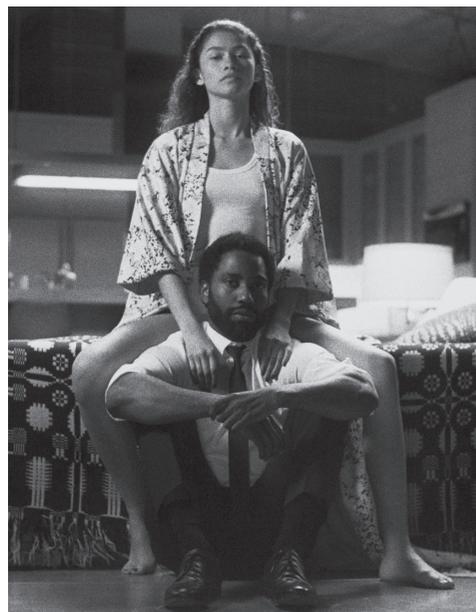




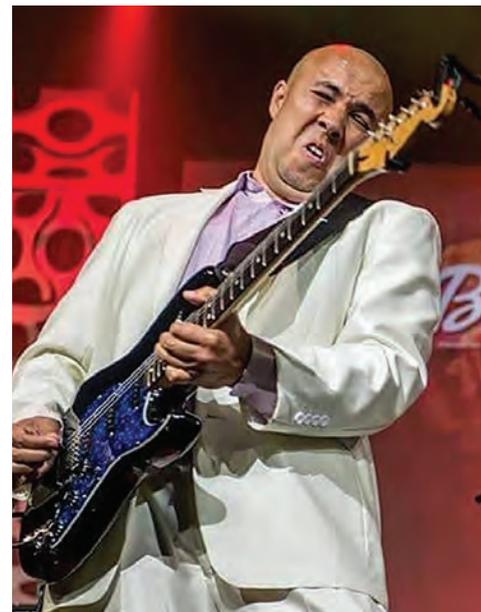
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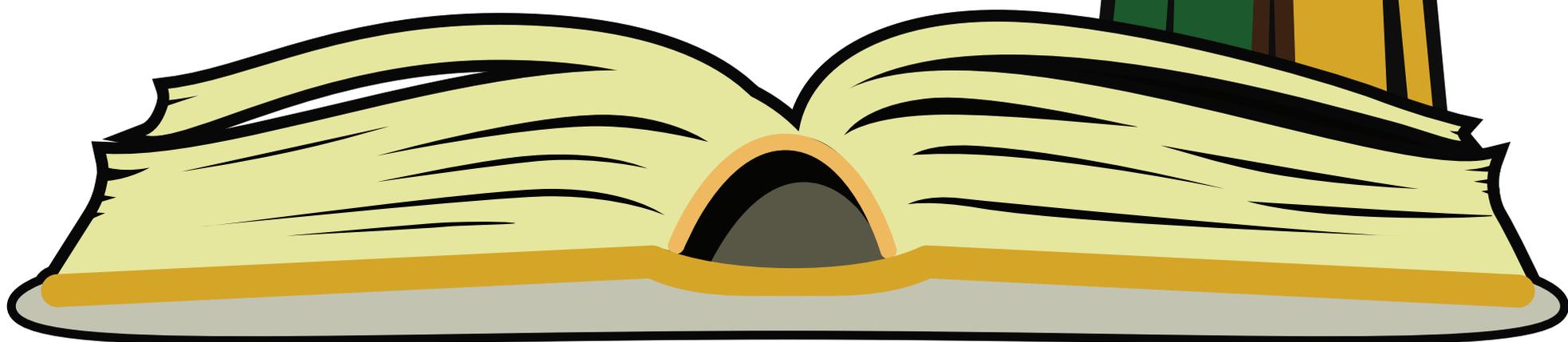
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Smile, you're on court cam

Justice in the 21st century

UPON FURTHER REVIEW | Bruce Rushton

Years ago, I wanted to see the inside of Tamms, the downstate supermax prison that closed in 2013.

The Illinois Department of Corrections said no. But Tamms had its own courtroom, where inmates accused of attacking guards were prosecuted and those who tore up bedsheets to hang themselves faced punishment for destruction of property. Open courts are sacrosanct, and so I attended a trial inside the lockup, and there was nothing prison officials could do about it except search my car when I arrived and grumble as they pawed through McDonald's wrappers and dirty socks, which they put in piles. I thanked them and said I'd appreciate it if they'd clean up the backseat, too.

While courts are public institutions, Illinois, until last spring, had dawdled in making courtrooms as accessible as they should be. You still have to fill out too many forms for permission to turn on a tape recorder. That's changed since pandemic hit, and journalists aren't the only beneficiaries.

Last week, I sipped coffee while watching McHenry County traffic court, Zoom-ified, from the comfort of my living room. That afternoon, I took in a Cook County rocket docket, listening as bail was set for folks accused of peddling drugs, possessing illegal weapons and otherwise breaking the law.

It is jolting to watch someone accused of driving without insurance hold a purported proof-of-insurance card up to a laptop, but oh well. That's not much different than what happens in person, according to James "Dan" Wallis, trial court administrator in Woodstock, where the 22nd Judicial Circuit is headquartered and folks with kids and jobs and car trouble no longer have to journey to a courthouse to take care of tickets. Lawyers who resolve matters no longer must appear before a judge to finalize orders to which there are no



objections, he adds.

"I'll call it the proverbial genie in the bottle, especially when it comes to traffic court," says Wallis, who predicts that courts won't return to normal when things return to normal.

Traffic court in Springfield still goes down largely in person — three Saturdays in March have been reserved for appearances postponed due to pandemic. That seems silly after watching what's been done elsewhere. Sangamon County Circuit Court Judge John "Mo" Madonia says that the court here has considered livestreaming major trials, but there haven't been any. Circuit Clerk Paul Palazzolo tells me that he's keeping an eye on McHenry County to see how court via Zoom is working out.

We shouldn't trust the judiciary or circuit clerks or the media to decide what's worth watching. If we treasure transparency, we should have cameras in courtrooms as a matter of course, particularly in Sangamon County, where judges sometimes conduct

public business with no notice to the public. Xuosong "Gary" Yang, a former UIS recruiter who raped a student, entered a guilty plea in 2017 without the hearing being docketed in advance, and no one I spoke with afterward, including the judge, made any apologies for this sort of by-invitation-only justice that cameras might remedy.

In December, I saw Chase Brown's face instead of the back of his head as he was sentenced to three years for fraud. At least one victim from out of state was present in the virtual courtroom of U.S. District Court Judge Richard Mills. There would seem value in that. If I'd gotten ripped off for thousands of dollars, I'd want to see the thief punished without having to travel hundreds of miles.

Mills prefers sentencing crooks in person. "Whatever good is there, is diluted by the fact that we're not eyeball-to-eyeball in a physical sense," the judge says. "There is not the aura of the courtroom. And I think that's very important, particularly in criminal cases, to be able to see the court and the judge who is passing sentence and imposing the penalty. It means so much more to the defendant and to the public, whoever is there, whether it's family or spectators. I think it is almost crucial."

Fair enough. Just because you can get married via Zoom doesn't mean it's a good idea. But cameras, welcomed at weddings, and in-person court hearings need not be mutually exclusive.

Cameras bring convenience along with transparency. Timothy Eaton, a Chicago lawyer who chairs a state Supreme Court task force on court operations during the pandemic, sees no reason for small-claims litigants to travel to courthouses. Jury selection, Eaton says, could be done remotely so that would-be jurors could answer questions via laptops or phones instead of spending hours in waiting rooms watching bad TV, and that might reduce the number of folks who duck jury duty. In Lake County, he says, civil bench trials are being conducted remotely.

"Everything we can do to keep people from having to go to the courthouse is encouraged," Eaton says. Like Wallis, he predicts some changes will become permanent.

"It was going to happen eventually, Eaton says. "Now, we've seen it happen. We've seen it work out of necessity." □

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People don't like being trickled on

GUESTWORK | Stephen M. Soltys, M.D.

We need to acknowledge the role of economic inequality in creating an environment where many citizens doubt if our democratic institutions are concerned about their plight.

While America has always had problems with elites trying to control wealth and resources, there have been efforts to counter this.

Unions formed to keep workers from being exploited, while legislators developed antitrust laws to keep monopolies from conspiring to suppress competition and laws to combat racism that gave minorities more opportunity to succeed.

Since the economic crisis of 2008, many Americans feel they live in a system where the opportunity only belongs to the few.

The Economic Policy Institute notes that since 2009 average annual wage growth for nominal wage jobs has been less than 4%, and often less than 2%. The annual inflation rate has been about 1.74%. So, adjusted for inflation, wages have been essentially flat.

The same is not true for Wall Street. Corporate income since 2009 has been higher than for most of the time from 1980 to 2008.

In such an environment of economic inequality, resentment and anger can arise. Opportunistic individuals, both politicians and leaders of radical groups, can then try to focus that anger on politically convenient groups, often taking advantage of existing prejudice.

They tell us, "Your economic woes are due to . . .": immigrants (legal or otherwise), minorities, liberals, intellectuals or fill in the blank with whatever other group to scapegoat. The incendiary speech sprinkled with misinformation over the last four years by the White House stirred resentment in many.

Add the impact of COVID-19 shutdowns where workers and small-business people (those workers who took the chance to be local entrepreneurs) have seen their wages and savings evaporate, and you had a potential powder keg.

All it took to ignite it was the lie that the election was stolen (in the absence of credible evidence). The result is a portion of the public that doesn't believe our economic system works for them wanting

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Editor's note

Ask bureaucrats why they're so slow getting seniors vaccinated and they'll tell you we don't know how to use computers, or get on the internet, or check multiple websites. They'll say older folks are more familiar with telephones, bless their hearts, but there are already several people answering phones and adding more would be expensive. The message, for those of us geezers who manage to figure out a way to get it, is this: "At this time, no appointments are available. Please check back soon." I can't decide whether I'd rather get that news on the screen or on the phone. —Fletcher Farrar, editor and CEO

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OPINION

Speaker Welch puts together his team

POLITICS | Rich Miller

Just a couple of weeks into a job that most people couldn't imagine being held by anyone other than the guy who had it for decades, Illinois House Speaker Chris Welch is putting together a House that looks both familiar and different at the same time.

Welch's first week included a rollout of his new leadership team, with a Black woman as Speaker Pro Tempore and fresh faces throughout. By the third week, we'll see committee membership rosters and vice chairs. The following week will be the new rules.

House Republican Leader Jim Durkin told reporters he was "pleased" that Welch was allowing his party some input on the rules. Durkin told the *Chicago Sun-Times'* Rachel Hinton that Welch suggested the two get together regularly for coffee or breakfast. I seriously doubt Durkin ever received such an invite from House Speaker Michael Madigan.

All of Welch's new appropriations committee chairs are people of color. I asked Welch if there was any particular reason for this.

"First of all, let me say that I think my list is full of people that are super talented," Welch said. "I'm really proud of the diversity of our caucus. I think that's the strength of our caucus, the strength of our state. But also, I think you can't not recognize the fact that those people are high in seniority."

Welch said that when you look at the new chair list, "you're gonna find that there's a lot of consistency," meaning several Reps. retained their committee posts. Rep. Mike Zalewski, for instance, is still chairing Revenue. "I think people were doing a good job. And they should be allowed to continue doing a good job. Again, I tried to recognize peoples' requests and many of them wanted to continue doing the same thing that they were doing. And I think I was able to accommodate that."

Up until his ascension, Welch had chaired the Executive Committee, which handles much of the bigtime heater legislation. Rep. Bob Rita will take over that important helm. "He's someone that I know and trust with the tough issues that are going to come through that committee."

The new House Speaker also wanted to point out some new special committees he's created, including Ethics & Elections, which will be chaired by Rep. Kelly Burke. Immigration & Human Rights will be helmed by Rep. Jennifer Gong-Gershowitz. The new Police & Fire special committee will be chaired by Rep. Fran Hurley. Welch

didn't mention this, but considering the law enforcement uproar over the recently approved criminal justice reform bill, putting a Mount Greenwood resident - who has a ton of cops in her district and who voted against the Black Caucus bill - in charge of that special committee should help rebuild some bridges.

"Those new committees should be a signal of where we're headed," Welch said. "Ethics reform is very important to me," he said. "We need to rebuild trust in the legislature, we need to rebuild trust in our process."

Some of Welch's members want Gov. JB Pritzker to move legislators into the 1B vaccination phase so they can immediately receive their COVID-19 shots. Pritzker has said they need to wait their turn.

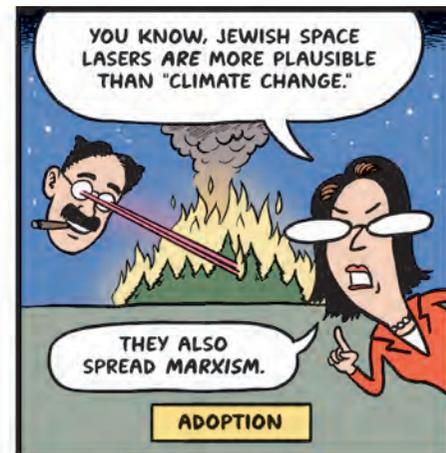
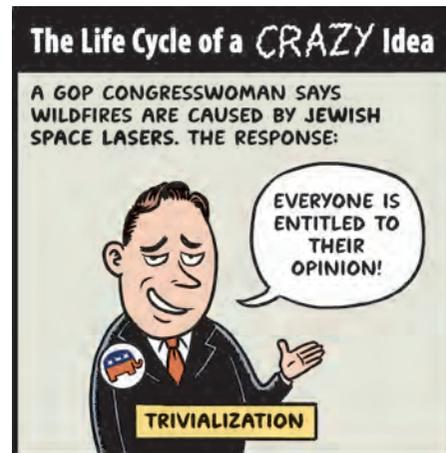
"I understand what the governor's issues are on that, and I respect his position. I'm going to take the vaccine when it's my turn. Other members have their personal thoughts on that, and I'll defer to them."

Welch said he expects the new House rules will be "similar" to the Senate's, which

allow for remote committee hearings. The issue of remote floor votes is being researched by lawyers, Welch said. But, he said, he'd like to "put that in the rules so that we have that flexibility."

