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# Piatt County service looks to replace Show Bus

# **Gordon Woods**

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CLINTON – A Piatt County transportation agency is looking to extend service into DeWitt County. Tim Gadbury, director of Piattran, addressed the DeWitt County board on Oct. 24.

With discontinuation of Show Bus services in DeWitt County effective June 2025, Gadbury said his agency, Piatt County Public Transportation (Piattran), was preparing to extend its services into DeWitt County. Gadbury became Piattran director in April.

"We do, basically, what Show Bus was doing for

# Piatt County Public Transportation

# www.piattran.org

DeWitt County," Gadbury "We did about said. 32,000 rides last year." Gadbury said his agency had received requests from Clinton, Weldon and Mahomet about providing services to those areas. "I know our county really benefits from having public transportation," Gadbury said. "We transport some

students, we transport some students, we take people to and from doctors' appointments, we take dialysis patients three days a week."

TRANSPORT / A2



Courtesy of United Way

# ALICE program coming to DeWitt County

CLINTON — The United Way of Decatur & Mid-Illinois has partnered with Dove Financial Assistance to provide their ALICE Program to

The DeWitt County residents. ur & This support will assist nered working individuals and ncial families with limitedovide to-no savings, living m to paycheck to paycheck and

who have an unforeseen financial crisis that threatens to plunge them into poverty.

These individuals and families are known as

ALICE (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed).

ALICE / A5





Courtesy of DeWitt Chapter NSDAR

# **DeWitt DAR donates new flag**

The Weldon Springs Union Schoolhouse recently received a new flag from the DeWitt Clinton Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The flag donation is part of a nationwide initiative by the organization to replace flags with new ones that have been flown over DAR headquarters in Washington D.C. Presenting the flag to park educator Patti Kinder were DAR members Edith Brady-Lunny and Carolee Emerson. Homeschool students at the park for an activity helped raise the new flag.

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### CLINTON

Commissioner Ken Buchanan said the city would begin deploying the leaf vac during the last week of October or first week of November. Buchanan said residents can keep track of leaf clean

up routes by checking the city's Facebook page and website.

"They'll be posted every day," Buchanan said. "Sometimes we'll get through a zone in a day, but, sometimes, depending on how heavy it is, it might be a day or two."

Also, November will be the city's last brush pick-up until next March. Commissioner John Wise reported work was under way by a contractor to repair a motor on the city well located behind Clinton YMCA.

"We were having some vibration, and while they're tearing it apart, they wanted to check everything," Wise said. "That motor is over 20 years old."

CITY / A2



# Transport / from A1

Piattran also transports riders to various shopping venues. The service has been in operation since 1982.

Piattran initially served transportation needs for the Piatt County Mental Health Center but eventually expanded to provide additional transportation. The Piattran fleet currently includes 15 vehicles.

"Come July 1, 2025, we would hope to add a few more drivers," Gadbury said. "I've been working with IDOT."

The agency also would add to its fleet to expanded accommodate

routes in DeWitt County. Through the state vehicle program, Piattran recently was awarded seven new vehicles for fiscal year 2025. Those vehicles will include a 22-26-passenger bus and six 14-passenger busses.

"That's fantastic, I just have to get the people to drive the busses," Gadbury said.

Gadbury said he looked forward to providing service to DeWitt County. "We have a lot of elderly people in Piatt County who, if not for public transportation, I don't know what they would do,"

Gadbury said.

He said the Piatt County Nursing Home and the county's senior centers frequently use Piattran services.

"Right now, one leg of our trip has to start or end in Piatt County," Gadbury said. "If we were able to come into DeWitt County, one leg of the trip could then come from DeWitt County."

Gadbury said he thought there was approximately \$150,000 available from the state for public transportation in DeWitt County.

"Almost all of our

program is state or federally funded," Gadbury said. "We do get some local funding from Piatt County, and we get a few donations from some of the towns in Piatt County."

Piattran also charges rider fares.

Matthews said the county board would need a referendum ready on the board's November 21 meeting in order have it to the governor in time for next year's state budget.

Matthews said IDOT representatives "highly recommended the Piattran services as a great fit."



CLINTON - The DeWitt County Board's Public Safety Committee will meet November 7 at 5 p.m



# DeWitt Lodge 84 awards Lori Rich

On Thursday, October 24, Dewitt #84, the Clinton Masonic lodge, awarded Mrs. Lori Rich, the Masonic community builder award for her efforts in establishing programs, especially youth programs, at the Weldon Public Library District. Rich has been the library director at Weldon for more than 20 years, and over that time she has developed and offered numerous programs, particularly for youth, and has mentored many of the youth involved. The Masonic lodge also presented Rich with a \$250 donation to aid in continuation of these programs, with the award and donation being made by Lodge member Jered Shofner. The Clinton Masonic lodge has been a presence in the community for more than 174 years.

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# City From A1

"They're the experts; they're going to look it over, replace bearings and rework it."

if Wise said rebuilding the motor was not possible, it would require purchasing a new one. "Everything else (in the well) looked fine," Wise said.

Commissioner Ballenger Dan complimented fire fighters who worked with local students during fire prevention month. Blake West, of Clinton Fire Department, said they worked with about 1,100 students on fire prevention education.

The council also approved the minor subdivision for the Longview Bank

Courtesy of DeWitt Lodge 84

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# **David Webb Watkins**

FARMER CITY David Webb Watkins, 24, of Farmer City, passed away on October 14, 2024, surrounded by his family at Carle Foundation Hospital. David was born to Michael Watkins Jr. and Winstead Natalie on February 20, 2000, in Hanau, Germany.

graduated from David Clinton High School in 2019 but was able to continue his education through them until he aged out of the special education program when he was 22.

David had many challenges in his life but was still full of determination and grit. He had the most beautiful blue eyes and a wonderful smile. On good days, he radiated joy and sunlight to those who surrounded him. He loved chewing on hats and mirrors as well as scooting around his room to tip over his toy baskets and make a huge mess, only to play with a toy that was already out.

David was pure innocence in a world often filled with hostility. He was able to share his innocence with all who knew him.

