

Local groups get grants

CCEF and The Vault awarded funds from Illinois Prairie Community Foundation

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CLINTON, Ill. — Clinton Community Education Foundation and The Vault teen and community center, in Clinton, are among 73 central Illinois agencies to receive grants from the Illinois Prairie Community Foundation. Illinois Prairie Community Foundation has awarded \$139,311 in three categories of grants to 73 programs in McLean, DeWitt, Livingston and Logan counties. Grants ranged from \$500 to \$5,505. Funding came from the Jerome Mirza Foundation, donors to the Community Foundation’s annual campaign and several endowments at the Community Foundation.

• **Clinton Community Education Foundation** — \$1,500 for “Read Across Clinton” to improve the reading achievement of economically disadvantaged children by providing each child a variety of books to take home on last day of the school year.

The grant to CCEF will be used to support the group’s “Read Across Clinton” program.

The literacy program provides books for children to take home and build their own personal libraries. New and like-new books are accepted for the program for kindergarten-fifth grade students.

Goals of “Reading Across Clinton” also include encouraging a love of reading and improving the reading achievement of low income students.

CCEF also provides grants to teachers and scholarships to students and works with Richland Community College to offer dual credit classes to

CHS seniors at a reduced cost.

Since 2009, CCEF has awarded more than \$100,000 in grants to help local curriculums.

• **Vault Community Center** — \$3,400 for “The Golden Gears Café: Small Business Leadership Program” to educate Clinton area teens in the fields of leadership, business, culinary arts and basic cooking skills, helping to alleviate apathy, low self-esteem and lack of purpose prevalent in local students.

“Thanks to a generous \$4,000 grant from the Illinois Prairie Community Foundation in 2019, we were able to significantly improve our Golden Gears Cafe Small Business Leadership Program,” The Vault director Michelle Witzke told the Clinton Journal. “Brook Ernst, our 2019-2020 intern, served as cafe director to oversee student manager Ady Maple and our team of 18 junior high and high school cafe workers.”

This year, the \$3,400 grant from IPCF to The Vault will help the center continue offering the program to students, Witzke said. Students serve at least a couple of shifts in management, scheduling staff, helping train new cafe workers, ordering and inventory and motivating staff.

The Vault also recently received a \$5,000 donation from Norman and Rachel Emery. Norman Emery is one of The Vault’s founding board members.

“It has been an absolute privilege to work beside him and be blessed by his generosity and brilliance,” Witzke said. “I am forever grateful for the way he has always believed in this mission for our kids and rolled up his sleeves to make the vision a reality.”

A complete list of the 37 general grants awarded can be found at the following link:

<https://ilprairiecef.org/ipcf-awards-73-grants-to-nonprofits>



Katy O’Grady-Pyne / Journal

Congratulations CHS graduates

Residents can get a look at a row of honor currently on display in front of Clinton High School recognizing this year’s graduating class.

Supporting people’s safety during COVID

Action Technology helps get hand sanitizer where it needs to be



Courtesy of Dan Leevey / Action Technology

Action Technology don the required face masks to stay safe during their work shifts. Action makes plastic tubing important in a number of industries.

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It has been a trying time for many residents and businesses in Illinois since Gov. Pritzker first announced the stay-at-home order and other restrictions in March.

Residents are largely homebound, local businesses are losing significant money, and people have died. At least 3,600 people have died

from COVID-19 across 98 of Illinois’ 102 counties.

On Tuesday, DeWitt/Piatt Bi-County Health Department director David Remmert announced one new case of the virus diagnosed in DeWitt County. As of Tuesday, three earlier positive cases in the county were fortunately reported recovered as the rural Midwest is beginning to see more reported cases of the virus, and healthcare professionals around the

country are seeing some bizarre symptoms among children.

One business in Clinton is playing a major support role in helping to keep people safe, while trying to keep its own workers safe.

People are using a lot of hand sanitizer these days. But, without the little tube that connects the product to the pump on the bottle, the task could be a little trickier.

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CCEF announces 2020 scholarship recipients

Organization awards four scholarships to Clinton area students

CLINTON — The Clinton Community Educational Foundation announced this week its local 2020 scholars.

The James Adcock Education Scholarship is a \$500 scholarship provided by the Adcock family in memory of Jim, who was a high school English teacher and department head for over 30 years.

The 2020 recipients are Olivia Earl, daughter of Timothy and Wanda. She will attend Olivet Nazarene University majoring in elementary education. The Adcock family also provided a second scholarship. The recipient is Corrie Ijams, daughter of Chad and Karen. Corrie plans to attend Eastern Illinois University majoring in Elementary Special Education.

The Gerald Ryan Agriculture Scholarship is provided by the Ryan family in memory of Jerry a lifetime resident and farmer in DeWitt county. This scholarship is for a student majoring in agriculture or active in agriculture activities, such as 4-H and FFA.

This year the family is providing three \$500 scholarships. The first scholarship was awarded to Grace Arnold, daughter of Sam and Katy. Grace will attend Lake Land College majoring in agriculture.

The second recipient is Payne Turney, daughter of Josh and Jodi. She will major in biochemistry at Purdue University.

The third scholarship goes to Anna Mills, daughter of Dan and Sharon. She will attend Southern Illinois University majoring in pharmacy.

Three \$250 scholarship also are being given this year, the first to Gregory Aughenbaugh, son of Thomas and Karen. Greg will attend Millikin University majoring in commercial music. Krayton Carter, son of Stacy and Belinda also will receive a \$250 scholarship. He will attend Lake Land College majoring in ag production and management.

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Action Technology manufactures a product most people might not give much consideration to, but it’s likely to be there whenever they sanitize their hands or use lotion.

“With the up-tick in business for the tubing we supply for people who are making hand sanitizers and disinfectants and things like that, it has almost made up for business considered nonessential that is set aside for now,” Leevey said

Action Technology’s primary product produced in Clinton is tubing used in spray and pump bottles, but the plant also distributes pumps for sanitizers and lotions and other products. Many companies have approached Action recently that are well supplied with bottles and valves but are in need of tubing to fit the bottles.

“And, of course, there are a lot of people trying to contribute by putting hand sanitizers into bottles.”

The market for Action Technology-produced plastic tubing has increased significantly, partly, Leevey said, because people find sanitizers dry their hands, and then then need lotion to counteract the effect.

“Our business in tubing for those uses has been well over our normal production,” he said.

Tubing orders generally are manufactured according to a client’s specifications depending on its intended use. More often lately, some companies beginning to

bottle products, such as hand sanitizers, have asked Action staff to determine what they need for a particular application.

The Clinton Action Technology facility also conducts some of the company’s research and development.

“It’s typically from an existing customer who says, ‘hey, can you do this’,“ Leevey said.

Action also works with the pharma industry, making tubing for nasal sprays and those types of products, and its parent company, Tekni-Plex, has a medical division that produces films and container closures.

And, Action makes products people use every day even when there is no pandemic. The company makes food spreader sticks, such as those used in cheese and cracker snacks.

“So, we do a lot of food contact business,” Leevey said.

“We have a films division that makes edge-pull seals, like you would pull off of a ketchup bottle, for example.”

One of the companies also works with expanded polystyrene foam. Tekni-Plex has a large portion of the market for polystyrene egg cartons.

Action follows good manufacturing practices and food safety protocols and is ISO (International Standards Organization) 9000 certified, which is a quality management set of production standards.

“There is a lot of careful work that is done out

here.”

During these unusual times, Action has implemented steps to protect its workforce as well.

“Obviously, the PPE thing and a lot of disinfecting efforts that we do every couple of hours,” Leevey said.

Of course, employees wear face masks.

And, truck drivers have to remain outside the building when making deliveries. The Action facility has an outdoor camera system, and truck drivers use a buzzer to notify staff inside when they arrive.

“We’re limiting personal contact and maintaining social distancing,” Leevey said.

Chairs have even been removed from the site’s breakroom to discourage people from gathering in groups.

“It’s not that employees were trying to do the wrong things,” Leevey said. “They were just used to doing what they had always done.”

Action has 72 employees working three shifts, five days a week.

Work schedules have been staggered, but Action has been able to maintain three production shifts at the plant.

“We take the temperatures of all our employees when they report to work before every shift.”

Leevey said, fortunately, the Action facility is large enough to be able to maintain employee distancing during each

shift without much trouble.