Last year, Welch publicly pressured the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services to disclose data on the use of Black-owned businesses for Medicaid-related professional services, primarily through managed care organizations. After finally prying the information loose, Welch then called on HFS to penalize MCOs for not meeting contract goals, and demanded that Attorney General Kwame Raoul step in. I asked Welch whether he intended to keep up the pressure.

Anyone who knows me knows that I know my voice," Welch said. "I'm looking forward to using my new voice to continue to highlight the issues that are important to me and to the communities that I serve and the core constituencies that our caucus represents, so I want to continue to find a way," to continue pushing those issues, he said. □



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Aeneid poem # 1: a quilter's afterlife

By Elizabeth Crowley

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LETTERS

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VACCINE LOTTERIES

The existing policy for COVID-19 vaccination appointments in Sangamon County is confusing at best (“Vaccination challenges,” Jan. 28). At worst, it is shortsighted and cumbersome. We could do better. I have family members in jurisdictions where the approach to vaccinating appears to be more rational, if the goal is to vaccinate as many people as possible in descending order of need and vulnerability.

I have a colleague who lives in Oak Park, Illinois (population 52,233). The health department registers the residents and then gives them an appointment date. I imagine that there is a confirmation process.

The fastest and most efficient way to notify, register and vaccinate is to set up a mass vaccination system using the convention center and high schools. My mother-in-law lives in the Shawnee Mission suburbs bordering Kansas City, Kansas (population 602,401). She received her vaccination through this process; the Johnson County Health Department used a large

sports complex to perform the injections. She was a nurse and taught nursing for 30 years. She said that the process worked well and was efficient. The advantages of a mass inoculation process are parking, restrooms and continuous monitoring of vaccines, supplies and cancellations of clients and vaccinators. There is also enough room for people to keep social distancing and not be exposed to the weather conditions, especially in the winter.

The existing vaccination process in Sangamon County is a lottery in that you must call or go to three or more websites daily at different times of the day to check on vaccine availability. I have spoken to staff at the drug stores and they say availability could change during the day, if there are cancellations.

There may be people left out of the signup process because it is too difficult for them – the elderly, people without internet or those unskilled at computer technology. Those most likely to be left out are the underserved and highly vulnerable.
*Edward Haber
Springfield*

TEACH THIS

The new education bill passed by the state legislature calls for establishing an

“Inclusive American History Commission” to help the board develop the new standards (“Education bill to revamp social studies,” Jan. 28). That 22-member commission will be charged with reviewing educational resources that teachers can use that “reflect the racial and ethnic diversity” of Illinois and the United States, providing guidance for educators on how to ensure that their class content is not biased in favor of certain cultures and providing guidance on how to identify resources for “non-dominant cultural narratives.”

Translation: Teach as the Black Caucus tells you to or you will be punished; both the individual teacher and the school district will be punished. It's very Stalin-esque.

I suggest everybody read this legislation much more carefully, as I have.

*Frank Goudy
Via illinoistimes.com*

MORE ACTION

In response to Mike Jackson's Guestwork article about the failure of proposed projects in Springfield (“Springfield, home of wasted opportunities,” Jan. 21), I can only say – in the motivating words of Larry the Cable Guy – Mr. Mayor and the city council, “Get ‘er done!”
*Mike Shepherd
New Berlin*

People don't like being trickled on

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to overturn the election results. The assault on Congress Jan. 6 was the outcome...so far.

What is the solution? There are no easy fixes, but one step is legislation that supports working people and small business directly, rather than assuming benefits will trickle down if large corporations and the economy do well as defined by Wall Street. Many people are tired of being trickled down upon.

A few examples of actions that could help:

In the short run, we need a stronger COVID-19 economic stimulus package that puts more money directly into the pockets of low- and middle-income Americans and small business owners.

For a major economic power, the U.S. stimulus packages at 18.3% of this year's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) are lower than in weaker economies like Slovenia (24.5%), Sweden (20.9%) and Finland (20.8%). Japan's stimulus amounted to 42.2% of its 2020 GDP.

In the long run, we need a minimum wage that is high enough to assure that a person working 40 hours a week is making a salary above the poverty line. Right now individuals in minimum-wage jobs may need public assistance like food stamps to make ends meet.

Critics may counter that raising the minimum wage will raise unemployment, as businesses will employ fewer workers. The counter to that argument is that employment statistics that count people who are working, but not at a living wage, create a false impression that the economy is doing better than it really is.

Another solution is to stop the steady movement towards right-to-work (for lower wages) laws and other anti-union legislation. The struggles of unions in the early 20th century resulted in many working-class individuals having better incomes with benefits like health insurance and pensions that contributed to the prosperity of our country in the last century.

It is not too late to reverse the tide of resentment. But it will take bold legislative action in support of the average working American and small-business owner to do so. Otherwise we will continue to live in dangerous times because there will be politicians who try to exploit citizen discontent to their own advantage. □

Stephen Soltys of Springfield is a retired physician who still teaches medical students at SIU on a voluntary basis.

Vaccine hesitations and delays

At long-term care facilities, staff often say no to the shot

HEALTH | Madison Angell

CVS and Walgreens are situated to provide up to 7 million vaccines to long-term care facilities combined, according to AARP. But the federal program pairing pharmacies with long-term care providers has failed to meet initial benchmarks. Meanwhile, large percentages of staff at many nursing homes are refusing the vaccine.

“With staff, we have seen a lot lower participation because they do have that fear of ‘how is this going to affect me’ and wonder if there are going to be effects down the road,” said Shana Lister. Lister is the administrator of Regency Care in Springfield, a nursing home with 99 available beds according to online listings.

Others are simply “holding off to see how it plays out,” said Lister. There was some unease among Regency Care nurses and staff who attended the first vaccination clinic, but those who got the initial shot decided it was worth it to keep residents safe, said the administrator.

Lister said the facility spent 10 months trying to prevent an outbreak and was lucky to evade the first wave of the virus. However, cases in nursing homes throughout Illinois spiked around the end of November and beginning of December. On Dec. 3, the first case of COVID-19 was reported at Regency Care in Springfield. By the end of the month, 20 staff and 37 residents had tested positive for the virus, said Lister. In the last weeks of 2020 vaccine schedules were drafted for long-term care facilities and nursing homes. This gave residents at Regency Care hope after seven of their neighbors had died due to COVID-19 complications.

Vaccines were made available to the facility on Jan. 12. In partnership with Green Tree Pharmacies, 80% of residents received the first immunization doses. But only 30% of Regency Care staff signed up for shots in the first clinic.

The Pharmacy Partnership is the federal vaccination program designed to put residents and long-term care providers at the forefront of immunization efforts. Local pharmacies are paired with long-term care and nursing facilities to administer inoculations on-site. On average, the state of Illinois receives 120,000 new vaccines every week and thousands are given to pharmacies enrolled in the program.

Last week, Gov. JB Pritzker criticized the federal partnership and CVS for lagging



immunization efforts. In adherence with federal CDC recommendations, Walgreens began vaccinating residents earlier in December. But CVS representatives said the governor was at fault for the late ‘activation’ date, scheduled Jan. 25. More than 495,000 shots have been allocated to long-term care providers and residents statewide, but only 31.6% have been administered as of Feb. 2, according to the Illinois Department of Public Health.

Walgreens and CVS insist the slower rollout is attributed to low acceptance rates among long-term care and nursing staff. Lister said state officials “never really have done a great job of keeping us educated so that people can make informed decisions,” but hopes more staff members will participate in a second vaccination clinic scheduled for Feb. 4.

State and local outreach programs have been designed and are near completion. AARP Illinois director, Bob Gallo, said

the organization is putting immunization information in the hands of long-term care staff. AARP is sending flyers to smaller facilities, staff and residents because information online can be confusing and frustrating, he said. The goal is to help ease vaccine fears or anxieties by giving people something tangible to reference and read.

“It’s an outreach effort on our part in trying to work as closely as we can with federal, state and local government to help get the word out and to clear up the confusion and chaos that’s out there during this rollout,” said Gallo.

While vaccine education and reassurance may cure some fears, staff bear witness to the uncoordinated vaccine efforts on local, state and federal levels. Alongside listening closely to the concerns of all Illinois residents, Gallo said state leaders in Illinois need to “manage people’s expectations as well.” □

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GANNETT ON A ROLL

CAP CITY Gannett, parent company of the *State Journal-Register*, got good news this week with refinancing of a loan used to close a 2019 deal that created the nation’s largest newspaper company – Gannett, formerly known as GateHouse Media, owns more than 260 publications, including 23 in Illinois. The \$1.8 billion loan from Apollo Global Management, a private equity firm, came with an eye-popping 11.5 percent interest rate and a 2024 maturity date. The refinancing announced this week cuts the interest rate on \$1 billion of the debt to 7.75 percent, extends the maturity date to 2026 and comes after \$500 million of the Apollo loan was refinanced in November, lowering that portion of the debt to 6 percent and extending the maturity date from 2024 to 2027. Gannett figures that the most recent refinancing will save \$90 million a year in interest payments; the November refinancing is supposed to trim \$28 million in annual interest costs. Refinancing does not appear to mean that the company will hire hordes of reporters and supply them with free newsroom popcorn. In a Groundhog Day eve message to Gannett employees, Mike Reed, Gannett chief executive officer, wrote that paying down debt remains a top priority. Investors have cheered, with Gannett shares quadrupling in value during the past three months. Take that, GameStop.



NEW LIFE FOR OLD LIGHTS

CAP CITY During the holiday season BLH Computers installed drop boxes around the area for people to deposit their burned out Christmas lights to be recycled. A total of 738 pounds of old Christmas lights were collected: 300 pounds in Springfield, 220 pounds in Chatham, 132 pounds in Leland Grove and 86 pounds in Rochester. BLH Computers is donating proceeds from the recyclable materials (\$132.84) to the Rotary Club of Springfield Sunrise. More importantly, 738 pounds of old lights didn’t end up in a landfill, thanks to local citizens. BLH Computers accepts Christmas lights for recycling year-round at its Springfield store at 1832 Stevenson Drive.

Sangamon County sheriff seeks armored vehicle

Worried that it might not happen

LAW ENFORCEMENT | Bruce Rushton

Sangamon County Sheriff Jack Campbell wants an armored vehicle but fears that he may be out of luck.

In September, the sheriff's office paid someone to travel to Nevada to kick tires on an RG-31, a veritable subcompact in the world of surplus military vehicles that the Department of Defense sells to police departments for practically nothing – pay transportation costs, the feds have said, and it's yours. Campbell figures that he could bring the vehicle he covets to Springfield for \$1,500.

It would replace a mine-resistant ambush-protected vehicle (MRAP in military nomenclature) that the sheriff's office acquired in 2014, then got rid of under former sheriff Wes Barr, who deemed a 27-ton, 11-foot-tall vehicle designed for combat zones unnecessary for a central Illinois police agency. The LaSalle County Sheriff's Department, about 140 miles north of Springfield, is happy to have the MRAP jettisoned by Barr. The vehicle designed for Middle Eastern conflicts is, LaSalle County sheriff's officials say, adept at keeping cops and civilians safe, and it has required practically no maintenance – just gas and go.

"We didn't pay anything to get it," says Jason Martin, chief deputy with the LaSalle County Sheriff's Office. "It's an amazing tool for us to have. ... It's gone out on floods, it's gone out in winter storms. Obviously, the snow doesn't stop it. We've had a shots-fired call."

LaSalle County's MRAP, once owned by the Sangamon County Sheriff's Office, is considerably larger than the vehicle that Campbell has picked out from a Nevada storage lot. An RG-31 weighs a bit more than seven tons and has four wheels; the MRAP given up by Sangamon County and now used by LaSalle County has six wheels and weighs nearly four times as much, more than some Sangamon County bridges, local authorities once worried, are rated to hold.

While the department has picked one out, Campbell says that he's not sure that it ever will arrive. The acquisition process, he says, has bogged down. Between the federal government under Joe Biden and a criminal justice reform bill now on Gov. JB Pritzker's desk that limits the type of surplus military gear police departments can acquire, Campbell says that his department might have to live without a mine-proof vehicle. "We're told that this is kind of on hold," the



Sangamon County Sheriff Jack Campbell in 2014 with an armored vehicle that now belongs to the LaSalle County sheriff's office.

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sheriff says.

The bill awaiting Pritzker's signature prohibits police departments from acquiring tracked armored vehicles – an RG-31 and the MRAP owned by LaSalle County have tires and so would appear allowable under the bill passed by the General Assembly during the recent lame-duck session. The bill also bars police departments from acquiring bayonets or grenade launchers. "We don't need any bayonets – we checked our supply," Campbell quips. The sheriff adds that he isn't interested in grenade launchers, either, and he criticized legislators for banning stuff that cops don't want or need.

"It seems like they've tried to resolve a situation that didn't exist," says the sheriff. Campbell says he worries that the bill will prevent local police agencies from acquiring surplus military gear he hasn't yet imagined.

"We don't know what the future's going to hold," Campbell says. "We don't know what the army's going to come up with. I'm concerned about future restrictions and the current restrictions. It's not been a problem in the past."

Meanwhile, the LaSalle County sheriff's department says that it will continue using its MRAP as need arises, which isn't an everyday thing. So far, it hasn't required more diesel fuel than maintenance, Martin says.

"We try to keep it in the garage," he says. "We'll take it for a ride just to keep it going." □

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Criminal justice bill would overhaul officer certification

STATEHOUSE | Raymon Troncoso, Capitol News Illinois

A criminal justice package that passed both chambers of the General Assembly last month contains provisions that would grant the state increased power over police discipline and standards of conduct starting in 2022.

The omnibus package, which was backed by Illinois Attorney General Kwame Raoul, has not yet arrived at the desk of Gov. JB Pritzker, although he has said he looks forward to reviewing the bill which needs only his signature to become law.

Pritzker campaigned on several issues in the bill and indicated his support, but has not yet said directly that he will sign it.

One of the more controversial provisions in the bill would expand the scope of the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board, or ILET SB, which currently oversees training and grant programs for law enforcement and correctional officers throughout the state.

Police certification standards would be made more robust under the legislation, with law enforcement officers placed into three categories: active, inactive and decertified. Only those with an active certification from ILET SB can be legally employed at an Illinois agency in a law enforcement capacity.