David is survived by his mom and stepdad, Natalie and Moe Winstead of Farmer City; his dad and bonus mom, Michael and Sarah Watkins, of Lincoln; his brother and best friend, Kyle Watkins, of Farmer City; grandparents, Gail Millan, of Bluffton, S.C., Mike and Kathy Watkins, of Lincoln; Anita Watkins, of Festus, Mo.; Marie Reynolds, of Farmer City; Moe Winstead Sr., of Farmer City, and Wes and Debi Tibbs, of



Lincoln; Aunts Nicole Petro (Joe Banfield), of Mahomet; Amanda Melton (Scott), of Okatie, S.C.; Jessica Lueking (Brent), of Springfield; Stephanie Henderson (Jeremy Young), of Lincoln, and Tara Mesner (Michael), of Lincoln; uncles Tommy Watkins. Festus. of Mo; Steven Henderson, of Lincoln, and Mikel Petro (Mindy Harris), of Mahomet; stepbrothers Harlev and Hunter Naugle of Lincoln; greatgrandmothers, Margie Watkins, of Springfield, and Docia Barrick, of Mt. Pulaski. Many loving cousins also survive.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandfather, Jack Millan; two cousins Autumn Heath and Callie Lueking and one great-grandfather Bob Watkins.

A Celebration of Life will be held at the Farmer City American Legion, 755 Stensel Dr., Farmer City, on November 10, 2024. A visitation will be held from 1-3 p.m. followed by a short service and then a dinner.

Memorials may be made to the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Illinois, 610 N. 7th St, Springfield, IL 62702.

# Frontier expanding fiber optic into countryside

# **Gordon Woods**

CLINTON - Frontier Communications plans expansion of its fiber optic internet into rural DeWitt County. Frontier representative Mike Nelson briefed the county board last week about the plan.

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Nelson said Frontier began building its fiber optic broadband system four years ago. The company, which has been primarily a land-line provider of telephone and internet, installed its fiber optic network in Clinton in 2023, joining several other fiber optic internet firms that descended on Clinton over the summer last year.

**Clinton Police** 

Department

Arrests:

10/21/24

corrections.

Williams 43, Clinton was

arrested on a Logan County

warrant. Williams was

transported to the Dewitt

County Jail and released to

10/26/24 Fredi Lucho-

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Dewitt County Jail and

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Dewitt County Jail and

released to corrections.

Jennifer

### Federal and state programs to bring internet service to underserved areas prompted a flurry of activity across the U.S. by companies eager to enter the market.

"We had а huge transformation with our company four years "We ago," Nelson said. kicked out our board of directors, kicked out our leadership, went through a total restructuring, and the only way we could survive wasn't on 50-60-year-old copper."

Frontier's plan is to discontinue use of copper wire by 2029-2030.

"We had a successful fiber build," Nelson said. "We have a few more hubs to build in Clinton."

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Biden bill administration's advance broadband to service across the country about \$42 provided billion in funding. Illinois received about \$1 billion of the funds.

Nelson said Frontier wanted to take advantage of the funding to build fiber optic access in the highcost locations.

Nelson's primary purpose for addressing the county board was to encourage officials to endorse Frontier's goal. Frontier has been building a number of other Illinois counties' fiber optic networks as part of the universal internet plan.

Frontier built the network in Green County and plans

# LAW ENFORCEMENT

the Dewitt County Jail and released to corrections.

10/26/24 Chad Palmer 48, Clinton was arrested on a Dewitt County Warrant. Palmer was transported to the Dewitt County Jail and released to corrections.

10/26/24 Tyler Hendrix 21, Clinton was arrested on a Dewitt County Warrant. Hendrix was transported to the Dewitt County Jail and released to corrections.

# **DeWitt County** Sheriff's Office

Oct. 18-25

Scott Collier, 52, Heyworth, was issued a Citation for Disobeying

released to corrections. 10/26/24 Oscar Ba Botzoc was charged with driving Botzoc was transported to Traffic Control Device. Collier was given a Notice to Appear and released.

John Rever, 52, Lincoln, was issued a Citation for Speeding (80 mph in 55 mph zone). Rever was released with no Court Appearance Required.

Kelley Benhart, 54. Mt Pulaski, was issued a Citation for of Driving Under Influence (DUI/ Cannabis). Benhart was released with a Required Court Appearance

Thomas Smerz, 63, Farmer City, was issued a Citation for Speeding (74 mph in a 55 mph zone). Smerz was released with No Required Court Appearance. 36,

Joshua Aboytes, Decatur, was issued to duplicate that effort in all the Illinois counties where the company operates.

The advantage of fiber optic over copper is its use of light to transmit a signal rather than a resistive metal wire. Fiber optic essentially broadband eliminates buffering and vastly increases upload and download internet speeds.

Frontier Communications' predecessor GTE installed the first commercial, nonexperimental fiber optic link in the Chicago area in 1977. A GTE-owned company Corning Glass Works achieved the first major manufacturing breakthrough of fiber optics in 1970.

Citation for Driving While License Revoked and Speeding (79 mph in a 55 mph zone). Aboytes was issued a Notice to Appear and was released.

Donald Sturgeon, 54, Decatur, was arrested on a DeWitt County Warrant charging him with Crim Sex Assault/Force/FTA.

Angela Miller, 60, Clinton, was arrested and charged with Domestic Battery.

Michael Spencer, 51, Clinton, was arrested and charged with Domestic Battery.

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



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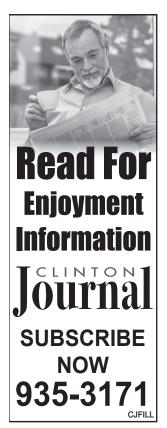
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# **OPINION**

# HISTORY ALMANAC

1952 - The United States exploded the first hydrogen bomb on Eniwetok Atoll in the Marshall Islands.

1954 - Algeria began to rebel against French rule.

1959 - Jacques Plante, of the Montreal Canadiens, became the first goalie in the NHL to wear a mask.

1963 - The USSR launched Polyot I. It was the first satellite capable of maneuvering in all directions and able to change its orbit.

1968 - The movie rating system of G. M. R. X. followed by PG-13 and NC-17 went into effect.

1973 - Leon Jaworski was appointed the new Watergate special prosecutor in the Watergate case.

1979 - Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini urged all Iranians to demonstrate on November 4 and to expand their attacks against the U.S. and Israel. On November 4, Iranian militants seized the U.S. embassy in Tehran and took 63 Americans hostage.

