



What is this discount of which you speak?

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I dug this out of the *Wise and Otherwise* archives. Hope you enjoy!

Have you ever had an innocuous question tossed at you out of the blue that just leaves you stammering? Of course, I sometimes get stumped when people ask my name and address. The mind just goes blank, but this is a little different—I was not sure how to respond appropriately.

In line at the grocery store, my items were scanned and bagged when the very young (aren't there child labor laws around here?) check-out girl asked me if I wanted the Senior Citizens discount.

I did one of those look around things first as if she must be talking to someone else. Nope, she is looking right at me, so I did my usual stuttering and stammering gibberish before going to my last resort when I am uncomfortable or confounded—maniacal laughter.

I asked her, "How old do you think I am?" which was stupid because she obviously thought I'm old enough for the discount.

"Is it the gray hair?" I asked still laughing like a hyena which I'm sure made the check-out girl, who was probably 20 after all, but kids these days look so young, think, "You are not just old but crazy."

I continued my fun banter about age which probably did offend the lady two carts back who was at least 117.

I'm doing all this because I panic, thinking do I look 65? 60? 55? Amazingly enough, as we age I don't think I look that age at all. Other people do, but not me! Just kidding, so now I am holding up the line of the rest of us old fogies trying to understand this inquiry which had thrown me for a loop when I saw the sign—"Senior Citizen Discount 50 and over."

I suddenly felt better about her question, but worse about my reaction. So, to make matters worse, I then go on to explain that I'll be 50 in 10 months.

Oh, and I apologized, but I was still chortling as she started helping me put things in the cart.

I'm sure if she'd had a panic button she would have pressed it by now, so she thought get the loony bird out of my line, 49 or not!

I wasn't mad or offended, and I did find the episode amusing. I think "dumb-founded" is the word I'm searching for. I certainly was found to be dumb, I'm positive.

Thank goodness, she did not ask for my name and address so she could put a tag on me, call my relatives to come save me as I'd escaped. I'm sure I could not have come up with that either.

That's what happens when you get to be my age, I guess.

Now I'm just bummed that I did not get my discount and saved that 96 cents—10 more months and I'll be back, you young whippersnapper.

Zion News

By BJ HALE
Zion Correspondent

The Thought for the Day: "We don't need all the answers, just trust the one who does."

Another rainy Sunday, and we still don't have a minister. Everyone keep praying.

Rev. Leroy Allison was our fill-in minister today, and he did a great job. The title of his message was "Everybody Has Somebody." And he brought his wife and daughter with him. His wife is very enjoyable to be around, and his daughter is the same way.

Patty Heit was not in church today because this was her annual "Daughters Weekend for Christmas Shopping."

George and Brian Dukeman are at the assisted living center and are going to stay there through the winter months.

We sure miss J.B. and Jean White. Hope they will feel like coming back to church soon.

Hope Larry Drake gets better real soon; we miss him.

Marleene is doing so good, and Arnold is really happy. Keep up the good work.

I saw a picture of Ryker. He is so cute; no wonder Rod and Carol are so happy.

How many heard "Amazing Grace" this morning. Thank you, Ramona. Everything was beautiful.

Does anyone use one-cent stamps. If so, please call 543-2535.

Now for Poinsettias. Please call 543-2535 and order one and pay \$12.00. Thank you and say who it is in memory of.

Articles,
Photos for
Nov. 22 issue
due on
Nov. 16.

Now for our prayer list: Kara Kuhns is very ill and needs our prayers; also Marleene Schultz, Dawn Paulson, Larry Drake, George Dukeman, Karen Korte's mom and dad, Karen Butterick, Bobby Bright, Roger Harris, Marvin Helmuth, Bob Mauck, John Jeyureusen, Della Mae Frohm;

Becky Ponder, Janet Sawyer, Blanche Bishop, Melissa Kamm, Sue Balz, Summer's Grandpa Brian Dailey, Dale and Martha Quick, Bert Mackentoch, Rose Lundquist, Linda Beaman, Glen and Margaret Weaver's grandson, Andrew and Stephanie;

Melba Von Lancken, Elmer Stanford, Mike Rutledge, Ann Miller, Mary Fern Carlyle, David Walker, Dick Walters, Shirley Bowmer, Becky Pound, and Clifford Herschberger.

Believe me, prayers help more than anything.

Next Sunday, November 19, the special music is Lonnie Conner, and our sermon will be "A Sermon in Song."

Atwood-Hammond Association of Churches will have Thanksgiving Service at 3 p.m. at Lake Fork UCC in Atwood.

