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From Clinton to Nashville: Chasing the dream

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Someday Mr. Lincoln’s Square, Weldon Springs, Clinton Lake, and other local landmarks may become famous if Clinton’s own Doug Willis’ dreams come true.

Last December, Willis, 41, recorded a music video for his original song, “Streets of Nashville” using DeWitt County landmarks and downtown Nashville, Tenn. as backdrops.

Before Willis becomes big-time famous, Central Illinois residents can see him perform at 7 p.m. on Saturday, May 18 on Mr. Lincoln’s Square as part of the Clinton Area Chamber of Commerce’s annual MayDays Festival.

Surprisingly, while Willis said he has always had musical talent,

he didn’t get serious about it until 2020.

That was a rough year for everyone, but Willis got hit harder: a failed marriage, the loss of his father, and the loss of his job, to list a few.

“Music has always been healing for me,” Willis said, so he picked up a guitar and started to write music to soothe his soul.

As he became more comfortable, he began playing with local groups until “I found my groove” and now ventures out as a solo act or with bass player Jackie Woodruff, of Waynesville, whom Willis called a “mentor” who pushed him.

DREAM / A2

INFO

• Watch Doug Willis’ music video, “Streets of Nashville” on YouTube. Follow Douglas Willis Music on Facebook, Instagram, and TikTok.



Courtesy of Douglas Willis Music (Facebook)

Gun lock milestone reached

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) has announced a major milestone in its effort to promote firearm safety.

The agency has now provided more than 100,000 free gun locks since the statewide initiative began less than a year ago.

In partnership with Illinois State Police and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, IDPH launched the “Together for a Safer Illinois” campaign to help gun owners secure their weapons and make sure their firearms do not fall into the wrong hands.



Gordon Woods / Journal
A project will replace the floor in ‘Moroccan’ room of C.H. Moore mansion.

‘Moroccan’ room once fashionable

Tour visitors can see work to replace floor in front main museum room

Editor’s Note: This is the second story in a series as the DeWitt County Museum begins its 2024 season.

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CLINTON — If you tour the C.H. Moore Homestead mansion in the near future, you’ll have to not mind their dust as they renovate the floor in the home’s main front room.

But, in a way, the work adds to some of the house’s historical interest.

“In 1905, there was a girl named

Kent in school, and she was given an assignment to write an essay about an old house in Clinton,” Homestead and museum director Joey Long told the Journal. “So, the widow let her come in and write about this house.”

The girl described the main front room in her story, which included descriptions of decorations and artworks, and wrote about the popularity in the early 20th century of “Moroccan rooms”

Long said she believed it was the reason the room contains a large sort of north African-inspired painting.

MUSEUM / A3

CEA annual spring breakfast May 24 at CJHS

CLINTON — The Clinton Education Association will be holding its annual spring breakfast on Friday, May 24, at 7:45 a.m. Doors will open at 7:30 a.m.

The breakfast will be held in the commons area of the Clinton Junior High School.

During the breakfast, Teacher of the Year, C.E.A. Scholarships, recognition of retirees, and service awards will be presented. All current and retired employees of the district are welcome to attend.

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Willis is excited to share his music as well as cover music from a variety of musicians. He covers country musicians like Morgan Wallen, Jelly Roll, and Chris Stapleton while also changing it up with tunes from Michael Jackson, Tracy Chapman, and Pearl Jam.

In 2020, Willis auditioned for The Voice and made it through two rounds. In 2022 he submitted a video audition for The Voice but didn't feel the video did his talent justice.

"Potentially, if I can get to a live audition, I'd like to try again," he said. After opening for America's Got Talent alumni Marty Brown, Willis might even consider AGT.

While dreaming of not having to work a full-time job someday — Willis is currently employed at Stericycle, in Clinton — he's grateful his life has taken such a positive turn: he is proud of his 20-year-old son and 15-year-old daughter, he's in a healthy relationship with the "light of my life" Kelly Logue and is fostering two small children with Logue. His proud mother is Madonna Polen, of Clinton.

When his music career takes off, Willis is ready to hold on and ride the wave.

"Music has been life-saving for me and I think a lot of people find it healing," Willis said. "I just want to spread my love of music."

Willis admits he used to dream of playing music on Clinton's square.

On May 18 that dream will come true.



Courtesy of Doug Willis Music (Facebook)

Farmer City moves into new public works garage

FARMER CITY – The City of Farmer City will hold a ribbon cutting and open house on May 13 at 6 p.m. for the new City Public Works Garage, located at 210 E. Monroe Street, in Farmer City.

The garage was built to replace the garage that was destroyed by fire in February 2021. To date, the cause of the fire has been declared undetermined.

The fire destroyed the building, all of the city's public works vehicles, including the street sweeper, vactor truck and snow plows, as well as all of its smaller equipment and tools.

Being on the heels of the pandemic, it took more than two years to bid the project and build. The pandemic inflated bid prices, and the city had to re-engineer the building to find cost savings to fit its budget.

The building is the same footprint as the original site but now offers a fire alarm system and code upgrades to make it safer and more fire resistant.

The total cost of the project was more than \$680,000 and was financed via insurance proceeds and general funds. The building itself took more than six months to build. To save money, city crews contributed in-house utility extensions as well as site work.

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Annual 'Quilted Keepsakes' June 1-30



Courtesy of DeWitt County Museum

CLINTON — The DeWitt County Museum Association announces the annual "Quilted Keepsakes" quilt show will take place throughout the month of June, June 1-30, at the C.H. Moore Homestead & DeWitt County Museum, 219 E. Woodlawn, Clinton.

The numerous quilts exhibited throughout the fully furnished Victorian mansion will include select examples from the museum's collection as well as antique, vintage, and contemporary loaned pieces from private collections and quilters.

Anyone interested in loaning a quilt not loaned previously for inclusion in the Quilted Keepsakes quilt show is encouraged to do so. Contact the museum prior to May 15 to make arrangements.

The quilts can be viewed during regular museum and gift shop hours, Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and 1 p.m.-5 p.m. on Sundays.

Admission, which includes the house tour, quilt show, carriage barn, farm museum, covered bridge, gardens and grounds, is \$10 for adults, \$5 for ages 6-18 and ages 5-under free. DeWitt County Museum Association members are also admitted at no charge.

To arrange a large group tour, contact the museum in advance at 217-935-6066 or chmoore.homestead@gmail.com.

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Wyatt C. Umstatt 21, Clinton Operating Motor Vehicle with Suspended Registration. Notice to Appear issued.
04/27/24
Jesse W. Babcock 34, Clinton Possession of Adult use Cannabis in Motor Vehicle outside approved container-Passenger. Notice to Appear issued.
04/28/24
Adrian F. Damian 25, Bloomington Driving while License Suspended and Possession Adult Use Cannabis in Motor Vehicle in Passenger area-Driver. Notice to Appear issued.

On 04/27/24 Clinton Police arrested Tyler A. Hendrix 21, Clinton and a 14 year old juvenile for Criminal Trespass to Property. Both subjects were released on a Notice to Appear in court.
On 04/27/24 Clinton Police arrested Keiron K. Sneed 31, Clinton for Domestic Battery and Allora D. Sneed on a DeWitt County Warrant. Both subjects were transported to the DeWitt County Jail and released to Corrections.

DeWitt County Sheriff's Office

April 19-May 3
Colten Wildman, 22, Oakley, was issued Citations for Disobeying Stop Sign and Speeding 35+ over the limit (92

mph in a 55 mph zone). Wildman was released with a Required Court Appearance.
Kimberly Lane, 22, Clinton, was issued Citations for Operating MV While Registration is Suspended for No Insurance and Operating Uninsured Vehicle. Lane was released with a Required Court Appearance.
Tahya Houston, 25, DeWitt, was arrested and issued a Citation for Driving While License Suspended. Houston was released with a Required Court Appearance.
Sabastian Harold, 22, Lincoln, was arrested and issued a Citation for Driving While License Revoked. Harold was released with a Required Court Appearance.
Ashley Hosier, 29, Clinton, was arrested on a DeWitt County Warrant charging her with Can/Revoke/Suspend Regis/IL. Hosier was released with a Required Court Appearance.
Austin Hunt, 25, Clinton, was issued a Citation for Operating MV When Registration is Suspended for Mandatory Insurance. Hunt was released with a Required Court Appearance.
Kacy Osborne, 36, Weldon, was arrested on 2 counts of Domestic Battery and one count of Aggravated Assault-Offense Based on Use of Firearm, Device, or Motor Vehicle. Osborne was given a Court Date and released.