1981 - The U.S. Postal Service raised the firstclass letter rate to 20 cents.

1985 - In the village of Ignacio Aldama, 22 members of a Mexican anti-narcotics squad were killed by alleged drug traffickers.

1987 - Deng Xiaoping retired from China's Communist Party's Central Committee.

1989 - Tens of thousands of refugees to fled to the West when East Germany reopened its border with Czechoslovakia.



# America will survive

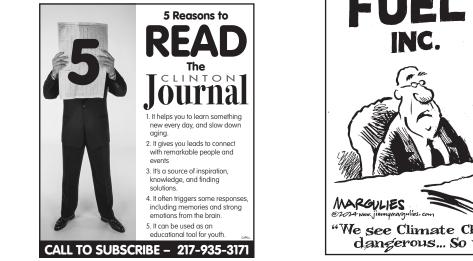
Due to publishing deadlines, this will be my last column before the election, and I would like to make some general comments regarding the election and what follows.

First, I would like to stress that we have had a peaceful and mostly civil campaign by both presidential candidates. Yes, there has been the typical taunting of the other side with allegations. But we haven't had the military out on the streets supporting or opposing any candidate. The rest of the world notices that and is envious. The government is not forcing anyone to vote for any candidate or supressing that vote in the first place. We are a free nation. We need to keep it that way.

Trump has run a populist campaign having started his campaign when Biden was sworn in as his successor. Trump built such a powerful campaign that while there were numerous others on the ballot they all succumbed to that populist campaign.

There is certainly some dissent in the Republican Party, but there is little doubt that Trump and his organization control the party at this time.

backing Biden during the primaries



as the incumbent, even though there were many comments about Biden's cognitive abilities. Trump made the political mistake of doing a pre-primary debate with Biden, which clearly showed President Biden having a bad day. At that time the Democratic elites did the unheard of palace coup and forced Biden to resign from his campaign but not his office of President. The Democratic Party coalesced behind Harris, and she became the anointed candidate. The strength and resolve of the effort to put forth Harris as the nominee would have made Richard J. Daly proud of his party's convention in Chicago this year.

Both candidates and their campaigns have called the other candidate a fascist. Both candidates and their campaigns have called the other stupid or cognitively impaired. Both candidates have stressed that this nation will fall into the abyss if the other is elected. Both campaigns have spent millions of dollars praising themselves and castigating the

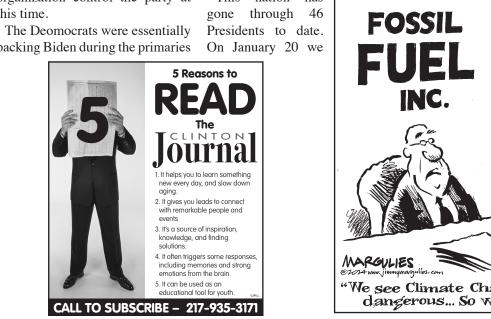
This nation has

other.



will get number 47. We will get a rerun of #45 with Trump or a new #47 with Harris. America has had a few truly great Presidents and we have had some Presidents who were simply caretakers of the office.

Neither of the two candidates were my preferred choice for their party's nomination. However, both achieved that nomination in a lawful manner and one will be President of the United States. That President will govern under the Constitution. That Constitution empowers a President who may be reticent to use the authority of the office. In like fashion that same Constitution acts as a restraint on any President who wishes to act as

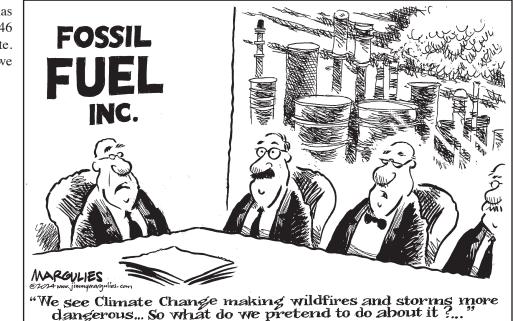


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Tuesday's election will tell us whether we will have four more years of a Biden type administration or return to four more years of a Trump administration. The country survived Trump one. The country has survived four years of Biden. This country is bigger than either Trump or Harris and will prevail. Regardless of who is elected there will be changes and conflicts. There will also be accomplishments. And yes, many of us will complain regardless of who wins the election.

America is a representative democracy and we are all entitled to our opinions, but it is our votes that truly determine the direction of this nation. Cast your vote. Sit back and enjoy whatever is coming down the pike. If you don't like the result, there is always another election. America will survive this election and the next, and the next.

Richard Koritz is an Illinois native, attorney and former DeWitt County State's Attorney.



1989 - Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega announced the end of a cease-fire with the Contra rebels.

1994 - The Amazon.com domain name was registered.

1995 - In Dayton, OH, the Bosnian peace talks opened with the leaders of Bosnia, Serbia and Croatia present.

1998 - Nicaraguan Vice President Enrique Bolanos announced that between 1,000 and 1,500 people were buried in a 32-square mile area below the slopes of the Casita volcano in northern Nicaragua by a mudslide caused by Hurricane Mitch.

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# **OPINION / COLUMNS**

by Freddy Groves

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who tried to sell millions

of dollars of personal

protective equipment to

the VA. The scam was

pretending the company

distributor of the PPE.

They even generated a

fake website and email

address. The goods that

were sent out were non-

conforming and the masks

Another guy stole gloves

and PPE and sold them

were counterfeit.

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# SENIOR NEWS LINE

by Matilda Charles

# Beware: Listeria and salmonella

The saga of listeria in sliced deli lunch meat continues, month after month. The list of affected items gets longer and longer as there is now an additional company subject to recalls due to listeria.

To stay current on the lunch meat recalls, go to CDC.gov and search for "lunch meat listeria recall." That will give you several articles with information you need.

As if that's not enough, to be safe, do we need to change the way we prepare eggs? The Food and Drug Administration has now labeled the ongoing egg recall as a class 1, which means it's "reasonable" to assume that the eggs can cause serious health consequences or death.

To be safe from salmonella, they say, gone are poached and sunny side up eggs. Instead, to kill any possible salmonella, we need to scramble or hard boil our eggs and cook them thoroughly, with both the yolk and the egg firm.

To learn more, go to the FDA website (fda.gov) and search for "egg safety salmonella."

