



Gordon Woods / Journal
The DeWitt County board on July 23 approved a plan and intergovernmental agreement to bring the Farmer City Fire Protection District into the county’s EMS district. Farmer City will continue to pay its current EMS provider on a month-to-month basis until the new agreement with the county and Paramedic Services of Illinois (PSI) takes effect.

County brings Farmer City into EMS district

Eight-year agreement provides ambulance, EMTs

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CLINTON — The DeWitt County Board on July 23 approved an agreement to bring Farmer City into the county’s EMS district.

“Chairman Newberg, vice chairman Redman, Dee Dee Rentmeister, the county administrator; I’d like to thank them for getting us through negotiations with PSI (Paramedic Services of Illinois),” said public safety chairman Lance Reece. “They worked hard, and we came up with a pretty good agreement.”

Reece also acknowledged board member Christy Pruser, state’s attorney Dan Markwell and the trustees of the Farmer City Fire Protection District and their attorney, as well as the representatives of PSI. “It worked out well,” Reece said.

Farmer City officials asked to join the county’s EMS district after learning the city’s current EMS provider was leaving.

Reece said without negotiations to bring

Farmer City into the county’s EMS district, “this could have had a horrible outcome.”

“With the cooperation of everyone, we avoided a bad situation,” he told board members.

Farmer City’s intergovernmental agreement with the county for EMS services is good for eight years at a maximum 40-cent levy for Farmer City residents.

The agreement will not affect the existing levy for the rest of the county for EMS services.

“Ours will remain the same for the next eight years,” said board chairman David Newberg.

PSI will station an ambulance, EMTs and paramedics in Farmer City to handle calls there within the Farmer City Fire Protection District. Estimated response times will be 4-6 minutes.

Farmer City will pay its current EMS provider on a month-to-month basis until PSI takes over sometime next year.

The county board voted unanimously to approve the intergovernmental agreement with Farmer City and the addendum to the county’s current agreement with PSI.

Read a letter from Lance Reece on page A5

Board hears comments about July 14 wind vote

Understanding urged by teen center founder

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CLINTON — County board members heard last week a few brief comments from residents in the aftermath of the July 14 board vote to approve a special use permit for the Alta Farms II wind energy project. Comments came during the board’s July 23 regular meeting.

Local resident Jeff Bowling said he was disappointed with what he felt was the low attendance of the July 14 meeting by the public. Approximately 200-250 residents attended the meeting.

Bowling criticized particularly the six board members who voted in favor of the permit for making their decision based on transcripts of the zoning board of appeals (ZBA) hearings on the permit.

“I think that is, to put it kindly, very misguided,” Bowling told board members.

Area residents who oppose the wind project have criticized board members for not attending more of the hearings in person.

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No golf carts on county roadways

Safety concerns and speed limit statute cited

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CLINTON — During a week when the Clinton City Council placed on file an ordinance possibly to allow golf carts on city streets, the county’s public safety committee decided they would not be permitted on county roads.

On July 20, the Clinton City Council voted to file an ordinance allowing the use of golf carts on Clinton streets. The council likely will vote on the ordinance at its first meeting in

August.

Three days later, Lance Reece, chairman of the county board’s public safety committee, announced his committee decided not to pursue a similar provision to allow the carts on county roadways.

DeWitt County Sheriff Mike Walker and county engineer Mark Mathon met earlier with the public safety committee.

“We were informed that state statutes basically prevent golf carts from being on any road that has any more than a 35 mph speed limit,” Reece told county board members on July 23.

Reece said those who met also had safety concerns about the operation of golf carts on

county roads where curves and hills were present.

He said the committee would not pursue permitting golf carts on county road’s unless state legislation lowered the speed limit on those roads from 55 mph to 35. Most county roadways have an unposted speed limit of 55 mph.

“And, then, of course, they would have to be posted as such, which would be a sizable amount of money for signs and labor to get that done,” Reece said.

“It was the consensus that golf carts would not be approved for use on county roads at this time.”

The State of Illinois does not license golf carts nor does it permit them to operate on state roadways.



Marc Rogers / Journal

Softball camp, but no games

Junior high softball camp took place this week, but the Illinois Elementary School Association announced it was one of the fall sports cancelled because of COVID-19. See Marc Rogers’ column on page B1.

IHSA announces fall high school sports plan

Illinois High School Association

BLOOMINGTON — The Illinois High School Association (IHSA) Board of Directors met for a special meeting on July 29, during which the Board announced its intended plans for the 2020-21 school year.

The plan has been sent to the Illinois Department of Health (IDPH) for final approval.

“This plan, like nearly every aspect of our current lives, remains fluid,” said IHSA Executive Director Craig Anderson. “Changes may come, and if they do, we will be agile while putting safety and students first. It was important that we provide a framework today for our student-athletes, coaches, administrators, and officials to begin preparing for the 2020-21

school year.”

The COVID-19 pandemic led the Board to propose unprecedented scheduling changes for the 2020-21 school year. They include playing all sports over the course of truncated fall, winter, spring, and summer seasons. As a result, several team sports will shift to new seasons, including football, boys soccer, and girls volleyball moving from the fall to the spring.

“I applaud our Board of Directors for choosing a model that allows every student-athlete the opportunity for a modified season,” said Anderson. “Based on our recent conversations, it is our expectation that today’s plan meets all of IDPH’s safety guidelines and will be approved.”

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Comments / from page A1

Bowling suggested attending hearings in person who have allowed board members to see body language of those who testified and others.

“So, you get a different perspective on things,” Bowling said.

When board members vote on decisions that come to them from the ZBA, they are prohibited from considering any information that was not given in evidence during ZBA hearings. This is one reason for their use of transcripts.

Kim Spencer shared with the board some thoughts included in a Facebook post by Michelle Witzke, founder and director of The Vault teen center.

“The Vault has a strong

desire to promote love, peace and unity within our community,” Spencer read.

Witzke posted that it created an ache in her heart to see the hatred caused by issues such as wind towers, masks and racism, among others.

“So many people are demonizing fellow citizens, community leaders and even neighbors based on their opinions on one or two issues,” Witzke posted on The Vault Facebook page. “As you prepare your body and mind for a new week, may I challenge you to consider choosing to look at people beyond what side they take on an issue? When you look at someone who

has an opposing view, is your gut reaction to hate them or to have critical thoughts about them as a person? If so, please try this: Intentionally look at them through a lens of LOVE to see some good in them somewhere... as a human beings with feelings, beauty, hurts, joys, a family, strengths, weaknesses, virtues, frailty, challenges, regrets, dreams...and maybe, just maybe...valid reasons for thinking differently than you that you may not see on the surface. We will disagree. That is OK. But to have a strong commUNITY, we need to be able to disagree and still love and respect one another as valuable human beings.”

Area resident Logan Redman said he felt the current board had the potential to be a great board. But, he also alluded to the county board’s recent, checkered past with single issues causing repeated, abrupt changeovers in membership.

He qualified his comments, aiming a caution at board members supported by an anti-wind energy group.

“The public will never fully have your backs,” Redman said. “You will see them cheering for you one minute, turning their backs on you the next. You will never make them happy, and to think you can is a fool’s game.”

Spaghetti sauce

Welcome to my little corner of culinary delights. Now we can begin with making the spaghetti sauce. Know this first. Spaghetti is a pasta and pasta is very bland. In this case, the sauce is everything.