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

Museum / from A1

“We know that this was Moore’s piano,” Long said. “The room might have been different things at different times.”
The piano sits currently on moving dollies as a major renovation of the floor takes place.
“That was a challenge for them to figure out,” Long said about moving the piano around during the work. “But, we had a board member who knew somebody, and they managed to get it up.”
Long said she didn’t know what the floor surface in the room might have been during the time the Bishop family owned the house.
“I don’t know what the standards were at the time,” she said. “Certainly, when Moore came in, he added the west wing.”
During Moore’s time, what is now the dining room was originally the kitchen.
For people who could afford carpet in Moore’s day, the carpet would be laid in sections and then sewn together to cover the floor.
“The thinking was, if you had carpet down, the room would be warmer in the cold weather,” Long said. “When the weather would get warm, you would un-sew what you had sewn, roll it up and put it into storage.”
The floor underneath is possibly pine. Long said she wasn’t sure about its origins.
The plan now is to lay hardwood

to, more or less, match the adjoining rooms, such as the library.
“It would have been nice if we could have gotten it finished before we opened April 1,” Long said. “But, there’s no shame in it not being done. These things take time, and people come in, and they’re interested.”
Visitors are curious to see what was underneath.
John Bishop, the local lumber dealer, built the floor that is currently exposed in the room. Long pointed out many of the boards run the full length of the room.
“I’m not sure you could get something like that today,” she said. “Or, if you could, it would be expensive.”

Milestone / from A1

“Preventing gun violence and injury is a critical public health goal, and gun locks are an important tool to prevent accidental shootings, gun violence, and suicide. 100,000 distributed gun locks are only the start of this important initiative. As IDPH and our partners work Together for a Safer Illinois, we look forward to continuing our gun lock distribution at events across Illinois this spring and summer.”
IDPH has partnered with local health departments and community groups across Illinois to make gun locks available at a variety of public events since the program was initiated in June 2023. The locks include installation instructions for auto-loading pistols, revolvers, auto-loading and pump-action shotguns, bolt action rifles, modern sports rifles, and single action revolvers. The locks also come with information about the national 988 suicide and crisis lifeline.
IDPH and its partners plan to continue the gun lock giveaway at events across Illinois, including summer festivals, county fairs, back-to-school events, community outreach programs, health fairs, suicide prevention awareness events, National Night Out events, and the Illinois and DuQuoin State Fairs. Local health departments and community organizations can get more information about offering free gun locks in their communities at IDPH/VIPS Gun Lock Request Form (smartsheet.com) or by visiting the IDPH gun safety webpage at Gun Safety (illinois.gov).
The effort is part of IDPH’s ongoing commitment to firearms

safety, which also includes the “Pause to Heal” campaign launched this spring to increase awareness of firearms restraining orders (FROs). An FRO is a way for family, household members, or law enforcement to ask a court to restrict a person’s access to guns, ammunition, and firearm parts when that person poses a significant danger to themselves or others. An FRO is a tool to buy time in a crisis situation and empowers families and law enforcement to prevent gun violence and firearm-related suicide. Learn more about FROs and IDPH’s gun safety efforts at Firearm Restraining Orders (illinois.gov).

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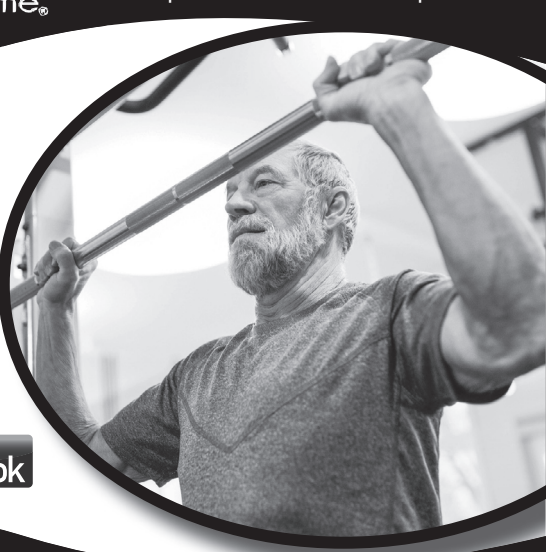
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OPINION

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1978 - Britain's Princess Margaret and the Earl of Snowdon announced they were divorcing after 18 years of marriage.

1982 - Elliott Gould made his dramatic television debut after 30 movies in 17 years. He starred in "The Rules of Marriage" on CBS-TV.

1986 - Navy Lt. Commander Donnie Cochran became the first black pilot to fly with the Blue Angels team.

1994 - Nelson Mandela was sworn in as South Africa's first black president.

1997 - An earthquake in northeastern Iran killed at least 2,400 people.

1999 - China broke off talks on human rights with the U.S. in response to NATO's accidental bombing of the Chinese Embassy in Yugoslavia.

1999 - The Cezanne painting "Still Life With Curtain, Pitcher and Bowl of Fruit" sold for 60.5 million.

2000 - 11,000 residents were evacuated in Los Alamos, NM, due to a fire that was blown into a canyon. The fire had been deliberately set to clear brush.

2001 - Boeing Co. announced that it would be moving its headquarters to Chicago, IL.

2001 - In Ghana, 121 people were killed in a stampede at a soccer game.

2002 - Robert Hanssen was sentenced to life in prison with no chance for parole. Hanssen, an FBI agent, had sold U.S. secrets to Moscow for \$1.4 million in cash and diamonds.

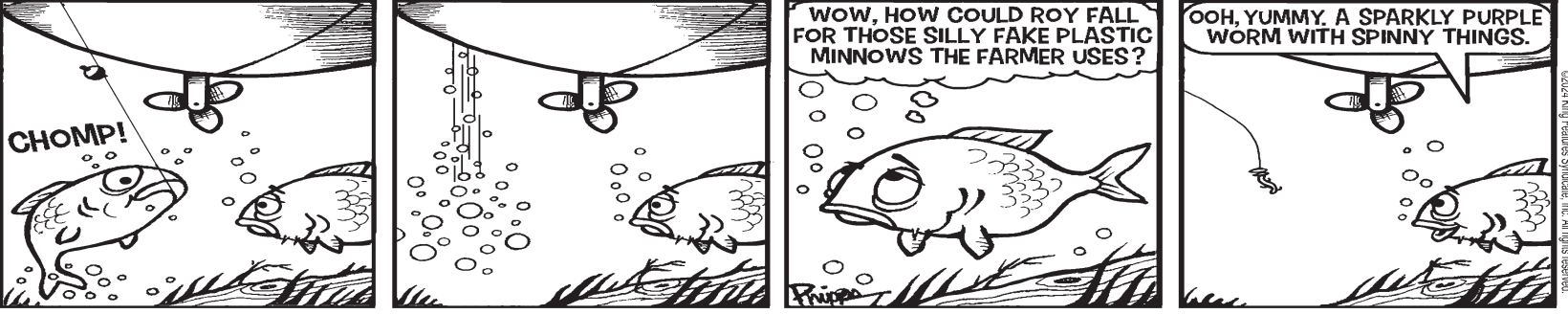
2002 - Taiwan test fired a locally made Sky Bow II surface-to-air missile for the first time. They also fired three U.S.-made Hawk missiles.

2002 - Dr. Pepper announced that it would be introducing a new flavor, Red Fusion, for the first time in 117 years.

2011 - It was announced that Microsoft had closed a deal to purchase the internet phone service Skype for \$8.5 billion.