The latest food recalls cover a wide variety of

products. There's dip that's being recalled because it potentially has mold contamination. And lactose-free milk that has tree nuts. There's dog food recalled for salmonella and listeria. And whole cantaloupes with salmonella.

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But it's not all food. There's the drug remdesivir that has glass particles in it. And the dietary supplement tainted dexamethasone with (a corticosteroid) and chlorpheniramine (an antihistamine). And the baby powder with metal or chemicals in it.

On recalls.gov -site that covers recalls from the FDA, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission and FoodSafety.gov -- there are recalls for consumer products, boats, medicine, cosmetics, food and more. At this writing, there are recalls of bicycle helmets, bathroom mirrors, yard tractors, playpens and so much more.

If there are certain products that concern you, sign up for email notifications on Recalls. gov.

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# Pandemic fraud and scams

The Covid pandemic because the masks couldn't has been a pot of gold for pass the filtration tests. thieves and scammers who A whole alphabet of want to exploit the critical federal agencies, including

needs of hospitals and the VA's Office of Inspector doctors. As usual, however, General, came together in the criminals aren't too this effort to investigate and prosecute the thieves. There was the medical Between the price gouging, the fake masks and the that conspired to sell masks that interstate commerce, the were misbranded, trying to authorities had a good pass them off to hospitals as case for pandemic-related genuine National Institute defrauding and conspiracy. of Occupational Safety and When the case goes to Health (NIOSH)-approved court, selling misbranded N95 masks. The thieves medical equipment alone gathered up their fake could net the thieves a fine of a half a million dollars. masks from miscellaneous sources and shipped them Adding in the interstate off at inflated prices. When commerce and price NIOSH tested the masks, gouging could tack on the scam was discovered additional fines and years

# ALICE / from A1

"We have continued to broaden our footprint in DeWitt County with local programs including 211 Information Referral Hotline for finding local services, and Dolly Parton Imagination Library - 12 free books a year to any child from birth to 5 years old. Partnering with Dove Financial Assistance in DeWitt County for our ALICE Program was a logical choice. We look forward to working

together to assist working families in DeWitt County" Bogle, stated Debbie President, United Way of Decatur & Mid-Illinois. goal The of this

partnership is to keep working members of our community moving toward self-sufficiency and not into poverty. State and Federal assistance programs provide financial assistance to members of our community whose earnings are less than the

Federal Poverty Line. If a community member earns more, they may not be eligible for assistance until they fall below this line. With our ALICE Program, we can help families that fall into a service gap and have nowhere else to turn. "Partnering with United Way to assist with ALICE individuals and families adds another layer to our program that provides a systematic way to verify

needs and provides a

for a cool million dollars. Another scammer stole the relief funds he received, diverting \$180,000 of it for his own use.

In one scam, however, it almost wasn't worth the thief's time: A woman was given two paycheck protection loans for two businesses she owned -except the didn't own a business. All she got out of the scam was \$41,000.

When are they going to learn? The thieves eventually get caught, and we have the VA OIG and other alphabet agencies to thank for it.

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central location for persons seeking emergency financial assistance for water, power, just to name a few." Said Molly Tenuto, Program Director, Dove Financial Assistance. For more information contact Debbie Bogle 217-422-8537 at or dbogle@uwdecatur.org. For assistance with direct services contact Dove Financial Assistance at 217-433-7435 or DFA@





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### 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 1 p.m.-Sunday worship 7 p.m.-Wednesday evening Bible study

### **Clinton Church** of God 720 E. Woodlawn

Street, Clinton clintoncog.org Mark Cooper, 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

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**Clinton United Methodist Church** 308 E. Main Street Rev. Darrell Howard (217) 935-5869 clintonumcil.org 9 a.m. Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday School Children & Adult 5 p.m. Saturday Evening Worship in chapel 3:30 p.m. Thursday JC Stars After School Children's program (pickup is available) 3rd Sunday S.W.A.G Sr & Jr High Youth 6 p.m. Extended Table 2nd and 4th Mondays 12:30 p.m. Wednesday **Backpack Ministry** 

# **First Baptist Church**

220 Illini Drive, Clinton (217) 935-2032 firstbaptistchurch3@ frontier.com Jonathan Roberson, pastor 9:30 a.m.-Sunday school 10:30 a.m.-Sunday worship 5 p.m.-Sunday evening worship 7 p.m.-Wednesday midweek prayer meeting

# **First Christian Church**

100 N. Jackson Street, Clinton (W. Main & N. Jackson) clintonfcc.com Adult Bible School 10:45 a.m. Worship Services: 9:30 a.m. First Kids Worship for 3-yr -olds - 5th grade is available at 9:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. 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.-Sundav 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 midweek service

# Lane Christian Church

(217) 935-2557 www.lanechurch.org Jim Kilson, preaching and teaching minister Marcus McCollom, youth and family minister 9 a.m.-Sunday school 10 a.m.-worship

5:30 p.m.-youth group "We're ordinary people helping each other become faithful followers of Jesus.'

St. John the Baptist **Catholic Church** 502 N. Monroe Street, Clinton (217) 935-3727 Fr. Thomas R. Szydlik, pastor 8;30 a.m. - Wed. & Fri. mornings Mass 4 p.m.-Saturday Mass

St. Patrick **Catholic Church** 320 S. Locust Street, (217) 935-3727 Fr. Thomas R. Szydlik, pastor 8:30 a.m.-Sunday, Tuesday Mass www.saintpatrickwapella.org

# **Texas Christian**

Church 8301 Texas Church Road, Clinton (217) 454-6846 www. Texaschristianchurch.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) 731-4005 9:30 a.m.-Saturday, Sabbath school 11 a.m.- worship with pot luck afterwards

# **BIBLE WORD SEARCH**

by Elie's Spiritual Treasures

# Psalm 34:19-20

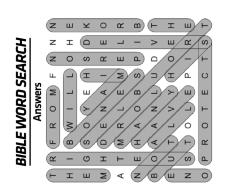
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# **BIBLE TRIVIA** By Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Beelzebub (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?