“And, we do have several folks working from home too,” he added.

Those people work on a management and support staff basis.

Leevey said all of the plant’s employees have been very cooperative working with the safety restrictions.

“I can’t say enough about their efforts and how important the things they are doing are right now,” Leevey said. “For the most part, I think people are just trying to adapt. It’s new for all of us, and none of us has all the answers.”

Action Technology continues to follow CDC (Centers for Disease Control) guidelines, “which has changed several times,” Leevey said.

“But, we follow that, and we have a global safety team and human resources team that spend a great deal of time with our executive leadership team developing these programs and feeding them to us to make sure everybody is on the same page.”

He said the Tekni-Plex corporate team has worked closely with its facilities during COVID-19 restrictions.

Action Technology also is involved in the community through its “TekniCares” program. Action has made donations to help local food pantries, and they recently made a donation to Neighborhood Market, in Clinton.

Local Restaurants Carry Out & Delivery

Country Store,
DeWitt, now open seven-days-a-week from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. with curbside and carry-out available.

Coffee Corner,
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The final scholarship goes to Kara Montgomery, daughter of Veronica and Brian. She will major in nursing at Millikin University.

Recipients of both the Adcock and Ryan Scholarships may reapply next year by completing the online application, including their college transcripts, and in their essay their college activities.

The Exelon Clinton Power Station provides two \$1,000 scholarships. Tori Burke, daughter, of Tim and Tracy in one of the recipients. Tori will major in nursing. The second recipient is Elizabeth Maier, daughter of Ben and Stacy Nichols. She will major in chemistry and criminal justice with a concentration in forensic science.

The Vincent Beggs Memorial Scholarship is a \$5000 scholarship over four years.

The first to recipient is Grace Arnold majoring in agriculture. The second to Krayton Carter majoring in ag production and management.

The next recipient is Jackson Dempsey, son of Kris and Diane. He will attend Indiana State University majoring in pre-med and plans to be an orthopedic surgeon. The final memorial scholarship winner is Olivia Earl, majoring in elementary education at Olivet University.

The \$2,500 technology scholarship goes to Ethan Aughenbaugh, son of Tom and Karen. He will attend Lincoln College, majoring in computer science.

Oldies but goodies

Welcome to my little corner of culinary delights. Let us enjoy a little culinary history.

I enjoy very much studying through old cookbooks. Most are reproductions but I do have several originals dating from the 19th century. They teach how things were done under difficult conditions. I received many wonderful tips for stoking and using woodburning cookstoves. Preservation methods was an important consideration when they only had ice boxes. I can recall, when as a child, the community lockers. People rented them since freezers were not plentiful or affordable back then. Ours was in the 200 block of East Washington Street. The place was called Bower’s Confectionary. I also recall the “ice man” with his ice truck delivering



The Culinary Corner
By Chef
Roger Joss

ice blocks for the ice boxes. I also recall the ice plant north of town by the tracks. Life as a boy then was rich and exciting to say the least. We enjoyed healthy values then.

In order to use these recipes, one must learn a different culinary nomenclature. Would you know that a gill dry measure was actually ¼ cup’s worth? Rather than using yeast cakes, we now have packets of “Active Dry Yeast”. And What is caster’s sugar or a sugar cone? For what purpose is a sugar hammer? Now that bitter almonds are outlawed for culinary use, what does one use for making Abraham Lincoln’s favorite French almond cake? The list is

ponderous. But it is fun to figure it all out and learn different ways. When I first began baking bread, only yeast cakes were available and thus called out in the recipes. To use my old recipes, I had to learn how to convert this into dry yeast amounts.


A person once asked me why I prefer teaching culinary in my unorthodox way. They suggested the simpler method of parroting recipes. I found my answer in a reproduction of Mrs. Seely’s Cookbook. The original copyright date is 1902. The reprint is 1984. I wish to give the quote that inspired me to teach over that of merely copying recipes.

“Besides tasting good, the dishes exhibit a certain complexity... They also show off a variety of techniques, such as fondness for cooking things twice – a preliminary boiling, and

then deep-frying. There is a pleasure in elaborate combinations and a liking for surprise. Who would expect to find so many interesting ingredients inside a potato croquette as in the version here? The Golden Age did not share our enthusiasm for the quick-and-easy or the simple and ungarnished. It was an era of formality, and its cookery requires perhaps a little more patience than the dishes of today, and more attentiveness toward technique. But for those who think of cooking as an art, the rewards can be delightful indeed.” Page 21; Oxmoor House, Inc.

To cook like that, one needs to learn the techniques (methodology). In the long and short of it, I value teaching culinary so others may have a worthwhile adventure.

Until next time, peace to all.



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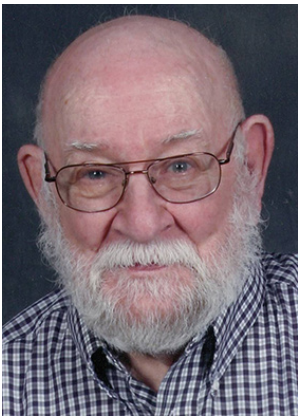
CLINTON — Martin Duane Austin, 86, of Clinton, passed away at 10:20 a.m. on May 12, 2020, at his family residence, Clinton.

Private services will be conducted on Friday, May 15, 2020, at Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton, with Rev. Aaron Stine and Pastor Jeff DeLaughter officiating. Burial will follow at DeWitt Cemetery, DeWitt.

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

Martin was born on May 29, 1933, in Mt. Vernon, Ill., the son of Curtis Fred and Elisa May (Orrick) Austin. He married Eurma Ruth Bray on May 29, 1951, in Clinton. She passed away on August 24, 2006.

Survivors include his children, Norma Jean (John, deceased) Clark, Bloomington; Brenda (David, deceased) Griffith, Warrensburg; Beverly (Sonny) Palmer, Clinton; and Danny (Sheila) Austin, DeWitt; 17 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; and 11 great-great-grandchildren; three sisters: Thelma Norris,



Benton, Ill.; Velma (Red) Perryman, Allisonville, Ill.; and Evelyn Heath, Paducah, Ky.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two sons, Randy Austin and Rick Austin; three brothers, Lloyd Austin, Glen “Bud” Austin, and Charles Austin; twin sister, Duene DeWitt; infant brother, Curtis Eugene Austin, Jr.; and one great-great-grandchild.

Martin was a member of the Woodlawn Church of God, where he served as Sunday school superintendent and song leader. He retired from Baum Chevrolet and enjoyed carpentry.

Online condolences may be made at www.calvertmemorial.com

Diana L. Bailey

WAPELLA — Diana L. Bailey, 69, of Wapella, passed away at 10:57 p.m. on May 10, 2020, at OSF St. Joseph Medical Center, Bloomington.

Due to Covid-19, private services will be conducted at East Lawn Memorial Gardens, Bloomington, with Pastor Terry L. Bailey officiating. A celebration of life service will be held at a later date.

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

Diana was born on December 24, 1950, in Bloomington, the daughter of James and Lourstine (Bicknell) Gaffney. She married A.J. Bailey on August 16, 1969.

Survivors include her husband, A.J. Bailey, Wapella; children, James (Jessica) A. Bailey, Wapella; Michele Bailey, Clinton; brothers, James (Shirley) Gaffney, Peoria; Rickie Gaffney, LeRoy,



Ill.; sister, Bonnie (Jerry) Albert, LeRoy, Ill.. Four grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews also survive.

She was preceded in death by her father and daughter, Teena Sue.

Diana was a long time Elvis fan, along with being an avid bowler and avid fisherwoman. She loved her family and grandchildren.

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News for Older Americans

Help during the health crisis

(NAPSI)—To help the growing numbers of older adults who have questions or need support as the nation weathers the COVID-19 crisis, the Eldercare Locator stands ready to connect people with nearby aging resources available in their communities. Older adults, concerned family members, caregivers and professionals can contact the Eldercare Locator to find information about local aging programs and services that can help address a variety of needs during this national health crisis.

One call to the Eldercare Locator at 800-677-1116, or a visit to the website at eldercare.acl.gov, can connect you to aging services that can help ensure that older adults can continue to live safely at home during the COVID-19 national health crisis. For more than 20 years, the Eldercare Locator has connected older adults, caregivers and the professionals who work with them to local programs that can help meet their needs.