Whenever making spaghetti sauce, it is imperative that you have the right attitude. It is to be seen as an art heavy in old world traditional values. It is to be approached with respect so we may lend to it the dignity it deserves. The best spaghetti sauce is not what we invent and thus take credit. The only credit we can take is in knowing how to do it right. According to legend, the true recipe for the “perfect” spaghetti sauce was established more than two centuries ago. It was heavily guarded as a trade secret. Over the years, many variations have been made in an effort toward “making the best spaghetti sauce”. We now have countless different recipes. I have my own of which a brag. My recipe is kept secret. However, I will use one that I feel you will enjoy. It is much less involved than mine.

In order to make the classic Italian spaghetti sauce, just do your best. All ingredients are to be fresh, with a few exceptions, and expertly prepared. If you want to use a recipe that calls for tomato puree or tomato sauce, then you make it yourself from ripe fresh tomatoes. Keep all ingredients refrigerated until needed.

For this recipe, I make an exception by recommending canned tomatoes provided you can get San Marzano brand; 28 ounces worth. If not, then



The Culinary Corner
By Chef Roger Joss

equivalent amount of fresh peeled plum tomatoes seeded and chopped smallish. Separate the gel from the seeding by using a food mill. Retain the juice. Heat 3 or 4 tablespoons of pure olive oil in a sauté pan and cook the small minced carrots. After the carrots cook a little, add in 2 minced shallots, 1 celery rib minced and 2 tablespoons of finely minced fresh Italian parsley (flat-leaf). Then add 2 large cloves of garlic finely minced and cook until you can smell that pleasant garlic aroma. Add 2 tablespoons of tomato paste and cook until it acquires a brownish rust color.

Transfer into a saucepot and add the tomatoes and juice. Allow this to simmer gently to thicken. Stir occasionally. Remember how to test it with a wooden spoon. Once it has reached the proper thickness, mix in about ¼ cup of finely chopped fresh basil. Let this simmer for about 5 minutes more while adding a pinch of salt and white pepper to taste. Add about 1 tablespoon of extra virgin olive oil for taste. Use a submersible blender only if it is too chunky.

Once complete, cool quickly in ice water bath, put into storage container and refrigerate. Sauce can be stored for about 5 days under refrigeration. This produces about 3 cups worth of sauce.

Best served cold over hot spaghetti.

Until next time, peace to all.

LAW ENFORCEMENT

Clinton Police Department

On 07/24/20 Clinton Police arrested Chad D. Bright 47, Clinton for Domestic Battery. Bright was transported to the DeWitt County Jail and released to Corrections.

On 07/24/20 Clinton Police arrested Timothy M. Followell 29, Clinton for Domestic Battery. Followell was transported to the DeWitt County Jail and released to Corrections.

On 07/25/20 Clinton Police arrested Otis D. Mondy 36, Clinton for Violation of Order of Protection, Aggravated Assault and Disorderly Conduct. Mondy was transported to the DeWitt County Jail and released to Corrections.

DeWitt County Sheriff's Office

July 10-24

Jessica Jiles, 33, Clinton, was issued a Citation for Operating Uninsured Vehicle. Jiles was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Nicole Long, 39, Forsyth, was issued a Citation for speeding (90 mph in a 65 mph zone). Long was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Ronald Hobbs, 29, Champaign, was issued a Citation for No Valid Driver’s License. Hobbs was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Jason Moyer, 38, Clinton, was arrested and charged with Domestic Battery/Bodily Harm. Moyer, unable to post the necessary bond remains

lodged in the DeWitt County Jail.

Joshua McGhee, 36, Clinton, was arrested on a DeWitt County warrant charging him with Possession of Methamphetamine with the intent to Deliver/Possession of Methamphetamine/FTA. McGhee, being unable to post the necessary bond, remains lodged in the DeWitt County Jail

James Ratcliffe, 57, Farmer City, was issued a Citation for Speeding (73 mph in a 55 mph zone). Ratcliffe, was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Tempestt Taylor, 25, Decatur, was issued a Citation for Speeding (83 mph in a 55 mph zone). Taylor was given a


Notice to Appear and was released.

Trenton Wright, 18, Beason, was issued a Citation for Speeding (74 mph in a 55 mph zone). Wright was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Joshua Huff, 31, Mansfield, was issued a Citation for Speeding (100 mph in a 55 mph zone). Huff was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

Annalee Mays, 24, Minneapolis, MN, was issued Citations for Speeding (70 mph in a 45 mph zone) and Driving While License Revoked. Mays was given a Notice to Appear and was released.

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Evelyn Eileen Cunningham

BLOOMINGTON — Evelyn Eileen Cunningham, 100, formerly of Atlanta and Waynesville, passed away at 10:20 p.m. on Tuesday July 21, 2020, at her home in Bloomington.

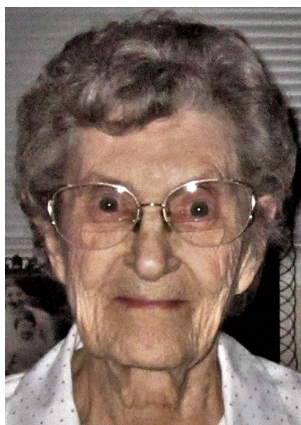
Her funeral will be conducted on Monday, July 27, 2020, at 2 p.m. at Beck Memorial Home, in Bloomington. The Rev. Heather Godsey will officiate. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the funeral. Interment will be in Park Hill Cemetery, in Bloomington.

Due to COVID-19 conditions, the family asks that all attendees wear masks and observe social distancing.

Evelyn was born on August 23, 1919, in Atlanta, Ill., to Nelson and Cecil Houghtling Leach. After her mother passed away, when Evelyn was three years old, she and her siblings were raised by their maternal grandparents, Horace and Georgia Ann Houghtling.

She married Charles Cunningham on May 5, 1942, in Mexico, Mo. He preceded her in death in 1984. She was also preceded in death by twin grandsons John Aaron and Charles Richard Weiss; and by her five siblings: Donald Leach, Josephine Hodge, Olive Marie Benedict, Harold Leach and Mable Leach.

Evelyn is survived by her daughter Janet (Jack) Cunningham Keefe of Bloomington, two step-grandchildren Andrew



(Karen) Keefe and James (Laura) Keefe and three step-great-grandchildren.

She worked at Clinton IGA and The John Warner Bank, also in Clinton, prior to retirement. At age 75, Evelyn was the assistant manager of the Hardee's restaurant on Oakland Avenue in Bloomington. She often said she went back to work because she felt bored at home.

Evelyn was a member of Centennial Christian Church, in Bloomington. She was a loving, motivated and very giving person. She loved to sew, cook, bake and do word and jigsaw puzzles in her later years. She gave her time and talents to Safe Harbor shelter, in Bloomington, and the Danville VA Hospital for over 25 years with no desire for recognition.

The family thanks Advocate BroMenn Hospice for their care and assistance during Evelyn's last year of life.

Memorial contributions may be made to Centennial Christian Church.

Online condolences may be left at www.beckmemorial.com

Michael H. Daab

WAPELLA — Michael H. Daab, 63 of Wapella, passed away at 12:27 p.m. on July 24, 2020, at St. John's Hospital, Springfield.

No services are planned at this time. A celebration of Michael's life will be held at a later date. The family entrusted Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton, with cremation rites.

Memorials may be directed to the Michael H. Daab memorial fund.

Michael was born on January 31, 1957, in Redbud, Ill., the son of Harry Joseph and Lavada (Niclas) Daab. He married Lesly A. Heggemeier on April 15, 2006 in Wapella.

Survivors include his wife, Lesly A. Daab, Wapella; children, James (Rosa) Drury, Fenton, Mo.; Brittney (Eric) Rokicki, Wapella; and Kelly (Ben) Loudenslager, Antigo, Wis.; step-son, Nicholas (Carly) Sherman, Niles, Mich.; 11 grandchildren; and sister, JoAnn (David) Lehr, Columbia, Ill.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Michael liked to drink beer, fish, and help people. He was a retired Wapella Firefighter and was presently on the Wapella Village Board.