We will have a special "Hanging of the Greens" on Sunday, November 26, with a short worship service. Everyone helps decorate the church for the Advent season. We will have a potluck lunch.

Birthdays: JB White, Nov. 12; Maxine Jurgens, Nov. 14; Jude Grant, Nov. 18; Gary Hendrickson, Nov. 25; Crystal Willoughby, Nov. 29; Donna Beauchamp, Nov. 29.

Anniversaries: David and Marcia Hackett, Nov. 20.

Don't forget to bring hats and mittens to hang on the "tree" to help local school children in need of them.

If you would like to help decorate our church for the upcoming Advent season, please consider purchasing a Poinsettia. See BJ Hale about ordering one. Cost is the same as previous years, \$12.00.

Piatt

(Editor's note: The following is a report of the traffic tickets, criminal charges, and law and divorce cases filed within the past week at the office of the Piatt County Circuit Clerk in the Courthouse, Monticello.)

Tickets and cases covered were issued to or filed against residents of Douglas, Moultrie, and Piatt counties and towns within the circulation area of this newspaper.

Real estate transactions listed below were filed in the office of the Piatt County Clerk during the same weekly period.)

Traffic Tickets

Douglas J. Swinger, 49, of Champaign was ticketed October 23 for driving under the influence of alcohol. Ticket was filed November 3.

John R. Setoff, 67, of Champaign was ticketed November 4 for driving under the influence of alcohol. Ticket was filed November 4.

Michal L. Rice, 55, of Monticello was ticketed November 3 for driving under the influence of alcohol. Ticket was filed November 7.

Peggy Lynn Grant, 51, of Cement was ticketed November 1 for speeding 11 to 14 miles per hour over the speed limit. Ticket was filed November 3.

Alexandra L. Calf, 26, of Weldon was ticketed November 2 for speeding 15 to 20 miles per hour over the speed limit. Ticket was filed November 3.

Robert L. Pachuca, 55, of Champaign was ticketed October 30 for speeding 21 to 25 miles per hour over the speed limit. Ticket was filed November 3.

Tanisha L. Reynolds, 29, of Waukegan was ticketed October 30 for speeding 21 to 25 miles per hour over the speed limit. Ticket was filed November 3.

Colin B. Shonkwiler, 20, of Bement was ticketed October 31 for speeding 15 to 20 miles per hour over the speed limit. Ticket was filed November 3.

Christopher N. Smith, 40, of Decatur was ticketed October 31 for speeding 15 to 20 miles per hour over the speed limit. Ticket was filed November 3.

Christopher S. Staggs, 46, of Kansas was ticketed October 31 for speeding 15 to 20 miles per hour over the speed limit. Ticket was filed November 3.

Sarah H. Walters, 22, of Decatur was ticketed October 31 for speeding 15 to 20 miles per hour over the speed limit. Ticket was filed November 3.

Alexandria P. Welch, 21, of Decatur was ticketed October 31 for speeding 21 to 25 miles per hour over the speed limit and operating a motor vehicle with no valid driver's license (does not have a driver's license). Tickets were filed November 3.

Octavius R. Howse, 32, of Decatur was ticketed November 2 for driving while license is suspended and speeding 15 to 20 miles per hour over the speed limit. Tickets were filed November 3.

Tyler J. Will, 32, of Hidalgo was ticketed November 1 for seeding 15 to 20 miles per hour over the speed limit. Ticket was filed November 3.

Douglas J. Swinger, 49, of Champaign was ticketed October 23 for driving while license is revoked, operating an uninsured motor vehicle, following too closely, failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident, and leaving the scene of accident without notifying authorities. Tickets were filed November 3.

Kala J. Chaney, 27, of Cerro Gordo was ticketed November 5 for operating an uninsured motor vehicle. Ticket was filed November 6.

Paula M. Hill, 66, of Saint Joseph was ticketed

November 3 for speeding 15 to 20 miles per hour over the speed limit. Ticket was filed November 6.

Tyler K. Risinger, 28, of Monticello was ticketed November 4 for speeding 15 to 20 miles per hour over the speed limit. Ticket was filed November 6.

H. Jane Sebens, 77, of Farmer City was ticketed November 3 for speeding 15 to 20 miles per hour over the speed limit. Ticket was filed November 6.

Rachel K. Voss, 27, of Monticello was ticketed November 4 for speeding 15 to 20 miles per hour over the speed limit. Ticket was filed November 6.

Michal L. Rice, 55, of Monticello was ticketed November 3 for improper lane usage. Ticket was filed November 7.