The Eldercare Locator is a free public service of the U.S. Administration for Community Living and is administered by the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging. Find the Eldercare Locator online at eldercare.acl.gov or at 800-677-1116.

Helpfill the hours with an E-reader

I don’t often recommend specific products in this column, but there’s one that many of us could use right now: a Kindle.

SENIOR NEWS LINE

by Matilda Charles

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Last week I gave you a puzzle to solve and promised the answer: What is the next letter in this sequence? O T T F F S S _

Answer: E ... as in One, Two, Three, Four, Five, Six, Seven, Eight.

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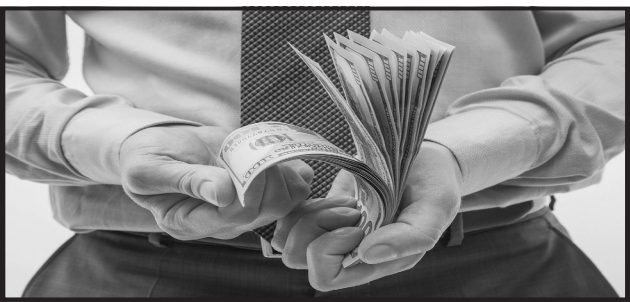
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1926 - Roald Amundsen and Lincoln Ellsworth were forced down in Alaska after a four-day flight over an icecap. Ice had begun to form on the dirigible Norge.

1926 - The New York Rangers were officially granted a franchise in the NHL. The NHL also announced that Chicago and Detroit would be joining the league in November.

1930 - Ellen Church became the first female flight attendant.

1941 - Joe DiMaggio began his historic major league baseball hitting streak of 56 games.

1942 - Gasoline rationing began in the U.S. The limit was 3 gallons a week for nonessential vehicles.

1951 - AT&T became the first corporation to have one million stockholders.

1957 - Britain dropped its first hydrogen bomb on Christmas Island in the Pacific Ocean.

1963 - The last Project Mercury space flight was launched.

1970 - U.S. President Nixon appointed America's first two female generals.

1970 - Phillip Lafayette Gibbs and James Earl Green, two black students at Jackson State University in Mississippi, were killed when police opened fire during student protests.

1972 - Alabama Gov. George C. Wallace was shot by Arthur Bremer in Laurel, MD while campaigning for the U.S. presidency. Wallace was paralyzed by the shot.

1975 - The merchant ship U.S. Mayaguez was recaptured from Cambodia's Khmer Rouge.

1980 - The first trans-continental balloon crossing of the United States took place.

1983 - In Boston,MA, the Madison Hotel was destroyed by implosion.

1988 - The Soviet Union began their withdrawal of its 115,000 troops from Afghanistan. Soviet forces had been there for more than eight years.

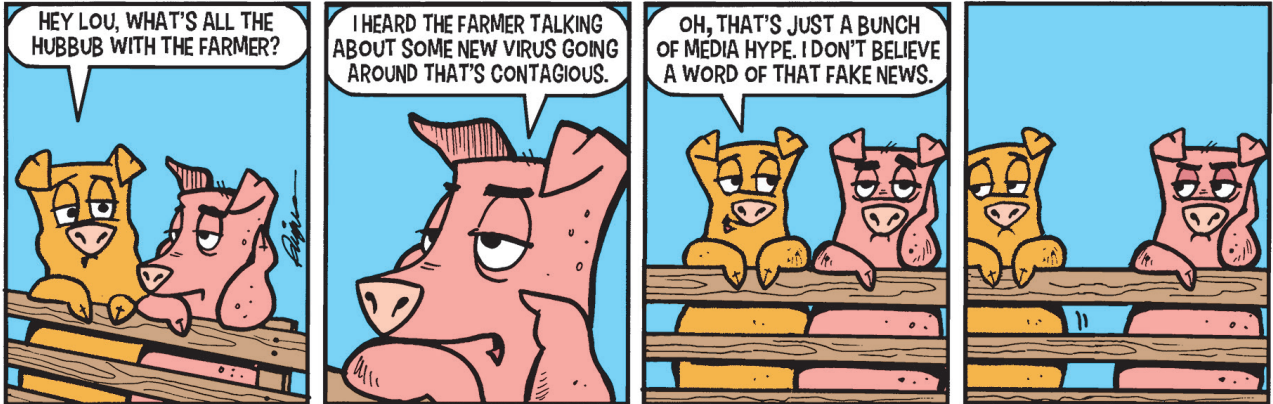
1990 - Vincent Van Gogh's "Portrait of Doctor Gachet" was sold for \$82.5 million. The sale set a new world record.

1997 - The Space shuttle Atlantis blasted off on a mission to deliver urgently needed repair equipment and a fresh American astronaut to Russia's orbiting Mir station.

1999 - The Russian parliament was unable to attain enough votes to impeach President Boris Yeltsin.

2014 - The National September 11 Memorial Museum was dedicated in New York City.

Amber Waves



A message from Sheriff Mike Walker

In response to the growing concerns of the citizens of DeWitt County, the DeWitt County Sheriff, Mike Walker, has issued the following statement regarding the Governor’s “executive order” over the Coronavirus:

There has been a growing number of citizens expressing their concerns and frustrations over the Governor’s recent actions over the Coronavirus. I have been asked repeatedly what is the DeWitt County Sheriff’s position regarding enforcement of the Governor’s “executive orders” over this matter. So, let me start out first in stating that I am very proud and applaud our DeWitt County citizens in their personal efforts and responsibility in keeping this virus out of this County at levels being experienced elsewhere. We have worked together as responsible citizens in keeping this pandemic at bay and out of our homes. The more we do as individual citizens in practicing safe and responsible distancing, the sooner this plague will end.

Second, I will continue to do and perform as I was initially elected to: protecting the health, safety and welfare of our county and its citizens. If anyone violates a criminal law, they will be arrested. If anyone commits a “trespass” to property or an “assault” upon another, they will be arrested. I was elected to enforce the laws and will continue to enforce the laws. However, an “executive order” by the Governor is NOT THE LAW of the land. That requires our elected representatives in the state legislature to act upon in order to enforce.

I will enforce the laws when they are violated but I will not arrest for a failure to heed a recommendation on how to act whether in a business or out in the general public. If you do not want to protect yourself and not practice safe distancing or wearing of mask, that is your individual decision. It may not be the right one, it may not be the responsible one, but last time I checked there is no ‘escape clause’ in the U.S. Constitution and Bill of Rights allowing for suspension of our constitutional rights when there is a virus plaguing us.

So, in terms of enforcement of the law, we have and

will continue to do so when the law needs enforcement. In terms of a decision not to follow the Governor’s ‘executive orders’, that is an individual decision to not follow not a criminal violation of the laws. My office will get involved when that individual decision to not follow interferes with or poses a clear and present danger to the health, safety and welfare of fellow citizens, I will act!

I will enforce the law when you violate the laws. I will not arrest someone who individually decides not to follow recommendations in an ‘executive order’. But, cross that line from individual decision to not follow over to your actions presenting a clear and present danger to the citizens of this County, then I will act appropriately under those circumstances. Refuse to put your mask on in a private establishment when asked, commit a ‘trespass to property’, you will be arrested. Take that mask off and sneeze in someone’s face, possibly committing an ‘assault’, you will be arrested. So, you see, keep your individual decisions to yourself and your fine but make others pay for it then it becomes crossing that line and jeopardizing the public.

Be mindful of your neighbors, be mindful of your friends and above all be mindful of the senior citizen community within DeWitt County. I will respect your individual decisions so long as you respect theirs. We owe a greater sense of responsibility in our actions when they touch or approach our senior citizen community. I maintain a very thin, very minute thin line when it comes to protection of our seniors. There, I will act first and question later so as to not jeopardize your senior citizens. They deserve all the respect we can muster in this time of concern. We must work together as one community circling our wagons to protect all citizens of DeWitt County.

Be safe and be cautious
Mike Walker
DeWitt County Sheriff

What will happen to drug treatment during a pandemic?

Marcel Gemme
Addicted.org

We’re in uncharted waters right now. With the novel coronavirus, COVID-19, spreading rapidly through America there are a lot of situations that we just don’t know how to handle. And treatment for substance abuse is one of them.

America is in the middle of a drug epidemic and consumes more drugs than anywhere. Opioids are our national drug of choice, and there’s been a huge push to expand and improve treatment over the last decade. It hasn’t been an easy battle, and we’re far from declaring a victory.