Online condolences may be made at www.calvertmemorial.com



Ernest Ray Frost

WAYNESVILLE — Ernest Ray Frost, 76, of Waynesville, passed away at 11:25 a.m. on July 22, 2020, at his family residence, Waynesville.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. on Monday, July 27, 2020, at Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton, with Pastor Robert Williams officiating. Burial will follow at Long Point Cemetery, Wapella.

Visitation will be held from 3–5 p.m. on Sunday, July 26, 2020, at Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton.

Memorials may be directed to the Ernest Ray Frost memorial fund.

Ernest was born on June 9, 1944, in Clinton, the son of Albert Ray and Janice Louise (Burger) Frost. He married Linda Cummings on April 24, 1973, in Lincoln.

Survivors include his wife, Linda Frost, Waynesvi; children: Randi Smith, Lincoln; Tammy Standard, Lincoln; Denise Naugle (Jim Quisenberry), Lincoln; Kenneth Frost, St. Petersburg, Fla.; Janet Danbury, Minonk, Ill.; Anthony (Melissa) Frost, Springfield, Mo.; and Gerald Frost, Springfield, Mo.; 14 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren; and one sister, Bonita McManus.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one sister, one granddaughter, and two great-grandchildren.

Ernest was president of ABATE for eight years and was an avid Harley-Davidson enthusiast.

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Elyse Starkey Polston

EUGENE, Ore. — Elyse Starkey Polston, age 30, died Thursday morning July 9, 2020.

She was born in Norman, Okla. on August 10, 1989 and lived there until 2006, when the family moved to Eugene, Ore. Elyse graduated from Winston Churchill High School and attended classes at Lane Community College, after which worked as a caregiver in customer service and as a freelance writer, artist and graphic designer.

Elyse was a unique, gifted and loving person whose short life was lived on her own terms. She passed away at McKenzie Willamette Hospital, in Springfield Ore. with her parents and sister by her side.

Elyse is survived by her parents, Jim and Lisa (Miller) Polston, sister, Shelby Anne Polston all from Eugene, Ore.; grandparents Phil and Connie Brown and uncle



Thomas Miller of Clinton, Ill., and aunt Susan Macon, of Deland Fla.

Elyse was preceded in death by grandparents William Warner Miller, Frank and Starkey Polston and great-grandparents Warner and Helen Miller, Tom and Ruth Owens and Ruth and Cecil Brown.

Services were held on July 27, 2020, over the internet to reach her many friends and family.

Memorial contributions can be sent to Oregon State Parks Foundation at <https://www.orparksforever.org/>

Judith A. 'Judy' Seppi

KENNEY — Judith A. "Judy" Seppi, 82, of Kenney, passed away at 11:20 p.m. on July 27, 2020, at Decatur Memorial Hospital, Decatur.

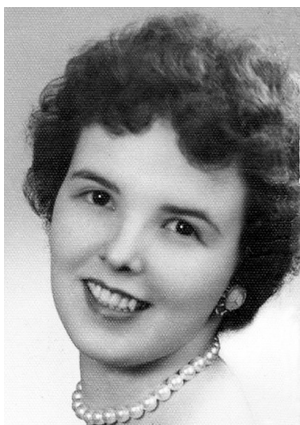
Services will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Monday, August 3, 2020, at the Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton, with Pastor Nick Blacklidge officiating. Burial will follow at Pleasant Valley Cemetery, Kenney.

Visitation will be held from 10–11 a.m. on Monday at the funeral home.

Memorials may be directed to the Assembly of God Church, Clinton.

Judy was born on March 12, 1938, in Joliet, the daughter of Stanford and Helen (Barnes) Tallman. She married Rudy Seppi on June 28, 1958 in Joliet.

Survivors include her husband, Rudy Seppi, Kenney; children, Jamie (Herman) Jolly, Plainfield, Ill.; Danny (Mariya) Seppi, Symerton, Ill.;



Mark Seppi, Sherwood, Ore.; Scott Seppi, Clinton; four grandchildren; one great-grandchild; sister, Barbara Saunders, Encinitas, Calif.; and two half-brothers, Chip and Jeff Tallman, South Bend, Ind.

Judy was preceded in death by her parents, and one son, David Joseph Seppi.

Judy enjoyed gardening and painting. She especially loved her church and her family.

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Questions & Answers

General Question: How do I earn Social Security credits and how many do I need to qualify for benefits?



Answer: We use your total yearly earnings to figure your Social Security credits. The amount needed for a credit in 2020 is \$1,410. You can earn a maximum of four credits for any year. The amount needed to earn one credit usually increases each year when average wages increase.

You must earn a certain number of credits to qualify for Social Security benefits. The number of credits you need depends on your age when you apply and the type of benefit application. No one needs more than 40 credits for any Social Security benefit. You can read more about credits in How You Earn Credits at www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs.

For more information, visit our website at www.socialsecurity.gov.

Question: Do Members of Congress have to pay into Social Security?

Answer: Yes, they do. Members of Congress, the President and Vice President, federal judges, and most political appointees, have paid taxes into the Social Security program since January 1984. They pay into the system just like everyone else, no matter how long they have been in office. Learn more about Social Security benefits at www.socialsecurity.gov.

Retirement Question: I'm trying to decide when to retire. Can Social Security help?

Answer: The best place to start is with a visit to the online Social Security Statement. The Statement provides you with estimates of benefits for you and your family as well as your earnings record and information you should consider about retirement and retirement planning. It is easy to access your statement online by creating a my Social Security account. To create an account, please visit www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount. The "right" time to retire is different for everyone and depends on your individual situation. To help you make your own decision, we offer a fact sheet, When To Start Receiving Retirement Benefits, that highlights some of the factors to consider. Find this publication at www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs/10147.html.

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1928 - MGM's Leo the lion roared for the first time. He introduced MGM's first talking picture, "White Shadows on the South Seas."

1932 - Enzo Ferrari retired from racing. In 1950 he launched a series of cars under his name.

1945 - Pierre Laval of France surrendered to Americans in Austria.

1948 - U.S. President Truman helped dedicate New York International Airport (later John F. Kennedy International Airport) at Idlewild Field.

1955 - Marilyn Bell of Toronto, Canada, at age 17, became the youngest person to swim the English Channel.

1959 - The Euskadi Ta Askatasuna (ETA) was founded. The group is known for being an armed Basque nationalist and separatist organization.

1961 - The first tie in All-Star Game major league baseball history was recorded when it was stopped in the 9th inning due to rain at Boston's Fenway Park.

1964 - The American space probe Ranger 7 transmitted pictures of the moon's surface.

1971 - Men rode in a vehicle on the moon for the first time in a lunar rover vehicle (LRV).

1980 - China's population reached 1 billion.

1981 - The seven-week baseball players' strike came to an end when the players and owners agreed on the issue of free agent compensation.

1982 - Yugoslavia imposed a six-month freeze on prices.

1989 - A pro-Iranian group in Lebanon released a videotape reportedly showing the hanged body of American hostage William R. Higgins.

1989 - The Game Boy handheld video game device was released in the U.S.

