 23-, 30-, 48-, 85-, 102- and 114-Across?  
72 Like gluttons  
73 "That so?"  
74 Bruins' sch.  
75 I, to Kant  
76 Metric "thousand"  
78 Lie dormant  
80 Rub clean
- DOWN**  
1 Boxer Max  
2 Vertex  
3 30-day mo.  
4 24-book epic  
5 Actor Len  
6 General — chicken  
7 Arena arbiter  
8 "Jack Sprat could — fat"  
9 In the house  
10 Legless sideboard  
11 — Vegas  
12 Univ. URL ender  
13 VIP in D.C.  
14 Even though  
15 "Big Deal" singer Rimes  
16 "The A-Team" director Joe  
17 Appended  
18 Stripping off  
19 Nose about  
24 Snare  
28 Enter like a butterfly  
30 Less usual  
31 Time to wear a conical party hat, for short  
32 Brain wave test: Abbr.  
33 Nutrition std.  
34 Vancouver-to-Seattle dir.
- ACROSS**  
84 Venue  
85 Festive affair  
88 Japanese noodles  
91 Half of a 45  
94 — avis  
95 Whirlpool  
96 Had a debt  
97 Mosque turret  
99 Fire: Prefix  
101 Drivers' org.  
102 Gratifying wry twist  
105 Brand of TVs  
107 Pago Pago islander  
108 Aussie jumper  
109 Things worth saving  
113 Dairies  
114 Composer of the musical "Rent"  
118 "Encore" rapper  
119 Invitation for radio call-ins  
120 Mafioso Frank  
121 Longtime Nissan  
122 It helps pay for roads and schools  
123 Lie dormant
- DOWN**  
35 Facts, briefly  
36 Inner self  
37 Magic charm  
39 Coin money  
43 Galoot  
45 Long Island university  
47 Do some dickering in court  
49 Net message board operator  
50 Tearful  
52 Rash-causing plant  
55 Perceive in error aurally  
56 Kitchen pest  
57 IM chuckle  
58 Two halved  
59 Navy vessel inits.  
61 "Give this a shot!"  
63 Bristol beer  
64 Oyster find  
66 Not crowded  
67 Hi-tech special FX  
68 Tolkien menace  
69 "Ho-hum"  
70 Yahoo! rival  
71 Big public protest  
77 Tissue injury  
79 Lathered up  
81 Verdi's slave  
82 Bar mixer  
83 "River" New Age artist  
84 Delta deposit  
85 Halliwell of pop music  
86 Not normal  
87 Library stall  
88 Reel partner  
89 Fantastic  
90 Skin colorer  
92 Shiba — (spitz breed)  
93 "— Boot"  
97 Foul vapor  
98 Play on a fife  
100 Briny bodies  
103 More bashful  
104 Pitch-perfect?  
106 30-day month  
109 Construction toy brand  
110 Villa d'—  
111 Learning by memorizing  
112 Short cut  
113 "— So Fine"  
114 "— Boys" (Louisa May Alcott novel)  
115 Decide (to)  
116 Tchr.'s union  
117 Santa — winds



## Mega Maze

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## GO FIGURE!

by Linda Thistle

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

**DIFFICULTY: ★★★**  
★ Moderate   ★★ Difficult  
★★★ GO FIGURE!

	-		x		9
+		+		x	
	+		÷		2
÷		÷		-	
	x		÷		2
5		1		12	

1 2 3 4 6 7 8 9 9

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## FEAR KNOT

answer

SET  
T A I S L E  
E I L L  
S A L V O  
T L A W  
C H E A P  
I S O N  
H A N D L E

Go Figure! answers

9		3	x	7	-	9	2	
1	x		÷		÷			
1	+	8	÷	9	1			
-		+		x				
4	+	6	÷	2	5			

Mega Maze Solution

## Super Crossword

Answers

P	E	E	T	S	X	A	T	E	T	A	T	S	V	A	R	T	N	E	S		
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**LEGAL**

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

**DEWITT COUNTY - CLINTON, ILLINOIS**

Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, d/b/a Christiana Trust, as Owner Trustee on Behalf of CSMC 2018-RPL12 Trust

**PLAINTIFF**

**Vs.**

Rachel Cook as plenary guardian of the Person and Estate of Steve F. Harper; et. al.