We’ve been able to study how COVID-19 affects other countries, but one thing that’s lacking is information on how this pandemic will affect a large population of drug users such as what exists in America. Because of this, no one knows what to do with this treatment industry we’ve been building and what to do with its patients.

Drug and Alcohol Rehabilitation consists of face to face interaction, either in a group setting or with a counselor. Treatment facilities are often inpatient, meaning many people living together in close quarters. This lends itself terribly to the spread of disease, particularly among a population whose body is already compromised from drug use.

Those who rely on MAT medications such as Methadone or Suboxone for opioid dependence have their own challenges. Due to laws which restrict these medications, they’re often only dispensed by daily dose and only at clinics. This means potentially thousands of people going to a single clinic each day and waiting in line, only to gather in a waiting room and be doled out their meds. Again, it’s a recipe for disaster.

Guidelines issued by authorities often contradict and don’t take into account these situations. Some guidelines have been issued SAMSHA regarding MAT clinics and how they can potentially give up to 14 days’ worth of medications if someone is ill. But these are guidelines, not laws or directives and state laws may prohibit this. It also does little for prevention given that people can spread

the virus easily without exhibiting symptoms. Nothing has been issued regarding COVID-19 and treatment facilities, or than instructions for proper sanitation.

No one’s saying what people who are in treatment already should do. Should they stay and potentially be at increased risk? It’s difficult, given that leaving treatment before it’s complete greatly increases chances of relapse. Should treatment centers still be operating? One could assume that because no one’s said to close them down, it’s been decided they’re safe. But it’s also possible that no one’s even gotten to this problem yet or knows what to do.

Those who need treatment but haven’t entered yet are in a similar dilemma. Should they even go? Which is the lesser of two evils? Perhaps the only thing we know is that substance abuse is a killer, possibly more so than COVID-19. Until orders are issued otherwise, anything that increases your survival overall will likely help you withstand this pandemic. Healthcare is an essential service.

About the author - Marcel Gemme has been helping people struggling with substance abuse for over 20 years. He first started as an intake counselor for a drug rehabilitation center in 2000. During his 5 years as an intake counselor, he helped many addicts get the treatment they needed, and saw first-hand how much strain addiction puts on a family and how it can tear relationships apart. With drug and alcohol problems constantly on the rise he utilized his website, Addicted.org, and community outreach as a way to spread awareness. His main focus is threefold: education, prevention and rehabilitation.

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CHURCHES

‘Shelter-in-place’ Church Services

Assembly of God

On Facebook, YouTube and the church’s Web site.

Clinton Church of Christ

The church has suspended its services until further notice. Church members are encouraged to pursue worship and study at home and regularly check the church’s Facebook page.

Clinton Church of God

Online services and Bible study are currently under way for the church on its Facebook page. Online tithing also is available.

Clinton Presbyterian Church
Virtual worship via Facebook

Clinton United Methodist Church
Livestream

First Baptist Church
Facebook Live will be used to broadcast services.

First Christian Church
Facebook Live

First Church of the Nazarene
Facebook Live streaming.

Kenney Christian Church
Services via conference call

Lane Christian Church
Video services on YouTube, Facebook COVID devotionals.

Lifebridges Church
Facebook Live

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
All Masses and all fish fry and other events are canceled until further notice.

St. Patrick Catholic Church
Facebook Live

Texas Christian Church
Video sermons posted on Facebook

Wapella Christian Church
Facebook Live

Waynesville United Methodist Church
Facebook Live

This might not be a complete list of current church online activities. For details about online or other services, call your church. Telephone numbers are listed below.

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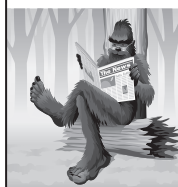
by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Ecclesiastes in the Old or New Testament or neither?
 2. From Numbers 4, what color was the cloth draped over the Ark of the Covenant? *White, Black, Gold, Blue*
 3. “The wicked man travaileth with pain all his days” is from what Book’s 15:20? *Ezra, Nehemiah, Job, Psalms*
 4. From Daniel 5, who was so scared that his knees knocked together? *Moses, Belshazzar, Solomon, Lot*
 5. Who paid Delilah to betray the mighty Samson? *The Pharaoh, Abdi, Lords of the Philistines, Jeuz*
 6. In which city were 85 priests slain? *Gezer, Nob, Shechem, Aphek*
- ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) Blue; 3) Job; 4) Belshazzar; 5) Lords of the Philistines (rulers); 6) Nob.

“Test Your Bible Knowledge,” a book with 1,206 multiple-choice questions by columnist Wilson Casey, is available in stores and online.

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by Elie’s Spiritual Treasures

1 THESSALONIANS 4:14

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And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord’s people.

EPHESIANS 6:18

Medieval-era rendering

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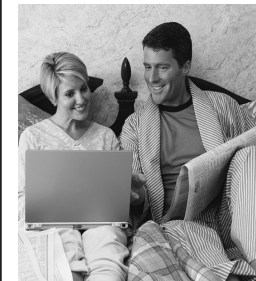
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7 p.m.-Mondays family prayer
7 p.m.-Wednesday Bible study

Christ Lutheran Church & preschool

701 S. Mulberry Street, Clinton
Office (217) 935-5808
Preschool office (217) 935-4675
8:15 a.m.-Sunday worship
9:30 a.m.-Sunday school
Preschool Tues., Wed. and Thurs. morning and afternoon sessions.

Clinton Church of Christ

Bus. Rt. 51 south, Clinton
(217) 935-5058
Stephen R. Bradd, Gospel preacher
AudioEvangelism.com
Clinton CofC.com
9 a.m.-Sunday morning Bible study
10 a.m.-Sunday morning worship
6 p.m.-Sunday worship
7 p.m.-Wednesday evening Bible study

Clinton Church of God

720 E. Woodlawn Street, Clinton
clintoncog.org
Jeffrey DeLaughter, pastor
9:30 a.m.-Sunday school
10:30 a.m.-Sunday morning worship
6 p.m.-Sunday night service
7 p.m.-Wednesday service

Clinton Presbyterian Church

402 N. Center Street
Office hours: 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Mon.-Fri.
Tel. (217) 935-6178
Fax (217) 935-6128
Pastor-Paul Stroup
clintonpresbyterian.org
9:15 a.m.-Sunday school
10:30 a.m.-Sunday worship with nursery available
Senior high youth

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308 E. Main Street
Rev. Darrell Howard, pastor
(217) 935-5869
Email
clinton.methodist@frontier.com
clintonumcil.org
Office hours: 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m., Mon.-Fri.
5 p.m.-Saturday evening service
9 a.m.-Sunday service
10:30 a.m.-Sunday school

First Baptist Church

220 Illini Drive, Clinton
(217) 935-2032
firstbaptistchurch3@frontier.com
John Roberson, pastor
9:30 a.m.-Sunday school
10:30 a.m.-Sunday worship
6 p.m.-Sunday evening worship
7 p.m.-Wednesday mid-week prayer meeting

First Christian Church

100 N. Jackson Street, Clinton (W. Main & N. Jackson)
clintonfcc.com
Pete Cocco, interim minister
8:15 a.m.-first worship service
9:30 a.m.-Bible school
10:45 a.m.-second worship service
Church for 3-year-olds, beginner church (4 yrs.-k), junior church (1st-5th grades)
Nursery available at each morning service.