Dakota J. Gutierrez, 20, of Bement was ticketed November 3 for operating an uninsured motor vehicle and driving while registration is expired. Tickets were filed November 7.

Nathan P. Devine, 23, of DeWitt was ticketed November 7 for speeding 15 to 20 miles per hour over the speed limit. Ticket was filed November 7.

Reginald Hilton, 50, of Buffalo, New York, was ticketed November 6 for speeding 21 to 25 miles per hour over the speed limit. Ticket was filed November 7.

Thomas P. Kidd, 51, of Bethany was ticketed November 6 for speeding 15 to 20 miles per hour over the speed limit. Ticket was filed November 7.

Emily R. Stinson, 31, of Maroa was ticketed November 6 for speeding 15 to 20 miles per hour over the speed limit. Ticket was filed November 7.

Cory J. A. Thurber, 25, of Sadorus was ticketed November 6 for speeding 15-20 miles per hour over the speed limit.

Susan B. Ashby, 65, of Bement was ticketed November 7 for driving on the wrong side of the road. Ticket was filed May 9.

Dennis R. Burdine, 44, of Decatur was ticketed November 7 for speeding 15 to 20 miles per hour over the speed limit. Ticket was filed November 8.

Kelli A. Daugherty, 39, of Tolono was ticketed November 7 for speeding 21 to 25 miles per hour over the speed limit. Ticket was filed November 8.

Sheri M. Savage, 34, of Decatur was ticketed November 7 for speeding 21 to 25 miles per hour over the speed limit. Ticket was filed November 8.

Criminal Petitions
Ronald E. McDade Jr., 29, of Monticello has been charged with manufacturing or delivery of cocaine (15 to 100 grams), a Class X felony on or about November 2; and manufacturing or delivery of

cocaine (less than 15 grams), a Class One felony; manufacturing or delivery of cocaine (15 to 100 grams of cocaine), a Class X felony; and manufacturing or delivery of cannabis (30 to 500 grams), a Class 3 misdemeanor. Charges were filed November 6.

Blake T. Champion, 21, of Monticello has been charged with manufacturing or delivery of cocaine (15 to 100 grams), a Class X felony, and manufacturing or delivery of cannabis (30 to 500 grams), a Class 3 felony, on November 2. Charges were filed November 6.

Law Petitions
Cathy and Rick Colbert of Mansfield filed a complaint in forcible entry and detainer against Amy Carson of Monticello. The Colberts seek judgment against Carson for possession of the property and money owed. Complaint was filed November 7.

Marriage Licenses

A marriage license was issued November 3 to John Thomas Harvey of Oakley and Tina Louise Nuckols of Atwood.

A marriage license was issued November 6 to Scott Lewis Gisinger and Frances Elaine Scherlitz, both of Camden, Missouri.

A marriage license was issued November 7 to Chad Thomas Huff and Christina Lynn Roe, both of Mansfield.

A marriage license was issued November 8 to Alec Parker Bean of Monticello and Rachel Elizabeth Norton of Mahomet.

Real Estate

Theresa L. Blaylock and Scott A. Stephenson granted Holly E. Bledsoe and Joshua R. Bledsoe a warranty deed for Lot 80 of Ridge View Second Addition, Monticello.

Holly E. Bledsoe and Joshua R. Bledsoe granted First State Bank a mortgage for Lot 80 of Ridge View Second Addition, Monticello.

Trudy K. Maden granted Danielle G. Maden a warranty deed for an undivided half interest in 18-19-6 and 36-19-5.

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Amy M. Cherry and Jody E. Cherry granted Hickory Point Bank and Trust a mortgage for Lot 4 of Joel's Arbours Second Subdivision, White Heath.

Steven L. Thompson granted Hillary R. Bragg a warranty deed for Lot 3 and part of Lot 2 in Block "N" of Reas Addition, Bement.

Hillary R. Bragg granted Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Incorporated and Primelending a mortgage for Lot 3 and part of Lot 2 in Block "N" of Reas Addition, Bement.

Georgetta Jean Henry and Cathy L. Traxler, attorney Living Trust Dated 12-14-

2010, and Mary D. Herschberger Living Trust Dated 12-14-2010 a warranty deed in trust for a parcel in NE 18-14-7.

State Bank of Arthur, trustee, granted Hersch Farms Incorporated a trustee's deed for a parcel in NE 9-14-7.

Bobbie Jo Hatfield, also known as Bobbie J. Hatfield, granted JP Morgan Chase Bank a modification of mortgage for a parcel in SE 18-15-10 (661 North County Road 1850 East, Camargo).