**DEFENDANTS**

**2020CH18**

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE**

**PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 10/21/2020, the Sheriff of DeWitt County, Illinois will on December 23, 2020 at the hour of 10:00 AM at DeWitt County Sheriff Lobby of Sheriff's Office 101 West Washington Street Clinton, IL 61727, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of DeWitt and State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described

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If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

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full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after Confirmation of the sale. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.

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For information: Examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: Codilis & Associates, P.C., 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100, Burr Ridge, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876. Please refer to file number 14-20-04684.

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**LEGAL**

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 6TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DEWITT COUNTY - CLINTON, ILLINOIS** Reverse Mortgage Funding LLC PLAINTIFF Vs. G. Marlene Seguire; Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants DEFENDANTS 2020CH15  
**NOTICE BY PUBLICATION NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU:** G. Marlene Seguire Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants That this case has been commenced in this Court against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit: **COMMONLY KNOWN AS:** 103 S Walnut St Clinton, IL 61727

and which said Mortgage was made by: G. Marlene Seguire the Mortgagor(s), to One Reverse Mortgage, LLC, as Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of DeWitt County, Illinois, as Document No. 234523; and for other relief; that summons was duly issued out of said Court against you as provided by law and that the said suit is now pending. NOW, THEREFORE, UNLESS YOU file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this case in the Office of the Clerk of this Court, Michelle Van Valey Clerk of the Circuit Court 201 West Washington Street, Room 122 P.O. Box 439 Clinton, IL 61727 on or before December 7, 2020, A DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY AND A

**JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRAYER OF SAID COMPLAINT.** CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Attorneys for Plaintiff 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100 Burr Ridge, IL 60527 (630) 794-5300 DuPage # 15170 Winnebago # 531 Our File No. 14-20-01039 NOTE: This law firm is a debt collector. I3158940

Legal 19046  
November 6, 13 and 20, 2020

**LEGAL**

**ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION NOTICE**

Public Notice is hereby given that on Friday, November 6, 2020, a certificate was filed

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Clinton Journal

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED TAX INCREASE FOR WELDON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

Notice is hereby given by the President and Board of Trustees of the Weldon Fire Protection District of DeWitt County and Piatt County Illinois as follows:

1. A public hearing to approve a proposed tax levy increase for the Weldon Fire Protection District of DeWitt County and Piatt County Illinois for 2021 will be held on the 30th day of November, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at the firehouse located in Weldon, Illinois. Any person desiring to appear at the public hearing and present testimony to the taxing district, may contact Curt Utterback, 1317 Connor's Rd., Clinton, Illinois 61727.

2. The corporate and special purpose property tax extended for the fiscal year of the district ending June 30, 2020 was \$108,003.58. The proposed corporate and special purpose tax levy for the district to be levied for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 is \$120,418.00. This represents a 10.31 percent increase over the previous year.

3. That the property tax extended for the debt service and public building commission leases for 2020 was zero. The estimated property taxes to be levied for debt service and public building commission leases for 2021 is zero. This represents a zero percent increase over the previous year.

4. The total property taxes extended for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 were \$108,003.58. The estimated property taxes to be levied for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021 are \$120,418.00. This represents a 10.31 percent increase over the previous year.

Legal 19060  
November 20, 2020

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11, 2020.

Jonah Kolb  
President of the  
Board of Trustees  
of  
Vespasian War-  
ner Public Library  
District

ATTEST:  
Becky Adams  
Secretary

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Voters may sign a Petition requesting that the question of the adoption of this Ordinance be submitted to the electors of the District. The deadline to file a Petition is within thirty (30) days of this publication. At least seven hundred and twenty (720) registered voters must sign the Petition. If a valid Petition is filed, the prospective Referendum will be at the Consolidated Election, 2021.