First Church of the Nazarene

Rt. 51 and Kleemann Drive, Clinton
Michael A. Taylor, pastor
8:30 a.m.-Sunday prayer around the altar
8:45 a.m.-continental breakfast
9:30 a.m.-Sunday school / Bible study
10:30 a.m.-morning worship
7 p.m.-Wednesday mid-week service

Kenney Christian Church

213 W. Benjamin Street, Kenney
(217) 944-2275
Ernie Harvey, minister
9:30 a.m.-Sunday school (pre-K-adult)
10:30 a.m.-Sunday worship
10:30 a.m.-Sunday children’s church (pre-K-5th grades)
10:30 a.m.-nursery
5 p.m.-Sunday youth group (junior high and high school)

Lane Christian Church

(217) 935-2557
www.lanechurch.org
Jim Kilson, preaching and teaching minister
Nick Tuttle, youth and family minister
9 a.m.-Sunday school
10 a.m.-worship
5:30 p.m.-youth group
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Lifebridges Church

200 S. Alexander Street, Clinton
(217) 570-0105
www.lifebridges-church.com
Pastors-Jonathan and Dana Taylor
10 a.m.-Sunday celebration
10 a.m.-AMPED Kids for ages (1-5 grades)
10 a.m.-AMPED Jr. (birth-K)
7 p.m.-AfterShock teen church, 6th-12 grades
6 p.m.-Wednesday, Strategic Disciple
6:30 p.m.-Thursday, DIVE teen Bible study
7 p.m.-Thursdays, 1st & 3rd, Empowered Women / 2nd & 4th, Frontline Men

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

502 N. Monroe Street, Clinton
(217) 935-3727
Rev. James Henning, pastor
4 p.m.-Saturday mass
8:30 a.m.-Sunday mass

St. Patrick Catholic Church

308 S. Locust Street, Wapella
(217) 935-8510
Office hours: 1-5 p.m., Tues.-Thurs.

Father Jeff Stirniman, administrator
9:30 a.m.-Sunday mass

Texas Christian Church

8301 Texas Church Road, Clinton
(217) 454-6846
www.texaschristian-church.org
Scott Marsh, minister
9 a.m.-Sunday school
10 a.m.-Sunday worship
6 p.m.-Sunday evening worship
6 p.m.-Wednesday prayer meeting

The Blessed Hope Seventh-Day Adventist Church

112 N. Monroe St., Clinton
(217) 464-0780
9:30 a.m.-Saturday, Sabbath school
11 a.m.-worship with pot luck afterwards
6 p.m.-Mondays, “Great Controversy” study and Pathfinder events throughout the year.

Wapella Christian Church

101 N. Poplar
(217) 731-4404
Josh Gorrie, minister
Wapellacc.com
9 a.m.-Sunday school
10 a.m.-worship
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Waynesville United Methodist Church

202 S. Isham Street
P.O. Box 70, Waynesville 61778
Tami Worschey-Kessinger, pastor
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10:30 a.m.-Sunday school 6:30-8:30 p.m., Mondays quilting
7-8:30 a.m.-Wednesday community coffee
8:45 a.m.-Wednesday morning Bible study
7 p.m.-2nd Thursdays, comfort and care

Games people play



Check out the crossword every Friday in the Clinton Journal.

AMVETS awards student scholarships

Marc Rogers
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CLINTON — Although many things have been cancelled or drastically changed due to the current virus outbreak, students still need support.

AMVET Post #14 is again helping Clinton High School (CHS) students to further their educations through the Dennis Davenport Scholarship Fund.

Davenport was a local resident and AMVET who wanted to help CHS students, who were children or grandchildren of veterans, with furthering their education.

This year, Post #14 was able to distribute funds for six scholarships, three new and three reapplications from last year's recipients.

This year's recipients are Emily Wade, daughter of Laura and Paul Wade, who will attend Richland Community College (RCC) to study nursing; Jaleigh Oliver, daughter of Courtney and Andy Oliver, who will also attend RCC to study nursing; and Elizabeth Maier, daughter of Ben and Stacy Nichols, who will attend Eureka College to study chemistry and criminal justice.

Those who were recipients last year and have maintained good standing at their respective schools and reapplied for and received a continuation scholarship are Emma Lux, Tess Cooper, and Sarah Emory.

The new recipients received their awards at AMVET Post #14 with their parents attending. AMVET Post #14 Commander Ed Beck presented the letters and checks while scholarship committee members Marc Rogers, Jessie Owens, and Darrell Tucker observed. Committee members Norm Emory and Marvin Hubble were unable to attend.



Photos Marc Rogers / Journal
Emily Wade receiving her scholarship check and letter.



Jaleigh Oliver receiving her scholarship check and letter.



Elizabeth Maier receiving her scholarship check and letter.

Vets keep distance outside coffee shop

I ventured into town today to check on the rumor: the town was dead, the streets empty, not a soul in sight.

It was mostly true. Very few cars were parked along the main drag, and those were in front of restaurants open for sidewalk takeout service only.

I did spot a knot of people in front of the coffee shop, which was my true destination. A half dozen of the early-morning regulars (all elderly veterans) were fanned out on the sidewalk, leaning on canes or sitting in folding chairs. I parked the car and

approached the walkup service window. As I did, one of the vets whipped out a folding wooden tape measure and aimed it at me as he opened it to the full length.

"Six feet," he said. "Eight, if you count my arm."

I nodded and steered a wide circuit around him.

At the service window the clerk shoved a small credit card reader through the window. "No cash," she said. I fumbled my one credit card into the machine, and she slid my coffee out the window, slamming it firmly afterward.

VETERANS POST

by Freddy Groves

I hung around at the edge of the group, pretending to study the menu in the coffee shop window. Eventually they started talking again, and as usual, I listened.

What I heard, in the middle of this dead town, gave me hope: One veteran was looking forward to his grandson taking him out on the water. Another looked forward to the birth of another great-grandchild. A third

one was calculating the possible success of hijacking the grocery store delivery truck and making off with the toilet paper. I even heard some laughter.

It was then that I knew we'll be OK.

A constant reminder: Wash your hands with antibacterial soap, and scrub for a full minute. Use a brush under your nails -- better yet, keep your nails trimmed very short.

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ILLINOIS EXTENSION

Save the taste of summer with at-home food preservation

DECATUR — Get ready for summer produce by learning how to preserve food safely with University of Illinois Extension. Nutrition & Wellness Educator Caitlin Mellendorf will teach the basics of home food preservation and provide the latest safety guidelines.

Kick off the canning season with virtual food preservation classes. Learn the science behind food preservation and safe canning in the series Preserving Practice. Webinars are free but you must register at go.illinois.edu/dmp.

Jams and Jellies
• 10 - 11 a.m. May 14, online webinar. Register by May 13.

Tomatoes and Tomato Products

• 7 - 8 p.m. June 9, online webinar. Register by June 8.

• 10 - 11 a.m. June 23, online webinar. Register by June 22.

Pickles and Pickle Products

• 7 - 8 p.m. July 7, online webinar. Register by July 6.

• 10 - 11 a.m. July 15, online webinar. Register by July 14.

Illinois Extension's Nutrition & Wellness program encourages individuals, families and communities to live healthier through online and in-person skill sharing. Learn about managing diabetes, being food-safe at home and making healthier choices when shopping, cooking and meal planning.

Farm Credit's \$100K food bank gift supports COVID-19 relief

MAHOMET — Farm Credit Illinois announced a \$100,000 gift to be shared by the four Feeding Illinois food banks serving the southern 60 counties of Illinois today. \$10,000 of the total gift supports the St. Louis Area Foodbank as it faces unprecedented challenges due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

"The rural communities we serve are experiencing significant hardships" says Eric Mosbey, FCI Board chair. "This gift supports the important work of the Feeding Illinois food bank network as a growing number of families depend on their services for food security."

"Even as the reliance on food banks increases, the overall food supply chain faces extraordinary challenges," notes Wes Durbin, FCI Board vice chair. "The enormous stress -- mostly at the processor level -- is causing fresh food to be disposed of or destroyed on the farm and can't get to those in need."

"We are incredibly grateful for the generous support from Farm Credit Illinois to help provide food and hope to so many of our Illinois neighbors

in need during this coronavirus pandemic," says Meredith Knopp, St. Louis Area Foodbank president & CEO. "During these unprecedented times, it takes all of us coming together to support so many people struggling with food insecurity for the first time. This gift will provide 40,000 meals to families, seniors and children in southern Illinois when they need it most."

"We are taking action to support our neighbors throughout rural Illinois," states Aaron Johnson, FCI president & CEO. "The food supply chain and families everywhere are strained due to COVID-19. By keeping a resilient attitude and supporting each other, we can overcome these challenges together."

Along with this gift to food banks, FCI is celebrating the frontline workers involved in the food supply chain with a social media campaign. Every link -- from farmer, to processor, trucker, grocer, food bank, and restaurant -- is critical to getting food on tables and #KeepingUsFed.