2013 - In New York, NY, crane operators hoisted the final pieces of the spire atop One World Trade Center (formerly called the Freedom Tower).

Amber Waves



Consequences ...or the lack thereof

Seldom does this column write on the same topic in successive weeks. The student protests on our college campuses begs another look.

Columbia University, which has been the lead university reported by the media on student protests has now cancelled its graduation ceremonies. Columbia is not alone. Many other colleges and universities have also cancelled graduation events citing security concerns.

My BA, MA and JD response is only one word: HOGWASH. These young men and women deserve and need that moment of recognition for the work they have done to earn that degree. Their parents also need that moment. Allowing a small minority of the campus to control the happenings of the vast majority of students is ethically, morally, and legally wrong.

College students are young and impressionable. They tend to stage protests. Most protests last for an hour or two and then the students disperse and go back to class or their dorms. Having been on a few college campuses I've seen

a few protests. The students made their protests, but never impeded the other students who were on their way to class. The protesters may have been an annoyance at that moment, but they were not a hindrance to the rest of the students.

The anti-Israel and pro-Hamas/Palestine protests today want to hinder and disrupt the college campus. They wish to achieve their demands by force and intimidation. The protests that were simply a part of college culture and protected by the First Amendment have morphed into bullying and mob rule. A situation that is abhorrent to American democracy.

Take a step back and look at these protests. The protestors are literally seeking to contravene and subvert our form of government. They want their choice of results, and they want it now. They are simply too selfish to comply with our rules of government. If their ideas are so great, then the ideas should be placed into a legislative bill or a referendum and presented for a vote by all parties. That is not happening because this is a fringe element and they do not have the



support of the public at large. But remember the adage of "the squeaky wheel gets the grease". University administrators are simply giving that squeaky wheel the grease and allowing out of control protests to continue because they fear the minority, or perhaps in some cases the administrators are drinking the same Kool-Aid.

College protests are simply a part of the college experience and are lawful. College protests that evolve into curtailing the rights of other students and faculty have crossed the line and wrong by American standards of free speech and assembly. It is time that serious consequences be afforded those who offend.

On a different note, I attended Lincoln Christian University's last graduation in Lincoln this past

Saturday. It was a dignified and reverent event. Protests were no where to be seen. The rights of all were acknowledged and accepted by all. LCU in its final graduation should be an example for all colleges and universities on how to conduct a quality graduation ceremony.

Lastly, at a different forum in Lincoln, I was talking with an individual I have known for a few years. He said it was a great day for him. He informed me that he had just gotten a letter from the federal government that his student loan of \$250,000 had just been forgiven by the federal government. He is a relatively young man and I know his wife had just passed away after a very lengthy and difficult illness. I responded that I was happy for him personally, but that I simply did not agree with the loan forgiveness program.

I certainly understand my friend's financial plight of student loan and medical debt. However that debt forgiveness comes with all taxpayers now having to pay his debt as there simply isn't any free money when it comes to the bottom line.

When you think you can't be shocked

The Office of Inspector General for the Department of Veterans Affairs uncovers, investigates and helps bring to justice all types of criminals for all types of crimes. But sometimes the details are surprising and especially appalling.

This is a new charge: forced labor. Specifically, the charges were forced labor, slave labor trafficking and theft of government funds. In the scam, four people obtained the labor and services of an



by Freddy Groves

Indian national and kept him a prisoner by use of force and threats of force against his family back in India. They were arrested late last year on the slave labor trafficking charges.

Then it was discovered that the ringleader, a former U.S. Army veteran, and his wife had been collecting caregiver support money

from the VA, falsely claiming the veteran was unable to care for himself, that he couldn't walk, cook, shop, manage finances and medicine, take a bath by himself nor do anything else. They claimed caregiver funding for his care for four years before being caught. There were 47 counts alone of stealing government funds, as well as the counts for labor trafficking and forced labor.

Very appalling, besides the theft of government

money, was that the kidnapped person was a young man here in the country on a student visa sponsored by the veteran. The kid was brought here to go to college but was instead held captive and physically abused, forced to sleep on the concrete floor in the basement.

Thankfully, a neighbor called police asking for a wellness check, during which the young captive was able to get to the front door to safety when the police showed up. He was

hospitalized and found to have both old and new injuries, including open wounds and broken bones as a result of reportedly being beaten with boards, pipes, metal rods and more. The judge in his wisdom denied all the criminals bail.

Most disturbing, however, is knowing that it was a veteran who was behind all the violence.

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Preschool office (217) 935-4675
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9:30 a.m.-Sunday school
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Clinton Church of Christ
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Stephen R. Bradd, Gospel preacher
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Clinton CofC.com
9 a.m.-Sunday morning Bible study
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1 p.m.-Sunday worship
7 p.m.-Wednesday evening Bible study

Clinton Church of God
720 E. Woodlawn Street, Clinton
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5 p.m.-Sunday evening worship
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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
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(217) 454-6846
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10 a.m.-Sunday worship
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6 p.m.-Wednesday prayer meeting

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Wapella Christian Church
101 N. Poplar
(217) 731-4404
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Wapellacc.com
9 a.m.-Sunday school
10 a.m.-worship
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Psalm 32:5

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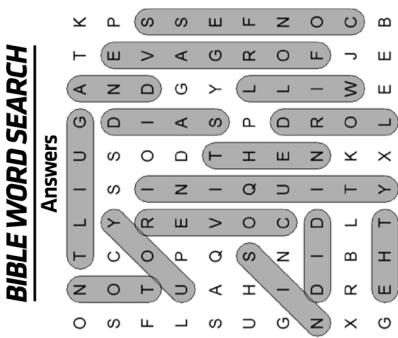
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Find the **bolded/underlined** words in the diagram. They run in all directions — forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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BIBLE TRIVIA

By Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of 3 Kings (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. Who said, “Indeed baptized with water, but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost”? Matthew, Mark, John the Baptist, Luke
3. From Leviticus 14, how long was a “clean” person required to remain outside his tent? 1 night, 2 nights, 4 days, 7 days
4. What town or city was Saul of Tarsus near when he converted to Christianity? Damascus, Assos, Corinth, Gaza
5. Which apostle’s mother-in-law is referred to in the Bible but not by name? Peter, Judas, James, Andrew
6. Jesus says that you have to do what to see the kingdom of God? Love one another, Be born again, Do what’s right, Tithe

ANSWERS: 1) Neither. 2) John the Baptist (Acts 11:16), 3) 7 days, 4) Damascus, 5) Peter, 6) Be born again

Comments? More Trivia? Gift ideas? Visit www.TriviaGuy.com.
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Anyone for popcorn?

In a recent article, I mentioned popcorn. At the grocery store. I had someone come up to me asking my advice regarding that subject. I thought it good to put it into an article.

Deviating from the subject entirely, I wish to make an apology.

A month or two back, I was grocery shopping. I saw someone I needed to contact. In a rush, looking down the aisles for that person, a woman had stopped and noticed a woman wanting to speak with me. Not stopping, I motioned for her to go on through the checkout. When I returned moments later to see what she wanted, she had gone. I was not trying to avoid anyone. I apologize.

Popcorn is a very healthy and nutritious inexpensive food we call a snack. Only half a cup’s worth of corn would roughly fill an eight-quart pot. There is no need to buy the expensive brand. There is little difference between the verities. The



The Culinary Corner
Chef Roger Joss

same goes for the color (yellow vs. white).

That which makes the corn go “pop” is the small amount of moisture stored in the kernel. The heat converts that water to steam causing a sudden rupture of the shell. At the same time, the insides puff out. But there are certain steps one must take to ensure optimum results.

There is no need to buy popcorn oil. In my view, it does not do a better job. It is probably soy or vegetable oil. I prefer clarified butter, which is pure butter oil. The butter gives it a better flavor. One should not use much oil, only enough to barely coat the kernels. My ratio is one tablespoon’s worth to half a cup of popcorn. Heat the oil on medium high until it begins to smoke a little, turn it down to medium

and then add the popcorn. Or do what I prefer and leave it on medium high. Constantly shake the pan vigorously. If you have an actual popcorn popper, turn the built in paddles.