Becky Adams  
Secretary of the  
Board of Trustees  
of Vespasian War-  
ner Public Library  
District

c/o Vespasian Warner  
Warner Public Library  
District  
310 North Quincy  
Street  
Clinton, Illinois

Legal 19077  
November 20, 2021

## LEGAL

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the City of Clinton City Council will hold a public hearing in City Council Chambers, 118 West Washington Street, Clinton, Illinois 61727, on December 7, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. for the purpose of considering the application filed August 14, 2020, by Stericycle, Inc., a Delaware corporation, requesting approval for the Stericycle Clinton Medical Waste Incinerator ("Facility") to accept non-hazardous pharmaceutical waste, medical and related waste associated with the healthcare industry which were not specifically identified in the 1987 DeWitt County siting approval, and to transfer waste as necessary to ensure safe and efficient treatment or disposal. Stericycle owns the Facility, which is located on a 6.2 acre site at 5815 Weldon Springs Road, Clinton, Illinois 61727. The probable life of the proposed operation is indefinite. No hazardous waste, as defined in the Illinois Environmental Protection Act, will be accepted.

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The public hearing will be conducted pursuant to applicable provisions of law, including the Illinois Environmental Protection Act, 415 ILCS 5/39.2, as amended. The application is available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk of the City of Clinton, 118 West Washington Street, Clinton, Illinois 61727, and may be viewed without

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# Don't get sick from your holiday turkey

URBANA — The main centerpiece of a traditional Thanksgiving celebration may well be the turkey. The honor of carving is often reserved for a special family member. But before carving, the turkey must be cooked, and cooked safely.

**Safe preparation and cooking tips for turkey**

Most stores sell turkeys frozen, leaving the task of thawing up to the customer. At Let's Talk Turkey—A Consumer Guide to Safely Roasting a Turkey, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) recommends thawing in the refrigerator and allowing 24 hours of thaw time for every 4 to 5 pounds of turkey. This makes planning ahead very important!

To thaw a frozen turkey, place turkey in a shallow container in the refrigerator. The container will catch any liquids that may drip from the packaging. When

removing the turkey from its packaging, do not wash the turkey - or any poultry - before cooking. Washing poultry spreads bacteria around the kitchen and may make you, your family, or guests sick.

Remember to remove the giblet packages - the heart, liver, and gizzard - from the turkey's cavity before cooking. If using giblets to make gravy, stuffing, or casseroles, check that these dishes reach at least 165°F, just like the turkey.

When cooking a turkey in the oven, set the temperature no lower than 325°F. The USDA estimates an 8-12 pound turkey will cook between 2 hours and 45 minutes and 3 hours. If your family wants to cook the turkey using a smoker, electric roaster, grill, deep fat fryer, pressure cooker, or slow cooker, visit the USDA's Turkey: Alternate Routes to the Table website for instructions and food safety tips. If carving is not too important to your family,

consider cutting the turkey into pieces before cooking. Or spatchcock the turkey by cutting out the backbone with kitchen shears and laying the turkey flat.

Like chicken, turkey needs to reach an internal temperature of 165°F. Check the turkey's temperature by inserting a food thermometer at three spots: the innermost part of the thigh and wing and the thickest part of the breast.

Stuffing is a popular side dish served with turkey. For food safety reasons, USDA recommends cooking the stuffing separately from the turkey. If your family's preference is to place the stuffing inside the turkey, pack it loosely to allow for proper heating and make sure the stuffing also reaches 165°F.

While it is tempting to leave turkey and side dishes out while visiting with family and friends, playing games, or watching football, set a timer to put leftovers in the refrigerator within 2 hours

from when foods began sitting out at room temperature. Store all leftovers in shallow containers.

Use refrigerated leftovers within 3 to 4 days. Freeze any leftovers you do not plan to use within that time. When ready to eat leftover turkey, for recipes like turkey noodle soup, use a food thermometer to ensure the meat reaches 165°F when reheating.