2. From Matthew 12, when an evil spirit returns to a person, how many companions does it bring? 2, 3, 7, 16

3. Who called the city of Nineveh the mistress of witchcraft? Ahab, Nahum, Lucifer, Peter

4. In which book's 22:18 does it state, "Thou shalt not suffer a witch to live"? Exodus, Numbers, Isaiah, Hebrews

5. From 1 Samuel 16, which king of Israel was tormented by an evil spirit? Solomon, David, Elah, Saul

6. What mark of the beast number comes from Revelation 13? 7, 333, 490,666

2) Saul, 6) 666 (5, 7, 3) Nahum, 4) Exodus, ANSWERS: 1) Neither,

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# Happy Thanksgiving from Social Security

**Selena Higgins** Social Security district

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### **Kenney Christian** Church 213 W. Benjamin Street, Kenney (217) 944-2275 Ernie Harvey, minister 9:30 a.m.-Bible study 10:30 a.m.-Sunday worship

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10 a.m.-worship

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Please share this information with those who need it. Happy Thanksgiving!

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*There is no fear in love.* But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love.

🐨 1 JOHN 4:18 🔊

Detail from "The Scream" by Edvard Munch (1895)

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# November activities at Warner Library



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CLINTON – Did you know? The library offers more than just books and movies for check-out! Take a look at the line-up of free library events scheduled during the month of November. Advance registration is required for events marked with an asterisk (\*). Visit the library website to sign up. November Grab 'n Go: Retro Paper Candles (All Ages) Begins Fri. 11/1 Pickup free supplies to make a perfect holiday decoration with а cardboard tube and other embellishments that make this craft glitter and shine. Kits are available for pickup beginning Friday, November 1 while supplies last.

Family Lego Club

on the Children's Floor (Best for ages 3-7 with caregivers) Join us for family Lego Club! We'll provide the Legos, you provide the fun. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Drop in, no need to register.

Family Storytimes (Ages 0-5 & Caregivers) Every Wed. and Fri. at 10 a.m.

Join us for stories, songs, and silly fun each week.

Lego Club (Youth, ages 8-12. Every Wednesday from 5-6 p.m.) Meet us for our weekly Lego club. Drop in, no registration needed.

\* Pokémon • Hangout (Youth, Tuesday, 11/5 at 2 p.m.) Come hang out for snacks with Pokémon card playing and trading. If trading, bring only the cards you are willing to trade, all trades are final. Must have basic knowledge of Pokémon trading if wanting to trade. Registration is required.

\*Magic! (Teen, Sat. 11/9 at 10 a.m.) Join Logan for Magic, the Gathering. We will use our "Cube" to play! Registration is required.

\*Tea Party with a T-Rex (Family, Thursday, 11/14 at 4 p.m.) "Would you like some sugar for your tea?" Sit us for a "tea" party and crafts with a T-Rex! Advance registration is required for this family event.

Yoga with Stacy • (Adults, Wed. 11/20 at 5:45 p.m.) Yoga with Stacy Schmid, certified 200 RYT.

Class is 45 minutes with no registration needed. Bring a mat if you have one, water, and other yoga props you may like to use. Donations accepted for St. Jude's foundation.

\*Latin Dance Salsa/Bachata Basics (Adult, Thur. 11/21 at 6pm) Step into the library with Young Dance Inc. for free beginner friendly intro lessons in 2 popular dances, Salsa and Bachata. Doors open at 5:45 p.m. and lessons start at 6-6:45 p.m. Registration is required.

\* Stone Conservation with John Heider (Adult, Sat. 11/23 at 10 a.m.) Learn about saving pieces of history through tombstone conservation with John Heider.



Welcome to my little corner of culinary delights. Utilizing space and time as well as materials is important in emergency situations. In a crisis, every minute can make a difference. The campfire can be utilized in several ways. Some may call it "multi-tasking." I call it "being efficient."

Charcoal cloth comes in very useful in starting a campfire. Here is how it works. Place a piece for flint rock against the fabric and strike the stone with a piece of iron to cause a spark. It generally does not take more than two strikes to get results.

Wrap it in with kindling material such as dry pine needles or newspaper. Blow or fan it. A flame should burst forth. Now you can begin building your campfire. And so, what has this got to do with multi-tasking a campfire?

While cooking with your campfire, you could be making charcoal cloth. This is how to do it. Get some scrapes of heavy cloth such as denim, duck cloth, etc. Cut two inch squares out of them. Can be any size you feel is convenient. Place a stack of these squares into an enclosed metal can that has one small venthole.

A perfect can for this would be an old tobacco can that held loose tobacco. Might not find any outside of an antique store. About everything I have seen as a kid is now considered an antique. Just find something comparable with a tight-fitting lid.

Place the can, with the squares in it, directly on the fire. Smoke should



and fumes cease, it should be done. Once it cools down, carefully remove the cloth patches which are now carbon patches and store them where they will remain dry.

Charcoal is pure carbon made from wood. Coke is a close cousin to charcoal but it is made from coal. The whole purpose in having charcoal or coke added to a conventional fire is for its long-lasting intense heat properties. You should get a bang out of knowing that powdered charcoal is one of the three ingredients that makes up gunpower. I shall now explain the process and how all this works.

The fumes that come out of the venthole while making charcoal or coke are most volatile. If not forced out of the wood or coal, those substances would burn quickly with less heat. Thus, the heat of the fire would not be as great. As one can see from this analysis, charcoal and coke require an established fire as its primer for burning.

Once the charcoal or coke is sufficiently heated, it begins its slow burning process emitting intense heat as a result. It is for this reason that the wood for making charcoal and the coal for making coke must be heated in an oxygen free atmosphere. I will give the details on making charcoal in a later article.

Until next time, peace to



Courtesy of Edvydas Cicenas

Scouting America Life Scout Patrick Morge works with an American Eagle Patrol of Arrow of Light Cub Scouts. He is teaching them about how a campground should be set up for best use by scouts.

# Scouts host campout at Black Locust

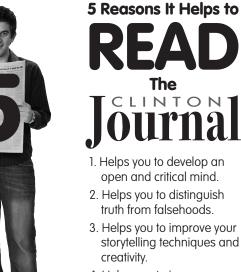
America Boys' Troop 1142, Girls' Troop 7142 and Cub Scout Pack 4142 held a More than 100 Scouts,

CLINTON — Scouting weekend, filling the Black there during the outing. Locust campground at Weldon Springs State park.

The Scouts had time to interact with the younger Cubs, working with a joint campout this past leaders and parents were group of Arrow Of Light

Scouts (those in fifth grade and heading for the older scout group when they reach sixth grade.)