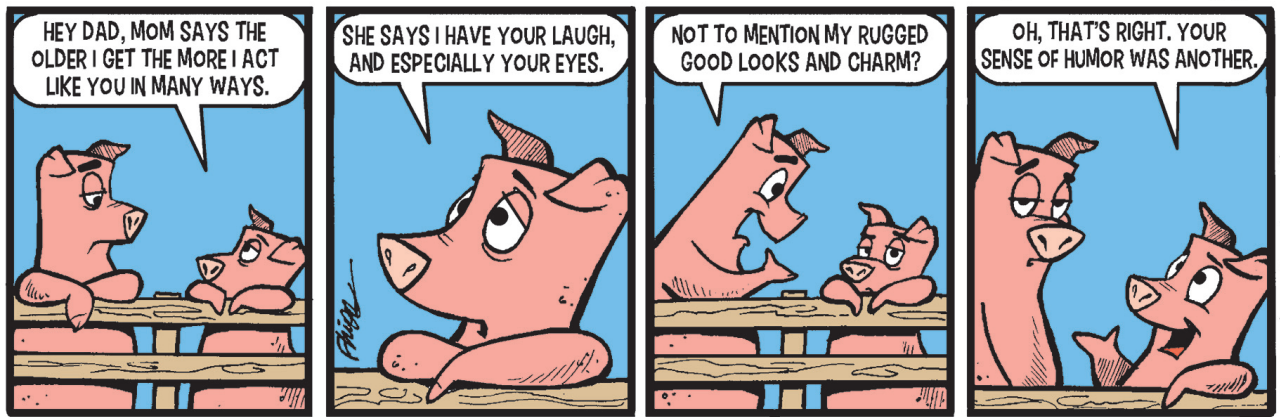
1991 - U.S. President George H.W. Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev signed the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty.

1995 - The Walt Disney Company agreed to acquire Capital Cities/ABC in a \$19 billion deal. Disney movies, music and books

1999 - The space-craft Lunar Prospect crashed into the moon. It was a mission to detect frozen water on the moon's surface. The craft had been launched on January 6, 1998.

2007 - The iTunes Music Store reached 2 million feature length films sold.

Amber Waves



Thank you to everyone who worked diligently to draft Farmer City EMS agreement

It is not often that a problem arises which impacts the health and well being of a sector of citizens so profoundly. Unfortunately, such an issue came forward approximately a year ago concerning the possible loss of ambulance service for the Farmer City Fire Protection District.

When the issue was presented to the county, all involved stood up and took notice. It was understood by everyone that failure to correct this loss of service was not an option, if at all possible.

After researching many different answers to solve this problem, and finding out this hill was going to be a tough one to climb, a dedicated and driven group of individuals rose to the occasion! Without a sense of cooperation, optimistic attitude, and a desire to rectify a bad situation, the outcome could have been catastrophic.

Two thousand-plus residents would have been left without adequate ambulance service. It would have meant longer response times, or possible diminished services, and a realistic chance that a life could be lost.

Because of this group's efforts, the citizens within the Farmer City Fire Protection District have ambulance service for the next 8 years and won't reach the maximum levy during the term of this agreement. It is possible that the levy could even go down. Additionally, the levy for service within the existing area will not change. This means no increase in levies for any DeWitt County citizen!

DeWitt County is now unified and all citizens are under the same ambulance service.

FCFPD will now have a new Advanced Life Support an ambulance stationed in Farmer City 24/7 manned with six newly hired licensed personnel consisting of Paramedics and EMTs. Response time within the district is anticipated to be 4-6 minutes. Also, the response time to the towns of DeWitt and Weldon will be improved, as responses for emergencies could be dispatched out of Farmer City.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank those who worked so relentlessly to assure this loss of service was prevented and the residents were protected:

The county's public safety committee for their patience while working through the process and input in trying to find solutions.

County board chairman David Newberg, vice-chairman Camille Redman, and county administrator DeeDee Rentmeister for their help in negotiations with Paramedic Services Inc. to arrive at an agreement that was much better than we expected.

To Christy Prusser for stepping up as a member of the ad hoc committee.

States attorney Dan Markwell as he kept us on stable legal ground and assured the language in our agreement and addendum covered all of the legalities needed to ensure they were on a solid base.

The trustees for FCFPD for working in concert with the County, Mike Hammer, Kurt Wells, and Dale Whisman.

Moe Winstead and his part acting as a liaison with the committee.

Dan Warren, Farmer City fire chief for his valuable insight.

FCFPD Attorney, Jim Sinclair who worked so well with the States Attorneys office in getting the Inter-governmental Agreement written so both entities were protected.

Last but not least, Larry Robbins and Mike Hansen with PSI. Without their willingness to negotiate and commitment to help, none of this would have come to fruition, and we all would have been in a much darker place! They were the key in resolving such a critical care problem.

Thanks to all, you are greatly appreciated!

Lance M. Reece
County Board Dist "A"
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Joe Biden's shockingly adequate campaign

The Biden campaign has been lucky most of all, but it's also been smart, at least smart enough.

To go, as Joe Biden did, from left for dead to sweeping to the Democratic nomination and quickly thereafter emerging as the favorite in November is a run of success that would be the envy of any national politician.

It's easy to consider this a mere accident given the weakness of Biden's opponents, first a socialist in the Democratic primaries who had a ceiling on his support and now an incumbent president whose ratings have sagged.

The Biden team certainly isn't going to rewrite any campaign playbooks or dazzle anyone with its brilliance, but it has avoided serious mistakes and demonstrated an understanding of the basic political terrain and its candidate's strengths. It hasn't asked Biden to do anything out of his comfort zone or beyond his capabilities and has been content for President Donald Trump to dominate all the attention, so long as Trump is not advancing his cause, and often setting it back, with all the airtime and headlines.

Above all, the campaign has avoided the most politically perilous ideological excesses throughout. This has required some discipline, given how influential woke Twitter is on the left.

Biden's theory of the Democratic Party, even if it seemed doubtful at the outset, proved correct -- that the center of gravity of the party was still with, as he put it, Obama-Biden Democrats rather than with the avowed socialists and social justice warriors.

Biden hewed to this line when other candidates went the other way. It might seem obvious that endorsing "Medicare for All," which involves yanking away the private health insurance of more than a 100 million Americans, is foolish and politically indefensible, but several candidates in the Democrat race did it anyway.

He's steered clear of other pitfalls since locking up the nomination. He's said he wouldn't ban fracking. He didn't endorse defunding the police. He defended the statues of America's founders.

This has been his MO his entire career -- to stay smack in the middle of whatever is the consensus position of the Democratic Party at any given time.

His campaign knows that it benefits if the election is a referendum on Trump -- and is acting accordingly.

Why should Biden try to take the mic from Trump if the president is using it to feud with Bubba Wallace and Dr. Anthony Fauci? Not only do these diversions do nothing to dent Biden, they serve to validate the former vice president's case that the county needs a return to normalcy.

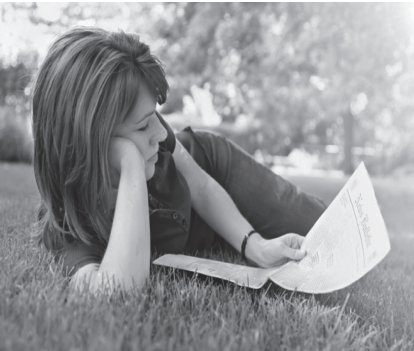
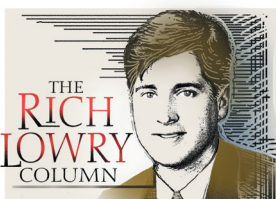
Still, nothing is decided in July. Biden's record and agenda give Trump targets to shoot at, and he should obviously take every opportunity to make the election, to the extent he can, about the radicalism of the Democratic Party.

Finally, there's the fact that Biden is an unsteady performer at best. The strictures around COVID-19 have relieved him of the rigors of the typical presidential campaign, but he's going to have to emerge to participate in a debate or debates in the fall, and no one can rule out some catastrophic failure.