For more information on cooking turkeys and other recipes for the holidays, visit Turkey for the Holidays from Illinois Extension.

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URBANA — Our brains control important executive functions, such as speaking, thinking, learning, making sound decisions, and remembering. In addition to physical exercise, getting at least seven to eight hours of quality sleep and eating a heart-healthy diet improves brain fitness for maintaining long-term cognitive health in older adults.

Drawing on brain health and aging research, Molly Hofer and Chelsey Byers, University of Illinois Extension family life educators, developed Wits Workout, a 24-session curriculum guidebook

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“Just like muscles, our brains need exercise to maintain flexibility and strength,” says Byers. “Challenging ourselves with new and diverse activities promotes cognitive health and can help maintain brain function as we age.”

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With a \$110 course fee, registrants receive two hours of re-

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Learn more and register at [go.illinois.edu/WitsWorkout](https://go.illinois.edu/WitsWorkout) by Dec. 2 for online training that will be held Friday, Dec. 11 from 10 a.m. to noon. Anyone interested in the materials or facilitating the program may register. No previous

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If you have questions or need reasonable accommodation to participate in this program, please contact Family Life Educator and program organizer Chelsey Byers at [clbyers@illinois.edu](mailto:clbyers@illinois.edu). Early requests are strongly encouraged to allow sufficient time for meeting access needs.

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(NAPS)—You may notice, when the weather turns colder, the tire pressure monitoring system (TPMS) light on your dashboard lights up more frequently. The Car Care Council recommends checking your tire pressure regularly during the winter to help keep the TPMS light off and your vehicle safe.

"It's typical at this time of year for motorists to get TPMS warnings and then get worried about their tires," said Rich White, executive director, Car Care Council. "Often drivers will see this in the morning when it's coldest. If the temperature warms, the light could turn off but it's likely that tires will still be a few pounds per square inch (PSI) under-inflated. This is why it's important to check tire pressure regularly."

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"Tire pressure should be checked at least monthly. It is important to note that newer cars with tire pressure monitoring systems may not alert you until the tire is significantly under-inflated, so you may want to check it more frequently," said White. "It is important to check tire pressure whenever there is a significant weather change and more often during the winter months."



**It's a cool idea to check your car's tire pressure whenever there's a drop in temperature outside.**

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The Car Care Council is the source of information for the "Be Car Care Aware" consumer education campaign promoting the benefits of regular vehicle care, maintenance and repair to consumers.

#### Learn More

For a copy of the council's Car Care Guide or for further information, visit [www.carcare.org](http://www.carcare.org).



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To help, Growth Energy and GasBuddy announced that drivers across the nation can now take advantage of Unleaded 88's affordable prices through GasBuddy's database and app. Unleaded 88 is a fuel with 15 percent renewable biofuel approved for cars 2001 and newer and, thanks to the recent lifting of outdated government regulations, is now available for sale at the pump all year-round.

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This new partnership lets GasBuddy's app users access a comprehensive database of Unleaded 88 fuel at more than 1,800 retail locations around the country. Additionally, Growth Energy and GasBuddy have launched an advertising campaign within the app to promote the benefits of the renewable fuel to consumers.

"With fuel prices constantly changing and varying between stations, GasBuddy's goal is to be the most comprehensive platform for drivers to make fuel-purchasing decisions and save money on every fill-up," said Patrick DeHaan, head petroleum analyst at GasBuddy. "By including the availability of Unleaded 88, we're continuing our commitment to our users."



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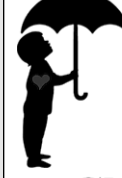
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# Unique ways to support small businesses during the pandemic

(METRO) — Small businesses have faced unprecedented challenges in 2020. As the COVID-19 pandemic wore on throughout the year, small businesses continued to confront the economic fallout wrought by the virus.

According to the National Bureau of Economic Research, the number of active business owners in the United States plummeted by 22 percent in the early stages of the pandemic. Though many businesses managed to hang on as the pandemic continued through spring, summer and fall, such businesses need their communities to continue to help them stay afloat.