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# Halloween costume contest and hayride at Weldon Springs

Featured are some scenes from the annual Halloween costume contest and hayride event at Weldon Springs State Recreation Area.



Event photos courtesy of Edvydas Cicenas Some of the entries for the middle-age group.







Winners of the youngest group of costumed kids.



Scout Joey Retzer, of Troop 1142, serves chili as part of the evening festivities. Members of Troops 1142, 7142 and Pack 4142 helped with the event as they have for the past five years.

Winner of the family group.



The evening fire near the hay rides proved to be a popular spot to keep warm as riders waited for the hay wagons to take them around the park.

# Groups push for more oversight of carbon sequestration projects

# Greg Bishop

The Center Square

SPRINFIELD – The carbon capture industry lacks significant transparency with billions of tax dollars at stake, according to groups urging U.S. Congress for more oversight.

After a series of leaks of carbon capture wells at an ADM plant in Decatur, Illinois, the company voluntarily halted operations. The issue has heightened concerns about negative impacts such leaks have on aquifers and the environment.

Eco-Justice Collaborative During a recent briefing to congressional staffers, Pam Richart from Eco-Justice Collaborative in Champaign questioned why a halt to operations at ADM wasn't ordered by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. She also said ADM knew of leaks while the company was negotiating carbon sequestration issues with the city of Decatur and state legislators earlier this year.

"ADM knew their well was leaking. They said nothing," Richart said. "Nothing to Decatur. Nothing to the negotiating team. Nothing to the legislators."

A spokesperson for ADM said in a statement to The Center Square Friday that the company plays a "critical role in the advancement and evolution of this technology."

"We routinely reported to U.S. EPA the intermittent monitoring issues for VW#2, including the discovery of corrosion on the tubing and action to plug the well in late 2023 according to our permit," the statement said. "The independent test results received in late July 2024 confirming the CO2 migration into the Ironton Galesville were also promptly reported to U.S. EPA. "

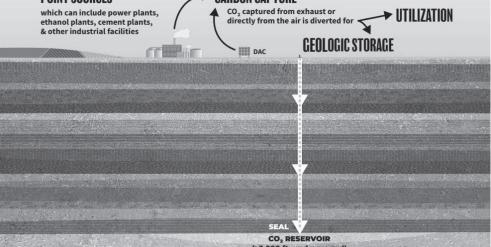
ADM contends the leaks posed no threat to the surface or groundwater, nor to public health.

"It is for those reasons that additional notifications were not made," the statement said. "Recognizing the interest in this matter, we have added updates to our webpage (www.adm.com/ ccs) so that anyone can be kept up to date.":

Paul Blackburn with Bold Alliance spelled out the billions of tax credits companies can get from the federal government for



FIGURE 1. Carbon capture, utilization, and storage (CCUS) refers to a set of technologies that remove carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) from the emissions of point sources or the atmosphere, and compress gas to a liquid and either transport it or inject it deep beneath the earth's surface and monitor sites to verify safe and secure storage operations. Carbon dioxide can also be transformed by utilizing it in industrial processes. POINT SOURCES which can include newwor plants CARBON CAPTURE which can include newwor plants CO, cantured from exhaust or UTILIZATION



Prairie Research Institute, University of Illinois

A graphic from a Prairie Research Institute report on carbon capture and storage.

carbon storage, but storage must be secure.

"If the storage is not secure then the 45Q tax credit is based on inadequate security standards for the CO2 that's being put into the ground," Blackburn said.

The Office of Congressional Research

reported in an August 2023 document the actual taxpayer cost of the tax credit for carbon storage operations over time isn't clear because of uncertainty about future carbon capture sequestration development. But the estimated amount is increasing exponentially. "In December 2022, the Joint Committee on Taxation estimated that Section 45Q-associated tax expenditures would be less than \$50 million per year ... through 2026, or about \$0.2 billion over the 2022-2026 five-year period," the document said. "The Department of the Treasury's March 2022 tax expenditure estimates for Section 45Q were \$2.4 billion for the 2022-2026 five-year period and \$30.3 billion from 2022 to 2032, suggesting an expected increase in tax credit claims in later years."

With recent leaks at ADM and concerns elsewhere throughout the country, Food and Water Watch Policy Director Jim Walsh said it's clear the technology is not ready and more needs to be done by the U.S. Congress and the EPA.

"And ensure that the IRS is properly monitoring billions in dollars in tax credits that the industry is working to exploit," Walsh said. "And this really raises serious questions about whether the inspector general should look into numerous questions raised by these leaks, such as why the public was not notified of leaks in Illinois, what the EPA knew when and why it took so long for the EPA to issue a notice of violation."



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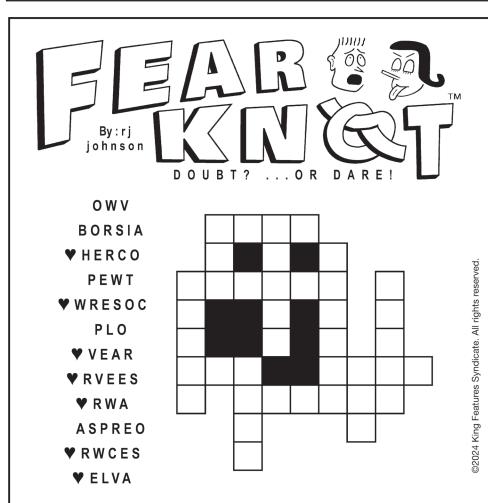
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### ian Gunnell

One thing that makes South's 9-count not so good is the square shape (3-3-3-4), you can almost subtract a HCP for that alone. Does this make South's hand a "bad 9"? No, not at all, look at that awesome array of intermediate cards! All those lovely Tens may not count for anything on the 4-3-2-1 HCP scale but they certainly count for something in the play of the hand, especially in No Trump contracts. So, South disregards the dismal distribution and, rejoicing in those splendid Tens, goes directly to 3NT.

Declarer has a minimum 1NT opening (and would have declined a game invitation) but, even so, 3NT is a fine contract. The black Tens protect Declarer against the enemy suits and the red Tens help Declarer to build tricks in his own suits. It will be 10 tricks on most lines of play, but check out what happens if all of South's Tens are swapped with East's lowest spot card in each suit. Now it's hard to see how Declarer can scrape up more than 7 tricks! Here's to those Tens, the most underrated cards in the deck!