Why is the popcorn put in only after the oil is very hot? If the popcorn is put in earlier, it will get too much heat by the time the oil is hot enough to pop the corn and the corn will burn. Slow heating will also drive out some of the steam before the corn can pop.

Too much steam can also cause certain problems. It can cause the popped corn to have a tough chewy texture. Therefore, the pan lid should have adequate ventilation or a spacer to cock the lid slightly open. A humid day will cause the popped corn to get stale quickly. There is a way to fix that. If the popped corn is chewy, spread it out on a baker’s sheet and place in a 200 to 250°F oven for about 10 minutes. Serve immediately.

Until next time, peace to

NEWS

DeWitt County Museum joins Blue Star summer program for military

C.H. Moore Homestead & DeWitt County Museum to offer free admission to military personnel and their families this summer

CLINTON – The C.H. Moore Homestead & DeWitt County Museum announced it will join museums nationwide in the Blue Star Museums initiative, a program that provides free admission to currently-serving U.S. military personnel and their families this summer.

The 2023 program will begin on Armed Forces Day, Saturday, May 18, 2024, and end on Labor Day, Monday, September 2, 2024. Find the list of participating museums at arts.gov/bluestarmuseums.

Blue Star Museums is a partnership between the National Endowment for the Arts and Blue Star Families, in collaboration with the Department of Defense and participating museums across America.

“The C.H. Moore Homestead & DeWitt County Museum is proud to participate in the Blue Star Museums Program as a way to show our sincere gratitude to all who are currently serving in the military, as well as their families,” said Museum Director, Joey Long. “We have welcomed active military visitors to the museum in the past and look forward to welcoming even more this summer, during the Blue Star Museum free admission program dates.”

“We thank the 2024 Blue Star Museums who invite military personnel and their families to experience the many wonders they have to offer, whether it’s a glimpse into the past, an encounter with awe-inspiring art, or a moment of discovery,” said Maria Rosario Jackson, PhD, chair of

the National Endowment for the Arts. “The C.H. Moore Homestead & DeWitt County Museum is helping to enrich the lives of military families and build meaningful connections between our nation’s military and their local community.”

Blue Star Museums include children’s museums, art, science, and history museums, zoos, gardens, lighthouses, and more, and hail from all 50 states, District of Columbia, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. The current list of participating museums will continue to develop over the summer, as organizations are welcome to register to be a Blue Star Museum throughout the summer.

The free admission program is available for those currently serving in the United States Military—Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, Navy, and Space Force, members of the Reserves, National Guard, U.S. Public Health Commissioned Corps, NOAA Commissioned Corps, and up to five family members. Qualified members must show a Geneva Convention common access card (CAC), DD Form 1173 ID card (dependent ID), DD Form 1173-1 ID card or the Next Generation Uniformed Services (Real) ID card for entrance into a participating Blue Star Museum.

Follow #bluestarmuseums on Twitter @NEAarts and @BlueStarFamily. For more information regarding the C.H. Moore Homestead & DeWitt County Museum, visit the nonprofit organization’s website at www.chmoorehomestead.org.



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NEWS

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2024

Featured is this year's Clinton High School Prom Court. Seated, left to right, Davis Howell, Heidi Humble, Kylie Barton and Wayde Sugg. Back, left to right, Kael Morlock, MaKay-la Koeppel, Ellie Young, queen, Jordan Fatheree, king, Addie Koritz and Tristin Potts.

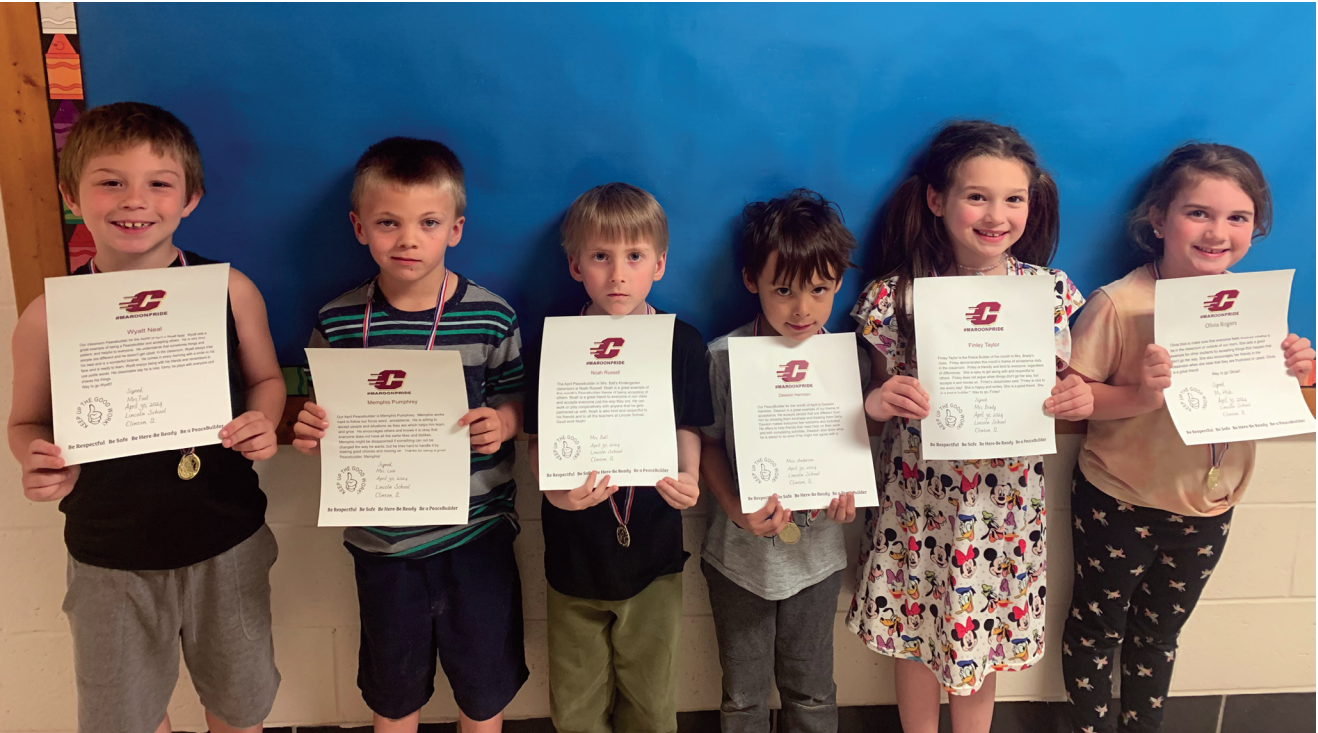
Courtesy of Woods Studio



April
Peace
Builders

The April PeaceBuilders theme was acceptance.

Top: Douglas School PeaceBuilders, Left to right: Isaiah Alvarez, Thomas Hunter, III, Georgia Taylor, Kendal Lane, Axel Jiles, Colton Rodgers



Bottom: Lincoln School PeaceBuilders Students are from left-right: Wyatt Neal, Memphis Pumphrey, Noah Russell, Dawson Hamblen, Finley Taylor and Olivia Rogers.



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Wins at home Monday for CHS baseball, softball



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Left, the Clinton Maroons defeated the Warrensburg-Latham Cardinals 3-2 at home on Monday. Right, the Clinton Lady Maroons defeated the Champaign Central Lady Chargers 2-1 at home.