A decertified officer has 30 days to file a motion with the board for reconsideration, and all decertifications are subject to judicial review. Once an officer is formally decertified, the officer is prohibited from ever regaining certification.

Each officer will be responsible for keeping their certification active by submitting verification forms to ILET SB every three years to confirm they've completed all mandatory training and have no disciplinary actions taken against them that would result in decertification.

Under current Illinois law, officers can only lose their certification under very narrow circumstances. They must either be convicted of a felony or a limited list of "decertifiable misdemeanors" such as offering a bribe, theft and prostitution. From 2009 to 2014, Illinois decertified 64 officers. Over the same period of time, Florida decertified 2,125 officers and Georgia decertified 2,800.

Raoul, in his testimony in House committee in support of the provision during January's lame duck session, told lawmakers that while he does believe Illinois has the best trained and most upstanding law enforcement in the country, the massive discrepancy in the numbers has more to do with how hard it is to fire and decertify officers for blatant misconduct, even if the officers were known to be repeat offenders.

The new law would grant ILET SB broader discretionary authority to decertify officers who

violate the new standards of conduct.

If the board determines an officer committed a felony or "decertifiable misdemeanor" that would normally result in automatic decertification, but the officer has not been charged or convicted, it can decertify that officer through the discretionary process.

Other misconduct that can result in discretionary decertification includes excessive force; failing to intervene in another officer's use of excessive force or failing to render aid; tampering with dashboard and body cameras or their footage; committing perjury or making false statements in an investigation of a crime; and engaging in any unprofessional, unethical or deceptive conduct harmful to the public whether or not it caused actual injury.

integrity of the process.

"We have to realize there have been incidents throughout the country that make the public at large feel that they can't have the greatest level of trust in law enforcement and we have to restore that public trust," Raoul said in an interview with Capitol News Illinois last week. "Just like other professions where there may be whistleblowers that their identity is protected such that there's no retaliation against them, but that doesn't mean you don't investigate the allegation thoroughly."

When ILET SB receives a complaint about an officer, it will conduct a preliminary review to determine if there's enough information to investigate. If the review finds there's sufficient cause, the board will conduct a full investigation.



Kwame Raoul, Illinois attorney general

While governmental agencies are required to submit violations to ILET SB within seven days of their occurrence, the provision would also allow for members of the public to submit a complaint about an officer, and they may keep their own identity confidential as well.

Decertification process

Opponents of the bill have claimed the ability to file complaints anonymously will result in officers being targeted by disgruntled citizens and criminals who will flood the system to get them fired.

Raoul contends the provisions of the bill prevent unwarranted termination by filtering complaints through several layers, and that confidentiality is important to preserve the

If the board's investigation determines the officer may have conducted decertifiable conduct, it will submit a formal complaint to the Illinois Law Enforcement Certification Review Panel, a new entity created by the legislation with 11 members appointed by the governor and attorney general.

The complaint will result in a formal hearing before an administrative law judge who will hear the allegations in the complaint and testimony from the officer, their legal representation and relevant witnesses to the case. The judge will then deliver a conclusion and a recommendation to the panel.

The panel then votes on whether to recommend ILET SB remove the officer's certification or dismiss the complaint, with a

simple majority vote needed either way. The recommendation is nonbinding. Then, and only then, can ILET SB choose to decertify an officer through another majority vote.

Outside of this process, an officer's certification can only be revoked if they're convicted under the current decertification standards or rendered inactive if the officer fails to submit a valid verification form to ILET SB during their required reporting period.

Transparency database

The legislation also requires ILET SB to enhance transparency, both within law enforcement and for the broader public.

The Professional Misconduct Database, a private portal for chiefs and sheriffs, will be expanded and streamlined for all relevant governmental agencies, law enforcement entities and state's attorneys. The portal will contain an officer's certification history, reported instances of misconduct, suspensions and terminations.

Any agency looking to hire an individual in a law enforcement capacity would be mandated by law to view the individual's entry in the database before offering employment.

ILET SB will also create and maintain two new searchable public databases in an accessible portal on their website. One will contain officers' agencies, their certification status and confirmed instances of misconduct that led to decertification. The other will contain all completed investigations against law enforcement and correctional officers with any identifying information of the officers involved redacted.

Potential 'clean-up language'

Republicans and law enforcement groups have voiced fierce opposition to the criminal omnibus legislation as a whole, urging Pritzker in a news conference last week to veto the bill once it arrives on his desk.

On police certification, Republican lawmakers take issue with the unfunded mandates involved in the new system and mandatory trainings for officers. The bill goes too far without providing more funding for police departments, they said, especially as the state is already hurting for revenue due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the continued structural budgetary pressures.

The bill's sponsors in the General Assembly, Chicago Democrats Sen. Elgie Sims and Rep. Justin Slaughter, have indicated budgetary issues and clean-up language can be addressed in follow-up legislation in the new session, which is why the bill's effective dates are pushed back by a year or more instead of being effective immediately. □



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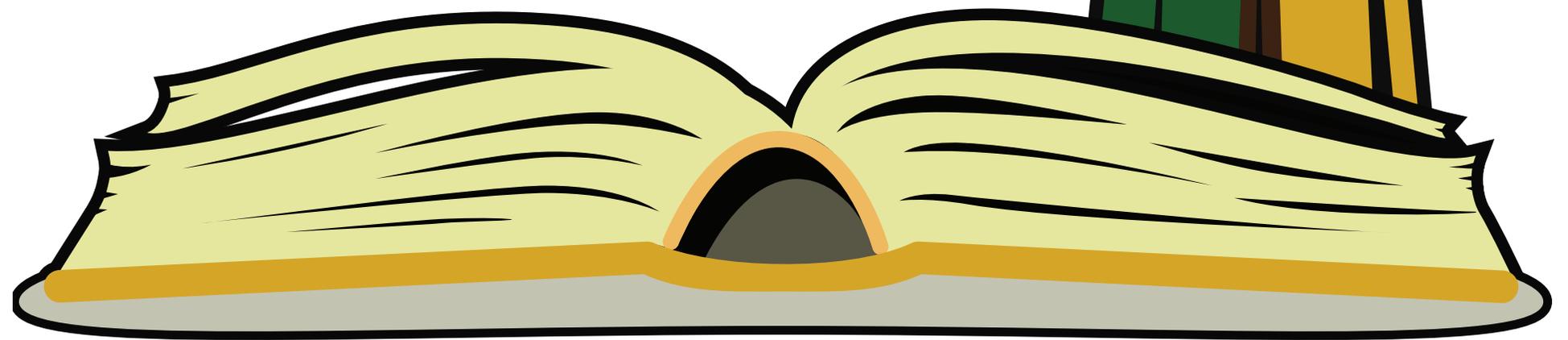
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Teaching Black history better

Legislation promises inclusive curriculum

10 EDUCATION | Rachel Otwell



“Social studies has always been my least favorite subject,” state Sen. Kimberly Lightford told *Illinois Times* last October. That was back when hearings about the “Black Agenda” were ongoing. Lightford, a Democrat from the Chicago suburb Maywood, was the primary Senate sponsor of the education package that passed the General Assembly earlier this month.

Lightford said she was introduced to the terrors of enslavement from a young age. She remembered being eight years old when the miniseries *Roots* came out in 1977. Her family gathered together to watch the story of a young man kidnapped from his home

in Gambia, his subsequent enslavement and the plight of his descendants. The violence represented the suffering so many endured. “And I just remember me being in a ball and crying, completely traumatized,” said Lightford.

Later on, in social studies classes, she’d feel there was something missing. “I really didn’t learn of all the positive contributions and what it meant to be Black in America until I arrived in college.” As a student at Western Illinois University, she said she felt she was finally taught a fuller picture. Lightford said she ended up with a minor in African American studies by default – her curiosity led her to

take classes in the department each semester. It was in college that her pride for her identity as a Black woman truly developed, she said.

“I know that we have to do better in elementary-level, leading up to middle school and high school. No children should have to wait until they’re 18, 19 years old to begin to learn the true history of who they are and where they come from,” said Lightford.

Part of the new legislation, which awaits a signature from the governor, would call on schools to teach pre-enslavement Black history. Black history units would also have to include information about why African Americans were enslaved, as well as information about the

civil rights movement. It was just one piece of the hefty agenda created by Black legislators and their allies. The legislative Black Caucus put forth four pillars aimed at building a more equitable state – in the wake of a summer of unrest due to the police killing of George Floyd and regular demonstrations in cities such as Chicago, calling for widespread justice. In addition to education, the four pillars included criminal justice reform, economic access and health care.

Like the criminal justice bill, the education omnibus was full of measures that would take time and investment to implement. Some of the efforts were years in the making, and

sponsors said it was time to capitalize on the moment and the public's growing awareness about the myriad ways systemic racism causes injustice. Among other things, changes are aimed at making college and advanced programming more accessible, increasing the number of diverse teachers and addressing learning loss – due to the pandemic. Proponents say the legislation is a historic achievement in clearing the path to success for students who have been on the losing end of the achievement gap.

Tiffani Saunders, a sociologist and professor in the African American studies department at University of Illinois Springfield, said her experience as a teacher echoes Lightford's sentiment about young people being eager to learn more about the truth of our nation's history. "Students are asking for this. When I get them in college and I'm exposing them to things in history, so often they're asking why they weren't taught this before they got to college." Saunders said the contributions of marginalized people can be woven in through a variety of subjects throughout the school year – not just in a separate unit for February because it's Black History Month.

The measure is a step in the right direction, Saunders said. "One component that's going to be really important though is how we're training teachers." Saunders said teachers currently can supplement textbooks with primary sources – autobiographies and resources from the Library of Congress, for example. But time spent making history lessons more inclusive can be extra work for teachers. Educators don't always go into classrooms knowing how to address racism.

Crafting curriculum change

A recent meeting of the Black History Curriculum Task Force offered a look at what the state's official stance on teaching the subject might be. The task force, overseen by the Illinois State Board of Education, was a result of 2018 legislation sponsored by state Rep. La Shawn Ford. It charged the state with auditing each school district to see what current curriculum looks like. The report isn't due out until later this year, but drafts reviewed during the meeting on Jan. 29 showed many districts that self-reported still rely on McGraw Hill and Pearson textbooks to teach the subject in elementary through high school.

In 2015, McGraw Hill was widely criticized when an excerpt from one of its texts went viral. It stated: "The Atlantic Slave Trade between the 1500s and 1800s brought millions of workers from Africa to the southern United States to work on agricultural plantations."

Many criticized the framing of enslavement as a matter of immigration, and enslaved people as "workers." McGraw

Hill subsequently announced it would change the language and recategorize the migration accurately as being forced, according to *The Atlantic*.

The blunder is an example of how history written through a Eurocentric lens can leave many students wondering what is missing from their education. While it's unlikely the task force will result in a specific suggestion for where curriculum should come from, it does plan to answer what ISBE's position is on teaching African American history.



Kimberly Lightford is Senate Majority Leader and chair of the Illinois Legislative Black Caucus.
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A draft summary states that Black history is integral to an accurate telling and understanding of our nation, and that students who participate in "ethnic studies" see better outcomes in terms of test scores, GPAs, attendance, earned credits and civic engagement. "Effective Black history education connects to events today and progresses beyond learning about Black Americans to learning from Black Americans," the draft reads.

Part of the education measure legislators passed earlier this year would create the "Inclusive American History Commission." Ford said the report from the Black History Curriculum Task Force would lay groundwork for the new commission. "We're going to go further, because now we're going to know what school districts are using to

teach history," he said.

The combined efforts could lead to a standard for education in the state that contains more perspectives and less bias. Ultimately, the framing of history in schools can dictate whether or not kids learn to internalize messages of "white superiority," said Ford. More inclusion of marginalized identities such as women, Native Americans and Black people is important, he said. Last year, an Illinois law went into effect that requires the inclusion of LGBTQ history in public schools.

Regarding representation

Roy Gully teaches for Springfield Public Schools, where administrators and teachers have been discussing related changes to curriculum. Gully is a social studies teacher and varsity football coach at Springfield High School. He's on a committee where members are considering changes to make lessons more inclusive throughout District 186.

The new legislation is "a long time coming to have it mandated," Gully said. "But I'm certainly glad that it has been adopted and hopefully it'll make an impact and a difference." Gully said he has made it a point to highlight diverse figures in each unit he teaches. "For a lot of history teachers, it won't make that big of a difference," said Gully, because they are already making the effort to teach inclusive history lessons. Making sure District 186 has textbooks that better represent diversity would be a step forward, he said.

District 186 Supt. Jennifer Gill said the legislation could provide support for ongoing efforts. "We need to look at what our African American curriculum is in District 186 – see if there is a place where we could provide a very specific textbook that covers all of the standards that we want to address in the future," she said. Analyzing current curriculum could also result in finding online resources and other supplements, Gill said.

According to ISBE, more than half of students in District 186 were nonwhite in 2020 – with 40.7% of them Black, 12.8% of two or more races, 3.6% Hispanic and 2.4% Asian.

But those numbers aren't reflected by who is teaching in the district. For the past 10 reported years, the percentage of Black teachers has been between 7-9%, with the lowest percentage, 7.1%, just last year. If you glance at the teacher page on Springfield High's website, Gully's photo stands out as being the only apparent African American. Gully said, last he checked, he was the only full-time African American teacher at Springfield High School. Of the numerous committees he is on, one is focused on the recruitment and retention of diverse candidates.

Gully is originally from St. Louis. While

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in high school, his family moved to a small town in Iowa where he said he was the only Black student. For 15 years he taught in Galesburg, where he said he was the only African American teacher at the middle school. "I recognize the importance of being able to identify with African Americans who have grown up in similar circumstances that I have. And the ability to see someone who looks like you go to college and get a degree and give back, coach, teach and educate is important," said Gully. "Because if you don't have those people to look to for that guidance and direction, it's easy to lose hope."

In 2020 only 20.5% of District 186 teachers were male. Part of the new legislation passed by the Illinois General Assembly would set aside funds in the Minority Teachers of Illinois Scholarship Program to prioritize male minority candidates. Meanwhile, there's an overall shortage of teachers. Finding more diverse candidates is going to "require us to think outside the box and do some traveling," said Gully. "We're very dedicated to growing our educator pipeline," said Gill. "Our joint committee with the union is something brand new ... where we're saying we need help, we can't just recruit individuals alone."