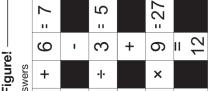
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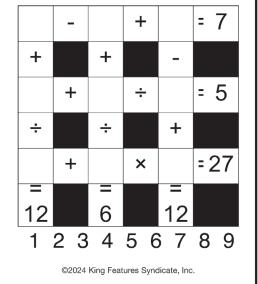
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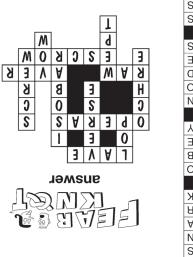
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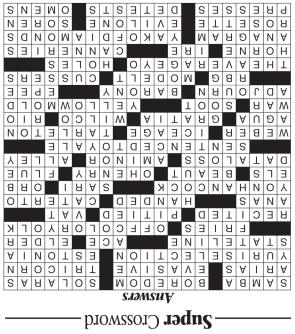
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### LEGAL

STATE OF ILLI-NOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF DE-WITT IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ERMA BRAY, Deceased No: 2024PR12 **CLAIM NOTICE** NOTICE is hereby given to you of the death of ERMA BRAY, who died on December 5, 2023. At the time of her death, Erma Bray was a resident of Clinton, DeWitt County, Illinois. Letters of office were issued on March 15, 2024, to David Wilson, independent executor, whose address is 4303 Boat Club Rd., Lake Worth, Texas 76135 and C#. Experience can be gained from and whose attor-

free. Must run within PUBLICATION DATES: Oct. 25, Nov. 1, Nov. 8, 2024

> Purkes Stephanie L. Purkes, his attorney Stephanie L. Purkes, 6271282 Purkes Law, P.C. 204 E. Side Sq. Clinton, Illinois 61727 PH: (217) 935-0041 info@scolesatlaw. com

By: /s/ Stephanie L.

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### LEGAL

STATE OF ILLI-NOIS IN THE CIR-CUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JU-DICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF DE-WITT Estate of: David E. Benson Deceased. CASE NO. 2024-PR-42 NOTICE BY PUBLI-CATION OF CLAIM DATE Notice is given to the creditors of the death of David E. Benson, of 8780 Wagon Trail Rd., Clinton, Illinois 61727. Letters of Office were issued on October 10, 2024, to Amy Dietz, Independent Executor, 700 N. Cain St., Apt. 109, Clinton, Illinois 61727, whose attorney is Kevin Hammer, 219 E. Main Street, Clinton, Illinois 61727. The estate will be administered without court super-

is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the representative and to the representative's attorney within ten davs after it has been filed. Dated this 17th day of October, 2024. Kevin Hammer Attorney for the Estate of David E. Benson 219 East Main Street Clinton, IL 61727 217/935-7063

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# LEGAL

Assumed Name **Publication Notice** Public Notice is hereby given that

on Friday, October 18, 2024, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of DeWitt County, Illinois, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all of the persons owning, conducting, and transacting the business known as:

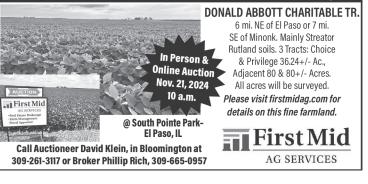
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ney is Stephanie L. Purkes, Purkes Law, P.C., 204 East Side Square, Clinton, Illinois, phone 309.935.0041. Claims may be filed on or before March 6, 2026. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Claims may be filed in the office of the Clerk of this Court at the Law Office of Stephanie L. Scoles, P.C., or claims may be filed with the PERSON-AL REPRESEN-TITIVE, or both. If filed with the Clerk, claimant must within 10 days mail or deliver a copy of the claim to the PER-SONAL REPRE-SENTATIVE and to his attorney and file with the Circuit Clerk, proof of such mailing or delivery.

vision unless under Section 28-4 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/28-4) any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the clerk. Claims against the Estate must be filed in the office of the Clerk of De-Witt County Circuit Court, DeWitt County Courthouse, 201 W. Washington St., Clinton, Illinois 61727, or with the representative, or both, on or before April 25, 2025, or, if mailing or delivery of a Notice from the representative is required by Section 18-3 of the Probate Act, the date stated in the Notice. Any claim not filed on or before that date

### LEGAL

### NOTICE OF SURPLUS PROPERTY SALE

Please take notice that the Village of Wapella, Illinois has authorized the sale of the following described property. The Village Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids. The minimum bid is \$3,000.00. The property is currently used and zoned for Industrial use and may be used for uses permitted in the Industrial District. The approximate size of the property is 0.11 acres. Interested parties must submit sealed bids to the Village Clerk in person or at PO Box 148 Wapella, IL 61777 on or before 4:30 p.m. Monday, December 16, 2024. The envelope containing the bid must be clearly marked Sealed Bid. Bids will be opened at the December 18, 2024, meeting of the Village Board. The sale shall be a cash sale pursuant to the terms of a real estate contract prepared by the Village. The property is being sold as is. Closing costs to be paid by the Buyer.

That part of Lot 8 of the Walnut Circle Addition to the Village of Wapella, as shown on Plat recorded in Book "M" on pag 145, as Document Number 215539 on May 25, 2026, in the DeWitt County Recorder's Office, DeWitt County, Illinois more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at an existing iron pin marking the Northwest corner of Lot 4 in said Walnut Circle Addition; thence S.0°28'08"W.-112.16 feet along the West line of said Lot 4 to an existing iron pin recorded as being 70.00 feet North of the South line of said Lot 8; thence N.89°32'37"W.-365.29 feet to an exiting iron pin on the Easterly right of way line of F.A.P. Route 412 (U.S. Route 51); thence along said Easterly right of way line along a curve to the left having a radius of 3571.89 feet and a chord that bears N.45°53'46"W. for a chord distance of 14.50 feet to an iron pin set; thence S.89°32'37"E.365.79 feet to an iron pin set; thence N.0°28'08"E.-114.16 feet to an iron pin set; thence S.38°31'20"E.-10.00 feet to the pint of beginning, containing 0.11 acre, more or less.