Consumers have not been immune to the economic fallout of the COVID-19 pandemic. Unemployment figures skyrocketed across the globe, and in April retail sales

dropped by 14.3 percent from the previous month according to statistics from the U.S. Census Bureau and Deloitte Insights. But consumer spending gradually increased in various industries over the summer of 2020. As consumers loosen their purse strings and begin spending more, they can embrace some unique ways to help small businesses in their community.

- Support struggling industries. Consumers may not typically give much thought to whether an industry is struggling before spending their money, but doing so can help small businesses that have had an especially difficult time during the pandemic. Data from the USCB and Deloitte Services indicates that retail sales in certain industries continued to lag even as other industries recovered over the sum-

mer months. Sales in the clothing and accessory and food services and drinking places industries were still down nearly 20 percent in July 2020. Supporting locally owned businesses in these industries can infuse some much-needed cash into their operations.

- Think twice before buying from big box online retailers. Amazon has become such a go-to consumer resource that many shoppers forget they can comparison shop right on Amazon.com. And some consumers may be unaware that they can support small business when shopping via Amazon. Data from the Association of American Publishers indicates that print revenues have grown by more than 1 percent in 2020 as many people in quarantine are choosing to spend that time with a good

book. When shopping for books via a site like Amazon, purchase books from independent sellers, who are often small book stores in local communities across the country.

- Purchase gift cards. Pandemic-related restrictions have been lifted in many places, but that doesn't necessarily mean consumers are confident enough to visit their favorite stores and restaurants in person. Gift cards can be a great way to support local businesses even if you're still hesitant to patronize them in person.

Small businesses continue to face an uphill battle as they confront the economic fallout of the pandemic. Consumers can show their support for locally owned businesses in their communities in various ways.

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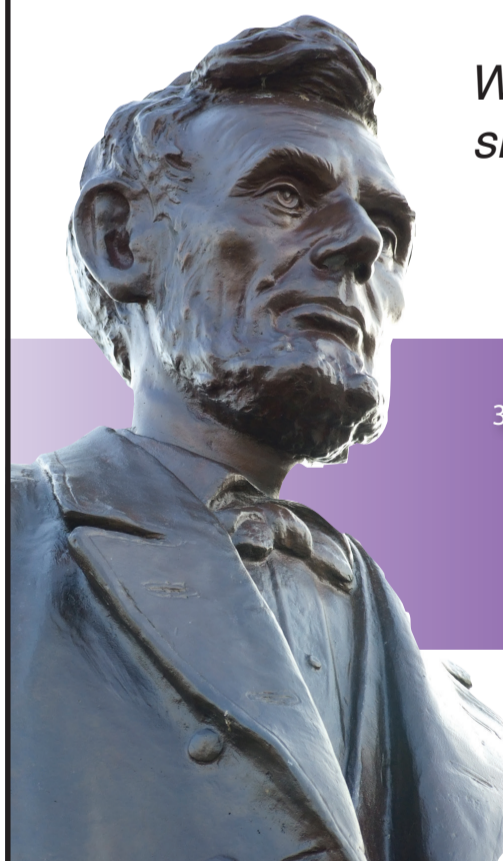


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# Shopping locally is now more crucial than ever

(METRO) — The importance of shopping locally has been emphasized with increasing urgency in recent years. Events like Small Business Saturday and Plaid Friday have brought some much-needed attention to the importance of shopping local, which is even more crucial now as so many small businesses try to survive the pandemic.

A poll from the trade group the National Federation of Independent Business reported that about half of all the businesses in the survey reported a 25 percent drop in sales since the outbreak of the COVID-19 virus, and roughly one in five businesses have seen sales decline by more than 50 percent. If the economic climate does not radically improve, 20 percent of small businesses won't survive.