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CLINTON HIGH SCHOOL THEATRE

Thursday, May 16, 2024

5:00pm - 10:00pm Conner Family Amusements
Ticket Booths manned by Second Chance for Pets Volunteers

5:30pm Flag Ceremony @ flagpole, Mr. Lincoln's Square
Prayer
National Anthem
Flag Ceremony by DeWitt County Veterans: American Legion Post #103,
AmVets Post #14, VFW Post #4168, Clinton Fire Department, & The Boys and
Girls from
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6:00pm - 8:00pm The 7th Annual Clinton Sing Off
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Friday, May 17, 2024

5:00pm - 10:00pm Conner Family Amusements
Ticket Booths manned by Second Chance for Pets Volunteers

5:00pm - 10:00pm Food/General/Non-Profit Vendors
7:00pm - 10:00pm Live Music Featuring Lady Luck on Mr. Lincoln's Square
Stage

Saturday, May 18, 2024

11:00am - 10:00pm Food/General/Non-Profit Vendors
12:00pm - 10:00pm Conner Family Amusements
Ticket Booths manned by Second Chance for Pets Volunteers

12:00pm - 4:00pm Twisted H Farm Mobile Petting Zoo
2:00pm - 2:45pm Andrew's Family Magic "Show of Wonder" on Mr. Lincoln's
Square Stage
3:00pm Clinton Fire Department Water-ball Competition
7:00pm - 10:00pm Live Music Featuring Douglas Willis on Mr. Lincoln's
Square Stage

Sunday, May 19, 2024

1:00pm - 5:00pm Conner Family Amusements
Ticket Booths manned by Second Chance for Pets Volunteers

1:00pm - 5:00pm Food/General/Non-Profit Vendors



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Saturday, May 18 12-4pm**
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**Lady Luck
Friday, May 17
7:00 to 10:00pm**



**Andrew's Family Magic
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2 to 2:45pm**



**Douglas Willis
Saturday,
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♠ KT76 ♥ 72 ♦ T9854 ♣ 63	<i>North</i> <i>West</i> <i>E</i> <i>Declarer</i>	♠ J9 ♥ T986! ♦ 73 ♣ JT98
	♥ KQ ♦ AKQ ♣ AQ754	

Both Vulnerable

South	West	North	East
2♣	Pass	2♦	Pass
3NT	Pass	6NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		

South's 2♣ bid was artificial and strong, and North's 2♦ was also artificial, showing a hand without a suit worth bidding. Then common sense took over, and N-S blasted into 6NT. Can you make 12 tricks? Be warned, this one's not easy!

Declarer could count 11 top tricks. Where was the 12th? One possibility was the Spade finesse but that was only a 50% proposition and Declarer knew that a 4-2 or 3-3 Club break was more likely. So Declarer's general plan was to unblock the ♥KQ, cross to the ♠K, cash Dummy's Heart winners (pitching Spades), and play on Clubs, hoping for a reasonable break in the suit.

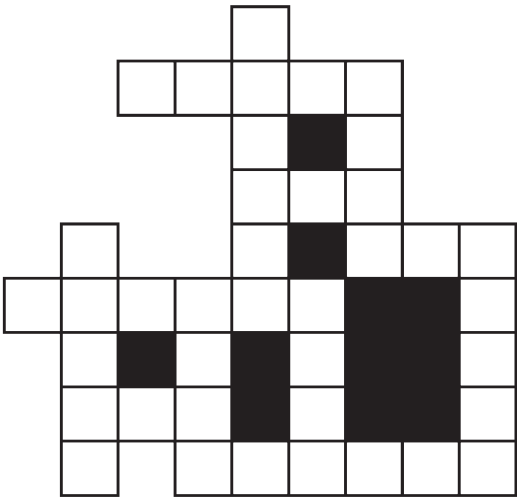
But Declarer had neglected to think about the consequences of a bad *Heart* break. That's right, when Dummy's Heart winners were cashed the suit proved to be 5-2. Even worse, it turned out that the defender with the long Hearts also had the long Clubs. Declarer could set up his 12th trick alright, but the defense scored a Heart and a Club first. Down one!

We'll admit that Declarer was most unlucky with that line of play, it only failed because Hearts were 5-2, Clubs were not 3-3, *and* the long Hearts and long Clubs were in the same hand. But good players make their own luck and Declarer had a most surprising play at his disposal. Remember, he had won the opening Diamond lead, and unblocked the ♥KQ. Now at Trick 4 he ducks a Club! See the difference? Yes, the Club trick that he could afford to lose is now lost before Dummy's Hearts have been cashed (in other words, before East's long Heart has become a winner). That's a difficult play to find at the bridge table, did you find it at your breakfast table?

For bridge games, classes, or seminars, contact Mike Tomlianovich by phone:



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Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. **HAGNEC** becomes **CHANGE**). Prepare to use only **ONE** word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥**RATHE** becomes **HATER** or **EARTH** or **HEART**). Fit each string's word either across or down to knot all twelve strings together.

GO FIGURE!

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

DIFFICULTY: ★★★

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult
★★★ GO FIGURE!

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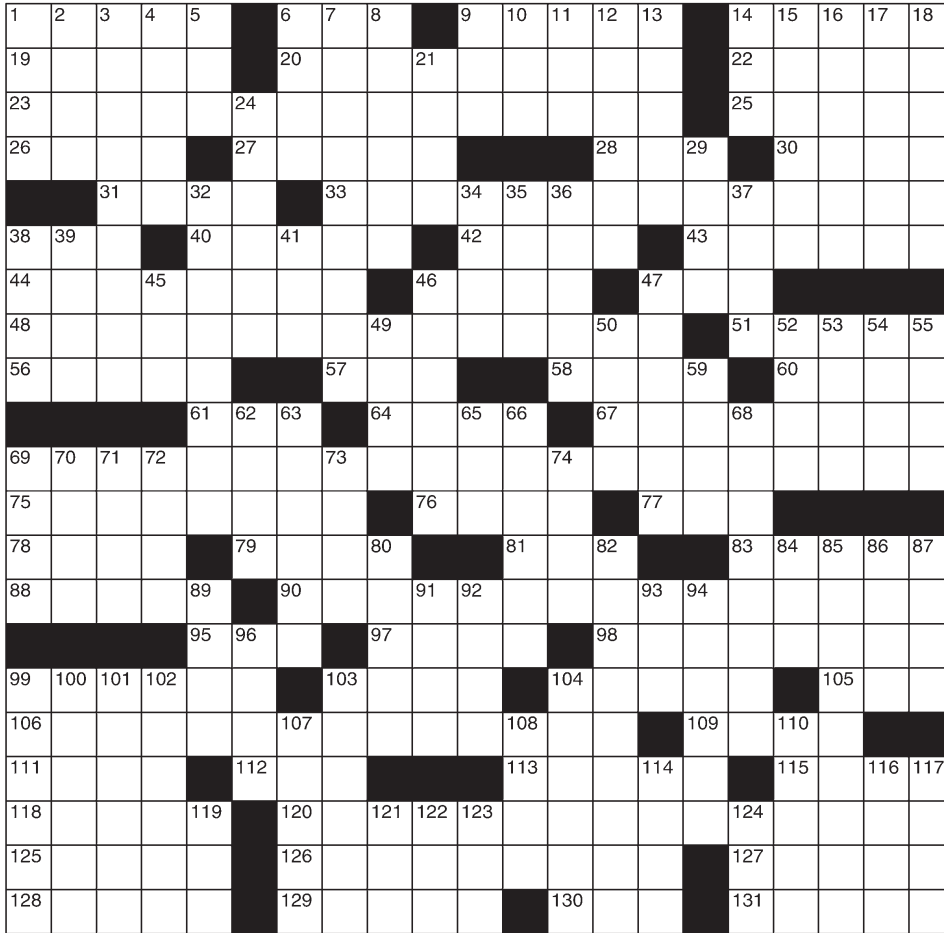
COUNTERPUNTING

ACROSS

- 1 Pour drippings on
6 J. Edgar Hoover's org.
9 Blocks up
14 Sailing
19 Earthy hue
20 Arsenal for weapons
22 Limericks, e.g.
23 Start of a riddle
25 Color qualities
26 Drain-clearing chemicals
27 Forster's "— With a View"
28 Frequently, to a bard
30 Unadorned
31 Brandy fruit
33 Riddle, part 2
38 Halt
40 Everyday worker
42 Disembarked
43 Sings Alpine-style
44 "Listen up!"
46 Vaping device brand
47 Crafty
48 Riddle, part 3
51 Analyze, as an alloy
56 Belgian painter James
57 Pro photog's camera
58 Bamboozle
60 "Pride and Prejudice" actress Jennifer
61 Fleming who created Bond
64 Shaving balm brand
67 Handheld telescope
69 Riddle, part 4
75 Golden-coated horse
76 "Star Wars" princess
77 To this point
78 Uganda's Idi
79 Side in sports
81 Pewter metal
83 Kinds
88 Certain believer in God
90 Riddle, part 5
95 Marina del —, California
97 Bucks' mates
98 Car fuel
99 Walk over
103 Trig ratio
104 Uses teeth
105 Australian state: Abbr.