Community collaboration

Partnerships are indeed key to needed change, according to Laura Jordan and



Lawmakers met in January for the lame-duck session, much of which included four pillars addressing systemic racism, put forth by the legislative Black Caucus. PHOTO BY LEE MILNER

Julie Hoffman, co-chairs of the Springfield Education Association's equity committee, which aims to dismantle racism within the context of education. The SEA is the union representing District 186 staff and teachers. Jordan is also part of a team based at the Faith Coalition for the Common Good also focused on supporting the district with curriculum

changes. Hoffman is on the education committee for the local NAACP chapter. Both are teachers.

"Right now our committee is working on educating ourselves," Jordan said of the teacher union's effort. One top goal is to figure out how to support teachers and help them implement an anti-racist perspective into their lessons, she said.

"This is 400 years plus of systems in place that are woven into the fabric of our history," said Hoffman. Providing resources to the district is a shared goal of many community activists who want to work with the administration and educators, Jordan and Hoffman said.

Springfield has a plethora of local history to draw from – such as a walking tour of markers updated in 2018, an effort by the city and the NAACP, which describe the events of the 1908 Race Riot, a massacre by white people against Black residents which helped inspire the founding of the NAACP. And there's much to learn about the contributions of Black Springfield residents. Places like the Route History museum and Springfield and Central Illinois African American History Museum offer valuable lessons about local history.

Regardless of state law, change is needed, the two say. It's time for a more accurate telling of the Black experience. "Our whole district, as far as curriculum, needs an overhaul," said Jordan. Students should see books that depict a variety of different races, religions and nationalities. Curriculum should not relegate Black history to a single unit or chapter in a book, Jordan said. Black history "needs to be fully embedded into the whole entire curriculum," echoed Hoffman. □

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Roy Gully coaches varsity football at Springfield High School. He's part of a "Grow Your Own" committee that's looking at ways to hire more diverse teachers in the district.

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Growing from the inside

Sexuality is secondary in Springfield author's LGBT fiction

BOOK REVIEW | Shawna Mayer

Springfield native Martha Miller, a retired composition instructor who taught at Lincoln Land, is a versatile writer. She has written several novels, as well as reviews, articles and a column about her life. Her book of short stories, *Tales from the Levee*, explores the gay and lesbian community in Springfield from the mid-1960s into the 1970s, and while officially labeled fiction, it was inspired by the interviews she conducted and the people she knew in the city. Miller's last book was a memoir centered on an abusive relationship. Now she has branched out into young adult LGBT fiction in order to add a story to the genre where the main character's sexuality is not the cause of any angst, but instead, remains secondary to other much more dramatic events that unfold.

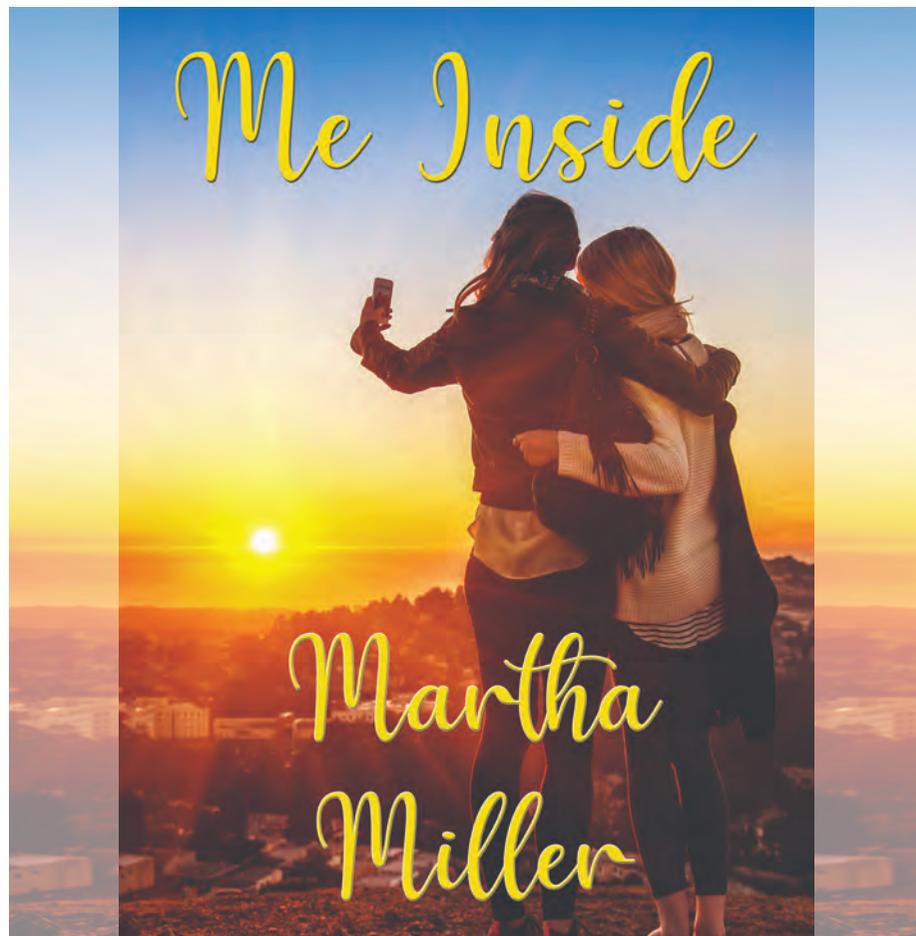
Miller's latest novel, *Me Inside*, begins when Jeannie Baker's father gets out of prison for bank robbery. She believes her family will finally return to normal. However, the very next day, while Jeannie and her father are gone, her mother packs up and leaves. The woman pilfers every bit of cash in the house, including the money Jeannie made collecting cans, and is even petty enough to take the leftover cake from her father's welcome home party.

Her ex-felon father turns out to be an improvement over her vindictive mother, and they settle into a routine. For the next five years he works and raises Jeannie. Then one night she hears him talking heatedly with a stranger, he leaves, and is found murdered.

Jeannie navigates her grief and the seismic shifts in her life. Now 15, she is taken in by her paternal grandmother, a pragmatic and resilient woman whose name she shares. Grandma, who once was married and had two children, is a lesbian who came out and made a life for herself during a less accepting era.

Jeannie decides she's going to investigate her father's murder with the help of Ruthie, her friend since kindergarten. As they dig deeper into his past, the story grows more ominous when we learn the money from the bank robbery was never recovered, and it appears that someone dangerous believes Jeannie may be the key to recovering the fortune. This novel, like the rest of Miller's work, is a well-structured and fast-paced read.

Miller's novel works on two levels. While it is meant for young adult readers, it will also resonate with adults who have experienced the complicated grief of losing loved ones who made bad choices and have hurt them. Jeannie's mother



Me Inside, by Martha Miller, 288 pages, September 2020. Available in paperback and Kindle editions at Amazon.com.

returns for the funeral and tries to explain herself and it gives Jeannie a chance to vent her anger in a satisfying scene.

We see two types of adults in this story: those who stay and take responsibility when tough stuff happens and those who run from it. We also get a realistic depiction of the aftermath of trauma borne by those who get left behind. Nobody's perfect, and everyone in this novel has made mistakes and suffers the consequences.

The story presents readers with modern themes and doesn't pull any punches. A recurring element in the book is that when birth mothers fail their children, others step in as surrogates to provide support and love.

Despite some of the heavy subject matter, the book is full of dark humor as Jeannie isn't shy about expressing herself. She describes the funeral director as "a shark-jawed, everyday jackass" and claims "the morgue had a better atmosphere"

than his funeral home. She also takes her coffee black, a habit she picked up from her father, and grudgingly decides to quit smoking in order to be a better athlete.

The *Me Inside* is both Jeannie's growing awareness of her sexual identity, and her developing maturity that helps her to let down her guard and trust the people around her after so many losses and betrayals.

Miller has written a contemporary coming-of-age novel that has tension, humor and heart. This book is identified as the first in a planned series to feature Jeannie Baker, and the reader will certainly look forward to meeting her again to see how she overcomes her struggles and thrives. □

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Children study menus to select chef-prepared family-style meals

FOOD | Ashley Meyer

On a snowy evening in late January, Chef Denise Perry of Copper Pot Cooking Studio was busy ladling plump meatballs onto swirls of freshly made spaghetti while containers of crisp salad and fudge brownies waited to be packed and made ready for pickup. Down the street at Maldaner's Restaurant, Chef Michael Higgins had steaming containers of Pennsylvania Dutch turkey pot pie ready alongside crunchy celery and apple salads. It was a busy night for the restaurants and volunteers who helped to make Compass for Kids' first-ever Meals that Matter event a success, even in stormy winter weather.

Compass for Kids has been supporting and empowering underserved elementary-aged kids in Springfield for a decade. In the days before remote learning and Zoom class, CFK provided after-school tutoring, fun activities and a hot meal during the school year for children at sites located throughout District 186, as well as summer camp programs. The organization quickly pivoted when lockdown hit, making the shift to remote programming and delivering supplies, food and books to participating kiddos each week. Now, in collaboration with other local organizations and businesses, they have developed a program that connects Compass families with locally sourced meals from some of Springfield's most beloved restaurants. The meals, purchased with funds donated to Compass, are free to participating families.

"This was initially an attempt to recreate one of our favorite components of our in-person Compass programs in a remote format," said Molly Berendt, CFK executive director. "But because there were so many treasured local restaurants and small farmers that have been struggling during the pandemic, we realized that this was a way to support our families and give them a family meal that they were able to share around their own table, while at the same time supporting small businesses in our community."

"Before the pandemic we used to enjoy a beautiful family-style meal and it was really one of the most cherished components of our programming," said Linda Reid, director of Education and Impact with CFK. Shelly Kinner, Club Compass program manager, had the initial idea to provide monthly meals to families. "We wanted to continue to provide this type of connection even in the



Club Compass participants Annise and Issaac enjoying their spaghetti and meatballs from Copper Pot Cooking Studio as part of Meals that Matter on Jan. 27. PHOTO COURTESY COMPASS FOR KIDS

midst of lockdown. I'm also involved with Slow Food Springfield, and when I threw out the idea of involving them and utilizing restaurants who have received their Snail of Approval recognition, everybody jumped on it immediately. I was thinking about the importance of the heart of the meal, that it was not just about food, but rather filling the heart and soul of our community."

Slow Food is an international, grass-roots organization that works to preserve local culinary traditions and foster passion not just for food, but for the heritage and environment from which it comes. Springfield's local chapter was founded in 2006 and has been supporting small farmers and creating delicious opportunities for connection ever since. In pre-pandemic days they sponsored school gardens, farm tours, panel discussions, dinners and an annual film festival, among other activities. Springfield's local chapter recognizes local eateries,

producers and artisans who support local, sustainable food production with Slow Food's Snail of Approval Award, an internationally recognized symbol for delicious and ethical cuisine.

SFS chapter president Alana Reynolds said that a collaboration with CFK was already in the works, but the crisis of the pandemic accelerated the partnership. "Where SFS came in with the Meals that Matter program was in working with these restaurants that have been recognized for sourcing local ingredients and cooking from scratch. These chefs have powerful connections to local cuisines and preexisting relationships with farmers, and the recipes they create are made with a lot of love."

Not only are the meals created by these local chefs delicious, their from-scratch recipes are deeply nourishing and made with fresh-grown produce (yes, even in Illinois in January) from MoonGirl Farms in Pleasant

Plains, PrairiErth Farm in Atlanta and lean beef, chicken and pork from 4Lees Farm in Virginia and Triple S Farms in Stewardson.

In addition to the offerings from Maldaner's and Copper Pot Cooking Studio, Compass families were able to choose from a total of five menu options, including cheeseburger beef stroganoff with glazed carrots and garlic bread from Engrained, barbecued pork mac and cheese bowl with fresh bread from Long Nine Junction, or baked chicken, rosemary potatoes and garlicky swiss chard from The Sangamo Club.

"We've done food programs for years, and we know that choice is very important in order to empower our children, so we definitely wanted to incorporate that into the Meals that Matter Program," Berendt said. Reid explained, "We also included an ingredient list with each menu for the kids to analyze and help empower them to be involved in choosing which restaurant they'd like to order from. During our regular weekly Club Compass meetings there's a social-emotional learning component. Part of that is helping kids learn to make responsible choices. Encouraging the kids to analyze the ingredients on the menu and letting them help decide what they want to order for their family is an important part of that."

The first pickup event was a success in spite of inclement weather, and Berendt says the organization hopes to make Meals that Matter last in the long term, at least throughout the pandemic. "Our goal from the beginning was to provide meals January through May and some of that funding has been provided through Kiwanis and Rotary Club South, but otherwise it's been all individual donations. We've also applied for City of Springfield Community Development Block Grant funding and if that comes through then we'd love to expand the program and perhaps open this up to partnering with some other youth-focused organizations. We've had amazing support from Capitol Radio Group in getting the word out, and the restaurants have been promoting it as well."

Folks interested in supporting Springfield area families, restaurants and small farmers all in one place can find more information about the Meals that Matter Program on Compass for Kids' website <https://www.compass4kids.org/mealsthatmatter/>. □

Hits and misses

NOW STREAMING | Chuck Koplinski

Wearing out their welcome

There's an undeniable energy in Sam Levinson's *Malcolm and Marie*, much of it provided by its stars, John David Washington and Zendaya, as the titular troubled couple. With its crackling dialogue and crisp visual style, it's easy to get swept into this domestic drama that takes place over the course of a very long night. Old hurts, hidden grievances and deep secrets all come to the fore as they emotionally eviscerate one another, and it proves to be incredibly engaging due to its honesty. But then it takes a turn and what once seemed genuine comes off as obvious and calculated, the movie turning into a piece of Oscar bait right before your eyes. Invigorating at first, the film ends up making you feel as if you'd been bludgeoned instead of entertained. *Streaming on Netflix.*



John David and Zendaya in *Malcolm and Marie*.