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# LEGAL

STATE OF IL-LINOIS IN THE **CIRCUIT COURT** OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DEWITT COUNTY -IN PROBATE IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE

**STEPHEN W. EV-**ANS, Deceased.

OF

2024PR39

# **CLAIM NOTICE**

Notice is given of the death of STE-PHEN W. EVANS of De Witt County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on October 7, 2024. to CANDI EVANS, of 306.5 N. Vine St. Heyworth, IL 61770, who is represented by Richard T. Marvel of Marvel Law, P.C., 221 East Front Street, Bloomington, IL 61701.

Claims may be filed on or before May 1, 2025, which is not less than six months from the first date of publication of this notice. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Claims may be filed in the office of the Clerk of this Court at the Mc-Lean County Court House, 104 W. Front Street, Bloomington, IL 61701, or with the personal representative or both. If filed with the

Clerk, the claimant must within 10 days, mail or deliver a copy of the claim to the personal representative and to his attorney and file with the Clerk proof of such mailing or delivery.

Dated: October 24, 2024

# How to prepare your car for winter

(METRO) - Summer and fall can stake their claim as road trip season, and even devoted drivers may admit that winter is generally a less desirable time to take to the open road. The elements factor heavily into that reputation, as fewer hours of daylight, snow and ice are just some of the variables that can make it less enjoyable, and potentially more dangerous, to drive in winter.

In anticipation of adverse driving conditions, vehicle owners can take various steps to prepare their cars and trucks for winter.

• Upgrade your wiper blades. Perhaps nothing is compromised more than visibility when driving in winter compared to other times of year. Snow makes it hard to see when driving, but fewer hours of daylight also can affect visibility. In fact, the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety reports that approximately half of all fatal crashes occur between 6 p.m. and 6 a.m., even though the number of drivers on the road during those hours is considerably lower than it is during the daytime. The difficulty of driving at night is even more significant when wiper blades are not up



rain and snow off drivers' windshields. Prior to winter, inspect wiper blades and upgrade them, if necessary. Streaks left on a windshield are a telltale sign that blades need to be replaced.

Purchase winter tires. Winter tires may not be necessary in regions with relatively mild winters. However, drivers accustomed to winters marked by heavy snowfall and/or icy roads should consider replacing their existing tires with winter tires. Many newer vehicles are now equipped with all-season tires, which the tire experts at Bridgestone note provide great performance but are not designed to handle extreme winter

conditions like snow and ice. Winter tires are specially designed to handle such conditions, making them a worthy investment for drivers who live in regions where it's not unusual to encounter snow and ice throughout the winter.

engine oil. Some vehicle manufacturers recommend different grades of oil depending on the range of temperatures a car or truck will be driven in. The owner's manual indicate likely will if the manufacturer recommends using a mercury drops. different type of engine oil in especially cold temperatures. Even if the manual does not include such a suggestion, drivers can seek the advice of a

local mechanic.

• Schedule a pre-winter tuneup. Even if a vehicle is not due for a tuneup, it can be wise to have it looked over by a local mechanic before the arrival of harsh winter weather. A mechanic can check the radiator, hoses • Study up on your and other components that could be affected especially bv cold weather in the months to come. If any issues are found, address them immediately. After all, it's better to be proactive than leave yourself vulnerable to breakdowns or other issues once the

> As fall gives way to winter, drivers can take steps to keep their cars running strong and safe in the months ahead.

# How to prepare for winter storms

(METRO) - Winter arrives with fanfare as Christmas, Chanukah and New Year's Eve all take place within days of the first day of the season. Parties and shopping may



lanterns instead.

• If it's very cold outside, move refrigerated and frozen items outdoors so they do not spoil in an unpowered refrigerator.

• Do not use gas stoves charcoal grills or other open-flame heat sources for warmth indoors. Carbon monoxide gas can build up inside and prove deadly. Follow the manufacturer's instructions when using a backup generator for power. • Stock up on gasoline for vehicles and to power gas-driven generators. • Use power company websites and apps to report outages and stay apprised of restoration status. • Be cautious of downed power lines in the area when driving or walking. Winter storms can be beautiful but dangerous without ample preparation.

emergency

supplies of bottled water.

If you forget this, fill the

bathtub up with fresh

water. Extra water will be

needed for toilet flushing

if yours is a septic system.

• Have warm blankets

on hand and sleeping

bags for each person in

• Unplug all electronic

devices if the power goes

out to protect against a

surge and damage when

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• Exercise

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By: Marvel Law, P.C., their Attorney

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distract people from the weather around them, but after resolutions are made and the decorations are packed away, it's not long before it's time to confront winter's wrath.

Storms are commonplace in January and February in many parts of the world, and even March storms are not unheard of. Knowing how to prepare for storms can keep people safer and prevent home damage. If a storm is forecasted, follow these guidelines.

• Charge a mobile phone other electronic and devices to full battery in advance of the storm in case power goes out.

• Stock the home with extra batteries for flashlights and battery-

powered devices, such as store. a portable radio. • Keep

• Invest in a car charger to charge devices if the power is out for some time.

a supply Keep of canned or boxed nonperishable items, as well as convenience foods that do not need to be cooked, like granola bars.

• Periodically check to ensure that the first aid kit is stocked with items that have not expired.

• Refill medications so the power is restored. that they are on hand in the event weather makes when burning candles, it challenging to get to the opting for flashlights and

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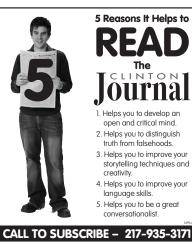
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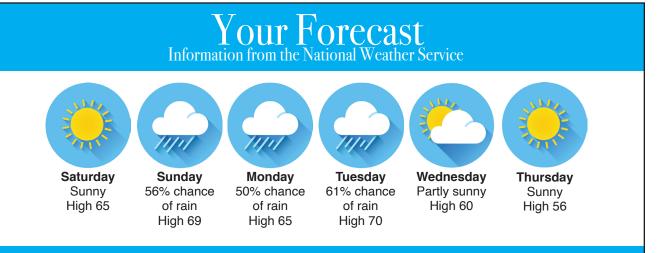
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### November 2

Normal temperatures across central Illinois decrease significantly during the month, but are still fairly mild early on. Normal highs at the beginning of the month are in the upper 50s, with lows in the upper 30s. By the end of the month, highs in the mid 40s and lows in the mid 20s are more common.

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