DOWN

- 1 Cereal holder
2 In need of a massage, maybe
3 Border collies, e.g.
4 In need of a massage, maybe
5 History unit
6 "M*A*S*H" actor Jamie
7 Small streams
8 "No more for me"
9 Federal health agcy.
10 With 109-Across, Beatles song or album
11 Brand of nail polish
12 Start to melt
13 Rod's partner
14 Liable
15 "It's a shame"
16 Upper House of Congress
17 Celebrity chef
18 Size up
21 Rikishi's sport
24 Golfed acceptably
29 "Bye 4 now"
32 Pithy saying
34 Membrane enclosing a fetus
35 Supermodel Heidi
36 — Olay (face cream brand, formerly)
37 Boxer Oscar de la —
38 Additionally
39 12:00 p.m.
41 "Either you do it — will!"
45 "Rock and Roll, Hoochie —" (1974 hit)
46 Amount of jelly or olives
47 Visit casually
49 Smeltery stuff
50 Sammy with 609 homers
52 Part of SASE
53 — -Pei
54 Additionally
55 Polite rural assent to a lady
59 Singer Lovett
62 Doing the job
63 A ripe old age
65 Sports draw
66 The way things stand
68 Scrums
69 Tablet since 2010
70 Appoint
71 Livy's 552
72 Bits in physics
73 Ark crafter
74 Alexander of Reagan's Cabinet
80 Military doc
82 Match under the stars, maybe
84 Hooting bird
85 Bonn's region
86 Sunbathes
87 Gumbo, e.g.
89 Horse gait
91 The last Mrs. Chaplin
92 Rod's partner
93 Not, to Scots
94 Whirling
96 "Exile" New Age singer
99 Noisy kisses
100 Albanian capital
101 Yule drink
102 Singer Snow
103 One hanging ten
104 Ember
107 Eye-teasing paintings
108 San — Obispo, California
110 Envelop in haze
114 In the sack
116 Put in silent mode
117 Yaks, e.g.
119 Former Brit. Airways jet
121 Corrida shout
122 Stephen of "Roadkill"
123 Incensed
124 Angsty rock genre

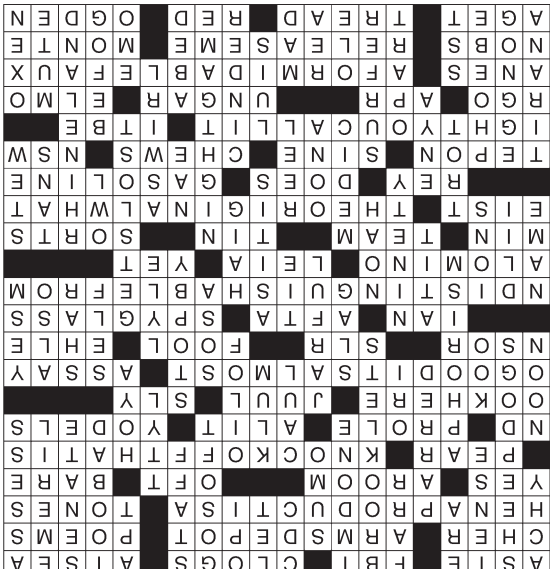


	14		16		70
=	=	=	=	=	=
2 =	2 =	÷	1 -	5	
×	×	÷	×	×	
14 =	3 -	6 +	8		
+	+	+	+		
6 =	4 -	7 +	9		

ANSWERS



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PLAINTIFF,

VS.

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DEFENDANTS.

NO. 23 FC 24

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Leibert Pierce, LLC, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 1 N. Dearborn St., Suite 1200, Chicago, IL 60602. Tel. No. (312) 346-9088. Please refer to file# 23-145051L

PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Plaintiff's attorney is not required to provide additional information other than that set forth in this notice of sale.

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May 3, 10, 17. 2024

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TAX DEED NO. 2024TX6
FILED 4/8/2024
TAKE NOTICE County of DEWITT Date Premises Sold October 20, 2021 Certificate No. 202000016 Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2020 Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and Special Assessment Number N/A Warrant Number N/A Installment Number N/A **THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES** Property Located at 13862 Buffalo Road, Farmer City, Illinois Legal Description or Property Index No.: 05-26-100-005 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on August 14, 2024. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent

forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a Tax Deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before August 14, 2024. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of DeWitt County in Clinton, Illinois on **August 30, 2024 at 10:00am with Judge Koritz in Courtroom A.** You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. **YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY** Redemption can be made at any time on or before August 14, 2024, by applying to the County Clerk of DeWitt County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Clinton, IL. **For further information contact the County clerk ADDRESS: 201 W Washington, Clinton, IL 61727 TELEPHONE: (217) 935-7780 P&N PROPERTIES, INC. Purchaser or Assignee Dated: 4/13/2024 CASE NUMBER: 2024TX6 Randy E Foulks; Elizabeth W Foulks; Occupants; De-**

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Please be advised that Ameren Illinois will perform vegetation management in your area in the near future. Our professional vegetation management specialists will be managing vegetation on transmission rights-of-way that could affect our electric lines. This vegetation management work is necessary to protect the integrity of the electric system and to prevent potential safety hazards.

This work might include: aerial or manual trimming, removal of vegetation, mowing, application of environmentally-safe herbicides, and inspections. Interested persons may call the Ameren toll free number 1-800-232-2477 or visit our website at www.ameren.com/transmission to understand any potential dispute resolution opportunities, processes, rights and/or remedies. Customers and property owners may appeal the particular vegetation work planned on their property by 1) calling the Ameren toll free number mentioned above referencing CODE TMT or 2) accessing the website mentioned above referencing CODE TMT or 3) contacting the Illinois Commerce Commission Consumer Services Division at 1-800-524-0795. Common addresses of properties affected by the planned vegetation management have been provided to the office of the mayor of any affected municipality and the office of the county board chairman of any affected county.

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May 10, 2024

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LEGAL

TAX DEED NO. 2024TX5
FILED 4/8/2024
TAKE NOTICE
County of DEWITT
Date Premises Sold October 20, 2021
Certificate No. 202000058
Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2020
Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and Special Assessment Number N/A
Warrant Number N/A
Installment Number N/A
THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES
Property Located at 15579 Plum Road, Clinton, Illinois
Legal Description or Property Index No.: 08-10-200-005
This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on August 14, 2024.
The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales.
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This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of DeWitt County in Clinton, Illinois on **August 30, 2024 at 10:00am with Judge Koritz in Courtroom A.**
You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time.
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Redemption can be made at any time on or before August 14, 2024, by applying to the County Clerk of DeWitt County,

Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Clinton, IL.
For further information contact the County clerk
ADDRESS: 201 W Washington, Clinton, IL 61727
TELEPHONE: (217) 935-7780
P&N PROPERTIES, INC. Purchaser or Assignee
Dated: 4/13/2024
CASE NUMBER: 2024TX5
Paul Brendan Roesch; Unknown Spouse of Paul Brendan Roesch; Occupants; DeWitt County Clerk; Claimants, Judgment Creditors and Decree Creditors, if any of the above described as “unknown owners” “Unknown owners or parties interested in said land or lots”

LEGAL 20025 April 26, May 3, May 10, 2024

LEGAL

TAX DEED NO. 2024TX7
FILED 4/8/2024
TAKE NOTICE
County of DEWITT
Date Premises Sold October 20, 2021
Certificate No. 202000060
Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2020
Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and Special Assessment Number N/A
Warrant Number N/A
Installment Number N/A
THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES
Property Located at 325 East First Street, DeWitt, Illinois
Legal Description or Property Index No.: 09-19-245-026
This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on August 14, 2024.
The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales.
Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming.
This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a Tax Deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before August 14, 2024.
This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of