A true mind-bender

Mike Cahill's *Bliss* is a genuine mind-bender, a film that will keep you on your toes throughout and produce a great deal of thought after the final credits roll. Owen Wilson is Greg, an executive who finds that being fired from his mysteriously vague job is the highlight of his day. Before you know it, his fortune takes a turn and he's homeless on the street, yet he meets the mysterious Isabel (Salma Hayak), who takes him under her wing and convinces him that the world he's in isn't real, just a simulation. Whether it is or not is one of the central questions of this genre-defying entry that contains one surprise after the other. While Cahill could have told this tale a bit more briskly, the themes he tackles keep us hooked, as do the questions he asks about happiness and what we might do to attain it. Poignant and touching, the movie will ultimately have you questioning what sort of reality you've opted to live in and why. *Streaming on Amazon.*

This monster belongs dead

I understand what Nora Unkel is trying to do with *A Nightmare Wakes*, I just wish she had done it better. Concerning the writing of the novel *Frankenstein*, the film focuses on the turmoil Mary Shelley (Alix Regan) was dealing with when penning the classic horror tale. Emotionally abandoned by her lover, Percy Bryce Shelley (Giullian Yao Gioiello), and ostracized from her family, the pregnant woman is suffering

from terrifying dreams concerning the upcoming birth of her child. With all this swirling about in her head, is it any wonder she would create a childlike character that's abandoned and the object of ridicule? Other than Regan, miscasting abounds with actors who are far too young or contemporary to be believed in the 19th century, while the execution of the story is muddled, making it difficult to become engaged in this obvious creation story, let alone care. *Streaming on Shudder.*

Get in the game with Ted Lasso

If you haven't seen *Ted Lasso*, you need to right now. I rarely watch anything twice that's less than a year old, simply because I don't have time, but I'm on my second go-around with this Apple TV series, charmed all over again by Jason Sudeikis as the titular college football coach who's hired to lead AFC Richmond, a struggling English soccer team. The culture clash that ensues provides big laughs, but what sets the series apart is the genuine optimism it has about the world and those struggling in it. I watched this not long after the COVID lockdown began and its unabashed, sincere sense of positivity gave me a much-needed emotional boost. I guarantee it will do the same for you. *Streaming on Apple TV.* □



SHEET METAL WORKERS APPRENTICESHIP

Sheet Metal Workers Local Union 218S Joint Apprentice Committee will be accepting application for their apprenticeship program February 15, 2021, through February 26, 2021. Applications will be accepted Monday through Friday 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM at the Sheet Metal Workers Training Center, 2855 Via Verde, Springfield Illinois 62703. Applications will be retained for two (2) years.

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1. Applicant shall be at least 17 years of age at time of application.
Apprentices will be hired on June 1, 2021
2. Have graduated from high school with diploma, sealed letter from high school stating applicant is scheduled to graduate at end of current semester or a GED Certification.
Applicant must provide an official transcript(s), sealed for high school(s).
Diploma and post high school education and training certificates and/or diploma.
Applicants with a GED must submit high school transcripts and GED certificate.
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3. Applicant shall be physically capable of performing the essential functions of the apprenticeship program without posing a direct threat to the health and safety of the individual or others.
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MUSIC

Phat February

NOW PLAYING | Tom Irwin

Howdy folks. We're in full swing for a fortunate February, with moments of frantic phases filing through as we continue to fight a full-scale pandemic in much of the world. Here in our neighborhood family, there are glimpses of normalcy, as we go forward to face the ferocious virus that has so forcefully upended our familiar world. Okay, that's enough "f's" for now, unless I find a way to officially use one in formalizing this week's *Now Playing* that fits fine into the format without feeling forced or foolish.

But hey, it's February, or "Pheberary," as my pharmacist friend used to spell it on his homemade calendars, and that brings us that much closer to warmer weather, out-of-doors activities and fun in the sun music-listening festivities, including fairs and festivals (couldn't resist). Somehow, I find a Flying Fickle Finger of Fate, feinting in my general direction, as went the facetious farce in Rowan & Martin's "Laugh-In," NBC's famous television show from the late 1960s. But that's another story all together and we need to get to talking about music-making, not frivolous facts feigning some fantastic fondness for forcing those familiar sounds of "f" into as many future words as possible. So, without any further frolicking in this fantasy, let's see what we have on the music scene to discuss.

There could hardly be a better sign of upcoming openness for the local music scene than the return of the Illinois Central Blues Club's presentation of its long-running, weekly gig, Blue Monday at the Alamo. It's great to see other venues opening up at various levels, but the presentation of such a venerable event as this, first held back in 1986 at Bruce's Tavern when the ICBC originated, is surely a good sign of things to come. I'm sorry I didn't see the announcement in time last week to promote the first Blue Monday on Feb. 1, as it was the very good stuff of Brother Jefferson with special guests Charles Tiner and Derek Bonn. This Monday gives us singer, songwriter and guitarist Timo Arthur, a Memphis-based bluesman with a 20-year professional career of playing the blues all over the world, including plenty of guitar time with our good friend and area blues artist, Brandon Santini. Next up comes Studebaker John (Feb. 15) and John Drake and the Risky Rooster Band (Feb. 22).

Our *Live Music* listings show acoustic music of the solo and duo variety is well-represented this weekend. Jason McKenzie



Timo Arthur plays Blue Monday on Feb. 8 at the Alamo.

kicks up his regular playing schedule with a small-town tour including shows at Locals Bar in Pawnee on Friday, The Alibi in Rochester on Saturday and a noon spot at Slaughterhouse Brewery in Auburn on Sunday. Jason keeps it simple on his Facebook page with his "about" category saying "acoustic covers of all genres." In fact, a remark in his "recommendation and reviews" section (from Feb. 8, 2020 by the way) puts it well in stating, "He's awesome! Great song catalog" and that's as good of a recommendation and review a feller could ask for anytime, anywhere.

Joel Honey, another regular area performer and one who rightfully claims to do a "wide variety of music on my acoustic/electric guitar and sing" is out and about at Mowie's Cue on Saturday night. Dynamic duo Wowie Zowie lights up the Boar's Nest in Athens on Saturday as Tom Beverly rambles over to Decatur for a gig at the Golden Fox Brewery to complete our acoustic calendar.

Please stay safe and be careful as we find ways to have fun in February while following protocols and procedures when experiencing the forthcoming return of live music. □

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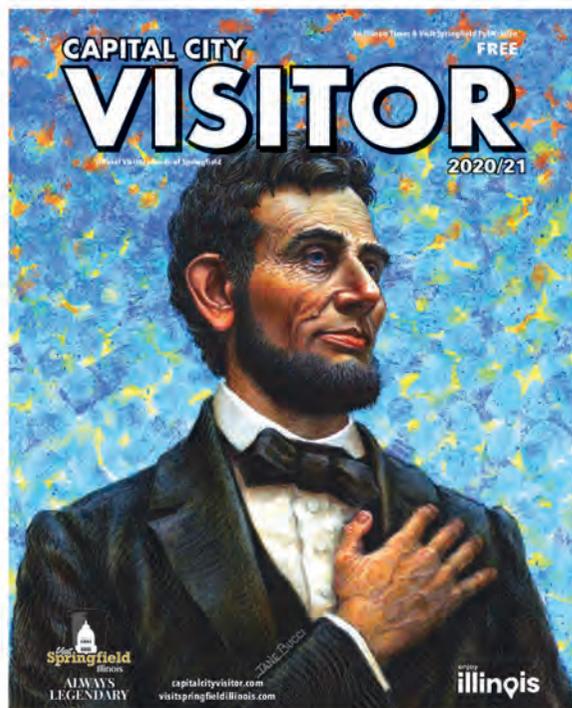
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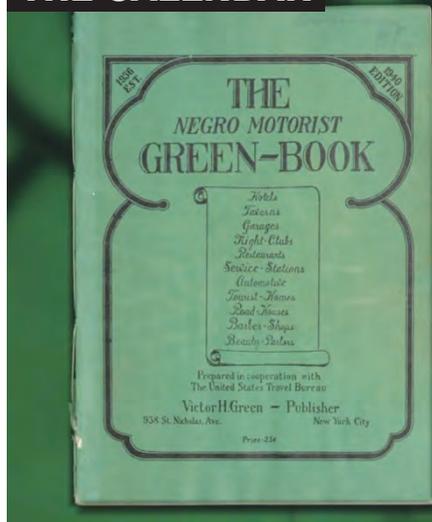
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THE CALENDAR



Driving the Green Book
Wed., Feb. 10, 7 p.m.
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HISTORY | The legacy of Victor Hugo Green

it In the summer of 2019, award-winning broadcaster Alvin Hall and activist and social justice trainer Janée Woods Weber hit the road, driving over 2,000 miles from Detroit to New Orleans. Their goal was to collect personal stories from Black Americans who had used the Negro Motorist Green Book, a travel guide developed and written by postal employee and travel writer Victor Hugo Green. The guide was a valuable tool used during segregation and the Jim Crow era to navigate trips, patronize Black-owned businesses and create communities in the face of institutionalized racism. Hall and Woods transformed the recollections – some heartbreaking, some uplifting, but all incredibly moving – into the Driving the Green Book podcast, providing essential historical and human context to life as a Black American during segregation and in today's world. Hosted by the Springfield and Central Illinois African American History Museum. Get the Zoom link at spiaahm.org.

THE CALENDAR

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Art & Architecture

Book arts

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"Contemplative Expressions"

Through April 1. The work of SAA Collective juried artist members from across central Illinois are on display. Painting, photography, ceramics, sculpture, jewelry and mixed media are all represented. springfieldart.org. SAA Collective Gallery, 105 N. Fifth St., 217-544-2787.

"Duet"

Through Feb. 25. Video, print and sculptural works by Shir Ende and Max Guy. The two have worked collaboratively and individually to consider the ways movement and figure are translated across media and dimensions. uis.edu. UIS Visual Arts Gallery, HSB 201, One University Plaza, 217-206-6506.

it Second Saturday Open Studio

Second Saturday of every month. An opportunity to stop to watch pharmacy member artists at work, ask questions to learn about their process and also see the exhibit, Transformation. Masks and social distancing are required. Free. The Pharmacy Gallery and Art Space, 623 E. Adams St., 801-810-9278.

Film & Television

No Malice Film Contest

Feb. 4-April 29. In order to help fight inequality and build a better Illinois, students can use their creativity to promote racial healing in the No Malice Film Contest. The contest is open to three age groups ranging from 11-21. Visit presidentlincoln.illinois.gov for more information.

History

AAHM Trivia: Knowledge Is Power!

Feb. 8-11. Test your knowledge of historic African-American events and the people of African descent who pioneered, invented and took a stand to change laws, hearts and minds for civil rights and equality. A link to the contest will be posted by 8 a.m. each day on the LLCC Student Life Facebook page.

Center for Lincoln Studies Grand Opening

Fri., Feb. 12, 10-11am. The UIS Center for Lincoln Studies is a national base for scholarship,

teaching and public history about Lincoln's life, leadership and legacy. Watch the virtual ribbon cutting and enjoy a lively discussion among Lincoln scholars. Moderated by Anne Moseley. uis.edu. 217-206-8663.

Driving the Green Book

Wed., Feb. 10, 7-8pm. Join a discussion about Alvin Hall and Janée Woods Weber's drive of 2,021 miles collecting stories from Black Americans who used the Negro Motorist Green Book to navigate trips, patronize Black-owned businesses and create communities in the face of institutionalized racism. spiaahm.org. 217-719-0276.

The Papers of Abraham Lincoln

Thu., Feb. 4, 7-8:30pm. A documentary-editing project dedicated to identifying, imaging, transcribing, annotating and online publishing of all documents written by or to Abraham Lincoln during his lifetime. Presented by Dr. Daniel Worthington. presidentlincoln.illinois.gov. Free. Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library, 112 N. Sixth St., 217-558-8844.

A Peek into the ISM's Closet

Thu., Feb. 4, 12-1pm. See examples of historic dresses, underpinnings, children's clothing and accessories that rarely make it into public view. A part of the Tales from the Vault Series. Advanced registration is required. illinoisstatemuseum.org. Free, but donations are welcome. 217-785-0037.

Politics

The Status of Black Lives Matter: A Shift in Policy, Culture, Justice, and Reform

Recording available Mon., Feb. 8. This UIS Engaged Citizenship Common Experience (ECCE) panel discussion is designed to encourage learning about the societal issues that inform and led to the formation and evolution of the Black Lives Matter movement. uis.edu/diversitycenter/. 217-206-6333.

Faith & Philosophy

Cor Unum First Sundays

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Children's Corner

Light the Way

Sat., Feb. 6, 7pm. See how Girls on the Run is empowering young girls to become strong women. The virtual program includes hearing from past participants, volunteer coach recognition, a silent auction and a raffle. gotrcentralillinois.org. Free. 217-726-9808.

Night Sky Super Saturday and Family Camp-In

Sat., Feb. 6, 5-8pm. Build a blanket tent, bake a mug cake, make lightning in your mouth, discover the stars and planets outside your windows and more. This online event features independent activities you can do from home as well as a live "Ask an Astronomer" virtual program. illinoisstatemuseum.org. Free. 217-782-6044.

Reading with a Ranger - Black History Month

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Live Music

3's Company

Fri., Feb. 5, 6-10pm, Curve Inn.

Angel Brown Trio

Fri., Feb. 5, 7-10:30pm, Lime Street Cafe.

Jason McKenzie Acoustic

Fri., Feb. 5, 8-11pm, Locals Bar, Pawnee.

Wowie Zowie

Sat., Feb. 6, 7:30-10:30pm, Boar's Nest, Athens.

Hat Trick Band

Sat., Feb. 6, 7-11pm, Daugherty's Pub, Chandlerville.

Jason McKenzie

Sat., Feb. 6, 9pm, The Alibi, Rochester.

Tom Beverly

Sat., Feb. 6, 6pm, Golden Fox Brewing, Decatur.

Angel Brown Trio

Sat., Feb. 6, 7-10:30pm, Lime Street Cafe.

Joel Honey

Sat., Feb. 6, 8-11pm, Mowie's Cue.

Jason McKenzie

Sun., Feb. 7, 12pm, Slaughterhouse Brewing Co., Auburn.

Timo Arthur

Mon., Feb. 8, 7pm, The Alamo.

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PNC Bank, National Association, PLAINTIFF Vs.

Dayton Leazenby; et. al., DEFENDANTS 2019CH000409

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No.: 17-CH-261

NOTICE OF COURT SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure entered by the Court in the above entitled cause the property hereinafter described or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said judgment, will be sold to the highest bidder. The sale shall be subject to Court approval. Buyer will be entitled to possession 30 days after the sale is confirmed by the Court.