So, Trump can't be counted out. But the Biden campaign is canny enough that it isn't going to make it easy for him.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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Reopening of schools for the Diocese of Peoria

PEORIA — With the permission of Most Rev. Daniel R. Jenky, CSC, Bishop of Peoria and Most Rev. Louis Tylka, Coadjutor Bishop of Peoria, the 42 diocesan Catholic elementary and secondary schools in the Diocese of Peoria will reopen for the 2020-2021 academic year.

The Office of Catholic Schools’ Diocesan Plan includes guidance on health and safety, human resources, finance, and communications and provides two options for families in which to enroll their student(s) for instruction: 5-days per week in-school or 5-days per week via online learning.

This reopening plan was written with the guidance of: 1) medical community representatives in the Peoria and Bloomington-Normal areas; 2) the five Illinois diocesan Catholic schools’ superintendents; 3) the principals of the Diocese of Peoria; 4) guidance documents from the Illinois Department of Public Health, the Illinois State Board of Education, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and 5) the Vicar General, the Chancellor and Diocesan Attorney, and the Superintendent of Schools in the Diocese of

Peoria.

There are three guiding principles of the OCS Diocesan Plan for the reopening of schools:

1. Our school buildings will provide a safe and faith-filled environment for our students.
2. The course of the pandemic in Illinois remains fluid. As such, the OCS Diocesan Plan may be updated on a continual basis as pandemic data and guidelines are regularly reviewed.
3. Our school families will be asked to serve the common good and to work in cooperation with not only their diocesan school but also with the Office of Catholic Schools to the best of their ability.

In addition to these guiding principles, employees and students will be required to wear masks, social distance, practice proper hygiene, and be temperature-scanned throughout the school day. More details that pertain to the health and safety of our schools can be found in the OCS Diocesan Plan that will be published on the Catholic Diocese of Peoria’s website (www.cdop.org) and the schools’ websites.

For more information about the reopening of the Catholic schools

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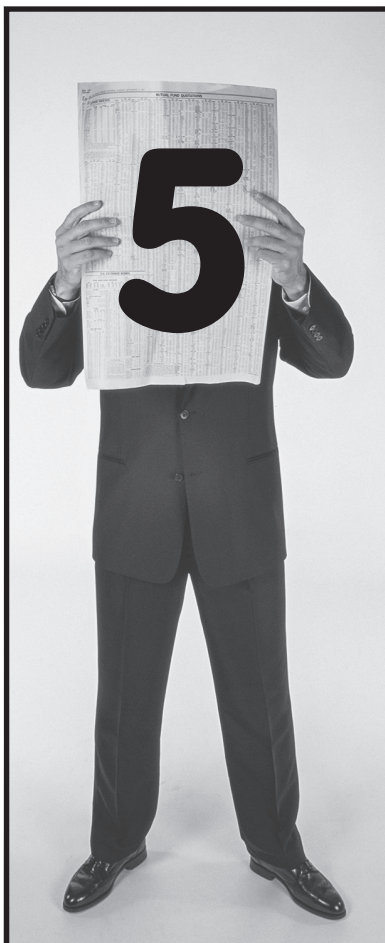
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1. Is the book of Titus in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. From Joshua 10, the sun stood still while Joshua’s army destroyed what people? *Amorites, Midianites, Egyptians, Philistines*
3. In Genesis 9, who saw a rainbow in the sky? *Adam, Moses, Noah, Abraham*
4. From 1 Samuel 2, how many children did Hannah have? *5, 10, 15, 20*
5. In which city did King Ahasuerus live? *Corinth, Gath, Berea, Shushan*
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IHSA boys and girls golf, girls tennis, cross country and girls swimming & diving will remain as fall sports, and can proceed to start on August 10 as scheduled. Per Governor Pritzker's announcement on Wednesday, fall sports will begin with competition limited to conference opponents and other schools in the same general geographical area. Schools will be provided more details in the coming week about the scheduling limits, and scheduling will continue to be assessed throughout each season. The condensed 2020-21 season dates will be as follows (see chart below to see where each sport falls):

Fall: August 10 to October 24

Winter: November 16 to February 13

Spring: February 15 to May 1

Summer: May 3 to June 26

"The Board believes this plan offers the most realistic chance for student-athletes to participate in interscholastic sports while balancing the challenges of a new academic setting and IDPH Guidelines," said Erie High School Principal and IHSA Board President Tim McConnell. "We are an education-based athletic association, and school has to come first. By delaying the majority of the team sports in the fall, it will allow our schools and students the chance to acclimate to what will be, for many, a

totally new educational experience. We will do our best to try to give every student-athlete the opportunity for a season this school year."

State Series tournament decisions will be made on a sport-by-sport basis as each season progresses, but providing postseason opportunities remains a priority of the Board. This could potentially include culminating State Series Tournaments after Regional or Sectional rounds, or seeking other non-traditional means to conduct events.

"I understand that today's announcement will be met with mixed emotions," said Anderson. "Our staff and Board have heard from thousands of people over the past

few weeks with ideas, opinions, and proposals on how we should proceed. We respect and understand their passion, because we share in it. It is a great reminder that if we want high school sports to return to normal, we all need to do our part to help stop the spread of COVID-19."

The Board also extended the current Phase 4 Return To Play Guidelines, which will allow sports slated to be played in the winter, spring and summer seasons to allow an additional 20 days of contact for schools between September 7 and October 31 following IDPH Phase 4 Guidelines.

The Board also verified that IHSA by-laws do not prevent schools who are conducting

remote learning from participating in IHSA sports and activities. Participation will remain a local school and district decision, regardless of the learning plan a high school is utilizing.

The Board discussed IHSA activities for the 2020-21 school year but did not take any action. The IHSA's activity offerings include Bass Fishing, Chess, Debate, Drama & Group Interpretation, Individual Events, Journalism, Music & Scholastic Bowl.

"We believe we can still offer many of our

activities via virtual contests," said Anderson. "The Board has asked our staff to investigate those possibilities, and we will report back soon on if and how each can be held."

Further details on items such as sport season and practice limitations will be released to IHSA schools following IDPH approval of the plan.

Three IHSA Board members (Hasson, McMahan, Rogers) were present at the IHSA office for the meeting, while the other eight Board members attended electronically.

Macon County now accepting applications for upland game hunting

DECATUR — The Macon County Conservation District is accepting applications for upland game hunting at Friends Creek Conservation Area's Upland Game Management Area. Hunters must apply by Friday, September 25, 2020 for the one-day hunts.

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CLINTON Journal Sports

Where have our sports gone?

Sports Extra by Marc Rogers

Early last week, the Clinton Junior High School girls' softball camp and tryouts were held. Then, the bottom fell out as the Illinois Elementary School Association (IESA) announced there would not be a fall season for school sports.

That has to be disheartening to the student athletes. I have not yet been able to talk to any of the athletes, I but hope to get some of their thoughts.

Several years ago, there was a big push in schools to get the students more active in physical education (gym classes and sports) to combat the rise in weight gain among our youth (and ourselves-look at all the fitness facilities). Of course, we have to realize we are in a temporarily new normal due to a world-wide pandemic.

But, now we are reversing some decisions on a few bad examples and taking away the motivations that work for our youth. Most of the athletes have good to excellent grades because they know their sport can't be played if you're not

doing the work, both in the classroom and on the field. Not only are the sports disappearing, but students now have the option of online classes. I know how hard it is for me to sit down at the computer for work. One bright spot, for the present, is the IESA has not ruled out elementary school basketball for this season.

The short term solutions are private sports clubs, where students can go after school and play their sports with a few restrictions, and as some along our states borders are doing, send their children across state lines to states that have

sports in the school programs.