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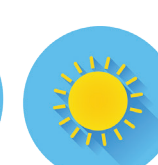

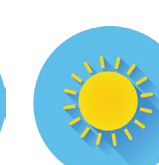
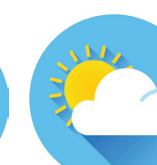


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Weather History

May 15

•1968: During a 55 minute span, six tornadoes moved through De Witt County. The primary damage zone occurred in the northern part of the county from Waynesville to Farmer City, with the most severe damage in Wapella. Four people were killed and 56 injured in the Wapella and Waynesville areas. This outbreak was one of 3 which moved across central Illinois that day. Besides the tornadoes, a large area of 7 to 10 inches of rain fell in parts of DeWitt, Macon, Piatt, and Champaign Counties.

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Courtesy of Clinton Chamber of Commerce

Many small businesses, and even some not so small, would like Gov. Pritzker to ease virus restrictions soon so they can re-open or open to their full, pre-restriction capacities. Owner of Snappers, in Clinton, have made their feeling clear, decorating Snappers' windows with a message to open and save small business.



Local social distancing cruise proves popular

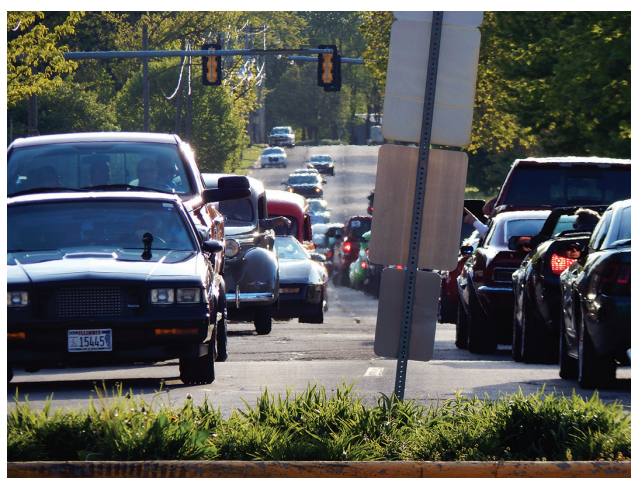
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People parked around the square to watch as hundreds of vehicles paraded around the square and down Main Street to the dealerships and back in a continual stream from 6-8 p.m.

There were all types of vehicles and the turnout was large. It was even seen that the Professor and Marty McFly were present with their DeLorean from "Back to the Future" films, but they were gone in a flash and a picture could not contain them.

For all present it seemed a well-deserved break



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frothe current situation. It was also learned that every Friday evening during the

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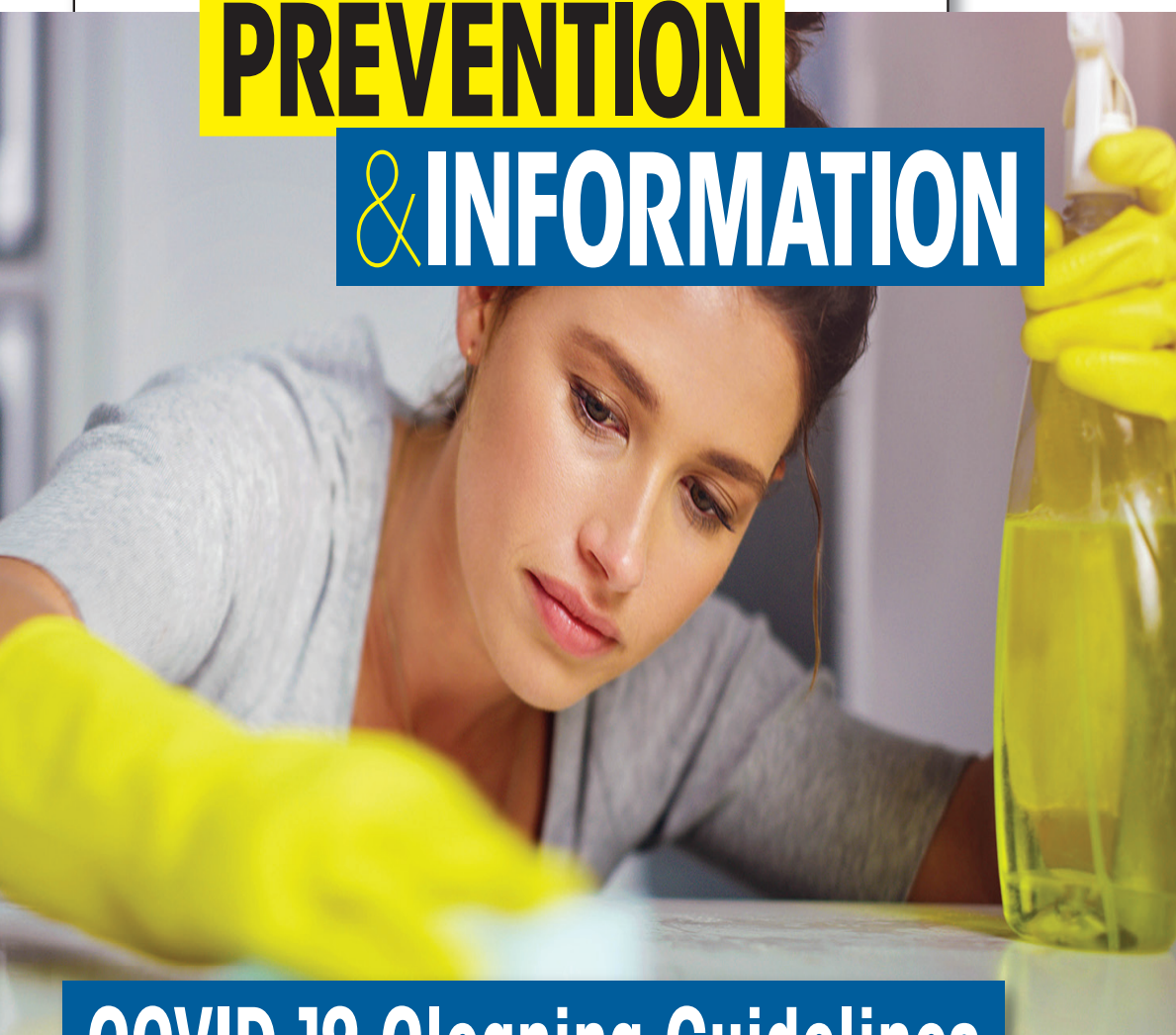
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COVID-19 PREVENTION

& INFORMATION



Household Cleaning to Combat COVID-19

While the World Health Organization believes that COVID-19 is spread primarily through droplets generated when an infected person coughs or sneezes, nasal discharge and saliva, the possibility of contracting the virus via a contaminated surface has not been ruled out by experts. In fact, some studies suggest that the virus can live for a few hours up to several days on surfaces. As a precaution, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends everyone keep high-touch surfaces clean to help contain the spread of the virus, in addition to thorough and frequent handwashing.

COVID-19 Cleaning Guidelines

1. Wear disposable gloves.
2. Clean surfaces with soap and water.
3. Disinfect surfaces after cleaning.

Disinfecting Dos

Use one of these options to effectively disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces:

1. Diluted bleach solution
(See DIY Bleach Solution instructions on this page.)
2. Solution with at least 70% alcohol
3. Cleaning products approved by The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for use against COVID-19.
Find a list at [epa.gov](https://www.epa.gov).

DIY Bleach Solution

CDC-Approved for Household Disinfecting

Leave this solution on appropriate household surfaces for at least one minute to effectively disinfect.
5 tablespoons (1/3 cup) bleach per gallon of water
OR
4 teaspoons bleach per quart of water
Always allow proper ventilation when using bleach, and never mix bleach with ammonia or any other cleanser. Also, check to ensure the bleach you are using has not passed its expiration date.

Source: Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC)



Towels & Sheets

- Wash these items in hot water and detergent.
- Avoid shaking dirty laundry, and remember to clean and disinfect clothes hampers or baskets.
- SleepAdvisor.org recommends laundering sheets at least once a week, while towels should be washed daily or every other day.
- If you are handling the laundry of a sick household member, wear disposable gloves and keep that laundry separated from other items prior to washing. The CDC reports that the actual washing of contaminated and non-contaminated laundry can be done together versus in separate loads.



Sneaky Surfaces

Don't let these high-touch areas slip under the radar when cleaning!