(A) The name, address and telephone number of the person to contact for information regarding the real estate is:

Timothy J. Rigby
Hart, Southworth & Witsman
Suite 501, One North Old State Capitol Plaza
Springfield, Illinois 62701
Telephone: (217) 753-0055

(B) The common address and other common description, if any, of the real estate is: 2620 Adlai Stevenson Drive, Springfield, Illinois 62703

(C) The legal description of the real estate is:

Tax ID Number: 22-14-204-016

(D) A description of the improvements on the real estate is:

The property contains approximately 29,316 square feet of land or 0.67 acre improved with two, one-story buildings containing a total gross building area of 2,462 square feet. The main building is a two-bay automatic car wash containing approximately 1,862 square feet. The second is an office/equipment building containing approximately 600 square feet. The buildings are constructed on concrete slab foundations.

(E) No times have been specified in the judgment of foreclosure for inspection of the real estate prior to sale.

(F) The time and place of the sale are:

Time: 9:00 a.m. on March 2, 2021
Place: Sangamon County Courthouse

Second Floor Boardroom

200 South 9th Street

Springfield, Illinois 62701

(G) The terms of the sale are:

Cash at the time of sale.

(H) Title will be conveyed subject to any liens or encumbrances prior to the mortgage of Heartland Bank and Trust Company, as successor to State Bank of Lincoln, all general real estate taxes, special assessments if any, easements and restrictions of record, and all encroachments, if any. HEARTLAND BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, as successor to STATE BANK OF LINCOLN Timothy J. Rigby (ARDC #6225930)

Kristina B. Mucinskas (ARDC #6290296)
Hart, Southworth & Witsman
Suite 501, One North Old State Capitol Plaza
Springfield, Illinois 62701
Telephone: (217) 753-0055
trigby@hswnet.com
kmucinskas@hswnet.com

NOTE: This communication is made for the purpose of collecting a debt. Any information in response to this communication may be used for that purpose.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the estate of: Steven Edward Poole, Deceased

Case No. 2020-P-481

Letters Testamentary

Notice is given of the death of Steven Edward Poole. Letters Testamentary were issued to Craig A. Pool as Executor, whose attorney is David G. Waltrip. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Circuit Court at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, Illinois 62702, with the Executor, or with the attorney, on or before, July 21, 2021. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of the claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Executor within 10 days after it has been filed.

Paul Palazzolo
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Attorney for Estate:
Waltrip & Schmidt, LLC
8151 Clayton Rd. Suite 200
Clayton, MO. 63117

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

In the matter of the estate of:

John N. Goveia, Sr., Deceased

Case No. 2020-P-412

Claim Notice

The Court has appointed Teresa Stark as Successor Administrator of the Estate of John Goveia, Sr, deceased, who died on the 27th day of June, 2020 and such representative is authorized to sue for and collect the Personal Estate of, and debts due to Decedent, and to perform all duties imposed on the representative so far as there is property and is charged by law and to do all other acts now or hereafter required by law of said representative.

Paul Palazzolo
Clerk of the Circuit Court

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Estate of

CHARLES E. MARR, Deceased.

NO. 2021-P-36

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of Charles E. Marr of Chatham, Sangamon County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on January 21, 2021, to David C. Marr, 11 Shekelton Road, Modesto, Illinois 62692, 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 Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701, or with the representatives or both, on or before July 26, 2021, 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 21st day of January, 2021.
Randall W. Segatto - 06193211
Barber, Segatto, Hoffee, Wilke & Cate, LLP
P.O. Box 79
Springfield, IL 62705

(217) 544-4868
rsegatto@barberlaw.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Estate of

PATRICIA JONES, Deceased.

NO. 2021-P-29

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of Patricia Jones of Riverton, Sangamon County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on January 21, 2021, to Matthew Chastain, 751 E. Argonne, St. Louis, Missouri 63122, as Independent Administrator, whose attorney is Bernard G. Segatto, III, 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 Sangamon County Complex, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701, or with the representative or both, on or before July 28, 2021, 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 21st day of January, 2021.
Bernard G. Segatto, III - 06190753
Barber, Segatto, Hoffee, Wilke & Cate, LLP

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Springfield, IL 62705
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IN THE MATTER OF:

JIMMIE VOSS, Deceased.

No. 2020 P 700

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of Jimmie Voss of Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois. Letters of Administration were issued on December 22, 2020, to Nikki R. Voss, whose address is 196 Golf Road, Springfield, IL 62704, as Administrator, and whose attorney is GATES WISE SCHLOSSER & GOEBEL, 1231 South Eighth Street, Springfield, IL, 62703.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the representative, or both, within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the Attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

DATED this 22nd day of December 2020.

James R. Enlow(#6199891)
GATES WISE SCHLOSSER & GOEBEL
Attorneys at Law
1231 South Eighth Street
Springfield, Illinois 62703
Telephone: (217) 522.9010
Facsimile: (217) 522.9020
Email: jim@gwspc.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Estate of JAMES A. ATHERTON, Deceased. NO. 2021-P-44

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of James A. Atherton of Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on January 26, 2021, to Courtney Kaye Schien Kincade, 14 N. Cotton Hill Lane, Springfield, Illinois 62712, as Independent Administrator, whose attorney is Matthew J. Cate, 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 Sangamon County Complex, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701, or with the representative or both, on or before August 2, 2021, 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 26th day of January, 2021.
Matthew J. Cate - 06272040
Barber, Segatto, Hoffee, Wilke & Cate, LLP
P.O. Box 79
Springfield, IL 62705-0079
(217) 544-4868
matthewcate@barberlaw.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Estate of:

BETTY RUTH SIDENER, Deceased.

NO. 2021-P-8

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of Betty Ruth Sidener of Sangamon County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on January 14, 2021, to Raynette Manley, 200 Cantrall Street, Cantrall, Illinois 62625, and Gail Ann Rexroad, P.O. Box 111, Dawson, Illinois 62520, as Co-Executors, 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 Sangamon County Complex, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701 or with the representative or both, on or before July 21, 2021, 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 14th day of January, 2021.
Matthew J. Cate - 06272040
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

In the Matter of the Estate of:

Sharon L. Coles, Deceased.

No. 2021-P-20

NOTICE TO HEIRS AND NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF CLAIM DATE

Notice is given of the death of Sharon L. Coles of Springfield, Illinois. Letters Testamentary were issued on January 12, 2021, to Diane M. Klasinz, 2519 N. Plateau Drive, Springfield, IL 62707, as Independent Executor, whose attorney of record is DELANO LAW OFFICES, LLC, One Southeast Old State Capitol Plaza, Springfield, Illinois, 62701.

Notice is given to all known and unknown heirs of Sharon L. Coles of the entry of the Order as set forth above and of the entry of an Order declaring John J. Klasinz, Karen K. Anders and Joe A. Klasinz, as the only heirs of Sharon L. Coles.

The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under 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 may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. 9th Street, Springfield, Illinois, or with the representative, or both, within 6 months of the first day that this Notice is published, and any claim not so filed within that period 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.

Paul Palazzolo
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Sarah Delano Pavlik – 6269250
DELANO LAW OFFICES, LLC
Attorney for Executor
One Southeast Old State Capitol Plaza
Springfield, Illinois 62701
Telephone: 217-544-2703
Fax: 217-544-4664
sdpavlik@delanolaw.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS ESTATE OF

JOHN F. STEPHENSON, Deceased.

Case No.: 2020-P-607

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF CLAIMS

Notice is hereby given of the death of JOHN F. STEPHENSON, Letters of Administration were issued. The name and address of the Administrator is Connie Krall, 301 Primrose Lane, New Berlin, Illinois, 62670. James Ackerman is counsel for the Administrator. His address is Ackerman Law Office, P.C., 2601 South Fifth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62703.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of this Court at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois, 62702, or with the Administrator, or both, on or before August 8, 2021. Any claim not filed on or before August 8, 2021, is barred. Copies of the claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

Dated this 8th day of January, 2021.

Connie Krall, Administrator,
By: /s/ James W. Ackerman
James W. Ackerman
Attorney for Administrator
PREPARED BY:
James W. Ackerman (06192795)
ACKERMAN LAW OFFICE
2601 South Fifth Street
Springfield, IL 62703
(217) 789-1977
jim@ackermanlawoffices.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

In re the Estate of

ZELDA M. DAVIDSON, Deceased.

Case No. 2021-P-23

DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of Zelda M. Davidson. Letters of office have been issued to Eunice M. Davidson, 504 W. Wisconsin Ave., Grantsburg, WI 54840, as Executor, whose attorney is R. Phillip

Reed, Attorney at Law, 1129 S. Seventh St., Springfield, IL 62703. Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Sangamon County Circuit Clerk, Room 405, 200 S Ninth St., Springfield, IL 62701, or with the Executor, or both, on or before July 28, 2021, and any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Sangamon County Circuit Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Executor and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp> or talk with your local circuit clerk's office. R. PHILLIP REED Attorney at Law 1129 S. Seventh St. Springfield, IL 62703 (217) 528-7333 reedlaw@sbcglobal.net ARDC No. 2300478

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS ESTATE OF TERRY L. IMPSON, Deceased. Case No. 2021-P-038 CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given of the death of Terry L. Impson. Letters of Office were issued on January 26, 2021, to Susan Waldmire Impson of 6188 Waldmire Road, Rochester, IL 62563, as Executor, and whose attorneys are GATES WISE SCHLOSSER & GOEBEL, 1231 South Eighth Street, Springfield, IL, 62703. Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, Springfield, IL, 62701, or with the representative, or both, within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed. DATED January 29, 2021. Gordon W. Gates (#6192861) GATES WISE SCHLOSSER & GOEBEL 1231 South Eighth Street Springfield, IL 62703 Telephone: (217) 522.9010 Facsimile: (217) 522.9020 Email: gordon@gwspc.com Attorneys for the Estate

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN DREWES KRIEL, JR., Deceased. No. 2020-P-590 In Probate DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE NOTICE IS GIVEN of the death of JOHN DREWES KRIEL, JR. Letters of office were issued on October 29, 2020 to JOHN LANGSTON KRIEL, 30 Woodvale Avenue, Asheville, North Carolina 28804 and LAUREN E. KRIEL, 718 South Seventh Street, #404, Springfield, Illinois 62703, as Independent Co-Executors, whose attorney is James S. Dunn, 212 South Second Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701. Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, Room 405, 200 South Ninth Street,

Springfield, Illinois 62701, or with the representative, or both, within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, being January 21, 2021. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Circuit Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed. JOHN LANGSTON KRIEL LAUREN e. KRIEL Independent Co-Executors January 5, 2021 JAMES S. DUNN Attorney for Independent Executor JAMES S. DUNN Attorney at Law 212 South Second Street Springfield, Illinois 62701 217-528-2873 telephone

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DOROTHEA M. THRASHER, Deceased. No. 2020-P-540 In Probate DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE NOTICE IS GIVEN of the death of DOROTHEA M. THRASHER. Letters of office were issued on October 5, 2020 to RICHARD M. THRASHER, 8768 Sweetbriar Lane, Chatham, Illinois 62629 as Independent Executor, whose attorney is James S. Dunn, 212 South Second Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701. Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, Room 405, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701, or with the representative, or both, within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, being January 21, 2021. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Circuit Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed. RICHARD M. THRASHER Independent Executor January 4, 2021 JAMES S. DUNN Attorney for Independent Executor JAMES S. DUNN Attorney at Law 212 South Second Street Springfield, Illinois 62701 217-528-2873 telephone

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In re the Estate of MILTIN L. KEENE, Deceased. Case No. 2020-P-465 DEATH AND CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given of the death of Miltin L. Keene. Letters of office have been issued to Tammy Kissel, 327 Winter Park Dr., Chatham, IL 62629, as Executor. Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Sangamon County Circuit Clerk, Room 405, 200 S. Ninth St., Springfield, IL 62701, or with the Executor, or both. Copies of a claim filed with the Sangamon County Circuit Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Executor and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To efile, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp> or

talk with your local circuit clerk's office. R. PHILLIP REED Attorney at Law 1129 S. Seventh St. Springfield, IL 62703 (217) 528-7333 reedlaw@sbcglobal.net ARDC No. 2300478

STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF SANGAMON IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF NANCY R. CLARK-KULL, DECEASED. NO. 2021-P-26 NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION - CLAIMS NOTICE TO HEIRS AND LEGATEES Notice is given of the death of NANCY R. CLARK-KULL, of Springfield, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on January 19, 2021 to CONNIE L. CLARK of 2672 Bunn Drive, Springfield, Illinois 62703 whose attorney is Rammelkamp Bradney, P.C., 741 South Grand Avenue West, Springfield, Illinois 62704. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Court at Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701 or with the representative, or both, within 6 months from the 28th day of January, 2021, being the date of first publication of this Notice and any claim not filed within that period 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. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <https://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp> or talk with your local circuit clerk's office. You also have the right under Section 8-1 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/8-1) and pursuant to Section 6-11 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/6-11) to contest the validity of the Will by filing a petition with the Court within 6 months after admission of the Will to probate. Dated this 28th day of January, 2021. CONNIE L. CLARK, Executor of the Estate of NANCY R. CLARK-KULL, Deceased BY: RAMMELKAMP BRADNEY, P.C. By: Anthony J. DelGiorno Attorney Attorneys for Estate: Anthony J. DelGiorno IARDC: 6277358 Rammelkamp Bradney, P.C. 741 South Grand Avenue West Springfield, IL 62704 Telephone: (217) 522-6000 Email: Tony@rblawyers.net

STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF SANGAMON IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BETTIE L. RAPPS, DECEASED. NO. 2021-P-21 NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION - CLAIMS NOTICE TO HEIRS AND LEGATEES Notice is given of the death of BETTIE L. RAPPS, of Springfield, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on January 19, 2021, to NANCY A. RAPPS of 4119 Camomile Ln., Springfield, Illinois 62711 whose attorney is Rammelkamp Bradney, P.C., 741 South Grand Avenue West, Springfield, Illinois 62704. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Court at Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 S. Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701 or with the representative, or both,

within 6 months from the 28th day of January, 2021, being the date of first publication of this Notice and any claim not filed within that period 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. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <https://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp> or talk with your local circuit clerk's office. You also have the right under Section 8-1 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/8-1) and pursuant to Section 6-11 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/6-11) to contest the validity of the Will by filing a petition with the Court within 6 months after admission of the Will to probate. Dated this 28th day of January, 2021. NANCY A. RAPPS, Executor of the Estate of BETTIE L. RAPPS, Deceased BY: RAMMELKAMP BRADNEY, P.C. By: Anthony J. DelGiorno Attorney Attorneys for Estate: Anthony J. DelGiorno IARDC: 6277358 Rammelkamp Bradney, P.C. 741 South Grand Avenue West Springfield, IL 62704 Telephone: (217) 522-6000 Email: Tony@rblawyers.net

STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF SEVENTH IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JANICE M. MILLER, DECEASED. NO. 2021-P-28 NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION - CLAIMS Notice is given of the death of JANICE M. MILLER, of Springfield, Illinois. Letters of Independent Administration were issued on January 19, 2021, to CONNIE E. FRITZ, 87 Buchhorn Dr. Springfield, IL 62707 and ASHLEY D. MILLER, 1221 Governor, Apt. #9, Springfield, IL 62704. The attorney for the Independent Co-Administrators is Rammelkamp Bradney, P.C., 741 South Grand Avenue West, Springfield, IL 62704. The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under Section 28-4 of the Probate Act any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the Clerk of the Court. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Court at the Sangamon County Building Complex, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the representative, or both, within 6 months from the 28th day of January, 2021, being the date of first publication of this Notice and any claim not filed within that period 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. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <https://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp> or talk with your local circuit clerk's office. Dated this 28th day of January, 2021.