These are viable options for some, but this is not possible for the majority of midwestern families. The days of celebrating a local athlete's going to the next level are not in the school commons, but in the sports facilities where the college scouts are already observing.

If there are any student athletes who would like to talk, I will listen; and if there are any past athletes who would like to weigh in on past sports in Clinton and their thoughts on where the field might be headed, let me know at my e-mail. jmarre@frontier.com



Marc Rogers / Journal

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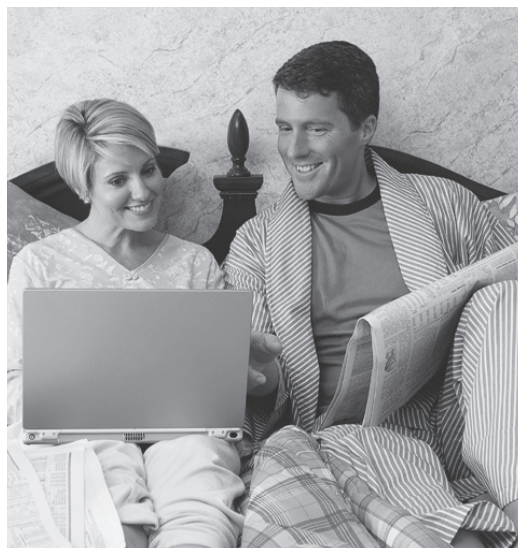
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	♠ J4 ♥ AKQ54 ♦ A ♣ JT952	

South	West	North	East
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5♥	Dbl	All Pass	

North's jump to 4♥ was supposedly preemptive and hardly ideal given those defensive Spade tricks. The consequence was that South pushed on to 5♥, expecting that 4♠ would make and that 5♥ doubled would be a profitable sacrifice. As it happened she was wrong on both counts.

4♣ would have been down, and 5♥ also looked pretty hopeless. West led the Spade Nine, won by Dummy's Ace, Declarer dropping the devious Jack. It might seem obvious to draw trumps next, but instead Declarer did something rather clever. At Trick 2, she led a Club to her Jack, won by West's Queen. The Diamond shift was won by Declarer who crossed to the ♥J, ruffed a Diamond (high), crossed back to the ♥T, and led a Club, won by West's Ace. "Rats!" muttered West, who should have smelled one earlier. Left with nothing but Diamonds, West had to concede a ruff and sluff, a Club being pitched from Dummy and the Diamond ruffed in hand. Now a Club ruff set up the suit and Declarer had 11 astonishing tricks. Some sacrifice!

Either of the defenders could have saved the day. East could have hopped up with his ♠K at Trick 2 and cashed a Spade, though that was far from obvious. But West was the real culprit for walking straight into the end-play. In the post mortem West claimed that his defense was correct if Declarer held ♠J, ♥AKQxx, ♦Ax, ♣KJTxx, but in that case West should have wondered why Declarer was risking a defensive Club ruff before drawing trumps. Even though West erred, let's give credit to Declarer for playing Clubs early. If, after winning the ♠A, she had cashed the ♦A, crossed to the ♥J, ruffed a Diamond (high), crossed to the ♥T and *then* led a Club, West would have a road map to the right defense ... he'd squander the ♠A, lead his ♠Q to East's ♠K, and the ♠K would be the setting trick.

For bridge games or lessons, please contact Mike Tomlianovich by phone: 309-825-5823
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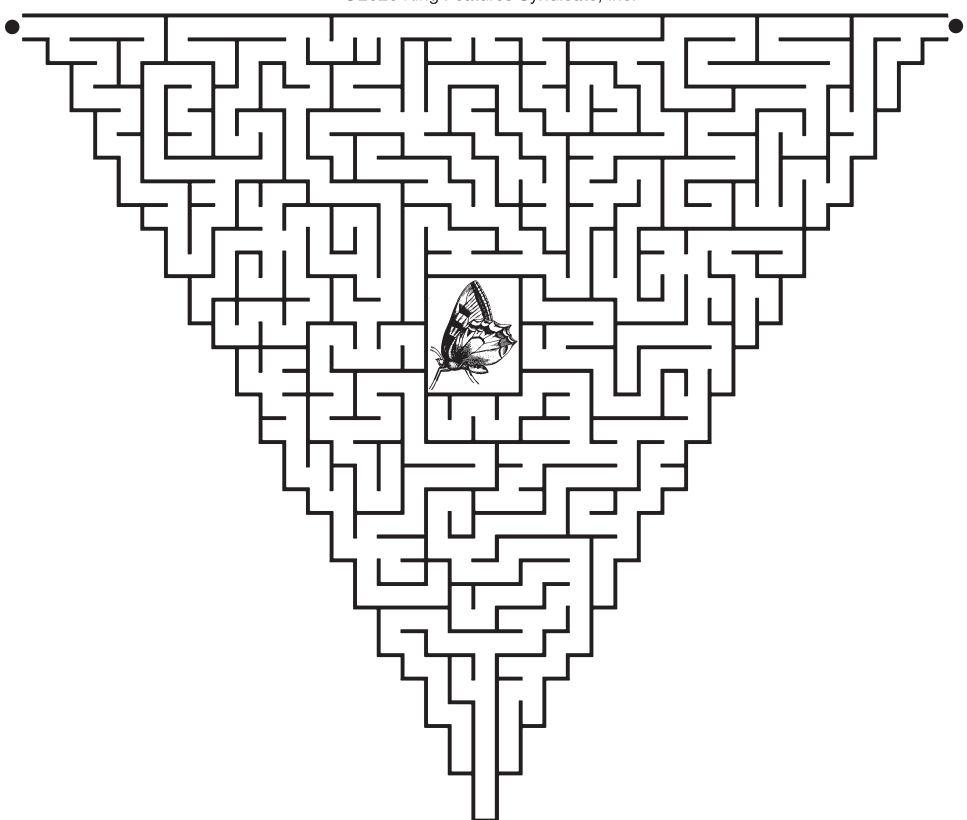
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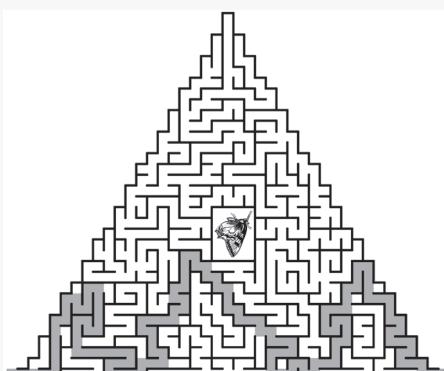
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CASE NO. 20-P-27

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DATE

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Kevin Hammer
Attorney for the
Estate of William
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219 East Main
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Legal 18956
July 24 and 31,
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August 7, 2020

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- IN PROBATE

IN THE MATTER
OF THE ESTATE
OF MELISSA A.
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DECEASED

NO. 2020-P-26

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DENT ADMINIS-
TRATION**

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Letters of Office were issued on July 16, 2020 to Steven R Coppenbarger, 5375 East Road, Clinton, Illinois 61727 as Independent Administrator. The attorney for the estate is Taylor & Lynch, 216 South Center Street, P.O. Box 478, Clinton, Illinois, 61727.

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Dated this 17th day of July, 2020.

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- IN PROBATE

IN THE MATTER
OF THE ESTATE
OF DOLORES M.
WISEGARVER,
DECEASED

NO. 2020-P-25

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Dated this 17th day of July, 2020.

Julie K. Wisegarver Woller, independent executor of the estate of Dolores M. Wisegarver, Dec.