Doorknobs
Light switches
Toilet handle
Cabinet pulls
Car steering wheel



Gadgets & Germs

Giving gadgets like smartphones, tablets, keyboards, remotes and touchscreens a thorough cleaning on a daily basis is a good idea under any circumstances, but current COVID-19 concerns have made this especially important. If no cleaning and disinfecting guidance is provided by the device's manufacturer, use alcohol-based wipes or sprays containing at least 70% alcohol, being careful to avoid allowing moisture into any opening. Consider putting a wipeable cover on touchscreens, and dry surfaces thoroughly with a microfiber cloth after cleaning. As always, remember to wash your hands before and after using your electronics.



"Should I Make Hand Sanitizer at Home?"

Making your own hand sanitizer is not recommended by medical experts due to efficacy and safety concerns. **Opt to wash your hands with soap and warm water whenever possible over using hand sanitizer. While sanitizers can reduce the number of microbes on hands, they do not eliminate all types of germs. If you don't have access to soap and water, make sure the hand sanitizer you are using contains at least 60% alcohol for more effective germ control.**



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To our TV Listing Readers:
It is with our sincere apology that we have had to discontinue our TV listings. Due to the pandemic, the Journal has suffered financial losses in revenue and without an advertising sponsor to support the listings, we have had to make the difficult decision to discontinue the service.
We hope at some point to be able to resume publishing these listings.

THE KEY CARD

West opens 3♠ and eventually South becomes Declarer in 6♥. West's opening lead is the ♠K, won by Declarer's Ace. Looking just at the N-S hands, Declarer can count four side-suits tricks, with a fifth available if the ♠K is with East. That means that he will need to score 7 or 8 trump tricks if he is to make his slam. And with East sure to be out of Spades by now, any Spade ruffs will have to be high. How do you make 12 tricks?

One possibility is to hope for 2-2 trumps and for East to have the ♠K. In that case, trumps are drawn, and Declarer gets up to 12 with five trumps in his hand, five side-suit tricks and two Spade ruffs on the board. That's not a good plan ... firstly, as West has extreme Spade length, he is likely to have less than his share of the Hearts ... secondly, this line requires the ♠K with East, and those readers who have peeked at the E-W hands can see that this is not the case.

Better, but still not good enough, is to arrange for two high Spade ruffs, and to pick up trumps by finessing against East's Ten. That caters for the 3-1 trumps, but it's down one when the $\spadesuit K$ is offside. The route to success is to ruff *three* Spades high in Dummy: win the $\heartsuit A$, cross to the $\clubsuit A$, finesse the Heart Nine, ruff a Spade, cash $\spadesuit AK$ (pitching a Club from hand), and then merrily cross-ruff the hand. That well-timed line of play works against most distributions, requiring only that East has the $\heartsuit T$. *That's* the key card on this deal, not the $\spadesuit K$!

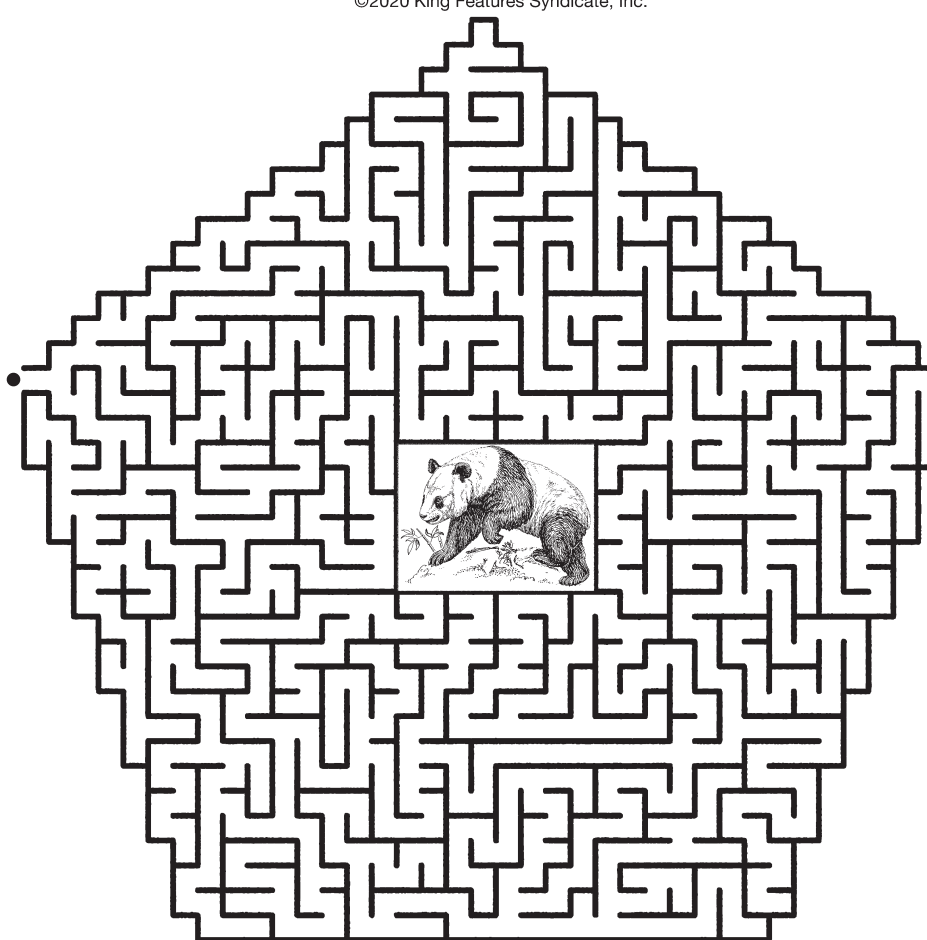
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APPELLATION TRUNCATION

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| 1 Duelist's weapon | 53 Flummoxed | 54 Mrs., in Bonn | 1 Sheffield loc. | 43 Sir Isaac — | 78 "The —" |
| 5 — Club (retail chain) | 55 Question for Knotts when he's holding a package? | 97 January, in Spain | 3 It's negatively charged | 45 Slangy negative | 81 Musicality (1961 hit) |
| 9 Weds on the sly | 60 Bygone space station | 98 Coll. dorm supervisors | 4 Vote in | 46 Shaft of light | 82 Winter hrs. in Wichita |
| 15 Swine food | 61 Extreme joy | 99 — how (donkey's sound) | 5 Twain's Torn | 47 Call a halt to | 83 "... iron bars a cage" |
| 19 Carter of "Gimme a Break!" | 64 Arcing tennis shot | 101 Moose kin | 6 "— live and breathe!" | 48 "The jig —" | 85 When shows are broadcast |
| 20 "Stat!" | 65 Second letter addendum: Abbr. | 102 With 111-Down, connect two dots, maybe | 7 Very virile | 49 Turner and Kennedy | 89 Forever |
| 21 Film director George A. — | 66 Singer with the 2011 album "21" | 106 Battling it out with Murdoch? | 8 Nearly globe-shaped | 50 Ming of basketball | 90 Had faith in |
| 22 Bluish hue | 68 Goes by car | 109 Put Arthur on mood-stabilizing medication? | 9 Palindromic "before" | 52 Elliot of the Mamas & the Papas | 91 Inquires |
| 23 Cruel Curry in a London borough? | 69 Came in first | 113 Regatta tool | 10 Lounges idly | 56 Feature of "gem" but not "gem" | 93 Bereft |
| 26 Kitty chip | 71 Sculpting aid | 114 Poet John | 11 All: Prefix | 57 Pledge | 94 — Lanka |
| 27 The real — | 72 Not too tasty | 115 Exclude | 12 Lab's — dish | 58 Download for a Kindle | 95 Myopic "Mr." |
| 28 Skirt's edge | 73 "— a Rock" (1966 hit) | 116 "Whew, such a relief that Kahlo arrived!" | 13 Great Lakes tribesmen | 59 Bible book before Habakkuk | 96 "I — You" (hit for Elvis) |
| 29 Give Mason the ax? | 76 "Ni-i-ice!" | 120 Area | 14 Northern French river | 61 Give a hug to | 100 Concludes |
| 31 Make do with Paul? | 79 Go bad | 121 Samplings | 15 Commence | 62 Fill with a crayon | 103 Hard — follow |
| 34 "— a Letter to My Love" (1981 film) | 80 Return Shearer's phone call? | 122 Kin of beige | 16 Monocle, e.g. | 63 Not dynamic, as a verb | 104 "I thought — a deal!" |
| 35 Road goop | 84 Operatic solo | 123 Prep school on the Thames | 17 Pledge | 64 Fill with a crayon | 105 Humble |
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| 42 Show penitence | 92 Anthony championing personal liberties? | 127 Unit of force | 30 Year, in old Rome | 69 Expand "— so much" | 109 Clown name |
| 44 College founded by Hagen? | | | 31 Fawn's father | 70 "— so much" | 110 Love deity |
| 51 Heredity determiner | | | 32 Defective | 71 Lug | 111 See 102- |
| | | | 33 Uvea's organ | 72 "Who's there?" | 112 Sinus docs |
| | | | 34 Cre bred | 73 "Who's there?" | 117 Cookie-pushing org. |
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DEWITT COUNTY -IN PROBATE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF HELEN M. KOSHINSKI, DECEASED

NO. 2020-P-13

CLAIM DATE NOTICE - INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION

Notice is given of the death of the above named decedent;

Letters of Office were issued on the 20th day of April, 2020 to Loretta M. Rogers, 502 N. Mulberry Street, Clinton, Illinois 61727 as independent executor. The attorney for the

estate is Joseph B. Taylor of Taylor & Lynch, 216 South Center Street, P.O. Box 478, Clinton, Illinois 61727.