According to NBC News, small businesses employ 60 million people in the United States, almost half of the nation's private-sector employees. In addition, small businesses generate tax revenues that help communities by funding schools, maintaining parks and contributing to public safety programs. However, based on research from the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, even before COVID-19 spread across the world, only 20 percent of healthy small businesses had sufficient cash reserves to continue to operate if they experienced a revenue loss for two months. Some have been shuttered for much longer.

Individuals looking for everything from clothing to home improvement services to office supplies can look to small businesses to fill those needs.

- Look for small businesses for any and all of your shopping needs. Chances are items sold by big box retailers also are sold by small businesses. When the options are the same or similar, purchase from a small business instead of its big box competitor.
- Readily provide recommendations of small businesses with which you have done business. Too often people are quick to complain about places that have failed them, but those same people don't think to say kind words about companies that went above and beyond. Share great experiences on social media or through word of mouth.
- Talk to small businesses owners first if you have an issue. It's tempting to go directly to social media to complain about something, but such complaints can have a dire impact. Always take issues to the manager or business owner first to see if a resolution can be reached. A manager may not be aware of an issue at all. Give small businesses a chance to make it right before taking things public.
- If you own a small business, rely on other small businesses to fulfill your needs. Order supplies from fellow small business owners, seek the help of local financial advisors and tax professionals and use local suppliers and delivery personnel.

Small businesses have experienced unprecedented setbacks due to COVID-19. By supporting small businesses, communities can help them regain stable footing.

## The various advantages of shopping locally

(METRO) — Residents of a given town or city are often encouraged to support local businesses by looking to these firms to fill their needs. Small businesses are not just integral parts of communities, employing millions across the country, they also are operations that fund the very communities they service.

Efforts to promote shopping local appear to be working. According to the Commonwealth Financial Group, over the last several years there has been a shift in consumer purchasing behavior marked by a preference among consumers to support locally owned shops and stores over big-

box retailers and even online shopping.

The following are some key reasons why shopping locally not only benefits small business owners, but also the communities they call home and the customers they serve.

- More money stays in the community: According to the American Independent Business Alliance, for every \$100 spent at a local business, \$68 remains in the community. Conversely, only 43 percent of every \$100 spent at a chain retailer stays in the community.
- Job creation: The Business Alliance for Local Living Economies says local busi-

nesses create the majority of economic growth. They employ millions of Americans by creating roughly two-thirds of private sector jobs. Local business owners also tend to hire people who represent the demographics of the communities where the business is located, which may include historically underserved populations.

- Diversity of products: Local stores tend to diversify their products and services to meet the needs of the local communities, whereas chain stores often stock their shelves based on national demands.
- Personalized service: A small business owner may be more inclined to go to great

lengths to make customers happy because the long-term success of the business depends on customers becoming repeat customers.

- Personal connection: Knowing the people behind a business facilitates a connection not easily achieved with other companies. Customers may celebrate when a favorite business succeeds and look to spread the word about that business because they feel like they played a positive role in its success.

Shopping locally has gained momentum and is fueled by the many advantages to supporting local businesses.

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# How small businesses can support each other

(METRO) — Small businesses play a vital role in economies across the globe. The Small Business Administration says small businesses — which are defined as firms that have fewer than 500 employees — comprise 99.9 percent of all businesses in the United States. Small businesses may be defined differently elsewhere in the world (in the European Union, small businesses are defined as firms with 50 or fewer employees), but they are no less valuable to their economies.

Because of the key role small businesses play, including employing millions of people throughout the world, it is essential that small businesses thrive and prosper. There is much the public can do to help small businesses be successful, but there

also are steps small business owners can take to assist one another.

- Pass along opportunities. As a business owner, if you come across a resource or an opportunity that may not be the ideal fit for your own company, consider sharing the information with another small business owner or recommending another firm that might make for a more suitable partner.

- Promote one another. Make sure there is a prominent and visible collection of business cards or promotional materials available in your facility. For example, if you are a local real estate agent, you can promote and recommend mortgage brokers, home inspectors, interior designers, and moving companies. If you own a store, enable other businesses to advertise

their own stores and services.