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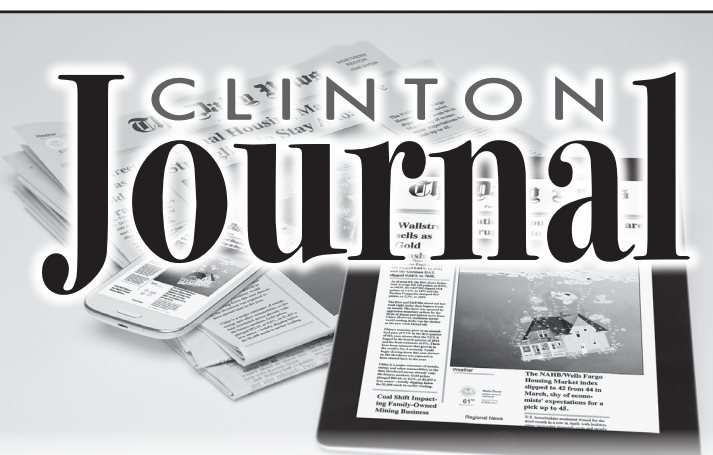
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the MAHOMET VALLEY WATER AUTHORITY for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2020, and ending April 30, 2021, is on file and conveniently available for public inspection at the Piatt County Courthouse, Monticello, Illinois, and the DeWitt County Courthouse, Clinton, Illinois, from and after August 7, 2020.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that a public hearing on said Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance will be held at 1:00 p.m. on the 8th day of September, 2020 at the offices of Mahomet Valley Water Authority Office, in the Professional Building, Monticello, Illinois, Piatt County, and that final action on said Ordinance will be taken

by the Trustees of the MAHOMET VALLEY WATER AUTHORITY at a meeting to be held at 1:15 p.m. on the 8th day of September, 2020.

DATED this 29th day of July, 2020.

/s/Doug Harlan Secretary

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The Clinton Eagles F.O.E. 593 will be voting on nominations for officers at the regular meeting on August 4, 2020 at 7pm. Elections will be August 18, 2020, 7pm.

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July 31, 2020 August 7 and 14, 2020

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AMENDED NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Commissioners of Dewitt Special Drainage District, 56-TX-169 filed their Amended 2018-2019 Annual Financial Report, covering the last fiscal year for the District, with the Clerk of the Sixth Judicial Circuit, DeWitt County, Illinois. Any owner of land within the District may file an objection to said Report with the Clerk of the Court within (10) days of the publication of this Notice.

Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sixth Judicial Circuit, DeWitt County, Illinois

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DRAINAGE ELECTION NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held on Tuesday, the 1st day of September, 2020 at the residence of Jack Swartz, 515 N. Illinois Ave., Deland, IL 61839, Piatt County, Illinois, for the purpose of electing one Drainage Commissioner for the DeWitt Special Drainage District, for a term of three years. The polls of said election will open at the hour of 2:00 p.m. and close at 4:00 p.m. of said day.

Dated this 27th day of July, 2020.

DeWitt County Circuit Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of said Drainage District

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NOTICE

The annual report of the Katherine Borgardus Trust U/W is available for inspection at its principal office located at State Bank of Lincoln, Wealth Management, 111 N. Sangamon St., P.O. Box 529, Lincoln, IL 62656 during regular business hours for three years after publication of this notice.

Martha J. Orris Vice President and Trust Officer July 23, 2020

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO CITY OF CLINTON, ILLINOIS REQUESTING SUPPLEMENTAL SITE LOCATION APPROVAL FOR THE STERICYCLE CLINTON MEDICAL WASTE INCINERATOR

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT STERICYCLE, INC., a Delaware corporation, whose address is 2355 Waukegan Road, Bannockburn, Illinois 60015, will file an Application with the City Council of Clinton, Illinois, requesting supplemental site location approval for the existing and permitted Stericycle Clinton Medical Waste Incinerator ("Facility"). The Facility is located on a 6.2 acre site and is located at 5815 Weldon Springs Road, Clinton, Illinois.

The nature of the development and supplemental request is the (1) the incineration of non-hazardous pharmaceutical, medical and healthcare waste not specifically identified in the 1987 DeWitt County site location approval or existing Illinois Environmental Protection Agency permit, and (2) periodic transfer of waste to other permitted processing/treatment facilities, as necessary, to ensure safe and efficient treatment or disposal.

The supplemental request does not involve any increase in the size of the property, the dimensions of the Facility or the amount of waste received. It requests approval to accept non-hazardous waste associated with the healthcare industry that was not specifically listed in the 1987 site location approval, and to transfer waste as necessary for operational or administrative efficiency. This non-hazardous waste includes non-hazardous pharmaceutical waste and confidential waste material (paper/electronics); Regulated Garbage generated at laboratories, research facilities and manufacturers; international wastes as defined and regulated by the United States Department of Agriculture and Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service; and controlled substances or contraband from law enforcement agencies as defined

by the Drug Enforcement Agency. The probable life of the proposed activity is indefinite.

The Application will be filed with the Clinton City Council ("Council") on August 14, 2020. After the Application has been filed, it will be available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk, 118 West Washington Street, Clinton, Illinois 61727, and copies of the Application may be obtained from that Office upon payment of the actual cost of reproduction.

Any person may file a written comment with the Council concerning the appropriateness of the proposed site for its intended purpose. In making its final determination whether to approve the Application, the Council shall consider any such comment received or postmarked no later than thirty (30) days after the date of the last public hearing.

The Council must hold at least one (1) public hearing on the Application no sooner than ninety (90) days but no later than one hundred twenty (120) days from the date it is filed. The time, date, and location of said public hearing will be determined by the Council.

STERICYCLE, INC. By: /s/Donald J. Moran Its Attorney Donald J. Moran 161 North Clark Street, Suite 2700

Chicago, Illinois 60601 Telephone: (312) 261-2149

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NOTICE OF TENTATIVE BUDGET

The Weldon Community Fire Protection District of the Counties of DeWitt and Piatt in the State of Illinois has adopted a Tentative Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance Number 2020-2, a copy of which is posted at the firehouse. A hearing on the budget, open to the public, is set for September 28, 2020 to begin at 6:30 p.m. at the firehouse located in Weldon, Illinois. Anyone wishing to appear to comment or question the board concerning the budget is invited to appear at the hearing. A meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held immediately following the public hearing on September 28, 2020 for the purpose of adopting the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance in its final form.

Board of Trustees of the Weldon Community Fire Protection District

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RV Maintenance For Summer Travel

(NAPS)—Proper RV maintenance is key to preventing frustrating equipment issues that can lead to expensive repairs. Before you hit the road this season, learn how to avoid the havoc the great outdoors can wreak on your RV.

Avoid Sun Damage

The sun's UV rays can damage an RV inside and out. The outside of your RV can dry and fade, while the internal temperature can rise and damage components—even air bags. Protect your RV in the hot summer months by creating your own shade using tarps, fitting your RV with a snug cover or keeping it under an RV carport. Another way to



Protect your summer fun by protecting rubber seals on your RV slide-outs before you hit the road.

prevent fading is to wash and wax your RV a couple times per year. Crack a window open or run your air conditioner every so often to ensure the internal temperature doesn't get too hot.

Extend the Life of Rubber Seals

The sun that RVers seek can cause rubber seals to deteriorate and crack, allowing water, dirt, wind and rodents to enter RVs. Without proper rubber seal maintenance, slide-outs, windows, doors, compartments and hatches can stick or tear, requiring costly repairs. 3-IN-ONE RVcare™ Rubber Seal Conditioner protects against damaging ultraviolet rays with a proprietary UV shield, preventing overall friction and wear, stickiness and deterioration, thereby ensuring smooth operation and extending the life of rubber seals.