DeWitt County in Clinton, Illinois on **August 30, 2024 at 10:00am with Judge Koritz in Courtroom A.**
You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time.
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Redemption can be made at any time on or before August 14, 2024, by applying to the County Clerk of DeWitt County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Clinton, IL.
For further information contact the County clerk
ADDRESS: 201 W Washington, Clinton, IL 61727
TELEPHONE: (217) 935-7780

P&N PROPERTIES, INC. Purchaser or Assignee
Dated: 4/13/2024

CASE NUMBER: 2024TX7
LaDonna L Gresham; Thomas S Poplawski; Helen Poplawski-Brown; Unknown Heirs and Devises of Florence E Reynolds; Logan County Title Company; Village of DeWitt; Occupants; DeWitt County Clerk; Claimants, Judgment Creditors and Decree Creditors, if any of the above described as “unknown owners” “Unknown owners or parties interested in said land or lots”

LEGAL 20026 April 26, May 3, May 10, 2024

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

DEWITT COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ROCKET MORTGAGE, LLC F/K/A QUICKEN LOANS, LLC,

PLAINTIFF,

VS.

ELISSA E WILLIAMS; SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS,

DEFENDANTS.

NO. 23 FC 24

250 MAPLE STREET WELDON, IL 61882

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE

UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE ACT

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by the Court in the above entitled cause on April 17, 2024, will on June 12, 2024, in DeWitt County Courthouse (Main Door), 201 West Washington St., Clinton., IL 61727, at 10:00 AM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of DeWitt, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment:

BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 24 IN BLOCK 2 IN THE VILLAGE OF WELDON, THENCE NORTH 75 FEET, MORE OR LESS TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 22 IN SAID BLOCK, THENCE EAST 60 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 75 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID LOT 24, THENCE WEST 60 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, BEING SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF DEWITT, STATE OF ILLINOIS.

TAX NO. 14-09-280-008

COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 250 Maple Street

Weldon, IL 61882

Description of Improvements: The property is a single family.

The Judgment amount was \$57,870.26.

Sale Terms: This is an “AS IS” sale for “CASH”. The successful bidder must deposit 10% down by certified funds; balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. NO REFUNDS.

The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate, water bills, etc., and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to plaintiff. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

Upon payment in full of the bid amount, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information.

The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.

If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g) (1) and (g)(4).

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

For Information: Visit our website at <http://ilforeclosure-sales.mrpllc.com>.

Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. only - McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC, Plaintiff’s Attorneys, 1 N. Dearborn St., Suite 1200, Chicago, IL 60602. Tel. No. (312) 346-9088. Please refer to file# 23-145051L

PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, THE PLAINTIFF’S ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Plaintiff’s attorney is not required to provide additional information other than that set forth in this notice of sale.

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Legal 20035 & RE May 3, 10, 17, 2024

LEGAL

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

DEWITT COUNTY, ILLINOIS

HEARTLAND BANK AND TRUST COMPANY,

Plaintiff,

v.

KEITH CHAPMAN;

SERENA LEIGH CHAPMAN; “UNKNOWN OWNERS” and “NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS,”

Defendants.

No. 2024FC5

PROPERTY ADDRESS:

701 S. Cain Street

Clinton, Illinois 61727

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

The requisite Affidavit for Publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to KEITH CHAPMAN; SERENA LEIGH CHAPMAN; “UNKNOWN OWNERS” and “NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS,” Defendants in the above-entitled suit, that said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of DeWitt County, Illinois, by Plaintiff, HEARTLAND BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, against you and other defendants praying for foreclosure of a Mortgage covering the premises described as follows to wit:

LOT 1 IN BLOCK 1 OF ROBERT D. SAMUEL’S SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO PLAT RECORDED AUGUST 22, 2003 IN PLAT BOOK “A”, PAGE 279 IN THE RECORDER’S OFFICE OF DEWITT COUNTY, ILLINOIS, SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF DEWITT, IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Common Address: 701 S. Cain Street

Clinton, Illinois 61727

Permanent Index No: 07-35-304-007

which Mortgage was made by Keith Chapman and Serena Leigh Chapman, as Mortgagors, in favor of Heartland Bank and Trust Company, as Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of DeWitt County, Illinois, on September 26, 2023, as Document No. 265685.

NOW THEREFORE, unless you, the above-named Defendants, file your answer to the Complaint in said suit, or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of DeWitt County, Illinois, on or before May 28, 2024, default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said

Complaint.

Tina M. Jacobs, Esq. - ARDC 6190255

Joy Pinta, Esq. - ARDC 6278250

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Legal 20036 April 26, May 20036 April 26, May 3, May 10, 2024

LEGAL

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
DEWITT COUNTY - IN PROBATE
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
PAMELA S. SNYDER,
DECEASED

2024-PR-17

CLAIM DATE NOTICE - INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION

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

Letters of Office were issued on April 15, 2024 to Morgan Massey, 6487 Little Galilee Rd., Clinton, Illinois 61727 as Independent Executor. The attorney for the estate is Bryce A. Lynch of Taylor & Lynch, LLC, 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, IL 61727, on or before November 17, 2024. 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 filing 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 24th day of April, 2024.

Morgan Massey, Independent Executor of the estate of Pamela S. Snyder, Deceased

BRYCE A. LYNCH 6297077
TAYLOR & LYNCH, LLC
216 SOUTH CENTER STREET
P.O. BOX 478
CLINTON, IL 61727
TEL: (217) 935-2183
FAX: (217) 935-8219 E-MAIL: attorneys@dewitt-countylaw.com

LEGAL 20041 May 3, 10, 17, 2024

LEGAL

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

DEWITT COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Estate of:

ILENE HAYS, Deceased.
NO. 2024-PR-16

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of Ilene Hays of DeWitt County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on April 19, 2024, to Ronna Simmons, 4533 Walton Drive, Decatur, Illinois 62521, as Executor, whose attorneys are Barber, Segatto, Hoffee, Wilke & Cate, LLP, P.O. Box 79, Springfield, Illinois 62705.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court at the DeWitt County Courthouse, 201 West Washington Street, Clinton, Illinois 61727, or with the representative or both, on or before October 28, 2024, and any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

Dated this 30th day of April, 2024.

Randall W. Segatto - 06193211
Barber, Segatto, Hoffee, Wilke & Cate, LLP
P.O. Box 79
Springfield, IL 62705
(217) 544-4868
rsegatto@barber-law.com
LEGAL 20046 May 10, 17, 24, 2024

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ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT FOR CREEK TOWNSHIP & ROAD DISTRICT 15200 Middle St., Lane, IL 61750

FISCAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 2024

TOWNSHIP-REVENUE SUMMARY: Property Taxes – 71,016.49; Replacement Tax – 37,417.81; Dividends – 453.00; Cemetery Lot Sales – 1,200.00; Interest – 173.94
TOTAL REVENUES: \$110,261.24

TOWNSHIP-EXPENDITURE SUMMARY: Eric Smith Mowing – 6,500; TOIRMA – 2,853; All disbursements equal/greater than \$2,500: \$9,353
All other disbursements less than \$2,500: \$6,747.44
TOTAL VENDORS: \$16,100.44

TOWNSHIP-COMPENSATION SUMMARY: Range: Under \$25,000: Megan Barth; Jack Nichols; Stephen Parker; Theodore Riva; Roger Wantland; Rebecca Wheat; Roger Wilson
TOTAL COMPENSATION: \$31,691.23

ROAD DISTRICT – REVENUE SUMMARY: Property Taxes – 116,435.56; Replacement Tax – 60,230.09; Interest-489.84; Dividends – 453.00
TOTAL REVENUES: \$177,608.49

ROAD DISTRICT – EXPENDITURE SUMMARY: McLeod Express – 32,879.34; Illiana – 32,309.07; Evergreen FS – 4,356.05; TOIRMA – 3,486.00; Walker Tire – 3,008.71
All disbursements equal/greater than \$2,500; \$76,039.17

All other disbursements less than \$2,500: \$9,215.54
TOTAL VENDORS: \$85,254.71

ROAD DISTRICT-COMPENSATION SUMMARY: Range: Under \$25,000: Nathan Spencer
TOTAL COMPENSATION: \$18,068.80

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF CONDITION
ALL FUNDS – REVENUES \$287,869.73
ALL FUNDS-EXPENDITURES \$151,115.18
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE \$136,754.55
FUND BALANCE April 1, 2023 \$1,034,997.66
FUND BALANCE March 31, 2024 \$1,171,752.21
I attest that, to the best of my knowledge, this report represents a complete and accurate statement of the

financial position of Creek Township as of the end of this fiscal year.