Claims may be filed in the office of the clerk of the court at the DeWitt County Courthouse, 201 W. Washington Street, Clinton, Illinois 61727, or with the representative, or both, on or before October 21, 2020. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of the claim filed with the clerk of the court must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it is filed.

The estate will be administered without court supervision unless an interested party terminates independent administration by filed a petition to terminate under Section 28-4 of the Illinois Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/28-4). A form of a petition to terminate independent administration may be opened from the clerk of the court at the above address.

Dated this 23rd day of April, 2020

Loretta M. Rogers, independent executor of the estate of Helen M. Koshinski, Dec.

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{SEAL}

Dated: Friday, April 17, 2020

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NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF CLAIM DATE

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Dated this 27th day of April, 2020.

Kevin Hammer
 Attorney for the Estate of Wilma I. Mestinek
 219 East Main Street
 Clinton, IL 61727
 217/935-7063

Legal 18907
 May 1, 8 and 15, 2020

Dated this 27th day of April, 2020.

Kevin Hammer
 Attorney for the Estate of Wilma I. Mestinek
 219 East Main Street
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Dana Smith
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F20030020 FRDM IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 6TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DEWITT COUNTY—CLINTON, ILLINOIS
 Freedom Mortgage Corporation Plaintiff, vs.
 Wesley L. Ramey aka Wesley Ramey; Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants

Defendants.
 CASE NO. 20 CH 14
 400 Paris Street
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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION
 The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Wesley L. Ramey aka Wesley Ramey, and UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, defendants in the above entitled cause, that suit has been commenced against you and other defendants in the Circuit Court for the Judicial Circuit by said plaintiff praying for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to wit: BLOCK 7 IN ROBBIN? ADDITION TO THE ORIGINAL TOWN OF MARION, NOW VILLAGE OF DEWITT, SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF DEWITT, IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS. P.I.N.: 09-19-243-001

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IN RE THE ESTATE OF

SAVANNAH SUE HOPKINS

DECEASED

No. 2020-P-15

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

Notice is hereby given of the death of **SAVANNAH SUE HOPKINS**, who died on February 25, 2020, a resident of Clinton.

Letters of Office were issued on April 29, 2020, to **BARRY SCOTT HOPKINS**, whose address is 925 West Johnson Street, Clinton, IL 61727, as Administrator; and whose attorney of record is Stephen R. Myers, 202 W. Adams Street, Clinton, Illinois 61727.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court at 201 W. Washington Street, Clinton, Illinois, or with the Executor identified above, or both, on or before November 15, 2020. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the Administrator and to the attorney within (ten) 10 days after it has been filed.

The estate will be administered without Court supervision unless an interested party terminates independent administration by filing a petition to terminate under section 28-4 of the Probate Act of 1975 (755 ILCS 5/28-4).

Dated: May 5, 2020

Stephen R. Myers
 Attorney for Executor

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Dated: Tuesday, May 5, 2020

No. 2020-125

Dana Smith/sw
COUNTY CLERK

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PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Farmer City will hold a Public Hearing on June 1, 2021 to approve an ordinance adopting the annual appropriation for the city of Farmer City for fiscal year 2020-2021. The Public Hearing will take place in the City Council Chambers at 6:00 p.m. Copies of the Proposed Appropriation Ordinance will be available by request via email at awanserski@cityoffarmercity.org or calling 309-928-3412.

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Are murder hornets here in Illinois? Not likely

There has been a recent surge of interest in an invasive insect pest, the Asian Giant Hornet (AGH), or *Vespa mandarinia*. AGHs are the largest hornets in the world and are identifiable by their size and distinct bright yellow or orange heads. While well known for their large stingers and painful sting, they are not generally aggressive to humans. As with any stinging insects, however, those with allergies should take caution. Native to Asia, AGHs have so far only been observed in small numbers in parts of Washington State and British Columbia, and it is unlikely they will spread to Illinois in the near future.

Do we have them in Illinois?

No. Right now, AGHs have only been observed in very small numbers in parts of the Pacific Northwest. Agencies in this region are taking aggressive action to eradicate this early introduction and prevent spread out of the region.

How are they identified?

AGHs bear many similarities to other wasps and hornets that live in Illinois. In Illinois, the most likely wasps to be confused with AGHs are European hornets, bald faced hornets, paper wasps, yellow jackets, and cicada killers. All of these wasps are com-

monly found in the US, are smaller, and have key differences in their appearance.

Without a side-by-side comparison, it can be difficult to use size as a criteria; however AGHs are up to 1.8 inches long — about the length of 2.5 pennies lined up—much larger than these other wasps. European hornets look similar but are usually a maximum of only 1 inch long (about the size of a quarter).

While there is color variation in AGHs, they usually can be identified by their bright orange or yellow head. AGHs build large paper ‘football’-shaped nests high in trees, similar to those built by European and bald faced hornets. Paper wasp and yellow jacket nests look very different.

Are they really ‘murder hornets’ or pose a risk to humans?

The popular press has dubbed AGHs as “murder hornets” due to their large size, highly predacious life history, and painful sting that has resulted in some human deaths. While AGH’s can deliver a large volume of venom with a sting, the venom itself does not appear to be more dangerous than that of other wasps. Like most other wasps, they are not overly aggressive towards humans unless their nest is threatened or they are otherwise provoked. Those

with confirmed or suspected insect sting allergies should, of course, take caution around these and other wasps and follow guidelines recommended by a medical provider.

One notable challenge with removal of AGH colonies is that their large size and long (~1/4 inch) stinger makes it more likely for them to sting through thick clothing, including bee suits. Like with other hornets, care should be taken to use appropriate personal protective equipment if removal of a wasp nest is undertaken.

Should I remove a wasp nest?

AGHs have not been found in Illinois and are unlikely to occur in the near future. In regions where they have been detected, eradication efforts are underway. Other wasps that are likely to be observed in Illinois usually do not require removal unless they pose direct risks to humans, pets, or livestock.

Most wasps are not aggressive unless provoked and can be safely left alone. Wasps are important insect predators that feed on nuisance and crop pests. While mostly predacious, many wasps also perform some pollination when they collect nectar from flowers. If a wasp nest does need removed, take caution and consult with professional pest removal services, if neces-

sary.

Risks for honey bees

Like all hornets, AGHs are highly predacious, mostly on other insects. AGHs are set apart from other hornets, however, due to their specialization in attacking and feeding on honey bee colonies. As a group, AGHs can devastate a much larger bee colony within the hour; these dramatic attacks on bees have increased their notoriety and influenced their ‘murder hornet’ moniker.

In their native range, the Asian honey bee (*Apis cerana*) has adaptations to deal with these predators, attacking destroying the hornet ‘scouts’ and preventing them from leading the entire hornet colony to the hive. The Western honey bee (*Apis mellifera*), originally native to Europe and now common throughout the world, lacks such adaptations. In areas where AGHs are being reported, beekeepers are recommended to remain vigilant. In Illinois, beekeepers often observe wasps, bees, and flies stealing food from open bee hives, but these are rarely a risk to the colony.

Source: Adam Gregory Dolezal, Assistant Professor, Entomology; Carl R. Woese Institute for Genomic Biology, May 2020



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