Check Your Screens

Windows and doors also need regular TLC. Wear and tear is common over time, especially on screens. If you see a tear, replace the screen or fix it immediately—there are several kits on the market for easy screen repair. Properly maintained screens will allow you to enjoy fresh air while keeping bugs from ruining your respite.

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Car Care Council

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Ignore These Vehicle Repairs And You May Get Pulled Over

(NAPS)—Many drivers may feel that they don't have the time or money to address vehicle repairs immediately, but beware: Ignoring some repairs can get you pulled over and even ticketed.

"Ignoring certain vehicle repairs may seem to save money in the short term but can lead to extra costs, such as fines or 'fix-it' tickets, if these problems are not taken care of when they arise," explains Rich White, executive director, Car Care Council. "In some jurisdictions, car owners may even lose their license for certain violations. A few dollars spent on simple vehicle repairs can help avoid trouble with the law."

While a vehicle is in operation, traffic laws require that certain equipment is properly installed and functioning correctly, including brakes, headlights, turn signals, mirrors, windshields and safety belts, to name a few.

The Car Care Council recommends that drivers address these four repairs right away as they present public safety concerns that can earn drivers a traffic ticket on top of a repair bill.

- **Non-functioning turn signals and headlights or taillights that are cracked or broken.** Most states require vehicles to have functioning turn signals as well as two functioning headlights and taillights. Taillights must illuminate red; if a taillight is cracked, it can give off a white light, which is also typically a traffic violation.

- **Cracked windshield.** If a windshield is cracked, discolored or tinted in a way that obstructs vision, drivers may get ticketed and fined. In some states, vehicle modifications, such as tinted



Keeping your car in good repair may keep you from getting a ticket.

windows, are prohibited.

- **License plates are unreadable.** If the license plate light is out or the plate is otherwise unreadable, drivers may be pulled over. In some states this includes clear or tinted plastic license plate covers.

- **Loud exhaust system.** A defective exhaust system that is too loud, either because it's been modified or because it needs repairs, can be cause for a ticket. What's considered loud depends on the state.

Many states also require periodic vehicle safety inspections. For an overview by state, visit <https://drivinglaws.aaa.com/tag/safety-inspection/>.

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. For the latest car care news, visit the council's online media room at <http://media.carcare.org>.

Free Guide

To order a free copy of the popular Car Care Guide, visit www.carcare.org.

Safety On The Road

Avoiding Common Driving Dangers

(NAPS)—According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), there were nearly 6.5 million reported crashes in 2017 (the most recent available data), many of which were avoidable.

Among them are the three most common vehicle accidents:

1. **Unintended lane departures.** These, reports the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, are among the deadliest collision types and are more likely to occur when the driver is sleepy, sick or distracted.
2. **Frontal collisions.** These can happen at high speeds and to drivers who are distracted or impaired—but their victims could be anyone.
3. **Nighttime accidents.** To reduce your risk of these, suggests the National Safety Council:
 - Aim your headlights correctly and make sure they're clean
 - Dim your dashboard
 - Look away from oncoming lights
 - Clean the windshield to eliminate streaks
 - If you wear glasses, get the anti-reflective kind
 - Slow down to compensate for limited visibility and reduced stopping time
 - Don't drive if you've been awake for 16 hours or more
 - Stop every two hours to rest.

High Tech: Making a Difference
The experts on vehicle safety at luxury automaker Lexus point out that collision protection starts with collision prevention. And this is where innovative technologies can make a difference. In fact, the brand recently announced that its advanced Lexus Safety System+ (LSS+)—anchored by automatic emergency braking—will be a standard feature in all its vehicles starting with the 2020 model year.

LEXUS SAFETY SYSTEM+ ADDRESSES THE THREE MOST COMMON ACCIDENT TYPES



The safest accident is the one that never happens, so automotive technology offers some innovative ways to reduce your risk.

"We are working to prevent accidents before they happen," said David Christ, group vice president and general manager, Lexus Division. "That's why we have developed some of the most advanced safety features on the road today, and now those systems will be standard equipment on every model we sell."

The system consists of an integrated suite of four advanced active safety packages anchored by automated pre-collision warning and braking. Here's how they work:

1. **Pre-Collision System with Pedestrian Detection:** This system is engineered to help detect a preceding vehicle or a pedestrian in front of the Lexus under certain conditions. Should the system detect a pedestrian or a potential frontal collision, it's designed to activate an audible and visual alert while automatically preparing Brake Assist for increased braking response. If the driver does not brake in time, the system is designed to automatically begin braking before impact and, in some cases, can even bring the vehicle to a stop.

2. **Lane Departure Alert:** This system utilizes a high-resolution camera to monitor visible lane markings and determine the vehicle's position within a lane. If an inadvertent lane departure or potential departure due to swaying is detected at speeds above 32 mph, the system attempts to alert the driver with

audio and visual warnings and steering wheel vibrations.



The 2020 Lexus GX has sophisticated safety features.

3. **Intelligent High Beams:** To help provide added visibility for the Lexus driver as well as other motorists, Intelligent High Beams offer added illumination to help keep the driver focused on the road. When the road ahead is clear, the system defaults to high-beam mode, then temporarily switches to low beams when it detects the headlights or taillamps of vehicles ahead.
4. **Dynamic Radar Cruise Control:** This system uses radar and camera technology to help maintain a preset speed and following distance from the vehicle ahead. If driving at highway speeds and the road ahead clears, the vehicle returns to its preset speed.

Learn More

For further information, visit www.lexus.com/safety.



Decoding Your VIN

(NAPS)—When cars are sold, recalled, stolen or involved in accidents, you may hear references to the VIN; that is, the Vehicle Identification Number. Many data registries use the VIN to record details of the vehicle's history. Before you buy a used car, do a VIN lookup to get the vehicle history report and find records of its previous owners, accidents and repairs. You can also find out if the manufacturer has ever issued a recall of the vehicle and whether those repairs were made.



Knowing a car's VIN could help you save time, money and trouble.

What the VIN Is

It's a unique code that's assigned to every motor vehicle when it's manufactured and is a 17-character string of letters and numbers without intervening spaces or the letters Q (q), I (i) and O (o); these are omitted to avoid confusion with the numerals 0 and 1. Each section of the VIN provides a specific piece of information about the vehicle, including the year, country and factory of manufacture; the make and model; and the serial number. VINs are usually printed in a single line.

How to Find the VIN Number

On most passenger cars, you can find the VIN number on the front of the dashboard on the driver's side. The best way to see it is to look through the windshield from outside the car. You can also find the VIN number on the driver's side door pillar. Open the door and look around the area where the door latches to the car. A motorcycle's VIN is usually on the steering neck below the handlebars, although sometimes it's on the motor or on the frame near the motor. A semitrailer's VIN is located on the front part of the semitrailer on the left side.

If you can't find the VIN number on the vehicle, you should be able to find it on your vehicle's title or liability insurance documents.

Learn More

To decode your vehicle's VIN number or see if there are any active recalls on your car, visit the free VIN Decoder at <https://driving-tests.org/vin-decoder/>.



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We are particularly grateful for the partnerships we have built throughout the years with our partnering landowners and hundreds of community members, as well as with skilled labor and local organizations like the Vault and Arcosa, which will provide wind towers constructed right here in DeWitt County. We have enjoyed getting to know this community better and hosting many of you at our office on the Square and look forward to even more engagement with you.

We are proud of the project we will be constructing, and we promise to work in good faith toward a long-term mutually beneficial partnership with the entire community. In many ways, the feedback we received from the community has made Alta Farms an even better project. Our commitment to each and every resident of this county moving forward is that we will continue working together to build a project that everyone benefits from.

This is just the beginning.

- Tom Swierczewski, Senior Director, Development



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