CONNIE E. FRITZ and ASHLEY D. MILLER, as Independent Co-Administrators of the Estate of JANICE M. MILLER, Deceased BY: RAMMELKAMP BRADNEY, P.C. By: Anthony J. DelGiorno, of Counsel Attorneys for Estate: RAMMELKAMP BRADNEY, P.C. Anthony J. DelGiorno, Attorney IL ARDC No. 6277358 741 South Grand Avenue West Springfield, IL 62704 Telephone: (217) 522-6000 Fax: (217) 522-6018 E-mail tony@rblawyers.net

STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF SANGAMON IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JO ANNE TIBBS, deceased. No. 2021-P-000017 CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given of the death of JO ANNE TIBBS Letters of Office were issued on January 25, 2021, to DEBRA C. STRONG, whose address is 401 W. Harpole Street, Williamsville, IL 62693, as Independent Executor, whose attorneys are KNUPPPEL & LINDNER, 124 West Market Street, Havana, Illinois 62644. Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Court, SANGAMON County Courthouse, South 9th Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the representative of the estate, or both, within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this Claim Notice, or three (3) months from the date of mailing or delivery of notice, whichever is later, and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within Ten (10) days after it has been filed. DATED this 28th day of January, 2021. /s/ BLAKE LINDNER, Attorney KNUPPPEL & LINDNER Attorneys at Law 124 West Market Street Havana, Illinois 62644 Phone: (309) 543-2291 Fax: (309) 543-6819

STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF SANGAMON IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES ROBERT TIBBS, SR., deceased. No. 2021-P-000016 CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given of the death of JAMES ROBERT TIBBS, SR. Letters of Office were issued on January 25, 2021, to DEBRA C. STRONG, whose address is 401 W. Harpole Street, Williamsville, IL 62693, as Independent Executor, whose attorneys are KNUPPPEL & LINDNER, 124 West Market Street, Havana, Illinois 62644. Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Court, Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, IL 62701, or with the representative of the estate, or both, within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this Claim Notice, or three (3) months from the date of mailing or delivery of notice, whichever is later, and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within Ten (10) days after it has been filed. DATED this 28th day of January, 2021. /s/ Blake Lindner, Attorney KNUPPPEL & LINDNER Attorneys at Law

124 West Market Street Havana, Illinois 62644 Phone: (309) 543-2291 Fax: (309) 543-6819.

STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY Re: the marriage of Lolita Johnson. Petitioner and Corey Miller, Respondent Case No. 2020-D-576 NOTICE BY PUBLICATION Notice is given you Corey Miller, Respondent herein, that this cause has been commenced against you in this court asking for a dissolution of marriage and other relief. Unless you file your response or otherwise file your appearance in this cause in the office of the Circuit Clerk of Sangamon County, in Springfield, Illinois on or before the 21st day of February, 2021 a judgment of dissolution of marriage and other relief may be granted as prayed for in the Petition. Paul Palazzolo Circuit Clerk

STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY Re: the marriage of Tony E. Smith. Petitioner and Candace White, Respondent Case No. 2020-D-612 NOTICE BY PUBLICATION Notice is given you Candace White, Respondent herein, that this cause has been commenced against you in this court asking for a dissolution of marriage and other relief. Unless you file your response or otherwise file your appearance in this cause in the office of the Circuit Clerk of Sangamon County, in Springfield, Illinois on or before the 28th day of February, 2021 a judgment of dissolution of marriage and other relief may be granted as prayed for in the Petition. Paul Palazzolo Circuit Clerk

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of JANNA SUE SCHORFHEIDE For change of name to JANNA SUE JACKSON Case NO.: 2020-MR-188 PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby given that on March 16, 2021 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from JANNA SUE SCHORFHEIDE to JANNA SUE JACKSON pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: January 21, 2021

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of BRYANT WILLIAMS AND KY'AIRRE SIMMONS For change of name to BRYANT HOLDER AND KY'AIRRE HOLDER Case NO.: 2020-MR-1266 PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby given that on March 16, 2021 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from BRYANT WILLIAMS AND KY'AIRRE

SIMMONS TO BRYANT HOLDER AND KY'AIIRRE HOLDER pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: January 21, 2021

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the matter of the Petition of TORI TIFFANI GUPPY

For change of name to AURORA BOREALIS GUPPY WEIL Case NO.: 2021-MR-103 PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on March 30, 2021 I will petition in said Court praying for the change of name from TORI TIFFANI GUPPY to AURORA BOREALIS GUPPY WEIL pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: January 28, 2021

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY - SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS PNC Bank, National Association, PLAINTIFF

Vs.

Dayton Leazenby; et. al., DEFENDANTS 2019CH00409

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 02/26/2020, the Sheriff of Sangamon County, Illinois will on March 2, 2021 at the hour of 9:00 AM at in the Second Floor Boardroom of the Sangamon County Courthouse 200 South 9th Street Springfield, IL 62701, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of Sangamon and State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate: LOT THIRTY-SEVEN (37) IN MERRYLAND SECOND ADDITION. EXCEPT ANY INTEREST IN THE COAL, OIL, GAS AND OTHER MINERALS UNDERLYING THE LAND WHICH HAVE BEEN HERETOFORE CONVEYED OR RESERVED IN PRIOR CONVEYANCES, AND ALL RIGHTS AND EASEMENTS IN FAVOR OF THE ESTATE OF SAID COAL, OIL, GAS AND OTHER MINERALS, IF ANY. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

PIN 22-02.0-277-013

Improved with Residential

COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 2600 Willow Dr Springfield, IL 62703

Sale terms: 10% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the auction; The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

If the property is a condominium and the foreclosure takes place after 1/1/2007, purchasers other than the mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).

If the property is located in a common interest community, purchasers other than mortgagees will be required to

pay any assessment and legal fees due under the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, 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 successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.

The property will NOT be open for inspection and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.

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: Examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: Codilis & Associates, P.C., 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100, Burr Ridge, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876. Please refer to file number 14-19-11495. I3162760

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

WILLIAMSVILLE STATE BANK & TRUST, Plaintiff,

vs.

CHRISTINA GUFFEY-JOY AKA CHRISTINA R. GUFFEY-JOY and ANDREW A. JOY, Defendants.

CASE NO. 20-CH-178

PROPERTY ADDRESS:

2608 SOUTH WALNUT ST.

SPRINGFIELD, IL 62704

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Andrew A. Joy, Defendant, this case has been commenced in this Court against you and others, asking for foreclosure of the Mortgage held by the Plaintiff on the property located at 2608 South Walnut St., Springfield, IL 62704, more particularly described as:

LOT 365 OF THE HIGHLANDS, A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE NORTH HALF OF SECTION 9, TOWNSHIP 15 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN. EXCEPT ALL COAL, MINERALS AND FIRE-CLAY AND MINING RIGHTS HERETOFORE CONVEYED OF RECORD. SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Permanent Index Number: 22-09.0-127-005 fka 22-09-127-005

Commonly known as: 2608 South Walnut St., Springfield, IL 62704

UNLESS YOU FILE your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this cause in the Office of the Clerk of this Court at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, IL 62701-1629 on or before March 1, 2021, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR RELIEF ASKED IN THE COMPLAINT FOR FORECLOSURE.

CLERK OF THE COURT

THIS COMMUNICATION IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT, AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Julie Beyers (#6217185)

HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC

Attorneys at Law

P.O. Box 740

Decatur, IL 62525

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Veronika J. Miles (#6313161)

Email: Non-CookPleadings@hsbattys.com

Telephone: (217) 422-1719

Facsimile: (217) 422-1754

20CH178

THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS SECURITY BANK, Plaintiff,

vs.

UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF CLARENCE T. UNTHANK, DECEASED,

UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS AND LIENHOLDERS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF CLARENCE T. UNTHANK, DECEASED, UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS AND LIENHOLDERS

AGAINST THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF CLARENCE T. UNTHANK, DECEASED, JOHN L. UNTHANK, MICHAEL C. UNTHANK, RICHARD A. UNTHANK, KATHY A. UNTHANK and WILLIAM P. BUTCHER, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF CLARENCE T. UNTHANK, DECEASED, Defendants.

CASE NO. 20-CH-132

PROPERTY ADDRESS:

1324 N. 3RD ST.

SPRINGFIELD, IL 62702

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Unknown Heirs and Devisees of Clarence T. Unthank, deceased, Unknown Claimants and Lienholders Against the Estate of Clarence T. Unthank, deceased and Unknown Claimants and Lienholders Against the Unknown Heirs and Devisees of Clarence T. Unthank, deceased, Defendants, this case has been commenced in this Court against you and others, asking for foreclosure of the Mortgage held by the Plaintiff on the property located at 1324 N. 3rd St., Springfield, IL 62702, more particularly described as:

i. The names of all plaintiffs and the case number are identified above.

ii. The court in which said action was brought is identified above.

iii. The names of the title holders of record are: Heirs and Devisees of Clarence T. Unthank, deceased

iv. A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows:

THE NORTH 31 FEET AND 9 INCHES OF LOT 11, IN BLOCK 2, OF WESTENBERGER'S SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE WEST HALF OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, TOGETHER WITH THE RIGHT TO USE THE DRIVEWAY AS LOCATED ON THE SOUTH PART OF ADJOINING LOT 12 IN SAID SUBDIVISION, FOR THE PURPOSE OF INGRESS AND EGRESS ONLY.

SITUATED IN SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Permanent Index Number: 14-22.0-353-007

v. A common address or description of the location for the real estate is as follows:

1324 N. 3rd St., Springfield, IL 62702

vi. An identification of the mortgage sought to be foreclosed is as follows:

Names of the Mortgagors: Clarence T. Unthank

Names of the Mortgagee: Security Bank

Date of the Mortgage: August 6, 2014

Date of the recording: August 12, 2014

County where recorded: Sangamon County

Recording document identification:

Document No. 2014R21160

UNLESS YOU FILE your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this cause in the Office of the Clerk of this Court at the Sangamon County Courthouse, 200 South 9th Street, Springfield, IL 62701-1629 on or before March 1, 2021, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR RELIEF ASKED IN THE COMPLAINT FOR FORECLOSURE.

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In the Circuit Court

For the Seventh Judicial Circuit of Illinois

Sangamon County, Springfield, Illinois

Emily Bridgewater. Petitioner

vs.

Antoine Howard, Defendant

Case 2020-F-376

Notice is given you, Antoine Howard for Petition of full custody and for other relief. Unless you file your Answer or otherwise file your Appearance in this case in the Office of the Circuit Clerk of Sangamon County, 200 South Ninth St., Room 405, Springfield, Illinois 62701 on or before February 5, 2021, a judgment or decree by default may be taken against you for the relief asked in the complaint.

Paul Palazzolo

Clerk of the Court

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

HEARTLAND BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, as successor to STATE BANK OF LINCOLN, Plaintiff,

v.

EXTREME CLEAN CAR WASH, LLC, an Illinois limited liability company, PAUL R. BEYER, DANIEL L. SPLAIN, DAVID E. JACOBS, DENISE L. JACOBS, UNKNOWN TENANTS, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.

No.: 17-CH-261

NOTICE OF COURT SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure entered by the Court in the above entitled cause the property hereinafter described or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said judgment, will be sold to the highest bidder. The sale shall be subject to Court approval. Buyer will be entitled to possession 30 days after the sale is confirmed by the Court.

(A) The name, address and telephone number of the person to contact for information regarding the real estate is: Timothy J. Rigby

Hart, Southworth & Witsman

Suite 501, One North Old State Capitol Plaza

Springfield, Illinois 62701

Telephone: (217) 753-0055

(B) The common address and other common description, if any, of the real estate is:

2620 Adlai Stevenson Drive, Springfield, Illinois 62703

(C) The legal description of the real estate is:

Part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 14, Township 15 North, Range 5 west of the Third Principal Meridian, described as follows: Commencing at the Northeast corner of said Northwest Quarter Northeast Quarter; thence West along the North line of said Northwest Quarter Northeast Quarter, 4.07 feet to the intersection of the centerline of West Lake Shore Drive, said point being 25.00 feet North of the centerline of Stevenson Drive; thence South along the centerline of West Lake Shore Drive, 200.00 feet to a point; thence Westeryly and parallel with the centerline of Stevenson Drive, a distance of 46.00 feet to a set iron pin on the Westerly right-of-way of West Lake Shore Drive, a distance of 100.00 feet to a set iron pin being 50.00 feet Northerly of the North line of Lot 9 of Lake Plaza Subdivision; thence West and parallel with the centerline of Stevenson Drive, a distance of 234.00 feet to a set iron pin lying 50.00 feet North of the North line of Lot 12 of Lake Plaza Subdivision; thence North and parallel with the centerline of West Lake Shore Drive, a distance of 222.00 feet to a set iron pin on the South right-of-way of Stevenson Drive, thence East and parallel with the centerline of Stevenson Drive, a distance of 50.00 feet to a set iron pin on the South right-of-way of Stevenson Drive; thence South and parallel with the centerline of West Lake Shore Drive, a distance of 122.00 feet to a found iron pin; thence East and parallel with the centerline of Stevenson Drive, a distance of 184.00 feet to the point of beginning.