Jamie Lee Howard and Alicia Howard granted First State Bank Tuscola a mortgage for a parcel in Block 11 of the Original Town, Atwood (208 North Iowa Street, Atwood).

Thomas Madden and Ashley Root granted Longview Bank a mortgage for Lot 6 in Block 12 of the

Original Town Tuscola (101 East Overton, Tuscola).

Leslie J. Amoth and Dorris J. Amoth, co-trustees of Leslie J. Amoth Family Trust Dated 5-8-2002, granted Gregory A. Wenger and Julie K. Wenger a trustee's deed for a parcel in SE 8-15-7 (164 East County Road 700 North, Garrett Township).

Janette Bhatt granted Jeffrey Butler and Alena Jones a warranty deed for Lot 6 in Block 1 of Johnston's Second Addition, Villa Grove (207 South Spruce Street, Villa Grove).

First Mid-Illinois Bank and Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Incorporated granted Andrew D. Duncan and Stephanie M. Duncan satisfaction of mortgage for a parcel in SW 32-15-8 (720 East County Road 300 North, Arcola).

ney in fact, granted Brandy L. Ballinger and Cody S. Ballinger a warranty deed for Lots 9, 10, 11, and 12 and part of Lot 13 in Block 27, LaPlace.

JP Morgan Chase Bank granted Jennifer M. Wiggins and Matthew A. Wiggins a warranty deed for Lot 3 and part of Lot 2 in Block 1 of Dallas Addition, Cisco.

Amy Chestnut and Christopher L. Chestnut granted Embrace Home Loans and Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Incorporated a mortgage for Lot 25 of Lone Beech I Addition, Monticello.

Morton Community Bank and State Bank of Arthur, trustees of Trust No. 473, granted Charles G. Wenger and Patricia R. Wenger a trustee's deed for part of SE 25-16-6.

Charles G. Wenger and Patricia R. Wenger granted First National Bank of Nokomis a mortgage for part of SE 25-16-6.

Christina J. Sutton and Christina J. Warren granted Laura A. Chaplin and Ronald L. Chaplin a mortgage for Lots 11 and 14 in Block 13, LaPlace.

Christina J. Sutton and Christina J. Warren granted Soy Capital Bank and Trust Company a warranty deed for Lots 11 and 14 in Block 13, LaPlace.

Gaye Carter and Michael Carter granted Bret Pourchot a warranty deed for Lot 8 in Block "C" of Reas Addition, Bement.

Constance Gyorr and John A. Gyorr Jr. granted First State Bank a mortgage for a parcel in NE 34-16-5, Hammond.

Ann S. Gramlich granted First State Bank a mortgage for Lots 3 and 4 in Block 12 of Keenan's Addition, Monticello.

Bruce Kirkland granted William Kirkland a quit claim deed for a parcel in NW 21-19-6, Monticello.

Rex H. Kallembach Jr., executor of Rex H. Kallembach Sr. Estate, granted Kendra L. Barbee and Shane T. Barbee an executor's deed for Lot 54 of Ridge View First Addition, Monticello.

Kendra L. Barbee and Shane T. Barbee granted Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Incorporated and Primelending a mortgage for Lot 54 of Ridge View First Addition, Monticello.

Monticello Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses granted Rusty D. Hall a warranty deed for part of SE NE 36-18-5, Monticello.

Rusty D. Hunt granted Illinois National Bank a mortgage for part of SE NE 36-18-5, Monticello.

Ashley E. Swaim and Jordan M. Swaim granted First State Bank a mortgage for Lot 7 and part of Lot 8 in Block "G" of Reas Addition, Bement.

Douglas Co. Court News

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PNC Bank granted Douglas M. Pickett and Jane A. Pickett a release for Lots 11 and 12 in Block 12 of Knapp and Weatherford Addition, Tuscola (804 East Pinzon Street, Tuscola).

Judith A. Wright and Cody Coile granted University of Illinois Employees Credit Union a revolving credit mortgage for a parcel in Block 4 of Parkview Addition, Tuscola (217 Eldorado, Tuscola).

David Q. Jones and Samantha Mai Jones granted State Bank of Arthur a modification of mortgage for Lot 6 in Block 4 of ARCO Acres Second, Arcola (221 Taft Drive, Arcola).

Elva N. Herschberger and Edna Viola Herschberger granted Glen R. Herschberger and Mary D. Herschberger, Glen R. Herschberger,

er Living Trust Dated 12-14-2010, and Mary D. Herschberger Living Trust Dated 12-14-2010 a warranty deed in trust for a parcel in NE 18-14-7.

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