- Organize networking and meeting opportunities. Networking and meeting with others in the industry is a great way to share ideas to see what may be working for others and what is not. Networking meetings also provide great opportunities to work on potential collaborations.

- Consider sharing resources. Certain businesses may benefit from sharing facilities, equipment or even supplies and other resources as cost-saving measures. This also may open up opportunities to collaborate.

- Use one another's services. One of the simplest ways to help another small business is to be their customer. This is the ultimate show of support and can help vali-

date your recommendation.

- Explore co-branding or co-marketing. Some businesses support each other by working together. Finding ways to work together can be effective, especially in similar industries. For example, pet store owners can work exclusively with a nearby dog trainer, and both can market their services together.

- Start a social media group. A small business with social media savvy can be the administrator/moderator of a local group that encourages other businesses in the area to frequently post and advertise their businesses.

Small businesses can work together to support one another so these vital cogs in the economy can flourish.

## Small business by the numbers

(METRO) — Small businesses are the lifeblood of local economies and serve various important functions, including employing hundreds of millions of people across the globe. A rundown of small business statistics can show just how vital these companies are to the economy.

- The U.S. Chamber of Commerce says that, between 2009 and 2016, roughly 400,000 new small businesses were opened each year.

- According to the Small Business Administration, since the COVID-19 outbreak was declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization in March 2020, small businesses employment dropped by

more than 17 percent.

- The Bureau of Labor Statistics notes that about two-thirds of businesses survive two years, half of all businesses will survive five years and one-third will survive 10 years.

- According to Wagepoint, 99.8 percent of all Canadian businesses are small- to medium-sized firms with fewer than 500 employees.

- Twenty percent of small businesses will go under within a year of opening, advises the Chamber of Commerce. Almost half of businesses that did not survive into a second year indicated that a lack of funds resulted in the closure of their companies.

- According to FDIC data obtained by the Small Business Administration, in 2017 small banks devoted larger shares of their assets to small business loans, while large banks issued a higher total volume of small business loans.

- The Business Development Bank of Canada says 41 percent of Canada's gross domestic product is a byproduct of small and medium-sized businesses.

- Various small business experts state that people between the ages of 25 and 44 have the greatest tendency to form new businesses.

- According to the National Association of Small Business' 2015 Economic

Report, the majority of small businesses surveyed were S-corporations (42 percent) followed by LLCs (23 percent). S-corporations are attractive because they're not double-taxed, meaning the business owner does not pay taxes on the earnings of the business itself.

- Even though the restaurant business is billed as the most difficult industry to break into, the Chamber of Commerce says only 17 percent of restaurants actually close within a year of opening. In reality, the construction, warehouse and transportation industries are much more challenging, with a 75 percent failure rate in the first year.

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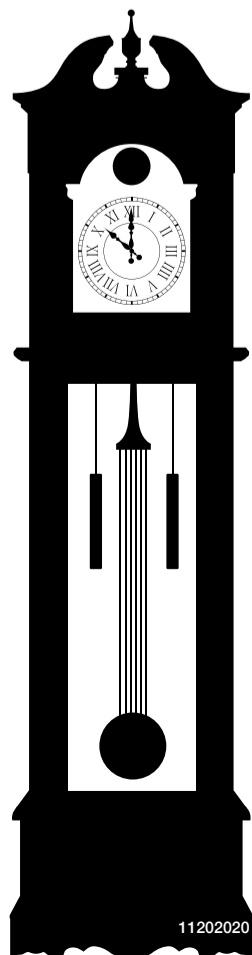
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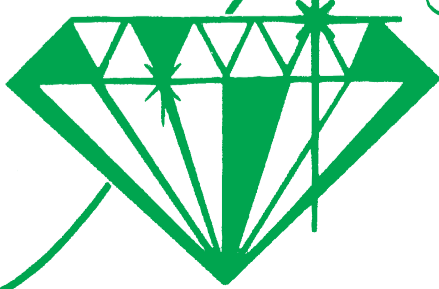
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