Subscribed and sworn to this 9th day of April 2024.

/s/ Katherine Nichols
Katherine Nichols - Supervisor/Treasurer

I, Rebecca Wheat, Clerk of Creek Township, Dewitt County, Illinois, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the Annual Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2024

/s/ Rebecca Wheat
Rebecca Wheat – Clerk

/s/ Stephen A. Parker
TRUSTEE 4/9/24

/s/ Theodore T. Riva
4/9/24

/s/ Jack Nichols
4/9/24

/s/ Roger D. Wilson
4/9/24

LEGAL 20048
May 10, 2024

LEGAL

PUBLIC NOTICE CLINTON CUSD #15 TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2023-2024 AMENDED BUDGET
The Clinton Board of Education will hold a public hearing at 6:30 p.m. on June 25, 2024 on the adoption of the 2023-2024 Amended Budget. The tentative Amended Budget will be available for public inspection beginning May 24, 2024 and is available at the Unit Office located at 1210 West Route 54, Clinton, Illinois 61727 between the hours of 8:00 AM and 3:00 PM.

LEGAL 20049
May 10, 2024

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Notice of Public Sale is hereby given that an auction will be held online on www.lockerfox.com


beginning on June 12, 2024 at 12:00 pm ending June 19, 2024 , 12:01 pm to sell the following individuals' articles to enforce lien against such articles, for storage furnished

12:01 pm, Monday

Storage Unlimited, 18709 Dewitt Road, Dewitt, IL 61735 , (217) 935-3200 under a rental agreement with:

nique J. Saintmire, occupant of space 2D11, items: motorhome (no title)

LEGAL 20050
May 10 and May 17, 2024



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“This award from the U.S. Small Business Administration, and recognition from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, is really a tribute to the many small-business owners throughout the region who have chosen the Illinois Small Business Development Center at SIU to be their trusted business advisers. I am so proud of all the staff who have worked to provide high-quality business assistance, not only today, but for the past 39 years,” she added.

The prestigious award was presented during a special public ceremony May 2 at the Dunn-Richmond Economic Development Center, 1740 Innovation Drive, Carbondale.

State and regional officials attended for the event, held in conjunction with National Small Business Week.



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unless noted otherwise.

Clinton High School

- **Spanish Teacher for 2024-2025 school year**, application deadline May 17, 2024
- **Special Education Teacher for 2024-2025 school year**, application deadline May 17, 2024
- **English Teacher for 2024-2025 school year**, application deadline May 17, 2024

Clinton Elementary School

- **Special Education (LBS1) Teacher for 2024-2025 school year**, application deadline May 17, 2024
- **Reading Intervention Teacher for 2024-2025 school year**, application deadline May 17, 2024
- **Teacher – 5th Grade for 2024-2025 school year**, application deadline May 17, 2024
- **Teacher – 2nd Grade for 2024-2025 school year**, application deadline May 17, 2024
- **Teacher Aide**, please see website for requirements for paraprofessional license <https://roe17.org/licensure/paraprofessionals>, application deadline May 17, 2024

Douglas/Lincoln Schools

- **School Counselor for 2024-2025 school year**. Candidates will need to have a Master's degree or higher in school counselling, social work, or a related field awarded by an accredited institution of higher learning. This position serves preschool, kindergarten, and first grade across two campuses. Early childhood and family outreach experience is preferred. Duties will include but are not limited to small group lessons in social emotional support with progress monitoring, staff training, parent/family support for at home interventions and serving as a part of the building and district crisis team. Collaboration with teachers and administrators for curriculum/intervention ideas and decision making will be required. Candidates will work in unison with administration, preschool coordinator, nurse, special education team and general staff to support special education evaluations. Bilingual candidates are encouraged to apply, application deadline May 17, 2024
- **Preschool Teacher for 2024-2025 school year**, this position will be for a co-teaching model to existing blended classrooms at both schools. Would include IEP facilitation as well as general support. Must have early childhood credentials. ECSE Endorsement preferred, application deadline May 17, 2024
- **Library Aide**, please see website for requirements for paraprofessional license <https://roe17.org/licensure/paraprofessionals> application deadline May 17, 2024

Lincoln School

- **Preschool Teacher for 2024-2025 school year**, application deadline May 17, 2024
- **Teacher Aide**, please see website for requirements for paraprofessional license <https://roe17.org/licensure/paraprofessionals> application deadline May 17, 2024

Athletics

- **Girls Wrestling Coach**, please apply online or email letter of interest, resume, and letters of recommendation to Matt Koeppel, AD, at mkoeppe@cUSD15.org
- **Boy's Assistant Wrestling Coach**, please apply online or email letter of interest, resume, and letters of recommendation to Matt Koeppel, AD, at mkoeppe@cUSD15.org
- **Freshman Boys Basketball Coach**, please apply online or email letter of interest, resume, and letters of recommendation to Matt Koeppel, AD, at mkoeppe@cUSD15.org
- **Assistant Baseball Coach - CJHS**, please apply online or email letter of interest, resume, and letters of recommendation to Matt Koeppel, AD, at mkoeppe@cUSD15.org

Cafeteria

- **Kitchen Staff 4.0 hrs daily (split shift)**, please apply online, pick up an application at the unit office or email Beth Tedrick Btedrick@cUSD15.org.
- **Sub Kitchen Staff, plus opportunity to sub for crossing/bus monitor**, please apply online or pick up application at the Unit Office.

Transportation

- **Bus/Van Monitors - Part Time**, please apply online or pick up application at the Unit Office
- **Sub Bus Drivers & Van Drivers (HRS as needed)**, please apply online or pick up application at the Unit Office. Bus Drivers must have or be willing to obtain CDL.
- **Sub Bus/Van Monitors, Sub Crossing Guard, (HRS as needed) opportunity to sub for kitchen or bus monitor**, please apply online or pick up application at the Unit Office.

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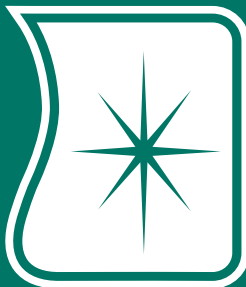
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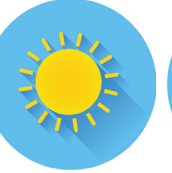
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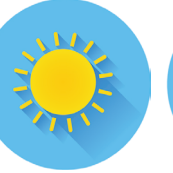
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Monday
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Thursday
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Weather History

May 10
1880: A tornado estimated to be F4 intensity moved across 20 miles of Scott and Morgan Counties. The tornado touched down near Alsey and moved northeast, passing 8 miles south of Jacksonville. The tornado was strongest in the Pisgah area, where 30 buildings were destroyed. Seven people were killed. Further east, an F3 tornado touched down just north of Clinton, and moved northeast to near Arrowsmith, across DeWitt and McLean Counties.

1996: Thunderstorms produced 3 to 5 inches of rain across parts of east central Illinois during the morning, leading to flash floods. In southern Champaign County, the town of Broadlands sustained major flood damage to 5 homes and minor damage to another 29, as well as to the local high school. In Vermilion County, parts of Danville had to be evacuated after flood gates were opened on Lake Vermilion.

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