Except the coal and other minerals underlying the surface of said land and all rights and easements in favor of the estate of said coal and minerals. Situated in Sangamon County, Illinois. Tax ID Number: 22-14-204-016

(D) A description of the improvements on the real estate is:

The property contains approximately 29,316 square feet of land or 0.67 acre improved with two, one-story buildings containing a total gross building area of 2,462 square feet. The main building is a two-bay automatic car wash containing approximately 1,862 square feet. The second is an office/equipment building containing approximately 600 square feet. The buildings are constructed on concrete slab foundations.

(E) No times have been specified in the judgment of foreclosure for inspection of the real estate prior to sale.

(F) The time and place of the sale are: Time: 9:00 a.m. on March 2, 2021

Place: Sangamon County Courthouse Second Floor Boardroom

200 South 9th Street Springfield, Illinois 62701

(G) The terms of the sale are: Cash at the time of sale.

(H) Title will be conveyed subject to any liens or encumbrances prior to the mortgage of Heartland Bank and Trust Company, as successor to State Bank of Lincoln, all general real estate taxes, special assessments if any, easements and restrictions of record, and all encroachments, if any.

HEARTLAND BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, as successor to STATE BANK OF LINCOLN

Timothy J. Rigby (ARDC #6225930)

Kristina B. Mucinskas (ARDC #6290296)

Hart, Southworth & Witsman

Suite 501, One North Old State Capitol Plaza

Springfield, Illinois 62701

Telephone: (217) 753-0055

trigby@hswnet.com

kmucinskas@hswnet.com

NOTE: This communication is made for

the purpose of collecting a debt. Any information obtained in response to this communication may be used for that purpose. 17CH216

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

A private sale will be held to enforce self-storage lien in default of payment of past-due rent at noon on February 5, 2021 by Dave's Space Station, 3955 Peoria Road, Springfield, IL. Tenant must pay in full by this date.

#14 APRIL FRANKLIN

For more information regarding the sale call 217-502-9393

The Unit Storage 4823 Rodger Street

Springfield, IL 62703

To: Kimberly Luster, Springfield, IL Unit #95

To pay past-due rents, please call 217.391.3533. Private sale will be held February 12, 2021 @ 8:00am at The Unit Storage, 4823 Rodger Street, Springfield, IL 62703. For information regarding sale, please call 217.391.3533.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

In the interest of THOMAS AND FEARS CHILDREN, minors

Case No: 20-JA-210-212

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN CHRISTINA FEARS AND UNKNOWN FATHERS, respondents, and to all whom it may concern, that on August 12, 2020 a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by State's Attorney's Office in this court and that in courtroom of Judge Karen Tharp or any judge sitting in her stead in Room 7A of Sangamon County Complex, 200 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois, on APRIL 21, 2021 at 9:00 AM hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minors declared to be wards of the court and for other relief under the Act. THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINORS. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND THE APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILDREN. UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause to the contrary, AN ORDER OR JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF ASKED IN THE PETITION. UNLESS YOU APPEAR AT THE HEARING, YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO FURTHER WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE PROCEEDINGS IN THIS CASE, INCLUDING THE FILING OF AN AMENDED PETITION OR MOTION TO TERMINATE PARENTAL RIGHTS.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SANGAMON COUNTY

Doyle F. Boyd, Petitioner

vs.

Leonardo H. White, Respondent

Case No: 2020-OP-2288

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

Leonardo White, this cause has been commenced against you in this Court asking for an Order of Protection. Unless you file your Answer or otherwise file your Appearance in this cause in the Office of the Circuit Clerk of Sangamon County, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth St., Room 405, Springfield, Illinois, on or before March 4, 2021, a judgment or decree by default may be

taken against you for the relief asked in the complaint.
Paul Palazzolo
Clerk of the Court
Date: January 28, 2021

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY
Uniquika Boyd, Petitioner
vs.
Leonardo White, Respondent
Case No: 2020-OP-2289
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

Leonardo White, this cause has been commenced against you in this Court asking for an Order of Protection. Unless you file your Answer or otherwise file your Appearance in this cause in the Office of the Circuit Clerk of Sangamon County, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth St., Room 405, Springfield, Illinois, on or before March 4, 2021, a judgment or decree by default may be taken against you for the relief asked in the complaint.
Paul Palazzolo
Clerk of the Court
Date: January 28, 2020

STATE OF ILLINOIS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY
Britney Hicks, Petitioner
vs.
Ronald Hudgins, Jr., Respondent
Case No: 2020-OP-2247
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

Ronald Hudgins, Jr., this cause has been commenced against you in this Court asking for an Order of Protection. Unless you file your Answer or otherwise file your Appearance in this cause in the Office of the Circuit Clerk of Sangamon County, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth St., Room 405, Springfield, Illinois, on or before March 11, 2021, a judgment or decree by default may be taken against you for the relief asked in the complaint.
Paul Palazzolo
Clerk of the Court
Date: February 4, 2021

STATE OF ILLINOIS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY
Carlisa Palmer, Petitioner
vs.
Thomas Crawford, Respondent
Case No: 2020-OP-2138
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

Thomas Crawford, this cause has been commenced against you in this Court asking for an Order of Protection. Unless you file your Answer or otherwise file your Appearance in this cause in the Office of the Circuit Clerk of Sangamon County, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth St., Room 405, Springfield, Illinois, on or before February 25, 2021, a judgment or decree by default may be taken against you for the relief asked in the complaint.
Paul Palazzolo
Clerk of the Court
Date: January 21, 2021

STATE OF ILLINOIS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY
Carlisa Palmer, Petitioner
vs.
Danielle Crawford, Respondent
Case No: 2020-OP-2137
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
Danielle Crawford, this cause has been

commenced against you in this Court asking for an Order of Protection. Unless you file your Answer or otherwise file your Appearance in this cause in the Office of the Circuit Clerk of Sangamon County, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth St., Room 405, Springfield, Illinois, on or before February 25, 2021, a judgment or decree by default may be taken against you for the relief asked in the complaint.
Paul Palazzolo
Clerk of the Court
Date: January 28, 2021

STATE OF ILLINOIS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY
Christina Hammer, Petitioner
vs.
Adam Santos, Respondent
Case No: 2020-OP-2116
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

Adam Santos, this cause has been commenced against you in this Court asking for an Order of Protection. Unless you file your Answer or otherwise file your Appearance in this cause in the Office of the Circuit Clerk of Sangamon County, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth St., Room 405, Springfield, Illinois, on or before February 18, 2021, a judgment or decree by default may be taken against you for the relief asked in the complaint.
Paul Palazzolo
Clerk of the Court
Date: January 28, 2021

STATE OF ILLINOIS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
SANGAMON COUNTY
Tyona Glenn, Petitioner
vs.
Edward Lamar Boyd, Respondent
Case No: 2020-OP-2415
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

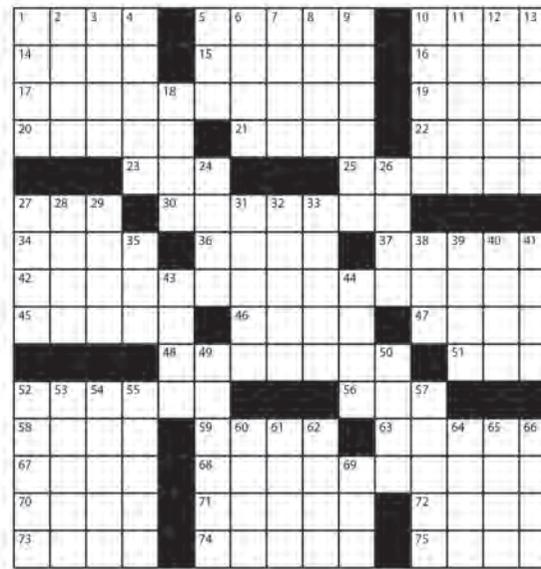
Edward Lamar Boyd, this cause has been commenced against you in this Court asking for an Order of Protection. Unless you file your Answer or otherwise file your Appearance in this cause in the Office of the Circuit Clerk of Sangamon County, Sangamon County Complex, 200 S. Ninth St., Room 405, Springfield, Illinois, on or before February 25, 2021, a judgment or decree by default may be taken against you for the relief asked in the complaint.
Paul Palazzolo
Clerk of the Court
Date: January 21, 2021

Middle names

Edited by J. Reynolds - No. 674

Across

1. Prayer pronoun
5. Brainstorms
10. Yemen's capital
14. Hurdles for srs.
15. Friars Club event
16. In addition
17. Part of a multistep process
19. "Waiting for Robert ___"
20. MS. enclosures
21. Czech or Serb
22. Vena ___
23. Letters on a Cardinal's cap
25. Summer complaint
27. Epitome of simplicity
30. Don't mind
34. Weaving machine
36. Awaken
37. Highways
42. Certain battle participant
45. Taste, e.g.
46. Jared of "Panic Room"
47. ___ knot
48. Cut short
51. Mag. team
52. Royal home
56. Cry loudly
58. Anger, with "up"
59. Male turkeys
63. Jolt and RC. for two
67. Pub pints
68. Hot stuff
70. Convene
71. Great white ___
72. Cheers



73. Attention-getters
74. Expert
75. Takes to court
18. Founded: Abbr.
24. "Schindler's ___"
26. Model Banks
27. FDR opponent
28. Yawner
29. "Fargo" director
31. Pen. to Pierre
32. Edmonton skater
33. Three-time A.L. batting champ
35. ___ amis
38. Pick, with "for"
39. "... blackbirds baked in ___"
40. Doing ___
41. Ladies of Spain: Abbr.
43. Envelope closer
44. Some deer
49. "You ___!"
50. Some HMO personnel
52. Writer's woe
53. Media whiz
54. Winter hazard
55. Lab work
57. Swine
60. Expressed surprise
61. Goopy ground
62. Hogwash
64. Island feast
65. Advil target
66. Meeting: Abbr.
69. Bad result for a QB

Down

1. Dosage abbr.
2. "Funny!"
3. Itinerary info
4. Some hook shapes
5. N.Y.C. subway syst.
6. Simpson sounds
7. Lady's man
8. Fishing, perhaps
9. Singer Nicks
10. Pair of lenses
11. To whom a Muslim prays
12. ___ Laredo, Mexico
13. "Save me ___"

Puzzle answers from this week will appear here next week



Crossword answers from #673

2	9	1	3	4	7	5	8	6
4	7	5	8	1	6	2	9	3
3	6	8	2	5	9	4	7	1
9	1	3	6	2	4	7	5	8
7	4	6	5	3	8	1	2	9
8	5	2	7	9	1	6	3	4
1	3	7	4	8	2	9	6	5
6	8	4	9	7	5	3	1	2
5	2	9	1	6	3	8	4	7

Sudoku answers from #673

2	3	6	1	4	5
3	1	2	5	6	4
6	2	1	4	5	3
4	6	5	3	2	1
1	5	4	6	3	2
5	4	3	2	1	6

JoshJosh answers from #673

JoshJosh

by J. Reynolds - No. 674

Fill the grid with digits so as not to repeat a digit in any row or column, and so that the digits within each heavily outlined box will produce the target number shown, by using addition, subtraction, multiplication or division, as indicated in the box. A 6x6 grid will use 1-6.

4-	2+	2-	40x		
			6x		2÷
120x			3		
2-		2+		2-	
2+		1-		14+	
2+		30x			

Difficulty hard

Sudoku

No. 674

Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusive.

8		1	9	6	
1				7	
	6		4		
	7	9	5		3
	1				9
3			6		8
	3	4	7		
2	5				1
				9	

Difficulty medium



217 SAVORY AND SWEET WEEK



FEBRUARY 8-14, 2021

Incredibly Delicious Bakery & Café

925 S. Seventh St., Springfield
217-528-8548
Dine-in and curbside takeout

Incredibly Delicious will feature three choices, each only \$5.

Neapolitan Mousse – chocolate roulade with strawberry mousse, whipped cream and chocolate curls.

Chocolate Japonaise – cocoa meringue, chocolate mousse and chocolate shavings.

Mango Cake Cups – coconut cake, tropical fruit and mango mousse.

Nothing Bundt Cakes

2476 Wabash Ave., next to Red Wing Shoes, Springfield
217-210-7450

Two-Bundtlet Tower

A chocolate chocolate chip two-bundtlet tower beautifully wrapped with red velvet. This one-of-a-kind treat will be tied with a white ribbon, have a custom sentiment flag and include a personal message card from a local celebrity. Treat yourself or give it to that special someone!

Scoop Du Jour

217-697-8327
95 Plummer Blvd., Chatham

Shareable Strawberry Shortcake for only \$5 all week.

Fluffy buttermilk biscuit topped with French vanilla ice cream, fresh macerated strawberries and whipped cream.

Route 66 Motorheads Bar, Grill & Museum

600 Toronto Road, Springfield
217-679-7323

Moto-Mac Chili Mac 4-way

Spaghetti smothered in Motorheads' homemade chili and homemade cheese sauce, topped with shredded cheese, then baked and finished with mac sauce.

Curve Inn

3219 S. Sixth Street Road B
217-529-5806

Zesty Jalapeño Burger

1/2lb house-savory seasoned burger topped with pepper jack cheese, house-made jalapeño relish and jalapeño stuffed cheese nuggets. \$7 with choice of side included.

Moroleon Tropical

1101 Wabash Ave.
217-679-0879

Enchiladas Moroleon

Two enchiladas with your choice of savory chicken, beef or cheese, served with rice, beans, chips and salsa.

Plantain Supreme Nachos

Fried sliced plantain with lettuce, ground beef, pico de gallo and salsa. Served with chips and salsa.

Strawberry Moroleon Margarita

Tequila, watermelon and strawberry liqueurs, a splash of lemonade and Sprite, served on the rocks with a fresh strawberry garnish.



\$5/\$7

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